STEPS OF BIG CARS WILL BE LOWERED

Despite Cold Wind and Snow, Women Turn Out to Make Test.

MAYOR SIMON IS PLEASED

Receives Announcement From Company That Steps on Pay-as-You-Enter Cars Will Be Lowered Two and One-Half Inches.

wind, yesterday afternoon, representative women of Portland stood on the ky street and remonstrated against the high steps maintained on the pay-as-you-enter streetcars of the Portland Railway, Light

& Power Company.

It was bliter cold, but with grim determination, the plucky adherents of the low-step movement stuck to their posts until Mayor Simon and members of the City Council called the test ended. They won a decided victory, as Superintendent Franklin announced that he would cut down the entire body of 40 large passenger coaches at least two and one-half

Women on Ground Early.

The test was held at Twenty-sixth and 'pshur streets, at the entrance to the his-oric Lewis and Clark Exposition grounds coric Lewis and Clark Exposition grounds. Two pay-ar-you-enter cars were used for the demonstration, and were in charge of Superintendent of Transportation Franklin and his assistants. Mayor Simon and Councilmen Lombard, Rushlight and Ellis, members of the complaint committee, and Councilman Concamon were the officials of the city in attandance.

attendance.

A few minutes prior to 4 o'clock, the bour set for the tests, Mrs. Nina Larows, leader of the low-step movement, appeared on the scene. She was the first women to reach the scene. She stood shivering in the cold for a short time, and was then joined by other prominent club women, among them Mrs. Arthur Newell, Mrs. J. H. Patterson, Mrs. Jacob Schwind, Mrs. May Sloath and Mrs. M. S. Hirsch, president of the Jewish Council of Women, and Mrs. Jobes.

Mayor Makes Test of Step.

mayor Smoth, who has taken a deep interest in the efforts made by the women for lower steps, arrived early, accompanied by Councilman Concannon.

Promptly at 4 o'clock, Councilman Ellis appeared, and as Councilmen Lombard and Rushlight were not in sight, the Mayor and Mr. Ellis proceeded to try some of the steps and to energies. some of the steps, and to question Mrs. Larowe and the other women present as to their requests.

problems have to be compromised; maybe
we can get something in the way of
betterment, if not all we desire."

The car company had fitted up some
sample steps, which were placed in position, and Mayor Simon hopped onto one
of the cars to start the tests. He expressed satisfaction at the height, which
was 15½ inches from the pavement,
having been lowered by the mechanical
department by letting down the entire body of the car that much.

Firm for 12-Inch Step.

Mayor Simon then asked some of the romen to try mounting the steps, which n few did. Mrs. Larowe, however, stead-fastly refused to do so. It seemed to be the opinion of the tall women present that the step on the lowered car-body was a great improvement over the 18-inch step complained against, but there were some who said they would favor de-manding a cut to 12 inches or nothing. Councilmen Lombard and Rushilght ar-rived in time to take part in the latter part of the tests. Mr. Lombard is satis-fied with the company's promise to lower the steps to 1512 inches from the ground.
Mr. Rushlight said he thought this a Mr. Rushlight said he thought this a great deal better than the higher step, but said that he believed the cars can be lowered still further, but only at great

Mayor Simon took a very active part in the tests, and after they were com-pleted, said he felt that great good had been accomplished, and that the com-pany had conceded a great point.

SIX MILES OF ROAD BUILT

Pacific & Eastern Will Supply Trade to Raymond.

RAYMOND, Wash., Feb. 22.—(Special.)

The Pacific & Eastern Railroad has just been completed for a distance of six miles up Mill Creek, beginning at a point on the Willapa River, six miles above Raymond. This road is a common carrier and will eventually be extended from South Bend to Chehalis. It is owned by the Siler Mill Company, the Willapa Lumber Com-pany and the Columbia Box & Lumber Company, of Raymond.

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Enough of the road is now completed to begin lumber and logging operations and regular trains are being run over the road. The Sunset Timber Company has charge of the logging business of the road, which taps one of the biggest and best bodies of timber in the West.

There are now three logging camps operating on the road, one of which is new and the other will greatly increase

new and the other will greatly increase their forces. These are the Sunset Timber Company, with from 89 to 109 men; the Columbia Box & Lumber Company, with 49 men, and the South Bend Mill, & Timber Company, with a large force of

This road will aid greatly in the development of the country through which it runs, and when completed will have a better and shorter route between South Bend and Chehalis than the Northern Pacific T. H. Downer. Pacific. T. H. Donovan, of the Willapa Lumber Company, had charge of build-ing the road. The roadbed is in splendid condition. New cars and engines have been ordered, which will make this one of the finest roads for the purpose constructed in the country.

Union Pioneer Dies.

