## HOME TELEPHONE CONTROL CHANGES

Deal Also Affects Sound and Long-Distance Companies of Whole Northwest.

BIG OUTLAY IS PLANNED

Capitalists Who Have Bought From Los Angeles Concern Expect to Spend \$700,000 on Local Plant This Year.

(Continued From First Page.) change hands, the purchase including stock alone. However, the purchasing syndicate has taken over the entire bond holdings of two Eastern manufacturers, with stock bonus, the bonds amounting to \$200,000. These manufacturers took bonds with stock bonus in part payment for aparatus and supplies furnished the telephone companies during the construction period. The holders of the bonds have been selling them on the Portland market at a cut price. All these securities will be taken off the market at once as the new owners announce they have purchased them as an investment.

The National Securities Company financed the construction of the three automatic telephone companies and carried them through the unsettled financial conditions of the period following their completion. The National Securi-ties Company retains bonds of the three companies to the amount of over \$1,000,000.

### Mead Tells of Deal.

"The National Securities Company financed the various automatic companles affected by the deal," said Mr. Mead yesterday, "and carried on extensions and improvements during the upproductive period following the completion of the plants. It is felt by all concerned that further large extensions and new lines are necessary, and the purchasers are men of large capital, who are in a position to supply the necessary improvements.

"Local management of the company here is advisable, in order that these extensions may be carried out and the service kept up to what it should be. The local company has installed 1400 new telephones in the past 12 months and has now 8500 instruments connected with the exchange. Many people want the automatic telephone who have been unable to secure them as yet. and the capitalists making the purchase of the controlling interest in the automatic companies will be able to supply

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The Home Telephone Company of Fortland owns the local automatic plant, that is said to be worth about \$2,000,000. Stock has been issued by the Portland company to the amount of \$2,150,000. The company also owns independent exchanges, in Oregon City. Albany and Corvallis. The Home Telephone Company of Puget Sound owns automatic plants in the cities of Tacoma and Bellingham. Stock has been issued by this company to the amount of \$1,320,000. The Northwestern Long-Distance Telephone Company commects all the above-named cities with the findependent company's plant in Seattle, and over 300 small towns and country exchanges in the coast sections of Oregon and Walsington. This company In Courthouse Fight Will Try to

exchanges in the coast sections of Oregon and Wahsington. This company has a stock issue of \$520,000.

It is denied vigorously that the purchase of the control of the independent companies means a consolidation with campeting telephone concerns. It is pointed out by officials of the automatic company that this is expressly prohibited, not only by the terms of the Home franchise here, but by the bonds issued by the Home companies. Provision is made in the stock issues of the independents, too, that is intended to prevent merging with other companies.

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It is given out authoritatively that the new stockholders have provided ample funds for extensions during the year 1906 and that service demands will be met in all respects. It is believed the effect of the sale will be to cause a decidedly firmer tone in the securities in the local market, as both bonds and stock heretofore for sale will be withdrawn.

Sam Hill is well known in Portland and is the son-in-law of James J. Hill, the Great Northern magnate. Although formerly connected with the Hill group of railroads, Mr. Hill is not now allied with those interests. He has a large fortune, however, of his own.

Hervey Lindley was formerly a lumberman residing in Los Angeles. He later developed lumbering plants at Pokegama on the Klamath Lakes and is a wealthy capitalist.

E. A. Stuart is president and other

capitalist.
E. A. Stuart is president and chief owner of the Carnation Cream Company, large manufacturers of condensed milk in the Pacific Northwest, and is rated as

worth a large fortune.

W. G. Collins was for many years active vice-president of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad. He has large experience in automatic telephone. had experience in automatic telephone operation in Chicago. He is also wealthy. M. A. Arnold is president of the First National Bank of Seattle.

The Portland members of the syndicate are all well-known capitalists.

## Will Have Central Office.

The purchasers of the stock of the selephone companies contemplate having the three concerns, although the individuality of each will be maintained. It is announced that extensions will be made to all points in the Pacific Northwest available where the business warrants and a web of telephone wires spread over the two states of Oregon and Washington until the Home companies on the business transacted.

Mr. Lindley is expected to be at the head of the new management and will have charge of the extensions here as elsewhere. He is now going over plans with engineers as how to earve Portland and the outlying country to the best advantage and it is expected all parts of the city, as well as the suburbs will be provided with all the Home Hores needed.

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## Trainmen Put Out Fire.

