

# GREAT ACTIVITY AT FAIR GROUNDS

### Work Going on with All Possible Haste—Electrical White Washing Machine Is Latest Device to Rush Things Forward.

Hundreds of workmen are busy at the grounds of the Lewis and Clark fair, transforming what was a wilderness into a magic city of art and beauty. It wasn't built in a day. Neither was Rome. At the time of the formal opening next spring there will be presented to Portland and the northwest a group of buildings of exquisite design.

At the grounds there is an incessant sound of hammers, donkey engines puff and steam; wagons creak and groan, and there is always a constant hum of industry as the white city rises. Until the time of the opening the hum will be greater, the din will be still louder, for every effort will be made to have everything in readiness for the opening day. Officials say that the fair will be completed in every detail by that time.

Even though the grounds are in a somewhat disordered state and walks and driveways are partially covered with debris and building material, crowds of people visit the place each day. There is a man at the gate who sells tickets. A nominal sum is charged for entrance. On nearly all the buildings under way, work is almost completed. At the forestry building centers the greatest interest at the present time. Giant logs are being raised one upon the other by means of engines, gins and derricks. It will be several weeks before it reaches completion, but the erection of the building is progressing as rapidly as possible.

On the other buildings the final plastering and stucco work will be completed within three weeks, according to those in charge.

roof of the building will be of a translucent fabric instead of glass, which is usually used. The fabric was ordered of an eastern firm in ample time to have reached the city, but the order has not been filled. As a result neither the roof nor the dome will be completed for several days. The delay, however, will not be serious, it is said, and will cause no damage to the building.

Towards the north of the grounds workmen are beautifying the lawns and preparing for the erection of the huge bridges. Several piers have been placed in position and material for its construction is being received. In many portions of the grounds the lawns have been planted and the water pipes have been laid and fountains are ready for the streams that will play throughout the season.

Interest in the success of the fair is being shown by various railroads to a greater extent than was expected. Officials of the Santa Fe, whose closest lines to Portland are by way of San Francisco, have written expressing their desire to assist the fair in any way possible. The Santa Fe has offered to furnish in the appropriation of 15,000 miles of transportation to be given to representatives of the fair who will travel, arousing interest in the project throughout the territory covered by the Santa Fe. A letter to that effect was received yesterday by Secretary Freeman from J. J. Byrne of Los Angeles. The transportation that was given to the fair will be used by Special Commissioner J. F. Marshall, who is now at work in the territory traversed by the Santa Fe.

## DAVID DUBOIS SETS HIMSELF RIGHT

In the Journal of September 23 was published a dispatch from Vancouver, Wash., that warning had been given the auditor of Clarke county, Wash., to issue no marriage license to Clarence or David Dubois and Miss Estella Ayres. David Dubois of Center addition, East Portland, said last night:

"I only know Miss Ayres slightly, having been introduced to her by my aunt, Mrs. Lagaus. The report stated that Clarence Dubois was my cousin. I have no cousin by this name. Clarence Lalonde is my cousin. I have been employed as a carpenter building a house in Center addition for my grandfather, J. Dubois. My cousin, during the past two weeks, has been fighting along the Columbia on the Washington side. My father resides at 545 East Couch street, but at present I am rooming in Center addition. Neither my cousin nor I ever visited Miss Ayres at her home. We know her only slightly and never dreamed of marrying her."

"The last time I heard of Miss Ayres was last Monday when her brother-in-law—I do not know his name—came to me and asked me if I knew where the girl was. I told him that I did not. There was no occasion for any such warning as was given the auditor and it has made things unpleasant for me."

## PIANIST OF GREAT POWER IS HOFMANN



JOSEF HOFMANN. At the Marquam, under the direction of Miss Lois Steers.

There is no pianist before the public today, who has the buoyancy, sparkle, and impassioned emotional utterance, such as belongs exclusively to youth, united with such intellectual power of a high order as that which characterizes Josef Hofmann.

The most experienced and authoritative artists and critics, upon hearing his playing of Beethoven, Schumann, or Wagner, are surprised to discover the wealth of hidden meaning in the composition.

Capable of rising to the grandest heights of dramatic passion when his art requires it, he is yet able to hold his impassioned temperament in complete control to his over-mastering will as an artist. This command of a warm and exuberant nature is all the more remarkable when we remember that Hofmann is the youngest of all the great pianists in the world today.

The New York World says of him:

"A master of his instrument, of whom all things are possible. In the 'Boire de Vienne' and the Mendelssohn Scherzo he was amazing in resource, in control of his powers, and in preparation of dynamic surprises. The Schubert impromptu found him ready with a tender word, breadth of understanding, and sympathy for its ornamental phrases. His playing of the Tannhauser overture was a masterpiece of art. It is a more difficult composition than the Mozart, Liszt and Don Juan fantasia. The young pianist gave the overture in faultless style, and in a passage in the Venusberg music it seemed as if an orchestra of virtuosos were performing. Hofmann's playing throughout the afternoon was admirable. The enthusiasm of yesterday was spontaneous and unmistakable."

Hofmann will be heard at the Marquam Grand Monday night, September 26, under the direction of Miss Lois Steers.

# IF YOU BURN

Kerosene this Fall and Winter for lighting purposes, you want plenty of hose and water handy. One who uses this method of lighting in these days almost deserves to be burned out.

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It is the lightest light on your nerves and lightest on your eyesight.

Our representative will gladly call and tell you how best to light your house, office, store or factory.

