

FARMERS TAKE HAND

Will Help McBride in Fight on Railway Lobby.

CANDIDATES WILL BE PLEDGED

Whitman County Will Invite Preston and Ankeny to Attend Mass Meeting and Tell Where They Stand.

Farmers of Eastern Washington propose to find out who are their friends and who are their enemies in the great fight on the railroad in this state.

COLFAX, Wash., April 23.—The farmers of Whitman County will take their hand in the fight for reduced railroad freight rates, and have already begun by circulating a call for a mass meeting to which candidates for the State Legislature and United States Senate are invited to meet the voters, and pledge themselves on this question.

Application for Light Franchise. WALLA WALLA, Wash., April 23.—The Mill Creek Light & Power Company has applied to the City Council for a franchise to erect poles and bring light into the city to compete with the local gas and electric company.

July 4 Feature at Seattle. SEATTLE, April 23.—Plans are under way for the laying of the keel of the battleship Nebraska July 4, with elaborate ceremonies.

W. C. T. U. Visits Saloons. WALLA WALLA, Wash., April 23.—Twenty-four members of the local W. C. T. U. made an investigation of the local saloons today in an endeavor to get evidence that could be used to convict.

To Organize Elks in Manila. EVERETT, Wash., April 23.—J. E. Bell, district deputy grand exalted ruler of the Elks for Western Washington, will leave shortly for Manila, P. I., to assist in organizing Elks lodges.

Burglars in Elms Store. ELMAS, April 23.—Burglars entered the store of J. W. Anderson here last night, and took a quantity of goods and 50 cents in silver.

Northwest Dead. MARSHFIELD, Or., April 23.—Frederick Schetter, a resident of Coos county for 35 years, died this morning, aged 71 years.

Well-Known Telegraph Operator. LOS ANGELES, Cal., April 23.—Mose R. Springer, one of the best-known telegraph operators west of Chicago, is dead in this city.

Ex-Customs Inspector at Honolulu. ASTORIA, April 23.—Living Quincy Tewksbury died in this city last night of heart disease, after a few hours' illness.

Old Resident of Chinook. ASTORIA, April 23.—Lloyd Evans, an old resident of Chinook, died at the hospital in this city this morning of consumption. The remains will be taken to Chinook for interment.

MEANS DEPOSITORS GET ALL. Assessment on Stock of Suspended Vancouver Bank.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 23.—Receiver A. B. Eastham, of the First National Bank, which suspended here a year ago, has received notice from the Controller of the Currency, stating that an assessment of 50 per cent has been levied by the department against the stockholders in the bank.

Reception to Soldiers. Arrangements have been made and invitations issued for a reception at the Auditorium Theatre tomorrow evening in honor of the Second Battalion of the Seventeenth Infantry, which recently arrived here from Manila.

Soldier Bound Over for Assault. A. Henderson, the soldier belonging to the Hospital Corps who assaulted Henry Jackson, a colored bootblack, here last Sunday, with an iron water pipe, was given a hearing before a Justice of the Peace here last evening, and held in \$500 bail for trial in the Superior Court on the charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

PASSENGER TRAIN WRECKED. Six-Year-Old Boy Killed and Number of Persons Injured.

CHENEY, April 23.—The passenger train from Colfax, to Spokane, on the Central Washington, was wrecked about 3 1/2 miles from here today at 3:36 A. M. One passenger, a 6-year-old boy, was killed, and several persons injured.

Killed—NEEL BOWIE, of Reardon. Injured—John Kellogg, of Reardon, injured internally, may die; infant named Phelps, here injured, may die; Bert Lindley, express messenger, shoulder dislocated; Eugene Rice, passenger, internal injuries; child named Phelps, 3 years old, wrist broken.

The wreck is believed to have been caused by one of the rods of a steel cattle

CONFERS WITH STRIKERS

SAN FRANCISCO STREET RAILWAY OWNERS MEET MEX.

No Definite Result Reached, But Steps Were Taken Toward an Adjustment.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 23.—No definite result was reached today in the negotiations for ending the street railway strike in this city, but steps were taken toward an adjustment. A conference was held this evening between a committee from the strikers and the executive committee of the board of directors of the United Railroads at the company's office.

OREGON PIONEER OF 1852.

SALEM, Or., April 23.—Henry M. Jones, who died in this city last Friday, was one of those sturdy, energetic men who grew up with this Western country, and who labored with their hands to make the Willamette Valley its great producing region. He came to Oregon with his parents in 1852. He was then a boy of 15 years. For 50 years he led the life of a farmer in the Waldo Hills, performing well known work in the community for his children to lives of usefulness in the communities in which they reside.

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charged by the company because they belonged to unions, and recognition of organized labor in the adjustment of future grievances. The conference arranged for Mayor Schmitz to take place in his office this morning was not held, the railroad officials refusing to treat with the strikers until the city council had adopted the franchise to furnish light to consumers for a period of two years.

NO CHANGE IN STRIKE.

Oregon City Woolen Mills Still Tied Up—Employes' Statement. OREGON CITY, Or., April 23.—There was practically no change in the woolen mill strike situation today. The newly formed union met this afternoon and appointed a relief committee. The employees have assurances from business men and politicians in the city that their strike will be forthcoming.

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Prune Outlook Excellent.

CORVALLIS, Or., April 23.—Prospects relative to the prune crop in this county in all the orchards in this vicinity, there have been light frosts the past few nights, but it is generally believed they have been too light to do damage.

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of whom are leading taxpayers, who joined in the petition tonight for light. The majority of the taxpayers want the streets lighted, and are willing to be taxed to meet the expense, if necessary, but the Council declines to entertain the proposition. Members of the Council, in explanation of their opposition to the consideration of the lighting proposition of Mr. Henry, say they want time to look into the matter and ascertain if his proposition is genuine. While they do not say so, the inference drawn is that they entertain a suspicion that the old company, with which the Council is at odds, is back of the new scheme.

Rheumatism. The liniment bottle and flannel strip are familiar objects in nearly every household. They are the weapons that have been used for generations to fight old Rheumatism, and are about as effective in the battle with this giant disease as the blunderbuss of our forefathers would be in modern warfare. Rheumatism is caused by an acid, sour condition of the blood. It is filled with acid, irritating matter that settles in the joints, muscles and nerves, and liniments and oils no nothing else applied externally can dislodge these gritty, corroding particles.

Look Here Men, Young and Old, Read This. This is the oldest Private Medical Dispensary in the City of Portland. Medical Science has advanced, and the old reliable specialist, Dr. Kessler, the old reliable specialist, has been manager of the institution for 30 years. It is during which time thousands of cases have been cured, and no person was ever refused treatment. The St. Louis Dispensary has thousands of dollars in money and property, and able financially to make any word good. Since Dr. Kessler started the St. Louis Dispensary, over 20 years ago, hundreds of traveling doctors have come to Portland, advertised their surgical ability in the papers, and what money they then left from consulting patients, then left town. Dr. Kessler is the only advertising specialist who can give references to all classes. You may ask bankers, merchants, and all kinds of business men. They will tell you that Dr. Kessler is O. K. Lots of people come from the country deposit their money with him. No other specialist on the Coast can give such reference as this old doctor.