

# FIGHT TO SAVE TRADE

## Commercial Clubs Wire Oregon Delegation in Effort to Head Off Attempt to Rob Portland of Purchases for Departments.

Oregon's delegation at Washington was apprised yesterday by telegraph that it would be well to make a special defense of Portland's rights in the matter of furnishing army supplies for the department of the Columbia and Alaska. After a conference between committees from the city's commercial organizations a telegram was sent to each congressman and senator urging that the new quartermaster-general should be prevented from transferring his Columbia base of supplies to San Francisco, as has been attempted by him.

The committee session was lengthy and took up the question thoroughly. The chamber of commerce was represented by J. N. Teal, attorney for the transportation committee, and W. B. Glafka, a member of the trustees. F. A. Spencer represented the Commercial club, F. E. Eschen attended for the board of trade and R. J. Zielhuis was in the interest of the Manufacturers' association. The following telegram was dispatched to the committee, Senator Bourne, Congressman Ellis and Hawley:

**Delegation Advised.**  
"Reported here that all supplies heretofore purchased through local quartermaster's department will cease after July 1 and such business then for Pacific coast requirements be supplied only through quartermaster's department in San Francisco. On behalf of combined commercial interests of Oregon our delegation should protest against and prevent injustice of such a move. Portland is as well, and in some respects better, equipped as any city on the coast to supply all needs. Based on reports using statistics both public and newspaper fact that our interests are not properly safeguarded and Portland is being slighted. Please investigate and wire facts to chamber of commerce."  
The question of concentration of army supply base for the Pacific coast is an old one, and has been treated out before. It always results in a victory for Portland because this city is the logical center of production of the bulk of commissary supplies. It seems that every time there is a change of administration in the quartermaster-general's department the same old attempt is made to deprive this city of the trade that belongs to it by right of natural advantage.

It is at Portland that nearly all the steady supplies both in manufactured products and agricultural products originate or are received in bulk from points of origination inland, and it is here where rail and water transportation meets there always in the market in that to buy the quartermaster's supplies for the department of the Columbia.

The idea of purchasing Columbia river army post supplies at a point 900 miles south and shipping them here at government expense when the same things can be bought most cheaply at this point, strikes Portland merchants as absurd, and they will, it is believed, have little difficulty in showing the proposition in that light to the war department officials at Washington.

## TIN ORE EXHIBIT.

### Possibly First Ever Seen on the Pacific Coast.

Mining men are much interested in the window display of tin ore, from the Lost River Tin Mining company's mines in Alaska, that is now on exhibit in the Lave-Davis drugstore window, 343 Washington street. We are accustomed to gold and other minerals, but tin is extremely uncommon and extremely valuable. The famous tin mines of Cornwall, England, in operation since long before the Christian era, and a few deposits in the Malay peninsula have supplied the world almost entirely up to the present. It is no exaggeration to predict that the tin of Alaska will be recognized as of far greater commercial importance than gold.

On American soil, there are no other tin mines of real importance. Few people in Oregon, perhaps ever saw a specimen of tin ore, thus everybody will feel an interest in this splendid showing direct from Alaska.

## WINNERS TAKE OVER SULLIVAN ESTATE

(Special Dispatch to the Journal).  
Seattle, April 25.—The Sullivan estate, valued at \$1,500,000, after years of litigation, was today turned over to Senator Flett and his associates. This has been one of the most celebrated cases in the history of the state.

## ONLY 108 NEW VOTERS ADD NAMES TO REGISTRATION DURING WEEK

One hundred and eight new voters were added to the registration lists last week during the four days in which the books were open, but it is believed that as the date of election approaches there will be a rush to register, and that several thousand names will be added before the books are closed on May 15. The total number now registered is 31,829, and County Clerk Fields hopes to raise this to 35,000 in the three weeks that remain. So far one clerk has been able to attend to the work, which includes transfers for those who have moved to another precinct since the primaries. There have been 37 changes of residence during the last four days. Of those who registered during the week 73 are Republicans, 18 are Democrats and 17 are independents or members of the minor parties. In the total the Republicans have 34,495, the Democrats 5,284 and all others 1,530.

# OREGON WALNUTS ARE POORING IN FROM ALL SECTIONS

## Product of Yamhill County, Orchards Superior in Flavor to Others.

"Walnut dealers pay a higher price for the product of Oregon orchards than for those of any other place in the world," said John Yeatch, the new booster for Yamhill county this morning.

"Last year New York dealers offered 18 cents a pound for English walnuts grown in Yamhill county. This is three cents a pound more than was



Root of Two-Year-Old Walnut Tree Which is Longer Than Trunk.

paid for any other nuts in the market. The reason for this is that the Oregon walnuts have a better flavor.

