

UNDER NEW LAW \$5,000,000 Corporation Is Formed.

FIRST TO TAKE ADVANTAGE

Oregon Securities Company Files Papers.

RAILWAY WILL BE THE NEXT

Two Big Eastern Corporations Register Under the Recent Statute Passed by the Oregon State Legislature.

The first corporation to organize in Oregon under the new law provided for by Senate Bill No. 104, the Oregon Securities Company, which filed papers yesterday asking a franchise for a \$5,000,000 corporation. It will be followed today by the Oregon Southern Railway Company with a capital stock of \$1,000,000. These two companies control the Bohemia mining district and have formerly been operated under charters from New Jersey, to which they paid an annual tax \$500 and \$100, respectively.

What the New Law Provides.
The new law provides that corporations having a majority of their directors outside the state may become corporations of this state without going to the state. This gives to corporations operating exclusively in Oregon, but under outside charters, an opportunity to save the tax in the other state and to belong to the state to which their operations are confined.

The Oregon Securities Company owns the Helena, the Musick and the Champion groups and other smaller properties in the Bohemia district, comprising in all about 1000 acres. In the last five years it has expended \$1,000,000 in the Bohemia district. \$200,000 of this was for the last 15 months to a 500-horsepower electric plant, a 20-stamp mill and electric railroads connecting the mines. It is said to be the largest mining operation in Oregon. It is now drilling at the rate of seven feet a day an eight by nine-foot tunnel with double track through Grouse Hill, connecting the mines at the mill in Champion Basin. Active mining will begin within 30 days.

Names of Incorporators.
The incorporators of the Oregon Securities Company are John W. Wheeler, of Orange, Mass., president; George W. Crosby, of Atlanta, City, first vice-president; George French, of North Adams, Mass., second vice-president; G. B. Hengen, secretary and treasurer; John H. Pearson, of New York, assistant secretary and treasurer; Frederick C. Bessie, of Portland; Albert Hawkins, of North Adams, Mass.; and Dr. Herbert E. Smith, of New Haven, Conn.

The Oregon Southern Railroad Company extends for 18 miles from Cottage Grove towards the Bohemia district. It will not be extended further, as the electric road from there will be built down 13 miles to meet it. The grade was built last year.

The incorporators of the Oregon Southern Railroad are G. B. Hengen, president and treasurer; George W. Crosby, first vice-president; O. F. Paxton, second vice-president; A. E. Wood, secretary and treasurer.

FIREMAN PENNEY BADLY HURT Thrown From Engine While on the Way to Fire.

Fire broke out last night in the kitchen and storeroom at the rear of the two-story building on Milwaukee and Beason streets. It happened to be discovered by a young woman passing along Beason street when she gave the alarm, which brought out the East Side companies so promptly that the fire was confined to the annex. The entire building is occupied by M. Clapper. On the lower floor is a general merchandise store, while Clapper uses the upper rooms and kitchen in the rear for household purposes. Back of the kitchen, in the annex, were some light summer goods, and in this room the fire started from some unknown source.

Mr. and Mrs. Clapper were both on the West Side at the Portland Hotel on a visit and their children were sleeping on the second floor. They were aroused and taking out of the house. The building is owned by M. L. Lugg, who carries \$1500 insurance. The loss on the building will not exceed \$100. Mr. Clapper's loss will be about \$500, due to the value of the goods stored. He was telephoned that his store was on fire and arrived after the fire was extinguished, thankful that his loss was comparatively small. The fire did not enter the main structure.

While on the way to the fire Dan Penney, driver of engine No. 7, was thrown at the intersection of Union avenue and Washington street, and narrowly escaped being killed. At this intersection a spur runs from Grand avenue for the dump cars used in Hill East Washington street, and as the engine struck this spur in the street Penney was thrown clear from his seat. He was struck on the back by the wheel first and thrown heavily on the roadway, striking on his head. It was at first supposed that the wheel had passed over his body, but fortunately it did not. No bones were broken, but the fireman sustained some severe bruises. He was removed to his home and Mrs. M. G. McCorkle and J. W. Dryborough called to attend him. He was resting easily at 12 o'clock last night.