LA GRANDE, Or., Feb. 21.-(Spe-

SCENES AT TWENTY-SIXTH AND UPSHUR STREETS DURING DEMONSTRATION FOR LOWER STREET-CAR STEPS



AT "HIGH STEP"TED INTERESTED GROUP

VOTE TO BE ASKED

East Side Would Appeal Vacation of Streets to People.

CONCESSIONS ARE ASKED

Mayor Simon, who has taken a deep Bilboard Ordinance to Be Defeated by Council, or Re-referred to Committee - Mayor to Insist on Abating Nuisance.

Chief among the items with which the "I am not here to test any steps," said City Council must wrestle this morning Mrs. Larowe to Mayor Simon. "I am are the proposed vacations of Adams and here to protest against the high steps or reasons well known to you all. We for reasons well known to you all. We demand 12-inch steps, and will compromise on nothing less."

"Now, you can't tell the company how to build its cars," the Mayor replied. "I have found that a good many of life's problems have to be compromised; maybe we can yet something less."

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months is expected.

Owing to the nature of the case, the proposed vacation of 100 feet of ground on Adams and Oregon streets for use by the O. R. & N. Company for its proposed steel bridge, this subject has assumed great proportions, and the lines are being tightly drawn. The East Side business men are working hard to secure enough votes to shut off passage of an emergency clause, as they wish, it is underdepartment by letting down the entire body of the car that much.

Firm for 12-Inch Step.

"Entering Wedge" Feared

The recommendation of the street committee to the Council is that the vacapromise from the railroad corporation a to what it will do for the city in the event the vacations are made. Other vacations of East Side streets are asked also, but the idea of the East Siders is that the Oregon and Adams-street vacations are the "entering wedge" by which the company hopes to secure further fa-vors from the Council. Certain definite demands are set forth by the East Side business men as an exchange for the favors asked by the company, and they intend to try to see that those are secured before any property is vacated for the

Another subject in which there is great interest on the East Side is the veto by Mayor Simon of the ordinance designat-ing Class C lamp posts for use in that territory. The Business Men's Club is backing the Mayor, but there is serious difficulty ahead, if Councilman Lombard and his colleagues of the West Side per-sist in voting for the ordinance potwithsist in voting for the ordinance notwithstanding the objection of the Mayor. It is believed the veto will be sustained, but unless the Council shall pas, another ordinance, granting to the East Siders the kind of posts they desire, it will be of lit-tle avail. A strong fight is expected when this comes up.

Bilboards to Go to People.

Councilman Ellis' billboard ordinance, the terms of which would cut down the number and size of these signs, will come up upon adverse recommendation of the Councilmen Lombard, Watkins and Con cannon are members. They have refused to sanction the measure on the ground that it is too drastic, and it is certain that it will be defeated today, unless it is re-referred for further consideration and elimination of some of its "teeth." It is regarded as certain that the Coun-It is regarded as certain that the Coun-cil will never pass a measure that will curtail this business materially, and Mayor Simon has announced that he will ask to have the ordinance placed before the people at the coming general elec-tion, so that there may be relief from the nuisance complained of.

It is expected that the Council will pass the ordinance for the proposed garbage crematory construction, the amount car-ried being \$120,000. Councilmen Baker, Belding, Ellis, Menefee, Rushlight, Wal-lace, Watkins and Cellars, constituting the majority, are counted on to carry the measure, while Councilmen Annand, Dris. coll, Dunning, Concannon, Lombard and Kubli are expected to vote against it.

NEW HOPE FOR AUTO ROAD

Officers of Vancouver Barracks to Recommend Paving of Street.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 22.-(Spe cial.) For the purpose of giving Van-couver Barracks a good outlet to the city, the Council has decided to improve cist.)—Mrs. Benjamin Brown, one of the oldest and best known pioneers of the valley, died in Island City, three



MRS. NINA LAROWE IN FOREGROUND.

Y. M. C. A. COMPETITORS BID FAIR TO GAIN 3000.

Four Dormitory Teams Vie to Increase Association's Muster Roll. Trophies Offered.

Already the membership campaign for the Portland Young Men's Christian Association, begun Monday, has result-ed in considerable increase in the en-rollment of the organization. The teams entered in the competition of se-curing members have not yet got down to systematic work, but will within a few days, and it is believed that the others have no problems of 2000. objective point, an enrollment of 3000, will be reached within the three weeks

ing. These teams are seeking recruits from the ranks of the association and expect to have their lists completed by Friday night. At that time each of the teams will hold an informal dinner in the Y. M. C. A. cafeteria, after which all will meet together to consider the heat means of increasing the sider the best means of increasing the

association membership.

