DENIES HE KNOWS ABOUT THE TIGER

Allen Declines to Be Expert Witness on Gambling in Van Auker Trial.

DAMAGE SUIT PROGRESSES

Agent for Surety Company Who Had Van Auker Arrested on Charge of Robbing Bank Tells Why He Suspected Cashier.

George W. Allen, Northwest manager for the National Surety Company, from whom Charles S. Van Auker, ex-cashier of the Rainier Bank, is suing to recover $5,000 damages, was the first witness called yesterday when the plaintiff's case had been rested. On his direct examination, Allen testified that he had been notified of the robbery by his company and had come to Portland to make a personal investigation, the outcome of the investigation resulting in the arrest of Van Auker on a charge of having himself looted the bank. Allen, who is a brother of Harrison Allen, ex-District Attorney of the Third Judicial District, had smooth sailing during the direct examination, but when it came to a rigid cross-examination at the hands of Attorney B. J. S. McAllister, he found difficulty in making direct answers to the questions.

It was Allen who swore to the complaint upon which Van Auker was arrested, and which precipitated the damage suit. During the long cross-examination, Attorney McAllister was forced to appeal to Judge Wolverton several times in order to compel the witness to cease his voluble explanations and to stop drawing his own conclusions as to the credibility of the story that Van Auker told of the robbery.

From his testimony, it was evident that Allen had believed Van Auker's story of the robbery of the Rainier bank was not true. Attorneys for the plaintiff had previously proven by testimony of detectives of the Pinkerton agency that they, after making an investigation of the robbery, had decided that Van Auker was not guilty of the robbery. Attorney McAllister sought to make the witness, Allen, testify that such a report had been submitted to him. This Allen denied.

Examination Grows Tiresome.

The examination was a long and tiresome one. It dragged along until it came to the point where Allen had investigated Van Auker's gambling. The fun came when Attorney McAllister tried to make an expert witness of Allen on the subject of gambling. Allen balked at this, and his testimony would make good reading for the home office of the surety company at New York. He swore that he had never played cards in his life, and didn't know the difference between a stud-poker game and faro. All he knew about gambling, he said, was what he learned from the proprietor of a gambling-house at Astoria, when he learned that Van Auker had lost $600 at one sitting, and what was told him by the high pilots of the Milwaukie Country Club. When he was asked to tell what he saw at the Milwaukie Club, Allen said:

"There was a blackboard there. I guess it was used to play the races by wire."

"Did you see a 'twenty-one game?' asked Attorney McAllister.

"What's a 'twenty-one' game?" innocently asked the witness, and the crowd of lawyers and others present tittered. It was evident that more than one present had bearded the tiger in his den and had taken a hand at "Black Jack."

Allen was asked about his knowledge of faro, but it was clear that he had never heard of "Faro" or his daughter, for he protested vigorously at Attorney McAllister's attempt to make a gambling expert out of him. The protest caused the attorney also to admit unblushingly that he had no knowledge of cards, and that his knowledge had only been acquired prior to the trial. Such ignorance of the great American game called poker, on the part of the witness and attorney, caused a former employe of the Milwaukie Club to ask during the recess whether either one of them had ever played "that nerve-racking game called ping-pong."

Van Auker seemed to know all about the various tools used by gamblers, and he coached his attorney constantly during the cross-examination.

Denies He Cursed Bank President.

Allen denied that he had cursed Carlton Lewis, president of the bank, when he refused to sign the complaint. He was forced to admit that he had requested Lewis to sign the complaint. It was during this part of the cross-examination that plaintiff's attorneys laid the foundation for impeaching Allen's testimony later on in the trial.

