

## POWER PROPERTIES GO UNDER HAMMER

H. N. Putnam, of Portland, is Purchaser of Washington-Oregon Holdings.

### SALE DUE TO FORECLOSURE

Water and Railway Systems Included in Transfers Which Will Go to New Company and Creditors Will Be Protected.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Oct. 30.—(Special)—All of the properties heretofore owned and operated by the Washington-Oregon Corporation, which has headquarters at Chehalis, were sold at foreclosure sale in Chehalis, Wash., today and were purchased by H. N. Putnam, of Portland, for \$1,500,000.

The sale was made in the case brought by the Fidelity Trust Company of Philadelphia, trustee for the first and second mortgage bondholders, against the Washington-Oregon Corporation and others. R. W. Childs, of Philadelphia, and Elmer M. Hayden, of Tacoma, Wash., bringing the action on behalf of the trustees in the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington.

The properties involved include the water system and street railways of this city, the local and interurban railway system at Centralia and Chehalis, the electric and water system of Hoquiam, and other electric and transmission lines running from Kalama, Wash., northward to Tenino, and southerly to Woodland; with electric distribution systems in the towns of Bowden, Tenino, Chehalis, Kelso and Kalama, Wash., and Rainier, Or. The company also wholesales power to certain other public service concerns, and to the City of Centralia, Wash. It is expected that the properties will be transferred to Mr. Putnam to the North Coast Power Company, a Washington corporation recently organized, and that the latter company will operate them.

The North Coast Power Company was organized in October, 1914, a reorganization of the properties mentioned above, and heretofore owned by the Washington-Oregon Corporation. Holders of the old bonds of the company are to receive general lien bonds of the new company to the extent of 60 per cent of their claims, and preferred stock of the new company to the extent of 60 per cent of their claims, besides interest. The general creditors will participate in the common stock.

The officers of the new company are as follows: Clarence M. Brown, president; H. L. Harris, vice-president; L. J. Morris, secretary and assistant treasurer; B. F. Donahue, assistant secretary and treasurer.

### SITE FOR PLANT CLEARED

Evaporating Company at The Dalles Preparing to Build.

THE DALLES, Or., Oct. 30.—(Special)—The work of removing the old buildings from the new site of the local evaporating plant of the Dri-Fresh Company was commenced yesterday. Started last year, the operator moved such a success that the company found it necessary to triple the size of its plant. The Dalles Business Men's Association offered to purchase the new location for the company in view of the expense of clearing the property west of Jefferson street and north of the O-W-R-N Co. plant, which was formerly the site of The Dalles Box & Lumber Company, which was wiped out of existence a few years ago.

The Dri-Fresh Company dries all kinds of fruits and vegetables. It recently received an order from a Chicago concern for 35 carloads of dried apples. It will operate its new plant, which will be 450 feet by 75 feet, all year, employing from 100 to 200 persons, depending on the kind of fruit or vegetable which is being evaporated.

### OLD RESIDENT IS DEAD

Late Mrs. N. N. Smith Came to Tillamook in 1889.

TILLAMOOK, Oct. 30.—(Special)—Mrs. Nancy Narcissus Smith, who died at Blaine, Tillamook County, October 22, at the age of 74 years, was born in Kentucky in 1841, and spent her girlhood days in Kansas where she was married to William Smith in 1873. In 1877, with her husband, she started across the plains, locating in Spokane, Wash., in 1889, where she resided for 11 years, and then came to Tillamook.

She leaves a sister, Mrs. C. W. Sears, of Blaine, Or., and a brother, Joseph Cable, of Seattle, Wash. Her surviving children are: Fannie and Henry Smith and Miss Booth, of Blaine; George Smith, of Salem, and Nellie Ayer, of Tillamook.

### ROSEBURG WORK TO BEGIN

New Federal Building Site Is Ordered Cleared.

