

NEW SCHOOL ELECTION MEASURE IS URGED

Plan to Make All Registered Voters Eligible to Vote.

At a meeting in the public library last night of the department of schools and child welfare of the Oregon Civic League, a resolution was unanimously adopted authorizing a special committee named by the chair to present a bill to the next legislature providing that all registered voters shall be entitled to vote at school elections.

B. F. Irvine, associate editor of The Journal, addressed the meeting in favor of the resolution. He declared that it is wrong in principle to insist that the education of children shall be controlled by property; that it had the blighting effect of placing the schools at the mercy of dollars when there is a crying need of universally extended education.

"The schools should be taken out of the hands of property owners and taxpayers and placed in the hands of all the people," said he. "The man who owns property is not the only taxpayer—it is the user of property who pays the bulk of the taxes in this country. The renter pays the taxes on the house he lives in, although the title to the property may be held by another."

LOAN ASSOCIATION TO START BUSINESS SOON

Ben Selling, president of the Remount Loan association, said today that he expects the association to open offices and begin business the first week of February. There has been delay, he explained, in arranging certain detail matters of an important relation to the operation of the association.

"There will be no more delay than is absolutely essential," he said. "I am as anxious as anyone that the work of relieving wage earners of the interest toll on loans granted by loan sharks should be commenced. No more important work has ever been organized in Portland. It has already had considerable effect in reducing the rates charged by the loan sharks."

Woodworth is on way to Portland. J. G. Woodworth, second vice president of the Northern Pacific, in charge of traffic, is on his way to Portland, having left St. Paul a day or so ago. He is expected here within two or three days, his exact itinerary being vague because he is inspecting the system at his leisure. Mr. Woodworth became vice president at the time of Jule M. Hannaford's departure to the presidency some months ago. Ever since then he has been planning to make a thorough inspection, but has been kept busy with the ordinary routine matters of his department. His visit in Portland probably will be only for a day.

MANY CASH SALES THIS MONTH

CASH BUYERS TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE INVENTORY REMOVAL SALE REDUCED PRICES

Others, Instead of Paying \$48 or \$60 Annually Renting Pianos Elsewhere, Are Buying on the Reduced Terms of \$10 Cash, \$6 Monthly, New \$350 Pianos for \$195—\$375 Ones \$215, Etc.—Saving \$155 or \$160 Now.

You May Not Know How You Can Pay \$375 for a New Piano, But You Do Know That You Can Pay \$215—\$10 Cash and \$6 Monthly, Until Fully Paid.

The Greatest Cut in Prices of Player Pianos Ever Known—\$550 Ones \$365—\$650 New Ones \$395—(\$1000 Weber Pianola \$495, Saving \$505)—\$15 Cash, \$10 Monthly—You Know You Can Pay \$10 Monthly—You Know You Can Therefore Afford to Buy a New 1914 Model Player Piano Now.

You really must buy your piano now. Your money will go farther at this sale. It will purchase more real value. We will take your old piano as a first payment on a new 1914 model player piano—the greatest musical progress of the age. You can play it yourself artistically, beautifully—like any one of the greatest pianists—the new, most wonderful hand played music making this possible now.

There seems to be no let-up in the enthusiastic purchasers that are profiting by the January inventory removal sale offerings—buying at but a fraction of the original price of the quality offered.

Remember, these are the last weeks of the great sale. Carpenters, decorators, etc., are at work on our new building at 145-151 Fourth street.

The wisdom of buying now must be apparent. You can often buy used pianos at reduced prices. This is your first and only opportunity to buy new, latest models, with new, up-to-date action, etc., at such reductions and savings of \$130 to \$505.

There are thousands of men in Portland who are without pianos today, who would purchase one at once if they could. Experience, or, better yet, the pleasure of possessing a new, up-to-date player piano. These men love music, are musical by instinct, but have never seen the time to learn to play the mere piano. All would be glad to have their friends in for a musical evening to sing popular songs and to enjoy the classics, as well as the present favorites, which are so artistically played on the player pianos we are showing.

There are fathers and mothers who would take great delight in playing for the children as well as hearing the children play for them, in the perfect

WORRY OVER ILLNESS IS CAUSE OF SUICIDE

Despondent Engineer Writes Letters Explaining Action, Then Shoots Self.

Before Charles Nell, steam engineer, committed suicide Wednesday night in room at 125 Sixth street, he wrote three notes, one to the county coroner, one to the public, and the third to the physician who would pronounce him dead. Worry over a paralytic stroke two years ago that left him a cripple, is considered the cause of the man's self destruction.