INSPECTION WORK IS DONE. B. A. Worthington Completes Work for Harriman Lines.

The special train used by the officials of the Harriman lines in the inspection of the lines in the west side of the Willamette Valley, returned to Portland yesterday. Leaving Portland Monday with three special cars, the party made a thorough inspection of all the west side lines in the Willamette Valley. Several hours were spent in visiting at the Oregon Agricultural College at Corvallis Monday night the train was sidetracked at Corvallis. This trip finishes up the inspection of the Southern Pacific lines in Oregon. In several weeks R. A. Worthington, general manager of the Harriman lines in Oregon, will tour the Washington branch of the O. R. & N.

Mr. Worthington, in speaking of his trip on the Southern Pacific track to Ashland, where his jurisdiction ends, said that work had commenced on the laying of 200 miles of 20-pound rails between Ashland and Divide. The rails to be dis-

posed are 56 and 23-pound rails. Three separate large gangs of men are at work laying the rails, and it is expected the task will have been completed by June 1. This improvement will be rushed in preparation for the great amount of travel to the Fair at Portland.

BOARD POSTPONES ACTION. Amalgamation With Chamber of Commerce to Be Considered.

Owing to the small number of members the matter of the special meeting of the Portland Board of Trade yesterday afternoon to receive the report of the committee appointed to consider the advisability of amalgamating the trade bodies of this city as proposed by the Chamber of Commerce, the meeting was postponed until Friday at 4 o'clock. There were 12 members present, a sufficient number to constitute a quorum, but those who were there did not believe they were justified in acting upon such an important matter in the absence of the greater number of those who compose the organization. The members of the Board of Trade will all be notified of the meeting to be held Friday and will be especially requested to attend.

There is no unanimous understanding on the part of the members of the organization regarding the consolidation of the trade bodies. Some are decidedly in favor, but it is said that those who oppose such action are in the majority. The committee, which was appointed to investigate the matter and the instructions offered by such a consolidation, will submit its report Friday, as was intended for the meeting held yesterday.

It is believed from reliable sources that the committee will recommend the Board of Trade to consolidate with the Chamber of Commerce on certain conditions.

It is said that the conditions to be suggested by this committee would involve a very radical change in the fundamental principles of the Chamber of Commerce. It is understood that the committee will amend its by-laws in such a way as to provide for an open body. The members of the organization would hold regular meetings at the headquarters of the board, but it is said that those who oppose such action are in the majority. The committee will submit its report Friday, as was intended for the meeting held yesterday.

SAYS FORCE IS TOO SMALL Police Chief Declares He Needs Twice the Number.

In answer to critics, who of late have caused much to be published detrimental to the department of which he is the head, Chief of Police Hunt last night declared that there were but half enough patrolmen to police Portland properly. He said that the laws were being well enforced, considering the very small number of officers on the force.

"Captain Bailey, having charge of the city when the saloons are supposed to be closed, had but 13 patrolmen yesterday morning," said Chief Hunt. "Can any person tell me how so small a force could be expected to keep close tabs on 200 or 400 saloons? Again, can any police captain or sergeant go out and watch them all? If people would only ask me to perform physical impossibilities, they might get better results. By that I mean that the number of patrolmen should be doubled. Then better police work could be done, saloons could be watched more closely and routine business transacted. It does not surprise me to hear of a few saloons being open for a while after they should be closed; we have not enough men to make the rounds promptly. When I say this, I am not censuring any officer. I am free to state that all are doing their duty as best they can under the circumstances."

Councilman A. E. Fieschel, who has been taking an interest in the saloon-closing ordinance, yesterday said that he was willing to present evidence to General Beason and Sheriff Sibley, commencing with Mayor Williams, the police committee of the Executive Board, to prove that saloons had been violating the ordinance. Five saloons were complained of through his efforts, and one arrest was made. J. B. Moore, just granted a renewal of his license to run the Cosmopolitan, was booked for keeping open after the proper hour.

BLAIR T. SCOTT HAS RESIGNED Portland Man No Longer General Manager of Washington Life.