John Maurise, the man who cut the ropes with which Van Auker was bound, took the stand after Allen had finished. Maurise works in the lumber mills at Rainier, and his memory of the testimony he gave at the trial before the Justice of the Peace was vague. He swore that his attention to the bank had been attracted by hearing glass fall. He said that he first thought some boys had broken the window, but when he looked towards the window, he saw Van Auker. Maurise testified to cutting the ropes with which Van Auker's arms were bound. His testimony was given in a Weber-Fields dialect that was funny to listen to. Attorney McAllister tried to get the witness to admit that he had told some one, in describing the robbery, "that the bank was busted," meaning that it had been robbed, but he could not remember.

Just before adjournment Sheriff White, of Columbia County, took the stand. Sheriff White was one of the men who brought Van Auker to Portland when he was subjected to the "third degree" in Detective Lou Hartman's office. Attorney Flanders introduced the rope that had been around Van Auker's feet. This was produced from Sheriff White's pocket. The examination closed at this point and adjournment was taken until this morning.

DIRECT PRIMARY'S FAULTS

How the "Will of the People" Is Nullified by Their Votes.

Des Moines Capital.

Political theories can go into ecstasies over the Oregon plan of electing Senators if they choose. The fact remains that the present situation in that state presents one of the most incongruous and absurd spectacles known to modern methods of government.

Oregon is a Republican state. Its people uniformly support Republican policies. It has a Republican Legislature. And yet with a General Assembly composed of 77 Republicans and 13 Democrats on joint ballot, George E. Chamberlain, a native of Mississippi and a Bryan Democrat for a dozen years, has just been elected to a seat in the United States Senate for a term of six years.

This is the outcome of a hysterical ambition to saddle the state with the most fantastic primary election system which human ingenuity could devise—a law so loosely constructed as to permit Democrats to pack Republican primaries or resort to any other method which political frenzy might suggest—and then compel a Republican Legislature to deliver Democratic goods.

The champions of this legislative monstrosity will shout that it is a move in the direction of broader political freedom. As a matter of fact it is a direct perversion or nullification of the rules of popular government.

Regardless of how independent the voter has a right to be and should be, it is conceded that under our form of government political parties are inevitable. They constitute the best-known agency for the expression of the popular will. How, therefore, does Oregon expect to have her sentiments correctly voiced so far as Senator Chamberlain is concerned?

Oregon claims to be a protection state. She sends to the Senate a free-trade Democrat.

Oregon claims to be a sound money state. She sends to the Senate a man saturated with Bryanic monetary heresy.

Oregon claims that a majority of her people stand squarely upon the Republican National platform of 1908. She sends to the United States Senate a man who stands squarely on the Democratic platform of 1908.

It may be cheerfully admitted that this is Oregon's own affair. She may indulge a penchant for freak legislation which would make even spectacular Oklahoma stand aghast, but mark the prediction—It will be the longest and most tiresome six years which the Republicans of Oregon have experienced since the state was admitted into the Union.

WEDDING BRILLIANT AFFAIR

CRONAN-STOTT NUPTIALS ARE CELEBRATED AT CATHEDRAL.

Archbishop Christie Officiates at Ceremony, Which Makes Two Prominent Young People One.

One of the most brilliant and impressive ceremonies ever held in Portland was the solemn high nuptial mass which marked the wedding of Miss Susan Plowden Stott and John Emerson Cronan yesterday morning at St. Mary's Cathedral. The hour of 11:30 A. M. was chosen for the ceremony, but long before the appointed time the church was taxed to its capacity. Prior to the mass, the wedding ceremony occurred, his grace, Archbishop Alexander Christie, officiating, assisted by Father McDevitt and Father Gallagher. High nuptial mass, which followed, was celebrated by Father Thompson, assisted by Father O'Hara, deacon, and Father de Lorimier, subdeacon.

The decorations for the Cathedral were a profusion of palms, Easter lilies, while subdued candle lights gleamed from the altars. As the bridal cortege knelt at the sanctuary, his grace, Archbishop Christie, vested in brilliant cope and mitre, pronounced the apostolic blessing.

With the striking gown of the bride and those of the attending maids, contrasted with the sacerdotal robes of the clergy, the bridal cortege was lovely in the extreme.

