

PLAYGROUND FOR FRANKLIN HIGH MAY BE BOUGHT

Commissioner Pier Says Plans Are Well Under Way for the Acquisition of Ten Acre Tract.

Contemplated purchase of a 10-acre tract west of Franklin high school was announced Saturday by Commissioner Pier, who said he would bring the matter before the city council at its meeting February 4.

Pier states that owners of the land ask \$22,500, although he believes a better price can be secured. He points out that land in the immediate vicinity has sold for as much as \$3000 an acre, and that the figure of \$2250 an acre is not excessive for the property the park bureau intends to purchase. The school board has urged the city to buy the land for some time, in order that Franklin high school students may have additional ground for park and playground purposes.

Commissioner Bigelow, who opposed the ordinance introduced last Wednesday by Commissioner Pier to allow condemnation proceedings on land adjoining Washington park, has removed his objection, which was centered against all acquisitions of playgrounds until the Central East Side district was cared for. Pier and Bigelow on Friday checked over all property under consideration by the park bureau, to the entire satisfaction of the latter, according to Pier.

Authority to start condemnation proceedings on the 15 acre Spencer tract in Irvington, the eight acre Knox tract in Albina, and the 10 acre Moy Back Hin property in Vernon will be sought by Pier on Wednesday in an emergency ordinance presented to the city council. Narrow strips of land that have been trimmed off blocks by the diagonal crossing of Sandy boulevard, from Thirty-ninth to Sixtieth streets, will be

beautified before the big shrine convention in June, according to Pier. He states that less than \$500 will be involved in removing brush from the plots, cultivating the ground and planting trees.

Counsel to Demand Trial of Wife of Frederick J. Wilson

Marysville, Cal., Jan. 24.—(U. P.)—Counsel for Mrs. Gertrude Wilson will insist that she be placed on trial at once when her case is called here Monday. Attorneys Algernon Crofton, San Francisco, and C. A. Wetmore, Marysville, today declared they would strenuously object to any motion for a continuance. Mrs. Wilson, wife of Fred J. Wilson, San Francisco newspaperman, is charged jointly with the murder of Charles Brown, wealthy rancher.

"We shall oppose any delay," said Crofton. "A postponement would cost the county a huge sum of money. Fifty witnesses have been subpoenaed. Besides 110 venemen have been summoned. Fees and mileage for these will have been wasted if a continuance is granted the prosecution."

The prosecution is expected to ask a continuance on grounds that District Attorney Raymond Manwell is ill of pneumonia, and its star witness, Mrs. J. L. Martin, has mysteriously vanished.

Germans' Pride Is Still With Them In Spite of Defeat

London, Jan. 24.—(U. P.)—The commander of German naval forces in the Baltic has issued an order strictly forbidding his officers and men fraternizing with entente sailors, a Berlin dispatch today said.

"The pride and dignity of every German require this reserve," the dispatch quoted the German commander's order as reading.

John Barrymore III
New York, Jan. 24.—(I. N. S.)—John Barrymore, famous actor and a brother of Ethel Barrymore, is ill and fears were expressed today that influenza would develop.

Y. M. C. A. INTERSTATE MEET OPENS FRIDAY



Above—George D. McDill, executive secretary Pacific coast region, International Y. M. C. A. Below—Charles Puchler, coast industrial secretary.

Delegates from Oregon and Idaho will be present next Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the interstate convention of the Y. M. C. A., which meets at McMinville this year. Final arrangements as to program have been made by W. W. Dillon, state secretary at Portland, assisted by John H. Rudd, and a local committee in the convention city is perfecting plans for the reception of the visitors.

Among the speakers will be four from California, one from England and one from India. These are: Charles Puchler, H. O. Stone, Gale Seaman and George D. McDill; B. C. Sisco of the India national council and Harry N. Holmes, associate general secretary for England.

