7, Highland
Louisa A. Fedcombe and husband
to Stephen A. Morgan, lot 10, block
7, Doscher's Second Addition.
Plympton Kelly and wife to James
G. Kelly, remaining parcel of
Plympton Kelly D. C. L. in sections f. 9, township 1 south, range
2 cast. W. M.
Joseph Pettit and wife to A. H.
Pettit, lot 16 and east half lot 15, block 54 Sunnyside.
Albert Muessig to C. C. Wiley, lot
13, block 13, Arleta No. 2.
Joseph Pettit and wife to A. H.
Pettit, lot 14, west half lot 15,
Sunnyside
Pacific Realty and Investment Com-

Sunnyside
Pacific Realty and Investment Company to L. E. Thompson, lots 8, 15, block 5, Stewart Park.
R. Anton Neilson and wife to Sara F. and Mabelle L. Roberts, lot 3, block II. John Irving's First Addition

dition
George Brown to James Bryant, lot
13, block 10, Laurelwood Park...
Sheriff to H. Hartzell part of lot
1, block 2, Latourell Falls.
Adelbert Todd to Frank Todd, lot
19, block 23, Tremont Place...
George Meyer and wife to Frank
Todd, lot 20, block 23, Tremont
Place
Lenore Sollender to A. S.

Pogg, 101 29, block 23, Tremont Place
Lenore Sollender to A. S. Johnson, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, block 297, Coffin's Addition
Ethel M. Stone and husband to N. Gregorians, lot 5, block 45, Peninsula Addition No. 4.

J. B. Wilson to Idelia McBride, lot 2, block 6, Giencoe Park Addition. Pacific Realty and Investment Company to H. E. Rosseter, lot 14, block 5, Stewart Park.

Arleta Land Company to Mary Jones, lots 25, 26, block 4, Arleta No. 2

D. D. Wolfe and wife to Neilie P. Kendall, lot 5, block 5, Tremont

No. 2 D. Wolfe and wife to Neilie P. Kendall, lot 5, block 5, Tremont

VALLEY TRACTION **BUYS NINE BLOCKS**

New Railway Will Use Strip in South Portland for a Right of Way.

CONSIDERATION IS LARGE

Activity of Real Estate Market Resumed With End of Summer. Waverly Tract Is Reported Sold.

After several weeks of continuous ne gotiations, the most important transaction in railroad property that has been made in Portland for several months was closed yesterday. The Willamette Valley Traction Company is the purchaser, and the property acquired includes nearly nine blocks of South Portland realty. A portion of the land will be used to give the company a private right of way into the city, in conjunction with the fran-chise which has already been granted, and the remainder will be divided into ets and sold for warehouse purposes ints and sold for warehouse purposes. The sale was made through the agency of C. K. Henry, who has been instrumental in carrying through many of the large purchases of railroad property in

The land included in the purchase of The land included in the purchase of he Wilamette Valley Traction Company a designated on the city map as block 9, part of block I, and all of blocks I, K, L, M, N, O, and a portion of block In Caruthers' addition. They lie in a continuous line, east of Hood street and its continuation into Water street and extending from Woods street on the south to Sheridan street on the north, Blocks L and O and M and N are dou-ble blocks extending from Hood street on the west to Macadam road on the

The property was acquired from a num-ber of owners, and the purchaser de-clines to make the consideration public, as is the case in nearly all railroad pur-hases although it is known that the hases, although it is known that the total amount is very high. Block 194 was purchased from William Strahlman and Dr. W. K. Smith, and block I was owned by the Scheeland estate. Mrs. Emma Austin was the owner of block J. Will-lam Druck of block K. and C. W. Cottell of the portion of block P which was sold. The remainder of the property belonged to the Homeopathic Hospital Association.

To Be Used for Right of Way.

