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NO LOWER TELEGRAPH TOLLS.-The two transcontinental telephone companies, the Postal and the Western Union, have declined to grant the petitions that were made by the business men of the Pacific Coast, in which they were asked to extend the territory to which the reduced night-rate for messages is applicable. This petition was originated by the Merchants' Association of Seattle early in September, and was signed by the Chambers of Commerce of Portland, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Tacoma. Thos. T. Eckert, president of the Western Union Telegraph Company, and W. H. Baker, general manager of the Postal Telegraph Company, have both replied that the respective companies do not see fit to grant lower rates, as the cost of constructing and maintaining telephone lines to the Pacific Coast is a very great one, and that they cannot afford to make lower rates. It is understood that the Merchants' Association of Seattle will make a further effort to have the rates reduced, as they believe that the volume of business between the Coast cities and the East justifies their request.

PANTRYMAN'S MEET.-Dr. George B. Stewart, president of the Auburn Theological Seminary and chairman of the General Assembly committee of evangelistic work, met yesterday morning at 10:30 o'clock with the Presbyterian ministers in the parlors of Calvary Church. Dr. Stewart, in the course of his remarks said that, while this church is by its equipment especially adapted to the work of reaching the cultured classes, yet it is a fact that this class is not being reached to the extent that the workers have reason to expect. The methods today are more adapted to the masses. While this is important it is equally important to reach the wealthy and more highly educated classes. To meet this need in the most artistic portions of New York City, the drawing-rooms of the wealthy church members have been opened for gospel services with most excellent results. Dr. Thomas Marshall, field secretary of the board of foreign missions, also spoke briefly. Rev. J. Montgomery, of Oregon City, conducted the devotional exercises.

PANTHER MAKES HIMSELF SCARCER.-The panther which has been showing up in the vicinity of Fulton, Or., the past three days, was at last accounted, still wearing his skin, which is a very comfortable one, and suits him down to the ground. Hunters in great numbers were out after him yesterday, each accompanied by a pack of dogs. In fact, a reliable resident of that section, who was in the city yesterday, said that there were a million men hunting the panther and each of them had a thousand dogs; but probably this was an exaggeration. James Honeyman, who went out with several of his bear hounds, found the track of the panther where he had crossed the road and his hounds followed the cold trail for a while and by trying a few times indicated that they thought they were getting on a warm scent; but they finally had to give it up. A number of persons will resume the hunting today, and the panther will be kept up until after the panther is shot or it is demonstrated that he has left that section.

THE GOOD A FARM DOGS.-E. A. Franz, who came here from New York about six months ago and purchased a farm in Hood River Valley, was in the city yesterday. He is delighted with the country and his prospects. He had read in The Oregonian about the climate and resources of the state, and here on account of his wife's health. She suffered greatly in New York every fall from asthma, but this fall she has had no attack and is rapidly gaining flesh. Now two of his wife's brothers are coming out here to locate, and Mr. Franz has sent pamphlets to a large number of his friends East, and a number of them have written that they intend to come. He says he never worked on a farm before coming, and he cannot tell how much he enjoys picking apples and setting out strawberry plants. His health is improving in Hood River Valley, and he says Dr. Adams, who started a sanitarium there years ago, is still as quick and active as a boy.

GOOD CHANCE TO GET MINING MEN.-The question of having the next convention of the International Mining Congress held in Portland will come up at the next meeting of the Chamber of Commerce. President Hahn has a letter from the secretary of the executive committee at Carlisle, Pa., in which it is indicated that Portland stands an excellent show for the September meeting. Mr. Hahn said last evening that the Chamber of Commerce would send the convention an invitation to hold its next meeting here while the mining men were at Boise City last July; but the telegram failed to reach the convention before that body adjourned, as the telegraph company did not take pains to deliver the message, but simply left it at the hotel. Mr. Hahn thinks there will be no difficulty about getting the convention here, if the citizens of Portland agree to do the proper thing in the matter of entertainment.

WHAT HARBORMASTER WANTS.-The reason given for Harbormaster James Laird desiring a special meeting of the committee on commerce, landings and wharves called, is that steps may be taken to give him authority to keep things in better order in the harbor. There are so many ships here now that loaded vessels lying in the stream often are in the way of empty ones which have to be moved to the wharves. He wants to have these loaded vessels sent down to St. Johns, out of the way, and he also wants arrangements made to enable him to have log rafts put out of the way and the harbor cleaned up generally.