The matrons of honor, Mrs. Frank Freeman, Mrs. Lansing Stout, and the bridesmaids, Miss Mary Cronan and Miss Bertha Tongue, were gowned alike in shell pink satin crepe, cut directoire, with which they wore black-plumed picture hats and carried bouquets of Parma violets.

The bride, who was one of the most prominent girls in society, made a charming appearance in a sheath gown of ivory directoire satin, with much handsome lace about the corsage. A full-length veil fell to the hem of her robe and she carried a prayerbook.

Mr. Cronan was attended by his brother, Louis Cronan, and the ushers were Dr. Ben Norden, Dr. George Ainslie, Plowden Stott, William Lyons and Jordan Zan.

The following exceptionally interesting musical programme was given under the direction of Mrs. Rose Coursen Reed:

Trio—"Ti Prego Padre" ..... Nicolai
Miss Lawler, J. W. Belcher, Dom Zan.
Cello Solo—"Ave Maria" ..... Gounod
Charles P. Raff.
Wedding March, "Lohengrin" ..... Wagner
Sung by full choir.
Mrs. Sanderson Reed, Mrs. Ernest Laidlaw, Miss Alice Justin, Miss Kathleen Lawler, Miss Catherine Crouch, Miss Vida Reed, Miss Beulah Cadwell, Mrs. J. S. Monte, Miss Nona Lawler, Rose Coursen-Reed, J. W. Belcher, Dom J. Zan, William Conley, R. N. Rockenberry, Louis P. Bruce, Gus Cramer, George Ainslie.
"Veni Creator" ..... Neidlinger
Mrs. Reed.
"Kyrie" ..... Monestel
J. W. Belcher and choir.
Offertory—"Ave Maria" ..... Lucantoni
Dr. George Ainslie, with 'cello obligato by Mr. Raff.
"Sanctus" ..... Monestel
Choir.
"Benedictus" ..... Monestel
Miss Lawler, Mr. Belcher and choir.
"Agnus Dei" ..... Monestel
Mr. Zan and choir.
"Wedding March" ..... Mendelssohn
Frederick Goodrich.

Mr. Goodrich's organ numbers preceding the ceremony were:
Marche Nuptiale ..... Widor
Bridal Song (Wedding Symphony) Goldmark
Cattlene Nuptiale ..... Dubois

A small reception followed at the home of Mrs. Raleigh Stott on West Park street, to which were bidden only the immediate families. Mr. and Mrs. Cronan left on the afternoon train for a trip to New York.

JENKINS-AINSWORTH WEDDING

Daughter of Old and Prominent Portland Family Becomes Bride.

Another wedding of interest celebrated yesterday was that of Miss Belle Ainsworth and Ralph Jenkins, which took place yesterday afternoon at the First Presbyterian Church, Rev. William Hiram Foulkes officiating. The bride is a member of one of the oldest and most prominent Portland families, being a daughter of the late Captain and Mrs. J. C. Ainsworth and a sister of Miss Maud and John C. Ainsworth, of Portland; of Mrs. Percy Morgan, of San Francisco, and Harry B. Ainsworth, of Los Angeles.

Mr. Jenkins was attended by his brother, Horace Jenkins, and the ushers were T. S. McGrath, Dr. Coughlan, E. T. Chase and Thomas Scott Brooks. The bridesmaids, Miss Maud Ainsworth and Miss Mabel Norris were gowned in attractive costumes of white net handsomely appliqued and built over foundations of rose pink chiffon and satin. They carried arm bouquets of bridesmaid buds and wore large hats of white,ladened with weeping-willow plumes.

The bride wore a striking creation of empire satin, hand-embroidered and cut on sheath lines. The corsage was elaborated with point de Venise and she carried lilies of the valley and maidenhair fern.

