

COST IS TOO GREAT
Complaint Made About First Street Bridge.

PROPERTY-OWNERS PROTEST
They Hold That Apportionment of Expenses is Unjust—Contractor Wakefield Denies That the Profits Are Excessive.

WILL RUN NIGHT AND DAY.
Peninsula Lumber Company to Put a Night Shift of One Hundred Men.
Manager Fowler, of the Peninsula Lumber Company, states that the company will put on a night force of 100 men at once and operate the mill at night. This will give a force of 200 men. All the improvements and additions to the Peninsula sawmill are completed, and next year the big box factory and second sawmill will be erected just north of the present plant, with the cable tramway between.

LOGS MAY BE HIGHER
Price Is Expected to Go Up Before Spring.

LARGE COMPANIES SHUT DOWN
Present Supply Is Expected to Be Exhausted Before Logging Begins, and Then Mills May Grant Slight Increase.

EXPERT IS AT WORK
Charles S. Bihler Is Busy Inspecting Bridge.

WILL FINISH WORK THIS WEEK
Similar Investigation Is to Be Made as to Willamette Heights and South Portland Bridges by Experts Yet to Be Chosen.

SEES GREAT FUTURE FOR STATE
Californian Lauds Oregon After Regaining Lost Health Here.

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After spending six months in Oregon, where his falling health was greatly benefited, J. R. Patterson is about to return to his home in Pasadena, Cal. He leaves with great praise for Oregon's resources and Oregon's climatic conditions and takes an optimistic view of the state's future. While in Oregon, Mr. Patterson took an interest in the land, secured certain implements which are to revolutionize farming in Oregon.

BRIT-NELSON—BLACK PATTI.
The returns of the Britt-Nelson fight will be received by special wire at the Empire tonight and read during the evening.

PADEREWSKI IS COMING.
Famous Pianist Will Appear in Portland in January.



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New Vaudeville Bills
The Baker.
The show at the Baker last night opened with the new illustrated songs, as a vehicle to present themselves, an act developed deeply into legend and hypnotic influences. As the curtain fell the audience wondered how the illusion was worked. It was a new illustrated song, the three, Marston for heavily built men, do remarkably well in their tumbling. The Keely sisters make a decided hit in a clever song and dance act. The bill closed with the watermelon pie and some of these features were really the best things of the evening's performance. George Odole and the College Trio did not appear last night, but will be on the bill this afternoon.

A VETERAN PIANO MANUFACTURER DEAD
THE LATE W. W. KIMBALL.
In the death of W. W. Kimball, the piano trade loses one of its oldest and most honored members. He was the founder and head of the famous W. W. Kimball Company, the largest and most extensive in the world manufacturing pianos, reed and pipe-organs. He began the retail piano business in a small way in Chicago some time before the great fire. In this catastrophe he lost his entire stock. He immediately resumed business, however, opening warehouses in his residence, No. 1941 Michigan avenue, in 1881 he began the manufacture of organs, and three years later enlarged his factory to include the production of pianos.

Before long the present available supply will begin to run short, and it is expected that before the logging companies begin operations in the Spring, the mills will be bidding in competition for them. The millmen, knowing the limited supply of logs, are offering a price for logs simultaneously with the higher price for lumber, which they have indicated they will charge shortly after the first of the year.

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AWAKES IN SEATTLE HOSPITAL
W. H. Whorton, Who Disappeared in September, Is in Seattle.
W. H. Whorton, who disappeared from his home on Belmont street several months ago, has been located in Seattle. It has developed that his disappearance was an unusual one, and that he had come home after returning from work in the woods because of ill-health, and knew nothing more until he recovered consciousness in a Seattle hospital. He was in a very bad condition, but he states that it was some time before he was able to be about. He has since recovered his health and is now employed in Seattle. His Portland friends, who searched for him, will be glad to learn that he has come to him and that he has recovered. Whorton was well known in Portland, where he worked for a number of years as a landscape gardener.