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### DOUBLE MORALS SCORED

Aberdeen Pastor Thinks Man Should Be as Pure in Home as Woman.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Oct. 30.—(Special)—Rev. T. M. Simpson, of Aberdeen's First Presbyterian Church, a graduate of Princeton and popularly known here as "The Loggers' Sky Pilot," recently attended the double-standard of morality in a sermon here Sunday on "Our Young Men."

"Christ wrote the sins of woman on sand," he said, "but today we write the sins of men upon sand, and those of women upon stone. And man can sin as low as he pleases, and all he needs is a new suit of clothes to come back into favor, while the partner in his sin is closed out into the street to pine her heart away."

# Silverfield's to Be Sold at

## PRICE OF FUR SOARS

All Records Broken at Government's St. Louis Sale.

### FOREIGN BUYERS COMPETE

Blue Foxes Bring \$114, Compared With \$42 Two Years Ago—Pair of Silver Foxes at Private Sale Brings \$2610.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 31.—All previous records for prices brought by Government fur sales were broken and the prices of the last Government sales were exceeded, from \$55 to 175 per pelt, at a Government auction held here today. No other such sale will be held this year, the usual London sale being prevented by the European war. Traders and buyers from all parts of the world were here and European buyers bought

H. M. Smith, United States Commissioner of Fisheries, telegraphed to Washington tonight a report which showed that the Government's \$13 blue foxes had brought an average of \$114.47, as compared with the \$42.21 average of the last sale two years ago. Sixty-five Government white fox skins brought an average of \$24.55, as compared with \$14.77 two years ago. Seventy beavers brought \$12.75 each on average.

The record price at a sale by private dealers shortly after the Government auction was \$2610 for a pair of silver foxes. One hundred and thirty-five others brought from \$400 to \$900 the pair. A sea otter was sold for \$580. Today's sales aggregated about \$150,000. The sales will be continued tomorrow. The Government's furs came from Pribiloff Island, the Government farm off the coast of Alaska.

# FUR Stock 50c on the Dollar

THIS, for reasons of great importance to its owners, has been turned over to me to be sold. I am not going to fool along about it and make it a long-drawn affair by cutting a little at a time to get as much out of it as possible; that doesn't concern me, but the selling of the last Fur in this establishment does concern me. So I am going to smash for the end right now—cut and slash! I will sell any one piece or all, to store or individuals, makes no difference to me. Merchants wanting Furs will do well to attend this sale.

O. W. ELLIOTT, Manager.

## \$25,000 Stock of Furs at 50c on the Dollar—or Just Half Price

Tomorrow morning at 10 A. M. you can come in, select any Fur in this great stock, pay just one-half the regular price and it is yours. If it was \$10.00, you pay \$5.00; if it was \$25.00, you pay \$12.50; if it was \$50.00, you pay \$25.00, and so on. The reputation of Portland's leading Fur Manufacturer is behind every sale.

### Elliott's Sales Agency, Selling the Fur Stock of S. Silverfield

## 286 Morrison Street

### FIGHT IS RESENTED

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Robertson, Mrs. and Miss Eva Hutchinson, Sanford Whiting, George Lacey, S. G. Haferford, James W. Smith, Charles G. Wallace, J. P. Standish, Mrs. E. P. Campbell and Miss Gladys Turnbull.

### Sheridan People Appreciate New Lumber Rates.

Clarke County Game Warden Has Orchard of 61 Trees.

### PROSPECTS ARE BRIGHTER

RIDGEFIELD, Wash., Oct. 30.—(Special)—John M. Hoff, Game Warden of Clarke County, prune and hop grower and who is known also as an English walnut raiser, owns a large farm at Sara, nearly seven miles east of this place, that is operated by his son, William Hoff. The farm contains an orchard of English walnut trees which has yielded recently an unusually good crop this year. He has about 61 trees 15 years old and has harvested from them about 1000 pounds of nuts.

The nuts are of a good size and also of a splendid flavor. Mr. Hoff has been offered 18½ cents a pound for this crop and has disposed of them at this figure, which will bring him about \$165. The trees are planted about from 30 to 50 feet apart and are of the Franquet variety.