The Willametta Valley Traction Com pany contemplates using a part of the property as a private right of way for its electric line coming in from Salem. This arrangement will eliminate the abrupt curve on Hood street, and will also afford an ensy grade. If the Hood-street route were followed throughout, the would be property to make these t would be necessary to make a deep out, which will be obviated by using the private route which it has just pur-

The officials of the company are plan ning to make of the section an important warehouse district which it will serve by its own line. Many frame buildings of small value are on the property at pres-ent and it is expected that in time all of these will be removed to give sites for substantial warehouses and manufactur-ing plants. It is understood that negotieral of the sites through the agency of Mr. Henry. In selling the lots the company is agreeing to give switching privi-

leges to each purchaser.
Although this is the largest single transaction of the past week, many sales transaction of the past week, many sales have been made and a still further increase in activity is promised during the coming months. At present not a sign is left of the recent mid-Summer duliness and each week is witnessing augmentation of the volume of business. From the present situation the dealers are conindently looking forward to a business which will surpass that of last Fall.

Although official confirmation is lacking, it was reported among the realty men yesterday that the Burkhard building, one of the most important business

structures on the East Side, had been sold. The block is located on the north side of East Burnside street, between Union and Grand avenues. It is a three-story brick and occupies half a block. The consideration is reported to be in the neighborhood of \$130,000 and is re-

the neighborhood of \$130,000 and is regarded as a good investment.

Joseph Burkhard, the owner, was formerly a resident of Portland, but is now living in Los Angeles. He has been in the city for several weeks and it is known that negotiations for the sale of the building have been in progress. A price of \$130,000 was made upon the building and the deal is generally regarded among the realty men as having been closed.

Waverly Tract Is Sold.

Another even more important sale reported on the Bast Side is that of the extensive Waverly tract. The name of the purchaser is not known, and the owner, Joseph Healy, declines to confirm

owner, Joseph Healy, declines to confirm the report of the sale, although admitting that negotiations are in progress.

Mr. Healy yesterday concluded the sale of a building on the east side of First street, between Stark and Washington. It was owned by J. E. Blazier and was purchased by P. Cordano for \$15,000. A two-story frame is on the property, which is only a half lot.

The largest sale of the week, with the exception of the Chamber of Commerce deal, which was begun the preceding week, in the West Side business district is that of a half block on Seventh street, already reported in The Oregonian. The property is located between Burnside and Couch streets, and was purchased by H. Couch streets, and was purchased by H. Wemme for \$100,000. The present improvements on the property are of small value, but it is probable that Mr. Wemme will hold it for sale rather than erect a building upon it, as this has been his policy in extensive realty operations in this city. As the balf block was offered for \$65,000 a short time ago, the safe

The sale of the Chamber of Commerce The sale of the Chamber of Commerce building has now been concluded, and the Seattle Dock Company, headed by W. D. Hoflus, is now in possession of the title. The mortgage of \$449,000, held upon this building by the New York Life Insurance, is due for payment next March. It is said the Seattle capitalists will pay off the mortgage, but even before done It is said the Seattle capitalists will pay off the mortgage, but even before doing so will rebuild the eighth story of the structure, which was destroyed by fire.

E. J. Daly reports the sale of 33 1-3 by 100 on the south side of Couch, between Fifth and Sixth; consideration, \$12,400. The property was owned by Jaeger Bros., who purchased it five weeks ago through Mr. Daly for \$10,500. The purchaser's name is not yet public.

through Mr. Daly for \$10,550. The purchaser's name is not yet public.

Mrs. Annie Campion has bought two lots on Hoyt street, between Twenty-sec. ond and Twenty-third, from W. D. Land for \$200. She will erect a fine residence upon them. The same dealer has sold for Ladd & Strong to Charles Barenstecher, a lot on Lucretia street, between Washington and Everett, for \$3500, and has concluded the sale made last.



week of a little more than one lot at the

southeast corner of Fifth and Main streets for H. P. McGuire to F. W. Baltes. The consideration for the latter sale was

William Sherlock Company has sold to a syndicate of local investors a lot at the northeast corner of Hlackstone and York streets for \$12,000. The property is intended for a warehouse site. The sale was made by E. S. Jackson & Co. Many other large sales are now under a syndicate of local investors a lot at the northeast corner of Blackstone and York streets for \$12,000. The property is intended for a warehouse site. The sale was made by E. S. Jackson & Co. Many other large sales are now under way, and it is expected that next week will be one of the busiest of the season.

