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Measure on Ballot Will Give Opportunity to Port of Portland Commission.

Portland May 28.—To the Editor of The Journal—One of the most important measures submitted to the voters within the limits of the Port of Portland district at the coming election is the act amending the charter of the Port of Portland by authorizing the port to establish and maintain a towing and pilotage service upon the Columbia and Clatsop rivers between Portland and the sea, and for such purposes to issue and dispose of bonds in amount not exceeding \$500,000 and to collect taxes upon property within its limits not exceeding one-half mill.

The affirmative upon this measure is numbered 333 upon the official ballot and the measure will be voted upon only by that section of Multnomah county lying within the corporate limits of the Port of Portland—namely, all of the county lying west of the east line of range 2 east.

The Port of Portland has control of the river between Portland and the sea; and through its instrumentality the rivers have been deepened so that the largest and deepest draft vessels entering the Columbia river can come to Portland without delay, and at the lowest stages of water in the river. The Port of Portland also owns and operates the drydock at St. Johns, which affords ample facilities for the docking of the largest vessels coming to our port.

The purpose of the bill is to permit the Port of Portland to establish and maintain an efficient towing and pilotage service upon the Columbia river and on the rivers between Portland and the sea so that prompt, efficient and adequate service can be given to vessels coming to our port. It is expected that the service itself can be made self-supporting; but it will be necessary for the port to purchase or build an adequate number of bar tugs and river towboats, and to that end authority is asked for the issue of bonds not exceeding \$500,000 in amount, retireable one tenth each year.

The water grade leading into Portland makes this the cheapest gateway on the Pacific coast for rail tonnage. We must make our port the best and cheapest for ocean-going vessels, and give an adequate and efficient towing service between Portland and the sea. This is the purpose of the bill, which was organized not for profit, can best do this work. London, Hamburg, Glasgow, Rotterdam, Antwerp, Bremen and many other great commercial centers are situated much as Portland is—up rivers and away from the sea. Each of these cities has invested millions of dollars in deepening their harbors, and in doing other things to bring shipping to themselves.

I urge every voter to remember to vote upon this measure, and that he cast his ballot for number 333, in favor of granting to the Port of Portland the increased powers desired.

J. C. FLANDERS,
Chairman Committee on Rivers, Harbors and Navigation, Portland Chamber of Commerce.

TWO LIGHTING BILLS YET UNPAID BY CITY

Alleged Shortage of Current Causes Mayor to Hold Out for Reduction.

For the past two months the city has refused to pay the light bill sent by the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, and if the matter should be carried into the courts and the city comes out winner a saving of \$5,081 will result. At Friday's meeting of the city executive board the April claim of the company was presented, but not until it had been reduced from \$7,973 to \$5,109 by the street lighting committee of the board.

What will be the outcome of the action of the board in cutting down the light bills after they have been presented by the company is a matter of great speculation around the city hall. The first bill to be cut was for light furnished in March. More than a month has passed since the board reduced this bill and no action has been taken by the company to make a formal demand for the money. That the company will take the matter into court is believed, because to accept the amount offered by the board would be equal to admitting that the company has been overcharging the city for more than a year and would be subject to a refund.

Mayor Lane started the agitation which resulted in the board refusing to pay the bills of the company. He founded his opinion on the ground that the company is not furnishing the amount of current called for in the contract between the city and the company. When he called upon the company officials to defend their position and testify in regard to the amount of current consumed by the arc lamps now in use in street lighting they refused to testify, which was taken as an admission that the company is not supplying the required amount of current.

MAKES HIT WITH BOYS. Sunday School Teacher Finds a New Way to Keep Up Class Interest.

From the New York Sun.

A Sunday school teacher on the upper west side has a class of boys who are all at the age when to sit in the upper gallery at a burlesque theatre is the most delightful sensation in the world except going to the circus. It didn't take the teacher long to discover the inclinations of his boys, and being a diplomatic sort of teacher he didn't scold them for going to burlesque, but for little boys to go to the theatre, and especially to sit in the gallery where only naughty little boys go.

So the teacher made an appointment with every boy in the class to meet the following Saturday afternoon, each boy to wear his Sunday clothes and be equipped with a bag of peanuts. At the hour set the teacher found that every boy had been on hand an hour ahead of time.

He led the way to the nearest burlesque house and bought tickets in the gallery for himself and his party. The theatre never had a more appreciative audience, and the Sunday school teacher soon forgot the afternoon's experience.

It took six months of Sunday school lessons to wipe out the memories of that afternoon, and the teacher then made an announcement that gave him absolute control of every boy for life and stamped him as the best Sunday school teacher who ever asked if any little boy had memorized the golden text. The teacher merely said that inasmuch as he believed that every boy ought to know how to defend himself he had arranged to have the entire class admitted to a "real" trap, pugilistic contest in a nearby athletic club.

The teacher carried out his promise, and the very next Sunday each boy went to Sunday school accompanied by three new boys. It is one of the few cases on record in which a Sunday school class developed a healthy growth out of the Christmas, Easter or picnic season.

