ACROSS THE RIVER

EAST SIDE BRIEFS.

H. L. Neville, residing at 349 Ross street, has just returned from a business trip to the Republic Mining District. Mr. Neville was interested in the "Silver Dollar" mine, but has just completed its sale.

Miss Kate Mills of Silverton, who has been visiting friends on the East Side the past week, left for Tillamook, via Astoria, last evening.

Fidelity Lodge, No. 4, A. O. U. W., is preparing to give a minstrel entertainment at Odd Fellows' Hall, East Pine street and Grand avenue, next Thursday. Grand Chief of Honor Mrs. Wilda Belknap of Prineville, will pay the lodge an official visit April 23. Mrs. Belknap is engaged upon a six weeks' tour of all the subordinate lodges in the state, and the visit to Fidelity will be the first of the series.

The funeral of John Wesley Battin was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from his home near Mount Tabor. The funeral was under the direction of Sumner Post, No. 12, G. A. R.

Mrs. Sarah H. Henry, a pioneer of this section, died at the home of her son, J. D. Henry, at Mount Scott Thursday. Mrs. Henry was over 84 years of age. Five children are left to mourn her loss. The remains will be interred in Lone Fir Cemetery, funeral services being held at the Lents Evangelical Church tomorrow at 2 p. m.

A. W. Lambert of the Citizens' Bank has purchased from W. W. and H. P. McGuire the lot on the southeast corner of Grand avenue and East Alder street. The new owner will shortly erect a business block on the property.

The trustees of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church were dismayed the other day after purchasing a new $1,200 organ for the church to find that the instrument was too large for the space accorded for it in the choir loft. The trouble was remedied by the church purchasing part of the adjoining lot on the south and building a canopy in which to place the new instrument.

The new condenser for the power-house of the City & Suburban Company in Brooklyn has been installed and is now working in connection with the big 1,200 horsepower engine, which has proved more successful than expected.

The Portland General Electric Company is putting up 24 new poles on Grand avenue and out to Portsmouth. The poles being planted along Grand avenue are 60 feet in height and from there on to Portsmouth they are 40 feet high. The cost of each pole, set in the ground complete, is $10. The total cost of the improvements amounts to about $2,140.

A Brooklyn car of the City & Suburban Company ran over and killed a bird dog on Grand avenue between East Clay and East Market streets last evening.

Charles Cook, oiler at the City & Suburban power-house, is preparing to go on a short vacation soon.

William Scott, an old soldier of the Civil War and a member of the Grand Army, has been very ill at the residence of L. T. Dalley, 429 Belmont street. Scott has been in bad health for some time but is now convalescing.

J. L. Wells, a well-known real estate dealer, left for a business trip to Roseburg yesterday, accompanied by W. R. Insley.

M. E. Thompson, president of the Albina Sub-Board of Trade, was in Roseburg yesterday.

Preparations are being made for the remodeling of the Centenary Methodist Church, East Ninth and East Pine streets. The repairs will cost about $3,000.

A May Day dance will be given by the Vade Mecum Club of Queen Elizabeth Hive, No. 24, L. O. T. M., at the Burkhard.

The dance given by the Kangaroo Social Club at the Burkhard Hall, corner Union avenue and East Burnside street, was the event of the season. There were several hundred people in attendance, quite a number being forced to stay away on account of the large crowd. The affair was an entire success.

Superintendent Eugene Ferguson of the street cleaning department has had a large force of men on the East Side the past week cleaning all the streets thoroughly. A number of men and teams are busily engaged yesterday cleaning up Belmont street through to Sunnyside.

Announcement has been made by the Shun He Social Club to give a dance at the Burkhard next Thursday. The patronesses of the affair are Mrs. A. M. Shannon, Mrs. F. B. Thorn and Mrs. George F. Fuller.

MONTAVILLA.

A horse belonging to William Grimes of Montavilla ran away Thursday, but was stopped at Mount Tabor. There was but little damage.

The smallpox scare at Montavilla has proved to be a hoax.

RIVER IMPROVEMENT

Letters From Simon and Moody.