SPINTERS' CONVENTION.-This unique entertainment will be given by the Young Women's Board Table at Grace M. E. Church this evening at 8 o'clock. Admission, 25 cents. Following are those who will take part: Miss Helen Goss, Miss Ramona Rawlins, Miss Shelley, Miss Laura Cramer, Miss Corbitt, Miss James, Miss Jessie Nottingham, Miss Rasmussen, Miss Haseltine, Miss McMullen, Miss Mary Miller, Miss Dickinson, Miss Holbrook, Mrs. W. J. Gill, Mrs. H. A. Haseltine, Mr. Robert Farrell, Mr. Charles Little.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Congregation Beth Israel for the election of officers will be held in the Assembly Room of the temple on Sunday, November 24, 1901, at 2 P. M., and as the board of trustees has specially invited the Rev. Dr. Wise to address the members on this occasion, a full attendance is earnestly desired.

THE REV. THOS. MARSHALL, D. D., field secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, and a man of national reputation, will deliver an address in the Mount Tabor Presbyterian Church tonight at 8 o'clock.

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THE DALLAS-PORTLAND ROUTE, REGULAR LINE STEAMERS, FROM OAK-STREET DOCK DAILY, AT 7 A. M.

FARMERS' RIGHTS TO PHREASANTS.

Game Warden Quimby thinks the farmers are more severe on the Chinese pheasants than the city sportsmen, although the latter get blamed for killing almost all the birds. "A great deal depends upon the farmers as to the manner in which pheasants are treated," Mr. Quimby thinks, and the farmer naturally believes himself better entitled to the game than the city sportsman who has nothing to do with raising the birds. The farmer is the one upon whose lands the pheasant lays her eggs and hatches out her young; and the farmer is the one the birds look to for the occasional handful of wheat when the snow lies on the ground too deep to permit the birds finding their living without help. Naturally the farmer hates to save up a lot of fat birds until the open season comes, only to see the city man appear with his gun and dog, to pop them out. Farmers' boys are now making wages killing the birds they have raised, and there is a strong temptation to kill more than the allotted 15 mentioned in the game law.

BRONXAL YOUNG RAILROAD MAN.-The residence of A. B. C. Dennison, city passenger and ticket agent of the Great Northern, was entered by a burglar Wednesday evening during the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Dennison down town a short time. The thief took two ladies' gold watches and chains, two or three small gold coins, three diamonds and other articles of jewelry, the total value being about \$250. One of the watches was an old one and belonged to Mr. Dennison's mother, and it was priceless as a keepsake. The thief must have been frightened away, for he left several articles of value that he could have carried away, had he not been interrupted.

NO MORE BICYCLES PATENT.-Peter S. Schorback, an engineer of Pe Ell, Wash., has invented an "independent changeable gear" for bicycles. By touching a lever on the handle-bar any one of the three gear-wheels is connected and a rider can go up a hill as easily as along the level, but of course, not so fast. He was in the city yesterday taking the necessary steps to procure a patent on his invention. It will be a useful thing for those who are tempted to ride too fast, as they can change the gear in a second that they will be able to travel at a reasonable rate.

FOR A STATE CONVENTION.-A meeting of all those interested in charitable or correctional work is announced for this evening at the Unitarian Chapel, corner Seventh and Yamhill streets, when plans will be formulated for a state convention of charitable and correctional work to be held in Portland at an early date. Such conventions are held in nearly all the Eastern cities, as well as California, and have been the means of co-operation in charitable organizations in place of competition. All persons interested in charity are invited.

NO DRY-DOCK SITE YET.-Rain was too much for the Port of Portland Commission last night and the meeting called for consideration of a dry-dock site had to be postponed. President Hughes, B. S. Kelly and E. T. C. Stevens were the only ones who could not be swayed from the path of duty. After vigorous use of the telephone Mr. Stevens had to give up the effort. The commission will probably come together next Thursday night.

RECEIVER SOK TO GO.-R. Nixon, receiver of the Portland Savings Bank, is engaged in making up his final report, and will apply to the court for his discharge next week. There are still about 40 depositors to whom dividends are due. All of them have received at least one dividend, but what has become of them is a mystery. The amount due to those depositors, whose names will appear in the final report, is about \$300.

GREAT JOKE ABOUT A THIEF.-Spot.-All interest in the diamond robbery at the Portland Hotel has not yet been spiced by the public, and when a joker went around town, yesterday, telling his friends that another tray had been found, he had no trouble in finding plenty to ask where? His answer was: "In a pack of cards." This made some so mad that they wished the robbery had never occurred.

