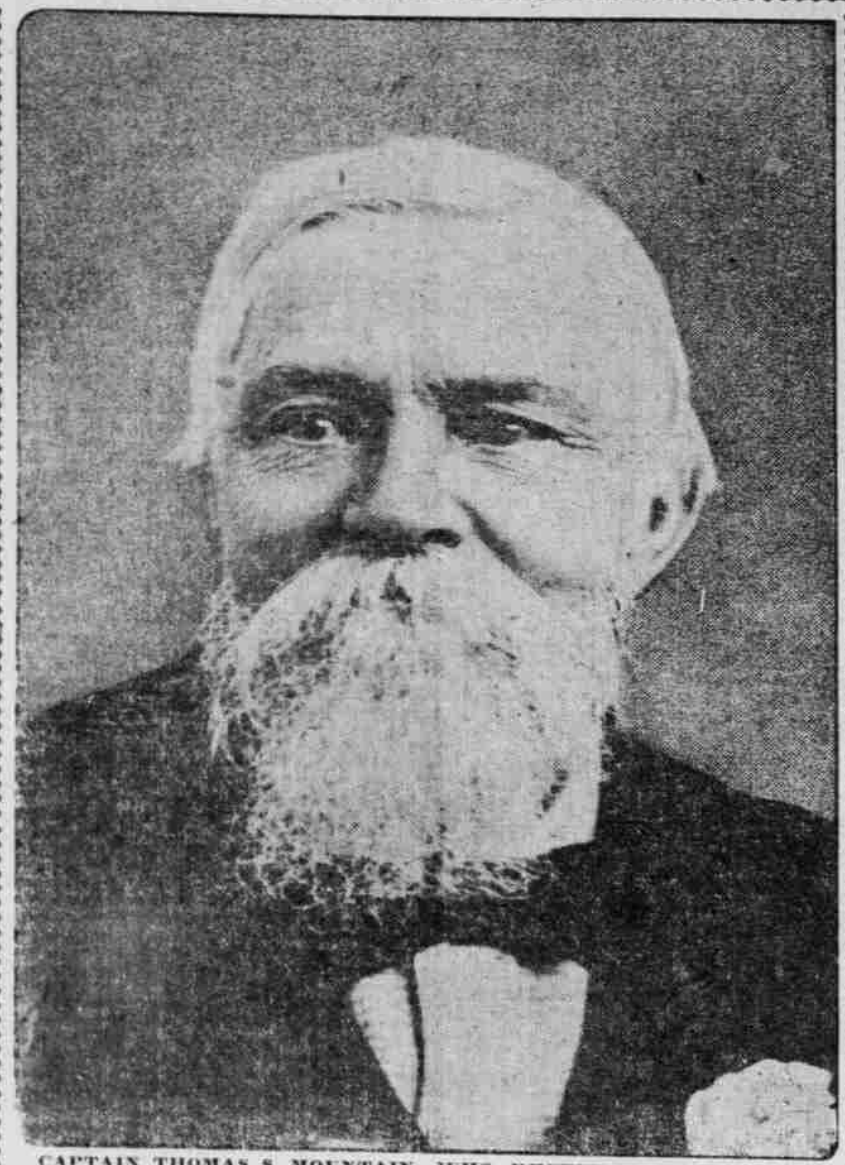


CAPTAIN THOMAS MOUNTAIN HELPED TO SAVE SAN JUAN

Veteran Portlander Outwitted British by Transporting Troops to Island in 1859.



CAPTAIN THOMAS S. MOUNTAIN, WHO RECENTLY CELEBRATED HIS EIGHTY-SEVENTH BIRTHDAY.

Captain Thomas Sullivan Mountain celebrated his 87th birthday at his home in this city last week. Captain Mountain's memory is excellent and it is a pleasure to his friends to hear him relate exciting incidents of the "days long gone." He enjoys telling how he "outwitted the British" in 1859.

In July, 1859, the steamer "Julia," owned by the O. S. N. Company and commanded by Captain Mountain, was dispatched to the North to carry the mail between Olympia, Victoria, Bellingham Bay and all way points.

As both the British and the United States were trying to claim San Juan Island, in August of that year, John Scammon, who was mail contractor during the survey of the boundary lines of British America and the United States, departed under orders from Colonel Casey, of Stellacom, to General Harney, of Fort Vancouver.

Scammon rode horseback from Olympia to the Cowlitz River, down the Cowlitz and up the Columbia River by boat, delivering Colonel Casey's orders. At this time Captain George E. Pickett with his command was stationed at Fort Bellingham. Three other companies were stationed upon Puget Sound. General Har-

ney's four companies of soldiers had made a forced march up the Cowlitz River to Fort Stellacom. Captain Mountain took all the companies safely over during a heavy fog and landed them upon San Juan Island. At this time there were four large English men-of-war in the harbor, while the ships' boats patrolled the waters with guns and muffled oars.

