

# POWER COMPANY'S FRANCHISE RUSHED

### Northwestern Electric Shows Willingness to Accept Stringent Clauses.

## CITY TO REGULATE RATES

### Head of New Industry in Portland Says Work Will Begin Within Year and That Corporation "Means Business."

Willingness of the Northwestern Electric Company to accept a number of stringent limitations recommended by City Attorney Grant as a part of the franchise asked for by the company to secure the right to furnish light and power in competition with the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company in the furnishing of light, heat and power, resulted yesterday in the action of the City Council recommending the proposed franchise being sent by the Council to the Executive Board for the fixing of valuations.

This action assured the measure getting before the Council for final passage within a few weeks.

The proposed franchise as drafted by the attorneys for the company had provisions which were objectionable to some of the members of the committee, but when these were eliminated or amended as suggested by the City Attorney and accepted by the company there was but slight room for argument. It took the committee less than two hours to go through the franchise and act upon it.

### Merger is Guarded Against.

Under the terms of the franchise the company is required to put up a bond of \$100,000 to insure the expenditure of \$250,000 within two years and is required to agree that its franchise will terminate automatically if the company merges with another company without the consent of the City Council. Provision is made for the placing of all wires underground within the fire limits and the opening of underground conduits to the common use of other companies. The Council retains the right to regulate reasonably the rates of charges for electricity to be supplied within the city limits, provided the same regulation is placed against all other companies in the same line of business. The franchise plant shall begin within a year and within two years the company must be prepared to provide 10,000 horsepower.

Most of the provisions were made a part of the franchise at the suggestion of City Attorney Grant. After they were read Attorney L. A. McNary, for the company, announced that while the terms were most exacting the company would be willing to accept them. "The franchise as prepared by the company," said Mr. McNary, "has been entirely rewritten and its provisions make the most stringent conditions, but we are willing to accept."

### Maguire Raises Question.

Councilman Maguire brought up the question of the right of the city to regulate rates. He said the city was not able to regulate the rates of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company and therefore could not regulate the rates of a new company. This statement brought City Attorney Grant to his feet with the declaration that the city can regulate the rates of the present company if the Council will take the proper action. Mr. Maguire declared that he wanted such steps taken at once and was informed that the regulation is within his own power and that of the other members of the Council if they would decide what they want.

The question of common-user poles, conduits and other equipment was discussed at length and probably will be one of the main points of argument when the franchise comes before the Council. City Attorney Grant has recommended that the new company grant other companies the use of the poles and conduits. The question of the right of the city to enforce this common-user clause on the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company was discussed, but no agreement could be reached, the question finally being passed up to the Council.

### Head of Company in City.

Herbert Fieleshaecker, of San Francisco, head of the company, arrived in the city a short time after the meeting began and was in attendance during part of the argumentation. In answer to a question brought up by Councilman Maguire as to the right of the city to terminate the franchise in case of a merger, Mr. Fieleshaecker declared that the city is absolutely protected.

"The company plans to enter Portland in absolute good faith," he said. "No merger with any other company is planned. We are not coming here merely to sell out. The Northwestern Electric Company is a big concern and we are entering the city for the purpose of giving the people the very best service obtainable. Even if we should desire to merge we could not do it because in the franchise there is a provision that we lose all our rights by so doing."

The entire committee, excepting Councilman Maguire, voted to pass the proposed franchise up to the Council and from there to the Executive Board.

## PULP MILL BEING BUILT

### Smith Interests Are Constructing Big Plant at Marshfield.

A pulp mill, to cost \$150,000, is under construction just above Marshfield. The C. A. Smith Lumber & Manufacturing Company is building the mill, according to Henry Bengtsson, who came to Portland last week to attend a convention of the Oregon Association of Titlemen.

"The lumber business is improving, and large improvements and developments are under way," said Mr. Bengtsson. "The Smith pulp mill is to be completed within six months. It will be situated immediately south of the large sawmill on Isthmus Inlet, just above Marshfield.

"This mill will consume the waste from the C. A. Smith Lumber Mill, and produce paper pulp, wood alcohol, turpentine and rosin in large quantities.

"The Coos Bay Fuel Company recently was organized by the C. A. Smith interests with Patrick Hennessey, ex-superintendent of the Libby mines, as manager. The company expects to be ready to ship coal within three months. This mine is close to tide-water on Isthmus Inlet, and is favorably located for cheap transportation. It will prove a paying mine.