W. L. Payne and wife to Henry Raz. lot 16, block 12, MaBelle Park Martin lot 10, block 8, Woodlawn Heights
L. C. Norton and wife to Net Noren, lot 18, block 5, Severance Addi-

Real Estate Transfers.



RESIDENCE OF C. C. ROBBINS, 67 EAST TWENTIETH STREET NORTH.

so far. Smaller sales have continued un. so fat. Smaller sales have continued un.
abated, and activity has been noticeable
in all parts of the residence district.
Although the week has been a rainy
one, it has not retarded the numerous
building projects to any great extent. On
some of the new residences which were
not under cover, however, work has been

interrupted. Transfers for Week. 49,514 31,980 284,332 Permits for Week.

tion to St. Johns Arleta Land Company to K. S. Ervin, lot 16, block 12, Arleta No. 2.. Ben M. Watson and wife to H. D. Winters, lot 15, block 1, Gillam's First Addition Newton Gilliam and wife to B, M. Newton Gilliam and wife to B. M.
Watson same as above.
Title Guarantee and Trust Company
to T. A. Shoemaker, lot 2 block
17. South St. Johns.
S. M. Leenard to T. A. Shoemaker,
lot 2 block 4. Grime's Addition to
St. Johns
W. R. Ellis and wife to Charlotte
E. Vierhus, lots 4. 5 and 5, block
7. Highland
Sarah E. Marshal and husband to
George Wintermantle, south 69
feet of lot 3 and north 10 feet of
lot 4, block 213, Helladay's Addittion Charlotte Vierbus and husband to John A. Lofquist, lots 4, 5, 6, block

Place
John Dounerberg and wife to Joseph Urbanck, subdivision E, tot
1, block 5, Portland Hömestead...
A. C. Troom and wife to Tyrane
Cook, lots 1, 2, block 6, John Irvlng's First Addition.
University Land Company to L. T.
Scholt, lots 6, 7, block 56, University Park
Sellwood Realty and Investment
Company to Charles H. Myers,
lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 9, 11 and part lots
12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, block 112,
Sellwood
George W. Gordon and wife to Lenora Kurtz, lots 5, 6, block 7, Lincoln Park
Robert C. Wright, trustee, to J. D.
Burns, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, block 158,
University Park Burns, lots 1, 2, 0, University Park Newark Gets Veteran Scribes. Austin, also of the Tribune, will be the general manager of the Advertiser, and Edward W. Drew will resume his old po-sition of managing editor, which he relinquished a year ago to become a mem-ber of the editorial staff of the New York Commercial.



RESIDENCE OF DR. A. E. MACKEY, TWENTY-FOURTH AND MARSHALL STREETS.

G. H. Himes Describes Vista From Scenic Summit.

FEW FINER IN THE WORLD

Two Thousand Trips Have Failed to Exhaust for Writer Beauties and Historic Interest of Old Council Ground.

PORTLAND, Sept. 14 .- (To the Editor.)-At last Council Crest, the finest scenic point of view in the vicinity of Portland, has been made easy of access to all classes and conditions of people. It is with unspeakable pleasure that this fact can be announced. My first visit to this lofty eminence was on September 6, 1866. In my diary of that date the hope is expressed that some time in the not too distant future there might be some means of easy and cheap transportation to this wonderful vantage ground of observation, from which one can see into or across 21 counties

one can see into or across 21 counties in Oregon and Washington.

Two-score years have made a phenomenal change in the surroundings of this city—changes which can scarcely be realized even by those who have been eye-witnesses. In 1866 all the hills in the rear of the city were heavily timbered, as well as all the region to the east, west, north and south, lying within a distance of ten miles in every direction, and the only evidences of civilization to be seen were occasional columns of smoke arising through the sember forest at irregular distances, sometimes miles apart.

In the 40 years intervening since first going to the spot now called Counties.