The convention will consider many important problems relating to all branches of the work and will endeavor to reach a conclusion as to how the association may respond to the numerous calls that are being made upon it for new work in sections of Oregon and Idaho that have not yet been organized.

The convention leaders and speakers are as follows: Bepin Chandra Sircar, secretary national council of India; Henry N. Holmes, associate general secretary of England; George D. McDill, executive secretary Pacific region international committee; Gale Seaman, student secretary Pacific region international committee; Charles Puchler, industrial secretary Pacific region international committee; H. O. Stone, publicity director western department, war work council; W. J. Kerr, president Oregon Agricultural college and chairman interstate executive committee; Norman F. Coleman, Reed college, Portland; J. R. Ellison, president Ellison-White Chautauqua system, chairman committee on county work; L. S. Hopfield, McMinville; Colonel Carl Abrams, Salem; G. L. Clark, student pastor Presbyterian church of Corvallis; J. C. Meahan, city boys' secretary, Portland; C. L. Shaw, general secretary, O. A. C.; Walter Jenkins, community service of Portland; Willis L. Cady, student Pacific university, Forest Grove; Lynn Sablin, Oregon Agricultural college, Corvallis; Paul L. Newmyer, rancher, formerly interstate boys' secretary; C. A. Kells, interstate educational secretary; U. S. Duncan, interstate industrial secretary; W. W. Dillon, interstate secretary and director of the convention.

Catholic Press of Nation Agree to Form One Society

Washington, Jan. 24.—(I. N. S.)—The conference of the National Catholic Press today unanimously adopted the plan outlined yesterday by Bishop William T. Russell of Charleston, S. C., for the formation of a National Catholic Press association, with headquarters in this city. The work of this association will be under the direction of the Press Bureau of the National Catholic Welfare Council, and it is planned to place at its head a layman of national reputation, who will have under him a large staff of editors and writers.

Police Are Seeking Child's Assailant

Police were searching Saturday for a 50-year-old man who Friday attacked the 9-year-old daughter of A. B. Fox at East Twenty-third and Knapp streets. The girl screamed and ran away. The man was dressed in working clothes, had a heavy mustache, and his hat of army pattern, was tattered and torn, she said.

Early Day Resident Dies
Battleground, Wash., Jan. 24.—Richard Nelson Ward died Monday at his home near Battleground. He came to this country in 1878. Funeral services were held at the Baptist church at Brush Prairie Wednesday. The following children survive: Mrs. Rosa Daly, Chehalis, Or.; Mrs. Marie Windsor, Los Angeles, and Mrs. Yancy Collins, Battleground.

SPANISH INFLUENZA
Guard against by using Formosan. The ideal mouth wash. For sale by Portland Hotel Pharmacy—Adv.

DEBATE SUBJECT FOUND IN MOTION PICTURE CENSORS

Discussion Before Oregon Civic League Whets Appetite for Another Debate 2 Weeks Hence.

A debate on motion picture censorship before the Oregon Civic League Saturday afternoon merely whetted the desire of the organization to learn about the actualities of censorship in Portland. Two weeks hence the machinery and method of censorship will be presented both graphically and by a speaker chosen by the official board of motion picture censors. Former Municipal Judge John H. Stevenson will then present the negative of the

proposition that "Motion Picture Censorship in Portland Should Be Modified."

On the affirmative side of Saturday's subject—"Resolved, that motion picture censorship in Portland should be supported and strengthened"—A. F. Fiegel condemned some of the billboard advertising, said that motion picture managers are "out for the money," and that local censorship is necessary. A. H. McDonald, a motion picture theatre manager of Eugene, declared local censorship is unnecessary with the national board of censors. Fiegel retorted that the national board of censors includes 100 to 150 people in New York paid by film manufacturers, and that their use of the term "national" is fraudulent.

McDonald added that Eugene abolished local censorship, deeming it unnecessary with national censorship; that motion picture films are good in the majority, and that stray improper bits seen by children pass over their pure minds "like shadows over a crystal lake."