Among the out-of-town guests were the bride's uncle, John S. Baker, of Tacoma, Miss Bernice Baker, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. Ainsworth, of Los Angeles. A small reception followed at the Portland Heights residence of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins left on the evening train for a trip South.

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RESENTS BIG GRAB

E. T. Parsons Discusses Hetch-Hetchy Project.

GREAT PARK IS MENACED

Director of San Francisco Sierra Club Declares That City Has Fine Water Supplies Available Without Invading Reserve.

From all sections of the country a protest is being raised against the proposed plan of giving over the Hetch-Hetchy Basin as a reservoir for San Francisco's water supply. There is a deep-seated resentment of this effort to encroach on National parks on the part of every genuine nature lover in America. E. T. Parsons, an influential business man of San Francisco and one of the directors of the famous Sierra Club, of which John Muir is president, is spending a few days in Portland, and in response to a request from The Oregonian discussed the matter at considerable length yesterday.

"The valid reasons against the proposed grant by the Government of the Hetch-Hetchy Valley and the Tuolumne watershed to the City of San Francisco as a source of water supply, are so numerous and so convincing that I cannot see how any fair-minded person can fail to be moved by them," said Mr. Parsons. "The city at present uses 53,000,000 gallons of water a day. Mr. Grunsky, former City Engineer of San Francisco, has reported that the city's present source of supply could be developed to over 100,000,000 gallons a day. The same has been reported by Professor George Davidson, who has made careful investigations, and who assured me during a recent interview that he was prepared to maintain his position in the matter. The same has been reported by a number of other experts. Also numerous possible places of water supply for San Francisco have been passed upon favorably by engineers of the highest ability. In fact, few cities are so favorably situated as to possible sources of water supply.

"In spite of this fact, the city now proposes and has already enlisted much support from the Government to destroy one of the Nation's most beautiful recreation spots, which attracts thousands of tourists every year and is the Summer outing spot for the entire population of the San Joaquin Valley. Destruction would follow to the Hetch-Hetchy Valley if turned into a reservoir, for the reason that, whatever effect it might have on the scenery, the flooding of the entire floor, many feet deep, with water, as shown by the plans of Mr. Manson, engineer of the City of San Francisco, would destroy the magnificent camp-ground groves in the park-like stretches of the valley and render the valley inaccessible and unenjoyable to the public.

Playground for Throngs.

"The fact of the matter is that many roads focus at the park from which, to which and through which all roads and trails radiate. These are the Yosemite Valley, the Hetch-Hetchy Valley and the Tuolumne Meadows. Every season hundreds of travelers traverse these trails and camp on the camp-grounds of these three centers. Personally I have traveled over these trails three successive seasons, each season spending many days in the Hetch-Hetchy Valley itself and each time I have been there there were numerous camping parties amounting to hundreds of people who were enjoying the delights of the valley.

"This is but the beginning of a great tide of travel that must seek this beautiful recreation spot in the near future. It is notorious that the Yosemite Valley has been overcrowded for several seasons and the overflow will see the Hetch-Hetchy Valley and the Tuolumne Meadows in constantly increasing volume. Were this unsightly reservoir to be built in the Hetch-Hetchy Valley as proposed, no provision having been made to build a wagon road at the level of the reservoir through and about the granite cliffs that nearly perpendicularly wall in the valley for the greater part of both sides, all the trails radiating to and from this focus will necessarily be cut off and made 'No Thoroughfare.'

"If San Francisco comes to the Government in the role of mendicant, despite the fact that she has many other ample sources of supply, and asks for the Hetch-Hetchy Valley, we could well afford to pay the city outright the $20,000,000 which it is estimated the project will cost. Horace McFarland, president of the American Civic Association, is authority for the statement that Americans annually spend in Europe, exclusive of European Russia, $500,000,000. The Pacific Coast offers scenic advantages far superior to anything in Europe and the time will soon come when the rest of the Nation will find this out. I expect to live to see $500,000,000 spent every year by travelers to this Western country, provided the Government takes the sensible course of conserving its beauty spots. So you see our cause has a commercial as well as an aesthetic side.