Blair T. Scott, of this city, for a number of years Pacific Coast general manager for the Washington Life Insurance Company, of New York, and since last summer director of agencies of that company for the entire country, has tendered his resignation, to take effect early in March.

Mr. Scott's resignation will come as a great surprise to his many friends here, owing to his prominence in business and social circles.

AIM TO PROMOTE GOOD ROADS Oregon Development League Members Asked to Take Up Work.

A request that each organization in the state connected with the Oregon Development League appoint a permanent good roads committee was formulated at a meeting of the special good roads committee of the Commercial Club, held last evening. This committee is composed of John S. Beall, A. J. Craig, W. E. Coman, G. W. Evans, H. W. Goddard and W. M. Calk.

Each of the organizations in the state is also requested to send a delegate to the second annual meeting of the league, which will be held in Portland in April. The members of the local committee have been asked to attend the good roads convention, which will be held March 29-31 in Grant's Pass.

Bequeaths All to Wife.
The will of O. G. Benson, deceased, was admitted to probate yesterday. The property, consisting of 20 acres of land on Columbia Slough and other real and personal property, valued altogether at \$4000, is bequeathed to Martha M. Benson, the wife.

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The Butterick Pattern Agency

Principal Portland agents for Butterick Patterns and Publications; most complete stock in the city. Dealer subscriptions taken at \$1.00 per annum, 15c single copy. March Patterns are ready; all the newest Spring fashions.

Artistic Picture Framing to order at low prices. Custom Shade and Drapery Work our specialty. Best materials and workmanship; very lowest prices. Sole agents "Moneybak" guaranteed Black Silks.

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Agts. "Ostermoor" Mattresses

Portland agents Ostermoor patent Elastic Felt Mattresses. We sell them at factory prices and furnish them with satin-finished ticking without extra charge.

3 feet wide, 6 feet 3 in. long, 30 lbs., each. \$10.00
3 ft. 6 in. wide, 6 ft. 3 in. long, 35 lbs., each. \$11.70
4 ft. wide 6 ft. 3 inches long, 40 lbs., each. \$13.35
4 ft. 6 in. wide, 6 ft. 3 in. long, 45 lbs., each. \$15.00
4 ft. 6 in. wide, 6 ft. 3 in. long, 45 lbs., 2 pieces. \$15.50

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"Peninsular" Steel Ranges

Sole Portland agents for the famous "Peninsular" Steel Ranges, made of planished steel; they never require blacking; the best built, the handsomest Steel Range on the market, 20 models, every good size and style. Peninsular Ranges have 50 per cent more heating and cooking capacity than any other make. Arrangements for easy payments can be made by parties of good credit. Basement.

Spring Haberdashery for Men

Our men's wear section is blossoming out in full Spring attire today with new, fresh merchandise at every turn—The man who wants the latest in furnishings will find here the largest and most complete assortments in the city—Never before has March 1st presented such a satisfactory showing

New \$1.00 Golf Shirts in plain and pleated bosom, thousand of them in the newest and prettiest designs and colorings; regular or coat style; all sizes, Portland's best Shirt display. \$1.00

\$1.50 "Cluett" Shirts, the best made Shirt on the market, perfect fitting, handsome patterns and coloring, regular or coat style, plain or pleated bosom, all sizes. \$1.50

New Bow Ties, new Windsor, new String Ties, new Midget Ties, great assortment, best values. 25c

Superb line of new fancy Hosiery, latest patterns and colors at, pr. 25c-50c

"Hawes" Hats, Spring models. \$3.00

New Night Shirts, 50c, 75c, \$1.00.

New Underwear, Handkerchiefs, etc.