C. M. Hill, recently prosecuted and acquitted for failure to make cuts directed by the censors, declared that he never, as quoted, pronounced "lingerie" with stress on the "l" and accent on the double "ee." Mrs. Elmer Colwell, secretary of the motion picture board, confirmed Hill's statement that he never, never said it. Hill said that he had always known it was pronounced "lawn-ger-ee," but had never known precisely what it was.

PORTLAND GIVES INVITATION TO RAILROAD HEADS

Luncheon Promised Carl Gray of Union Pacific and William Sproule of Southern Pacific.

Portland will give luncheons in honor of Carl R. Gray, president of the Union Pacific, and William Sproule, president of the Southern Pacific railway systems, during their visits in Portland this week, if invitations extended to the visitors are accepted. Messages asking the presidents to attend and speak at luncheons while in Portland were forwarded to the men Saturday evening. Gray has already started his inspection of the O-W. R. & N. property, and was met in Huntington Saturday morning by government and corporation officials from Portland. His inspection of the O-W. lines is to be thorough. He will probably arrive here Thursday. He will visit Spokane probably Monday.

Each of the visiting presidents will be in Portland from three to five days, and will arrange all local details of reorganization on these two systems as far as present conditions will permit. Some local officials express the opinion, in view of the deadlock in railroad legislation at the national capitol, that the officials will have little to announce during their visit here.

Officials of the Hill railroads are now gathered in St. Paul ostensibly to discuss budgets, but it is believed that reorganization will be one of the principal topics for consideration. The selection of a president for the S. P. & S. may be made during the meeting, and the appointee will come to Portland about Friday.

Wants Land for Naval Radio Station
Washington, Jan. 24.—(I. N. S.)—Secretary Daniels announced tonight that he has asked congress for authority for an exchange of land between the United States and the South San Francisco Land & Improvement company for a naval radio station in San Francisco.

Former Sheriff of Douglas County and 1852 Pioneer Dies

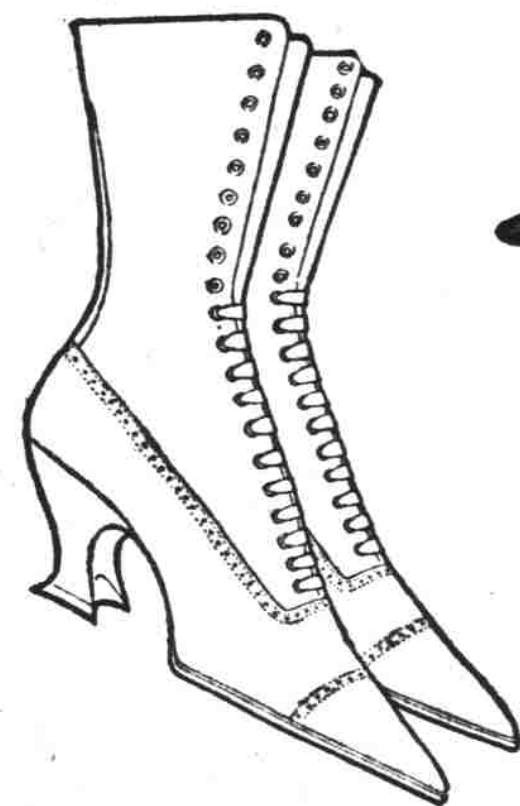
Roseburg, Jan. 24.
B. C. Agee, for two terms sheriff of Douglas county, died Wednesday at the age of 82 years. He crossed the plains by ox team in 1852, settling in the Willamette valley. In 1869 he moved to Douglas county. He was elected sheriff of Douglas county in 1884, serving two years. His second term was from 1888 to 1906. Mr. Agee is survived by his wife and 13 children.

Donkey Fireman Hurt
Wendling, Jan. 24.—Henry Meyers, a donkey engine fireman working for the Booth-Kelley Lumber company at Camp 18, was seriously injured when a trip line broke, catching and throwing him against the engine frame. He was running the machine at the time, the engineer having left to do repair work.