Says Facts Are Misrepresented.

"The San Francisco papers religiously misrepresent the facts for purely selfish reasons and have sent broadcast a false impression of the conditions. They fill their editorial columns with half-truths and falsehoods and are absolutely unreliable for the purpose of getting at the truth of the discussion. Until the Sierra Club took the matter up nothing had been done. We have written a vast mass of correspondence to Congress and Governmental officials and are leaving nothing undone. We have recently issued an elaborate pamphlet setting forth the reasons for preserving the Hetch-Hetchy from this proposed San Francisco rape, and a committee of which John Muir is chairman, the other members being Professor J. N. LeConte, Professor William F. Bade and myself, has issued an address to the public."

Mr. Parsons said the closing paragraph of the address condenses the whole appeal, and the paragraph is here reproduced:

We urge you to assist in preventing this incalculable loss to the entire Nation by writing, and getting all your friends to write at once to your Congressman and Senators, Washington D. C., protesting in your own language against this desecration. The letters should be written immediately. Now is the critical time. We urge you to write or wire, if only a few words.

"We are conducting a campaign," Mr. Parsons continued, "for the preservation of Yosemite and Hetch-Hetchy, the most accessible National playgrounds we have, and we want the people of the entire country to help us in the fight. Our efforts have the indorsement of every important mountain-climbing club, as well as all the most eminent naturalists and travelers in America. We want the people of Portland to help us save this wonderful beauty spot. The editorial attitude of The Oregonian in the matter has met with the approval of friends of the cause throughout the entire country, and we feel certain the good work done here will bear fruit in the shape of positive efforts on the part of Portlanders and Oregonians generally."

MRS. NANCY EDWARDS DIES

Portland Woman Crossed Plains to Oregon in 1852.

Mrs. Nancy M. Edwards, one of Oregon's pioneers, died yesterday morning at the home of her son, John Edwards, 141 East Forty-fifth street. Death was due to a complication of ailments.

Mrs. Edwards was born in Indiana 71 years ago, and moved with her parents to Missouri when a child. In 1852 she crossed the plains to Oregon. In 1856 she married Joseph Edwards in Portland. Six of 11 children survive her. They are: Blakely Edwards, Vancouver, Wash.; Mrs. Elzina Hall, Portland; Phineas Edwards, who lives in Washington; John

The Late Mrs. Nancy M. Edwards.

Edwards, Portland; Amos Edwards, Salem; and Gilford Edwards, Tigardville.

Funeral services will be held at 1 o'clock this afternoon at the home of her son, John Edwards. Interment will be held at Sherwood, this state.

IN FAVOR OF BRIDGE PLAN

Councilmen Indorse Project to Build Across Columbia.

The City Council yesterday afternoon adopted a resolution, favoring the construction of a bridge across the Columbia River from a point at or near the northerly extension of Patton avenue in this city to Vancouver, Wash., and recommending the appointment of joint committees of the Oregon and Washington Legislatures to investigate the project. The resolution was introduced by Councilman Menefee, at the request of J. H. Nolta for the North Albina Improvement Association. It passed unanimously.

"This bridge project is one of the greatest things yet undertaken in the way of a very important improvement that will benefit the two states and it will prove to be a wonderful means of bringing trade and traffic into Portland," said Mr. Nolta. "I believe we will succeed in getting the bridge, and we are very hopeful over it."

