

### 'KIDDIES' GET FUNDS

#### Christmas Gifts to Be Postal Savings Accounts.

### BIG RUSH IS ANTICIPATED

#### Officials at Uncle Sam's Bank in Postoffice Say Thousands of Dollars Will Be Handled Coming In and Going Out.

Not only are the mail clerks involved in the Christmas rush by the handling of hundreds of children's letters to Santa Claus, and the money order department by a flood of demands for orders to foreign countries from people who are sending money home for Christmas gifts, but in the department where, within an office space not more than 10 feet square, the postal savings bank in the Portland Postoffice is handling more than \$2,000,000 worth of business a year, preparations are also being made for a Christmas rush.

#### Children to Benefit.

"This form of gift is not unusual with us," he said yesterday. "All through the year we are continually dealing with people who come to deposit small sums to open savings accounts for their children or other little relatives. It is surprising to note how great an extent this method is being used now as a means of conferring birthday presents upon children.

#### Money Orders Many.

In view of the statements of G. P. Whitehouse, of the money order department, that thousands of dollars are being sent abroad this year as Christmas gifts, Mr. Carr was asked if this activity in the money order department does not have the effect of reducing the savings accounts.

"Not in the least," he said. "Of course a goodly sum of money is taken away in those orders may have come out of the postal savings department, but the Christmas rush in the money order department does not cause any check in the steadily increasing business of the savings department. Most of the money that has been sent away has not been drawn out of the postal savings bank. It is my opinion that on the other hand, the new accounts that are being opened and are to be opened in the holiday week bid fair to make the increase in the number of deposits for December greater than in the preceding months."

### MORTGAGE TO BE BURNED

#### First United Presbyterian Church Liquidates Indebtedness.

Personal invitations have been issued to the members and friends of the First United Presbyterian Church, Sixth and Montgomery streets, to assemble at the church tomorrow night at 8 o'clock to celebrate the liquidation of an indebtedness on the property. The church was organized April 25, 1834, at the corner of Sixth and Hall streets, and moved to its present location a year later, entering a new and attractive house of worship.

#### GRILL PROPRIETOR FINED

COURT PASSES SENTENCE AS JURY FAILS TO AGREE.

Judge Tazwell Makes Short Cut to Save Time, Basing Unprecedented Action on Common Sense.

### \$20,000 BOND ISSUE PLAN

#### Milwaukie Wants Municipal Water Plant and Fire Department.

MILWAUKIE, Or., Dec. 11.—(Special.)—It is proposed to issue bonds to the amount of \$20,000 for the purchase of the present water plant, if terms can be arranged, and if not to construct a municipal plant, and also to amend the charter that taxes to the amount of 10 mills may be levied to enable the city to establish an efficient fire department.

### PLEA MADE FOR AGENTS

#### Straborn Says Station Managers Deserve Credit.

Co-operation between all departments of the railroad was the keynote of remarks delivered by a score of traffic, operating and mechanical officials of the O. W. R. & N. Company at a luncheon at the Commercial Club yesterday afternoon.

These officials from various points of the system have been attending a conference at the Portland Hotel for the last few days with the idea of exchanging views that will improve the service. Many original thoughts were brought out at the luncheon, which was

in charge of R. B. Miller, traffic manager. J. P. O'Brien, general manager, said more good has been accomplished for the railroad and for the public through co-operation than through any other means, and pointed to the recent demonstration by Harriman line employees in attending the Land Show as an illustration.

J. D. Stack, assistant general manager, who conceived the idea of the conference, emphasized the value of the local agents along the line of every road are not given the credit for performing the multitude of duties that their position compels them to handle. Were he in charge of the situation he would place the local agents on a plane with the best business men of the city. He would pay them more money and give them more responsibility.

