## IMPROVE THE CITY

Slogan of the Civic Improvement Board.

SOME DIFFICULT PROBLEMS

What It Is Hoped to Accomplish and Some of the Obstacles in the Way.

The Soard of Civic Improvement and the outire community are under great ob-igations to The Oregonian for the Inter-est it has shown in the work of improving the city, and its forcible and judi-cious encouragement of the work that so many citizens are now banded together in trying to affect," said President W. D. Wheelwright yesterday afternoon.

'I hope it is understood that the board-and its members are working for the

and its members are working for the benefit of the community, and without any intention of interfering with a single person in the enjoyment of his rights, but cather to give him more rights and privileges to enjoy than he has now. For example, the right to walk through clean and unobstructed streets, to breathe pure air uncontaminated by piles of rotting rubbish, and to rest his eye on well-kept city laws.

right to store goods there permanently, or to plie them up even temporarily in such a way as to prevent its use by foot passengers. This is Chief Hunt's view, as I understand it, and right here I want to say that the Chief has shown himself disposed to do everything that can properly and lawfully be done by his department in the matter of civic improvement a acted. and lawfully be done by his department in the matter of civic improvement. Exerything that is brought to his attention is acted on at once, and there has been the most commendable improvement in the way that policemen all over the city are drawing people's attention to the ordinances. Of course, it cannot be expected that every officer will at all times show entire discretion. With the best possible intentions they may offend now and then, may overstep their authority, and in ch cases there must be forbearance and usideration on one side as well as the

'All the committees are now organised,

#### One of the Problems.

"The question is still how to deal with a good many people who won't put their house in order—every man's house being his castle, in a sense. You reporters, who are very clever, can perhaps tell us how we can approach a citizen of greater or line a condition that is annoying to his neighbors and discreditable to the town and ask him to spend a few dollars in making it presentable, without incurring his committy and inviting him to tell us alleges that she has hesitated for some time, feeling that she did not want to bring a suit for a divorce if it could be avoided, but now feel in the could be avoided, but now feel it could be avoided, but now feel it could be avoided, but now feel its could be avoided, but now feel it could be avoided, but now feel its could be avoided.

which inquiry I have not as yet received an answer. It is a lawful business, and I see no right or reason in trying to climinate it or to tax it out of existence. Nor are the signboards generally as objectionable as many people seem to think. I have not yet examined the subject carefully, but when the board takes action. It will be in accordance with the consensus of opinion of its different members, and I am sure they will attempt no injusti toward any one."

#### BACK FROM ISLAND OF TAHITI A. L. Craig Returns From Vacation Spent in Tropics.

A. L. Craig, general passenger agent of the O. R. & N., accompanied by Mrs. Craig, returned yesterday morning from an extended visit to Tahiti. Mr. Craig. in search of rest from the cares of his business, made the journey in order to get as far away as possible from the worries of modern civilization and thinks he found the right place. He returns to Portland, tanned and reddened by the tropic suns. Besides his tan and his contentment, he brings back with him many tales of interest concerning the trip and the strange people he saw while on his journey "Did you ever feel lonesome, absolutely lonesome?" Mr. Craig asked yesterday afternoon as he peered over the top of a pile of accumulated correspondence which nearly hid him from

"But I mean the lonesomeness of the sea, persisted Mr. Craig. 'I mean the semastion of traveling for days and days over the water and seeing nothing but waves—of tossing on the billows and knowing that you are absolutely at the merry of the little creation hearing you up. That is lonesomeness; that makes you feel like an infinitessimal insect in the grasp of the uni-

Mr. Craig was 28 days in traveling rom San Francisco and back again and in that time spent four days on the Island of Tahiti, in the little village of Papeete. He tells entertaining stories of what he saw. There are two kinds of islands in the Tahitian group, one called the atoll, which is composed of a ring of coral, jutting out of the of a ring of coral, jutting out of the sea. This ring is sometimes a quarter of a mile wide and is surmounted by tropic growths. The center of the island is in all cases a take, one of these seen by Mr. Craig being 17 miles across. These takes are the home of the pearl coster, the gathering of which is one of the main industries of the people. The other islands of the group are of volcanic origin and rise abruptly from the water's edge in terraces of

green. Tabiti is fan-shaped and the principal part is 20 miles around. Its highest poak is 7000 feet above the level of the sea, and the island is green to the summit. The population of the island is approximately 7000, of the city 1500, and all the inhabitants live at the water level.

