TEST OF HIGH STEP CARS IS ORDERED

Women With Grievances to Have Opportunity to Try Various Types.

MEN ALSO ARE INVITED

Space Required for Motors on Large Cars Makes Problem Difficult. Check of St. John Service Justifies Complaints.

Every woman in Portland having a grievance against the steps maintained on the cars operated by the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, is invited by Mayor Simon's special Council committee to meet at the Savior-street barn at 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, February 22. At that time, Superintendent Franklin will have cars, equipped with the various kinds of steps in vogue, and the women will be asked to try all of them and see whether some decision can be reached as to the best type.

Men also are asked to attend, but as the women have inaugurated the fight for lower steps, the invitation is to them especially. Chairman Lombard, of the committee, is of the opinion that little can be done. He stated at the outset that he regarded the contention as one having little merit. He virtually repeated this declaration at yesterday's session of the committee, but agreed readily enough to Councilman Ellis' suggestion that a test of the various kinds of steps be made in an effort to solve the problem.

Large Cars Have High Steps.

Mr. Franklin said to the committee that the company wanted to do its best to please its patrons, but he thought that this step question was one that would be difficult to answer. He doubted whether it could be settled unless smaller cars were used, owing to the large space required on the larger types for motors. It is because of this equipment that it is so difficult to place the steps lower. It is only on the large cars that there is complaint.

However, the women, led by Mrs. Nina Larowe, have begun a determined campaign, and declare they never will quit until they have secured lower steps. They assert that the high step is a menace to health, as well as a great inconvenience. The Portland Woman's Club and the Monday Musical Club have passed resolutions favoring lower steps and indorsing the general movement in that direction.

A packet of 16 letters, written by various well-known women of this city and suburbs to Mrs. Larowe, was read to the committee yesterday. These were published last week in The Oregonian, and constitute a loud complaint against the present high steps on the large cars.

After a long discussion, it was decided that it would be wise to have a demonstration as to steps and to invite every one interested to be present. The car company will utilize the intervening time in preparing for the event, and it is the wish of the members of the committee that all having a grievance against the steps be there to help out in the problem by suggestions and by actual tests of the steps that will be exhibited on the cars at the carbarns.

Transfers Are Curtailed.

Mr. Franklin replied in writing to several complaints that had been made to the committee and referred to him for consideration. The committee recommended that the company issue no transfers to east-bound passengers to the Mount Scott and Sellwood cars on Waverly-Richmond or Waverly-Woodstock cars between the hours of 4:30 and 6:30 P. M., so as to avoid the overcrowding of these last-named cars by persons who want to get to the Mount Scott or Sellwood districts. A complaint of this nature had been made by people living on the other lines. The company will adopt the recommendation at once.

The committee also recommended the construction of a shelter at Sixth and Irving streets, for persons who take the cars from the Union Depot, and the company immediately will build one.

Mr. Franklin replied at considerable length to the complaint of the Mount Scott Improvement Club, which was one of the most bitter of all those received by the committee. He promised a double track for that district, but pointed out that it takes time to make such extensive improvements as contemplated by his company, and called attention to the expenditure to be made by the corporation represented by himself for betterments this year. He declared that it will require an outlay of $5,000,000, of which $1,000,000 will be for street improvements. He denied that any officer of the car company had ever threatened to tear up the Mount Scott track and abandon its use unless complaints ceased, and said that he never had heard of such a thing before receiving the letter from the club. Relative to the complaint of overcrowded cars on that line, he said that two extra cars had been ordered placed on the line for the rush hours, but he held that a 15-minute service was sufficient through the day, as the company operates trains of two cars each and not single cars.

St. John Complaints Justified.

Several complaints of slack attention by conductors and motormen on the St. John cars were made, and Mr. Franklin replied that he had caused a "check" to be made and found the complaints justified, and had "acted accordingly." He was unwilling, however, to concede that the wrecking service there was worse than anywhere else, as has been alleged. He declared that the equipment was equal to that of any city, and that the men were as capable.

Answering questions by the members of the committee as to what cars will be heated next Winter, Mr. Franklin submitted a list, including Woodstock, Montavilla, Vancouver, St. John, Rose City Park, Alberta, Woodlawn and Portland Heights.

The special committee of the Council is having many complaints as to the service, but many of them are more or less general and some even trivial. The next session will be at 2 o'clock Tuesday, February 15.

