

TWO IN THE FIELD

Hillsboro Will Have Opposition Lines.

SURVEYORS ARE AT WORK

Portland Consolidated Determined to Build, and Oregon Traction Intends to Do Likewise—Southern Pacific Neutral.

The announcement that the Portland Consolidated Railway Company will build an extension to Hillsboro during the coming year has caused a little comment as it is an entirely new project so far as any one outside the confidence of the management know.

It is stated positively at the headquarters of the company that the road will be built and that surveys are now in the field looking for the most feasible route. What this route will be is the interesting thing, in view of the recently announced determination of the Oregon Traction Company to construct a line past Williams Heights and on up the Valley.

Rival Project Hastened Action. It is known that the Portland company has intended, when the time should be ripe, to extend branch lines from the main city system into the surrounding suburbs, and even farther out into the interior, but it was not supposed any of the numerous projects would be taken up now when the company is so bound up in improvements and construction work here.

Not Room for Three. It is conceded that there is perhaps a good field for two companies in the Hillsboro district, but not for three, and as the Southern Pacific cannot be driven out there is nothing left to believe but that the contest will be in the neighborhood of the Traction Company's line.

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she came into spiritualism. Another teacher, a school teacher, and she taught the reality of love to his pupils, but that the small pupils caught it first.

After setting the foot Saturday of each month, at 2:30 P. M. as the time of meetings, the new "Whole World Golden Chain of Love to All" adjourned.

WORK OF ILLINOIS SOCIETY.

Material Results Already Appearing From Good Work.

The efficacy of state societies as an advertising medium for the Lewis and Clark Exposition has been promptly and well proved by the work of a member of the Illinois Society of Oregon. An account of the new organization and its object was forwarded to the "Carlinville Democrat" and an up-to-date account of Macoupin County, the result being an offer by the Democrat to send two of the most popular farmer boys of that county to the Lewis and Clark Fair, the selection to be made by a voting contest.

The past summer the Democrat sent two young ladies to the St. Louis Exposition, but this time it has decided to favor the boys who will enjoy the long trip west and appreciate the wonderful resources of the Pacific Northwest. Oregon already has 6000 citizens who came here from Illinois, and if other papers follow the example of the Democrat it may be that a few thousand more will be added from the energetic youth of that progressive state.

After five years' work among the boys of the state Mr. Otwell has begun the issue of "Otwell's Farmer Boy," a monthly paper for and by the farmer boys. It contains their letters and pictures, brief sketches of what they have done, and advocates the teaching of simple agriculture in the schools and the beautification of playgrounds and school houses. Boys are advised to stay on the farm and to be proud of their occupation which becomes a science when properly studied. If Oregon boys were encouraged to remain on the farms and to study the various resources and industries of this state, which far outnumber those of Illinois, it might be that appeals for settlers would not be so necessary in the future.

LIBRARY TO OPEN FEBRUARY 1

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Football Game Postponed. The football game between the little fellows, the Chemawa Juniors and the 100-pound team from Columbia, which was scheduled for Saturday, has been postponed on account of measles, and though the team is hardly affected, it cannot leave. The game is merely postponed, however, as both teams are very anxious to play. Neither one has been defeated by a team of its own weight in three years and there is a rivalry on between them for the lightweight championship of the state. Columbia is keeping in training while the quarantine is on at Chemawa. Yesterday's defeat was a much heavier blow from the school by a score of 15 to 0.

The Meier & Frank Store's Clearance Sale The Most Important Special Sale of the Year

The man or woman who does not take advantage of the great Clearance Sale now in progress to stock closets, wardrobe and drawers to the full extent to which needs can be foreseen is falling far short of living up to his or her opportunities—We may say that choosing is just as good today as it was three weeks ago—Stocks for this phenomenal January selling are not reduced to any picaresque scale but enlarged to the broadest gauge retailing ideas—We desire to have just what people want and plenty of it—in many lines new Spring merchandise is included at Clearance Sale Prices

Women's Suits Greatly Reduced

Entire stock of women's fine Suits is being cleaned up at marvelously low prices—This season's best garments in jacket and tourist styles; tight-fitting and vest effects in chevots, cashmere, tweeds and broadcloths, brown, black, blues, checks and mixtures, all sizes, splendid variety for your choosing—2d Floor \$26.00 and \$28.00 Suits Are Reduced to \$16.45 \$34.00 to \$37.00 Suits Are Reduced to \$21.45

Women's Coats at Half Price Women's Jackets in 25-inch, 26-inch and 28-inch lengths, Kerseys, Chevots, Broadcloths and mannish mixtures, in full-backs, Tourist backs and half-tight-fitting effects, in blacks, blues, browns, castors, light and dark Tweeds and mixtures; all this season's very best styles. Most of the garments are desirable for Spring wear— \$6.00 Coats now... \$3.00 \$12.00 Coats now... \$ 6.00 \$7.50 Coats now... 3.75 \$4.00 Coats now... 2.00 \$9.00 Coats now... 4.50 \$16.00 Coats now... 8.00 \$10.00 Coats now... 5.00 \$20.00 Coats now... 10.00 \$22.00 Coats now... 11.00 \$24.00 Coats now... 12.00 \$28.00 Coats now... 14.00 \$30.00 Coats now... 15.00