Business Hours 9 A. M. to 6 P. M.
Saturday Included

CLEARANCE SHOE Sale

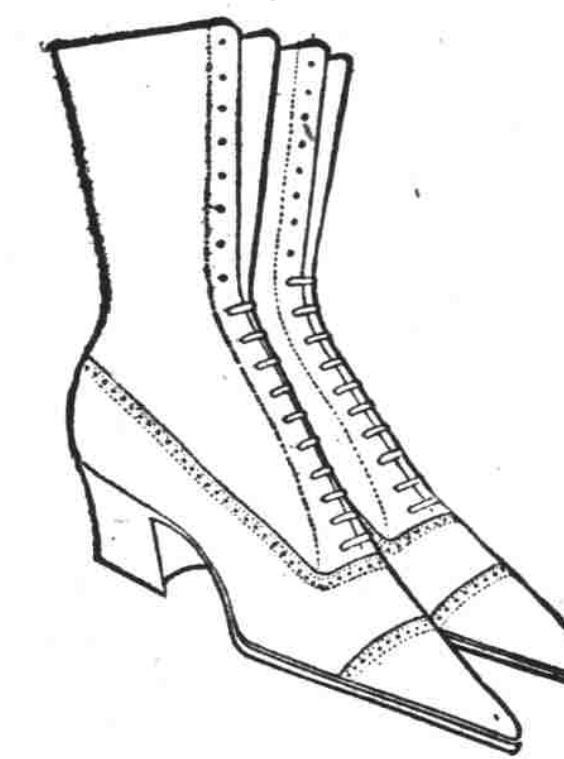
New Styles Added
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961—A stylish street boot, made with brown calfskin vamp and brown cloth top, welt sole and leather French heel.

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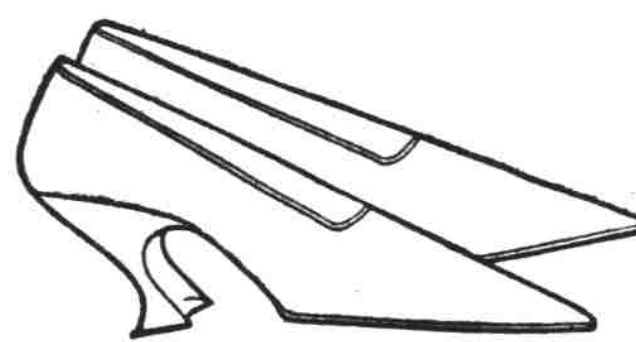


684—This boot is made with black kid vamp and black cloth top, sturdy welt sole and leather military heel. All sizes.

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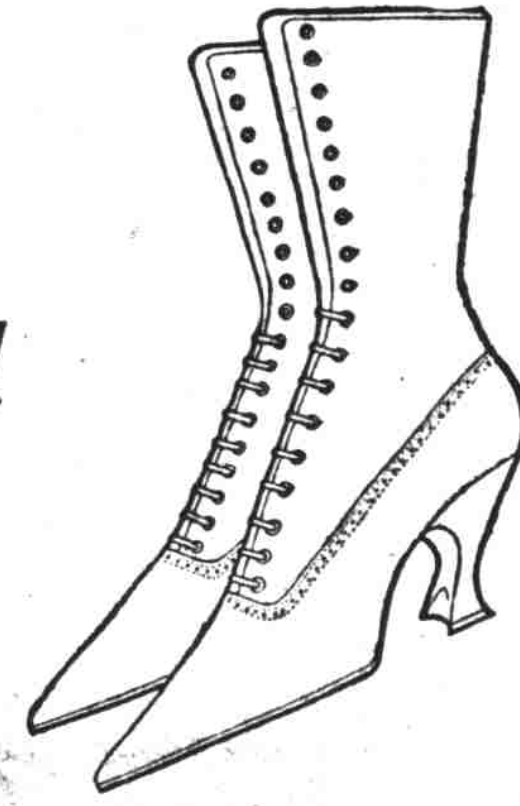


1000—This beautiful opera slipper is made of soft patent leather, light hand-turned sole, covered French heel. All sizes.

