

NEW YORK MAN BUYS WILLOW FLAT LAND

Real estate sales made during the week by W. S. Nichol are 60 acres belonging to himself to F. X. Arens, of New York City. The property, which is in Willow Flat was sold for \$14,500. Thirty-seven acres of it are in trees one to three years old. Six acres adjoining the Nichol tract were also bought by Mr. Arens from Walter Austin, as a building site, for \$600. The orchard will be put in charge of Mr. Arens' son.

The sale of a ten acre tract near Dee belonging to A. Wilson, at the Mt. Hood depot, is also reported by Nichol to J. L. Carter. The consideration involved was \$2,100.

The above sales followed the sale of 20 acres of the Cutler Bros' place.

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including the house to W. H. Johnson, of Philadelphia, for \$30,000; and also the sale of 43 acres belonging to A. B. Combs, in the Willow Flat district, to W. G. Cruse of Portland, for \$5,000. The latter is unimproved and Mr. Cruse will take possession and improve it at once. Nichol's total sales during the past ten days aggregate \$52,200.

VENTURESOME COUGAR CAUSES EXCITEMENT

Reports that a cougar accompanied by two cubs had invaded the city Friday caused considerable excitement and started several parties out to look for the animal. They returned, however, without being able to get a shot at the venturesome denizen of the forest.

The cougar was first seen emerging from the Indian Creek canyon by a resident of the Heights, who promptly reported its appearance to a number of hunters living on the hill. It is thought that the animal had followed the wooded creek to town unaware that it lead into the heart of the city.

Extension of Oak Street West
The city surveyor will begin the survey of Oak street, west from Tenth street to Thirteenth street, through what is known as the Batchelder tract, this week; and the tract lying between Oak street, Cascade avenue, Tenth and Thirteenth streets will be subdivided into building lots and put on the market. These lots can be bought at special prices now, but prices will be advanced September 15th. For prices and particulars phone 224-L or call at 1012 State street.

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CITY WATER SUIT OPENS FOR TRIAL

The city water condemnation suit, which was begun here yesterday in the circuit court, saw most of the first day taken up with getting a jury. The process was a tedious one and many of the jurors were challenged for various reasons. In passing on jurors John A. Lang, of Portland, and A. A. Jayne represented the water company, and Stearns & Derby the city. Judge Bradshaw is presiding.

The pleadings in the case show that the city has not placed a value on the plant, but will rely on the report of the experts. It has examining the property. The value placed on the property by the water company is \$80,000, which amount it asks be awarded as the damages. As the company has agreed to take \$42,500 as the maximum price, its claim for \$80,000 is not being regarded seriously.

With the lengthy reports of experts for both sides, and other features, the case is expected to occupy most of the week.

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BALLET DANCERS.

Long Training and a Ceaseless Grind of Hard Work Are Theirs.
The modern imperial ballet schools of St. Petersburg and Moscow are under government control, forming, with the theaters and dramatic schools, a department of the ministry of the court. Pupils, both male and female, are entered at the early age of ten years— seldom older. After the necessary nomination has been obtained—by no means an easy matter nowadays—a stringent examination regarding health, strength, beauty of form and natural gracefulness has to be passed before the child is finally accepted. From the time it becomes an inmate the whole of its education, secular and artistic, is taken in hand, and some years of training are necessary before it is considered ripe to appear in public.

The dancer's life is a ceaseless round of hard work. All, even great artists, when at home take regular daily lessons in addition to the daily rehearsals for the next performance which are demanded, however old and well known the ballet. Thus an average of five to six hours' dancing a day is rather the rule than the exception, popular ballerinas in demand at charity performances and artistic at homes often dancing as much as eight hours in the twenty-four.

Trained artists are kept to design in every detail of period and subject, the dresses, scenery and accessories—a task obviously requiring much imagination and much knowledge—and often as many as 100 personages appear on the stage at the same time. Even the orchestra leaders qualify especially for ballet music, having no place in the orchestra at any other time.—London World.

THE FOURTH DIMENSION.

To Catch a Glimpse of It Just Get Delirium Tremens.
The majority of us are like brutes. We believe but in the reality of things. Science, more hospitable, acknowledges the fourth dimension and with it the constant parade before our eyes of things and events ordinarily unseen. The phenomena of delirium tremens forms a case in point. The shapes which the layman believes the patient only imagines are really seen and are rendered visible through the excitation of the pineal gland, which now is the rudimentary organ of what once was psychic vision. Alcohol stimulates this gland. The drunkard in his aftercups sees with it the hideousness of shapes which his own hideousness has attracted to him. For they are there, or, rather, they are here, about us in the fourth dimension, precisely as there are other shapes as graceful as these are revolting. Only ordinarily we do not see them. There are, though, those who can and do, and without being drunkards either.

Thinkers as sober as Levens and Babbage go a bit further. They will, if you let them, tell you that whatever occurs in the privacy of a room remains photographed in it. A mere extension of this enables occultists to say that nothing has ever occurred anywhere which is not also photographed; that in the ether above us is the great picture gallery of the world.

In India, at Adyar, the chief lieu of theosophy, this gallery is constantly being studied. The results, occasionally bizarre, are sometimes trivial. It has been found that Herbert Spencer was Aristotle; Gladstone, Cleo; Tennyson, Ovid.—Edgar Saltus in Forum.

Opened His Eyes to the Future.
"Dickie, I'm awfully sorry you use tobacco. I don't like it, and mamma simply loathes it. Will you stop when we are married?"
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"I wouldn't care for myself," answered the girl, "but you know it makes mamma deathly sick."
"Well, then," he promised cheerfully, "I'll tell you what I'll do. I'll never smoke when your mamma is with us." She threw her arms around him. "Darling," she murmured, "that's so good of you! I was afraid you'd insist on smoking once in awhile after we were married."—New York Globe.

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FOREST FIRES DRIVE GAME INTO OPEN

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