Following is the resolution, which explains the principal features of the project:

Whereas, There have been presented to the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon, petitions by citizens and taxpayers of Multnomah County, requesting said Legislative Assembly to enact a measure for the construction of a bridge across the Columbia River from a point at or near the northerly extension of Patton avenue, in the City of Portland, in said county, to the City of Vanocuver, in the State of Washington, and that to this end a conference committe be appointed to meet with a similar committe from the State of Washington for the purpose of considering this matter and providing the ways and means for the accomplishment of this object; and

Whereas, The needs of the constantly increasing commerce betwen the populous trade centers on the opposite banks of said river demand the construction of such bridge as soon as possible; and

Whereas, Such bridge will furnish a thoroughfare across the Columbia River, making possible an automobile roadway between Portland, Seattle, Tacoma and way points, also a great interstate highway, and will be an undertaking far-reaching in its beneficial results, not only to the residents of the respective communities, but the States of Oregon and Washington, and will add greatly to the wealth of both; therefore

Be It Resolved, That the Council of the City of Portland does hereby emphatically indorse the said petitions and the whole thereof and requests the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon to enact the measures suggested by said petitions.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Charlton, who have been in the East for the past few weeks, will return to Portland tomorrow night.

I. C. Sanford, manager of the Campbell-Sanford-Henley Company, has gone to San Francisco with his family to be absent two months.

Samuel C. Kerr, president of the wholesale grocery firm of Wadhams & Kerr Brothers, accompanied by his wife and little daughter, left Portland yesterday for Victoria, B. C., where they will take the Canadian Pacific steamer, sailing tomorrow, for Sydney, Australia. They will be away from the city for three months.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—R. B. Goodin, of Salem, Or., returning from a visit up-state, will leave for home today.

Mrs. M. L. Hunt has arrived on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse from Paris and is staying at the Hotel Astor, in New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Northwestern visitors are registered here today as follows:

Portland—M. W. Schwartz, at the Wellington; F. S. Cooley, at the Cadillac; H. G. Colton, at the Park Avenue; Mrs. M. L. Callan, at the Hotel Astor.

Tacoma—O. D. Coughlin, at the Navarre; T. Fleet, at the Woodstock; W. J. Fisher, at the Breslin.

Spokane—A. H. Smith, at the Bayard; H. A. Hoover, Mrs. H. A. Hoover, at the Woodward; E. H. Morrison, at the St. Andrews.

Seattle—Miss H. Igo, at the Breslin; M. M. Diffenbacher, at the Hoffman; C. S. Follet, at the York.

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—(Special.)—Portland people registered at Chicago hotels today as follows:

H. L. Keats, E. H. Parker, Charles H. Gleim, at the Auditorium Annex; A. H. Averill, at the Auditorium.

Senate Confirms Nominations.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The Senate today confirmed the nominations of Robert Bacon to be Secretary of State, and John Callan O'Laughlin to be Assistant Secretary of State. The nominations were acted upon by the committee on foreign relations today and were unanimously reported.

Mr. Bacon took the oath of office today.

PILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS.

Paze Ointment is guaranteed to cure any case of itching, blind, bleeding or protruding piles in 6 to 14 days or money refunded. 50c.

Two weeks' reduction sale of trunks and bags. Harris Trunk Co., 6th & Alder.

WILL TAKE TICKETS

Auditors to Be Employed on Southern Pacific.

CONDUCTORS ARE RETAINED

Latter Officials, Under System in Effect February 1, Will Be Held Strictly Accountable for Running of Trains.

Train auditors on the Southern Pacific trains on the main line in this state will replace the conductors now in service in taking tickets and collecting fares on February 1. The accounting department of the Oregon lines of the Southern Pacific Company has issued a circular to that effect, with instructions to officers and employes concerning the change.

Train agents who "work" the Southern Pacific trains, examining tickets before the conductor takes them up, will be discontinued and the office of chief train agent abolished. Train auditors will be under the jurisdiction of the auditing department and under the immediate supervision of the auditor of passenger accounts to whom they report.

The auditors will be regularly uniformed, like the conductors, with the words, "S. P. Co., Train Auditor," on their caps. When no train auditor is on duty on the train, the conductor is instructed to make all collections and render reports to the auditing department. The auditors are expected to assist the other trainmen in seating passengers and facilitating the operation of the train whenever possible. But they must not undertake anything in connection with the actual handling of the train, being warned against giving signals for stopping or starting or anything of that kind, this being entirely the province of the conductor and brakemen.