Secretary Moore of the Board of Trade has received the following communication from Senator Simon:

"Dear Sir: I have your valued favor of the 1st instant, embodying copy of resolutions adopted by the Portland Board of Trade in relation to the obstructions to navigation at the dalles of the Columbia river, and urging the Oregon delegation to take action looking to the early removal of such obstruction. In reply I beg to say that it will afford me great pleasure to confer and co-operate with the other members of the Oregon delegation in this matter, and I hope that the work of removing these obstructions may be begun in the near future."

A letter was also received from the Greater Salem Commercial Club stating that it will co-operate with the Columbia River Basin Board of Trade in anything that will redound to the good of the state or the communities at large.

Congressman Tongue writes that he can not do much for the improvement of the Three Mile rapids, as the river and harbor bill has already passed the House, but will co-operate with his colleagues regarding the matter.

The following letter was also received from Representative Moody:

"Dear Sir: Your resolutions favoring an appropriation from the funds remaining for the improvement of the Columbia river, between The Dalles and Celilo, are noted, and will be referred to the committee on commerce of the Senate, where the river and harbor bill is now being considered. I called the attention of my colleague and other members of the river and harbor committee of the House to the importance of improving the Three Mile rapids in anticipation of the permanent improvements above them. At that time no proposition was then on foot for completing or operating the Paul Moore portage road; but, being familiar with the territory, and recognizing that sooner or later either the public or private individuals would complete it, I was anxious to have the reef at Three Mile rapids removed, so that navigation could extend to the head of Big Eddy, the terminus of the portage road.

"My colleague stated that the committee declined to authorize the work, and gave as their objection that until another survey was made for the canal, the course of the improvements on the Three Mile reef could not be determined. I undertook to explain that the opening of a channel through the Three Mile reef was an improvement that depended upon the current and the present course of the river there regardless of where the canal might be located. My colleague, however, was unable to secure its adoption in the Senate. I have already in a personal way brought the matter to the attention of personal friends on the Senate committee on commerce, and I hope that if the amendment prevails in the Senate, we may hold it in the bill when it comes before the House conferees."

THE RAILROADS.

It is reported that the Columbia & Northern Railway Company has let the contract for two fair-sized steamers to ply between Lyle and Portland, as soon as that line shall have been completed. The company will also build a wharfboat to cost $8,000.

General Superintendent O'Brien of the O. R. & N. Company, has returned from a weeks' trip over the lines.

L. A. Nadeau, general agent of the Northern Pacific at Seattle, and R. T. Bretz, who is division freight agent of the company at the same place, were in the city today. They called upon Assistant General Freight Agent Fulton.

S. B. Calderhead, general freight and passenger agent of the Washington & Columbia River Railroad, with headquarters at Walla Walla, arrived here today.

James Clock, general agent of the Wisconsin Central, has fled to Puget Sound. He believes that he can get a favorable rate on a cargo of post holes now en route from the East.

C. F. Osborn, agent for the Erie Despatch, with headquarters at Seattle, is visiting the city.

Indications yesterday were that the first consignment of the immense mass of freight so long congested in the East would arrive at some time during the day. As soon as this comes in, the rest will follow with a rapidity that may make it hard to handle unless facilities are increased, which they undoubtedly will be.

General Passenger Agents Craig and Miller, of the O. R. & N. and the Southern Pacific Railroad Companies, respectively, left last night for Coronado Beach, Cal., to attend the meeting of the Transcontinental Passenger Association, which convenes there on Tuesday. The association has an important docket to consider.

Important improvements have recently been made in the Overland Limited trains of the Chicago & Northwestern. Electric lights are supplemented with auxiliary ones of Pintsch gas; each car is provided with a telephone; a barber shop and bath. Every berth has an electric reading lamp, and all meals are now served a la carte.

The circular signboard of the Milwaukee which was formerly an attractive decoration of Third street, at the intersection of Morrison and Alder, now reposes in a cellar. It has retired from business. One policeman concluded that it ought to removed from the telephone pole on Third street to the one on the Alder-street side. It was changed. When another cop wanted it taken from there. Finally, rather than to cause half the police to resign, the Milwaukee concluded to convert it into kindling wood. Mr. Hanke, the Milwaukee's efficient home missionary, now rests easily in the matter.