Tourist Coats at Clearance Sale Prices

Women's Tourist Coats, in Coverts, Chevots and Kerseys, black, brown, tan and blue; this season's best modes; values up to \$18.00; on sale for... \$8.95 Tourist Coats, values up to \$30, are all on sale at the low price of... \$19.45 Women's Tourist Coats in Coverts, Chevots and Kerseys, beautiful styles, neatly made and trimmed, values up to \$24.00; on sale at the low price of... \$12.45 Tourist Coats, values up to \$26, are all on sale at the low price of... \$14.95

Entire stock of Cravenettes at exceptionally low Clearance Sale prices. Second floor.

Knit Underwear Extra Specials

Underwear needs can be supplied here far below usual cost. Very best grades and styles; all sizes. Note the following: Women's imported Swiss ribbed Wool Vests, in pink, blue, white and gray, all sizes; best \$1.75 values, on sale for... \$1.37 Women's imported Swiss ribbed Silk and Lisle mixed Vests, in pink, blue and cream medium weight; regular \$1.50 values, on sale for... \$1.09 "Munsing" mixed Wool and Cotton Union Suits, natural color, size 3 only, best \$1.50 value, on sale for... 93c

Best 85c Hosiery 63c

100 dozen Women's handsome Lisle Hosiery, new styles, just received, black and colors, all over lace and plain Lisle effects; also embroidered ankles, in very latest designs; all sizes; regular 75c and 85c values, on sale for, pair... 63c

Extra Good Handkerchief Bargains

Hand-embroidered initialed Handkerchiefs, unlaundered, best 25c values, for—two for... 25c \$1.00 Armenian Handkerchiefs, hand made, lace trimmed, great value, each... 75c 65c French hand-embroidered initialed Handkerchiefs, value extraordinary at, each... 37c Entire stock of Handkerchiefs at Clearance prices. Entire stock of Kid and Wool Gloves at Clearance prices. Ribbons, Laces, Embroideries at Clearance Sale prices.

Infants' Wear Low Priced

The infants' section, Second Floor, is full of the most astonishing Clearance Sale bargains—Economic mothers should investigate the following: Infants' fine Cambrie and Nain-sook Dresses, yoke and Bishop styles, trimmed in very fine Val. laces, edgings and insertions, tucks and beadings, \$3 val... \$1.98 Infants' cream colored Outing Flannel Skirts, embroidered in white silk, great 75c values... 47c Infants' white Silk Bibs, quilted and embroidered in silk, 45c values... 27c Infants' Wool Knit Bands, 25c and... 32c Infants' Dresses, tucked yoke effects, embroidery... 59c Entire stock of Infants' Wear at low Clearance Sale prices.

Clearance Sale of Boys' Clothing

Boys' \$10 Sailor Suits on sale for the low price of... \$6.95 Young Men's all-wool Suits, best \$7.50 values, for... \$4.95 Boys' Woolen Waists, red, blue and gray, all ages, \$1.25 values—on sale for... 89c Boys' all-wool Pants, 3 to 16 years, best 85c values, in all sizes, for the low price of, pair... 59c Boys' \$4.50, \$5 2-piece Suits in good styles and materials, ages 8 to 16 years... \$3.45

Lace Curtains

Scotch Net Lace Curtains, Arabian color, plain centers, with narrow Cluny design borders; marvelous values at... \$1.98 Cable Net Curtains, Arabian colors, small insertings and floral patterns, best \$3.50 values... \$2.48 White Irish Point Lace Curtains, small insertings, plain and detachable figure centers, three great lots to select from... \$4.00 \$2.50, \$3.00 values, pair... \$4.00 \$2.50, \$3.00 values, pair... \$4.00 \$1.75 Bed Pillows, 22x36, 100 quality Brussels at... \$1.49 \$2.25 Geese Feather Pillows, brown and tan stripe, size 22x28-inch... \$1.70

Rugs, Mattings

45-inch extension Rugs, 54 inch, brass ends, each... 9c Roller-bearing Carpet Sweepers, great value... \$1.67 Linen Warp Japanese Matting, in stripes, great special value, yard... 11c Extra heavy Reversible Matting, fancy colorings, yard... 15c Linen Warp Mattings, carpet designs, great bargain, yard... 19c \$12x12 Body Brussels Rugs, in the very best designs and colorings, value extraordinary... \$27.00 \$12x12 Empire Brussels Rugs, new designs, great value... \$16.65

Men's Suits and Overcoats at Clearance Prices

The wise man looks ahead—Even if you have no pressing need for Suit or Overcoat today you will have before long and such an opportunity as this does not present itself every day. Styles and materials are the very best—Perfect fit guaranteed—Every garment in our entire stock is included—Anticipate your Spring needs Men's \$18.00 Suits \$14.10 Men's \$20.00 Suits \$15.00 Men's \$22.50 Suits \$18.15 Men's \$25.00 Suits \$19.65 Men's \$30.00 Suits \$22.85 Men's \$35.00 Suits \$26.90