Conductors are to be held strictly accountable for the proper running of the train. However, the auditor is expected to notify the conductor of stops to be made at flag stations and on the other hand the conductor must co-operate with the auditor in his work by pointing out passengers to the auditor when they board the trains, so that nobody will be overlooked.

The change, it is believed, will result in the better operation of Southern Pacific main line trains in this state, for the conductors will be able to devote their whole time to that work. The introduction of train auditors has worked successfully on Eastern railroads where it has been tried and it is thought the plan will prove a success here. No change is announced on the O. R. & N. at present but it is thought likely that this may come later.

Lost Track Is Rebuilt.

The Ilwaco Railroad is again in commission, service having been restored yesterday between Megler and Nahcotta. Over 1000 feet of embankment was washed out by the recent heavy storms and high tides along the shore of Bakers Bay below Megler. The southwest winds kicked up a heavy swell that, in connection with the high tides and soft condition of the earth, swept away the railroad grade, the waves pounding on the embankment supporting the rails for a long distance. Temporary piling structures have been put in to support the track. During the coming few weeks earth and rock will be dumped along the track, building up the grade to the former level. Trains resumed their usual schedules yesterday.

McMurray Goes to Chicago.

William McMurray will leave Portland tomorrow for Chicago, where he will attend the coming session of the Transcontinental Passenger Association, which will meet in the Windy City February 3. There are many matters to be taken up, including local rates for the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition, as well as rates from the Middle West to the Pacific Coast during the Summer. Much routine business will be transacted. Mr. McMurray will represent the Harriman lines in the Pacific Northwest at the session and will be away from Portland for several weeks.

CHANGE IN OMAHA PLANT

TRANSFER OF HOME SYSTEM OF INTEREST HERE.

Telephone Bonds Held in Portland Increase in Value With Deal, Says S. G. Reed.

News was received in Portland yesterday that the Omaha Home Telephone Company, in which many Portlanders are interested as bondholders, had passed into the hands of the men who control the Automatic Electric Company. When asked as to what effect this change would have upon the value of the bonds held by Portland investors who had received them in settlement of their claims against the Oregon Savings & Trust Company, S. G. Reed, president of the German American Bank said last night:

"Advance notice of this change must have been received in Portland a few days ago, for recently brokers have been offering good advanced prices for the Omaha Home Telephone bonds held by Portland people, which a few months ago they held to be very cheap. These bonds are worth par value to any one holding them and I would advise Portland people to retain their bonds, for they will receive full value for them before long. The investment is gilt-edged in every particular and I hope that none of the holders will be induced to part with their bonds at the behest of the brokers' solicitors now endeavoring to buy them up.

"The Omaha plant has now been completed and in accordance with the plans, the construction company, which builds the automatic plants, has turned the completed system over to the operating company. The fact that the bonds have doubled in value since the different plants have been put in operation, is of itself a guarantee that those holding Omaha Home Telephone bonds will not lose anything by retaining them until they can realize their full value."

The following from the Omaha Bee gives the details of the change in control of the Omaha Home Telephone Company:

The change of control of the Independent Telephone Company, forecasted by The Bee, has been officially announced as an accomplished fact.

It has been known for some time that such a deal was under way and it has been understood that the company would pass into the hands of the men who control the Automatic Electric Company, which manufactured the equipment used by the local system, and to the Armour interests.

President Harris of the Automatic Electric Company has been in the city for some days investigating the local concern, and the following announcement in regard to the change of control has been made by Attorney A. R. Wilson of his legal department:

"The Eastern capitalists who have been for some time investigating the conditions of the Independent Telephone Company of Omaha, finally took action Saturday night. On that day at the Rome Hotel a meeting of the stockholders of the company was held, and immediately following it a meeting of the board of directors. These two meetings resulted in the election of a new board of directors, consisting of W. C. Bullard, of Omaha, F. F. Graves, of Los Angeles, Cal., and Frank E. Ebersole, of Portland, Me.

