

### WHITTLE IS HEAD OF NEW DIVISION

American Express Company Puts Washington and Oregon in One.



E. M. Whittle, made superintendent of new coast division of the American Express Company.

Following the taking over of express business on the Harriman lines by the American Express company, E. M. Whittle, who has been general agent of the company here, will on February 1 become superintendent of the new coast division, that is to include the states of Oregon and Washington. He will have charge of express business over all Harriman rail and steam lines operating out of Portland and running in these two states.

This territory has always been handled from the Rocky Mountain division headquarters at Salt Lake. The growth of the company's business and the location of Harriman headquarters here necessitated the creation of a new division, however, with Portland as headquarters. The city offices of the company at Seventh and Oak streets will be kept as at present, and superintendent's offices will be opened in the Elks building.

Indicative of how the company has grown since coming to Portland is the fact that there are 30 branch offices in this city alone for the sale of its money orders and representing its financial department.

Vice President and Traffic Manager J. H. Bradley of New York; J. W. Rogers, superintendent at Salt Lake; and George C. Taylor, general manager at Chicago, who were in Portland yesterday arranging details of the change in divisions, left last night for Seattle. They will be in Portland again the last of this week on their way east. Their company now operates over 60,000 miles of railroad.

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### DURHAM HEADS MERCHANTS' BANK

After Forty Years in Banking Work, J. Frank Watson Resigns.

As a result of the resignation of J. Frank Watson, president of the Merchants National bank, R. L. Durham, vice president of the institution, was last night elevated to the presidency by the board of directors and M. L. Holbrook was elected vice president to succeed Mr. Durham. At the annual stockholders' meeting of the Merchants National yesterday afternoon, J. S. Beall of the John S. Beall Machinery company, and Attorney W. T. Muir were made members of the board of directors.

Mr. Durham, now head of the bank, is a native Oregonian and has been prominently identified with Portland banking for the past 26 years. He was one of the organizers of the Commercial National bank in 1886 and was vice president of the bank until it was amalgamated with the Wells-Fargo bank in 1895. He then became vice president of the Merchants national.

Mr. Holbrook, who assumes the vice presidency, is one of the best known financiers and business men in Portland and before making Portland his home had many years' experience as executive officer of a bank. He acquired a large interest in the Merchants National two years ago and at that time was elected on the board of directors. Mr. Holbrook is an extensive holder of Portland realty and is one of the small group of men who invested heavily in property on the lower peninsula when real estate in that district was cheap.

J. Frank Watson, the retiring president, has been actively engaged in the banking business for 40 years. He came to Portland in 1871 from Westfield, Mass., and took a position in Ladd & Hilton's bank, which he held until 1878, when he became interested in the iron business. In 1883 he was elected president of the Merchants National and has been at the head of the bank ever since. In retiring from the bank Mr. Watson announced that he expected to devote his entire time to his large private interests, which he had neglected on account of the exacting duties connected with the active management of a bank.

As forecasted in yesterday's Journal, there were no other changes in the offices or directors of the national banks in the city as the result of the annual stockholders' meetings held yesterday.

### GOOD MEN TAKEN BY CORPORATIONS

At a special meeting yesterday afternoon of the municipal civil service commission a vote of thanks was tendered to Major James P. Kennedy, the secretary, whose resignation becomes effective next month. The commission filed its annual report.

"In our opinion," reads the report, "it will be necessary before long to amend the city charter to admit employment of paid examiners. Examinations held weekly during the year are marked by employees of municipal departments. This affords opportunity for unfair markings, as the handwriting of some of the applicants may be recognized by friendly markers. We do not believe this has ever been the case, but the opportunity is always present.

"The records of the commission show many temporary appointments. The theory is to allow the work of various municipal departments to proceed without hindrance when there are no eligibles for positions to be filled. Perhaps the principal reason for such temporary appointments is that the engineering and inspection work of the city calls for just the class of men that is in great demand at all times by railroads and other large employers, especially when spring opens. Private corporations pay better than the city, with the result that those on the eligible lists take other jobs."

### MANTLE OF SNOW COVERS PORTLAND

Three Inches of "Beautiful" Likely to Be Added to Tonight.

Another mantle of snow covered the streets of Portland this morning and unlike that of the preceding day, did not melt immediately, the temperature hovering around the freezing point, although in the streets where the traffic is heavy, it became a slush mixed with mud, making walking difficult, and interfering with car traffic.

In Portland the snowfall amounted to three inches, up to 10 o'clock this morning, according to weather bureau records, although in the outlying districts, especially on the higher ground, more snow fell. Occasional little flurries fell during the forenoon. The weather man says that the conditions favor more snow or rain tonight and tomorrow, accompanied by westerly winds.