Among the other speakers were M. J. Buckley, assistant general manager; J. G. Kamm, superintendent of the Yakima

### FUNERAL OF SHIPBUILDER, WHO CAME TO OREGON IN 1867, IS HELD.

James Olsen, who died December 3, had been a prominent shipbuilder of this city. The funeral was held at the Portland Crematorium near Hillwood December 5 under the auspices of the Christian Science Society. He was born in Skeen, Norway, March 23, 1836, and came to Portland about 1867. He was in the employ of the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company between 1874 and 1885, when he embarked in the shipbuilding business, establishing the Portland Shipbuilding Company, with yards at the foot of Yamhill and Meade streets. It was then the largest shipbuilding concern in Portland, and turned out many of the early boats which plied on the Willamette River. He retired from active business a several years ago. His home was at the corner of East Harrison and Hemlock streets, Ladd's Addition. He was a member of Fidelity Lodge No. 4, Ancient Order of United Workmen, and of the Odd-fellows. He is survived by a widow, Mrs. Lizzie Olsen, formerly Lodge No. 4, Ancient Order of United Workmen, and of the Odd-fellows. He is survived by a widow, Mrs. Lizzie Olsen, formerly Lodge No. 4, Ancient Order of United Workmen, and of the Odd-fellows. He is survived by a widow, Mrs. Lizzie Olsen, formerly Lodge No. 4, Ancient Order of United Workmen, and of the Odd-fellows.

ina division; William Connolly, of Spokane, superintendent of the Washington division; William Bolions, superintendent of the Portland division; J. T. Matheson, of Seattle, superintendent of the Northern division; J. F. Corbett, train dispatcher at La Grande; H. C. Temple, agent at North Yakima; J. B. Glover, local freight agent at Portland; W. D. Skinner, assistant traffic manager; J. C. Mayo, local agent at Spokane; A. C. Spencer, general attorney; C. P. Bissett, right of way agent at Seattle; Walter Gould, assistant superintendent at Portland; E. M. Ringer, dispatcher at Albina, and H. E. Lounsbury, general freight agent.

Mr. Bissett struck a popular chord when he declared that the fault with the transportation companies in the past has been that their employees lacked courtesy. This caused popular discontent and agitation that resulted in all the recent adverse legislation. With proper treatment of the public the carriers will need to have no fear of Legislatures and commissions.

Pursuant to his announcement of Tuesday, Judge Tazwell in Municipal Court yesterday summarily ordered the imposition of a fine of \$100 against Charles Bartram, proprietor of the Pittsburg Grill, without rehearing the evidence in the case on which a jury disagreed Monday. Attorneys for the defendant were not present in court, but their right to appeal was saved by entry of a notice of appeal on their behalf.

While in form the action is without precedent, Judge Tazwell bases it upon common sense arguments, looking to the expediting of business in his court and the doing away with dilatory methods. Bartram's case was tried before a jury, of which five members were promptly for conviction, one holding out on confessed grounds of personal prejudices. All the testimony was heard by the court, and accepting the defendant's own testimony the issue was whether liquor legally can be sold in restaurants, with a small bowl of chili con carne taking the place of the "ordinary meal" required by ordinance.

Judge Tazwell holds that it cannot, and that it is useless to summon another jury and take up time to determine the point. He rests in part upon a recent decision in the Circuit Court to the effect that the Municipal Court when trying violations of city ordinances is not bound by the rules of statutory procedure, because such offenses are not crimes in the eye of the state law.

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### FRUIT LAWS TARGET

#### Horticultural Society Asks Sweeping Revision.

### ABOLISH BOARD IS AIM

#### Legislation to Be Asked Vesting Power in President of Body, Expert and Governor—Strict Enforcement Also Planned.

Legislation contemplating the abolition of the State Board of Horticulture and proposing changes which amount to a radical revision of the laws governing the fruit industry of Oregon, will be submitted to the Legislature as a result of the deliberation of the legislative committee of the State Horticultural Society, which closed a meeting at the Imperial Hotel yesterday.

The proposed bills, which have been carefully prepared by the following general provisions: The president of the State Horticultural Society, the State Experimental Station horticulturist and the Governor shall constitute a board having appointive power over the office of State Horticultural Commissioner, who shall have full power to enforce all laws relative to horticulture. His failure to enforce such laws shall constitute cause for removal.

Inspectors for the various districts, not to exceed 40 in number, are to be paid only for such time as is occupied by their duties. The Commissioner is to be given full power to cause owners to rid trees and shrubs of pests, and to destroy such trees and shrubs as are not cleaned up within a reasonable time after the notice is notified.

### FIGHT FOR ESTATE ON CLAIMANTS OF WINTERS' CASH APPEAR IN COURT.

Four Factions Involved, Including State—Ontario Man Claims He Is Admitted Relative.

