

IMPROVEMENTS IN STREET CAR LINES

Company Installs Telephone System—Repairs to Commercial Street Bridge

The improvements on the lines of the Citizens Light and Traction company are being pushed with all haste and the entire service will be in fine condition within a few weeks.

The fair grounds loop is completed almost to Marion square and the new track will reach State street within 10 days. Very few people realize the great change in that branch of the road until they take a trip over it. The grade has been leveled and with the fine new rails and heavy ties the cars glide along without the slightest jar.

The new offices and car barn in the building south of the Willamette hotel will be ready for occupancy Saturday and on Monday morning the headquarters will be established there. It may be several days later before the barn is completed, but in a short time the company will have everything under one roof. The front part of the building will be used for offices and waiting rooms.

Manager Welch and his corps of able assistants will occupy nicely arranged rooms on the south side of the building. The general ticket office of the company will be convenient for the traveling public and a waiting room fitted with chairs and benches will be placed at their disposal.

In the north east corner the motormen and conductors will have quarters where they can rest and be protected from the elements in summer and winter.

The company has installed a telephone system the entire length of their lines and hereafter when a car reaches the end of a division the conductor must report in to the head office. Delays must be accounted for and under this order cars will run on time.

The penitentiary-asylum loop will be built as soon as the right of way is settled with the state board, which will probably be within a short time. This will give the people along those lines a much better service than they now enjoy.

The Mill creek bridge on south Commercial street is being rebuilt. New stringers are taking the place of the old decayed ones, and the bridge will be in perfect order when the repairs are completed. South Salem cars transfer their passengers while the improvements are under way.

The plant and power house present a busy appearance and a number of new machines will be installed. A large shaft and pulley weighing over 2700 pounds has been cast by the Salem Iron Works and will be installed next week.

This will give a better and more reliable service.

The old cars will be repainted and rebuilt, adding to their attractiveness and to the comfort of the traveling public. Two new large 54 horse power cars will be here before the state fair and they will enable the company to handle the traffic in a much more satisfactory manner than heretofore.

The present reconstruction of the Salem street car lines is a welcome change over past conditions and the public appreciate the efforts of the new company in this direction. The patronage has increased with rapid strides during the last six weeks and every effort will be made to give Salem a street car service second to none in the northwest.

Modern Suburban Wonders.

The diving gear of Captain Sorcho with the Nat Reiss Southern Carnival company, the deep sea diver, is as far above that of the ordinary diver as the sun is above the earth, and that is the secret of his being able to accomplish such wonders under the water, which none others have even dared to attempt. His submarine telephone and searchlight are of his own inventions and the greatest of the age in that line. By means of the telephone he can talk to his tenders and listen in return with as much ease as though he were beside them, thus doing away with the old primitive style of signal jerks on the life-line as in vogue even today with the other divers. The searchlight floods the bottom of the sea with a broad stream of light that will show up a pin lying in the sand, where in former years the captain had to grope about in the dark using the sense of feeling instead of sight. The method of adjusting the belt weights and armor are new with Captain Sorcho, as is also the way of wearing the iron-soled shoes and other paraphernalia under the water. Captain Sorcho is truly the only up-to-date twentieth century deep sea diver and is recognized as the most expert submarine engineer in this country.

Feast of St. Dominic.

Yesterday was the Feast of St. Dominic, an important day in the calendar of the Catholic church. St. Dominic, founder of the order of Dominicans, was surnamed De Suxman, and was born in Calahona, Spain, in 1170. He completed his education at the University of Palencia; in 1193 was made canon of the Cathedral at Osma and in 1198 a priest and archdeacon. He subsequently became known as a preacher and was sent on missions to various parts of Spain and into France. Dominic died at Bologna in 1221; he was canonized by Pope Gregory IX on July 3, 1234.

St. Dominic wrote several commentaries upon St. Mathew, St. Paul and the Canonical Epistles.

Circuit Court.

The following business was transacted in Department No. 2:

Wm. Foley vs. J. F. Brentano; motion to strike out certain portion of complaint disallowed and defendant given until August 15 to file answer.

Huldah A. Griswold vs. Phillip Griswold, divorce; the defendant defaulted.

Julia A. Paulsen vs. Paul J. Paulsen, divorce; the demurrer to complaint was argued and overruled.

