

# THE INTERNATIONALLY INDORSED SIGHT EXPERT

Indorsed by Over 2000 of Europe's Foremost Oculists

From Germany's Foremost Physician

Berlin, May 16, 1908. Dr. R. A. Thompson, "Dear Sir:—Last night I attended one of your lectures and was surprised by the perfect system you have of detecting flaws in human vision. The rapidity and accuracy with which you correct Astigmatism, Myopia and Hyperopia is nothing short of marvelous. America can well be proud of an optician who has achieved such good results as you have. I am sorry you are leaving Berlin and wish you all the success and honors I am sure you will receive on your return to America. Very truly yours, G. H. MORRIS, M. D.



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Translation—R. A. Thompson, an American optician, astonished the medical world last evening with an important discovery for instantaneous sight-testing. In a practical demonstration before professors of the faculty they unanimously declared it a great aid to science. Mr. Thompson was born in Brooklyn, N. Y.

## Daily Mail

London Paris Manchester

BERLIN, MAY 14, 1908.

One of the most successful American "invasions" which has taken place in Germany in recent years is that engineered by Robert A. Thompson, a Portland, Oregon, boy and expert optician, who came here a year ago to teach Germans—whom Thackeray called a "nation in spectacles"—what eye-glasses are—and are not. Mr. Thompson has been putting in a busy twelvemonth learning all Germany has to teach in his profession and has been called upon to deliver lectures to students of both American and German nationality. He has perfected a marvelous system of eye-testing which German experts declared a genuine "eye-opener." Previous to coming to Berlin, Mr. Thompson won recognition in London and Paris.

Berlin letter to the Oregonian.

## AMERICAN OPTICIAN ASTONISHES PHYSICIANS

Robert A. Thompson, an American eye specialist, delivered a most illuminating lecture on the eye at the optical demonstration rooms of Mr. Sidney Richardson, off the Strand, on Wednesday evening. The great number of students present were greatly interested in the extraordinary skill of Dr. Thompson, who gave a practical demonstration of his new system of eye glass fitting. Several oculists present who wore complicated glasses allowed him to examine their eyes to see how near he would come to the proper prescription. To their great astonishment he found the proper correction in each case in less than five minutes. Dr. Thompson leaves England shortly to continue his studies in France.

Thompson's new method of testing eyes and developing sight is indorsed by over 2000 of Europe's foremost oculists and is the greatest discovery made in optometry in the twentieth century. You can do no better than thousands of others have done with their eye troubles—consult Thompson. No time like the present; no place like his; no optical institution in America so scientifically equipped.

PERFECT FITTING GLASSES AS LOW AS \$1.50 THOMPSON PERSONALLY EXAMINES EVERY CASE

## THE OPTICIAN

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### EXTRAORDINARY SKILL OF AMERICAN EYE-EXPERT

A new system for detecting and correcting the various defects of the eye with glasses was shown before a number of oculists last evening at Mr. Sidney Richardson's. Mr. R. A. Thompson, an American optician, has demonstrated, beyond a doubt, that he is master of his profession. Mr. Thompson perfected his system while studying in Germany, and the wonderful skill with which he discovers the various defects of the eye has caused quite a sensation among the eye specialists of Europe. By the "Thompson System" as he calls it, a mistake in fitting glasses is impossible. He certainly proved it last evening. Mr. Thompson shortly returns to Paris, where he will deliver several lectures before returning to America.

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## ATTEND MEETING OF GOVERNORS

Chamberlain and J. N. Teal Will Go to Conservation Sessions.

Oregon will be represented at the meeting of the National Conservation Commission in Washington, D. C., by Governor Chamberlain and J. N. Teal. The governor will leave for Washington about December 2 in order to be present at the opening of the convention December 8.

Announcement of the convention has been sent to Governor Chamberlain and Mr. Teal, and both will attend. Delegates will be present at the convention from all of the states, these delegates for the most part being the governors of the states and the chairmen of the state conservation commissions.

Following the suggestion of the president, Governor Chamberlain appointed a committee to investigate the best means of conserving the natural resources of the state. This commission was organized some time ago, and Mr. Teal was elected chairman. He therefore will join with Governor Chamberlain in representing the state. These two delegates will carry the report of the state commission to the Washington convention.

The annual meeting of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress will also be held in Washington at about the same time, and the two men will also be delegates to this meeting. There have been a number of delegates appointed by Governor Chamberlain to this latter congress, but it is not known how many will attend the meeting.

### BUSINESS GOOD.

G. F. Johnson Returns From a Visit to Northwest Branch Houses.

G. F. Johnson, general manager for Sherman, Clay & Co., who has just returned from an extended tour of inspection of all the branch houses of his firm throughout the northwest, said: "Business is good everywhere. The month of October was the best in the history of our house. We expected the approaching election to make business slow but it did not seem to effect the piano business."