\$1 NECKWEAR 63c EACH
Men's English Squares and Four-in-Hands, great special lot in new designs and colors; every Tie regular \$1.00 value, your choice today at the low price of. 63c

New Squares, Four-in-Hands and Tecks, immense showing at, each. 50c

Infants' Wear Low Priced

Our Annual March Sale of Infants' Wear starts this morning—"Baby Things" of every description marked at saving prices—Mothers are also interested in our special sale of Go-Carts, Baby Carriages Folding Go-Carts announced elsewhere

Infants' Long Dresses, made of fine Lawn and Nainsook, trimmed in dainty embroidery and lace edgings and insertions, round and square yoke effects, tucked and plain hemmed skirts, lace and embroidery trimmed; best \$1.50 and \$1.75 values, on sale for. \$1.21

Infants' Long Cambric Skirts, trimmed in fine embroidery and lace, tucks and insertions, best \$1.50 values, on sale for. \$1.21

"Arnolds" Infants' Antiseptic Knit Diapers, regular \$2.75 dozen value, on sale for, dozen. \$2.35

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR SPEC'LS
Special line of Women's fine Nainsook Corset Covers, lace trimmed, 43c great special value. 43c

Women's Cambric and Nainsook Drawers, wide embroidery flounces, lace insertion, tucks, beading and ribbon trimmed, \$3.25. \$2.43 values

Infants' Quilted Carriage Pads, 29c regular 40c value, for. 29c

Infants' Stockinet Diapers, regular 50c and 75c values, on sale for. 23c

"Stork" Pants and "Stork" Sheeting at the lowest prices. Second Floor.

40c Stockinet Feeders, each. 23c

Picture Department Specials

Red Passepartout Frames, sizes 5x7 inches, square and oval openings; great value at, each. \$1.00

Large assortment of Posters and Framed Pictures, ranging in value from 50c to 75c on sale for. 10c

50x20 and 16x20 Matted Pictures, regular 15c value; on sale at the low price of, each. 14c

Great lot of beautiful Oil Paintings at, each. \$2.50

Artistic Picture Framing to your order. New Moldings, lowest prices. All orders promptly executed—Second Floor.

Great odd lot of Framed Pictures, all sizes and subjects, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00 values; on sale at this low price. \$1.25

Great odd lot of 10c, \$1.25 and \$1.50 Framed Pictures on sale at the low price of, each. 50c

Special Sale of Shell Goods

Complete line of new Shell Goods, all the latest styles in Side Combs, Back Combs, Pompadour Combs, Fancy Hairpins in white shell and amber, all at special prices—

15c Side Combs, pair. 11c
25c Side Combs, pair. 18c
25c Regular Side Combs, each. 22c
Regular 15c Back Combs, each. 17c
Regular 15c Puff Combs, each. 11c
Regular 25c Puff Combs, each. 17c

15c Burrets for, each. 7c
25c Burrets for, each. 12c
50c Chignon, each. 35c
75c Chignon, each. 50c

Beautiful assortment of real Tortoise-Shell Hairpins at low prices. Our line of fancy Mounted Back Combs is by far the largest and prettiest in the city. Fifty styles to choose from. Every one unusually low-priced during this week's special sale.

Wednesday Bargains

Ruffled Net Curtains, lace edge and insertion, three patterns, our best \$1.48 \$2.25 values, pair. \$1.48

Boys' 35c Waists and Blouses, light, medium and dark Portals, all sizes, best patterns and colors, regular 35c values, each. 18c

Silk and wool Crepe de Paris, in all the leading shades, other stores ask \$1.50 yard for same grade, great value, 98c yard

1000 Writing Tablets, large school size, great special value all day today at, each. 4c

30c boxes of Writing Paper, cloth finish, best styles, great special value all day today at, box. 18c

40c Jardiniers in assorted colors, best value in town, today at this special low price. 28c

Portland Souvenir Flag Pins, sold elsewhere at 35c each, our price today. 18c

The "Universal" Food and Meat Chopper, best on the market, great bargain today at. 89c

Twenty patterns in \$2.75 Portieres, best colorings and patterns, double-faced Tapestry, fringe top and bottom, best \$2.75 values, pair. \$1.57

Women's Cambric and Nainsook Corset Covers, blouse fronts, lace and embroidery trimmed, tucks, etc., \$1.00 and \$1.25 values, on sale all day today at this low price. 65c

Great special lot of Flannellette Dressing Saques in good patterns and colors, all sizes, values up to \$1.00, 35c on sale for. 35c