The April issue of the Four-Track News, published by the passenger department of the New York Central, has appeared here. As usual, it is replete with intersting information and is finely illustrated.

Traveling Passenger Agent Jones of the Southern Pacific, is back from a recent trip over the lines of that company. He says that there is an abundance of water in Southern Oregon which is not usual at this time of the year. The placer miners are correspondingly happy.

The Canadian Pacific has recently ordered 72 engines and 2,679 cars. The American Locomotive Company will build 40 of these at their shops at Schenectady, N. Y. At Hamherst, N. Y., 1,000 40-ton boxcars will be built, while the company itself will build the remainder.

A Burlington train made the wonderful run of 90 miles in an hour recently. The run was from Denver to Wray. This was done with a nine-car load on a 15-mile stretch. For 39 miles 67 miles an hour was made.

Some progress has been made in the Massachusetts Legislature in favor of the 2-cent-a-mile railroad bill.

The Limited Fast Mail on the New York Central made a run last week of 81 miles in 88 minutes with eight heavily-laden cars, beating the time of the Empire State Express by two minutes.

Great improvements are in progress along the line of the Chicago Great Western from Fort Dodge, Iowa, to Omaha, Neb. Many bridges and culverts are being put in.

Already this year the Grand Trunk has put down only 400,000 ties on 1,400 miles of track on its center division. This evidences the care that has been taken of the line.

It is reported from New Orleans that the Rock Island has decided upon an extension of its lines in Texas from Fort Worth to the Gulf and to New Orleans.

A syndicate composed of Edwin Hawley and his friends purchased the Colorado & Southern. It is the success by reorganization of the Union Pacific, Denver & Gulf and the Denver, Leadville & Gunnison systems. It has a mileage, exclusive of the Fort Worth line, of 1,100 miles. It has a bonded debt of $18,000,000.

The report that the Harriman interests had acquired the Rock Island has been officially denied by President W. B. Leeds of the latter.

Assistant General Passenger Agent Charlton, of the Northern Pacific, has gone to Seattle and Tacoma.

W. H. Jenkins, passenger clerk of the Southern Pacific, is confined at his home with illness.

The Denver Rio Grande lines have issued a new time card. By its arrangement better time is made on westbound freights than formerly. The running time is shortened on the Rio Grande Western portion of the system. On arrival at Salt Lake cars are switched directly to without lying over night, effecting a saving of more than 24 hours. After delivery from the Colorado terminals cars come through in five days and 11 hours.

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A dealer not acquainted with Eilers Piano House methods thought that our announcement last Sunday to sell these $300 pianos for $186 was intended only for the wholesale trade.

But he was mistaken. We wish to sell something like three carloads of the very best medium-grade pianos ever shown in Portland. And we will give all retail buyers the benefit of this exceptional opportunity.

These pianos were regularly sold by another retail house for $300 heretofore. These instruments are greatly improved, and better made than they were when they were sold at the above-mentioned figures heretofore.

In fact, we doubt very much as to whether a San Francisco branch store or a concern getting its pianos from San Francisco jobbing-houses or on consignment from money brokers could afford to sell them for less than $325 even now and make a living profit.

But we are going to sell these instruments quickly and therefore ask only $186 each for them and the plainer styles for $173 and $155. Then to make it an object for you to take one of them quickly, we will sell you one on payment of $10 down and $5 and $6 a month. Remember the prices, $156, $173 and $186, one and the same to all alike, no more will be asked, no less will be accepted; 3 per cent off for ad cash, or $10 down and $5 and $6 a month, with interest on deferred payments at 8 per cent per annum.

These are all three-stringed pianos, with full 7⅓ octaves, ivory keys—not celluloid but ivory keys—hand carved full swing music desk, rolling fall board, continuous hinges, full iron frame, bushed tuning pins, double repeating action, in cabinet grand size, veneered in mahogany, oak and Brazilian walnut.