Mr. Craig lived on fruits which grow on the shade trees in the streets and came back much in love with the little island in the Southern sea. He does not wish to live there, however, because there are no rallroads and only two mail steamers in two months. It is a place, however, for the rest cure, and to those who wish information on that subject the returned traveler will tell volumes.

#### President W. D. Wheelwright Tells FINED FOR OBSTRUCTING WALK S. L. Brown, Cigar-Dealer, Has to Pay for Offense.

S. L. Brown, who has a cigar store at Fourth and Alder streets, was fined \$10 in the Municipal Court yesterday If you are going to participate in the morning on the charge of having obstructions on the sidewalk in front of his place of business. Mr. Brown has been in the habit of placing racks and books in front of his store. He was notified that such action was in violation of the city ordinance through the Civic Improvement Board, and when he refused to pay any attention to the notices was arrested.

His case came up before Judge Hogue last Thursday, but it was postponed in hopes he would compily with the ordinance of the clubs, although some of them are nearly filled:

CLUB "A"

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His case came up before Judge Hogue last Thursday, but it was postponed in hopes he would comply with the ordinance. When his case came up for adjudication yesterday it was found that he was still violating the ordinance relating to obstructions on sidewalks and was fined. Brown protested that he did not think he had been violating the city laws.

It is not yet too late to join any one of them are nearly filled:

Consisted originally of 157 pianos, that sell regularly in the old retail way for from \$209 to \$300. The club payments on these are \$5 down and \$1.25 per week. And these pianos our company agrees to supply now at from \$117 to \$212.

CLUB "B."

These planos (222 in all) ranging in

was fined. Brown protested that he agrees to supply now at from \$117 to air uncontaminated by piles of rotting rubbish, and to rest his eye on well-kept grass plots, trees and shrubbery, that go to make up the beauty of a city. In the course of accomplishing these objects it is perhaps quite impossible to avoid giving offense more or less; the unlimited use of street and sidewalk for private purposes has been silowed so long that it is not strange that many people should inink they have the right to use the sidewalk as their own property, and it will take a little time for them to realize the contrary.

"Even then it is not fair or feasible to interpret too harshly the ordinance with regard to 'goods in transit' (itself an elastic expression) in certain localities, such, for example, as the Front-street district, which is very little traveled, and where to have been working on the merchant should find it absolutely impossible to do business if that ordinance were construed too strictly. In such cases and in such districts I think the merchant should not be interfered with, as long as he keeps the sidewalks epen, with plenty of room for people to pass at all times (except when goods are actually moving across the sidewalks.

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Willard Hill, a young man of fashionable attire, who pleaded guilty before Judge George Friday to an information charging him with receiving
money to live upon from Pearl Dickson,
was sentenced yesterday morning to
work six months on the city rockpile.
Hill received a six months' sentence
by Judge Hogue, and he appealed the
case to the State Circuit Court. On
Friday the young man, who was at liberty on bail, concocted a scheme to erty on bail concocted a scheme to square things by making the girl his su wife. He obtained a marriage license and went before Judge George and asked him to perform the ceremony.

Hill thought that under the circumstances be could suffer plant asking the control of the control of the circumstances. "All the committees are now organized, and it is most encouraging to see the interest with which each member of each committee is taking up the work. I am sure that great results will be apparent in a very short time; in fact, there is manifest improvement all over the city, and not entirely as the result of the efforts made by this board, of course, for there are many public spirited citizens who have recently a wakened to the importance of putting their houses in order before the day of the Fair.

