

The Cote Piano Manufacturing Co.

of Fall River, Mass.

Have Got to Sacrifice About 90 Very Fine New Upright Pianos Here This Week

Through an error in billing, we shipped five carloads of pianos to a large firm in Portland, which were intended for New York and Boston houses, and while they are different brands from those ordered by the Portland house, they are finer and more expensive styles. Apparently taking advantage of our predicament, the Portland concern declines to take the pianos, except at a discount so far below the wholesale billing price that it would be laughable were it not so ridiculous.

We acknowledge the error, are willing to concede a lot, but we decline to be squeezed.

Therefore, we have rented for a few days the large double store on the northwest corner of Park and Morrison streets, and have placed this entire shipment in there, ready for sale this morning at 8 o'clock, and we are simply going to paralyze retail prices in this city for the next two days, and to sell the entire shipment within 48 hours.

We are going to sell these pianos at retail on terms of \$25 down, and \$10 a month, and for less money than we billed them wholesale to this Portland concern at our factory at

Fall River, Mass., and will even discount THAT 5 per cent for spot cash. We mean business, and intend to give them a little competition they haven't been looking for.

We intend to offer our finest piano—a piano that retails East at \$550—for \$285, on terms of \$25 down and \$10 a month, or 5 per cent less (\$270.75) spot cash.

And our \$525 style for \$265 time, or \$251.75 cash. Our \$450 style for \$215 on time, or 5 per cent less (\$204.25) all cash.

And we'll offer the finest \$400 piano turned out by any factory for \$195 on terms of \$25 and \$10, or \$185.25 spot cash; and so on down to our \$300 piano for \$160 on time, or \$152 cash.

We mean strictly business, and have no time or inclination to mince matters. Come up against a "square deal" once. Store open from 8:30 in the morning till 10:30 at night.

COTE PIANO MFG. CO.

A. A. FISHER—Manager,
361 Morrison Street.

MILK FAMINE MAY FOLLOW MEETING

Dairymen Are Said to Want Higher Price and Threaten Portland.

SECRET CONCLAVE CALLED

Dealers to Demand More Money for Commodity or Send Fluid to Cheese Factories Where Inspection Is Nil.

GRESHAM, Or., Nov. 7.—(Special.)—Within 48 hours Portland will know whether it will be obliged to pay more for milk or be in the throes of a milk famine.

It became known here today that secret word had been sent to all dairymen of Multnomah County to convene next Wednesday afternoon in Portland to decide whether to charge more for their commodity or drop retailers altogether and instead send all milk to cheese factories, where inspection of milk is not demanded by law.

Private circular letters received yesterday by local dairymen intimate that the milkmen have decided to take a determined stand and compel a rise in price or subject consumers to the experience of having little milk or no milk at all. This step, it seems, was prompted by the success of several dairies in sending milk to cheese factories where the milk inspection law does not apply. It is known in one instance that milk sent to a cheese factory would not have stood the prescribed test if sent to Portland for sale.

John P. Hoffman, Fred Reichen and S. H. Graham, well-known milk-dealers here, issued the call for the secret meeting of the dairymen in Portland next Wednesday. The circular letter which urges all dairymen to attend the assembly also cautions them that the convention is to be held in secret and that it is imperative for the success of their plans that outsiders be kept in ignorance of the movement.

Dealers are now paying 60 cents for three gallons of milk. This, say the producers, is not enough compared with the cost of production and the price charged by the dealers to their patrons. Middlemen are in hope that the dairymen decide on a higher price for milk instead of the cheese-factory plan, as they would reap benefit under a new scheme of prices, while ruin for them would be the outcome if the dairies decide to put cities under their ban and select cheese factories instead.

Leading dairymen, when questioned about Wednesday's meeting, were uncommunicative, save to say that the convention is called merely to discuss disposal, price and quality of milk supplied in Portland. The object of the assembly, they say, is to assure producers a milk price that is sufficiently remunerative to them and at the same time one that will permit dealers to supply Portland with a heavy fluid.

BANDON WANTS LINE HERE

City Asks Portland to Establish Ship Service to Get Its Trade.