It has been decided definitely that at the conclusion of the campaign the winning team will be entertained at a turkey dinner. In addition to this, the person securing the most new members will be appreciated with a conclusion of the campaign the to Myrtle Creek in February, 1893. He was a Mason and a member of the Knights of Pythas.

The funeral will be held Monday morning the conclusion of the campaign the conclusion of the campaign the conclusion. bers will be presented with a silver loving cup, and the member of each team who makes the best record will be presented with a full membership card for one year. An allowance of \$1 on membership is also made for

each new member secured.

The Los Angeles Y. M. C. A. is carrying on a membership contest that is attracting wide attention. The goal there is an enrollment of 5000, and spectacular methods are being employed to swell the lists. A few days ago a big automobile parade was held ago a big automobile parade was held in which city officials, Y. M. C. A. of-ficers and members rode through the streets, which were lined by thousands of cheering people. The contest in Portland will be more quiet, but it is expected that at least 700 new mem-bers will be secured.

MAN SHOT LIKELY TO DIE Rancher Who Ends Ancient Grudge

With Bullet, in Jail.

of the valley, died in Island City, three miles from here Monday morning. Mrs. Brown, with her husband, crossed the plains in the early '60s. Together they built the first private residence in the County of Union. Death claimed her busband but a few months ago.

Morgan & Robb, 250 Stark st., will insure your plate glass for you.

Serve street by laying hard-surface pavement. In consideration for this improvement. In consideration for this improvement, the officers at Fort Vancouver have promised to recommend to the Government the paving of Fifth street through the military reservation.

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Palm took the weapon, but he avers that when finally forced to use it his only thought was to stop the advance of Zeitle without fatally wounding him. After the shooting Zettle engaged Palm in a rough and tumble fight and Palm used the revolver as a club, Zettle walked two miles after the encounter, past his own cabin and on to Bear Camp. where he was cared for. One shot peneirated his kidney and the other took effect in his leg. Dr. Starbuck, who was called from Dallas to attend him, came out with the party today. He says there is little chance for Zettle's recovery.

SCHOOLMATE OF DEWEY

Dr. C. Wells Whitcomb, 78, Passes Away at Myrtle Creek.

MYRTLE CREEK, Or., Feb. 22.-(Spe cial.)-Dr. C. Wells Whitcomb died here Saturday from injuries received in a fall Dr. Whitcomb was born in recently. the campaign is to last.

The dormitory men in the Y. M. C.
A. building are divided into four teams, was a schoolmate of Admiral Dewey and each composed of men rooming in one of the four upper floors of the build-Greenfield, Conn., July 23, 1832, and moved was a schoolmate of Admiral Dewey and was graduated from the Philadelphia

> teer Infantry and served under Grant and Sherman. He moved to Oregon in 1868, locating at Pendleton. He practiced medicine there, at Prineville, and at Dufur, Or., latter taking up his profession at

> The funeral will be held Monday morning at the Methodist Episcopal Church, after which the remains will be taken to Munroe, Benton County, Oregon, for Interment Dr. Whiteomb is survived by his wife,

> of Myrtle Creek, Or., two sisters and a brother, of Providence, R. I.

Raymond Forms Ball Club.

RAYMOND, Wash, Feb. 22.—(Special.)

A baseball club has been organized here, which is to be incorporated with capital stock running anywhere from \$1000 to \$5000. The officers are C. O. Bean, president, and T. H. Terrill, secretary and treasurer. Raymond had a fine team last year and won the championship of the Amateur League of the Southwest the Amateur League of the Southwest. The club will have even a stronger and better team this year. There is talk of organizing an amateur league, to include Raymond, Chehalis, South Bend, Centralia, Aberdeen, Hoquiam and Olym-

Wife and Young Mother Dies.

M'MINNVILLE, Or., Feb. 23—(Special.)

-Leonard Palm, the Slab Creek rancher who shot Matthias Zettle yesterday, was brought here today and is held pending brought here today and is held pending mrs. Smith had been a resident of this city for the past three years. She left a husband and two children. The funeral a husband and two children. The funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon arrives will be held tomorrow afternoon. services will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Holman undertal ing pariors and the interment will be the Mountainview Cemetery.

Centralia Boys Held for Arson. CHEHALIS, Wash., Feb. 22.-(Spe-

EXCUSE NOW FOR MUSIC-HUNGRY HOMES



Great Annual Clearance Sale at Eilers The Money-Saving Event of the Year Terms as Low as \$1.50 Weekly

Many families in this city and state, whose means would ordinarily deprive them of the refining influence of music, have found it possible, owing to the terrific reductions, to secure a fine Piano in the Annual Clearance Sales at the House of Eilers.

In the vast number of Pianos offered—the high character and splendid condition-and the remarkably low prices-these annual "Clean-Up" events are without an equal.