To the county coroner, he wrote: "Through an inadvertence you will find the remnants without the necessary qualifications for dissection or disposal, (which is the proper word) as it turns out I am not troubled. In vulgar parlance 'Ich Ke Bibble'. The money is much better applied than it would be if it were applied to the disposal or disposition of a cadaver."

His letter to the public was short and read: "Name, Charles Nell; age, 42 years, 11 months and 20 days; place of birth, so far away that it would be useless to search further; former residence, San Francisco; former occupation, steam engineer; height, five feet and eight inches; weight, 145 to 150 pounds; color of eyes, gray; hair, floating."

To the physician whom he knew would be called to officially declare the man dead and assign a cause, he wrote: "Dear Doctor—Please do not make any further investigation, as it would only add distress and pain to mine. I know this heretofore to the accepted doctrine and to that which I have held to the belief that one in that condition should be afforded an easy exit. I know this heretofore to the accepted doctrine and to that which I have held to the belief that one in that condition should be afforded an easy exit. I know this heretofore to the accepted doctrine and to that which I have held to the belief that one in that condition should be afforded an easy exit."

"This is not done on the impulse of the moment. I had a paralytic stroke about two years ago and am advised upon good medical authority that I will not recover. For many years I have held to the belief that one in that condition should be afforded an easy exit. I know this heretofore to the accepted doctrine and to that which I have held to the belief that one in that condition should be afforded an easy exit."

Nell rented the room Wednesday evening. Yesterday afternoon, when the hotel maid sought to make up the room the door was found locked from the inside. Patrolman Coulter found Nell's body on the bed with a revolver by his side. The weapon had been used to send a bullet through the brain. The body is at Dunning & McEntee's, and efforts are being made to locate relatives.

KEEN INTEREST SHOWN IN TALENTED PIANIST

The concert to be given next Tuesday night by Miss Blanche Lillian Kaplan, the talented young daughter of Rabbi B. M. Kaplan of San Francisco, who is spending a few days in Portland prior to leaving for Europe to study under the masters, promises to be a big musical and social event. It will be given in the ballroom of the Hotel Multnomah.

Miss Kaplan, who is but 16 years of age, devotes on an average of six hours a day to practicing on the piano. On her recent visit to Portland, she was the great pianist, heard her play, and promised to give her special attention if she would study under him. The offer was accepted and Miss Kaplan is now on her way to Berlin, Germany, to the home of Lhevinne.

HUSBANDS PROVIDED FOR SLAVES AT \$100

French Importers in Frisco Alleged to Thus Make Foreign Girls Citizens.

(United Press Local Wire.) San Francisco, Jan. 23.—Although Detective Joseph Redmond of the vice detail from police headquarters wanted Emile G. Ducoulin held while he endeavored to connect him with the white slave traffic, the man was released on \$1000 bail. He was arrested, charged with a statutory offense and accused of keeping a disorderly house. The apartments where the police found him were magnificently furnished, and he is said to be worth more than a quarter of a million dollars. As a sequel to the arrest, it was said a federal investigation was likely into the charges, that to prevent the deportation of fallen women from abroad, the white slaves have made a practice of fire if it would be applied to the fire of a fee of \$100, to Americans, thus giving them citizenship, though their husbands seldom ever saw them again.

SHOP EMPLOYEES PUT ON A NEW SCHEDULE

Shop employees of the North Bank road at Vancouver have been put on a new schedule of eight hours per day, with a wage of 15 cents an hour. The former schedule was 10 hours at a wage of from 21 to 25 cents. This applies to the unskilled laborers, though the hour scale for all classes is the same as before.

With the consolidation of departments in every case that is possible, a number of assistant engineers have been dispensed with and in some instances whole departments have been combined under a single staff. In general, the new arrangement takes effect February 1.

General Manager W. D. Scott has issued a letter to the heads of the various departments explaining the need for strict economy because of the volume of business now moving. He expresses regret that the retrenchment has been made necessary and asks the various superintendents and others to make suggestions on how the plan works out. The promise is also given that the men displaced will be reinstated as rapidly as improving conditions justify.

