CROWN CONCERN SUES TO RESCIND LEASE ON STARK ST. PROPERTY

Allegation Made That Owners Refused to Abide by Agreement to Sell.

DATE OF OFFER NAMED

Proffer of Price Said to Have Been Stipulated Made in September, Complaint Says.

Suit to rescind a lease and contract and to recover $1,[illegible] for the cost of a building erected between Tenth and Eleventh streets on Stark, was filed yesterday by the Crown company against Julius [illegible] Friedly, Seymour Friedly, Otto [illegible], Emma Oppenheimer and Laura Rosenfeld, personally and as trustees of the estate of their mother, Mrs. [illegible] Friedly.

The company leased the two lots on Stark street Jan. [illegible], 1912, for a 20 year period at a rental which will produce $40,000 during the period. The lease contained a provision that the company might purchase the lots at a $[illegible] valuation during the first 5 years. The company alleges that it offered to buy these two lots at this price September 2[illegible] and that the defendants have refused to sell. It is also alleged that the defendants cannot give good title to the property.

HENNESSY BECOMES CLERK

Willey's Successor Will Be Clerk of District Court, Beginning Monday.

Frank Hennessy will leave the employ of County Clerk Coffey tomorrow to become the clerk of the district court. He succeeds George L. Willey, who confessed to a shortage of $2531. John Gibbs will take the place of Martin Tracey as deputy clerk. No other changes in office staffs for the present. The salary of each job is $[illegible] a month and his deputies have received $80 each. The question of salaries has been submitted to District Attorney Evers for an opinion as to the status of the law.

BOY IS AWARDED DAMAGES

Elmer Huffman Given $500 for Leg Broken in Collision.

Elmer Huffman, 15 years old, was awarded $500 damages against P. H. Schuldenman, father of Corporation Commissioner H. J. Schuldenman, in a verdict returned by a jury in Circuit Judge Gatens' court yesterday. The boy was injured in a collision at East Twelfth and Belmont streets June 9 during the Rose Festival and was on route for the Festival parade in which he was to take part. Schuldenman's automobile and the motorcycle collided. Huffman's leg was broken and he asked for $15,000 damages.

DR. WHITING MUST PAY WIFE

Amount of $220 a Month Until Divorce Suit Is Settled.

Dr. Sandford Whiting must pay his wife, Mrs. Iva M. Whiting, $220 a month during the pendency of his suit for divorce, Circuit Judge Gatens yesterday declined to reduce it though Dr. Whiting asked for a reduction to $125 a month on the alleged ground that Mrs. Whiting had tied up his money by legal processes so that he had trouble in making the payments. Judge Gatens also denied Mrs. Whiting's motion that Dr. Whiting make his amended complaint more definite and certain, but before he did so the attorneys agreed that the complaint should be considered to contain only general allegations as to stories which Dr. Whiting asserts Mrs. Whiting circulated about him.

Woman Declared Insane.

A "subconscious self" prompted Mrs. M. H. Clarness to register at leading hotels and run bills which she had not the funds to pay, the tool Mrs. Sanford Whiting and Mrs. Bryant testified in an examination as to her sanity in Judge Gatens' court yesterday. The proceeding followed Mrs. Clarness' arrest on an indictment charging her with defrauding the Portland hotel out of over $10 will be dismissed.

THREE WOMEN NATURALIZED

Two Sisters Renounce Allegiance to British Crown.

Three women were naturalized yesterday in Circuit Judge Gantenbein's court. Two were Mrs. Minnie A. Osborne and Miss Mae V. Peel, sisters, residing at 101 East Sixteenth street, who renounced allegiance to the British crown. Both are from Canada. Miss Helene Lydia Aljada, 305 East Fifteenth street, North, a native of Russia, was the third. In all 22 new citizens were admitted.

Judge Gantenbein gave each person naturalized a copy of the proceedings at the naturalization reception held in Philadelphia, May 10, 1915. The little pamphlet contained the speech of President Wilson which Judge Gantenbein quoted to applicants for naturalization at the hearing last month.

Would Administer Estate.

