

# HOME COMPANY ENTERS BY MUTUAL FRANCHISE

WILL USE POLES OF THE OREGON CITY AND FARMERS' SYSTEM.

SUBSCRIBERS SHARE BENEFITS

Mutuals Will Secure Long Distance and Automatic Patrons Will Have Extensive Country Service.

The Home Telephone company will enter the city under the franchise rights of the Oregon City and Farm-

ers' Independent Telephone company. The name under which the automatic telephone company enters the city is the Northwestern Long Distance company.

Poles have been erected as far as the city limits and are now being unloaded in preparation for work within the city limits. By virtue of the agreement entered into between the two concerns some time ago, the new corporation will be permitted to use the independent line's poles that are already up, and the independent line will be permitted to use whatever poles the automatic company intends to erect. The work of erecting additional poles, however, cannot proceed until the streets committee designates the streets upon which this may be

done, such is the condition attached to the franchise.

Long distance connection will be secured by the Clackamas county subscribers of the independent phone as a result of the agreement. By virtue of the fact that the Oregon City and Farmers' Independent line controls the Marquam Mutual, the Canby Mutual and the Citizen's mutual of Needy, long distance connection will be established over almost all the county as soon as the automatic service begins operation. Just when this will be is difficult to say on account of the trouble with the electrical workers.

Officers of the independent line when interviewed Thursday disclaimed any interest in the trouble existing between the Home company and organized labor. Their agreement, entered into some time past, does not indicate any inclination on their part to express sympathy with the corporation or disapproval of the union men's methods. They consider the strike as a matter in which the Home company alone is involved.

## A GRANGER'S OPINION

Editor Star: In recent issues of the Star, considerable has been said in regard to the Pacific States and the Home or automatic Telephone companies; also the probable outcome of two phone companies operating in Oregon City. The old adage that "the big fish eat up the little ones" will be put to the test in this case.

"The business men and Doctors" may organize if they wish and have only one phone, for that is their privilege, but the old moss-back farmers are already organized through the various granges.

As it is one of the fundamental principles of the Grange to oppose great monopolies no true member of the order could conscientiously join forces with the P. S. Co. and I think I voice the sentiment of the majority of the Grangers in saying the farmers generally sympathize with the Home company.

The P. S. Co. spent considerable time among the farmers and a considerable amount of that time in this Logan and Stone country, but have failed to impress the people of the superiority of their system. The P. S. Co. did not try to improve its service until the Home company began to materialize. I have little sympathy for unions, these so-called labor organizations which have caused so much trouble, suffering, etc., by calling strikes, which also bring suffering and distress to innocent ones not in any way connected with them.

Where does all the money come from the Electrical workers are using to kill the "new concern?" If those union people would keep their \$10,000, also the other \$6000 and use it to buy homes with and pay their living expenses there would be some sense about it. A friend of the writer had a relative in San Francisco during the "Debs" times in California. This man was a prominent union leader or agitator; during one of the strikes, family funds became exhausted, and it was work or go hungry, so he told his wife there was no alternative, she would have to get work as it would not do for him to work then. She did, and he aided strikers, doing tongue work, of course, while for weeks she kept the wolf from the door. In the evening he would come to meet her with his kid gloves on and accompany her home. At last she secured a divorce and she and her son reside in Oregon now. This is the truth, and only one sample of what strikes do. There are too many like this one in the unions.

Just suppose once that the farmers all went on a strike and boycotted union people and would refuse to sell any kind of produce to union members who had P. S. phones, then what? Farmers and producers are the only ones who could successfully conduct a strike, because they could starve their victims to terms. Can poor families buy Hood River apples in Portland now or strawberries either (in their season) unless they pay league prices? What if all produce the wage worker uses was sold in that way? The time is coming when it will be, for these "little work, big pay people" are paving the way to that end. It is fruit now, but later it will be everything grown by the farmers and producers, unless there is a limit reached sometime in the demands of unions. "The worm will turn." Stone, Ore., Nov. 1.