WOMAN'S PRESS CLUB TO APPEAR AS HOST

What promises to be a very interesting and attractive entertainment will be given tomorrow evening at the Woman's Press club, the affair being given for the benefit of the scholarship loan fund. The entertainment will be of an old-fashioned nature, a sort of travesty, and will show in no unmistakable manner the great advancement made in the last several years over the old day of the program. Piano Solo: Brilliant, Miss Beryl Cummings; Jodelle, Miss Minnie M. DeWitt; vocal solo, Mrs. Lockwood; Miss Jessie Hammond; reading, "Bernardo del Tarkio," Mrs. Frances M. Hawkes; vocal solo (contralto), Mrs. Carlin De Witt Joslyn; dialect reading, Mrs. Martha P. French; reading, "The Good Brother Land," Mrs. Elizabeth P. Godding; vocal solo, "The New Kingdom," Miss Nina Joy; reading, "The Good Brother Land," Mrs. P. L. Thompson; piano, (a) "The Wild Rose," (b) "From an Indian Legend," Mrs. French; Mrs. Van Brakie, accompanist.

COUNTY COURT NEWS

A bond of \$10,000 submitted by County Assessor Reed as collector of unsecured personal taxes was referred by the county commissioners to District Attorney Evans for approval as to form. The New England Casualty company furnished the bond.

A bond of \$500 by Clarence H. Hockenys, commander of Scout Young Camp No. 2, Spanish-American War Veterans, given by the Fidelity & Deposit company of Maryland for the faithful performance of certain duties for the relief of indigent soldiers, sailors and marines of the Civil and Mexican wars was approved. T. H. Stevens, commander of Sumner Post No. 12, G. A. R., gave notice that the post was prepared to do its share of caring for these funds and presented a bond of \$500 which was referred to District Attorney Evans for approval.

Captain H. M. Hockenys, O. N. G., was authorized to spend \$150 for repairs for the quarters of Company C at the Armory.

A petition of the Security Land company for the refund of \$30 which the company had paid for filing foreclosure proceedings of 10 delinquent tax certificates was referred to District Attorney Evans to determine the power of the county commissioners to make such refund.

County Auditor Martin reported the following stenographers drawing over \$75 a month salaries in the county employ: Louise W. King, county school superintendent's office, \$100; Margaret L. Coffey and N. D. Singleton, county assessor's office, \$90; Josephine Jenkins and Harriet Gruss, tax department, \$90; Margaret Martin, auditor's office, \$90. The information was desired because of the request of District Attorney Evans that his stenographers be raised from \$75 to \$80 a month.

The commissioners requested information from the bond advisory board as to the present status of the bridge bond issue. A request by the National Bank Note company of Philadelphia, as to when the county would be ready to take up the question of engraving and printing the bonds was referred to District Attorney Evans.

The request of A. J. Ray that the county build a board walk along the Slavin road from the city limits to Bertha's road was referred to the expense was made in the 1914 budget.

Bankruptcy Petitions. Petitions in bankruptcy were filed with the county court today. Charles E. Reed, a farmer, and his wife, Elizabeth Reed, residing near Eugene. Individual petitions were filed by Reed, with assets of \$24,050 with no assets and that of Mrs. Reed totaling \$12,058.50, with assets of \$600. Some of the same names, however, are listed on both schedules.

Hart Is Improving. County Commissioner D. V. Hart, who was operated on yesterday at St. Vincent's hospital, is reported to be very much improved today. He recovered in normal form from the ether and has shown every indication favorable to a quick recovery.

Clearance Sales That Will Make a BUSY Saturday

Tomorrow We Will Feature The Greatest Economy Opportunity In a Radical Clearance

of All Hair Goods at One-Third Less Regular Prices

—In this Annual Clearance Sale we are creating the most remarkable buying opportunity in high-grade fine hair goods and accessories that has taken place for some time. It's the most extravagant needs may be most economically gratified in an offering which exhibits such limitless fashionable hair goods—switches, transformations, curls and puffs, in every shade, both light and dark, which every woman requires to make a smart and attractive appearance.

First Quality Switches Regular \$2.45 to \$59.95, Clearance \$1.65 to \$39.97

—These switches are made of natural wavy hair, mounted on short stems—all long hair in all shades.

Second Quality Switches, Clearance 65c to \$7.98

—Selling regularly at 95c to \$11.95

GRAY SWITCHES OF NATURAL WAVY HAIR

—First quality regular \$5.95 to \$52.95, Clearance \$3.97 to \$35.30; second quality, \$1.95 to \$16.95, Clearance, \$1.30 to \$11.30

Transformations, Clearance \$1.30 to \$13.35

—In gray and plain shades of natural wavy hair, full length, to be worn underneath or outside of hair. Regular \$1.95 to \$19.95.

Puffs, Clearance, \$1.98 to \$9.98

—Of first quality hair in all shades, including gray, selling regularly from \$2.95 to \$14.95.