Mrs. Mary E. Houck of Roseburg yesterday filed a petition for letters of administration in the estate of her mother, Mrs. Emily Y. Moore, who died in Roseburg December 5. She said the estate is worth $14,000.

Two Divorces Granted.

Divorces were granted yesterday by Circuit Judge McGinn to Dora Keenan from F. G. Keenan on grounds of desertion and to Edna P. Batson from Garfield B. Batson on grounds of cruelty.

Auto Owner Is Sued.

S. S. Slingerland has brought suit against James H. Barton for $6109 damages, alleging that Barton's automobile ran him down at Grand avenue and East Burnside streets November [illegible], injuring his shoulder and otherwise injuring him.

Divorce Suits Filed.

Alleging statutory grounds, J. Oliver Portwood yesterday sued Rosa Portwood for divorce. They were married in Vancouver, Wash., November 12, 1912. Jessie B. Casey sued William J. Casey for divorce, alleging cruelty.

STUDENTS ORGANIZE MACHINE GUN COMPANY

Members of the Jefferson High School machine gun team, which drills under Captain Tebbetts, O. N. G. Bottom row, left to right—Mac Brown, Sam May, instructor in history; Charles Bibee, Nels Nelson, Ralph Ward, Frank Mangold, instructor in mechanical drawing; Elwin Weston. Second row—W. C. Alderson, A. C. Albrecht, Charles Allen, Howell McGregor. Third row—Ned Madden, R. Halverson, Fred Wiegand, Morton Hager, Charles L. Vaughn. Back row—Willard Hendrickson, Milton Herman, E. D. May, James Jensen and L. Manson.

Jefferson high school's machine gun company is now in full organization. The first company to get together following the efforts of the Oregon naval militia to popularize the military movement in the public schools, this company is now on a full footing.

At the last roll call Captain Tebbetts, who drills the company, found 24 boys answering the call. They are a husky lot of youngsters and include in their ranks some of the best athletic talent in the school. Professor Sam May and Professor Frank Mangold have enrolled with the boys and are taking an active part in furthering of its affairs.

The drills of the company are held at the Armory. A gun has been furnished, along with the other equipment necessary, and it will be but a short time before the boys are proficient in handling of the rapid fire gun. It is expected that the membership will be doubled before long.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE

Saturday in the Circuit Court

Judgments.

B. Earl Smith, administrator, vs. Frank W. Lonsdale, et al., judgment for plaintiff.

Nellie H. Johnson vs. Ralph E. Johnson, decree.

Reba Black vs. William Black, decree.

Mary E. Green vs. William J. Summers, et al., mortgage foreclosed.

[illegible] vs. 288 Clay street, et al., decree for plaintiff.

C. A. McGregor, et al., vs. L. M. Moore, et al., judgment for plaintiff.

Rosa Keenan vs. F. G. Keenan, decree.

Edna P. Batson vs. S. B. Batson, decree.

Hayden Land Co. vs. R. J. Hoffmann, et al., dismissed.

Stella Christman vs. John Christman, decree.

The Gright Co., vs. A. J. Noyes, judgment for plaintiff.

Pearl Johnston, vs. Ralph S. Johnston, decree.

New Suits.

A. J. Ruby vs. O. H. Chandler, to collect note.

Mace S. Meeks vs. Millicent Bennett, et al., mortgage foreclosure.

H. Allen vs. A. W. Eller, to collect account.

Sold Back vs. I. Weinstein, et al., mortgage foreclosure.

Della Shadinger vs. Fred W. German, administrator, to collect account.

W. M. Smith Co., vs. Fred W. Balsiger, et al., note foreclosure.

J. Oliver Portwood vs. Rosa Portwood, divorce.

Edward Hays vs. Mark Schlussel, et al., to recover property.

Edward Hays, administrator vs. Mark Schlussel, to recover money.

B. M. Lockhard vs. E. House, et al., mortgage foreclosure.

Idelle B. Taylor vs. Thekla Bright, et al., mortgage foreclosure.

Ellen Gates vs. Emma Cohn, et al., rescission of contract.

S. S. Slingerland vs. Jas. H. Barton, personal injury damages.

Jacob Reisch, vs. Elizabeth Brooker, to recover money.