"A large power plant is also under construction by the C. A. Smith Company, which will not only furnish power for their sawmills and pulp mill, but will furnish power for the terminal railroad, and all the logging donkeys, so that the company can do its logging with electricity instead of steam

as soon as the plant is complete. This will reduce the cost of logging, and remove the danger of fire in the woods, frequently caused by sparks from the steam donkeys.

"The Coos Bay Terminal Company is busy building its road between Marshfield and North Bend, and is at present working on the Marshfield end with a large force of men.

"Simpson's large mill at Porter is running on full time, and the new steam schooner A. M. Simpson is making quick trips between San Francisco and North Bend, carrying large loads.

"The Kruse & Banks shipyard at North Bend is busy, having at present three new vessels on the stocks besides repair work. One of the new vessels under construction is being built for Eastbrook & Co., of San Francisco, and is expected to run between San Francisco and Bagdon, calling at Coos Bay on her down trip for passengers. She will be a fast sailor, and will be fitted up with first-class passenger accommodations.

"The steam schooner Nan Smith is running on schedule time, making a round trip from the C. A. Smith mill to Bay Point, near San Francisco, every five days. It carries about 1,500,000 feet of lumber to a load, which is taken on in 18 hours, loading with an electric crane. The schooner will carry about 90,000,000 feet this year, which will be more than three times as much as any other vessel of its size will carry during the same time.

"A sister ship to the Nan Smith is building in the East for the lumber company. It will be completed in about three months. It will be a little larger than the Nan Smith, and will have a few more improvements.

"McArthur, Perkins & Co., who have the contract for the south end of the Eugene-Coos Bay Railroad, are arranging to have railroad supplies brought to Coos Bay and Gardiner, and it is expected that active construction will commence on the Coos Bay end within the next two weeks.

"The present payroll of the C. A. Smith lumber interests is about \$80,000, and this will be increased to about \$100,000 by the addition of the pulp mill and coal mine."

## PIONEER MERCHANT DIES

### CHARLES M'GINN, AGED 80, EXPIRES IN CALIFORNIA.

### Widow and Eight Children Survive. Body to Be Brought Here for Burial.

Charles McGinn, a pioneer merchant of Portland and father of Henry E. McGinn, Circuit Judge, died in Los Angeles Saturday, June 15. Mr. McGinn was 80 years old. He was born in Canada in 1832 and came to Oregon in 1854 by way of the Isthmus of Panama.

He settled in Portland in 1855 and made his home here continuously until 1894, when he moved to Los Angeles. In 1864 he opened a bakery and grocery at the corner of First and Main streets. Three years later he removed to the corner of First and Madison streets. In the fire of 1873 his establishment was destroyed, but he rebuilt on the same property, remaining there until 1880. In that year he removed his bakery to the southeast corner of Seventh and Washington streets and continued in business until 1884. This property has been owned by Mr. McGinn for more than 30 years.

After retiring from business Mr. McGinn devoted himself to the education of his blind son, Gilbert J. McGinn, who has since died. In 1898 Mr. McGinn's health failed and he removed to Los Angeles, which has since been his home, although he has made frequent visits to Portland and maintained his interest here.

He was a member of the Pioneer Association and always took an active interest in all movements that related to the pioneers. He knew Dr. John McLoughlin, "The Father of Oregon," and Archbishop Blanchet, first Roman Catholic Archbishop of Oregon.

Mr. McGinn is survived by his widow and eight children. They are: Henry

## PIONEER PORTLAND MERCHANT WHO IS DEAD IN LOS ANGELES.



Charles McGinn.

E. McGinn, Mrs. John F. Shea, of Portland; Everett E. McGinn, Mrs. William F. Stewart, Miss Edith McGinn, of Los Angeles; Mrs. Paul Boots, Globe, Arizona; John L. McGinn, of Fairbanks, Alaska; and Walter C. McGinn, of Oklahoma.

The body of Mr. McGinn, accompanied by Mrs. McGinn and Miss Edith McGinn, will arrive tomorrow from Los Angeles. Funeral arrangements will be made later.