While there were flurries yesterday afternoon and evening, the greater part of the snow fell after midnight and the temperature went down to 32 degrees at about 6:30 o'clock this morning, remaining at that point for several hours. There were blustery winds yesterday, but they were not of a damaging nature.

The weather man says that the temperature will probably go below freezing point tonight, going as low and maybe a little lower than last night. He says that as the indications are for snow tonight it will probably stay on the ground for a day or so, but he does not think that there will be enough of it to be of any consequence.

District Forecaster E. A. Beals says that very low temperatures prevail along the northern and eastern borders of this district, and the temperatures in this district are below normal west of the Cascade mountains and slightly above normal in eastern Oregon, eastern Washington and Idaho. The upper Mississippi and Missouri valleys are much colder.

### NORMAN BROTHERS ARE NOT AT MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Portland Hotel company is being held this afternoon. No important or startling developments in the contest for the control of the property between the Day and the Norman factions are looked for. Neither of the Norman brothers is in Portland. The report that a compromise is on foot between the contending factions is denied by both sides and it is not believed that any overtures looking to a settlement of the trouble have been made. Routine matters only, including the improvement of the Morrison street front of the hotel, will come before the board for adjustment. Senator George W. Joseph, a member of the board of directors, is expected down from Salem to attend the meeting.

### GIRL GOES TO MEET MAN; STILL MISSING

Mrs. Laura Edmonds of 394 Fourth street, has reported to the police that her niece, Miss Harriet Edmonds, aged 17 years, has been missing since 8 o'clock last night, when a man called the girl on the telephone and a short time later she went out to meet him, informing her aunt she would be back in a few minutes. The man is said to have been a real estate dealer whom Miss Edmonds met at a dance about a week ago. The girl had told her sisters about him, but had never mentioned his name. Miss Edmonds came to Portland recently from La Grande, Or., and according to her aunt, is unsophisticated. Miss Edmonds is a blonde and was dressed in a gray skirt, white waist, long raincoat and red velvet hat.

# Great Moyer Clearance Sale

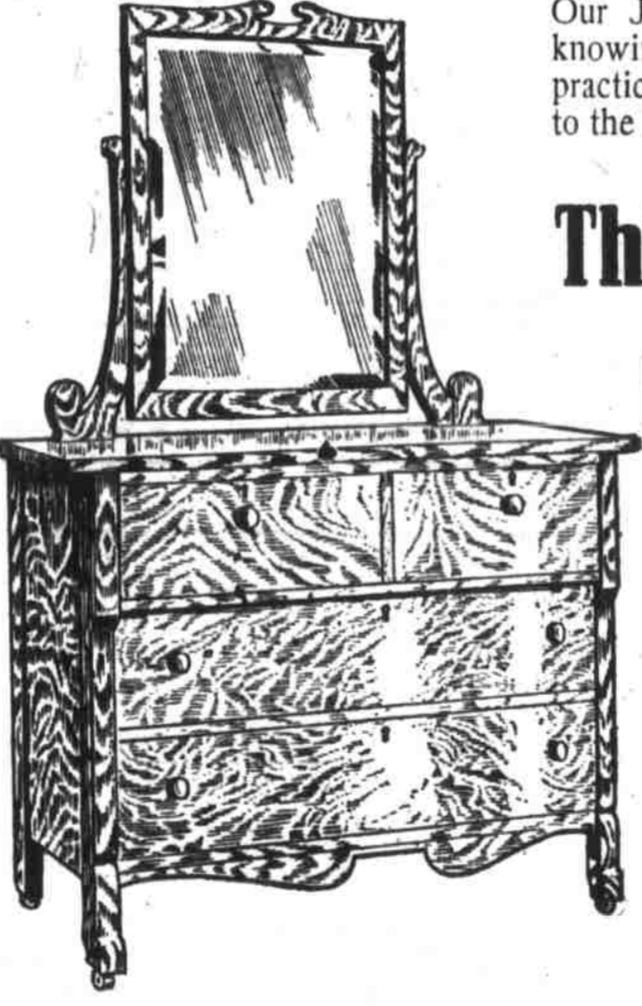
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Men's Suits and Overcoats,	\$15.00	X \$11.85
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Boys' Suits	\$ 2.50	X \$ 1.85
Boys' Suits	\$ 2.95	X \$ 2.15
Boys' Suits	\$ 3.45	X \$ 2.65
Boys' Suits	\$ 3.95	X \$ 2.95
Boys' Suits	\$ 5.00	X \$ 3.95
Boys' Suits	\$ 6.00	X \$ 4.50
Pants	\$ 1.50	X \$ 1.15
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80c Tea Kettle	59c	75c Granite Pails	52c
45c Coffee Pots	36c	25c Wash Basins	19c
95c Rice Boilers	72c	40c Lipped Kettle	29c
35c Lipped Sauce Pans	27c	40c Tea Pots	29c
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