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COST OF LIVING TO BE LESS

Completion of Railroad Lines Planned in Oregon Will Bring New Crops to Portland.

RICH REGIONS WILL FIND MARKET HERE

At Present Ships Often Have Difficulty in Securing Supplies at Any Price and Better Stocks Will Aid Port's Growth.

A number of changes that the people of Portland may appreciate will be brought about by the completion of the many Harriman extensions now projected in Oregon, and the building of the north bank line of the Hill roads into Portland, said a railroad man. "These roads, tapping vast tracts of new remote but productive territory, will pour into the Portland markets a stream of the state's products and wealth heretofore almost unknown here. The effect will be to lower the prices of many products to local consumers, and to supply the means of operating many more ships from this port."

It is said the construction of rail lines in the Pacific northwest now authorized for the coming year will practically settle the mooted question of steamship navigation for Portland. The great development that will follow operation of these lines will almost double the importance of Portland as a market for field and timber products. The port will become so overwhelmingly important as a supply station for the Pacific that navigation interests will be practically compelled to give attention to it.

The Columbia river basin is immensely productive. The problem has been to get the stuff to market. Whole countries in Oregon have been without rail transportation. It is not profitable to haul by wagon 25, 50 and 100 miles to

carry hay, potatoes, grain, wool, hides, poultry and butter to the nearest railroad point. The result has been that the limited territory having railroad facilities in this state has been relied upon to furnish all the products that are consumed here or shipped to foreign countries. A constantly shrunken demand for everything produced has kept local retail prices higher than in the middle states for many products that are every day demanded on the tables of the common people.

The statement has been made many times by men coming to Portland from the middle west that cost of living here is higher, in proportion to salaries paid, than in eastern sections of the country similarly productive. The question was often asked: "If Oregon is so immensely productive as reported, why are not its products more plentiful and lower in the retail markets?"

"These questions will be answered by the completion of rail lines opening up large productive regions that are now practically out of the world so far as the Portland retail market is concerned," said the railroad official. "A heavy increase of the supply from the interior will have a tendency to ease the market on all kinds of products, including potatoes, turnips, onions, beets, cabbage, rhubarb, cauliflower, squash, dried and fresh fruits, hay and grain, and products of the dairy and the poultry ranch. These lines will also furnish an immense stimulus to the project of being driven on the hoof to eastern Oregon points as consigned to Chicago and Kansas City. In many ways Portland and its people will receive direct benefits by the completion of the new railroads and extensions promised for next year."

ST. JOHN'S HOTEL IS INCORPORATED

Jeff Nye, E. E. Covert and Adam Mueller have filed articles of incorporation in the county clerk's office for the St. Johns Hotel company. The articles state that it is the purpose of the company "to lease, own and operate a hotel, lodging-house, restaurant, barroom or saloon in the city of St. Johns."

The capital stock of the new corporation is given as \$21,000.

Steps are being taken to organize a library association and establish a circulating library in Florence.

NEW HIGH SCHOOL TAKING FORM

Foundations Laid, Basement Walls Completed and Brick Work Started.

BLUE SANDSTONE FACINGS MAKE ARTISTIC BUILDING

Finest Public School Building in the Northwest Going Up Rapidly—Material Improvement of Adjacent Streets Urgently Needed.

The east side office of The Journal is in the store of J. M. C. Miller, 230 East Morrison Street. Telephone East 275.

Rapid progress is being made on the stone and cement work of the east side high school and the largest force of men yet employed on the job is working under the various contractors. The cement walls for the foundation have been completed and the partition walls in the basement have been built to the foundation level. This week work was started on the south brick wall and under the attention of a dozen masons the wall slowly is going up. Blue sandstone, which will constitute the facing of the building, has been placed for the first story base, and a faint idea of the final appearance of the big structure can be gained. It will be the only school building in the city of brick and stone construction, and the most costly public building on the east side. It will also be one of the best appearing school-houses on the coast.

At the attention of the east side is directed to the school the fact is drawing on the property-owners of the improvement district adjacent to the school that material betterments will have to be made in the streets there before the school opens. At present the block is surrounded by bad streets. For half a dozen blocks the state of the highways is so deplorable that no improvement has been attempted. An old plank roadway runs past the building site on the north, this being East Stark street, and though teamsters whose teams have stuck in the mire have fished out the broken plank and filled them for two blocks on each side of the street, so that nothing more dangerous than mud might bar their passing, the submerged plank keeps working to the surface and remains a source of danger, to the few light wagons that manage to get safely through the bog.

East Thirteenth street is not opened and East Twelfth street is in wretched condition, the old bridge having crumbled. Workmen of telephone and water companies finished the ruin. Even the sidewalks have fallen through sheer old age and some of these slanting of the sidewalks have become an excellent obstacle to children playing "follow the leader."

MT. TABOR LEVY LOW

Two and a Half Mills Decided on as Amount for School Purposes.

Mount Tabor school district last year made a levy of 3 mills when adjoining districts found it necessary to raise funds on a 13 or 15 mill basis, and this year the Mount Tabor levy will be 2½ mills. This amount will suffice only to pay the floating debt of more than \$2,000 and keep up the school until the close of the June term, but at that time the question of annexing the district will come up and it is expected that almost unanimously the residents will vote to come in.