In the early morning when the fog cleared away, the surprise of the Englishmen was very great. During the transportation of the troops, Captain Mountain had an escort the revenue cutter "Jeff Davis."

Captain Mountain became greatly attached to Captain Pickett, who often took short trips with him upon his boat. He must have been a noble character, as the Indians about Fort Bellingham loved him and called him "Nesika Tye."

One day an old Indian chief insisted upon making him a present of one of his children.

Captain Mountain has seen Portland grow from a small village into a great city. He takes great interest in all affairs pertaining to city and state and meets his friends with warm greetings and firm hand-clasps as he hears life's eventide.

NEWS OF THE HIGH SCHOOLS

Washington.

REALIZING the necessity of having the roofing at the baseball games organized, a meeting was held in the Assembly Hall to practice the yells. George Praser has assumed the office of yell leader. Another meeting of the roofers will be held Monday and it will not be long before they will be able to give the yells to perfection. The date of the first game has not been announced.

The Athletic Association held a business meeting Wednesday, including an election of officers. Those elected were: B. E. Houck, president; Herman Oberturfer, vice-president; John A. Adams, secretary; Dell Stannard, treasurer; Directors, Anson Cornell, Jack Cason, M. Matheson, Ray Kellogg and George Praser.

On Friday the Euklineons held what was considered the best programme this term. The meeting was in the Assembly Hall and there were few vacant seats. The opening number was a performance by the so-called Euklineon quartet or quintet. Mr. Butterworth, president of the Railway Mail Club, was the speaker of the day. His audience was interested in his talk, which was a discourse upon the postoffice system in general. The duties of the railway mail clerk were shown, and the importance of the railway mail service illustrated.

A solo by Mr. Wells was the next number. His performance won much applause and he responded to an encore. Ellice Shearer accompanied him on the piano. Then came the performance of "Pyramus and Thisbe," which had been so eagerly awaited since last Friday. The cast was: Pyramus, Barzoo; Thisbe, Mills; Wall, Houck; Lion, Baughman. Manager Garcia Martin seemed to be the general utility man. He escorted a calliope dog about by means of a heavy chain and carried the lantern to represent "moon," and a twig to represent "bush." The costumes were a little unusual, but fitted their purpose. Sheets, shawls and portieres were made to answer for the most part.

Lincoln.

THE baseball enthusiasts are not dissatisfied over their defeat Wednesday by Columbia in the initial game of the series. They congratulate themselves on being able to keep the score so close, considering the few times they have been able to practice. Thompson, as pitcher, is making good. Brace played a beautiful game, capping it with a spectacular slide home.

Some good hitting material bids fair to be developed. With the opening of the season, the lineup has become pretty well settled. Gleason, with Dowling as substitute, will be behind the bat. Thompson, Turk, Clayton, Patterson and Captain Vosper are at the bases; Hank Deady, shortstop, and Brace, Reed and McAlpin in the field. Manager Dabney has been fortunate in securing Mr. Lodiell, last year's manager and first baseman on the La Grande aggregation, to coach the team. The next game of the interschool league will be played April 25 with Portland Academy.

Tuesday afternoon the classes were out short that the student body might

have an opportunity of hearing an address by A. E. Mills, of the Government Forestry Service. Mr. Mills regaled his auditors with several choice bits from his personal experience as a collector of data about animal and plant life. The speaker proved such a capital storyteller that a number of the students sought personal interviews with him to learn more about his branch of the Government service.

Friday evening John Jay Lewis gave his second lecture on "New England Science and Historical Attractions." These lectures, given under the auspices of the June class, have been much appreciated by those who are interested in the historical and literary past of our country.

The Philolexians continued their studies in current politics. Jean Wolverton presented a digest of Dr. Eli's "The Coming City." This proved a fitting introduction to the question of the afternoon. "Resolved, That the Des Moines Plan of City Government Should be Adopted in Portland," Katharine Tyler and Janet Morris spoke in favor of the measure that is soon to be of such vital interest to the voters of Portland. Marie Rice and Carolyn Friendly supported the negative. Miss "Friendly" made a telling speech against this commission plan of city government, but lost the decision. As a closing number, the society was favored with a mandolin duet by the Misses Chan.

