

THE WEATHER.  
 Oregon City—Rain today; brisk southerly winds.  
 Oregon—Rain west, snow east; southerly winds, increasing along coast.  
 Washington—Rain west, rain or snow; warmer except near the coast; high southwest winds.

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## COMMERCE BOARD TO PROBE 'PHONES

WICKERSHAM PUTS IMPORTANT INQUIRY INTO NEW HANDS

### REGULATION IS THOUGHT NECESSARY

Move Terminates the Investigation by Department of Justice of \$600,000,000 "Hello" Combine

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—Regulation by the Interstate Commerce Commission of the American Telephone & Telegraph Company, and not the compulsory competitive provisions of the Sherman anti-trust law, will be the means of solving in a large measure the so-called "telephone trust" problem, according to Attorney-General Wickersham, who announced today that he had referred the whole question to the commission for investigation and action.

This move terminates the investigation by the department of justice of the alleged \$600,000,000 telephone trust against which independent telephone companies have made charges of unfair treatment, and of the employment of methods of destructive competition.

The commission's investigation will be far-reaching in effect, and out of it is expected to grow the outline of government policy with respect to the telephone and telegraph. It must be determined, according to officials, whether, in the interest and convenience of the public, a telephone or telegraph monopoly under rigid regulation, should be tolerated by the federal government; or whether the government should take over the utilities; or finally whether competition should be enforced under the Sherman anti-trust law and monopoly prohibited.

Chairman Lane, of the interstate commerce commission, formally announced tonight that "in response to information submitted to it today by the attorney-general," the interstate commerce commission would make an investigation into the operations, rates and practices of the various telephone companies.

**SUES FOR \$137.15.**  
 The Gould Company, of Portland, has filed suit against George C. and F. M. Robinson for \$137.15 alleged to be due for merchandise. The defendants conduct a greenhouse at Jennings Lodge.

## CANAL DEED STARTS ON LONG JOURNEY

On its red tape journey to the point of consummation a deed for the transfer of the locks and canal at this city from the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company to the war department, took a side step from the office of Major McIndoe to that of United States District Attorney McCourt to be judicially scrutinized Monday.

When passed by the officers it will go to General Bixby, chief of engineers at Washington, who will pass it on to the attorney-general of the United States for legal investigation. On leaving his department it will return to General Bixby and then go to the secretary of war. That will be the final test and unless frowned on ultimately it will be ordered that the purchase be closed. It is roughly estimated that two or three months will elapse before the government becomes possessor of the property and tolls on the upper Willamette River traffic cease.

## Tonight Star Theatre

**10 Beautiful Steins**

Given Away

**5 DRAWINGS** After Each Performance **TRY YOUR LUCK**

Good Pictures

**REED & EARL** Clever Entertainers

**Star Theatre**

## POINCARÉ ELECTED FRENCH PRESIDENT

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY NAMES POPULAR PREMIER ON SECOND BALLOT

### CLEMENCEAU CHALLENGES TO DUEL

Scenes in Streets of Paris are Almost Indescribable When Election Result is Made Known

PARIS, Jan. 20.—Raymond Poincaré, premier, this afternoon was elected president of the third republic of France, to succeed President Armand Fallières.

Poincaré was chosen on the second ballot, and scenes of the wildest confusion after he had challenged to a duel M. Georges Clemenceau, a former premier, and after a second duel challenge had been sent by Deputy Monzie, a Poincaré supporter, to former Minister Boncour, an adherent of M. Jules Pams, secretary of agriculture. Pams proved to be Poincaré's most serious rival, but he was more than 100 votes behind the premier on the first ballot.

Raymond Landry Poincaré was the last prime minister in the administration of President Fallières, the retiring chief magistrate. He was considered one of the greatest premiers France ever had.

The second ballot resulted as follows: Poincaré 483, Pams 296, Vailant (Socialist) 69. There were several scattered votes, and some not voting. The total vote of the assembly was 873. Necessary for a choice, 437.

The tellers announced the result amid scenes of great enthusiasm and confusion. Long before the last ballot was cast, it was a foregone conclusion that Poincaré was safely elected, and pandemonium reigned.

The 2000 police who guarded the palace and the traffic lines between it and Paris, had all they could do to hold in check the Poincaré adherents. M. Poincaré waited in the Versailles palace long enough to receive the congratulations of his friends and then with members of his cabinet set out for Paris on a special train. As he left the assembly he was given a tremendous ovation by the crowds, who, in their frenzied spirits almost mobbed the president-elect.

The scenes in the streets of Paris, when the result of the election became known, were almost indescribable. The French elect a president but once in seven years, and seven years' political enthusiasm is vented on one day. Tonight there was not an unreserved table in any of the Paris restaurants.

M. Poincaré's election came on the second ballot and was the result of the Socialists fusing with the Republican members of the national assembly, throwing their support to Poincaré instead of Jules Pams, minister of agriculture and the premier's nearest competitor.

Poincaré's supporters had predicted their candidate would be elected on the second ballot. M. Poincaré has constantly been in the public eye since he formed his remarkable ministry a year ago this month. He has been in politics since 1887, when he entered the chamber of deputies. At the age of 22 he was minister of public instruction and subsequently he served twice as minister of finance. His present tenure of office has been signalized by a succession of important French initiatives in connection with the Balkan crisis, while in home affairs he has identified himself with electoral reform and proportional representation, of which he has always been a zealous advocate.

In France the constitution, which in this respect represents the recoil from the Napoleonic system of plebiscites, does not admit citizens to any direct vote in the election of the chief executive of the nation. The president is elected by the senate and the chamber of deputies united in convention at Versailles.