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## who was supporting him is suffering with consumption.

of neglected vacant lots is really the most of neglected vacant lots is really the most difficult to deal with, and a should like a little light on it.

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"In the State Circuit Court yesterday, the newspapers about biliboards, but we like the little light on it. the newspapers about biliboards, but we have done absolutely nothing in that direction as yet, beyond a civil inquiry has to whether or not the people who seem to monopolize the business are conducting if with due regard to the ordinances, to the derives a considerable profit. She asks for \$10 a week allmony and which heave not a very life or the control of the co counsel fees. The litigants have no

#### Murderer Asks for Rehearing.

Another move to delay the execution of Frank Guglielmo for the murder of Freda Guarascia was made yesterday when Albert Ferrera, attorney, filed a motion for a rehearing in the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court recently af-firmed the conviction in the lower court and the 26 days time within which the mandate must be received in the State would have been sentenced to be close a mortgage for \$2500 on hanged at the expiration of 20 days and 8 and east half lots 9 and 10, from the date of sentence.

25, Albina Homestead, executed in The motion for a rehearing will avail | The original amount was \$1800.

## The Sale's End's Drawing Near!

Do Not Delay Coming in or Writing If the Saving of Money Is an Object.

Terms of Payment Are' So Low That No One Need Hesitate Now to Get a Good Plano-Thirty Different High-Class Makes Included-Everything Sold by Ellers Plane House Is Fully Warranted -Investigate This.

ments are \$25 to \$56 cash and \$3 to \$5 weekly.

In this club are found numerous odd planos, manufacturers, samples, discontinued '04 catalogue styles of Chickerings, Webers, Kimbalis, Steinways, Krakauers, Crowns; also instruments of numerous different makes that have been received by us in part payment for new Chickerings and Webers and Kimbalis and for Pianoia Pianos. Not a single one of Club F planos, however, shows any sign of usage. There will be only 108 members, and payments are \$16 down and \$1.75 weekly.

YOU RUN NO RISK
In securing one of these planos, no matter whether it be one of the cheapest or one of the most costly of Chickerings, or Webers, or Kimbalis, you run absolutely no risk. Eliers Plano House does not handle a plano that is not in every way warranted by the makers, and we in turn indorse every maker's guarantee, thus making assurance doubly sure.

If, after careful trial, you find that your instrument is not in every way satisfactory or as represented, we always stand ready to replace the instrument with another of same grade or value.

value.

There can be nothing more fair or equitable. Come in and investigate this before it is too late. Letters of inquiry will receive our most careful attention. Catalogues will be supplied free to all inquirers.

Eliers Plano House, "a quarter block of fine planos," corner of Park (Eighth) and Washington streets.

nothing except to delay matters until it has been disposed of, which will be within a very short time.

two bucketfuls of gravel were dumped upon him. Some of his ribs were bro-ken and his spine and knee were in-jured. Hamleton sued Smyth & How-ard Company for damages on account

of this same accident.

реплапсе.

ago, his attorneys having ascertained that they had sued the wrong parties, Old Planks Removed From Yard. The planks which for years past have covered the spare ground surrounding the Harrison-Street Schoolhouse have been removed and coarse sand spread on the vacant ground instead. The planks were old and many of kem decayed and the change is welcome from a sanitary point of view. Some flowers will be planted in front of the

Seeks to Foreclose Mortgage on Lots. The Northern Counties Investment & Prouit Court has almost expired. Im- Trust Company, Limited, has sued Julia distely upon its receipt Guglielmo A. Freeman and A. J. Freeman to fore-

building to improve the general ap-



trouble is with you; you, yourself. Your head is congested, you are dizzy, you cannot see clearly, and you are all out of sorts.