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PERSONALS

Mrs. J. H. Settlemyer, of Woodburn, was a Salem visitor yesterday.

Miss Jessie Mitchell returned this morning from a visit at Portland.

R. B. Fleming went over to the Bay today, where he will join his family.

Mrs. John J. Maurer and children left today for a two months' visit at Newport.

Mrs. Pickens, of Gervais, was a Salem visitor yesterday, returning home last evening.

Mrs. C. M. Eppley and daughter, Hortense, went to Newport today, for a two weeks visit.

Hon. and Mrs. George H. Burnett, left this morning for Newport for a few weeks outing.

Governor George E. Chamberlain went to Portland yesterday, for a visit with his family.

Mrs. David Mackey, of Portland is the guest of her mother, Mrs. John Hughes of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. James Murray, of Panther, Ore., are visiting friends in this city for a few days.

Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Cusick arrived from Newport last evening, where they spent a week's vacation.

Mrs. Wm. Stanton and daughter, Nellie, left for Newport today, where they will spend several weeks.

Mr. John Ferguson, and niece Mary Eyre, went to Newport today, where they will spend several weeks.

Mrs. Sheelard returned to her home in Portland last evening, after a visit with Mrs. Albright, of this city.

Mrs. E. Harding and daughter, Miss Harding, were visitors in Salem yesterday and returned to their home in Gervais last evening.

Robert Nicholson returned last evening from an outing at Newport.

J. H. Van Winkle returned last evening from Newport.

Sidney Beck, the well-known representative of M. Sells & Co., of Portland, has been spending the week in this city visiting with friends.

Mr. De Veckmon, of Denver, Colo., arrived in this city last evening and will make his home with his daughter, Mrs. John Bayne, on South Commercial street.

Claude Burroughs, the jolly clerk at Harritt & Lawrence's grocery store was among those going to Newport today for a good time.

Mrs. M. Gerson, of Port Townsend, Wash., and Mrs. H. Levy, of Victoria, B. C., who have been visiting Mrs. Edward Rastin, of this city, left for their homes yesterday.

Mr. S. H. Soule returned to Portland last evening, after a few days' visit in this city. His wife remains a week longer to visit with her mother, Mrs. N. J. Stahley.

Mrs. M. J. Stahley, of Woodburn, spent yesterday in the Capital City.

Miss Mina Sauvain is spending a few days with Mrs. F. E. Shafer at their summer camp near Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Piper returned last night to their home at Sellwood.

Miss Justine Calmels returned to her home in Gervais last evening, after a visit with Miss Cora Talkington, of this city.

Canadian Henley Regatta.

St. Catharines, Ont., Aug. 5.—On the new permanent rowing courses here the best amateur scullers and oars of the United States and Canada lined up today at the beginning of the 21st annual regatta of the Canadian association of Amateur Oarsmen.

Those present included representatives of rowing clubs of Toronto, Winnipeg, Montreal and other cities of the Dominion, together with a notable assemblage of American oarsmen just returned from the championship regatta at St. Louis.

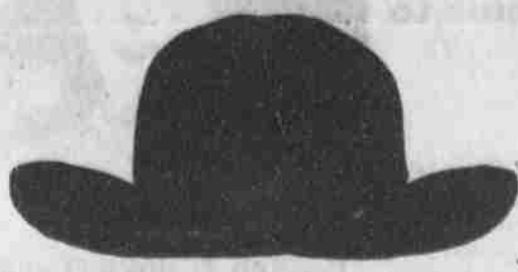
Judging from the high class of the entries many stirring races will be witnessed in the contests started by today's preliminaries. The practice work of several competitors has been very good, leaving a doubt as to the probable outcome of each event. In consequence there is quite a betting interest in all the races and considerable money will, probably change hands.

The two days' program consists of 12 events, as follows: Senior four oars, senior eight oars, senior single sculls, senior double sculls, intermediate double sculls, intermediate four oars, junior four oars, senior pair oars, junior single sculls, junior single sculls, junior double sculls, junior eight oars.

List of Casualties.