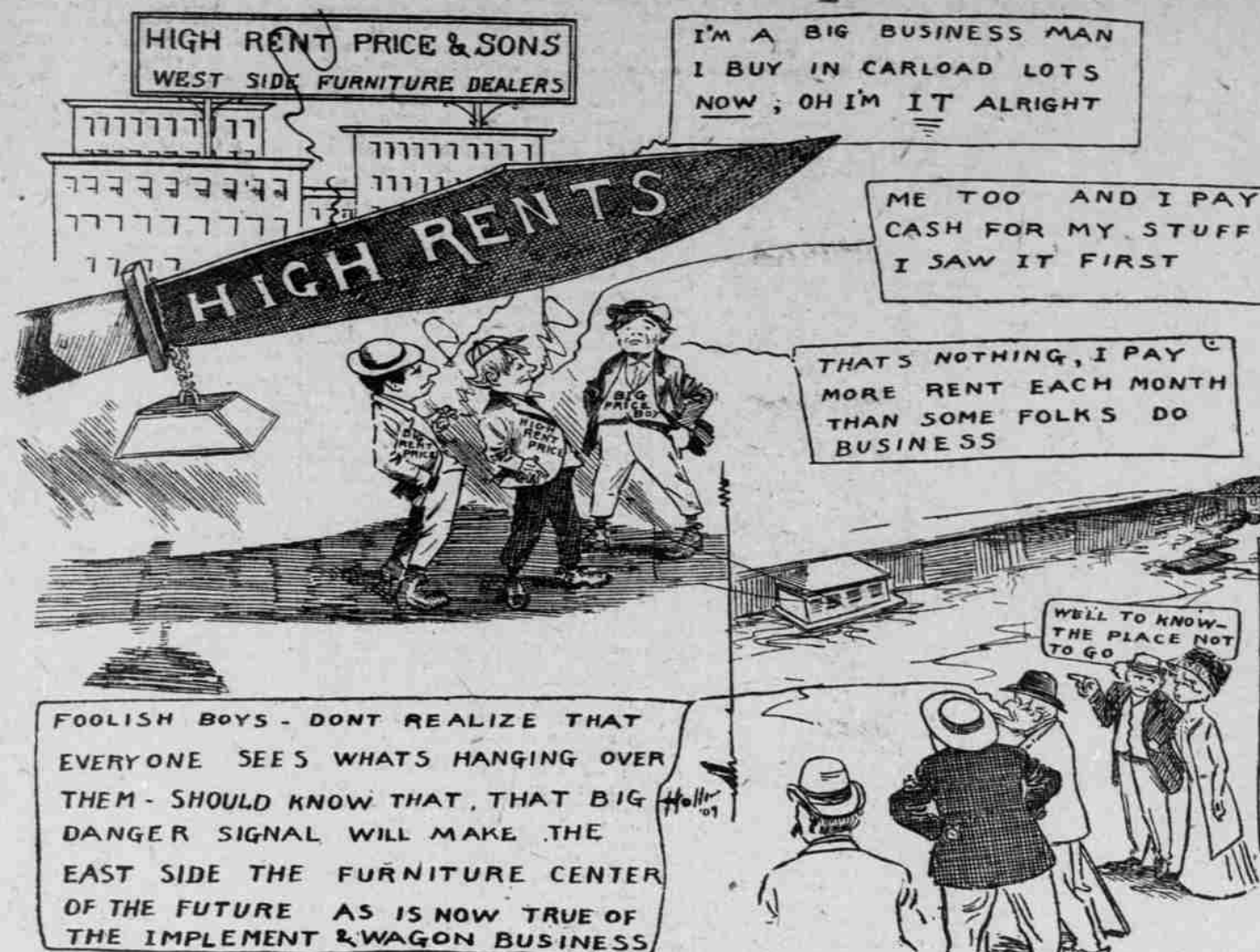
The Adelpheans also took up Oregon interests. Althea Hembree sketched the history of the state. Helene Pearson described Oregon's commerce; Naomi Simmons its fisheries; Esther Olsson its mineral wealth, and Alvin Perdue its bird and animal life.

Jefferson.

RECENT activities in the Jefferson High School show a spirit that promises the students a good future. Although the members of the school are at present obliged to attend classes at the Shaver Grammar School building on Mississippi avenue, while the new building is being erected, they have organized a baseball team and have issued a paper called the Jeffersonian. This paper is edited and printed by the students and is considered a very neat little sheet. The editor in chief is Blaise Holcley and the remainder of the staff consists of Marjorie Arnold and Robert Swain, associate editors, and Rose Philip and Edmund Simmons, reporters.

The baseball team has the disadvantage of a scarcity of numbers but Charles Olson, who has been chosen captain, is putting the players through some strenuous practice and they hope to make a very creditable showing later in the season.

The Freshmen class has been organized and has been holding sessions at the Shaver school for two months. The student body at the present time consists of 125 students and the faculty consists of Herbert B. Augur, Latin and history; Miss Ingalls, English; A. May Sechler, mathematics; C. E. Scott, science; and Miss Schneider, German and history. The erection of the large building which the High School will occupy when it is completed, is progressing rapidly and the students look forward to its completion with interest.