A GRANGER.

## LIVE TO THE GREAT AGE OF 102 YEARS

REMARKABLE LONGEVITY OF MRS. SARAH KEMP, FORMER OREGON CITY RESIDENT.

Mrs. Sarah Glen Kemp died at McMinnville, October 25, at the great age of 102 years and 6 months. She passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Adair, and was buried in the family plot at Salem on October 27. Five daughters, all women past middle life, survive her.

Mrs. Kemp was a resident of the West Side, Oregon City, a few years ago and is well remembered here. Mrs. Hines is a granddaughter.

Almost to her 100th year, Mrs. Kemp was active with knitting, crocheting and patchwork. Many beautiful pieces of work in these lines, done at a great age, are in possession of her descendants.

### Parkplace Unclaimed Letters.

List of letters for the month of October, 1906, remaining unclaimed at Parkplace postoffice: Mrs. T. E. Middleton, Mrs. Maud Campbell, Mr. R. L. Campbell, Miss Ruth Crenshaw.

W. A. HOLMES, P. M.

The Home Telephone company paid \$200,000 for its franchise in San Francisco. About \$20,000 will be enough for us.

## Indians Pick Wool.

Columbia Joe with eight followers lingered for a while in town Wednesday, says the Prairie City Miner. They had been over on the Malheur picking up the wool left behind on the trail of sheep. They had 15 ponies loaded with wool. They were on their way home, which is near Pendleton. The appearance of a band of Indians would never suggest ready money and yet they never seem to exhaust their supply of cash when it comes to buying good things to eat. They usually haggle over the price, hold a subdued, guttural consultation, then dig up the money like it was the last cent they had on earth. And if they make 20 purchases they will go through the same performance.

## The Luther Anniversary.

Rev. Kraxberger reports a very suc-

cessful and largely attended meeting at the Luther anniversary in Portland, with fine addresses and music. One of the best of the vocal numbers was a Swedish solo and chorus. Rev. Kraxberger, who is a close historical student, calls attention to the fact that it was the door of the Castle church at Wittenberg on which Martin Luther nailed his thesis, not the door of the Augsburg Cathedral. The meeting at Portland was in commemoration of that act.

## Uncle Sam to Breed Stock.

A Washington dispatch says the government may start a breeding station in Vermont for the perpetuation of the Morgan stock of horses.

Dr. G. E. Stuart of Yamhill, who had been visiting his brother Dr. C. A. Stuart, returned home Friday night.

# W. L. BLOCK

The Home Furnisher

## The Store That Saves You Money

Goods Sold for Less Than Elsewhere

Furniture, Ranges and Stoves  
Carpets, Crockery, Granite-ware and Wall Paper.

Main and 7th St. Opp. Suspension Bridge

## E. C. APPERSON SELLS HOPYARD FOR \$12,000

FORMER OREGON CITY RESIDENT MAKES BIG DEAL IN YAMHILL COUNTY.

McMinnville, Oct. 31.—The biggest hop deal in this county for some time is the transfer of the Fairview hop farm, which E. C. Apperson has just sold to R. Jacobson & Co. for \$12,000. About 46 acres are set out in hops. It is the best kept yard in the county during the past year. Twenty-five thousand pounds of this year's hops were contracted at 20 cents. The yard is young, the oldest hops having only been out two years. The drier and storehouse are both new and of the most up-to-date kind.

E. C. Apperson is a former resident of Oregon City and a nephew of Captain Apperson of Parkplace.

Battling Neison has sold 40 acres of land near Chicago for \$12,000 per acre. He bought the land three weeks ago for the purpose of establishing training quarters for pugilists. The transaction netted him clear \$16,000.