OREGON CITY, Or., March 18.-(Special.)—A fire was averted this morning at 4:30 o'clock by the timely action of Motorman Charles Johnson and Conductor J. D. Stites, in charge of The Oregonian car bound for Lents Junction. As the car was nearing Grays Gronsing, west of Lents, smoke was discovered issuing from a store building tion. As the car was nearing Grays
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near the depot. The car was speeded to the station and the motorman and conductor, with the assistance of the few passengers, aroused the people of Grays Crossing, and by breaking in the doors and windows soon had the flames under control. The fire started on the outside of the building.

## "Marrying Mary" at the Heilig.

Mary Montgomery. . . . Miss Gear Flurette, her maid. Bessie Graham. nator David Bunchgrass, No. 1 ... Hilliard Campbell Bishop Brigham Smudge, No. 2.

Matt Haniye
Willie Drinkwater, No. 3.

1. Harry B. Roche Harry Benham Colonel Henry Clay Kuipepper

Kitty Kulpepper, Florine Murray 

BY ARTHUR A. GREENE.
ASCINATING Florence Gear, who succeeded Marie Cahill in that delightful comedy with music called "Marrying Mary," opened an engagement at the Hellig last night. However much we

the Hellig last night. However much we may admire Miss Cahill, none of those of us who are supposed to see taings clearly will deny that Miss Gear is better to look at and possesses a voice vastly superior to that of the originator of this excellent comedy role.

Miss Gear has the advantage of being younger and more attractive vocally than the original. If she is not quite such a clever comedienne it is small occasion for surprise, because Marie Cahill has few if any equals in the show business when it comes to creating spontaneous laughter. Miss Gear is not so funny as the lovable Cahill person, but she has a singing voice and that is much.

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It was an occasion for speculation among the wise ones as to what Miss Gear would do in the role of the sprightly divorcee. The answer is that at last night's performance the Jules Murray star kept the audience in a merry meod all through the two and a half hours of the performance. "Marrying Mary" is one of the few pretentious musical shows we have had this season. It comes here with a big reputation for success elsewhere, accentuated by the fact that Miss Cahill was here last season, but the succeeding star is quite competent. Her work last night, and that-of her company, compares favorably with our expectations.

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To begin with, Miss Gear has youth and beauty on her side. She is the best-looking woman that has appeared on a local stage this season, and besides that, she sings real songs in a voice that any soprano in the land might stop to consider.

In her support she has a splendid chorus in long skirts, a most attractive group of girls who have voices and other charms capable of begulling the average audience. The production is evidently the same that Miss Cahill used last year and the costumes are models which the

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Bessie Graham, who plays the maid, is an attractive young woman with enough sprightliness to assume the role, and who sings well when she is called upon; Richard Karl, the baritone, makes quite enough of his opportunities as Colonel Culpepper, while Florine Murray, as Kitty, is altogether delightful. Others in the support range from fair to middling to ordinary.

You need feel no uncertainty in going to see this excellent musical show, for, what with a beautiful and talented star, a sufficiency of handsome costumes and a lot of pretty cherus girls—it is enough and more. "Marrying Mary" will run until Saturday night, with a matinee Saturday.

In Courthouse Fight Will Try to . Stop Proposed Addition.

At the meeting of the East Side Business Men's Club last night, C. A. Bigelow presiding, it was decided to hold a banquet next week, when the part the East Side will have in the coming Rose Festival will be considered. W. B. Hall, William Jackson and State Senator Dan Kellaher were appointed to make the arrangements. Representatives of the Rose Festival Association will be the suests of the club on that occasion. All civil organizations will be invited to send delegates, one object being to emphasize the fact that the East Side wants to hold the children's parade on Grand avenue.

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Reports were received from the committees on Courthouse and State Capitol removal petitions to the effect that they were being circulated generally. The committee on removal of the Courthouse to the East Side was instructed to employ counsel to bring an injunction suit as zoon as the County Court undertakes to start werk on an addition to the present building. An effort will be made to have the final injunction tried out in some court outside of Multnomah County. State Senator Kellaher, in reporting on the petitions for the removal of the state government to Portland, said that he had no doubt that the 8000 signatures needed would be secured.