Bandon wants steamship connection with Portland in a letter to C. C. Chapman, manager of the Commercial Club promotion committee, the Bandon Commercial Club suggests that action on the part of Portland is essential if she

desires to maintain any trade with the Coast. They country.

A letter was received yesterday from E. E. Oakes, president of the Bandon Commercial Club, in which he calls attention to the lack of transportation between the two points.

"Bandon and the Coquille Valley want and have got to have passenger and freight boats between here and Portland," says the letter. "Are the business men of Portland going to help us to get it if we are willing to make a proposition of buying from Portland jobbers? The steamer Elizabeth brought up from San Francisco 250 tons of freight on her last trip. How much of the freight would have come from Portland if there had been a boat on the run? At least 50 per cent of it. The bulk of it was feed stuff. The Field, Elizabeth and Bandon are making regular trips south besides the various sailing vessels and they are all bringing more or less freight on the return trip. There are at least two cargoes of salmon awaiting shipment at the north. There are tons and tons of coal that can be had at the mine for from \$3 to \$3.50 on the river that would sell from \$10 to \$15 on the market in Portland. You want coal? We will sell your footstuffs. Come after our coal and we will go after your footstuffs."

The letter has been referred to the Chamber of Commerce for action.

TRIP EXPENSE ALLOWED

CITY ATTORNEY WILL ARGUE BEFORE SUPREME COURT.

Street Railway Company Files Revised Schedule of Tickets for School Children.

The judiciary committee of the City Council yesterday acted favorably on a request from city Attorney Grant that he be allowed \$400 expense money for a trip to Washington in an effort to have the case of the city against the Southern Pacific Company, involving the right of the company to operate engines on Fourth street, put forward on the calendar of the Supreme Court of the United States. Mr. Grant told the committee that he thought he would be able to present an argument sufficiently strong to gain the desired result.

The city has been successful in the lower court with the stipulation that the decision does not become effective until it has been affirmed by the Supreme Court of the United States. By reading the newspapers Mr. Grant has come to the conclusion that the case would not come up for a couple of years if allowed to take its natural course, as the court is "snowed under" with work. The railway company, he said at the committee meeting, has refused to give him assistance in seeking to have the case put forward on the list.

Councilman Cellars at the meeting of the committee submitted a revised schedule recently issued by the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company on the matter of school children's tickets. The circular divides the young persons eligible to purchase 25 tickets for \$1 into two classes and the other into a limit from 15 to 25. Those between the ages of 14 and 20 must have certificates from their school principals. For the children under 14 this will not be necessary. However, the company proposes to make out the certificates and present them to the principals for signature, thus relieving the heads of the schools of a great deal of onerous work.

WANT HIGHER TAXES?

Annexation of 355 square miles from Clackamas County will more than double the road mileage which Portland will be taxed to improve and maintain. Vote it down. (Paid adv.)**

Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets do not sick or sicken, and may be taken with perfect safety by the most delicate woman or the youngest child. The old and feeble will also find them a most suitable remedy for aiding and strengthening their weakened digestion and for regulating the bowels. For sale by all dealers. **

VICTIM NOT RICH

Man Strangely Killed at Salem Leaves Only \$800.

SUICIDE THEORY STRONGER

Son of Realty Dealer Made Administrator and Three Appraisers Are Named—Secret Trip to Jefferson Futile.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 7.—(Special.)—That J. E. Roberts, the aged realty dealer who was killed here a week ago, was not the rich man he represented himself to be was shown today, papers filed in the Probate Court listing his wealth at only \$800.

Some contend that the eight estate left by the old man strengthens the theory that he committed suicide. Now if it can be established that his outlay the day of death amounted to \$200 it is hinted that city and county investigators will follow suicide clues before resuming work on murder traces.

F. B. Roberts, eldest son of the murdered man, was appointed administrator and J. D. Barber, M. Roberts and A. A. Underhill were named appraisers. The appraisers will begin at once to check Roberts' finances to ascertain the amount of money the aged man carried at the time of death.

Three capsules of strychnine having been found near the death scene by Reform School boys, it is thought probable that the poison was placed to kill the penitentiary bloodhounds if they were placed on the trail. This would indicate that the criminals, if murder was committed, are novices, red pepper being the only known setback to hounds once they are put on the scent of fugitives.