The lumber interests and the people generally in this vicinity heartily appreciate the new lumber rates established by the Southern Pacific road to California point that become effective on the 22nd instant and feel that now there is a brighter prospect of the idle mills here resuming operations.

All over the entire valley lumber mills have been closed down by reason of the discriminating rates, and now that the Southern Pacific Company has voluntarily reduced the rate 3½ cents per 100 pounds the mill people feel they are only receiving what is justly due them.

That the Portland mills should object to the new rate so strenuously as to bring the matter to the attention of the Interstate Commerce Commission in protest on the grounds that it is unfair and discriminating, is resented by industries here. The various mills of the Pacific Northwest have been for years and still are enjoying a 5-cent better rate to Eastern Oregon points and a large part of Idaho, than are the Valley mills and the Portland mills have a decided advantage in water transportation that is denied to the valley mills.

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CONCRETE WALK IS LAID

Stevenson School Board Awards Paving Contract.

STEVENSON, Wash., Oct. 30.—(Special)—Thomas Jenney, of Washougal, has been engaged by the Stevenson School Board to put in a new concrete walk on Vancouver street and has just completed the work. This improvement will be the beginning of the paving of concrete walks in the town of Stevenson, lumber having been so accessible and cheap that it has been in constant use.

This new walk is being praised by the business men of the town and others that others will soon follow suit. The County Commissioners are already contemplating the building of concrete walks around the Courthouse site.

PUPILS TO GET LESSONS IN THRIFT.

PENDLETON, Or., Oct. 30.—(Special)—Through the co-operation of local bankers and the School Board, practical lessons in thrift will be imparted to the students of the Pendleton public schools. It is proposed to have each student save pin money and small coins, which the banks will accept in small deposits. The board decided to send eight girls from the domestic science department to the Hermiston show next week to help in judging the projects and the boys from the stock-judging class will go on the merits of the hogs exhibited.

The school budget for the coming year will be considered at a special meeting of the board on Thursday night.

### STUDENT ROLL LONG

Portland Sends 154 to State University.

### COUNTY'S TOTAL IS 156

CITY'S CONTINGENT ACTIVELY INTERESTED IN ALL COLLEGE DOINGS, INCLUDING ATHLETICS, DRAMA, MUSIC AND EDITORIAL WORK.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Oct. 30.—(Special)—Multnomah ranks second among the counties of Oregon in the number of representatives at the State University this year. Lane County ranks first. All except two of Multnomah students are from Portland. The exceptions registered from Hillsdale.

Portlanders are interested in every branch of collegiate activity. In athletics, Anson Cornell, Johnnie Beckett, William Tueter and Lloyd Tegart are on the football team; Ray Staub, Jack Montague and Robert Langley are members of the track squad, and Jimmie Sheehy is on the soccer team. Cornell, popularly known on the campus as "Nance," is captain of football and basketball and member of the athletic council. Jimmie Sheehy is president of the class on the staff of the Oregon Eagle, the college paper, and is captain of the soccer team. Beckett is also a member of the athletic council and acting football captain during Captain Cornell's absence from the game due to illness. Langley is a member of the college glee club and treasurer of the junior class.

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## HOUSE FURNISHINGS FOR AUTUMN

With this season come the problems, both old and new, of home furnishings and decoration.

Our new stock and equipment are at your disposal, and with them goes service that counts.

More than ever before, our furniture and fabrics will meet your requirements.

J. G. MACK & CO.  
Furniture and Floor Coverings  
Drapery and Wall Coverings

Fifth St., Bet. Oak and Pine

ANNOUNCEMENT  
A CARLOAD OF BEAUTIFUL  
KNABE PIANOS

Including Uprights, Grand and Players. HAVE JUST ARRIVED. And will be on display, beginning Monday, Nov. 1st, at the Wards Hall of THE REED-FRENCH PIANO MFG. CO. 10th and Stark Sts.