TWO SMALL BLAZES.-There was a small chimney blaze at the home of the Sisters of the Holy Name, on the corner of East Twelfth and Oak streets, last night. No damage was done, and the fire was put out immediately, without alarming the residents. A blaze broke out yesterday at 3:45 o'clock at 611 Union avenue, and was extinguished with slight loss. The alarm was sent from box No. 27.

READY FOR PUMPKIN PIE.-Squashes by the ton are now being shipped to the cities on Puget Sound and to Victoria, and also to towns along the coast. The demand for pumpkin pies about Thanksgiving time is great, and it must be supplied. There is no lack of squashes and pumpkins here, and dealers are glad to find a market for them.

DR. J. K. LOCKE has returned to the city. Office, Third and Madison street, over Plummer's Drug Store.

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CHAFING-DISH CLASSES.

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Miss Porter, of the Domestic Science School, expects to open a chafing-dish class for young women and young men next Monday night. There will be a course of four lessons. The first will be devoted to preparing mushrooms, etc. As these are very easy even for tyros in cookery, any young man may learn enough in this one lesson to give a successful chafing-dish party to his bachelor friends and make in place of the regular, old-time Thanksgiving dinner. The second lesson in the series will be on cheese. The third will be an egg lesson, mushrooms also being repeated. The fourth and last lesson in the series will have for its subject Christmas candies, the salting of nuts, glazes, etc. Young people who contemplate taking this course will do well to register immediately. It is hardly necessary to say that it may be made the occasion for great fun and merriment as well as profit. A class of young men alone in general cooking is also about to be formed. These classes for young men have recently become quite the vogue in Eastern cities, and there is no reason why they should not become as popular here. At any time when a sufficient number of young people wish a special chafing-dish lesson on their favorite dishes, arrangements may be made for it with Miss Porter. A class in general cooking for Japanese is about to be started, next Saturday night being the time set for the first lesson. Miss Porter may be seen about these matters at the school, corner of Washington and Nineteenth streets.

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COUNCIL WANTS TO KNOW MORE ABOUT WELDLER FRANCHISE.

Northern Pacific Is Back of It, but Is Unable to Give Definite Statement as to Its Objects.

An adjourned meeting of the Common Council was held yesterday, to consider the question of the Welder railroad franchise. After a discussion lasting an hour and a half the matter was referred to the street committee. All the members were present, except Mulkey, who has gone East.

On the meeting being called to order the franchise ordinance was taken from the table and read a third time at length. Several communications from manufacturers at the North End, asking that the franchise be not granted, unless their interests were protected on free switching, provisions, were read, and also a communication asking that the franchise be granted.

Mayor Rowe presented a letter which he had received from Thomas Cooper of the Northern Pacific, in answer to a telegram Mr. Cooper stated in substance that the Northern Pacific Railway Company was to take over the franchise from Welder, if it was granted him; but no one was authorized to state what the company proposed to do here nor how much money it would spend. In fact, the company was not prepared to give any information on the points, as it only desired to buy the Welder property as a provision for the future.

There being a number of persons present who were interested in the matter under consideration, on motion of Mr. Worthington they were given permission to address the meeting.

Manager Mohler, of the O. R. & N. Co., made a brief speech in his usual frank and straightforward style. He did not oppose the granting of the franchise ordinance as originally passed, but explained

BOOMING THE 1905 FAIR.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 18.-[To the Editor]-Desiring to help along the Lewis and Clark Exposition, and thinking that your handbook of Portland sent to all our customers would be a good way to help, I wish to know if I can secure, say 200, for that purpose. Yours truly,

W. E. STOWE, Mgr., Columbia River Lumber Co.

how the granting of the franchise now asked for would bar the Terminal Company from the manufacturing district at the North End. He said Portland was the only city on the Coast which had a territorial corporation. It had commenced right and placed the business interests of the city on an equality, and the question now is, Are you going to build a fence in North Portland, and shut out the Terminal Company?

W. B. Ayer said he had invested his money in the Eastern Lumber Company on account of free switching furnished by the Terminal Company. He was in favor of the franchise, and if it was so arranged that the Northern Pacific could not shut him out from this privilege, he explained how mills not in reach of the Terminal Company had to pay \$1 per car for switching.

F. R. Strong appeared in behalf of Mr. Welder, but did not represent the company to which the franchise is to be assigned. He said all the objections to the franchise were based on an assumption that the Northern Pacific would shut out the Terminal Company from the North End by cancelling the lease the Terminal Company has on 400 feet of its track. He had no idea that anything of the kind was intended, but if this should be done, it would not cost much to build 400 feet of track. He contended that the franchise asked for would only place the Northern Pacific on an equality with the other roads.