"The walnut industry in Yamhill county is becoming one of the biggest in the state. There are now 1,500 acres planted in English walnuts in that county and this acreage is being increased this year. That Yamhill county is the ideal spot for walnut growing is shown by the fact that the trees begin to bear when they are five or six years of age, and at 10 years of age bring in returns of \$100 an acre, while in other places the orchards are of no value until the trees are from 15 to 20 years of age."

Deep rich soil is essential to walnut growing as is shown in the accompanying illustration. The tree shown was grown from a seed planted two years ago. The root is long and much larger than the trunk of the tree at that age. Unless the soil is deep and rich the walnut cannot live.

**Talking Machines Go.**  
You can now select the regular \$25 machines and pay only \$7.50 for the whole outfit and it's yours in the Graves & Co. sale. The highest priced talking machines at nearly half and less. Everything must go by Thursday next. Only four days more. Our new quarters at 111 Fourth street are not ready and we're actually forced into the street. Pianos, bags and strings, instruments, drum, music bags, sheet music, etc., at slaughter prices. Don't miss this opportunity. Come the first thing tomorrow morning if you can. Graves & Co., 223 Washington street. Store open every evening until sale ends.

## UNIQUE PUBLICITY CONTEST OF EILERS PIANO HOUSE ATTRACTS WIDESPREAD ATTENTION.

### Answers Received From Nearly Every State in the Union and Canada, and Even Far-away Alaska—Contest Ends Tomorrow Night at 6 P. M.—Winners Will Be Announced at Earliest Possible Moment.

The novel publicity contest launched by the House of Eilers is creating much interest, not only in the west but throughout the United States generally. Every mail brings hundreds of postal cards from all sections of the union and Canada and quite a number are being submitted from far-away Alaska.

However, the contest is only open to residents of the Pacific coast territory directly tributary to Eilers chain of Forty Stores.

### NOT TOO LATE.

Although the contest closes tomorrow (Monday) at 6 p. m., there is still ample time to try for one of the grand prizes.

Eilers stores sell the three foremost pianos of today—the Kimball, Chicago; the Lester, Philadelphia, and the Hobart M. Cable.

To the person writing the above sentence correctly the greatest number of times on one side of a standard size government postal card (5 1/2 x 3 1/4 inches) will be awarded absolutely free one magnificent new in-grade Kimball piano, the person writing it the second greatest number receives a superb Hobart M. Cable and the third, one of the highest grade Lester pianos. Many other prizes such as valuable piano purchasing bonds, will also be awarded to every reply of merit.

In the event of a tie, prizes of similar value will be given to each successful contestant. We will publish the names of the winners. All cards are open for examination after close of the contest. Remember, all replies must be received before 6 p. m. tomorrow (Monday), April 27.

Use pen and ink only. Punctuation, spelling, correctness and legibility will be factors in determining the winners. Write your address plainly and the number of times you have written the sentence on the card across one end of the stamped or addressed side of card.

Expert penmen and engravers are barred from this contest. Only one card from each family will be accepted. The decision of our judges is to be final. Address all cards to Publicity Department Eilers Piano House, 533 Washington street, Biggest, Busiest and Best Dealers.

## BIRD STROKE TO SAVE SOGGSTERS

### Audubon Society to Ask Government to Set Aside Permanent Reserves.

Permanent breeding places for Oregon wild fowls in eastern Oregon are being investigated by the Audubon society of Portland and an effort will be made to have such breeding places established among the tule lakes and upon government and state lands in eastern and southern Oregon.

As both Governor Chamberlain and President Roosevelt are in thorough sympathy with the movement the Audubon society is making every effort to acquire lands immediately, while they are still in office and able to actively assist in the work.

A meeting of the Portland Audubon society at which the proposed reserves were discussed, agreed to send two representatives to the state legislature through the lake region of the eastern and southern portions of the state and they will report back the most suitable places to the society. A committee is now at work to raise funds to carry out the work.

### Birds Need Protection.

A committee appointed by the Audubon society consisting of Miss Mary E. Isom, Mrs. C. M. Cartwright, Clarence H. Gilbert, Mrs. J. A. Stronbridge and Dr. E. J. Welby, to provide ways and means to take steps toward the preservation of bird and animal life in Oregon, handed in their report at the meeting last evening.

Since there has been a rapid decrease in many of our wild birds and animals throughout our country, it is thought that the only method of saving these creatures is to have certain places set aside where they may live without being persecuted and where they may be protected during the nesting season so they can rear their young.

In issuing a statement telling of its work and aims, the Audubon society describes its work as follows:

"There are a number of causes that have led to the extermination of a number of our wild birds. The increased population destroys their native haunts, many are killed by hunters, and vermin do a great amount of damage. Game hunters have killed so many of our song birds and other highly plumaged birds that some species are almost extinct."