"The directors elected as the new officers of the company: Frank E. Ebersole, president; W. C. Bullard, vice-president and treasurer; Benjamin S. Baker, the former incumbent, retained his office as secretary.

"The purpose of this change of management was to have the affairs of the company put into shape for quick action, the action contemplated being the putting of all the company's affairs into the possession of the Eastern syndicate, which is to furnish new funds for the enterprise, so that up to the present time all work looking to a reorganization has been merely preliminary.

"The final steps will probably be taken in about a week. After the conditions in Omaha have been explained to the syndicate, and the interests of the various members of the syndicate and the actual amount of money needed has been definitely determined, action will be taken at once.

If Joseph Harris, who has been here for the last two days and upon whose decision the contemplated refinancing of the company depended, is the president of the Automatic Electric Company, of Chicago, he is also a director in the Illinois Tunnel Company, the Illinois Surety Company and many other large corporate interests in the East. Mr. Harris announces himself as overwhelmed with the possibilities in the way of telephone development in the city of Omaha, owing to its location, its railroad connections, its nearness to large cities and the populous and rapidly developing country, of which it is the center.

It is the intention of the Eastern parties to bring the number of subscriber stations in Omaha up to 10,000 within a year, and up to 18,000 within two years. The city of South Omaha is to be built and developed immediately, as well as the suburban towns of Benson, Florence and Dundee. Long-distance connections will be made at once, and it is confidently believed that within two years it will be possible for the Omaha subscribers to talk over independent long-distance lines reaching points over 500 miles distant east, west, north and south of the city.

On being asked if there was any doubt as to sufficient funds being available for these extensive developments, Mr. Harris said most emphatically: "No. The funds are not only arranged for, but are actually available at once, and the only delay from now until the time that construction work begins will be that consumed in the necessary adjustment of the various interests of the members of the syndicate."

It is also the purpose of the syndicate to see that the company is made more truly a home enterprise. The board of directors will in the near future be largely increased and representative business men of Omaha will be invited to become directors.

AD CLUB HEARS ADDRESS

Legal Phases of "Trademarks" Discussed by A. L. Veazie.

At the regular meeting of the Ad Club, held last night in the convention hall of the Commercial Club, there was a good attendance of members. After President Chapman called the meeting to order, he introduced A. L. Veazie, an attorney of this city, who delivered the special address of the evening on "Trademarks, Tradenames, Labels and Unfair Competition." The address treated with the legal aspects of his subject and was attentively listened to. At the conclusion of his address, Mr. Veazie replied to numerous questions.

Dr. J. R. Weatherbee, recently elected president of the Commercial Club, was present at the meeting and was asked to say something to the Club. He said that he believed the wide reputation the Commercial Club enjoyed was largely due to the intelligent advertising given it in the work of members of the Ad Club.

W. J. Hofmann, the new secretary of the Commercial Club and a past president of the Ad Club, was also called upon for remarks.

Routine business then occupied the attention of the meeting until adjournment.

NEW COMMITTEES NAMED

Appointments by President Wetherbee of Commercial Club.

Committees for the coming year were appointed yesterday by President J. R. Wetherbee, of the Commercial Club, to manage the affairs of the organization during Dr. Wetherbee's term as president. Committees on membership, reception, auditing and library and property were named yesterday as follows:

Membership—W. T. B. London, chairman; George W. Simons, vice-chairman; Roger Sinnott, Ben Trumbull, George Lawrence, Jr.

Reception—Roger Sinnott, chairman; W. J. Hofmann, vice-chairman; Colonel James Jackson, Sig Sichel, H. Beckwith.

Auditing—H. Beckwith, chairman; Sig Sichel, vice-chairman; T. D. Honeyman, Lloyd Wentworth, H. McCracken.

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