Oregon Garage Co., vs. William C. Parker, et al., note foreclosure.

Jessie B. Casey vs. William J. Casey, divorce.

Complaint Is Made Against Slavin Road

Delegation Informed That Roadmaster Now Has Force Getting Road Into Condition Rapidly.

The almost impassable condition of the Slavin road, or Capitol highway, in the vicinity of Multnomah, was called to the attention of the board of county commissioners by residents of Multnomah Friday. The delegation was told that the roadmaster's office was working on the road and expected to have it in condition for travel within a week if weather conditions permitted.

Owing to the failure of the contractor to complete grading on time the road in the section complained of could not be planked for winter, as was done in other places.

The Slavin road has practically been out of commission ever since paving operations were begun last summer.

In many places it was relocated and regraded and in other places the old macadam surface was torn up so that the cement concrete surface could be laid. A number of fills were not paved, but were allowed to stand over this winter for settling. They were planked except near Multnomah, where the grading has not been completed.

Printing Firms Win Case Twice Fought

In Circuit Judge McGinn's court yesterday the suit of the Kubli-Miller Printing company and the Pacific Stationery & Printing company against the Nickel Mines & Smelting company, to recover amounts due on printing bills was heard before a jury. A verdict was returned in favor of the plaintiffs. R. A. Watson was attorney for the plaintiffs. This is the second hearing of this suit, the plaintiffs winning a verdict in the lower court. The Nickel Mines & Smelting company is the corporation which is developing black sand deposits along the Deschutes.

Santa's Messenger.

Just read the list of "Xmas Gift Tips" in today's classified and then let the jolly old saint know which of them you should like. Ad

MANY WOULD LIKE TO BE NEW POSTMASTER AT GRANTS PASS, OR.

Ten Are Actively in the Field and as Many More Are Willing.

Grants Pass, Dec. 18.—There are 10 active and as many more passive candidates for the Grants Pass postoffice to succeed George H. Bonnell, whose term expires next week.

In the active list are included the chairman, the secretary and one member of the county central committee of the Democratic party, these being Chairman Stover and Secretary Bear, and Burns and Gillette representing a local precinct. Besides these three, Secretary W. P. Quinlan of the Commercial club is asking for the position.

The woman suffrage contingent is represented by Miss Minnie Ireland, who has been seeking the appointment for the last year and who has made an active campaign.

Endorsement Is Announced.

It has recently been announced that Senators Lane and Chamberlain had endorsed one of the candidates, though the endorsement was to be kept secret till the president had made his appointment. Friday a rumor became current that Elbert S. Veatch was the lucky man, and that the plum was to fall to him. Then things began to happen in the ranks of the applicants. Before that there was no unanimity among would-be postmasters, and the race seemed about equal. But the Democrats charged that Veatch was not even a Democrat, and the nine other applicants joined forces against him.

They held a meeting yesterday and decided to send a joint telegram to the president and to each of the senators from Oregon, protest against the naming of Veatch. They charged that Veatch was registered as a Republican, had been employed as deputy county clerk for several years as a Republican, was a candidate before the last Republican primaries for the nomination as county clerk, and that in the 10 years he has lived here he had never affiliated with the Democratic party.

Veatch Maintains Otherwise.

Veatch, on the other hand, maintains that he supported Wilson in the last campaign, and that he is a Democrat by birth and by principle, his Republican registration having been because of his connection with a Republican office. Veatch comes from a pioneer Democratic family of Oregon. "Bob" Veatch of Cottage Grove being his uncle. He is also a relative by marriage of Postmaster Myers of Portland, who, it is said, interested himself in getting endorsements for Veatch.

Meanwhile, the nine candidates who have combined against Veatch are keeper wires hot and are sending protests individually and collectively to the president and the senators. They say that unless a Democrat can be found they want no change.

The tempest in the postoffice pot bids fair to boil over and involve the entire Democratic organization in the county.

Auto Trucks Crash; Electric Hits Car

An auto truck belonging to the Portland Central Heating company and a truck of the R. & O. T. company, collided at Broadway and Alder streets yesterday with the result that the rear axle of the latter truck was broken. Patrolman Crampton reported slight damage.