### Stop Ferocious Fume Hunting.

To counteract these causes, the Audubon movement was started. Societies have been formed in almost every state in the union. They have spent a large amount of money in educating people on the economic value



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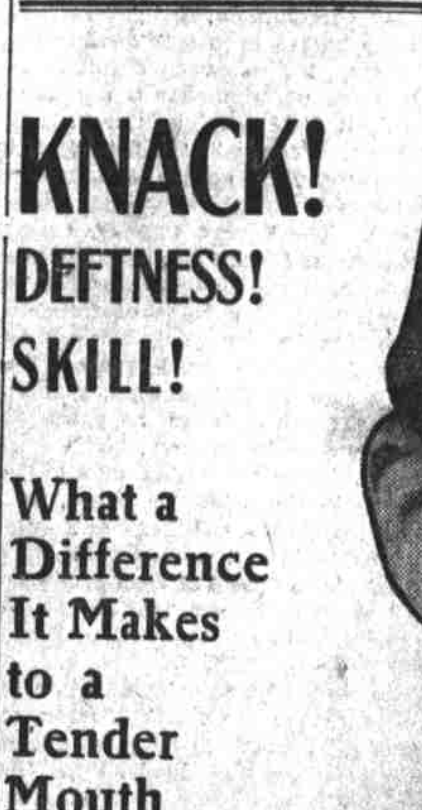
Yesterday afternoon and evening partook of the nature of a reception at Jaeger Bros. new store at 266 Morrison street. Music and souvenirs were the order of the afternoon and evening. It was the first occasion the public had had of seeing the spacious and richly decorated jewelry salesrooms of this comparatively new firm. Jaeger Bros. began business on their own account seven years ago in half a small store room in the Multnomah block on Morrison street near Fifth street, and in the past few months it became necessary to enlarge the establishment and the jewelry firm absorbed the candy business. When the Corbett building was planned the Jaeger Bros. grew, and it soon became apparent that more room was imperative. When the Security Savings bank company vacated its premises on Morrison near Third street, a force of carpenters and decorators were set to work to reconstruct the interior of the building in every particular except the big burglar and fireproof vaults.

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The upper walls and ceiling are done in turquoise blue trimmed with gold. The walls are ornamented with fluorescent figures in silver. The ceiling is laid out in antique squares which produce a most pleasing effect. The matching furniture are of rich design.

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## LAUGHING BIRD OF AUSTRALIA.

From the Sydney Times.  
To the outside world the greatest ornithological oddity in this country is the kookaburra.

## LAUGHING BIRD OF AUSTRALIA.

In earlier times it was known as the "settler's clock" from a belief that its joyful peacocks were vented regularly at morn, noon and dusk, being quiescent

more loudly than words for the popularity of the members of the firm.

through the heat of the forenoon and the wane of the afternoon. That belief has long been shattered. The kookaburra laughs when excited, and it laughs as readily at the violent death of its mother-in-law as it does at the enraged settler when he falls off his haystack. A wounded bird makes a demagogical row which will bring all others within hearing into the neighboring tree, and these at once set up an echoing cackle that is repeated again and again.

## LAUGHING BIRD OF AUSTRALIA.

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## WILTON LACKAYE AND THE SO-CALLED BOOK PLAYS

A writer on the drama for one of the popular monthlies recently called attention to the long list of so-called "book-plays"—that is, dramatizations of novels—in which Wilton Lackaye has appeared, expressing regret that this actor has not been able to obtain an "original" play. Going back no farther than "Tribby," the play from which was produced in 1895, Mr. Lackaye has certainly had his share of these dramatizations. Svingail, Bill Sykes in "Oliver Twist," Charles O'Malley in a piece based on Leaver's story, "Porches in the Three Musketeers," "Shemuel" in "Children of the Ghetto," Petronius in "Quo Vadis," Uncle Tom, Curtis Jadin in "The Pitt," Jean Valjean in "Les Misérables" (his own dramatization, called "The Law and the Man"), and now Jason of the North in "The Bondman," have been conspicuous in his activities of the last 13 years.

The chief argument that has been advanced for this method of making plays has been that Shakespeare found many of his plots ready to hand in novels. Mr. Lackaye, by way of conforming to the fashion, has recently referred to above, recently said: "Dramatized novels in the last dozen years, have kept open many a theatre, have kept employed many an actor, have generally satisfied many an audience, and incidentally have enriched many a novelist, in which time the so-called 'original' playwrights were not working at their trade." "Tribby," which is a capital example of the dramatized story, is of itself a play; for it has far outlived the vogue of the Du Maurier novel. The use of that same free method has been responsible for the success of all the "book-plays" that have been successful. "Salomy Jane" is another good example of a play made from a novel. Compulsions of sufficient freedom were stamped on the stage, and freedom was "Children of the Ghetto," by Zangwill, and "Unleavened Bread," not by Zangwill, despite its title, but a keen, cutting, witty and true bit of satire on American society by Judge Robert Grant.

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