# Portland Gas Company

Fifth and Yamhill Streets

## GROWING DEMAND FOR REAL ESTATE

TRANSFERS DURING WEEK TOTAL UP MORE THAN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS—BUILDING PERMITS ANNOUNCE GREAT ACTIVITY IN CONSTRUCTION WORK.

	Permits	Transfers
Monday	7,175	\$ 17,822.91
Tuesday	8,825	17,418.15
Wednesday	8,350	22,728.05
Thursday	8,350	25,047.09
Friday	10,500	4,561.47
Saturday	21,600	19,881.14
Totals for week	\$123,550	\$107,470.68
Totals last week	90,346	104,473.82

The tone of the realty market is showing a small, steady gain in strength and the totals this week are somewhat larger than for the preceding weeks. Real estate dealers report a very large number of inquiries for property and say that many fair-sized deals are practically finished.

One of the principal features of the real estate situation is the widening of the business section of the city. For some time attempts have been made to make Fifth street from Yamhill to the Union depot a business street. The lack of success of its unimproved condition not much success crowned the efforts made.

Now that the paving of the street is well under way and the streetcar company is putting a better track which will assure a better service, abutting real estate is being sought after. The three-story brick building which Mrs. Loeb is about to build at the northeast corner of Fifth and Stark streets, will improve the appearance of the street greatly. The building will be fitted up in modern style and will cost in the neighborhood of \$10,000.

**Will Rebuild Burned Factory.**  
Within the next few days the Multnomah Box & Trunk factory will begin the construction work on the new \$70,000 factory which will more than take the place of the one burned some time ago. The new building will be an up-to-date structure and will be equipped with the very latest machinery.

The oft spoken of plans of the Northern Pacific Terminal company to construct a glass shed over the tracks in front of the Union depot are about to materialize and plans for the new structure have practically been completed.

A permit was issued at the city engineer's office this week for the erection of a three-story apartment house at Fifteenth and Everett streets. The building will cost \$30,000. It will be known as the Wellington. Work will be commenced at once by Contractor W. L. Morgan.

**South End Is Growing.**  
For some years property in the far southern portion of the west side was a very slow seller and prices in that portion of the city showed more depression during the paucity times of a few years ago than any other section of the city. Now there is a good demand for property in that locality and prices are going back to their normal standing. Quite a number of modern homes is now under construction there and architects report the planning of many more.

The building of the water front line of the Oregon Water Power & Railway company has been a great help to Sell-

# The Eastern Outfitting Co.

390 Washington Street  
**ANNOUNCES**

That in connection with their Ladies' Cloak and Suit Section, they have opened a **Grand Millinery Department**

Which is second to none in the city, as far as beauty of styles is concerned. Our buyer well tried his utmost to bring the reputation of this department up to the same high standard that has been established by our other departments.

The fashions which we show are absolutely the latest and most up-to-date. The materials are the best, the prices the lowest, consistent with attraction, style and good goods.

OUR EASY TERMS are at your disposal the same as in other departments. Goods bought in this department will be cheerfully charged, in connection with anything else you may buy.

We respectfully solicit your patronage and are anxious to serve you.

## TRANSFERS UNTO ANY LINE SOON

UNIVERSAL SYSTEM TO BE INaugURATED ON NOVEMBER 1—CONSOLIDATED LINES WILL MAKE TRIP MOVES AS WELL AS IMPROVE MANY ROUTES.

## MISS RUTH HOYT GOING TO NEW YORK

Miss Ruth Hoyt, one of Portland's most charming young women and a singer, will leave here tomorrow evening for New York City, where she will pursue her voice study under the tutelage of Professor Arens. Miss Hoyt has been a pupil of Mrs. Walter Reed for the past two years, and has received sunny flattering compliments on her good voice. Miss Hoyt sings contralto and her sweet voice has been heard on a number of occasions at both private and charitable concerts.

## TRANSFERS UNTO ANY LINE SOON

Inquiry among officials of the Portland and Suburban railway company elicits no definite news as to the exact date when a universal transfer on the consolidated lines will be put into effect, but it is said by a leading official of one of the old lines that the transfers will probably be inaugurated by November 1. This is not made as a positive announcement, but he says the legal formalities of the consolidation should be completed by that time and as soon as they are the interchangeable transfers will be inaugurated. All of the preliminary agreements and details of the consolidation have been perfected, and the articles of incorporation of the Portland and Suburban railway company will be filed in a few days.

The City and Suburban railway has improved the service in Upper Albina by a change of time that gives a car every four minutes between 6 and 6:30 o'clock p. m. instead of every six minutes as formerly, and the morning service is increased by two additional motor cars on this line. Increasing traffic compelled the company to run cars oftener. So far as can be learned there will be no other immediate changes. The officials state that there is no intention to take off cars on any lines that may be said to parallel in the territory that was claimed by both companies prior to the consolidation.

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## AT THE HILLSVILLE FOOTBALL

From the Atlantic Constitution.  
"Any mail for we use?"  
"No mail."  
"Nothing for Aunt Sally?"  
"Nothing."  
"For Uncle Ben?"  
"Not a line."  
"For Gram'mother Gray?"  
"She has no mail."  
"Not even a postal card?"  
"Not."  
"Well, please throw a couple of lines just as a matter of form."

What's the matter?  
"Right now there are twenty-five of them. I've got them all packed up and ready to go. I'll send them all to you. I'll send them all to you. I'll send them all to you."