Should the district come in it will have no warrant debts, and no money on hand, but it will have a bonded indebtedness of about \$15,000. The taxpayers in session last night were divided as to the levy to be adopted. Some favored the recommendation of the board that 5 mills be assessed, which would enable the expenses of the entire year to be met, the salaries of the teachers raised, warrants outstanding paid and needed repairs to the West Avenue and Glencoe schools completed. Others favored a levy just half the amount suggested by the board, and still others favored a levy half way between. The annexation sentiment being strong, however, it was decided to make a levy that would only meet the expenses until the close of the present school year.

REVENGEFUL PILE DRIVER

Objects to Working on Holidays and Nearly Kills Unwary Workmen.

If the force working the big pile driver in the slough at Grand avenue is not killed off by the eccentricities of the engine the piles for the big drain soon will be driven and ... work of getting ready for the fill completed. The pile-driver engine, with almost a human intelligence, objects to working during the holidays, and yesterday expressed its dislike by turning loose at critical moments and dropping a 40-foot pile as nearly on top of a workman as could be done, considering the activity displayed by the men below in getting out of the way. Several times the engine played this prank and twice the big timber smashed down in the marsh so close to the agitated laborers that they were covered with mud and drenched with cold water.

EAST SIDE NOTES.

The Martzell, a two-story brick block at Union avenue and East Oak street, was sold for the same yesterday to Herman Enke. The sale was made by E. J. Daly and J. L. Wells.

Three residences are being erected for H. E. Joy at Kees and Dupont streets. The total cost will be more than \$4,000.

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HANDLEY STOCK IN SHERIFF'S CHARGE

Sheriff Word has placed Charles Zigler in charge of the cigar store in the Perkins hotel that had formerly been conducted by J. F. Handley & Co. An attachment suit for \$2,042 had been brought against Handley by Mason, Ellman & Co.

Years ago Handley had a monopoly in the outside newspaper business in this city and during those good old days he sold the New York Sunday papers for 10 cents each. E. H. Rich, who was then a dealer in cigars, thought that he would enter the newspaper game, so he began selling the Gotham Sunday papers for 5 cents each, ousting Handley's business to slump.

Aroused by this action upon the part of Rich, Handley at once put in a fine line of cigars and sold those for which Rich asked 12½ cents for 10 cents, thus causing Rich's cigar trade to decrease. Rich disposed of his cigar stores last summer.

CHINATOWN GETTING READY FOR NEW YEAR

Chinese residents of this city are preparing for their annual New Year's festival, which will be held from January 23 to February 12. At a meeting of the city council an ordinance was passed granting the Chinese special immunities during the New Year's season. The ordinance provides that the celebrants can explode firecrackers of less than four inches in length from January 23 to 24 between the hours of 5 o'clock p. m. and 8 o'clock a. m. and from January 24 to February 12, between the hours of 5 and 8 o'clock p. m. and 5 and 8 o'clock a. m. each day, not including Sundays.

Dr. Wise on Lincoln's Life. Dr. S. S. Wise will be the principal orator at the anniversary proclamation celebration to be held New Year's night at the A. M. E. Zion church. He will speak on "Abraham Lincoln."

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Piling is being driven slowly to sustain the big drain for the waters of Hawthorne slough and other forces are at work clearing away the debris of the summer fire, burning charred timbers and moving twisted steel girders and heaps of burned brick and stone. By the time the East Morrison street fill is completed it is expected the Grand avenue slough will be ready for the dump cars and graders.

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MASONIC BURN A NOTE.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Forest Grove, Dec. 28.—The Masonic lodge of this city celebrated St. John's day by burning a note and installing new officers. A. G. Hoffmann of this city conducted the installation. The officers are: C. N. Johnson, W. M.; Ira E. Bradley, S. W.; H. H. Clark, J. W.; E. W. Haines, treasurer; J. C. Clark, secretary; Harry Goff, S. D.; J. B. McPherson, J. D.; J. L. Buxton, S. S.; M. E. Dille, Tyler.

The address was made by E. W. Haines, Mrs. Wilbur McElwain sang. The guests then sat to a banquet at which Colonel J. B. Eddy of Portland was toastmaster. Speeches were

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\$10.00 Men's Suits for	\$7.45	Boys' Knee Pants.. Half Price	
\$7.50 Men's Suits for	\$4.95	Men's and Boys' 75c and \$1.00 Caps for	
Men's \$1.50 Sweaters.....	85¢	Men's and Boys' 50c Caps for	
Men's 75c Sweaters.....	35¢	Men's and Boys' 25c Caps for	
25c Ironclad Hose for, pair	17¢	Men's 50c Neckwear, now 25¢	
20c Values, pair	12¢	Men's 75c and \$1.00 Ties, now	
Men's \$1.00 and \$1.50 Shirts for	75¢	Boys' 50c Shirts for	
Men's 75c Shirts.....	45¢	25¢	
Boys' 50c Shirts for	25¢		

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