## PUPILS' RECITAL A TREAT Rose Bloch Bauer's Students Render Attractive Programme.

It was an evening of unusually good song, the occasion being a recital of Mrs. Roze Bloch-Bauer's vocal students at Ellers Hall last night, and the enat Eliers Hall last night, and the enthusiastic audience crowded the largeseating capacity of the hall. All the
songs sung by the young sololats reflected in a remarkable degree the
talent and personality of their teacher,
and Mrs. Bauer made a most artistic
accompanist—so much so that her
skillful piano playing was a positive
treat. Miss Caroline May, mezzo soprano made a stately dignified seprano made a stately dignified seprano, made a stately, dignified appearance, and her finely modulated voice was heard in seven songs, her best and most artistic number being Clark's "You." Dear, and I." Mrs. Elfreda Heller-Weinstein dramatic soprano, sang with excellent expression, and she deserves credit for her fine rendition of an air from "Les Huguenots." Miss Mildred Mayer's singing was notable for its resonant sparkling ots." Miss Mildred Mayer's singing was notable for its resonant, sparkling quality, her best sung number being an aria from Bifet's "Carmen." Miss Effle Johnson is an imprisoned sunbeam in a mass of auburn hair, brightened by bine ribbon, and she has remarkably good head notes. Her voice isn't powerful, but is sweet in quality. Miss Mayer and Miss Johnson are colorature sopranos. All the singers were kindly received and nearly smothered with beautiful bouquets. Hermann Helier played soveral violin solos in such artistic style that he made himself a decided favorite.

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We put on sale all our Imported Tweeds and Fancy Worsteds, regular price, made to order, \$45.00; Black and Blue Worsteds, regular price, \$50.00; Blue West of England Serges in any Wale, wide or narrow, sell regular \$40.00 to \$65.00 a suit, made to order. Friday and Saturday all these goods go on sale for \$20.00 made to order-made just the same as if you pay us our regular price. We have enlarged our store and made all the alterations and have unpacked all our new goods. Every yard goes on sale for two days only

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PROMINENT AS DEMOCRAT

Senator Bourne, F. V. Holman and Other Well-Known Attorneys Took Law Course in His Office.

Colonel William Henry Effinger, ong prominent as an attorney in Port. land, died at Good Samaritan Hospital last night at 9:30 o'clock as the result



The Late Colonel William Henry Effinger.

Smith, Ben Teal and J. Couch Flanders. His death will be learned with deep regret by all with whom he has been associated in years past and to whom he showed so much kindness throughout his lifetim

Effinger leaves one child Colonel Effinger leaves one child, Miss Mallie Effinger, of this city. Other relatives survive him in Virginia, where he was born at Harrisburg. W. S. Ott, of Portland, is a nephew, and Mrs. Fannie Shelby, of this city, is a city.

Colonel Effinger, besides being a was a Princeton man and served dur-ing the Civil War in the Confederate forces. He came to Oregon in 1872 and began the practice of law in this city. He was very successful He was very successful. Colonel Effinger formed a partnership with Jonathan Bourne, Jr., about 1881 that continued for several years. This was the only law partnership formed by the late

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Colonel Effinger will be affectionately remembered by his many friends throughout the city as possessed of a delightful Southern chivalry that charmed all who knew him.

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PORTLAND GROCERS HOSTS Give Banquet for Vancouver Retail

Association.

Portland grocers banqueted the retail dealers of Vancouver at the Commercial Club tast night, giving a delightful affair. Eighteen guests of the Portland association came from Vancouver. The dinner was attended by 150 manufacturers, jobbers and retailers. The best of feeling propulated and all enjoyed the pro-

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C. B. Merrick, secretary of the Portland Retail Grocers' Association acted as toastmaster. After an address of welcome by J. C. Mann, president of the Portland association, and a response by A. J. Collings, president of the Vancouver association, both hosts and greets were called. lings, president of the Vancouver association, both hosts and guests were called on for talks. These were of an impromptu nature, but were all the more enjoyed on that account. F. W. Bier, J. C. Stumberg and W. D. Swank, of Vancouver, made brief remarks, as did Frank Kerr, A. L. Brown, Fred Cooper, E. L. Keeney, A. H. Devers, W. P. Olds, J. E. Malley and J. T. Brumfield, of Portland. The dinner continued until a late bour last night and the visitors expressed themselves as heartily pleased with their reception and declared their intention of maintaining closer relation with the Portland dealers in future.

Dismiss Two Army Officers.

of an attack of paralysis. Colonel Effinger had been ill for some time and falled to rally from the effects of the disease. He was 70 years old at the time of his death.

Colonel Effinger was known in Portland for years as a brilliant attorney and a number of prominent lawyers of the city received their tutelage in his office. Among them are Senator Jonathan Bourne, F. V. Holman, Milton attached to dismissal.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—The officers of the Judge Advocate-General's office have completed their review of the court-martial cases of First Lieutenant Hunter Kinzle, Twentieth Infantry, at the Presidio of Monterey; Cal., and Second Lieutenant Charles H. Rich. Twenty-sixth Infantry, at Manila. It is understood that Kinzle and Rich, who were charged with fraudulent transactions, were found guilty and sentenced to dismissal.

Multnomah County Will Try to Discipline Assessors.

TAXPAYERS HOLD MEETING

Other Counties Must Make Levies on Legal Basis or Drastic Action Will Be Taken by Property-Owners Here.