## COURT ENJOINS ROAD LEVY OF TEN MILLS

Circuit Judge Campbell has issued a restraining order against County Clerk Mulvey computing and extending an assessment of 10 mills, as authorized at a special meeting of the taxpayers of road district No. 44. Suit was filed by Robert Clark through Brownell & Stone, asking that the injunction be granted. The plaintiff averred that he was not allowed to vote at the road meetings, and if he had been allowed to vote the result would have been a tie, and consequently the levy would not have been authorized. He further objected to the manner in which it was proposed to spend the money.

## FERDINAND GROSS TO BE BURIED IN STAFFORD CEMETERY

The funeral of Ferdinand Gross who died Sunday morning of pneumonia, will be held at his father's home in Willamette Falls at 11 o'clock today. Mr. Gross, who was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Gross and a brother of Marshall Gross, had been ill about two weeks. Mr. Gross, who was 42 years of age, was unmarried. The interment will be in Stafford Cemetery.

If you saw it in the Enterprise it's so.

WORRYING ABOUT UNCLE SAM'S NEW JOB.



HE CAN NEVER CARRY IT.

HE'LL SOON GET TIRED OF IT.



George H. Hodges, new Governor of Kansas.

## FIGHTING INGRATE GETS JAIL SENTENCE

Roy Ellis was adjudged an ingrate in Justice of the Peace Samson's court Monday. Evidence was introduced to the effect that Ellis was in need of assistance Saturday evening and that William Bruce, who lives on Division Street took the wayfarer into his home, and, besides giving him shelter, gave him food. Ellis, however, after having his outer and inner man given attention became obstreperous, according to evidence, insisted that Bruce had not treated him right. Bruce insisted that he had been a good host. Ellis struck Bruce and the police were called in and arrested Ellis. The prisoner was fined \$30 by Justice of the Peace Samson and upon his failure to pay the fine was sentenced to serve 15 days in the county jail.

## VITAL ORGAN SEVERED, BOY WILL RECOVER

Although a piece of his liver is missing, John Costello, three-year-old son of Mrs. John Costello, of Redland, will recover. The boy was playing with a pocket knife Saturday when he accidentally stabbed himself in the abdomen. His mother realized at once that the lad was seriously wounded and summoned Dr. H. S. Mount of this city. A hasty examination revealed that the knife had pierced the liver and Dr. Mount brought the boy to the Oregon City Hospital, where it was found that one end of the liver had been severed. Despite the seriousness of the wound, the lad has improved continuously since given surgical attention and Dr. Mount says there is no doubt as to his recovery. John was trying to close the knife by pressing the blade against his abdomen when he stabbed himself.

## Taylor Enters Plea.

G. W. Taylor, of Canby, accused of illegal intimacy with an adopted daughter, entered a plea of not guilty in the Circuit Court Saturday.

## FIGHT AGAINST 8 HOUR BILL STARTS

"JOKER," IT IS SAID, WOULD PUT MILL PROPERTY IN OREGON CITY

### SCHUEBEL PRESENTS SALARY SCHEME

Clackamas Representative Would Have Uniform Rate for County Officials in State

SALEM, Jan. 20., (Special).—While the Clackamas County delegation did little today the Legislature accomplished several important things. The Senate decided to seat Edward E. Kiddle of Union and Willowa this afternoon after a determined contest waged by the Democratic minority in favor of John S. Hodgins. The controversy, while not at first political, assumed some such aspects before the closing debate.

The Senate also secured the honor of passing the first bills of the session to go to the governor. It is probable the governor will sign two house bills passed by the Senate. They are minor laws to repeal antiquated ones.

The advance guard to make a fight against Dimick's bill aimed at Oregon City's mills, arrived today in the person of B. T. McBain, mill manager of the Willamette Pulp & Paper Company, Oregon City.

A big delegation is expected today not only to fight the eight hour law, but the apparent "joker" in Dimick's bill amending the present law regarding incorporated cities and towns.

Should the bill pass there is a possibility all mill sites and properties across from Oregon City would be taken into the city, thus adding a large assessed valuation. The Clackamas delegation introduced no bills in the house today but efforts were put forth to promote

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## WIRES TO CONSIDER ARTESIAN WELLS

WATER SUPPLY WILL BE SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION AT LUNCHEON TODAY

### COUNCIL MAY EMPLOY AN ENGINEER

Elevator Committee Gets Report From Various Cities Regarding Benefits of Escalators

Artesian wells as a source of water supply for Oregon City will be considered at a luncheon of the Live Wires today. It is contended by many persons who have made a study of the question that the city could be given an adequate and pure water supply of water from wells and the Live Wires have indicated that they will give the subject careful consideration. The organization, however, before making any recommendation will be certain that it is best for the city. Other questions of importance will come before the Live Wires today and all members are urged to be in attendance.

The city council, at a meeting tomorrow night will hear a report of a special committee appointed to make an investigation of the water supply. It is understood that the committee will urge the employment of an engineer to investigate conditions in the city and make a report as soon as possible. The city council is favorable to the investigation by the expert. Committees representing the Clackamas County Medical Society, the Live Wires and other organizations will be in attendance.

A committee composed of Messrs. Albright, Meyer and Long, will report as to progress made regarding the building of the elevator as authorized by the residents of the city at the election, at the bluff. The committee has been corresponding with

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## FRANK BUSCH, Oregon City PRICES WILL TALK WE MUST HAVE ROOM FOR SPRING STOCK

Kitchen Treasure \$2.95

Golden Oak finished Dresser, well constructed, heavy French plate mirror .....\$6.90

Dining room chair .....98c

Genuine black leather upholstered rocking chair \$21.00

Cotton Mattress \$5.95

Linoleum 12 feet wide 60c per square yard.

9 x 12 Moquette Art Squares \$14.35