Thomas Strong appeared for the North Pacific Lumber Company, and explained what an injury it would be to the company's business if it came upon that, he would have to pay \$1 a car for switching. He did not care how it was put into the franchise, but he wanted it fixed so that the Northern Pacific shall grant terminal rates for switching. If the Northern Pacific would grant them, it was all that was wanted.

There was considerable more discussion, and several amendments were inserted in the ordinance. No one opposed the granting of the franchise to the Northern Pacific, if it contained provision for free switching. The company remained silent, and would not say that it would grant free switching from which it was naturally inferred that it would not.

Finally, when it came down to taking a vote on the final passage of the ordinance, Mr. Welder, who is a member of the street committee, moved that the whole matter be recommitted to the street committee. He said he was not ready to vote for the ordinance without further consideration. If the ordinance was passed as it was, it put a club in the hands of the Northern Pacific, and it might do things for which all the Councilmen would be sorry.

Masters seconded the motion. He was not ready to vote for the ordinance as it was. Some steps ought to be taken to protect the rights of citizens.

Bronaugh, who is chairman of the street committee, said he was placed in the most embarrassing position he had been in since he was a member of the Council. He had been studying the franchise question for the past four months. He had taken an

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interest in it, and had put in more work on it than anything else which has come up. He would be greatly disappointed if the ordinance did not pass. So much pains had been taken to protect the rights of citizens in the first ordinance passed that the franchise had not been rejected. The committee had not had the assistance from the parties interested, as it ought to have had. He was strongly of opinion that those persons who wanted their rights protected ought to have prepared amendments which would have covered the case. It looked folly to refer the matter back to the committee, but he was not prepared to vote for it now.

Gilsen, also a member of the street committee, said he was satisfied that the franchise was a Northern Pacific proposition. He hated to have it put off, but it would be best to lay it off. He would regret all his life if he did anything to injure the manufacturing enterprises of the city; he would regret all his life if he kept out the Northern Pacific. He was strongly in favor of the ordinance. He said persons who wanted their interests protected came in to object to everything, and he did not see the situation as to how these rights should be protected.

A vote was taken on the motion to refer the ordinance to the street committee, and the result: Ayes, 7; noes, 4. Holbrook, Merrill and Sherrett voting no.

MILL NOT YET IN PLACE.

Cannot Reach Post-Lambert Group Till Snow Melts.

Henry Stanislawsky, who is superintendent of the Post-Lambert group of mines in the Mount Baker mining district, owned by the Mount Baker Mining Company, of this city, and who has been in charge of operations at the mines since the company purchased the property four years ago, is in the city on a short visit.

Mr. Stanislawsky says the 10-stamp mill, which he had hoped would be in operation this winter, had to be left at Shuksan, eight miles from the mine; but it will be taken in over the snow in March, and the stamps will be dropping by the first of June. The mill is to be operated by water power, and there is an aerial tramway to convey the ore from the mine to the mill, a distance of 4000 feet.

The Mount Baker Mining Company, of which Henry is president, and Leo Fried secretary, has expended over \$30,000 within the last four years in developing the mine. During the past season, they have built new cook houses at the mine and the mill, in readiness for commencing operations. The camp at the mine, on the slope of Mount Baker, is made of squared logs, solidly notched together and bolted to the mountain, and the roof is built at the same slope as the mountain, so that snow slides can slip down over it without damage.

One can imagine that the owners are anxious to have the mill in operation, as Mr. Stanislawsky states that they have now blocked out about 40,000 tons, which is a conservative estimate, are worth \$20 per ton. Besides, there are 700 tons on the dump and 150 tons on the chute. The ore, as it shows up in the five-foot vein on the face of the tunnels, thickly set with quartz and tellurium, shows plainly that this is to be one of the great mining properties of this region.

Mr. Stanislawsky will return to the mine in a few days, and a force of men will be kept at work there all winter.

TWO NODS MEANT JAIL.

Dentist Duppe Charged With Larceny of a Cuspidor.

Fred Duppe, a dentist, who has seen better days, was charged at the Municipal Court, yesterday, with the larceny of a cuspidor, and he entered a plea of guilty. "It has been reported to this court that you are reaching to the use of morphine," said Judge Cameron.

"You'd be better off some place where you will be taken care of," said the Judge, and Duppe nodded again. He was sentenced to 90 days in the County Jail.

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