Wake up your sleepy liver! Get rid of a lot of bile. Take one of Ayer's Pills each night, for a few nights. These pills are liver pills, all vegetable, sugar-coated. They act directly on the liver, curing biliousness, constipation, dizziness.

Made by the J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass. ATER'S CHERRY PROTORAL—For coughs.

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ATER'S AGUE CURE—For maintin and agus.

# Roberts Bros

Portland's Fastest-Growing Store

Roberts Bros

# SPRING STYLES IN WOMEN'S APPAREI

We are receiving by every freight and express something new in Women's Suits, Skirts and Coats styles that are attractive and at pleasing prices. Women's stylish Suits in the new coat and blouse styles, in Panama Cloths, fancy Voiles, plain and fancy Silks, plain Cheviots and fancy Mohairs. Price range, \$10.50, \$12.50, \$15.00, \$17.50 and \$22.50. Women's Covert Jackets, \$5.00, \$6.50, \$7.50

Walking Skirts-Over 500 garments to choose from. Materials are Sieilians, worsteds, Panamas, fancy mixtures, voiles, cheviot serge, taffeta silks and fancy mobairs; styles are flounce effect, plaited and flaring, box-plait styles and other models too numerous to mention. \$3.50 Splendid values at \$7.50, \$6.50, \$5.50, \$4.50, \$3.90 and.....\$3.50 Women's Shirts and Shirtwaists-As usual, our Shirtwaists are the talk of the town. Our assortment includes the creations of the leading waistmakers of America. This department is recognized as the leading 

Cravenette Coats - New arrivals; special values at ...... \$10.50, \$12.50 and \$15.00

## The Spring Showing

Lace Curtains, Portieres, Rope Curtains, Couch Covers, Table Covers, Etc .- We are now offering exceptional values in Lace Curtains, Grenadine Curtains, Portieres, Couch Covers and Drapery materials, such as plain white and fancy Swiss stripe grenadine, cretones, burlaps plain and fancy denims and tapestries.

New Nottingham Curtains-In white and Arabian colors; the new Spring effects; per pair, \$1.90, \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1.00, 85c...... 75c 

New Tapestry Portieres-These Portieres consist of all the new designs and new weaves. They are mercerized damask, derby damask, Gordon rep, mercerized armure, Bagdad and Oriental stripes, ranging in price per pair-\$6.50, \$5.50, \$5.25, \$4.90, \$4.50, \$3.90, \$3.50, \$2.90, \$2.50 and....

New Couch Covers-Our assortment of 50 and 60-inch Couch Covers is now complete, in new patterns and colors, ranging in prices, ea., \$4.50, \$3.50, \$2.75, \$2.50, \$2.25, \$1.90, \$1.50,

The Summer Grenadine Curtains-These very pretty curtains are being used in New York very largely, in place of Swiss Curtains. We show a large range in colors and prices. Price, per pair, \$2.90, Scotch Holland Window Shades-3x7 feet, 50e

## New Spring Wash Goods

Latest ideas are here in splendid assortment from the European and American mills. The assortments are more extensive than we have heretofore found it possible to assemble so early in the season. Many thoughtful women appreciate the importance of early selecting, realizing the truth that there are always many choice patterns in first arrivals which cannot be duplicated.

Dress Ginghams, plain colors, stripes, checks and plaids, per yard, 121/2c and ...... 10c Twine Suitings and Eolienne Cords, Dotted Beige, fancy Voiles, four choice fabrics, per yard..... Lattice Silks, Embroidered Boutells, Checked Etamines, plain Soisette, Mercerized Checks for Waists and Suits, in all the most desirable shades, per yard..... Printed Batiste and Dimities are very stylish. We have an im-

New Cotton Challies, Scotch Lawns, best grade American prints, Mohair Luster for pretty Street Suits; a fabric which has the 

#### Colored Dress Goods Section

\$1.65 VALUES FOR \$1.43.