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From the Philadelphia Public Ledger.

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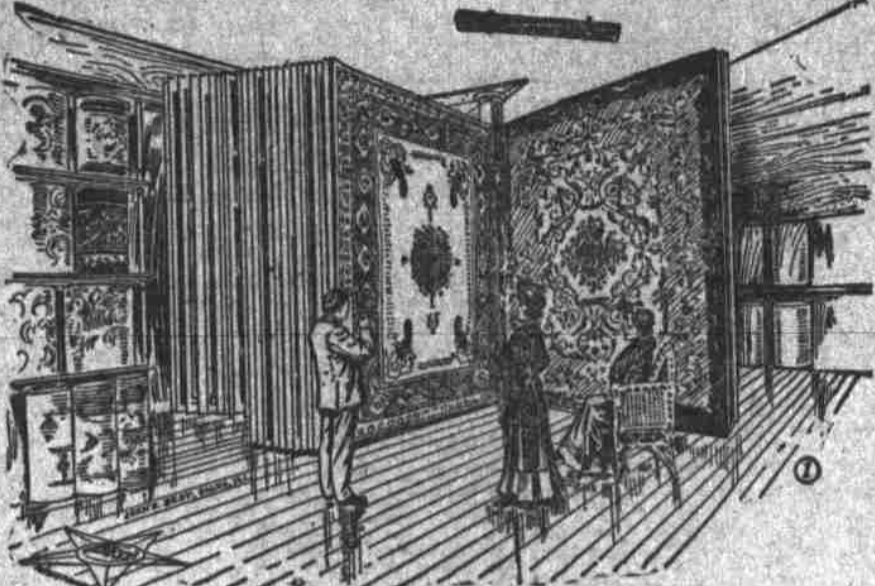
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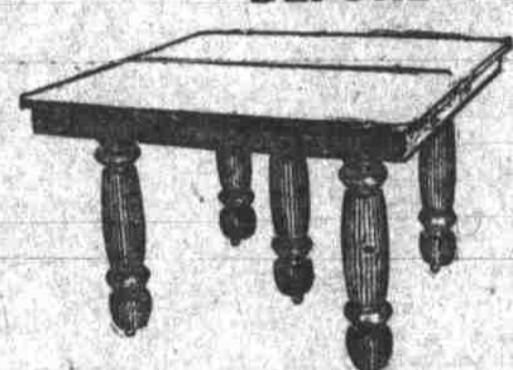
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Porch Rocker Bargains

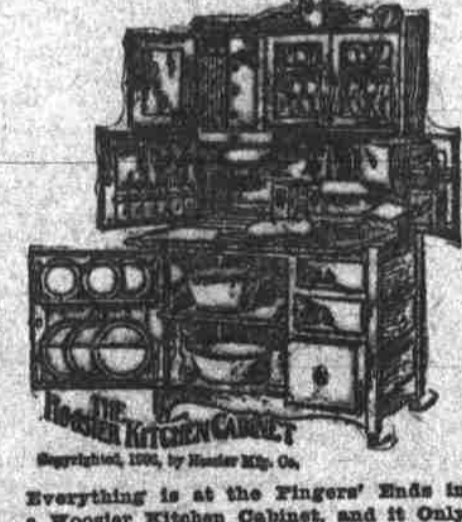
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HOOSIER KITCHEN CABINET

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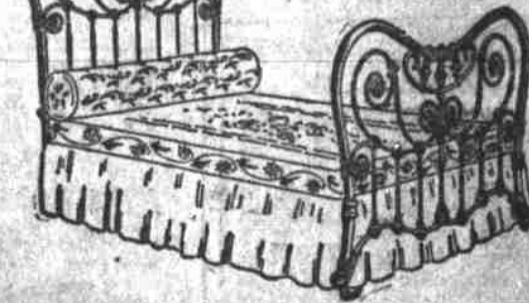
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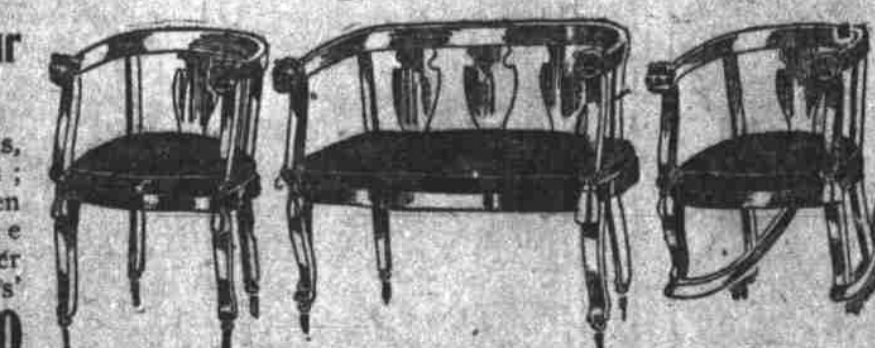
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