65c Back Combs in the best styles, shell and amber, great bargain all day today at, pair. 38c

DON'T MISS THIS Soap Sale

4711 Glycerine Soap. 11c
Jergen's old-fashioned Soap, large size cake for. 7c
Kirk's Brown Windsor Soap. 4c
Royal Rose Glycerine Soap. 4c
LaGloria Glycerine, large cake. 7c
4-in-1 Castile, long bar. 4c
Wild Violet Toilet Soap, 3 cakes in a box, box. 12c
Purity Olive Soap, 3 cakes in a box, sale price, box. 19c
Leco Buttermilk Complexion Soap—3 cakes in a box, box. 19c
Cream Carbolic Soap for the nursery, antiseptic, 3 cakes in a box, great value, box. 19c
Pear's Scented Glycerine. 13c
Williams' Shaving Soap. 4c
Packer's Tar Soap. 14c
Barnado Castile, 2-lb. bars. 16c
Conti Castile, 4-lb. bars. 59c

Imported Toilet Soaps are sold here at the very lowest prices.

Cameo Castile Soap and wash cloth, both for. 7c
Fairbanks Glycerine Tar Soap. 4c
Toilet Papers at lowest prices.

Great Shoe Sale Continues

The shoe selling is the most active we ever experienced at this season of the year—Thousands of women, men and children are taking advantage of the very unusual opportunities to supply their Spring footwear needs—Shoes of recognized quality are being offered at the lowest prices ever known—Best makes, all leathers, leading styles

WOMEN'S \$5.00 SHOES \$1.63

Broken lines of J. & T. Cousins famous Shoes for Women, lace styles, all the best leathers, sizes 2 1/2 to 8, widths AA, A, B; regular \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00 values, on sale at the phenomenally low price of, pair. \$1.63

WOMEN'S \$3 SHOES FOR \$1.98 A PAIR

900 pairs of Johnson Bros. best \$3.00 Shoes at \$1.98 pair—this season's newest styles in lace and Blucher, heavy and light sole, in patent colt, vici kid, velour calf, Cuban heel, low or medium heel, all sizes and widths; best \$3.00 Shoes America produces, \$1.98 on sale for, pair.

MISSES' AND CHILDREN'S SHOES

Misses' and Children's kid and box calf Shoes in lace styles—

Misses' \$2.00 values, 1 1/2 to 2, for. \$1.37
Children's \$1.50 values, 9 to 11, for. \$1.17
Children's \$1.25 values, 5 to 8, for, pair. 97c

Boys' vici kid, box calf, satin calf lace Shoes—

9 to 13, pair. \$1.09 1 to 2, pair. \$1.19
2 1/2 to 5 1/2, pair. \$1.49

Men's \$3.50 lace and Blucher Shoes in vici kid, patent leather, box calf and velour calf, all sizes, greatest bargain ever offered at the low price of, \$2.28

300 pairs of Women's vici kid Oxfords, plain toe, kid tip or patent tip, medium weight sole, all sizes, great special value for this sale, pair. \$1.15

200 pairs Women's Dress Slippers, patent leather, patent kid, vici and dull kid, all sizes, best \$5.00 values, greatest bargain ever offered at the low price of, pair. \$1.75

Women's \$2.50 kid Strap Slippers on sale at the special low price of, pair. \$1.15

Buy Rugs This Week--Great Bargains

Don't miss the grand rug bargains we are offering this week. A great special purchase enables us to sell high-grade Axminster Rugs at prices below mill cost—Hundreds have taken advantage—You should too.