# FREE! FREE!

## 1907 Calendar Printed In Three Colors

Beautiful landscape picture—Size about 6 1-2 inches by 9 1-2 inches

W. A. Holmes will give each customer (only one in a family) who will come and leave his (or her) address, one of these calendars as soon as they arrive, which will be about December 15, '06. The Parkplace Store has enlarged and increased its floor space and stock until you can get nearly anything you need. Call for what you don't see. I have in transit a large assortment of Christmas goods. Be sure to come and see these before buying.



A full line of Men's and Young Men's Suits

All new styles and new goods, Boys Suits. Note prices on a few.

Men's Wool Suits, Black and gray mixed and Plaids. Soft finish, latest and gray mixed and Plaids. Soft, latest thing.

\$12.00

Men's Wool Hard Finish Grey thread mixed, a dandy for the price. You pay more for the same in the city.

\$12.00

### Men's Hard Finish

with silver thread mixed stripe; stripe is nearly invisible, as it is made in the weave of the solid black. You can't beat it any place.

\$15.00

### Men's Suits

Similar to above but different weave, has a little more prominent stripe; one of the latest cloths used for Men's Suits.

\$15.00

### Men's Separate Pants

All wool goods and very neat and dressy, dark color.

\$3.00

### Men's Separate Pants

Heavier goods than above—all first-class goods and for the price you can't buy any better.

\$3.50

Also young Men's Separate all wool long Pants.

Boys' Suits from \$2.50 up to \$6.00. Some two piece, some three piece Boys' separate knee pants.

# W. A. HOLMES

PARKPLACE, OREGON.



What You Can Do

With This Oil Heater

With a Perfection Oil Heater you can heat a cold bed-room, make a sick-room more comfortable, warm a chilly hallway, heat water quickly, and do many things better than can be done with any other stove no matter what fuel it burns. The superiority of the

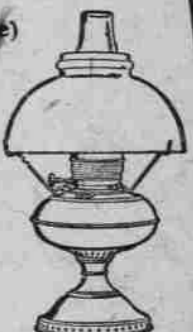
## PERFECTION Oil Heater

(Equipped with Smokeless Device)

lies in the fact that it generates intense heat without smoke or smell. The oil fount and the wick carrier are made of brass throughout, which insures durability. Gives great heat at small cost. Fount has oil indicator and handle. Heater is light and portable. Absolutely safe and simple—wick cannot be turned too high or too low. Operated as easily as a lamp. All parts easily cleaned. Two finishes—nickel and japan. Every heater warranted. If not at your dealer's write nearest agency for descriptive circular.

The Rayo Lamp

can be used in any room and is the best all-round house lamp made. Gives a clear, steady light. Is the safest lamp you can buy. Brass throughout and nickel plated. Equipped with the latest improved burner. Handsome—simple—satisfactory. Every lamp warranted. Write to nearest agency if you cannot get it from your dealer.



STANDARD OIL COMPANY

# Another Free Offer

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## Electric Flat Irons save time & money

If you care for CONVENIENCE, COMFORT, HEALTH, ECONOMY in your household if you care to be up-to-date, progressive, in the swim; you will use an Electric Flat Iron.

By filling in the coupon below, you will receive one of our ELECTRIC FLAT IRONS, under conditions which ought to attract you. STYLE NO. 1.—Regular household, 6-lb. Flat Iron. STYLE NO. 2.—Nickel-plated 3-lb. Smoothing Iron for dainty work. The Iron will be delivered promptly upon receipt of coupon without expense to you.

C. G. MILLER, Contract Agent.

PROTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC CO., Oregon City. You may deliver to me one Electric Flat Iron, style No. \_\_\_\_\_, which I agree to try, and if unsatisfactory, to return to you within 30 days from date of delivery. If I do not return it at that time you may charge the same to my account at \$4.00. It is understood that no charge will be made for the Iron if I return it within 30 days.

NAME.....  
Dept. "E"..... Address.....

# Portland Gen. Electric Co.

C. G. MILLER, Contract Agent, Oregon City, Ore.