## MRS. BELCHER WILL SING

### Portland Artist to Have Part in Benefit Concert at Heilig.

Mrs. Kathleen Lawler Belcher will be heard tomorrow evening in concert at the Heilig Theater. Mrs. Belcher sang recently in concert at the Heilig Theater, and her beautiful voice and thorough artistry took the music-loving people of Portland by storm. This benefit concert, Wednesday evening, is the result. Mrs. Belcher was not quite two years in Paris, but she managed to glean a remarkable store of music lore in that short time, to which her beneficent programmes are the best testimony.

The opening number on the programme will be the Strauss Waltz, one of the most difficult of the coloratura songs. It abounds in High C's and difficult runs and thrills. Before her departure, Mrs. Belcher was well-known as a church and social singer, and in the fitness of her art she has lost nothing of the sweet melody of tone that won for her that place.

### Sunday Shooting in London.

London Standard.

Sunday target shooting in the British army ranges is permitted in the London districts except during morning church hours.

## LICENSE CHANGE TO BE ASKED BY DRYS

### Temperance Men Would Withdraw Issuing Rights From County Courts.

## CANDIDATES' IDEAS SOUGHT

### Anti-Saloon League Will Make Fight Against Restoration of Saloons in Cities Now "Dry"—Burke Outlines Plan for Fight.

Oregon's lawmakers next Winter will be asked by the Anti-Saloon League to enact a law withdrawing from the County Courts the right to grant licenses for the sale of liquor in the country districts of the state.

In the meantime the organization, through its officers, is seeking to ascertain the attitude of prospective members of the Legislature with respect to this legislation. On the result of this investigation will depend who of the legislative candidates will receive the support of the enemies of the saloon in the November election.

"Only through the enactment of such a law and its rigid enforcement," said J. F. Burke, superintendent of the Oregon Anti-Saloon League, yesterday, "can we put a stop to the indiscriminate issuance by the County Courts of the state licenses authorizing the sale of liquor in road houses, railroad construction camps and other isolated districts, merely on petition in many cases of the saloon residents and against the opposition of the people of the district concerned."

### Candidates' Attitude Sought.

"Before preparing such a measure for presentation to the Legislature, however, we are taking steps to ascertain the attitude of candidates for election to the Legislature towards such a bill. We expect to give our support to those who will agree to support the measure in the Legislature. Candidates who are unfriendly to the measure need not expect our votes in the November election."

Under the provisions of the home rule law enacted by the voters under the initiative two years ago, county local option elections cannot be held. By that law, incorporated towns are exempted from the provisions of the original local option law and are left to determine by vote whether liquor licenses shall be issued.

### "Drys" Planning Battle.

"We are expecting to oppose all elections which may be called by the liquor interests to restore the saloon in cities now dry," said Mr. Burke. "We expect these elections will be held in a number of cities throughout the state, at the same time, and we undertake to out the saloon from a number of cities in which licenses are now issued, but we have not decided in what cities we will make our fight."

The anti-rum forces are expecting the liquor people to call elections in Roseburg and Grants Pass and possibly other of the principal cities which are now without saloons. Roseburg and Grants Pass are dry by reason of the county vote, which was against the saloon.

In the same election, the two towns voted wet, but they were outvoted in the county districts.

## ROSARIANS FORM ORDER

### MEMBERS WILL MAKE VISIT TO NEIGHBORING CITIES.

### Rex Oregonus Will Be Attended by Princes, Knights and Peers on Seattle-Tucoma Trip.

As the "Tillamook" of Seattle, the "Enakops" of Spokane, or the "Flying Squadron" of the Panama-Pacific Exposition advertise their great entertainments in different states and cities, so will the newly organized "Order of the Royal Rosarians," which took its first steps toward organization in a meeting at the Commercial Club at noon yesterday, advertise in all the cities of the Pacific Coast the attractions of the Portland Rose Festival.

W. J. Hofmann was temporary chairman at the meeting and W. C. Bristol, who was Rex Oregonus in 1911, was chosen permanent chairman. W. J. Hofmann, appointed chairman of a committee of nine to make plans for permanent organization, held a second meeting at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the office of Julius Meier, and at a meeting in the Commercial Club at 11 o'clock this morning the foundation of the new organization will be permanently laid.

The Order of the Royal Rosarians contemplates a permanent organization of the court of Rex Oregonus to pay visits to other festivals upon the Pacific Coast and give publicity to Portland's Rose Festival. The organization will be put on an active basis at once so that F. A. Kriba, the present Rex Oregonus, may take his court to the Tacoma Rose Festival, and to the Seattle Potlatch this year.