Patrolman R. L. Phillips reported that an outbound Oregon Electric train and an automobile belonging to George S. Blake collided at Tenth and Flint streets with little damage. He said both parties were to blame.

Silverton Pioneer Is Found Dead in Home

Salem, Or., Dec. 18.—Mrs. Elizabeth Whitlock, over 80 years old, an Oregon pioneer, was found dead in her home at Silverton where she lived alone, this afternoon. She had been dead two days, a physician believed, and he attributed death to heart failure.

Paper underwear, light and heat retaining, has been invented in France for aviators.

EXAMINER SARGENT BACKS HIS STAND IN SIGNED STATEMENT

Repudiates "Interview" Appearing in Oregonian Concerning Case of Slade.

GOVERNOR HAS BEEN BUSY

New Assistant Examiner Capable of Filling Position to Which He Was Appointed.

Salem, Or., Dec. 18.—That he has contended at all times and still contends that E. F. Slade is qualified by better age for practical experience for the important position of state bank examiner was asserted tonight by State Bank Superintendent Sargent in a signed statement given for publication.

In a statement Mr. Sargent also repudiated an "interview" in this morning's Oregonian, under a Salem date line, in which he was quoted as saying he considered Slade fully competent to serve as bank examiner.

Governor Is Active.

Since last Saturday Governor Withycombe and State Treasurer Kay have been endeavoring to head off criticism for their action, as members of the state banking board, in blocking the appointment of Alex Martin, Eugene banker, as state bank examiner.

Kay has been especially active in this respect and has misrepresented Sargent's estimate of Slade's qualifications on every possible occasion, verbally, and at least once in the press, claiming that Sargent considered Slade fully qualified or competent for state bank examiner.

How Sargent Stands.

The following statement shows Sargent's attitude:

"In this morning's Oregonian, under date of 'Dec. 17, Special,' appears what is purported to be an interview in which I am quoted as follows:

"'On the contrary,' said Mr. Sargent, 'I consider Mr. Slade fully competent to hold the position of bank examiner, and my hesitancy in recommending him for the place was due solely to the fact that I feared the board might deem him too young. When I found the board favorable to him, I recommended him with pleasure.'

"I regret exceedingly the circumstances connected with this appointment, and wish to state that up to this time I have absolutely refused to be interviewed or to discuss for publication the unfortunate affair.

"I would like to say, however that I do consider Mr. Slade a very competent and trustworthy young man. He has made an unusually efficient assistant in my office during the past two years, but I have contended at all times, and still contend, that he is not qualified, either by age or practical experience, for the important position of state bank examiner.

"I have nothing but the most friendly feeling towards every member of the state banking board, and have no criticism to make of their action in not confirming my appointment of Mr. Martin. Mr. Slade will make a very efficient assistant examiner, and under the new arrangement the work will be handled with equal facility and convenience."

Despite the fact that Sargent believed Slade to be qualified neither by age nor experience, Governor Withycombe insisted last Saturday that Slade be made examiner. Sargent stood by his guns, however. Olcott favored Martin because of his fitness for the place, and spoke in favor of his selection.

After Kay repudiated his promise to support Alex Martin in order to play politics with the governor, Sargent placed Slade in nomination as assistant examiner and he was confirmed.

Sitler Now Denies Tax Fund Defaults

Tamaqua, Pa., Official Starts East With Police Chief—Settlement Offers of Father Declined.

Although on the day of his arrest he freely admitted the embezzlement of funds from the borough of Tamaqua, Pa., where he was employed as tax collector, Clifton B. Sitler last night denied to Chief of Police Philip Ehrig all knowledge of the alleged irregularities.

Sitler was left with Chief Ehrig for Pottsville, Pa. William Sitler, father of the tax collector, who is a lumber dealer at Tamaqua, accompanied Ehrig and said that the other Sitler was a political power there. He said the father stood ready to help the boy to make good the entire shortage, but has offered to turn over his son's position at a salary of $[illegible] a month and pay back pay. The offer also is to turn in to the county the difference between his salary and the $1000 a year that the other man receives. The offer was refused, Chief Ehrig declared.