ADVENTISTS TO CONVENE

Ten Days' Meeting to Begin Tomorrow in Portland.

Delegates are arriving for the North Pacific Union Conference of the Seventh Day Adventists, which convenes tomorrow at 10 A. M. in the Central Church at East Eleventh and East Everett streets. The executive committee will be in session until the conference meetings begin and the conference proper will last 10 days, sessions being held each forenoon, afternoon and evening.

The conference sessions will be presided over by Elder C. W. Flaig, president of the union. Prominent men from the entire union, embracing Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, will be present.

The presidents of the local conferences are, F. S. Lunch, Oregon; S. W. Willis, Washington; G. E. Langdon, Upper Columbia; J. C. Foster, Montana, and J. L. Williamson, Idaho. Among others holding leading positions in the denomination who will be present is Elder J. H. Evans, of Washington, D. C. Elder Evans will go soon to the Orient to take charge of the interests of the denomination there.

The educational department will be presided over by Professor M. E. Cady, president of Walla Walla College, and educational secretary of the Northwest. Elder A. J. Breed will preside over the meetings of the religious liberty department. A. J. S. Bordeau, secretary of the home missionary department of the general conference, will also be present. H. H. Hall will represent the Pacific Press Publishing Company, of Mountain View, Cal. This house devotes its entire energy to publishing the denominational literature. Officers will be elected at the session.

Late Mrs. Sarah Dixon Shaver, Who Will Be Laid to Rest Today.

LENT PASTORAL ISSUED

BISHOP SCADDING URGES ABSTINENCE DURING PERIOD.

Prelate Appeals to Flock to Fast and Avoid Worldly Amusements Throughout Season.

Bishop Scadding, of the Episcopal Church, has just issued a Lent pastoral to the clergy and laity of the Diocese of Oregon. Today is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent.

The pastoral follows:

It has been objected that a strict observance of Lent secularizes the remainder of the year. The same argument would lead to the abolition of Sunday. As only those who rightly observe the Lord's day, sanctify the whole week, so those who make the best use of Lent find it most possible to enter with sympathetic appreciation into the lessons of the festivals of the church and to live with constant self-restraint during the remainder of the year.

To get the best results from Lent we must remember the purpose of the time and the services which are appropriate thereto. The purpose is to draw into close communion with God, and the means are penitence and self-denial. We can only hope to approach near unto God if our hearts are right with God, and it is penitence which cleanses them and makes them ready for him.

As sin has been the only means of separation between God and man, so only by the removal of sin can we get back what man had lost, the sense of communion, the power to love and the strength to do. As "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son" for the redemption of man, our part in the removal of sin comes in the life of penitence. To this we are called. "Repent ye," and the church sets apart 40 days now for this particular work. I call upon the church people of this diocese to use all diligence in the perfecting of repentance.

Let all abstain from worldly amusements use the time thus gained for self-examination, meditation, more frequent and earnest prayer; confess your sins; do some real fasting and abstinence and do not talk about it; make some one act of self-denial constant during the whole time. Do it all as unto the Lord and not unto men; with humility and meekness, with teachableness of spirit and loyalty to the church.

The result of such observance should be a growth in grace, marked by restraint in the regulation of life, by greater sympathy and consideration for others, more zeal for Christ and his church, and an increased sense both of spiritual power and communion with God.

Commending you to God and the power of his might, I assure you of my constant prayers and send you my blessing as we approach once more the days of trial.

Faithfully, your bishop and friend,

CHARLES SCADDING.

"DRY" DEBATE DARE TAKEN

German - Speaking Societies Accept Challenge of Prohibitionists.

The Consolidation of the German-Speaking Societies of Oregon will accept the challenge to a debate sent to the president by J. P. Newell, of the Prohibition party. Prohibition will be the subject of the debate. At the meeting of delegates Monday evening in the hall of the German Relief Society, at Eleventh and Morrison streets, the president, Otto Kleemann, was empowered to accept the challenge to debate with the prohibitionists in any form he deems just and proper, the terms of the debate to be left to his discretion.

Committees were appointed to plan a mass meeting, to be held the middle of next month.

After a eulogy of Alvin Knapp, of Oregon City, delivered by Gustav Schnoerr, resolutions of condolence were passed and ordered sent to Mr. Knapp's family.

