

CITY ORDERS SALE OF LAND WITH LIENS

Step Taken to Bring Issue Over Street Improvement Delinquency to Head.

LENIENCY IS TO BE RARE

Drastic Action Decided on as Only Alternative to Protect Bond. Credit - Advertising of Oldest Is Started.

Fate to face with a delinquency of between \$450,000 and \$500,000 interest on liens granted by property owners for street improvements, the City Council at a meeting yesterday decided to force the proposition to a head with property owners and particularly owners of large tracts, by advertising the land for sale at once.

The drastic action was decided upon as the only alternative to protect the city's bond credit. The Council decided that the sale of the property is the only course open to relieve the financial stringency. The property owners can head off the sale only by paying up their delinquent interest and installments.

100,000 Lots in City Affected. About 100,000 lots in the city are affected by the plan, there being delinquency on the interest on the sale of this property is in the possession of real estate companies and large owners, although probably the greatest amount is in the hands of individual owners, either by purchase outright or on contract.

City Decides to Buy in Property. It was decided therefore that a loan will be made for the general fund whereby the city will buy in the delinquent property itself, getting the money back when the owners recover the property or by sale of the ground in three years' time, when the city will have a clear title by default.

In the operation of the system of selling property, an effort will be made to look out for some of the small owners who are absolutely unable to pay. In these cases, a thorough investigation will be made first and leniency will be shown only in exceptional cases.

The purchase of property by individuals or the city in this way requires the amount of the delinquency only. The property owner may redeem his property at any time within three years by the payment of penalties and interest at excessive interest to the purchaser. At the end of the third year the purchaser obtains a clear title, unless the original owner redeems. When a sale is made for delinquency it stands as a cloud on the title of the property.

LAND SHOW PRIZES SET

MANUFACTURER WITH BEST DISPLAY TO RECEIVE \$100.

Feature Will Be Award of \$100 for Most Harmonious Section of Booths. Space Is in Demand.

Prizes to be awarded in the industrial division of the Manufacturers' and Land Products Show were announced yesterday after a conference between J. J. Kingsley, president of the show, and R. E. Bain, Jr., chairman of the manufacturers' exhibit committee of the exhibition.

To the Oregon manufacturer making the best exhibit a cash prize of \$100 will be given. The best working exhibit will receive \$75. A second prize of \$50 and a third prize of \$30 will also be awarded in this class.

To the best exhibit occupying three or more booths there will be a first prize of \$50 and second and third prizes of \$40 and \$20. To the best exhibit occupying less than three booths will be a first prize of \$30, a second prize of \$20 and a third prize of \$15.

One of the features will be a first prize of \$100 for the most harmonious section of booths, the money to be divided pro rata among the exhibitors in the winning section. There will also be a second prize of \$75 in this class. The most attractively decorated or presentation booth will receive \$25, and a prize of \$10 goes to the best "made-in-Oregon" slogan displayed in a booth.

The demonstrator popularity contest will be decided by ballot. Many applications for space are being received at the Chamber of Commerce, and President Kingsley says business houses intending to exhibit should make applications for space at once.

JITNEY SLIGHTLY DAMAGED

Abe Goldstein Drives Into Hydrant to Avoid Collision.

To avoid a collision with an automobile driven by A. Prusa, Abe Goldstein, a jitney driver, drove his machine on the sidewalk and into a hydrant at the southeast corner of Third and Oak streets yesterday morning at 7:30 o'clock. No one was injured and the machine was badly damaged.

CLANSMAN SALE RECALLED

R. L. Hardin Impressed by Popularity of "Birth of a Nation" Film.

R. L. Hardin, of the Henry building, who was in New York some years ago when Rex, Thomas Dixon, Jr., sold his first book, "The Clansman," at the Academy of Music, was strangely im-

Exclusive Agents for the Famous Ostermoor Mattresses—"Built, Not Stuffed."



Berkey & Gay Furniture—the Product of Masters—Here Exclusively in Portland.



Bundhar Wilton Rugs—"Durable as Iron."—Sole Portland Agents—7th Floor, 5th-St. Bldg.