In the 40 years intervening since first going to the spot now called Council Crest—which, by the way, I caused to be thus named on July 11, 1898—I have made over 2000 trips thither, on foot, on horseback and in conveyances of some kind, and invariably had one or more companions—kindred spirates with the control of the heaviting in the control of th one or more companions and a pinits whose love of the beautiful in nature impelled them to accompany me.
These trips have been made on almost
every day in the year, and in almost
every hour of the day and night. The
view of the mountains, the cloud effects, the sunsets, the continual changing of the magnificent and far-reaching panorama—no other city on the globe having anything like it cannot be exhausted by those who have eyes to see and the capacity to appreciate the grand and beautiful.

Changes in the Panorama. The evolution of the country surrounding this fair "Rose City" gan be seen from Council Crest to better advantage than from any other point. A little more than a generation ago Portland was scarcely more than an isolated hamlet in a vast and almost untrodden wilderness. Now it is surrounded by a patchwork of fertile farms, thrifty cities, towns and villages, and within its own limits and a radius of 50 miles in all directions there is hard on to a population of a third of a million souls. And it is my settled conviction that the next ten years will see a greater growth in all the region roundabout this city and throughout the state than has been witnessed in the years since that man from Maine, Francis W. Pettygrove, built the first little log store at the corner of Front and Washington streets, in the year 1845, who three years later The evolution of the country surthe year 1845, who three years later sold the entire original townsite of Portland, embracing 640 acres, in what is now the very heart of the city, for a beggarly \$5300, payable in leather yet to be tarned saving and executing and few lots which he had bargained off

for a mere bagatelle in trade.

It has been a privilege to take many persons to Council Crest during the generation past who have been great travelers and have seen the best that the earth affords. Among these I might mention Rev. Henry M. Field. D. D. of New York; Rev. Joseph Cook, of Boston; Thomas Nast, the master cartoonist and caricaturist of the United States, even today; Charles Warren Stoddard, who at the time he was in this city was professor of English literature in the great Notre Dame University, Indianapolis, Ind.; Arthur Brown, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, English a great water-color artist whose land, a great water-color artist whose work was most favorably commented on by Queen Victoria; Joaquin Miller, our own Pacific Coast singer, who de-NEWARK N. J. Sept. 15.—James Martin, for several years managing editor of the New York Tribune, who has been elected president of the Newark Daily Advertiser Publishing Company, will assume the duties of editor-in-chief and publisher on Monday next. Frederick A. Austin, also of the Tribune, will be the general manager of the Advertiser, and the effect that nowhere else can a point be found so easily accessible from a city where the view of mountain scenery, great rivers, fertile valelements of beauty and grandeur.

Possibilities as a Park.

Emory S. Smith, a man having a Na-tional reputation as an authority on parks, and one who was well acquainted with all the best park systems of the world, said: "This ride to Coun-cil Crest, with that point as the climax, surpasses by a great deal anything in the same line I ever found in any country. Portland has the best opportunity to secure the most mag-nificent natural park at the least ex-pense of any city on the globe. This drive, and this magnificent and enchanting outlook, would be the for-tune of any other city. Your people are asleep." And this was after a

drive on a November day.

The writer once knew a man who had a desire to make money enough to buy several hundred acres along the crest of the hills to the west and southwest of this city, retain it in all its wild forest beauty, and at length deed it to the city in perpetuity, with the one condition that under no cir-cumstances should the native growth of forest, shrub and flower be destroyed. But fortune was denied him, and the project he had secretly cherished for a score of years had to be

Now that a trolley line has been es-tablished to Council Crest, the writer tablished to Council Crest, the writer hopes that it will become a part of the religion of every man, woman and child living in this city to make the trip thither, study the lights and shadows of that point, in storm and calm, and never allow an acquaintance from any quarter to come to Portland without suggesting to him or her the importance of taking that trip.

Reminders of History.

Aside from the magnificent scenery which is revealed to vision of one standing on "Council Crest," the historic surroundings are of great interest. East and northward may be seen the "lordly Columbia River," discovered by Captain Robert Gray on May II, 1732, the first American navigator to circumnavigate the globe; on the north bank of the river, eight miles distant, the city of Vancouver may be seen, where Dr. John McLoughlin, the head of the Hudson's Bay Company west of the Rocky Moun-

tains, held sway from 1824-5 until 1846, as the representative of British power; here the first grain was grown, the first garden planted, the first dairy established, the first seedling fruit grown, the first school taught, and the first sermon presched. Six miles east, f.V. sermon presched. preached. Six miles east of Vancouver the first sawmill was erected in 1828, and nearby the first gristmill put in operation.

eration.