Men's \$17.50 Overcoats Now at \$13.90

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All Cravenette Raincoats at Clearance Prices

Entire stock of Trousers at Clearance Prices Fancy Vests, Dress Suits at Clearance Prices Men's White Coats, Waiters' Aprons, Overalls, Jumpers, Etc., all marked at Special Clearance Sale Prices

Muslin Underwear

Portland's Largest and Best Display Cambrie, muslin and nainsook Gowns, yoke and bishop styles, high V. round, square necks, long and short sleeves, embroidery, lace, ribbon, beadings, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$5.50, \$6.00, \$6.50, \$7.00, \$7.50, \$8.00, \$8.50, \$9.00, \$9.50, \$10.00.

Graniteware at Clearance Sale Prices

Gray Graniteware Sauce Pans, 2-quart... 40c 3-quart... 45c 4-quart... 50c 5-quart... 55c 6-quart... 60c 8-quart... 70c 10-quart... 80c 12-quart... 90c 14-quart... 100c 16-quart... 110c 18-quart... 120c 20-quart... 130c 22-quart... 140c 24-quart... 150c 26-quart... 160c 28-quart... 170c 30-quart... 180c 32-quart... 190c 34-quart... 200c 36-quart... 210c 38-quart... 220c 40-quart... 230c 42-quart... 240c 44-quart... 250c 46-quart... 260c 48-quart... 270c 50-quart... 280c

Pillow Cases

200 dozen Pillow Cases, good cotton, size 45x36, extra value... 10c 200 dozen Pillow Cases, hemstitched, size 45x36 inches, great special value... 12 1/2c 40 dozen Sheets, 81x90, extra good value, at... 50c

Wash Goods

3000 yards of Zephyrs, Scotch and Novelty Ginghams, 25c to 40c values, handsome patterns and colors at, yard... 17c Immense line of new fancy White Waists, beautiful patterns, extraordinary value at, yd... 25c 33-inch wide White Organdie, regular 40c quality, on sale, yard... 25c 48-inch White Wash Chiffons—65c grade for, yard... 40c 75c grade for, yard... 50c 85c grade for, yard... 60c 46 to 50-inch wide French Lawns, in white; great values—30c grade for, yard... 20c 35c grade for, yard... 22c 40c grade for, yard... 28c

Ribbon Specials

4-inch Satin Taffeta Ribbons, in pink, white, maize, lilac, green and Yale blue, fine quality, best 25c value, for, yard... 18c 4-inch Mousseline Ribbons in emerald, sable, zibeline, melon, pink, blue, terra cotta and Exposition colors; beautiful quality, great value, yard... 18c

Long Cloth \$1.08 a Piece

12-yard pieces of Long Cloth great value at, piece... \$1.08 36-inch White Cambrie, great special value at, yard... 7c All Framed Pictures at one-third off regular prices.

Men's Wear

Great special lot of men's 56c Neckwear in leading colors, four-in-hands and tecks—very best patterns and colorings—immense variety. The grandest Neckwear bargain we ever offered, each... 25c Men's pure linen hemstitched Handkerchiefs, best 20c values, are on sale at 2 for... 25c Men's colored boomer Shirts, splendid patterns in leading colors, all sizes, \$1.50 values, each... \$1.13 All our men's \$1 stiff bosom Shirts for, each... 67c Men's and boys' Golf Shirts, with 3 collars to match, all sizes, marvelous values at... \$1.00 3 per cent reduction on Cardigan Jackets, best styles, all sizes. Men's ribbed wool Underwear, silver gray, shirts and drawers, all sizes, \$1.50 value, each... 83c Boys' Buster Brown Sweaters, navy, scarlet, each... 83c

To Write Letters of Love

"Whole World Golden Chain of Love to All" Society Organized to Educate Children.

THE Northwestern Ethical Educational Society and others interested in children gathered in Mrs. Lucy Mallory's parlors last night to form what is hoped to be the beginning of an international society for children. The motto, "Love Is the Way, the Truth and the Light," will be the ruling spirit of the organization, which will be called the "Whole World Golden Chain of Love to All." The purpose of the new society is to have a link in every child that love which is latent in every child instead of misdirecting it, and in order to become a member of this society it will be necessary for each child to write a letter of love to another child.

There is to be a conductor and a secretary, but as love is the dominant feature of this organization, it alone will pay the dues, no money (excepting the postage stamps) being considered. The children are to be given a chance to evolve from within outward and will conduct the affairs of the society themselves, thereby learning the lessons of confidence and love. Parents will be asked not to suggest insubordinate ideas to children, such as the promise of punishment after a misdemeanor, or pains after pie, as the laws of suggestion should not be carelessly handled, the speaker stated that "humanity is lacking in the public schools"—in fact, she said she had never experienced any humanity to amount to anything until