Meier & Frank's--The Store for Homefurnishers!

"Columbia"

America's Great Highway Through the Cascades to the Sea. The splendid new book that should be in every home in Oregon. By special arrangement, the author

Samuel Christopher Lancaster

will autograph all copies purchased in our book department. Again today, at 2, 3 and 4 P. M., Mr. Lancaster will deliver a lecture on the Columbia Highway, illustrated with stereopticon views. Admission free. You are invited.

Music Hall, Sixth Floor.

—Fall and Winter at once suggest the days when home means MOST to us all! —With the vast new stocks of Homefurnishing goods that will be soon housed in the New Store, surely Meier & Frank's is the Homefurnishing headquarters of Portland. —Credit terms may be arranged to suit for those who prefer to pay in this manner.

3000 Pairs of New Curtains at Savings!



Tambours, \$1.39 —Fine white Tambour Net Curtains — you know how dainty they are. These are \$2.75 to \$3.25 grades. Irish Laces —"Inside" prices from an importer who bought before the war. New patterns in white, cream and ecru—\$2.65 to \$4.50. Madras, 25c —Real Scotch cream madras—every yard fresh and new. The regular 35c quality.

—bought at the loom-side—and how our big quantities and ready cash fairly "Talked" when it came to making prices! As the result of his Eastern trip, our Lace Curtain Manager has 3000 pairs of the daintiest, newest Curtains to offer today at savings like these— Nottinghamams, \$1.65 —and Cable Nets—white, cream and ecru—you would pay all of \$2.50. —and \$1.85 for \$2.75 and \$3 Nottinghamams—\$1.98 for \$3.25 Nottinghamams.

Scrims, 19c —New printed Scrims, in dozens of prettiest patterns—regular 20c, 25c, 30c and 35c grades. Cretonnes, 15c —A big table of these Cretonnes, in many colors, and designs—odd lengths of 25c to 40c grades—15c a yd. —Make early selection! —Seventh Floor, Sixth-St. Bldg.

Just in by Express New Suits \$24.50

One Model Illustrated —We're just unpacking them as this is written—one of the cleverest lots of suits we've ever shown at this price! —Every new style and material included. Among them are



—Gabardines —Mixtures —Whipcords —Broadcloths —Some made in Russian Blouse effect, others on plain tailored lines. Many are Norfolks. —Good material—good workmanship—moderately priced at \$24.50. —Fourth Floor, Fifth-St. Bldg.

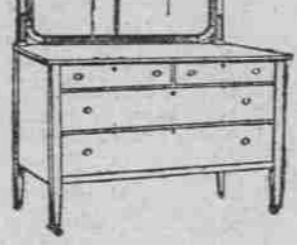
Large Sheets 75c

Sheets, 81x108 inches, 75c Sheets, 81x 99 inches, 65c Sheets, 81x 90 inches, 59c

PILLOW CASES —of a quality and finish to match the sheets. Slips, 45x38 1/2 inches, 15c Slips, 42x38 1/2 inches, 12 1/2c —Honeycomb Bed Spreads—full double size, plain edges, well hemmed—\$1.50. —Honeycomb Bed Spreads—double size; fringed—with cut corners—\$2.25. —Second Floor, Fifth-St. Bldg.

Was There Ever Such a Furniture Sale?

—You would surely say NO, if you saw the crowds here Monday and yesterday! —Desirable Furniture was probably never so overwhelmingly reduced before! Read some of the prices now—see the savings—they're the most convincing reasons of all! —This sale precedes our removal to permanent quarters in the New Store! Take advantage today, before it is too late!