We are sure you will not find a single one of these pianos on hand by the end of next week. Better come in today and pick out the one you like best.

These pianos are fully warranted and, while we are willing to take $185 and $2?? and $156 for them, rest assured they are in every way as good and as valuable as the instruments were heretofore when sold for $300.

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We have told you how in conducting four leading stores in four leading cities under one management we save money in buying large quantities of pianos; how we save money in shipping them without boxes, how our store rents are less per piano sold than any other dealer's, how, in fact, our selling expense is less by many dollars than other dealers or agents, large or small.

That's how we can sell these pianos at these low figures now, and still say that we are standing back of every representation that our salesmen make regarding them. "Money back if not satisfied" applies to these pianos, as well as to the highest-priced Chickering, and Weber, and Kimball. See them at once. Bring $10 for a first payment down and pay the rest as suits you best. Remember the place and street number.

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MAID OF SEVEN

Comes From England Alone to Make Her Home Here.

There arrived here this morning from New York May Tippin, who has just finished the journey of between 6000 and 7000 miles from England. She is a pretty little maiden of 7. She looked much like a fairy this morning as she tripped merrily about, not the least bit weary, apparently, with her long journey. She presented an attractive picture in her fetching little pink dress, brown hair, dark eyes and natty sailor hat.

The little miss came all the way from England without any chaperon, but she required none, since she made hosts of friends on the way over, as well as at New York and also Chicago, while en route. The order for the child's transportation was placed with City Ticket Agent Dickson of the Great Northern on February 20. He is greatly pleased to know that the petite traveler came through safely.

May Tippin crossed the Atlantic on the St. Louis of the American line. She is the niece of Mrs. John Wendt, who is an Englishwoman, and whose husband is in the employ of E. House, the restaurant man, and will make her home with them and be brought up as their own child.

WILL BE REINSTATED.

The two students of the High School, Roy Meikle and Chester Hughes, who were suspended Wednesday, will be reinstated in a few days. The suspension originated in the election of officers for the class of '03. There were two candidates for the office of president, Ralph Holman and Elmer Smith. The friends of Smith ascertaining the fact that Banner Brooks, a member of the class, would make the nomination speech for Holman, decoyed Brooks into the basement of the High School and kept him there until after the election. Principal Davis, hearing of this, suspended the students.

Substations Located.

Postmaster Croasman has located the five branch postoffices that he was authorized to establish, at the following places: No. 1—B. F. Jones, corner Front and Gibbs streets; No. 2—J. Bullivant, Jr., corner Thirteenth and Jefferson streets; No. 3—L. G. Clarke of Woodard, Clarke & Co., corner Fourth and Washington streets; No. 4—W. L. Lister, 155 North Seventeenth street; No. 5—R. A. Preston, corner Twenty-fifth and Savier streets. The substations will be opened July 1.

SOLDIERS ARRIVE.

The Southern Pacific, late Wednesday night, brought in from San Francisco a special train of nine cars of Government troops, who have recently returned from the Philippines. On their arrival here they were turned over to the O. R. & N. Company. They were in command of Captain Wren and comprise the Third Battalion of the Seventeenth Infantry. The troops were here divided into two detachments. One was sent out to the Barracks at Boise, Idaho, and comprised five officers and 61 enlisted men. The other was sent to Fort Wright and consisted of five officers and 82 men.

MANAGER ELLIOTT HERE.

D. S. Elliott, general manager of the Great Northern Express Company, with headquarters at St. Paul, Minn., came in this morning from Seattle. He was accompanied by Mrs. Elliott and sister. They leave this evening over the Southern Pacific for California.

Mr. Elliott succeeds W. J. Footner, deceased, about a year ago, in his present position.

BUILDING PERMITS.

Puffer Bros. Leather Company, addition to house, Marion and Grand avenues; $200.

C. A. Kintzell, 1½-story dwelling, Union avenue and Failing street; $1000.

Miller & Fugitt, alterations to store, Sixth and Morrison streets; $500.

NOW HUNTING VOTES.