Students Suffer Injuries to Legs

G. Roberts, 24 years old and a student, residing at 485 Davenport street, sustained a fracture of the left leg last evening when he slipped on the sidewalk and fell at Sixth and Alder streets. He was taken to the Good Samaritan hospital where the fracture was reduced. Ralph Worth, a student 18 years old, residing at 366 East Tenth street, wrenched his ankle while playing football at East Twelfth and Davis streets yesterday afternoon and was taken to the Good Samaritan hospital.

Juvenile Educator Multiplies to 12x12

C. B. Martin, brother of County Auditor Martin and a Portland man, has invented a little novelty which he calls the "juvenile educator." By means of holes in a revolving disk which can be easily attached to any ordinary round pencil the device can be made to show at a glance the result of the multiplication of any numbers to 12x12.

Journal Carriers Entertain Thursday

Varied Program Followed by Cards and Dancing to Be Most Interesting in Association's History.

With a varied program followed by dancing and [illegible] the annual entertainment of the Journal Carriers' association is to be held next Thursday night in Gaul[illegible] Hall, Tenth, near Washington street. [illegible] promises to be the most interesting [illegible] in the history of the association.

There are to [illegible] by the members of the association [illegible] stations and [illegible] addresses [illegible] who have been with the association [illegible] for several years. There are to be several musical numbers [illegible] the program and tables will be provided for dancing and tables will be provided for card playing.

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$100 Victrola
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$25 Down, $10 Monthly

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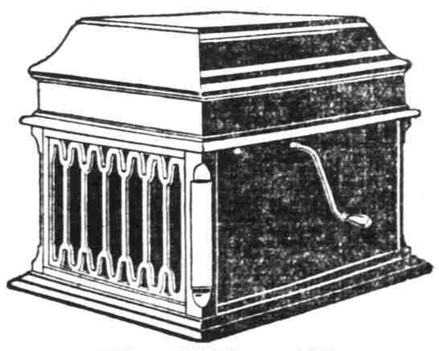
$25 Down, $10 Monthly



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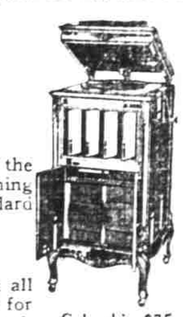

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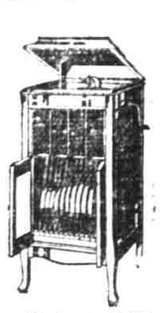
$5 down, $5 mo.



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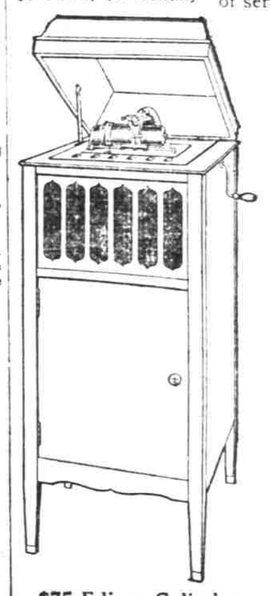

$75 Edison Cylinder
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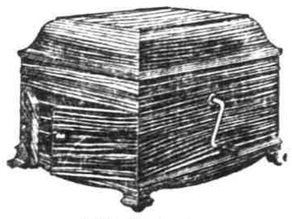
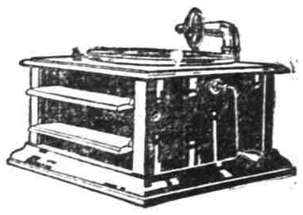


$50 Victrola
$5 Down, $3 Monthly



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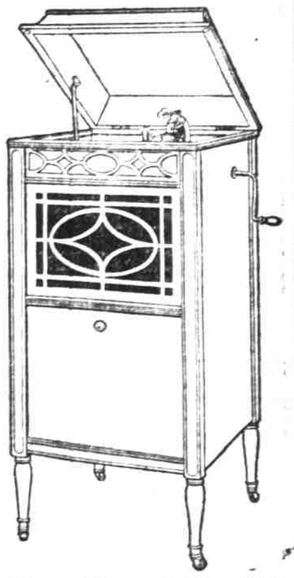

Edison Diamond Disc $150
$15 Down, $6 Monthly