Active membership will be limited to 100, the highest ranking members being the three highest ranking members of the court of Rex Oregonus, the Chamber of Commerce and the Ad Club. Through the rest of the membership will range the barons of the various roses, each of whom will take for his crest some well-known variety of rose that is grown in Portland.

Officers of the court, ranging from prime minister downward through all the various official degrees, will be distributed among the hundred retainers of the king. A subsidiary organization of "Peers of the Realm of Roses" may be organized among the business men who, while not taking an active part in the crusade of the Knights of the Rose, will contribute to the funds to sustain the movement.

It is planned at once to begin organization of a court when the active membership of 100 has been filled, and this is expected to be one of the especially attractive features that will distinguish the crusade to the Potlatch and the Montemara this Summer.

Following out the ancient ideas of heraldry, each of the barons will have his crest and coat of arms, in the rose that he has chosen to represent, and the device emblazoned on his banner and his banner will lend a touch of brilliancy to the pageants of the court of Rex Oregonus in foreign cities, that will put the story of the Rose festival and its beauties upon many lips.

Members of the committee appointed yesterday and which will today meet to effect a permanent organization of the court of Rex Oregonus are: W. J. Hofmann, chairman; C. C. Craig, George L. Baker, George L. Hutchins, J. Fred Larson, F. W. Hill, G. W. Hyland, W. E. Finzer and Julius Meier.

# MONARCH OF ALL THE SURVEYS

Daniel DeFoe could have clothed his hero, Robinson Crusoe, with even greater majesty, had he stood him upon the impressive heights of Westover Terraces and from there shown him the infinite beauties of the wonderful Northwest. Crusoe could not have more supremely commanded the magnificences of Nature from the throne on his lonely isle than from Westover Terraces. The view today is the view forever. Man cannot alter it.

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has stepped in and a great hill of rock and dirt is being washed down—not simply sluiced down, haphazard—but moulded to fit the peculiar needs and demands of particular people. There are just six more of these fine sites ready for inspection. None of them are alike. All are totally different; they will amaze you. Science has coupled itself with natural beauty and taken a 10,000 to 15,000 square foot area, fashioned it into its most entrancing form and set it out there on the rim of the pearly sky for your approbation. You may buy there and build yourself a mansion, secure in the confidence that no man, save he build an Egyptian pyramid, can ever obliterate 10,000 square miles of scenery from your front porch.

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## SHIP'S PLANS ALTERED

### GIGANTIC WILL HAVE DOUBLE CELLULAR BOTTOM.

### Builders Take Lesson From Disaster to Titan—Big Dry-docks Are Built.

LONDON, June 15.—(Special.)—Though nothing official has been announced in regard to the 54,000-ton liner Gigantic that is to replace the Titanic on the Atlantic service of the White Star line, it is understood that the great disaster has decided the Belfast builders to make an alteration in her plans.

The keel was laid in the Harland & Wolff yards a few weeks ago. In view of recent events it has been decided to equip her with double cellular

sides and bottom like those of the Mauretania and Lusitania. Lord Pirie, the head of the firm, is credited with the statement that he never witnessed a launch without feeling he could produce a better boat if he began again.

Before the White Star and Cunard Atlantic giants came into being England built her first leviathan and called her the Great Eastern. She was a failure and early in her career ran on a rock that tore her shell for one-seventh of her length. But she had this double form of bottom and sides, so she was towed in safety into port.

Both British and German owners have been badly shaken by the Titanic loss. Though Germany is building three 50,000-ton leviathans for the Hamburg-American line, there is no German drydock big enough yet to accommodate them. If an accident happened to them today while afloat they would have to make for Belfast. At Southampton and Belfast drydock provision is being made for vessels of nearly 900 feet, while on the Mersey and the Clyde 1000-foot drydocks are being built.

# Not One Drop of Alcohol In This

Ayer's Sarsaparilla is a tonic and alterative, free from alcohol. What is a "tonic"? A medicine that imparts strength or tone; a medicine that builds up, gives vigor and power. What is an "alterative"? A medicine that alters or changes unhealthy action to healthy action. Ayer's Sarsaparilla does all this without stimulation. Never take a medicine your own doctor cannot endorse.

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