FOOLISH BOYS - DON'T REALIZE THAT EVERYONE SEES WHAT'S HANGING OVER THEM - SHOULD KNOW THAT THAT BIG DANGER SIGNAL WILL MAKE THE EAST SIDE THE FURNITURE CENTER OF THE FUTURE AS IS NOW TRUE OF THE IMPLEMENT & WAGON BUSINESS

I'M A BIG BUSINESS MAN
I BUY IN CARLOAD LOTS
NOW, OH I'M IT ALRIGHT

ME TOO AND I PAY
CASH FOR MY STUFF
I SAW IT FIRST

THAT'S NOTHING, I PAY
MORE RENT EACH MONTH
THAN SOME FOLKS DO
BUSINESS

WE'LL KNOW
THE PLACE NOT
TO GO

OTHERS PAY RENT
WE COLLECT RENT
ON HALF OUR OWN BUILDING
WHO CAN SELL THE CHEAPEST

MUST THINK THE
PEOPLE CONSIDER
THEM AWFUL LITTLE
FURNITURE IS SO
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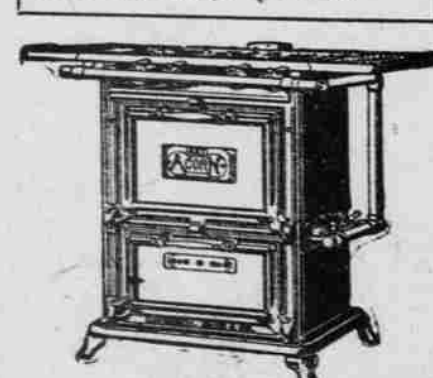
West Side Furniture Dealers who hope to share largely in the business of the future, should take a lesson from the great agricultural implement houses that have made the East Side the greatest distributing point in the Northwest. Furniture is practically as bulky as farming implements, and no firm can afford to pay the enormous rents demanded on the West Side. It adds too much to the cost of doing business, too much to the price of furniture. Until recently it was Hobson's choice—with the buyer—but things have fully to realize how the tide is flooding eastward. The East Side, in the short space of one year, has become a great Furniture Center, doing an annual business running into hundreds of thousands of dollars. We, of course, will always be in the lead because

Others Pay Rent, We Collect Rent (On Half Our Own Building) Who Can Sell the Cheapest?

But other East Side firms will always have the advantage of those on the West Side of the river, and the wise West Side furniture dealer, who hopes to keep pace with future progress, will move his business to the East Side. Portland is no longer a village. She is a metropolitan city, growing by leaps and bounds, and West Side rents will soar and soar. Neither can the Big Price Boys extricate themselves by erecting their own buildings, because quarter blocks on the West Side are climbing up to \$300,000, and more, and interest on such large investments is too much for the furniture business, and is equal to exorbitant rents. So West Side dealers are in a dilemma, though they may not recognize it, and the sooner they see the handwriting on the wall, and hike to the East Side, the better. They will be fortunate who have the foresight to accept the inevitable, first. In many Eastern cities, notably Chicago and Cleveland, the biggest furniture houses are a mile or more from the business center. Furniture is something that people buy so largely that it affords an opportunity for enormous savings; they will and do investigate thousands of dollars, and our customers fully realize this. In their own hearts, too, West Side dealers know we are underselling them from 15 to 30 per cent, but of course it's their business to convince the people, where possible, that it's not true. **BUT IT IS ABSOLUTELY TRUE, NEVERTHELESS.**



MA SAYS: "Housecleaning time is refurbishing time. A clean house deserves new curtains, rugs, carpets and furniture." M. A. says: "Thousands of people are too wise to buy same from the Big Price Boys this Spring."



MA SAYS: "The difference between the Acorn and other gas ranges is paid monthly at the gas office. It will pay you to throw out a big gas consumer and install an Acorn."

Rug Special
9x12 all-wool Ingrain Rugs, special this week at
\$8.00

MA SAYS: "A Dressing Table is a joy to any woman. This elegant \$18.50 quartered Oak Table on special sale this week at
\$15

MA SAYS: "One-third of your life is spent in bed and that you should have a good bed. Pure Felt Mattress with roll edge and art tick—special this week **\$8.00**



MA SAYS: "The genuine comfort derived from a quiet rest in a Morris Chair equals the enjoyment of an automobile ride." 15 to 25 per cent reduction on Morris Chairs this week; all mahogany 25 per cent special reduction; the regular prices on these are \$14.50 to \$25, and the special prices from **\$10.90 to \$18.75**



MA SAYS: "It's all right to pay the Big Price Boys \$60 for one of these high-class Couches, if you've money to throw at the birds, but that you might just as well get it at \$45; quartered oak frame, best Spanish leather cushions. Smooth Chase Leather Couches, with full steel construction and oil-tempered springs; special this week at... **\$12.50**



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