

BIG POPULAR PIANO CONTEST

Five Big Premiums to be given away absolutely free on the 27th of March. STOCKTON'S DEPARTMENT STORE, of this city, will give away these premiums to the most popular ladies in the city.

FIRST PREMIUM—A beautiful Eilers Piano, value \$425.
SECOND—Free trip to the Alaska-Yukon Exposition at Seattle, expenses paid.
THIRD—Beautiful Diamond Ring.
FOURTH and FIFTH—Ladies' Gold Watches.

This is absolutely the biggest offer ever made in this country.

Contest open to any lady.
Contest opens February 22 and closes March 27, 1909.
This is your opportunity to possess this beautiful Eilers piano or to go the Fair at Seattle, get a Diamond Ring or a Watch.

Is it worth while? Yes. Why?
1st. Because all the premiums are big.
2d. Contest lasts less than five weeks.
3d. Because there are five big premiums.
4th. Because it is a chance you may never have again.
5th. Because your friends will help you.
6th. Because you can get the piano if you make the effort.

7th. Because Stockton's Store stands for the best there is.

How long have you wanted a piano in your home?
How many times have you wished that you could go to the fair at Seattle this year?

How many times have you wished for a diamond ring or a watch?

Now you have the opportunity of getting any one of them by making the effort.

How Can You Do It? This Way:

Stockton's Store is issuing a 25c coupon and a \$1.00 coupon. These coupons will purchase their face value in merchandise at Stockton's Store, "The place to buy." You sell the coupons and by selling the most you get the piano, etc. One 25c coupon gives you 20 votes. One \$1.00 coupon gives you 100 votes.

Get an early start Monday morning the 22d of February and get in the lead and stay there. You can do it if you will. Everybody has to buy goods and they will help you to stay in the lead.

Requirements of Contestants

1. Any lady may enter contest.
2. Contestants may have all of the coupons they can dispose of.
3. Contestants must report to store each and every day during contest unless otherwise arranged.
4. Contestants can sell coupons any place in the state.
5. Contestants must sign name on every coupon sold or it will have no value.
6. Contestants must account for every coupon each day at store.

Premiums

First—Style Conservatory Eilers Piano. This is one of the most beautiful as well as most durable pianos to be had.

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION: Seven and one-third octaves; three unisons; over-strung bass. Imported music wire. Nickel tuning pins of highest grade. Specially selected and tested pin block of choicest rock maple. Specially selected sound board stock, thoroughly shellac-coated, and Eilers improved locked rim ribbing system. Specially finished and improved resonant plate and frame. Eilers improved damp-proof brass flange repeating action. Extra heavy hammers of choicest imported felts. Ivory keys and ebony sharps. Case and panels double veneered on choicest hard wood throughout. Specially selected sawed and veneers. All varnish work and finishing of highest quality and workmanship. Finished in choicest mahogany, warranted for five years.

Second—One week's trip to the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition at Seattle. Transportation both to and from Seattle. Three dollars and fifty cents per day for expenses for seven days at Fair.

Third—One beautiful three-eights k. Diamond in 14 k. solid gold Tiffany Ring.

Fourth—One 15-jeweled Waltham movement, gold case, Ladies' Watch.

Fifth—One 15-jeweled Waltham movement, gold case, Ladies' Watch.

Four Big Premiums and they are yours for a little effort. Don't forget, contest commences

MONDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 22nd

Are you going to have one of the premiums? See that she gets the piano. Every coupon, when signed by contestant, worth face value at J. L. Stockton's Big Department Store. REMEMBER THE PLACE. REMEMBER THE TIME. REMEMBER FIVE BIG PREMIUMS, and see that SHE gets the piano. For further information call at store.

CARBON HILL MINE HAS BAD CAVE IN

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Tacoma, Wash., Feb. 18.—John Alvin and James Ross, miners, were killed outright and considerable damage to property was done by an immense slide of coal in the mine of the Carbon Hill Company, at Carbonado, 36 miles southeast of Tacoma early this morning.

The men were buried under tons of rock and coal about three-quarters of a mile from the surface of the mountain. They were working apart from the other miners and were crushed to death without warning. The cause of the accident has not been determined.

Attracted by the roar of hundreds of tons of falling earth and coal, other miners rushed to the assistance of the imprisoned men, but were powerless to save them.

The bodies of Alvin and Ross were extricated, and are held at the mine pending the arrival of the state mine inspector to conduct an investigation with a view to fixing the responsibility for the accident.

The mine is one of the largest in Western Washington, and furnishes much of the coal burned in this state. The dead miners had been employed in the property of the Carbon Company for several years.

SUMMARY OF TODAY'S LEGISLATIVE DOINGS

The senate today passed the two amendments to the constitution providing for segregation of state and county taxes, and to provide for classifying property so as to apply different rates of taxation to different classes. It also permits exemptions of property which the present constitution prohibits. The amendments are asked for by the grange and will go to a vote of the people in 1910.

The house spent an hour debating and passed the senate bill requiring guarantee title corporations to put up \$100,000 bonds to do business in Oregon.

The clash between the house and senate which threatened to tie up all legislation was adjusted temporarily this morning by the senate rescinding and agreeing to accept all house bills passed up to the present. This is the first time in the history of the state that the upper house has been humiliated and forced to come to the terms of the lower body. This forenoon the senate again showed its teeth by indefinitely postponing eight house bills without the grace of a word of debate, and it is believed fresh hostilities will break out again this afternoon. The house judiciary committee has favorably reported the Bingham bill for publication of delinquent tax lists. That law was repealed two years ago and resulted in gigantic monopolization of tax titles drawing 15 per cent interest on the money advanced. This resulted in an universal demand for restoration of the old publicity law.