56-inch Priestley's Mohair Sicilians, each yard stamped cravenette and the name is suffi-cient guarantee as to quality; shades of navy, black and tan mixtures; regular \$1.65 grades for ......\$1.43

\$1.90 VALUES FOR \$1.48. 58-inch French Worsted Suitings, correct ma-

terials for a natty tailor-made suit, all mannish stripe effects, in navy, brown, olive, green and black; regular \$1.90 grades for ..... \$1.48

\$1.50 VALUES FOR \$1.23.

54-inch Scotch Shepherd Plaid Suitings, one of the most popular designs for Spring; small checks, combined with broken plaids; colors, navy and white, black and white; regular \$1.50 grades, for......\$1.23

\$1.25 VALUES FOR 99c. 48-inch Scotch Tweed Suitings, pretty combi nations of light grays, tans, greens, navys and blacks, trimmed with white and contrasting shades; regular \$1:25 grades, for . . 99¢

\$1.00 VALUES FOR 85c. 46-inch Tweed Suitings, in light weights and colorings; patterns composing line of neat invisible checks and broken plaids, all wanted shades; regular \$1.00 grades for ... 85¢ \$1.00 VALUES FOR 75c.

46-inch French Suitings, materials in solid colorings, with most beautiful silk crepe finish, one of the season's latest weaves; we know it will please your idea; the colors range in navy, royal, cadet, blues, tobac and seal brown, burnt onion, tan, pearl gray, reseda and myrtle green; regular \$1.00 grades for ...... 75¢

We lead the trade in Lansdowne's silk and wool fabries; full range of plain and fancy de-

## Attractive New Silks for Spring

Special Showing of the Newest Effects Will Be Made Here Monday. -A 27-inch crash Pongee, the latest

in shirtwaist febries, guaranteed to wash and wear, special Monday and Tuesday at. 65¢ A 24-inch All Pure Silk Embroidered Pongee-Very popular for shirtwaist and suit, colors, red, blue, brown and green; sold average. e, brown and green; sold everywhere at \$1.25; special Monday and Tuesday at ...... 98¢

Fancy Suiting Silks-In all the latest Spring colorings, extra heavy and a rich finish, for shirtwaists, skirts and suits; a most complete assortment of stripe, check and figured effects; exceptional values at 85c.

and ..... 50¢ Poulards-24 inches wide, in many fancy effeets for shirtwaist suits; they are the most reliable fabries on the market; special Mon-

Taffetar-19 inches wide, in a full range of colors-black, white, cream, reds, browns, tans, blues, greens, pinks, etc., every yard 

#### Men's New Spring and Summer Apparel

Men's new Spring Golf Shirts in all the new col-ors; the famous "Churchill" brand: a \$1.50 shirt for 

at 65c Men's all-silk Pongee. Negligee Shirts in plain tan: also ian, gray and blus figured effects, the correct thing for Summer. Regular \$2.09 grade; special 52.50

## The Newest Dress Goods EXTRA SPECIAL VALUES FOR MONDAY AND TUESDAY.

Black Dress Goods Sale This sale comprises the best of Black Dress

Goods fabries, made by the famed B. Priestley & Co., with the name stamped on every yard, and guaranteed to give satisfaction to the

They range from 42 to 46 inches in width, and consist of crispines, mohair-anita, mignonette, queen's cloth, granite Sicilian, Sicilietta, brilliantine and a large variety of novelty mohairs. The regular price of these new importations ranges from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per