It was by accident that Leslie Aker, an attorney of Ontario, Or., happened into a lodging house operated by H. D. Winters, a resident of this city, during the progress of the Lewis & Clark fair in 1905 and learned, by comparing notes with the old man, that he was a grand nephew of Winters. So Aker stated yesterday in County Court when on the witness stand before County Judge Cleeton giving testimony in support of the contention of his mother, Carrie B. Aker, of Ontario, and others that they are entitled by heirship to the \$100,000 estate left by Winters.

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no decisions until all have put in their evidence. Mr. Aker is claiming on behalf of herself and other heirs of Jefferson Winters and on behalf of the heirs of William Winters, who she says was a descendant of the full blood, of F. D. Winters, and the heirs of an alleged half sister of Winters.

### CITY SUIT IS AVOIDABLE

#### SOUTHERN PACIFIC MAKES OFFER OF LAND.

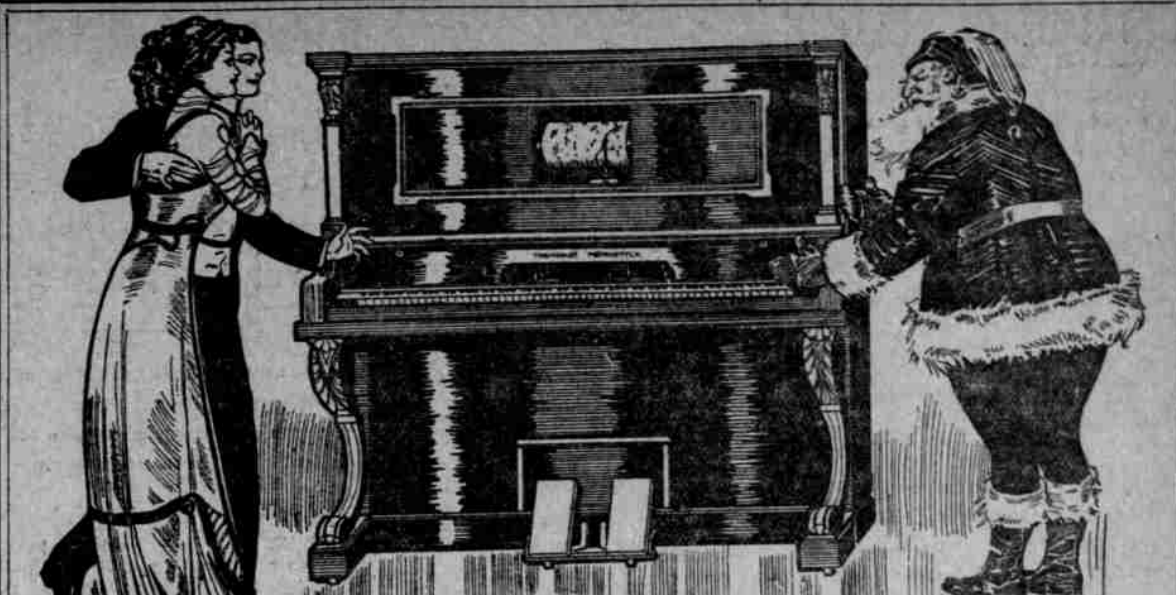
#### In Return for Clear Title to Depot Site, Railway Is Willing to Cede Ground in Dispute.

Announcement made yesterday by the City Council by D. W. Campbell, general superintendent of the Southern Pacific, that his company is willing to give to the city all rights to the water front near the Jefferson-street depot if clear title is given the company to land occupied by the depot, will result in a committee going before the State Legislature and asking for the passage of legislation necessary to bring about the transfer of titles. This action will block years of legal proceedings which have been threatened because of the dispute over the water-front and the Jefferson-street terminal of the Southern Pacific, known as the public levee.

The announcement of Mr. Campbell came as a surprise at a point of yesterday's Council meeting where the members were considering placing a clause in the proposed Jefferson-street franchise providing for the protection of the city's rights to the terminal grounds and the water-front which are under dispute. "The Southern Pacific," said Mr. Campbell, "is willing to settle this controversy by relinquishing its water-front rights to the state if the city and state will protect the company in its rights to the terminal outside the water front."

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