The sterilization bill, to destroy power of procreation in criminals, incurable insane, idiots and other defectives, has reached the governor, but has not yet been passed upon by him. It is generally thought he will approve the bill.

arrived at the house and entered the kitchen, where Mrs. Bennett was preparing breakfast. Drawing a revolver from his pocket, he shot his wife four times and then placed the muzzle of the gun to his own forehead and fired the remaining bullet in the revolver into his own brain. The woman was killed instantly and Bennett died shortly after being taken to the Way side Mission Hospital.

REYNOLDS CHAMPION LONG-DISTANCE SKATER

Butte, Mont., Feb. 18.—J. A. Reynolds today is champion Marathon roller skater of America. Reynolds won the first long distance roller skating race ever held in the United States last night. His time was 1 hour, 25 minutes, 5 1-3 seconds. Reynolds defeated eight opponents, among them roller champions from the Pacific coast and the middle states. Three thousand spectators witnessed the race.

MURDERED WIFE: KILLED HIMSELF

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Seattle, Wash., Feb. 18.—Murder and suicide as a result of what appears to be the unfaithfulness of a wife, occurred at 131 Second avenue at 6 o'clock this morning, when Dick Bennett shot and killed his wife and then fired a bullet through his own brain.

Bennett came to Seattle five days ago from his home in Los Angeles. He told a story of his wife, Mrs. Minnie Bennett, having deserted him months ago, and of his having traced her to Seattle. Four days ago he put in an appearance at the house on Second avenue, and there found his wife living with another man. The man disappeared on that day, and Bennett returned to his lodgings. Whether or not he had any other meeting with Mrs. Bennett, between that time and this morning, is not known, but early this morning he

CALAVERAS GROVE A NATIONAL PARK

Washington, Feb. 18.—The President today signed the bill making the California Calaveras big tree grove a national park. The pen which the President used was handed to Representative Smith, of California, to be presented to Mrs. Lovell White, president of the California Outdoor Art League.

TUMOR OF FOUR YEARS GROWTH

Removed by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

South Bend, Ind. — "Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound removed a cyst tumor of four years' growth which threatened to kill me. I was a friend's advice and took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and for it has made me a strong and well woman, and I shall recommend it as long as I live." — Mrs. MAY FRY, Lindsey, Ind.

One of the greatest triumphs of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the conquering of woman's dread enemy—tumor. If you have mysterious pains, inflammation, ulceration or displacement, don't wait for time to confirm your fears and go through the horrors of a hospital operation, but try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once.

For thirty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, has been the standard remedy for female ills, and such unquestionable testimony as the above proves the value of this famous remedy, and should give confidence and hope to every sick woman.

If you would like special advice about your case write a confidential letter to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. Her advice is free, and always helpful.

SCHOOL ELECTION MONDAY, MARCH 8

After making careful investigation as to the coming special school election, the board finds that it will be necessary to issue bonds for the building of the new school house, and notices have been posted to that effect. The election will take place on the 8th of March in this district, the voting places to be situated as usual in the different wards.

The people, in voting, will decide whether or not the issuance of bonds in the sum of \$20,000 will be made for the erection of the new school building, and also the sum of \$9000 in bonds for the installation of the Champion chemical engine, the new fire extinguisher, which has been before the board for consideration for some time.

The election will also be so arranged for the people to decide on what law the bonds should be issued under. There are two laws covering the issuance of bonds in Beltinger and Cotton's Annotated Code, reading as follows:

"Bonds issued under subdivision F, section 3339, provides for a sale of bonds to the bona fide residents of the district." Or "bonds may be issued for sale by the county treasurer."

The polls will be open March 8 from 1 p. m. to 4 p. m.

It is not as hard to make money as it is to save it.

Kodol is a combination of all the natural digestive juices found in an ordinary healthy stomach, and will digest your food in a natural way. Pleasant to take. Sold by all druggists.

CASTORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Beware the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Fitch*

HOLLISTER'S Rocky Mountain Tea Nuggets
A Busy Medicine for Busy People.
Bring Golden Health and Renewed Vigor.
A specific for Constipation, Indigestion, Liver and Biliary Troubles, Pruritus, Eczema, Impure Blood, Rheumatism, Stomach Disorders, Headaches and Insomnia. It is a Rocky Mountain Tea in tablet form. It cures a lot. Give the made by Hollister, Druggists, Seattle, Wash., U.S.A.
BOTTLES FOR GIFT PEOPLE

E.H.R., SON OF HETTY WILL EMULATE DARIUS

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 18.—E. H. R. Green, son of Mrs. Hetty Green, the richest woman in the world, received word today that an aeroplane he ordered from Wright Bros. would be under construction in July.

Green ordered a machine of the same model as No. 9, the aeroplane used so successfully by Wilbur Wright in France. As soon as this is delivered he intends to take lessons and devote considerable time to aviation.

DON'T RELY ON NATURE ALONE

to restore your stomach to normal condition, to keep the bowels free from constipation and to make your nerves steady. It is a far better and quicker plan to add the assistance that can only be obtained by taking a short course of

HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS
"Something else" won't do in its place and that's why we urge you again to "get Hostettters." It is for Indigestion, Costiveness, Insomnia, Colds and Grippe.

JAPS WON'T PLAY IN OUR YARD

Tokio, Feb. 18.—Resenting the anti-Japanese sentiment recently expressed throughout the length of the Pacific coast of the United States, the Ashikaga Weavers' League, at its last meeting, decided that it would not participate in the Seattle exposition were willing to sacrifice a million dollars in export trade, rather than attend the fair.

A committee of the league will meet tomorrow to discuss the feasibility of sending emissaries throughout Japan to urge all of the weaving towns to join in the movement.