Special for Monday and Tuesday, YOUR CHOICE, per yard......96¢

## New Muslin Undergarments New Muslin Skirts-By far the prettiest and

shown, comprising all the new effects in lace and embroidery trimming; the best \$2.00 values, extra special, Monday and Tuesday New Muslin Gowns, well made, in the latest styles, square yoke, trimmed with tucks, torchon lace and insertion, large sleeves, full

length and width and special values at. 60¢ New muslin Gowns, wide yoke, trimmed with cluster hemstitched tucks, finished with deep lace and insertion, best quality muslin, regu-New Muslin Gowns, made of extra quality muslin, handsomely trimmed with embroidery,

lace and tucks, ten different styles to select from; best values in the city, at ..... 98¢ New Muslin Skirts, made full size, with deep flounce, trimmed with tucks and hemstitch ing, all lengths; special price ...... 50¢ New Muslin Skirts, made of splendid quality muslin, with extra deep flounce, beautifully trimmed with lace, tucks and insertion. Reg-

ular \$1.00 quality. Special Monday and Tuesday ...... 85¢ New Muslin Skirts of extra quality muslin, made with 18-inch flounce, trimmed with six rows of hemstitching, also full lace founce with protection ruffle. Priced at. \$1.25 New Corset Covers, made in the deep front effects, neatly trimmed with lace and tucks, all sizes; special values at...........25¢

New Corset Covers, made with ruffled front, trimmed with lace and ribbons, all sizes; spe New Muslin Drawers, of good quality muslin, made full length and width, trimmed with 

#### R. & G. Corsets

Complete stock of the new 1905 Spring models. There is not a lady in this city, no matter how particular she may be, who cannot be fitted with absolute satisfaction. The manufacturers of the R. & G. Corsets guarantee every pair. If at any time a pair should fail to give satisfactory wear, they can be returned to us and exchanged for another pair. Prices are \$3.00, \$2.50, \$2.00, \$1.50, \$1.00

and ...... 75¢ Short Corsets, batiste and tape girdles, in all 

Women's Knit Blouses 

50c Embroideries for 25c Yard 

#### Domestic Specials for Monday

36-inch Cambrics, soft finished, suitable for women's and children's underwear, regular 121/2e quality; special Monday, per yd., 10¢ Outing Plannel-In plain pink, blue, cream, white and red; also, in light checks and stripes; best 121/2 quality; special Monday, per yard...... 10¢

81-inch Unbleached Sheeting-Extra heavy, good firm quality; regular 20c value, special 60-inch Bleached Table Damask-Heavy floral

designs; regular 75c quality; special Monday at ......60¢ 72-inch All Linen Table Damask, extra fine 

22x22 Napkins to Match, special per dozen, at ...... \$2.25 20x42 Brown Bath Towels, 15c values, special Monday at ......121/2¢

#### Portland's Best Glove Sale

# TEMPTING PRICES ON

Laces and Dress Trimmings The styles and prices of these trimmings have created a pleasing popularity.

Allover, 18 inches wide, to match, yard \$2.50 Fine French Valenciennes Laces, from \$4.00 Fine Torchon Laces, yard, only .....4e

### SHOES

NEW SPRING STYLES AT REDUCED SPRING PRICES.

PRICES.

The old Oregonians tell us this is an unusual Spring—we are having midsummer weather the first of March. These days call for Oxfords, yet there seems to be a sort of fear and hesitancs; we may have some bad days, still; at the prices we are quoting on new Spring arrivals there should not be one moment's hesitancy. It will pay you to buy now and lay them aside for months, if need be.

Women's new Spring arrivals in \$3.00 Oxfords, Monday

Women's tan Russia calf, tan vici kid and black vici kid Blucher, plain lace and Gibson ties; cap and plain toes, Cuban, concave and military heels; also patent leather Oxfords. \$2.13

Women's fine vici kid Blucher and plain lace shoes, with patent leather tip and military heels, Monday

Misses, shoes

Boys, shoes 

#### Spring Underwear and Hosiery

Starting tomorrow morning, we inaugurate an advance sale of Spring Underwear and Hosiery, lasting one week, different items each day. Twill be an opportune time to make preparations for future wants.

MONDAY'S SPECIALS. morrow 15c
Swiss Ribbed Union Suits Sleeveless Union Suits, the Swiss ribbed umbrella style pants, lace trimmed; the regular 5c quality, for to-morrow at, the suit

## LATEST NOVELTIES IN

New Spring Hosiery