The committee appointed to prepare circulars was granted further time to procure statistics. Theo. Weibel reported on the encouraging growth of the organization in Washington and particularly at Tacoma. Twenty societies in Oregon were represented at the meeting by delegates or proxies, the total in the state being 28 societies with a membership of 4500.

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BODY LAID TO REST

Mrs. Sarah Dixon Shaver Is to Be Buried Today.

PIONEER 64 YEARS OLD

Born in Indiana, Woman Crossed Plains in Early Days—She Married George W. Shaver, Born in Kentucky in 1832.

Sarah Dixon Shaver, a well-known Oregon pioneer and wife of the late George W. Shaver died Monday afternoon at her home, 348 Crosby street. The funeral will be held today at 10:30 A. M. from the residence. Dr. T. L. Eliot will officiate and the burial will be in the Riverview Cemetery.

Mrs. Shaver was the daughter of James and Susan Dixon. She was born in Indiana, August 30, 1836, and was one of a family of 13 children, only four of whom now survive.

James Dixon, her father, was born in Ovid, Seneca County, New York, in 1803. In 1816 he moved with his father to Indiana and for several years rafted lumber on the Alleghany River. On April 5, 1824, he was married to Susan Copple, who was born in Clark County, Indiana, November 17, 1806. They settled on a farm in Shelby County, Indiana, on the Blue River, where they lived for 20 years, then moving to Andrew County, Missouri, where they lived for eight years. And from there he crossed the plains, in 1851, with his wife and three of his oldest children, arriving in Portland in November of that year.

Thomas, one of the brothers of Mrs. Shaver, was killed in the Bannock war in 1879, near Stein Mountain.

On February 2, 1854, Sarah Dixon was married to George W. Shaver, another pioneer who crossed the plains in 1851, after leaving Kentucky, where he was born March 2, 1832.

Mr. and Mrs. Shaver settled in Marion County among the Waldo Hills. In 1860 they moved, with their family, to Portland and settled on the East Side of the river, where what is now konwn as Elizabeth Irving Addition, and where the old homestead still stands, between Crosby and Larabee streets and Cherry and Broadway. Here six children were born unto Mr. and Mrs. Shaver, making a family of ten children. Seven of the children are living, four sons and three daughters, as follows: James W., George M., Delmar and Lincoln; and Mary Alice, wife of H. Wittenberg; Susan, wife of Albert Heintz, and Pearl, wife of George W. Hoyt.

"COP" SLUMBERS ON BEAT

Alarm Clock Fails to Give Warning of Approach of Sergeant.

Chief of Police Cox suspended Patrolman E. R. Evert yesterday morning, after the patrolman had been found asleep in the office of a Sunnyside woodyard at a time when he should have been covering his beat. A feature of the finding of Evert was that he had an alarm clock to awaken him at the regular hourly interval at which he should have reported. Evert was found by Sergeant Joe Keller of the second night relief at 3:30 o'clock yesterday morning. When the Sergeant tried to get into the office he found the door locked. He notified Captain Baty, who hastened to the scene in the police automobile, and the two officers awakened the patrolman. In view of the recent rigid orders regarding discipline and attention to duty issued by Chief Cox, it is believed that Evert will receive summary punishment.

Evert's case is the second in the history of the Portland Police Department in which a patrolman used an alarm clock to enable him to sleep on his beat and report to the police station at proper intervals. L. C. Fones, the son of Patrolman J. P. Fones, was caught by Captain Baty, then a sergeant, three years ago. Fones was dismissed.

PERSONAL MENTION.

A. E. Jepp, a merchant of Eugene, is at the Lenox Hotel.

F. M. French, a jeweler of Albany, is at the Imperial Hotel.

C. A. Palmer, a lumberman of Sheridan, is at the Perkins Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Shrivers, of Moscow, are at the Lenox Hotel.

Professor F. Wesley Orr, of Forest Grove, is at the Cornelius Hotel.

W. A. Crowell, a banker of Medford, is registered at the Seward Hotel.

W. A. Wright, a physician of Spokane, was registered at the Perkins Hotel yesterday.

J. W. Berrian, superintendent of the Government fish hatchery at Bonneville, is at the Seward Hotel.

E. J. Curtis, a newspaper publisher of Astoria, visited Portland yesterday and stayed at the Oregon Hotel.

Mrs. Paul H. Weyrauch, of Walla Walla, is visiting friends in Portland and staying at the Nortonia Hotel.