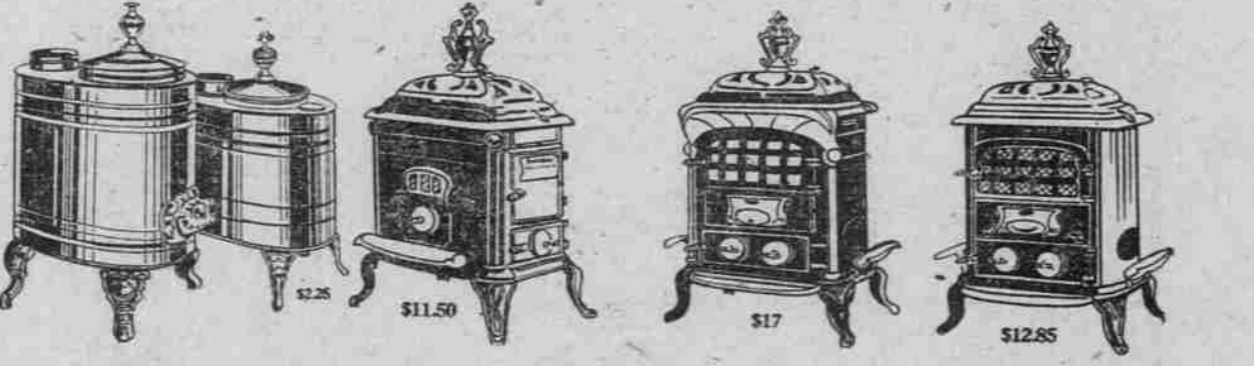
Mahogany Upholstered Furniture —\$55 Mahogany Upholstered Settee, \$28. —\$35 Mahogany Upholstered Chair, \$19. —\$25 Mahogany Davenport, \$69. —\$25 Mahogany Rocker, \$17.50. —\$14 Mahogany Rocker, \$7.50. —\$12 Mahogany Rocker, \$9.50. —\$7 Mahogany Chair, \$3.50. —\$7 Mahogany Rocker, \$3.50. —\$7 Mahogany Rocker, \$3.50. —\$7 Mahogany Chair, \$3.50. —\$7 Mahogany Rocker, \$3.50.

Bedroom Furniture —\$15 Imitation Mahogany Commode, \$4.50. —\$15 Circassian Walnut Chiffonier (walnut interior), \$35. —\$15 Circassian Walnut Chiffonier, \$37.50. —\$15 Circassian Walnut Chiffonier, \$15. —\$15 Oak Wardrobe, \$25. —\$15 Solid Mahogany Table, \$9. —\$25 Oak Toilet Table, \$12.50. —\$15 White Enamel Dresser, \$15. —\$15 Oak Chiffonier, \$9.50. —\$15 Oak Chiffonier, \$7.75. —\$15 Oak Chiffonier, \$9.50.

Living-Room Furniture —\$12 Fumed Oak Arm Chair, \$5. —\$7 Oak Chair, early English, \$2.50. —\$7 Oak Chair, waxed, \$2.50. —\$7 Oak Chair, waxed, \$2.50. —\$7 Mahogany Leather Davenport, \$55. Dining Furniture —\$18 "Lifetime" Fumed Oak Dining Chair, leather seat, \$4. —\$7.75 Fumed Oak Arm Diner, at \$4. —\$7.75 Fumed Oak Arm Diner, \$2.50. —\$11 Fumed Oak Arm Diner, \$4.75.

Br'r! It's Stove Weather

—"Jack Frost" is making himself mighty apparent these September mornings! An economical heater will solve the problem till you start the furnace—they're a saving, even then! Stove Department, Fifth Floor, Temporary Annex, Fifth and Alder.



Splendid Airtight Heater, like cut above—heats up in a minute—at Meier & Frank's today this Heater priced at \$3. Another Dandy Airtight Heater, like cut above, inside pipe draft, sheet-steel lining. An excellent value at \$2.25. Sunset Wood. Heater, with solid cast iron lining, large feed door and swing top to admit big pieces of wood. \$11.50. Firefly Heater. Burns coal or wood. Hot-blast attachment that burns all the gas gets every particle of heat out of the fuel, \$17. "Cheerful" Wood Heater, like cut above, mica front, large swing top, hot-blast attachment, \$12.85.

Winter Blankets and Comforts Reduced

—An advantageous purchase of splendid Wool Blankets and fine Comforters—that brings them to you now at the very beginning of the season—at big savings!