However, the strychnine may prove to be a clue. The three capsules contained enough poison to kill a hundred or more persons, and it is not believed any druggist in Salem would sell such a quantity of the poison without making a record of the transaction. Then, the investigators argue, the poison may have been lost. All local druggists will be questioned to ascertain if strychnine was stolen from them recently or if they discharged employees a week or more ago. Steps will also be taken to ascertain if Roberts bought strychnine or if he was accustomed to carry the poison.

This deduction makes six clues which, as far as known, have not been traced with any degree of success.

Sheriff Minto and Frank and Clarence Roberts visited Jefferson today and interviewed Cashier Robinson of the Jefferson Bank relative to details in connection with Roberts' transactions with that bank. Inquiries of those who visited Jefferson elicit no other response than that nothing new was discovered.

There seems to be some indication that a new clue has been added to the list of suggestions, but an air of deepest secrecy is being maintained. One of the sons of Roberts says he will make no assertions which would tend in any way to interfere with the investigation.

There is reason to believe that the move today has some important bearing on the case, but what it is, is like a sealed book, as far as the Sheriff and the Roberts boys are concerned. The police say they have no new information and apparently are more than ever at sea as to the identity of the murderer.

Gleason Funeral Held.

FOREST GROVE, Or., Nov. 7.—(Special.)—The funeral of the late Leonard Gleason, who died in Seattle recently, was held here Saturday.

He was the son of John E. Gleason, a former resident, who moved to Goldendale, Wash. He is survived by his father and two sisters, Mrs. Harvey H. Hartley and Mrs. N. R. Norris, both of Goldendale, Wash.

DUCK HUNTERS ARRESTED

Washington Nimrod Caught Shooting in State of Oregon.

Chief Deputy Game Warden Green returned from his Sunday excursion to the duck preserves along the Columbia and Willamette rivers yesterday, and as a result of his visit he reports two arrests and convictions for violations of the game laws.

C. Huskamp, a duck hunter, who resides in the State of Washington, was caught Sunday morning shooting ducks in Oregon, and was unable to produce an Oregon license. Chief Deputy Green and Deputy Nooning made the arrest, and Huskamp was convicted and fined \$25 and costs at St. Helens yesterday.

Deputy Wardens Thompson and Huntington arrested Frank Kelt for shooting ducks from a rowboat and he was tried before Justice of the Peace Bell yesterday and fined \$25. Game Warden Stevenson and his assistants have been conducting a vigorous and effective campaign against game law violations this season and have accomplished splendid results.

CONSTIPATION

MAY BE PERMANENTLY OVERCOME BY PROPER PERSONAL EFFORTS WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THE ONE TRULY BENEFICIAL LAXATIVE—SYRUP OF FIGS AND ELIXIR OF SENNA.

WHICH ENABLES ONE TO FORM REGULAR HABITS DAILY, SO THAT ASSISTANCE TO NATURE MAY BE GRADUALLY DISPENSED WITH WHEN NO LONGER NEEDED, AS THE BEST OF REMEDIES, WHEN REQUIRED, ARE TO ASSIST NATURE AND NOT TO SUPPLANT THE NATURAL FUNCTIONS, WHICH MUST DEPEND ULTIMATELY UPON PROPER NOURISHMENT, PROPER EFFORTS AND RIGHT LIVING GENERALLY.

TO GET ITS BENEFICIAL EFFECTS, ALWAYS BUY THE GENUINE SYRUP OF FIGS AND ELIXIR OF SENNA MANUFACTURED BY THE

CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP CO. FOR SALE BY ALL LEADING DRUGGISTS

STEINWAY Pianola Piano

at Kohler & Chase

Washington and West Park.

Concert today at 2 o'clock.



Complies with all Pure Food Laws

PENALTY WILL BE HEAVY

Judge Tazwell to Hit Overdrawers of Checking Accounts.