If the Assessors of counties other than Multnomah do not do their duty, it will be the duty of Multnomah County taxpayers to prevent this county from contributing anything to the funds of the state, whether this be done by means of injunction or otherwise. At any rate this was the sense of the meeting last night of the committee of taxpayers appointed by the meeting called by C. K. Henry at the Heilig Theater.

It was stated that the Assessors of ther counties were not levying on property according to its cash value, as was being done in Multnomah County, and that while it was the law to assess at cash valuation either the other County
Assessors must fall in line or else Multnomah County must refuse to pay her
share. While formerly it was required
that Multnomah County pay 31 per cent
of the state taxation, under the new tax
commission Multnomah would pay on the
basis of the amount collected.

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The meeting last night was mainly for the purpose of electing officers and or-ganizing generally. Gay Lombard was elected to the chair and C. K. Henry was eppointed secretary.

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C. K. Henry was well equipped with mixed as an expert chemist. The subject under discussion was the Cooper to New Yorkers daily by L. T. Cooper. Continuing, Mr. Blenio said: "I acted most wisely. When these preparations were first brought to my attention I believed them to be a big humbug, and no doubt many persons entertain this belief.

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There was general criticism regarding the school tax.

"The school tax requires just as much as the city taxes do," said Mr. Henry. "We are called on for 6 6-10 mills for schools and the same for the city." That the committee was not on a "Henry" investigation, but wanted to get at facts was the sense of Mr. Dodd's remarks, while Mrs. Susie B. Smith wished to know how the taxay tion could be reduced if bridges were still to be built and parks acquired.

It was generally conceded that there were enough bridges for the East Side people; that further bridges would tie up the harbor and that if the harbor were tied up Portland would be no longer a great city. vere tied up Portland would be no

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It was suggested that while the chairman and secretary be left to form committees, those committees should be small so that their work might be all the more far-reaching. It was felt that a certain section of the East Side required proselytizing, that the heavy improvements asked by the East Side had to be paid with West Side money and that the paid with West Side money and that the people should be educated along those

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In a raid on a Chinese gambling joint at 80 Second street last night. Officers Burke, Tichenor and Howell succeeded in capturing 14 fan tan players. The officers were led to make the raid by the suspicious movements of the look-out. in the vicinity. The den is connected by a trap door in the floor with a basement on Oak street. By stationing an officer near the entrance the Chinamen were captured as they came out of the building. The 14 offenders immediately deposited \$50 each to insure his appearance this morning in Municipal Court.

English pumps at Rosenthal's. .

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# TURNED DOWN AS BAD RISK FOR INSURANCE

"There is an old saying that wise ing I had a spell of vomiting. I also suffered with diabetes, and my condition was such that the life insurance men sometimes change their minds, but fools never do," remarked Guido Blenio, in a conversation on Tuesday. Mr. Blenio is Vice-President of the Blenio Fireproofing Company, manufacturers of fireproofing liquids and paints, with offices at 545-549 West Twenty-second street, and is recog-nized as an expert chemist. The sub-

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C. K. Henry was well equipped with figures. He pointed out that the budget for 1908 was 11.424,000, against the 1961 budget of \$865,000. C. H. Dodd added that the school tax had been increased 725 per cent in eight years and the amount of work performed had incrensed but 20 per cent. "The large growth in taxation ach was extremely weak, and I found it difficult to retain food. Every morn-like that the growth of assessable amounts for clearly appreciate the benefit I have successfully passed a rigid medical examination. For life insurance with one of the best companies, which has issued to me a policy for five thousand dollars.

"Several months ago, however, a friend assured me that my opinion was wrong; that he knew positively that the chooper remedies possess great merit, and that I was doing myself an injustice in not giving them a trial. I had been suffering for three years with acute stomach trouble. My stomach was extremely weak, and I found it difficult to retain food. Every morn-like that the treatment I have successfully passed a rigid medical examination. For life insurance with one of the best companies, which has is since taking the treatment I have successfully passed a rigid medical examination. For life insurance with one of the best companies, which has is since taking the treatment I have successfully passed a rigid medical examination. For life insurance with one of the best companies, which has is since taking the treatment I have successfully passed a rigid medical examination. For life insurance with one of the best companies which has is since taking the cossfully amination. For life insurance with one of the best companies which has is since taking the treatment I have successfully passed a rigid medical examination. For life insurance with

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On the strength of my friend's advice I procured a treatment of Cooper's New Discovery and began taking it. I had only expected to get relief from my stomach misery, but to my surprise the diabetes also disappeared. As proof that this man Cooper's medicine has a remarkable curative effect upon the human system. I need only say that since taking the treatment I have successfully passed a rigid medical ex-