The candidates recently nominated by the Republican state and county conventions are arranging to start a vigorous campaign next week.

W. J. Furnish will visit every section of the state in the interest of his candidacy for Governor. George E. Chamberlain, the Democratic nominee, will likewise make a vigorous campaign.

The county ticket of the Republicans will have a good start of the Citizens' ticket.

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STREET MATTERS.

Petition Up Before Council Committee Today.

The Council Committee on Streets met at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The following measures referred from the Council were considered:

Petition of Merchants' National Bank for opening of East Third street from a point 127½ feet south of the south line of East Irving street, southerly to the center line of East Gibson street.

A petition from property owners between Seventh and Union avenue, remonstrating against the improvement of Stanton street from East Seventh to Union avenue; also protesting against new sewer for this district.

For the establishment of Hooker street from the east line of Fourth to east line of Fifth street.

Permission asked by the Past Sachems' Association to display a banner across Third street at intersection of Morrison.

Petition of J. F. Daneke to open East Seventeenth from south line of Belmont to north line of East Taylor.

Ladies' Aid Society.

A reception to new members was given by the Ladies' Aid Society of the First Baptist Church last evening in the parlors of the church. An excellent program was rendered, among the many features of which were violin solos by Mr. Dagmar Games and Mrs. McDuffie, vocal solos by Harry E. Green and Miss Spencer, and recitations by Miss Leota Siegnor and Miss Maude Smith. The speech of welcome to new members was made by Deacon George E. Jamieson, with a response by William A. Morris. The reception concluded with a general social, at which refreshments were served. An enjoyable evening was had by all.

HEALTH REPORT.

Gadis Montgomery, 511 Montgomery street, scarlet fever.

Jessie Stockdale, Shattuck, diphtheria.

Child of Charles Courtney, 293 Sacramento street, scarlet fever.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Sheriff to P. H. Marlay, lot 5 and w½ lots 6 and 7, blk 2, Kent's add.	$ 4.61
Same to same, lot 8, blk 15, Lincoln Park	4.35
Elizabeth C. Hanson and John R. Hanson to C. H. Waterman, w½ lots 3 and 4, blk 234, Holliday's add	3,000.00
Samuel A. Manning and wife to Andrew J. Helms, lot 1, blk 2, Manning's add	550.00
L. M. Miller to Marion S. Miller, lot 17, blk 10, Highland Park	75.00
Sheriff to P. H. Marlay, lots 5 and 6, blk 28, Hanson's Second add.	4.15
Same to same, lot 2, blk 5, Highland Park	3.15
Same to same, lot 18, blk 24, Mount Tabor Villa	11.44
Same to same, lot 5, blk 14, Southern Portland	5.10
Same to same, lot 2, blk 1, Albion add to Albina	3.90
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COURT NOTES.

The Merchants' National Bank yesterday filed an attachment suit against August E. Salinski, a Washington-street lodging house keeper, to recover $318 on a promissory note.

The Fred T. Merrill Cycle Company has filed an answer to the suit of N. S. Bray to recover for ball-bearing wheels sold and delivered. The answer sets up that the wheels were of poor quality and not up to their recommendations. It is claimed the plaintiff was given notice that the goods would not be accepted.

Anna B. Crosby has filed her answer in the State Circuit Court to the complaint in a foreclosure suit brought by E. E. Tressler. The Investors' Mortgage Security Company loaned Anna B. Crosby and her husband $600 on lot 6, block 2, Albina Addition. Just before the marriage of these two Mrs. Crosby advanced $400 of her own money to Crosby to build a house and to acquire the lot upon which it is erected. Until April 24, 1900, they lived together, when Crosby left for Sacramento on account of business matters. Since then Mrs. Crosby has heard nothing of him. In the meantime she has kept up the interest payments. She asks that when the property is sold and the mortgage indebtedness wiped out that the remainder of the proceeds of the sale may be returned to her.

Sarah K. Sawyer, by her attorney, J. C. Moreland, today filed a suit in the State Circuit Court against John J. Tierney and Ann Tierney, praying for judgment on a note for $1,127.75.

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