Men who carelessly draw checks against exhausted bank accounts and are haled into court in the future cannot escape all penalty by making good the amount of the shortage, announced Judge Tazwell yesterday in dismissing the case

against Robert Wilber, arrested for drawing a worthless check for \$66 and cashing it with Simon & Bro. Wilbur was exonerated, but costs of \$5 were assessed against him.

Almost every day there is a case brought before the court wherein some business man of more or less standing is charged with issuing worthless checks. In a great majority of the cases, when they come to trial, the showing is made that the overdraft was an innocent mistake, and that it has been rectified. The complaining witness, having his money, invariably consents to a dismissal.

Judge Tazwell takes the view that the courts are not for the purpose of

straightening out the tangles of bad business methods and that the accused should be penalized as a lesson to be more careful in the future. Accordingly, when these cases are brought into court hereafter, if no penalty is imposed upon a finding of guilty, costs will be assessed in amounts commensurate with the quantity of work involved.

A TROUBLE MAKER.

Clackamas annexation will confuse real estate titles, breed litigation and create turmoil in taxation. Vote it down! (Paid adv.)**

BRILLIANT CUT GLASS--A SALE THAT WILL ESTABLISH A NEW LOW PRICE RECORD

The Owl Drug Co

ORIGINAL CUT RATE DRUGGISTS
7th. and WASHINGTON STS. PORTLAND, ORE.

This is an introductory sale at introductory prices. It announces a new department with us. Cut glass, from now on, will be conspicuous in our advertising. We will, at all times, follow our usual custom of naming low prices on this line, believing that cut glass does not have to be priced high to sell quickly. See our line.

PRETTY BERRY BOWLS

We have just received a large shipment of these bowls. There are several different beautiful patterns. All are deeply cut and are equally as ornamental and rich looking as though you had paid double the price we ask. We have priced them very low. These bowls are 3 inches in diameter and are wonderful values. Owl Cut Price, \$2.89 Each.

Nifty Almond Dishes

For individual service. Each is carefully cut and add attractively to the table setting of white linen and silverware. These dishes are of a pretty design, heavy and deeply cut. You may purchase them singly or in half-dozen lots. In less quantity the single price prevails. Owl Cut Price, Each, 65¢; in half-dozen, \$3.50

CUT GLASS WATER TUMBLERS

These are large glasses, cut in the buzz-saw and several other patterns. Each one is a beauty. Seldom, if ever, has a first-class cut-glass water tumbler been offered at the prices which we have made upon this line. We have a very large stock, with new arrivals almost every day. We hope to sell them as fast as they get here. Note the prices: Owl Cut Price, Each \$2.50 42¢; in half-dozen, \$2.50

TALL CUT WATER PITCHERS

There are Large Pitchers, running more to the tall than equally designs. They have a large capacity and match the cutting in the tumblers. We can offer this pitcher in a dainty design, deeply cut and heavy, substantial effect. Impossible to tell this glass from the very high-priced kind. See the shapes and patterns, you'll like them. \$3.75 Owl Cut Price, Each.

Sugar and Cream Sets

Offered in a variety of attractive patterns. The shapes are right up to style and they are very large size. The cutting in the sets is very brilliant and they flash and glisten with wonderful effect. Call and look these sets over. Take your choice of any that you like. They are all priced at the same figure. OWL CUT PRICE, SET, \$2.89

CUT WATER PITCHERS LATE PATTERN

This is a Large, G'ra'cefully-shaped Pitcher that will please you. It has a rich, massive appearance, and is suitable for any table or buffet. Comes in the buzzsaw and star patterns, and is, without doubt, one of the most attractive pieces of cut glass of the new style. With tumblers to match, this makes an ideal gift. Owl Cut Price, Each, \$4.25

COMBINATION OF PITCHER AND TUMBLERS

The patterns in the two pitchers are exactly matched in our stock of tumblers. To enable you to complete the set at a saving in cost, we offer the combinations, as follows: The \$3.75 pitcher, with a half dozen tumblers to match, priced above at \$2.75 and \$3.80 together for \$5.50 The \$4.25 pitcher, with half dozen tumblers to match, priced above at \$4.25 and \$2.50, together for \$6.00 WHEN DOWN TOWN DO NOT MISS OUR SHOWING OF CUT GLASS WARE.