S. S. Bailey, stockman and raiser of blooded horses, of Albany, is at the Hotel Oregon during a visit to Portland.

Miss Mathews, of New York, is visiting friends at the Nortonia Hotel, where she has taken temporary quarters.

L. McLean, a prominent Spokane irrigationists, is visiting Portland on business and is staying at the Portland Hotel.

A. R. Gray, dining-room secrotary of the Y. M. C. A., is happy over the arrival at his home yesterday of an eight-pound girl baby.

P. Wright, Ivan Wright and M. W. Unger, of Seattle, comprise a party of Portland visitors registered at the Cornelius Hotel.

J. G. Gessling, who is interested in apple-growing at Hood River, is visiting Portland and has taken quarters at the Portland Hotel.

W. P. Campbell, assistant superintendent of the Chemawa Indian School, passed through Portland yesterday en route to Montana on school business. He was at the Imperial Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Snyder and daughter, of Chicago, are at the Portland for a few days, the guests of Dr. Courtland L. Booth. Mr. Snyder is an attorney of Chicago and is making an extended trip along the Coast with a view of investing in real estate.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—(Special.)—Portland people registered at the hotels today were as follows: At the Palmer House, Miss H. L. Joseph; at the Congress, William McMurray.

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Sales in Laurelhurst for the Month of January Reached a Total of $146,750

This large record of sales is another indication of the fact that the public appreciates what is being done in Laurelhurst. The many superior features of Laurelhurst over any other residence addition of Portland are apparent to every visitor to the property. Let us show you Laurelhurst in our automobiles and you will at once see the advantage of investing here. If you are in the market for a home site, you want it located in a section where no apologies are necessary and where you may feel assured that you could not have placed your wife and family in a more choice neighborhood. The word "improvements" as applied to a real estate addition mean everything or anything. In some additions it means graded streets, water and sidewalks. In Laurelhurst it means:

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BEAMS UP ONE AT TIME

MEANWHILE COURTHOUSE CONTRACTOR FORFEITS $50 DAY.

Lack of Steel Hampers Construction and Extension of Time of Contract Is Refused.

A few steel beams each day continue to be delivered at Fourth and Salmon streets, the site of the county's new Courthouse. Four or five were delivered yesterday, and several the day before. The five men whom the United Engineering & Construction Company had at work last week putting up a derrick have been taken off, and for two days the derrick engine has been idle.

Meantime O. E. Heintz, who contracted to furnish the steel for the east wing of the new structure for $33,714, and to erect it for $3364, is forfeiting $50 a day for failure to complete the steel framework in time. The contract called for the finishing of this work November 29, last. The penalty amounts to about $1300 a month. Heintz' bondsmen, the United States Fidelity & Guarantee Company, have been notified, say the County Commissioners. The latter have refused to give Heintz an extension of time. The ramshackle quarters of the Municipal Court and City Jail, which have been criticized by the grand jury, must continue in use until the new Courthouse east wing is completed.

"Work in putting up the steel will probably be resumed tomorrow," said O. E. Heintz, of the Pacific Iron Works, last night. "The United Engineering & Construction Company, to whom we sublet the contract for putting up the steel, is now waiting for steel with which to erect the first and second stories. The last carload arrived from the Bethlehem Steel Works yesterday, and we are fabricating it here. We expect to have enough steel on the Courthouse site within a few days to put up the first two stories.

"We are doing nothing regarding our $50 a day forfeiture. The time extension is up to the County Commissioners."

Field Missionary Keeps Busy.

Rev. W. S. Holt, field secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions, announces the following engagements for February:

February 9—Meet home missionary committee at Santa Rosa.
February 10—Address at Lompoc.
February 11—Visit Los Angeles.
February 12—Conference at Santa Barbara.
February 13—Hold meeting at Santa Maria.
February 14.—Go to Los Angeles.
February 15—Meet home missionary committee at Riverside.
February 16—Conference at Los Angeles.
February 17—Go to San Diego.
February 18—Be in San Francisco.
February 20—Morning meeting at Oakdale; evening meeting at Modesto.
February 21—Meet home missionary committee and address men's meeting in Modesto.
February 22—Meet home missions committee at Sacramento.
February 23—Visit Chico.
February 24—Visit Red Bluff.
February 25 to end of month at office in Portland.

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