London, Aug. 5.—The Japanese government gives out the following list of casualties in the last three battles: "Yushikintzu and Yantseung, the Japanese lost 946 killed and wounded while the Russians estimated at 2000. At Smlu Cheng the Japanese lost 196 killed and 666 wounded. Seven hundred dead were left on the field by the Russians after this fight and were buried.

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DOCTOR LEFT ARIZONA

A dispatch from Tucson, Ariz., relates to a former Marion county physician. It says:

"Dr. H. G. McCorkle, physician for the Southern Pacific and El Paso Southwestern railroads at Benson, has disappeared, following the exposure of a so-called conspiracy to defraud P. J. Delahanty on his death bed.

"Delahanty, who was a wealthy bottler, worth \$75,000, died in a fit of delirium tremens. He was attended by Dr. McCorkle and a few hours before his death signed a will, a clause of which bequeathed to Louise McCorkle the physician's 8-year-old daughter, \$10,000.

"The document was written on the doctor's letter paper, and he was named executor. The fact that Delahanty was a cold-hearted man and had never shown the little girl any attentions caused suspicion and the two witnesses to the will did some unnecessary talking, causing a scandal, which was followed by Dr. McCorkle's hurried departure.

"J. W. Goodbody, probate judge of Cochise county, refused to probate the will, and an official investigation of the circumstances of Delahanty's death will be made."

A report from Woodburn, where Dr. McCorkle formerly resided, says that he passed through that city this week on his way north, telling a friend at the depot that his wife was sick.

Big Baseball Event.

Conductor Houston, of the Southern Pacific Co., was challenged recently by one Powers, a cigar dealer at Portland, for a fats vs. leans baseball game at that city on Sunday, August 14.

Houston is a popular man on the railroad and has signed all the big railroad men who can be spared off their runs on that day and the proceeds of the game are to be turned over to the Consumptives' home.

The fats will play with no men who weigh less than 200, and Houston has signed George Dorcas, the well-known Salem hop buyer and baseball enthusiast for first base.

A special train will be secured for that date, and many will attend from Salem, train service being made direct to and from the grounds at 24th and Vaughan streets.

Califf With the Browns.

Manager Dugdale, of the Portland Browns was in Oregon City yesterday to arrange with E. Califf, the local twirler, to go to Portland and try out with the big league team. Califf will go to Portland Friday. During the life of the Oregon State league this year Califf pitched for Salem and was considered one of the strongest men on the team.

MARION SQUARE CONCERT

The Salem Military band will give a concert at Marion Square tonight. The program is as follows:

March—"Japan's Triumphant"
.....Vandersloot
Overture—"The Silver Bell"
.....Schlegel
Clarinet Solo—"The Warbler"
.....Mason

Mr. Karl Poppa.
Patrol—"American"Meacham
Waltz—"An Autumn Bud".....Lesser
Polka—"Anvil"Parlow
Gavotte—"The First Heart Throbs"
.....Ellenberg
March—"Uncle Sammy"Holzman
(The St. Louis prize march.)
W. E. McELROY, Conductor.

The ladies of the Marion Square Improvement league will serve refreshments during the concert.

Sold His Father a Buggy.

F. F. Cary, the rustling representative of the branch house of the Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co., at Salem, had a funny experience that has never got into the papers.

During the past year his parents moved out from Kansas and declined to locate near Salem. His father, J. F. Cary, had not seen the boy for over 16 years and looked him up.

F. F. Cary was busy as a naffer and didn't pay much attention to the old man as he was waiting on some other people, but finally got him into the warehouse and sold him a buggy.

As they walked out to the office Cary tried to sell the old man a nice buggy harness, showing him one on the white dummy horse near the door, remarking "You ought to take the old lady riding once in a while."

"I don't know but that is good advice," said Cary, senior.

In the talk the old Kansas farmer dropped something that made Cary junior, catch on. He looked him over sharply and the tears came into his eyes as he said: "Say, old man, who are you anyhow?"

Then the father and son recognized each other and there was a good cry all around. The old man knew him all the time, but he had to admit that his boy had developed into a good salesman.

J. F. Cary has since bought the Miler farm near Turner and the old gentleman once in a while enjoys telling the joke he put up on the boy.

Bought Blacksmith Shop.

Mr. Colett, recently of Minnesota, has purchased the blacksmith shop of Fred Goulet and the latter is again at the Hotel Eckert.

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