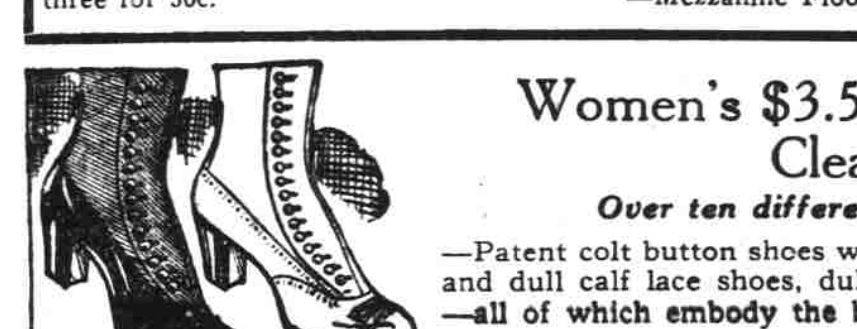
\$1.00 Rolls for all around the head, 75c

—Washable and sanitary—can be combed. Plain shades.

Same in gray, regular \$1.50, Clearance \$1.00

Hair Nets, Clearance, two for 25c

—Of real hair, in all shades, except gray, that sell regularly at three for 50c. —Mezzanine Floor



Women's \$3.50 to \$4.00 High Shoes Clearance \$2.95

Over ten different smart and distinctive Styles

—Patent calf button shoes with cloth and kid tops, tan calf button shoes and dull calf lace shoes, dull calf button shoes with cloth or kid tops—all of which embody the best features in smart footwear for present wear. —Basement

The Most Remarkable Final Clearance Sales For Misses and Girls Are Now in Force

On Our Fourth Floor

This Is a Decidedly Important Sale Of the Finest Suits for Juniors

Suits that are regular \$20, \$27.50 to \$55 Clearance \$15, \$20.65 to \$41.50

—Without your personal inspection we cannot readily make you realize how unusual these misses' tailored suits are—not until you see them can you appreciate their splendid high-class tailoring, the beautiful fabrics and the intricate way in which they are cut after the jaunty, youthful fashions of the most exclusive models. It is this last point, more, perhaps, than any other one thing, which sets them apart and above all suits, custom or ready-to-wear—in fact, they are the finest suits you can possibly buy for young girls. They are made of such materials as wool poplins, broadcloth, velvet, duvetyne, serge and fancy weaves and come in a variety of colorings. —Fourth Floor

Juniors' Coats Selling regularly at \$20.00 to \$35.00 Clearance \$12.95 to \$25.00

—The materials in these coats include boucles, striped zibelines, duvetyne and novelty fabrics in plain colors and mixtures. Belted styles, others plain or with self or velvet collars.

—In clever and youthful styles which were designed especially for young girls.

Lowest Prices on Juniors' Sport Coats Selling regularly at \$15.00 to \$20.00 Clearance \$6.95 to \$12.95

—Smart, jaunty styles for juniors from 13 to 20 years, of fancy and plain boucles, fancy double-texture fabrics, duvetyne and zibelines, in plain, box style or with wide low belts and patch pockets. Some have collars of velvet or contrasting material. Colors are brown, tan, rose, blues, mahogany and fancy mixtures.

Juniors' \$17.50 Velvet Dresses Clearance \$12.95

—These very attractive frocks are of plain blue or brown velvet and are made with round collar and turn-back cuffs of satin. They represent the latest loose blouse effect and drop shoulders. There are also a few trimmed with plaid silks. The skirts are panel and draped effect.

\$6.50 to \$10.50 Children's Dresses Clearance \$3.45

—Navy and copenhagen blue, brown and red serge dresses, fancy plaids, black and white checks. Peter Thompson style, with large sailor collar, trimmed with three or seven rows of soutache braid, some with emblems, all with silk ties. Also dresses in many different styles, yoke or straight effects, trimmed with revers or collars of plain cloth or satin. Some have large scalloped collar. Many trimmed with soutache braid and buttons, 6 to 14 years.

Portland's Greatest Book Store Mezzanine Floor

Some of the Important Special Savings On Boys' Fine Clothing

Clothes That Are Built Right for Hard Usage; That Will Look Right, and Be Right, After Months of Hard Wear

—Boys' Separate Pants—of fancy mixtures, navy blue serge and chevrot and corduroy. Lined or unlined, well made, full size. All knickerbocker styles. For boys from 5 to 17 years. Clearance, 59c, 89c, \$1.35, \$1.89

—Boys' Suits of navy blue serge, in Norfolk and sack styles. Full lined pants. Clearance, \$5.00, \$5.45, \$7.95 to \$11.95

—Boys' \$5.00 and \$6.00 Suits of fancy diagonals, checks and mixtures. In regulation and fancy Norfolk style, with loose or stitched down belts. In brown, gray and purple mixtures. Clearance, \$3.75

—BOYS' SUITS with one and two pairs of pants. In Norfolk styles, fancy English models and sack styles. In mixtures, diagonals, checks and herringbones. Sizes 6 to 18 years.