Southeast, Milwaukie may be pointed out. There the first grafted fruit on this Coast was grown, and that was the initial point of the great fruit industry of the Pacific Coast of today. A little farther south Oregon City comes into view. The first house here was built in 1829 for Dr. McLoughlin; this was the first capital of the original "Oregon Country" when it was bounded by the Pacific Try." try" when it was bounded by the Pacific Ocean on the west, the 42d parallel on the south, the summit of the Rocky the south, the summit of the Rocky Mountains on the east, and 54.40 on the north. At this place the first Protestant Church west of the Rocky Mountains was erected in the year 1844, and the first newspaper in Oregon, the Oregon Spectator, was issued here on February 5, 1846, antedating the first paper in California by the source of six mouths and ten days. the space of six months and ten days. A little way north of Oregon City is the town of Oswego, where the first pigiron in Oregon was made on August 16, 1867, and where the first stoves were cast at a later date.

View of Rugged Chehalem.

A few miles southwest the rugged outline of Chehalem Mountain may be seen,
at the foot of which nestles a most beautiful vailey of the same name, where
Ewing Young, the first white settler
west of the Willamette River, established
his home in November, 1834. Mr. Young
ded on February 15, 1841, leaving a considerable estate. To take care of this it became necessarwy to create a probate
court, and in so doing the first act in
connection with an organized American
civil government west of the Rocky Mountains, was performed. The death of
Ewing Young, a native of Tennessee,
caused the birth of the government of
Oregon. A few miles southwest the rugged out-

To the right of Chehalem Mountain and through a low gap in the foothills of the Coast Range, may be seen Mary's Peak, suggesting a lion coucliant, from Peak, siggesting a lion couchant, from which Mary's River flows eastward and empties into the Willamette near Cor-valls. The river was named after Mary Lloyd. empuses into the Willamette near Cor-vallis. The river was named after Mary Lloyd, an immigrant of 1845, who was the first American woman to cross it. The Indian name of this mountain, which is the highest peak in the Coast Range, is Chin-tim-i-ni, after an Indian maden of the Yaquina tribe, who, according to a legend, stood upon the top of that mountain once upon a time, and by di-recting her people saved them from de-struction by their enemies.

Vista Beyond Beaverton.

Immediately westward of Council Crest can be seen the town of Beaverton, so named because it is in the heart of a named because it is in the heart of a very fertille and extensive tract of beaverdam land. Beyond are Reedville, Hillsboro, Cornellus and Forest Grove. Just west of Forest Grove are the Gale's Creek Mountains, so named after Joseph Goff Gale, the first settler on the stream now known as Gale's Creek. In 1841 Mr. Gale built the first sailing craft on the Williamette River, the Star of Oregon, which was launched from the east side of Swan Island on May 19, 1841, and sailed to California in August of the next year. Mr. Gale was a member of the year. Mr. Gale was a member of the first executive committee of the first executive committee of the pro-sional government of Oregon in 1843. Thus in brief outline are given a few references to some of the historical surroundings of Council Crest. Many more might be given, but these will suffice for the present. GEORGE H. HIMES.

Death in Tenement Trap.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.-Ida Peterson, 26 years old, and her three children, living on the top floor of a tenement in the rear of 50 York street, Jersey City, were overcome by smoke and severely burned early today in a fire which started from an overturned lamp. Frank Peterson, 5 years of age, died in an ambulance on the way to the hospitai. Mrn. Peterson and her infant child are ex-

C. R. I. & P. Pays 2 Per Cent. NEW YORK, Sept. 15 .- . was announced in this city today that the Chi-cago, Rock Island & Pacific Rallwap

Company has declared a dividend of 2 per cent on its stock, Milwaukie Country Club. Eastern and California races. Take Sell-wood or Oregon City car, starting from First and Alder streets.

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