ARCADIE.
There is a pretty little girl at the Arcade this week named Fern Hart, not more than 7 or 8 years old. Fern is a very graceful and expert performer on the trapeze. Her work will be welcomed by grown-up folks and children. The Fairchilds are good society sketch artists, who make a hit in the entertainment line. Kitchie and Richards, a Jap and American, are hand-balancers who do clean, rapid acrobatic work. Both of them are at home when it comes to turning flips and to exercises requiring strength of limb and muscle. Both men are first class in their development. There is only one Irene Franklin, comely player, and the pure, even, swelling tone she emits from her cornet is alone worth the price of admission. She played, among other music, "For All Humanity" and "rag-time selection, "Alexander," responding to three encores. Casper and Jones, in blackface, are the funny men of the bill, and George and Annie sing an attractive song, "In Old Ireland, Meet Me There." The bluejackets are lively and exciting.

THE BIJOU.
Rarely does the vaudeville stage get a man of the stamp of the caricaturist, the great Weston, who performs at the Bijou this week. He is familiar with the leading characters of history and politics, and brings them out to the public in their ridiculous side. He speaks none, from Napoleon to President Roosevelt, and does them all well. His Bryan and Dreyfus are unusually good. He has a close second in the funny line in Dodson, a bald man, who can make himself look like a fair and blooming dandy. The bill, as represented by Jeanie Bentley, the equilibrist, and so is the clever Sallie Dindall, who has a step in her dance which is hard to beat. The bright, person-monologist Murray Hill is also at the Bijou this week. Fred Grayson is singing the illustrated song.

NEW YEAR'S OREGONIAN FOR 1905
The New Year's Oregonian for 1905 will be issued on Monday morning, January 2 next. The illustrations will be numerous; they will be attractive, and they will cover every feature of THE WORLD'S FAIR that will be opened in Portland on June 1 next. The text and the engravings together will advertise fully the merits of the great 1905 Exposition.

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CONSIDER COUNTY EXHIBIT.
Pomona Grange to Take Up Important Subject at Meeting.
At the meeting of the Pomona Grange of Multnomah County in Evening Star Grange Hall, on the Section Line road, tomorrow evening, the question of providing a county exhibit for the Pomona Grange headquarters during the Lewis and Clark Exposition will be considered.

Will of Lydia Jane Brooks.
The will of Lydia Jane Brooks, deceased, was admitted to probate in the County Court yesterday. The property, valued at \$7500, is devised to the executor, Martha Jane Brooks, a daughter, and to her children, as follows: To Otho Simmons Brandenburg, a son, \$300; to Martha Jane Brooks, \$100. The rest and residue of the estate is bequeathed to her children, George Washington Brandenburg, Phoebe Ann Kiehlinger and Martha Jane Brooks.

Standard Price Now \$7.
Though the standard price for yellow fir logs is now \$7, this price is not paid universally. Red fir selling at \$5 a thousand is more generally used for lumber selling at \$7.50 a thousand, and for logs range variously between \$5 and \$7 a thousand.

ATTRACTION HOMES.
For some time there has been a growing fond for pipe racks, and many persons who seldom or never smoke pipes have come to employ them for decorative purposes, while to the pipe smoker they have become almost a necessity. It is the fashion for men who can afford such luxuries to have a smoking-room, or den in which to enjoy a pipe or cigar, and when an entire room cannot be spared for such a purpose, a pipe rack is at least given up a corner to things dear to the smoker. We have an elegant line of the latest novelties in pipe racks, smokers' tables, etc. Ladies especially invited to see our display. Sig Sichel & Co., 21 Third street. Agents Garcia and Mi Hogar cigars.

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DISCUSS MOUNT TABOR CHARTER
Mass Meeting Called for December 29, to Be Held in Baptist Church.
Secretary H. W. Hodges, of the Mount Tabor Improvement Association, has issued announcements that a mass meeting of the citizens of Mount Tabor will be held in the Baptist Church, on the Home Line road, Thursday, December 29, to consider the proposed charter. It was originally intended to hold this meeting in the schoolhouse, but it was found that this could not be done, and the Baptist Church was secured for the purpose.

Will of Jennie A. Pearson.
The will of Jennie A. Pearson, deceased, was admitted to probate yesterday. To Lena Knutson and Blossom Kaup is bequeathed \$50 each. The will further provides, "fully appreciating the many years of kind and faithful services rendered me by my housekeeper and friend, Lizzie Knutson, I give, devise and bequeath Lizzie Knutson all the rest, residue and remainder of my estate. Lizzie Knutson is named as executrix and James Gleason as executor without bonds. The property is valued at \$2500.

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