"Our success is no doubt due to the fact that it is becoming generally recognized that we carry pianos of superior quality. The Steinway piano is everywhere admitted to be the world's foremost instrument. Likewise does the A. B. Chase Aristano player rank as the highest attainment in the way of mechanical player construction."

"Another fact which is making our house strong with the public is our policy 'One Price to All.' Again, while we sell the Steinway and many other high-priced pianos, we sell many low-priced instruments. Quality for quality, our prices are the lowest."

"Our special easy term payment plan is of course one reason for the unprecedented increase in the volume of sales. November business is opening up in a splendid way and December is always a good month. The year 1908 has been a year of progress with us and we attribute this to the fact that we are better acquainted and our plan of doing business has found favor with the general public."

We are the exclusive users and have shipped to us direct Armour's corn fed eastern beef, from which we cut our steaks and roasts. You should try the difference at the Perkins Grill.

The Hawaiian Symphony orchestra at the Perkins Grill for the first time in Portland.

## ALBINA BANKER TELLS WHY HIGH BRIDGE WILL HELP CITY GROW

"If the proposed bridge is built across the river at the Broadway location, it will serve more people than all the other bridges put together," is the statement made yesterday by George W. Bates at his bank on Russell street, Albina.

"This part of town is growing very rapidly and will continue to grow. If we are ever to be a city, we must have transportation facilities. Fully 95 per cent of the men who live on this side of the river work in West Portland, and 95 per cent of those who go across the river take the streetcars."

"It seems to me that is the best place for a bridge. Of course, lower Albina would be better served with a bridge further down the river. But we want the bridge for this part of the city. And, besides, the farther down a bridge is, the greater would be the obstruction to navigation. We can't afford to do anything that will have that effect. Our traffic is bound to increase with time, and we must keep the harbor open. Therefore, I think the Broadway location is the best that could be selected."

the traffic. I can't see how this will do. It will simply increase the present difficulties. Already, it is estimated, the draw of the steel bridge is open about three and a half hours a day, and as our river traffic grows, it will not be long until it will have to be open fully half of the time each day. "With a new bridge such as is proposed, there would be hardly any interference with traffic, for all vessels except ocean-going steamships and sailing vessels could pass under the bridge, and the draw would not have to be opened more than about once a week, as most of the vessels do not go above the Broadway location."

## PLEAS OF DOUBLE TAXATION MAKE EQUALIZERS' TASK DIFFICULT ONE

That some method for exchange of information regarding assessments between different counties in the same state and between assessors in different states is the belief of County Clerk Fields. He is one of the three members of the county board of equalizers, the others being County Judge Webster and Assessor Sigler. The board find its greatest problem in adjusting the assessments of corporations that claim to have only selling agencies in Portland.

Dozens of these corporations ask for large reductions in assessment on the ground that the notes and accounts carried on their books here do not represent sums that are receivable here. They assert that the money goes to the "home office" in another state, and usually beyond the Rocky mountains, and that it cannot legally be taxed in this state. But there is no way for the assessors to ascertain whether or not some particular property is taxed elsewhere. The chances are about ten to one that if not taxed here it will escape taxation altogether. But the companies howl "double taxation" if the assessors in Portland makes them pay, and there

is always a chance that an injustice will be done to some honest corporation in this way. Several hearings on assessments have been granted to complainants in the last few days, among others to the big implement firms, the money brokers and the Hawthorne estate. Many of the implement firms protest against the taxation of notes given by purchasers of machines. For instance, a purchaser is sold to a Marion county farmer, and the assessor here taxes the account. Objection is made that the farmer is being taxed in Marion county for this same property. It is such instances as these, repeated scores and scores of times, that go to make the equalizers wear a haunted look.

Money brokers, of course, are not backward in their claims about being overtaxed. Some of those who admit doing a large business in buying salary warrants and making short-time loans claim to be doing business on a capital of \$500 and protest that this is practically all they are worth. The sessions of the equalizers will close in a few days and the result of its work on the assessments will be announced this week.

## YOUNG TRAMP WHO LOOKS LIKE GIRL RODE RODS FROM IOWA

Happily unperceived by the fact that he had spent the night in the grimy city jail, Fred Draper, a lad of tender years, turned a big pair of bright blue eyes mischievously toward Judge Van Zante in the police court yesterday and told the story of tramp life for himself and companion, Charlie Bergan. While the magistrate looked downward on him with the curious dignity of the court.

and told of their adventures since leaving home. Young Draper, who told the police he was 17 years of age, but whose features deny the assertion, came from Atlantic, Iowa, while Charlie Bergan, aged 16, has made his way from Boise, Idaho. They met in a "hobo camp," and have been traveling companions since then. Judge Van Zante was of the opinion that a good bath, a haircut and a lecture from the juvenile court authorities might serve to convert the youngsters into school life and a home, and accordingly turned them over to the juvenile court.