No matter what your preference is, no matter what make or tone or style you desire, or whether your choice is a Kimball, or a Hobart M. Cable, or Steinway, or Lester, or Story & Clark or Eilers, or Emerson, etc., or whether you wish to invest \$124, \$275, or \$350, you can effect in this Clearance Sale a saving large enough to pay you for a thorough musical education of the entire family.

But all that can be said or written will not do full justice to this really great event. To fully appreciate this extraordinary opportunity one must personally see the instruments, test them critically, note their excellent condition (some nearly new) and littleness of price.

If you have the remotest idea of securing a Piano within the next year and can pay \$3 or \$2.50, yes, \$1.50 a week, don't let another day go by without investigating this Clearance

The quickest action is necessary, however, for at the present rate the remaining fine values, which have been unmercifully reduced,

will surely be snapped up in short order. Arrange to come the first thing this morning if possible.



At Park Street

Remember-"Money Back" if not exactly as represented and entirely satisfactory. Furthermore, we will accept any Piano or Organ purchased in this sale toward purchase of a costly Chickering or Kimball or the genuine Pianola Piano, or any other high-grade Piano, any time within one year and allow you every penny paid. Could anything be fairer or more liberal?

United Wireless Makes Good

CLARK WIRELESS EQUIPMENT SUPERSEDED BY UNITED WIRELESS TELEGRAPH COMPANY

The Portland office of the United Wireless Telegraph Company received the following messages, which were forwarded today from Seattle by wireless:

New York, Feb. 22, 1910

410 Corbett Bldg., Portland, Or. Closed contract Feb. 18 for steamers CITY OF CLEVELAND, CITY OF DETROIT, CITY OF ST. IGNACE, Detroit & Cleveland Nav. Co. Three of above formerly had Clark system, which we supersede. Also we are today installing STEAMSHIP MOLTKE, Hamburg-American, at Tasserice, which formerly had Marconi.

W. A. DIBOLL, Treasurer.

F. S. Stewart.

Portland, Oregon. Diboll's telegram explains our recent scoop on Great Lakes. We did same to Massie Co. last week on BRUNSWICK LINE. Watch the early exit of the Clark Co. Gradually the UNITED absorbs the business of the wireless field. Steamship companies are beginning to understand that there is but one company that can give the wireless service they want when equipping their ships C. C. WILSON, President. with wireless.

hearing here, Walter Bray, James Raymond, George Averill, Walter Craft and fixed at \$1000 each. The School Board Farl Henry, all of Centralia, are being has directed C. Lewis Wilson, the archineld here on the charge of arson, for | tect, to prepare plans and specifications

here two weeks ago. Their bail was

cial.) -As the result of a preliminary having set fire to the West Side school for a new eight-room brick schoolhouse

Spring Valley Whisky, \$2.95 gallon, Spring Valley Wine Co., 244 Yamhill. **

The danger of kidney sickness is that often it runs you down to the verge of collapse before you know what really is the matter,

If you are always tired, worried, weak, rheumatic, nervous - and suffer at the same time distressing urinary disorders and backache, don't lose sight of the probable cause-sick kidneys.

No other trouble wears more on the nerves than kidney sickness, for the blood may be full of uric acid poison. the effects of which are extremely irritating to the brain and nerves. Many a case of nervous collapse could be traced right back to kidney trouble. When you seem unable to pin your mind to any task, your back aches and is so lame that you cannot do an ordinary day's work, it is time to give serious thought to this question: "Are my kidneys working right?"

The answer is in your condition Sick kidneys, congested by a cold or come other unseen cause, slacken their filtering work. Uric acid circulates freely with the blood, attacking brain, nerves, muscles, joints and vital organs. Headaches, dizzy spells warn you; heart palpitation, poor circulation, Awaken to the Danger of Collapse and Cure the Weakened Kidneys.



stomach troubles. It is but a short road to dropsy, diabetes, gravel, stone in the kidney or fatal Bright's disease.

Don't wait for the serious troubles. Begin using Doan's Kldney Pills when you first feel backache, or first notice urinary disorders. This remedy has given new life and strength to thousands of women and men. It cures sick kidneys and backache.

PORTLAND PROOF.

Mrs. A. Canavan, 330 Lincoln St., Portland, Or., says: "In 1903 I used Doan's Kidney Pills with such beneficial results that I publicly endorsed them. I still think highly of this remedy and advise its use whenever I have opportunity. For two or three years kidney complaint clung to me and my back was so lame that I was unable to attend to my household duties. The use of home remedies and other preparations guaranteed to cure such troubles failed to give me relief. Finally I learned of Doan's Kidney Pills and procured a box. I used them according to directions and they improved my condition in every respect."

