

### JURY CONSIDERING VALUE OF BLOCK

#### Sealed Verdict to Be Given in Suit Involving West Half of Block S.

### WITHDRAWAL IS OFFERED

#### Connect for Owner Says He Will Pay Costs if Government Will Select Another Site—Enhancement Predicted.

The Government's suit to condemn the west half of block S for a postoffice site went to the jury in Judge Bean's department of the Federal Court yesterday afternoon at 4:30. The entire afternoon had been consumed with the arguments of counsel and the instructions of the court. Judge Bean instructed the jurors to return a sealed verdict if they did not agree upon the value of the half block before 5 o'clock. If returned, it will be read in court at 10 o'clock this morning.

In his instructions, Judge Bean said jurors should take into consideration the amount assessed against the property for street improvements since the suit was started, but he told them they were not to take into consideration the amount which the Espey Estate Company, the owner of the property, has spent for taxes. He called attention to the fact also that the owners of the property would be obliged to sell it to the Government at the price fixed by the jury, while the Government would not be obliged to take it if it considered the price excessive. The Government wishes to pay \$100,000 for the half block, and the Espey Estate Company asks \$175,000.

### Growth of City Discussed.

United States District Attorney McCourt, in his argument to the jury, referred to the growth of the city since 1892-3, and said property bought a few months before the panic at an inflated price lost its value, and that it had taken 17 years for it to reach that price again. He said conditions now were much the same as then—that the values were inflated.

### Offer to Withdraw Made.

"I have such confidence in the growth of Portland that I am willing to pay the costs of this suit right now," added Mr. Wilson, "and the Government officials may select any other site they see fit, for a postoffice. Until this case is settled our property is tied up so that we can do nothing with it."

### Witnesses for the Defendants who testified yesterday placed on the half-block as follows: E. L. Thompson, \$125,000; J. M. Toomey, proprietor of the Barr Hotel, \$175,000.

### TOTS' PARENTS DISAPPEAR

#### Two Children Are Left in Care of Sympathetic Strangers.

"How does a fellow go about it to get rid of a couple of children that don't belong to him?" asked W. A. Sanborn, an experimenter, at the police station yesterday.

### HILLS EXPECTED TO VISIT

#### After Helena Meeting Railway Men to Continue Westward.

James J. Hill, Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern, and a party of business men and commercial representatives from the Middle West arrived in Helena, Mont., last night on a special train to assist in the opening of the Northwestern Development League

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### BOARD SUBJECT TO SUIT

#### STREET REPAIR PROBLEM RULING MADE BY GANTENBEIN.

#### Property Owners' Action in Case of Aspen Street Improvement Brings Climax to Question.

While the City Executive Board has the right to use its judgment in regard to how a street shall be repaired, its members are subject to legal action to compel them to make repairs in a reasonable time after they have been paved, according to a ruling made yesterday by Judge Gantenbein in the case of R. H. Larson and others against a writ of mandamus to force the city to repair Aspen street, from Balgray avenue to Thurman street.

### PRELATE PRAISES OREGON

#### Bishop Pearce Here to Preside at Free Methodist Conference.

Bishop William Pearce delivered his opening address yesterday at the Oregon Conference of the Free Methodist Church, which began its sessions in the First Church, East Hill and East Ninth streets, at 10 o'clock this morning.

### CARRIERS BADLY CRAMPED

#### Postmaster Plans to Get Additional Quarters Near Union Station.

Quarters near the Union Station suitable for the accommodation of the sorting tables of 15 letter-carriers will be rented within a short time. Postmaster Merrick said yesterday that the rooming houses in the immediate vicinity are absolutely necessary. It is thought that a suitable location for the carriers can be secured somewhere near the mailing station at Fifth and Hoyt streets.

### Speaker Censures Rushlight

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### HOW HE CURED HIS SKIN DISEASE

#### About twenty years ago I began to break out with eczema on my head, legs and arms, and commenced treatment with the local doctors, but did not get much relief. I continued to treat the disease under the direction of different physicians for two years, and at the end of that time they said the disease was chronic. I then quit them and tried various ointments, salves, lotions, etc., for another two years, but soon I was as bad as before, so I finally decided to let medicine alone, and for twelve or thirteen years I suffered intensely from the eczema. During the time I lost about half of my hair. At last I began to S. S. S., doubtful of a cure, because the disease had run on so long, but I soon discovered that your medicine was doing me good, and continued to take it. After taking S. S. S. for awhile I was completely cured of the eczema, not having a single spot left on my body, which before was almost completely covered with the eruption. I waited until the Spring to see if it would return, but have seen no signs of it, and am satisfied the cure is permanent. It has been several years now and I do not believe I will ever have any return of the trouble.

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### MR. LOMBARD'S SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS.

Gay Lombard will speak at 8 o'clock tonight in Logus Hall, Grand avenue and East Washington street. Mr. Lombard will conclude his campaign tomorrow night with an address in Fremont's Hall, Albina and Killingsworth avenues. After this meeting he will go to Woodlawn and make a short talk before the Woodlawn Improvement Association.

### Kubli Faces Issue.

Lombard sought to avoid expressing himself directly and acquiesced in the contention of Kubli that in all matters of important municipal legislation he had voted with Lombard.

### Commission Plan Urged.

Mr. Lombard argued that the city was not being honestly and efficiently governed, and that the only remedy available was in a commission form of government which, he explained at considerable length, at the same time pointed out what he considered were the weak and censurable features of the charter under which the city was operating. He vigorously denounced the "third house" and the only remedy available was in a commission form of government which, he explained at considerable length, at the same time pointed out what he considered were the weak and censurable features of the charter under which the city was operating.

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