Salt skin powder doesn't show, perfumes the skin. Flesh, white, pink, bronzed.

# During This Month

To Introduce Our Best Plate, We Will Make a Non-Breakable Whalebone Plate for \$20.00, With a 20-year Guarantee

We earnestly request all our former patients to call at this office and have their teeth looked over, and if any of our bridge work, crowns, plates or fillings have given out or proven unsatisfactory we will gladly repair or make over free of charge.

To introduce the latest system in Painless Dentistry, we will, until October 30, extract teeth free of charge.

### Nervous People

And those afraid can now sit in the dental chair with great ease. The management of the Chicago Painless Dentists will give \$100 to any charitable institution for a month that an operator fails to extract without pain or bad result.

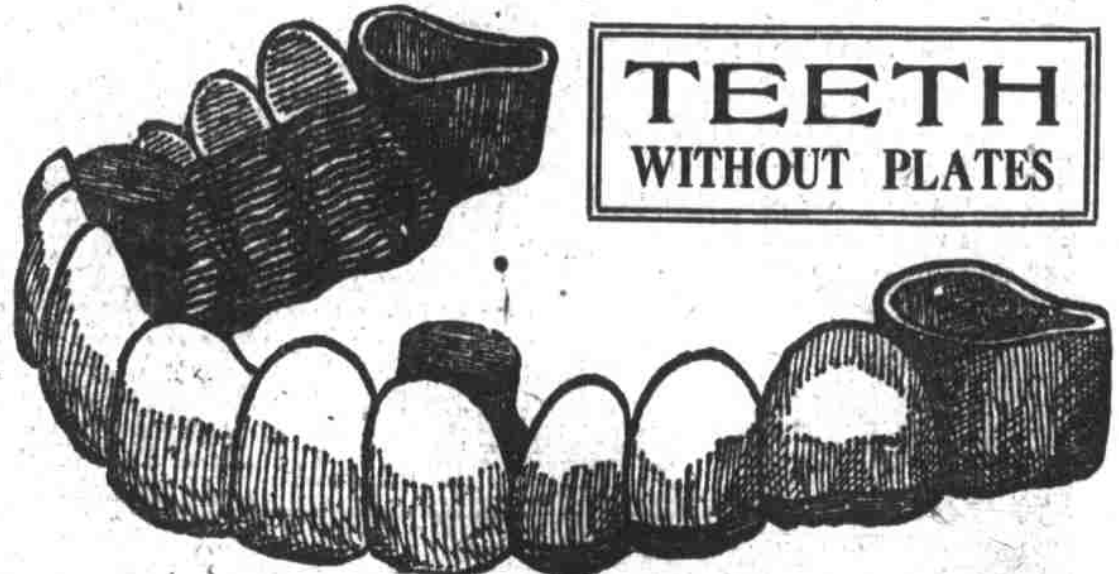
### Vegetable Vapor

Used only by the Chicago Dentists in making the operation of extracting teeth as painless as removing a shoe from the foot, and they do it without the slightest danger to the most delicate patient, and without any unpleasant after-effects whatever.

It gives me great pleasure to state that Chicago Painless Dentists extracted an impacted wisdom tooth for me, which had been giving me great annoyance for years. It was extracted absolutely without a particle of pain to me. It was easily worth 100 times the amount paid. J. C. KIMBALL, Salem, Or.

I have had 25 teeth extracted and two plates made by the Chicago Painless Dentists. I am delighted with the work and am pleased to have this opportunity to advise nervous women to have the Chicago Painless Dentists do their work. MRS. E. CAKES, Ore Point, Wash.

Remember, examinations and consultation free to all who visit our office. To those who cannot afford to have their work done and pay cash we make arrangements on the installment plan. Open daily till 6 p. m.; Sundays 9 to 1 p. m. Ladies in attendance.



### TEETH WITHOUT PLATES

### Our Prices Until October 31

- Silver Fillings ..... 50¢ up
- Gold Fillings ..... \$1.00 up
- Porcelain Fillings ..... \$1.50
- 22-Karat Gold Crowns ..... \$5.00
- Logan Crown ..... \$5.00
- Enamel Crown ..... \$5.00
- Bridge Work per tooth ..... \$5.00
- Good Set of Teeth ..... \$5.00
- Fine Set of Teeth ..... \$12.50
- Aluminum-Lined Plates ..... \$5.00
- Gold Plates ..... \$35.00

We can extract your teeth in the morning and give you a temporary set before night. A binding guarantee given with all work for 10 years.

### We Employ No Students

All our operators are middle-aged, gentlemanly doctors of from 10 to 20 years' experience, each an expert in his special line. Our work is all guaranteed and kept in repair free of charge for 10 years. If therefore stands to reason that we serve our patients best, as well as that of our patients by employing the most skilled men in the profession.

If your old plate has given out and does not fit, bring it in, and we will reset same on plain rubber for \$5.00, aluminum for \$8.00.

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