Regular \$13.50 Value

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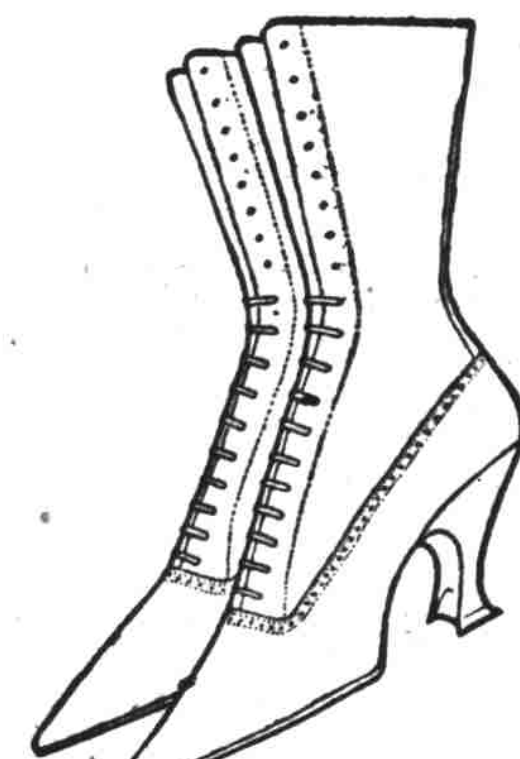
There are now 100 different styles included in this sale, most of which are Full and Complete lines. A wonderful selection to choose from.



151—Here is an attractive boot made of soft brown kid, with light turn sole and covered French heel. All sizes.

Regular \$12.50 Value

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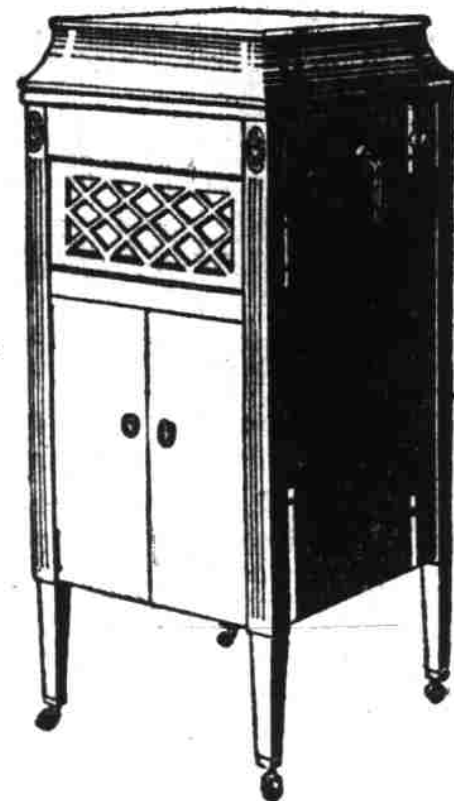
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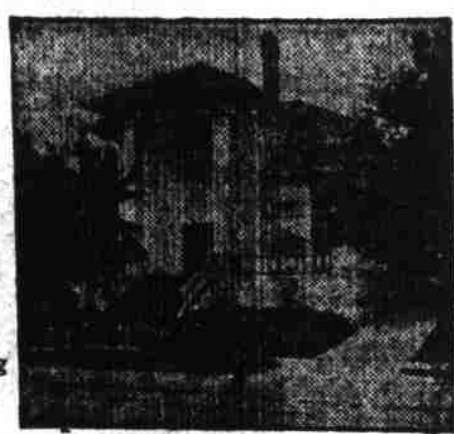
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