Axminster Rugs, 27 inches wide, 44 to 56 inches long, Oriental and floral designs, beautiful colorings; greatest Rug bargain ever offered; \$2.75 value; at the low price of. \$1.73

Axminster Rugs, 36 inches wide, 44 to 63 inches long, Oriental and floral designs, great variety, handsome colorings, \$3.50 value; great phenomenal values at. \$2.37

Axminster Rugs, 27 inches wide, 60 inches long, Oriental and floral designs; newest colorings; immense variety to select from; regular \$2.75 values at this price. \$1.97

Axminster Rugs, 36x72 inches, magnificent Rugs in superb designs and colorings; the greatest Rug bargain Portland money ever shared in; regular \$4.50 value. \$3.30

Axminster Rugs, 12x26 inches; new designs and colorings; best \$1.25 values; on sale at the low price of. 86c

Sale of Go-Carts, Baby Carriages

Our Spring sale of Go-Carts, Carriages and Folding Go-Carts attracted many buyers yesterday—All desirable models in a variety of styles at very low prices—3d Floor

Handsome Reclining Go-Carriage, with cushion and parasol, attractive body and gear; two models: \$10.00 model, 5-inch Rubber Tires, at \$8.00. \$15.00 model, 3/4-inch Rubber Tires, at \$12.25

Reclining Go-Carriage, automobile gear, handsome red body, cushions and parasol included: \$12.00 value, 5-inch Tires, for. \$9.85 \$16.00 value, 5-inch Tires, for. \$12.00 \$18.00 value, 5-inch Tires, for. \$13.25

\$15.50 GO-CARTS AT \$10.25

\$15.50 Reclining Go-Cart, 14-inch front wheels, 22-inch rear wheels, half-inch rubber tires, heavy ruffled-edge cushions, parasol, etc.; great special value at. \$10.25

Folding Go-Carts with reed back, automobile gear, best \$5.00 models; on sale for. \$3.95

Reclining Go-Cart, perforated back, wood arms and seat, best \$5.00 value for. \$4.00

Reclining Folding Go-Cart, reed back, wood seat and arms; our best \$5.50 model; on sale for. \$4.25

Reclining Folding Go-Cart, reed back, flat reed arms, cane seat, reed dash; \$7.00 value. \$5.45

Lindsay Light 79c Complete

The "Lindsay" 300-candle-power Incandescent Gas Light will be found the best all-around Incandescent Gas Light on the market, the most economical gas consumer, because the mantle is of practical size and air is added to the gas before the flame is reached. The adjustment patent is the handiest to be found on any light in the market. The flame envelopes the entire mantle. No part is left unheated. All the mantle gives out light. Also the mantle is made of heavier thread than usual—a special chemical treatment makes it light up more brightly than mantles of other incandescent gas burners. Demonstration in the Basement.

THIS LIGHT COMPLETE 79c

Silverware Bargains Today--Base't

Silver-plated Tea Sets, 3 pieces, our best \$8.50 values, on sale for. \$6.79

Silver-plated Bread Trays, plain finish, great special values. \$1.22

Silver-plated Fern Dishes, medium size, best \$6.50 value, for. \$5.35

Silver-plated Ash Tray and Cigar-Holder, great special value at the low price of. \$1.19

Napkin Rings, 50c values, each. 32c

Silver-plated Card Trays, best \$2.25 values, on sale for. \$1.79

Silver-plated Cake Baskets, French gray finish; best \$3 value; on sale for. \$2.35

Silver-plated Fruit Dishes, colored dish on silver stand; regular \$5.90 value; for this low price. \$4.10

4-piece silver-plated Tea Set, newest shape, gray finish; regular \$12.50 value; at this low price. \$9.95

Silver-plated Soup Turners, plain finish; regular \$7 value; on sale for. \$5.15

All the latest Copyrighted Books sold here at \$1.00 a copy.

Painting Plays for Rainy Days. 25c
1000 books, formerly 50c, and 75c each; good titles; on sale at, each. 15c

"Ulimpers of the Trail," 6 views for. 15c

"Out to Old Aunt Mary's," \$2 edition. \$1.00

"Tattlings of a Retired Politician," reprint \$1.50 edition; on sale for this low price. 85c

New shipment of White House Cook Books; great value at this low price. 75c

Latest edition of Webster's Unabridged Dictionary; great special value. \$1.25

The above Dictionary with stand. \$2

Complete line of Henty Books, the 25c edition; on sale for, each. 15c

"Etiquette of Today," \$1 edition, for. 50c

"Tonla Gordyoff," by Maxim Gorky. 25c

"Samantha at Saratoga," great special value. 25c