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Sipman Wolfe & Co Merchandise of Merit Only

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Suits to \$8.50, Clearance \$5.00 Suits to \$9.50, Clearance \$6.50

Suits From \$10.00 to \$12.50, Clearance \$7.95 Suits From \$13.50 to \$16.50, Clearance \$11.50

—Boys' 50c Blouses of striped and plain chambray, striped madras and percales. Made with turndown collars, tapeless style. Sizes 5 to 14 years. Clearance, 39c

—Boys' \$1.25 to \$1.65 Hats with high, low or medium crowns and medium or wide brims, in plain French or scratch felts. In navy blue, brown, tan, gray and oxford. Clearance, 98c

—BOYS' WASH SUITS of striped chambray, plain tan linen and blue percale. In Russian style, side button effect, or with sailor collar. Trim'd with plain banding or piping Clearance, 69c

Final Cleanup Of Just 25 Women's Tailored Suits At \$10.00

For Women's and Children's Hosiery No Store Is as Satisfactory as This Store

50c Stockings, 31c. "Fashioned" Silk Lisle 25c-35c Hosiery, Sp'l. 18c

—Lavender top stockings made of fine, firm ingrain, fast black cotton, medium weight, double soles, toes and tops.

Extra Size Women's 50c and 65c Hose, Sp'l. 35c

—Fast black, medium weight stockings with elastic ribbed tops, made extra long.

75c Silk Lisle Stockings, Special 50c

—Women's black silk lisle hose, in medium weight, with wide tops and made extra strong at toes, toes and soles.

\$1.50 Silk Hosiery, Special, 98c

—Heavy quality black silk stockings with non-breakable cotton tops and soles.

25c Wool Mixed Leggings Special 12 1/2c

—Black wool mixed in heavy ribbed style, seamless, warm and durable.

For Children "50c-60c Ribbed Cashmere Hosiery, Sp'l. 35c

—Medium weight, black ribbed cashmere stockings, suitable for boys or girls. Very durable and fine.

35c and 40c Hosiery, Special 25c

—Black ribbed cashmere stockings for boys or girls in medium or heavy weights; soft, fine, durable and full in length and width.

Infants' 25c Stockings Special 17c

—Infants' plated silk or fine ribbed cashmere stockings in white, pink, sky, cardinal or tan. Sizes from 4 to 6. Special, 17c pair, or 3 pairs \$50.

—First Floor

GLOVES

—English walking gloves for general service, made of soft, flexible stock, PXM sewn. Clearance 95c

—Faucon suede gloves, overseas sewn in tan, pearl, brown, gray. Reg. \$1.50. Clearance \$1.15

—MISSIE'S AND BOYS' fleeced lined lambskin gloves in tan shades. Clearance 50c

—Woolen golf and heavy chamoisette gloves, in black, white and colors. Regular 28c to 60c. Clearance 10c

—First Floor

Monograms Now Adorn Stationery of Fashion

—This sale of card engraving and monograms makes it possible for everyone to use monogrammed stationery.

—Just now monograms are more fashionable than crests on letter paper, but the monogram must be a personal and individual affair, designed exclusively for one's self and stamped on the note paper. And in this sale you will be able to choose your favorite note paper and have it monogrammed at prices that are as unusual as the stationery is fashionable.

Two-Letter Monogram 15c

—We will stamp in gold or silver your two letter monogram on any paper bought here at only 15c the quire and no charge made for disc.

—NOTE—Pale gray paper stamped with silver monogram is refined and beautiful and we have this exquisite paper at 25c the quire and envelopes at 25c package, and for silver monogramming 15c.

—We are also showing imported paper in pale gray shades with the latest rough edges and envelopes to match in the latest shape and fancy rough edges.

100 Engraved Cards, Clearance 58c

—We will engrave from your plate 100 cards in any size and finish on Crane's stock, clearance 58c.

—NEW COPPER PLATE TO YOUR ORDER and 100 cards, engraved on Crane's finest stock, at \$1.28 for script type in four styles; \$1.98 Old English in two styles; \$2.70 shaded Old English; \$2.17 French type; \$2.70 for shaded French; \$2.17 for Roman type, and \$1.98 for block type. Basement

—Last Day of the Corset Sale