—\$4.50 White Wool Blankets, full size, \$3.15 —\$5.00 White Wool Blankets, full size, \$4.15 —\$6.00 White Wool Blankets, full size, \$5.15 —\$5.00 Fancy Plaid Blankets—blue, brown, \$4.15 —\$5.00 Light Gray Blankets, fancy border, \$4.15 —\$2.00 Silkoline Covered Comforters, at \$1.69

Emmerich Feather Pillows from \$1.00 to \$5.00—Less 10 Per Cent. —Third Floor, Fifth-St. Bldg.

Out-of-Town Mail Orders

—Filled from this and all our ads if received within three days of date of publication. Telephone us where quantities are limited or you are in a hurry.



Established 1857 THE QUALITY STORE OF PORTLAND Fifth, Sixth, Morrison, Alder Sts.

New Wilton Rugs Underpriced!

—My, if you could just have been with us, when our floor covering chief lifted up one rug after another—showed us the beautiful new patterns in small allovers and medallion centers.

—Lovely light colors for parlors—darker shades for offices—and everything between. —You'd know WHY these fine new Wilton Rugs are underpriced if you heard him tell of his early trip to market—how thousands of rugs were bought at prices which have continually been advancing since because of scarcity of dyes and raw materials—here are the savings: —\$33 for 9x12 Wiltons Standard \$40 Grades! —\$29.50 for 9x12 Wiltons Standard \$35 Grades!

Seamless Axminsters \$22.85

—Another wonderful Rug offering today—splendid new heavy quality Axminsters in handsome designs and patterns—medallions and allovers—for living or dining rooms. —A Rug never sold regularly under \$28.50. —Seventh Floor, Fifth-St. Bldg.

Half Price for Beautiful China

—Thousands of pieces of exquisite, high-grade Haviland, Royal Dresden, Royal Doulton and Royal Nippon China at exactly half price! Beautiful single pieces and sets—

Plates Salad Sets Salad Bowls Chocolate Sets Cups and Saucers Nut Bowls Tea Sets Jelly Sets Fruit Dishes Celery Trays Cheese and Cracker Dishes Compotes Sugar and Creamers Mayonnaise Sets

—Foresighted women will take advantage of this sale for Christmas Shopping. Gifts—for your friends and yourself. The finest imported china at just half price! Sale last four days only! —Temporary Annex, Fourth Floor

pressed several days ago when he saw a long line at the box office of the Helix clamoring to get into the theater to witness "The Birth of a Nation," the photo-play founded on Mr. Dixon's now famous book.

"When walking past the Helix the other day and seeing 'The Clansman' billed, I recalled being at the Academy of Music when Mr. Dixon, or 'Tragedy Tom,' as the audience called him, offered the first copy of 'The Clansman' for sale. I believe the theater heated

about \$300 and it was packed. In all that vast audience, however, he sold only three copies.

Centralia to Entertain Teachers. CENTRALIA, Wash., Sept. 14.—(Special.)—The annual reception tendered by the local Commercial Club for the Centralia school teachers will be held in the clubrooms Thursday night, according to an announcement made by President Campbell yesterday. The entertainment committee has arranged a programme for the event.

around, will provide cause for laughter today in a four-reel feature film, "The Mixup," which has been added to the musical comedy programme at the National theater as a special feature. The Chaplin film will run until Saturday night.

Continuous programmes will be the order from 2 o'clock until 5 o'clock in the afternoon and from 7 o'clock until 11:45 at night. There will be three complete performances of "On the Great White Way," the musical comedy, and five showings of the Chaplin film, each musical comedy show being preceded and followed by "The Mixup." "The Mixup" is heralded as being the craziest and most ridiculous of Chaplin's many crazy and ridiculous films. Publishers' Trial on Docket. CENTRALIA, Wash., Sept. 14.—(Special.)—J. E. Cue, a Centralia publisher, charged with first degree assault for the alleged throwing of a piece of linotype metal at Joe Lucas, manager of a local theater, will be tried on October 18 in the Pierce County Superior Court, where the case was taken on a change of venue from the Lewis County Court. A demurrer entered by Cue's attorney was overruled Saturday and the case set for trial. Men have a stronger sense of taste than women.