## PHONES MAY SEND O.-W. R. & N. TRAINS

Company Prepares for Alternative if Telegraphers Decide to Strike.

WAGE ISSUE SUBORDINATED

System's Plan to Employ Other Than Keymen for Agents Prominent in Controversy-J. D. Farrell Makes Statement.

Trains on the entire O.-W. R. & N. system may be dispatched by telephone if officials of the company are unable to agree with telegraph operators now in the service on rates of pay, hours of employment and other working conditions which now are the subject of

Pending the arrival in Portland of H. W. W. Hangar, a mediator for the Federal Government no further efforts to reach an understanding will be made by representatives either of the company or of the men.

Although the subjects of wages, hours and working conditions are smong those in controversy, the ques-tion that, in the mind of the company, is cause for greatest concern is the provision for future appointment of

agents.
The telegraphers have asked that in naming agents at stations where the agents are not required to do their own telegraphing, that men be selected from the ranks of the operators. The company maintains the right to vary their choice to include clerks and cash-

Some Phones Now Used. But back of the contentions of the men seemingly is the problem presented by the inevitable substitution of telephones instead of telegraph instruments in dispatching trains.

The company already uses telephones for dispatching between Portland and

for dispatching between Portland and The Dalles and has plans to extend the telephone service to all parts of the system as soon as business conditions justify the expenditure.

To bring the men who act as telephone "operators" into the telegraphers union is one of the objects of the men involved in the present contro-

When the company substituted tele-phones for telegraph on the line be-tween Portland and The Dalles most of the men formerly employed as telegraphers were retained as "telephoners." They received the same wages and worked under the same conditions

as the telegraphers.

It requires no technical skill or special training to receive train orders over the telephone. The men fear that eventually the company will employ boys—and perhaps women—to do the telephone operating and that the scale of wages will be greatly reduced.

This subject really is the principal issue back of the present proceedings.

Dispatchers Not Concerned. So far as the wages of telegraphers on the O.-W. R. & N. system is con-cerned, they are on a par with other lines in this territory with the possible exception of the Southern Pacific, where they are somewhat higher. Teiegraphers who act also as agents are paid from \$60 to \$75 a month, but get other perquisites, such as house rent, light and fuel. In addition they sometimes are paid commissions from sometimes are paid commissions from the express companies and commercial

telegraph companies. Telegraph operators who do teleg-raphing exclusively and have no agents' duties to perform, are paid from \$80 to \$100 a month.

present controversy.

J. D. Farrell Makes Statement.
In explanation of the company's position, J. D. Farrell, president, made the following statement yesterday:
A committee claiming to represent agents and operators on our lines has been in conference with our officers for some weeks.
As indicated by the demands made, one of the main objects sought has been the establishment of a rule that no one can be appointed a station agent of the company at any of the stations except Portland, Seattle, Tacoma or Spokane, except a telegrapher, notwithstanding many of these station agents have no telegraphic duties to perform. J. D. Farrell Makes Statement.

The proposed rule makes it impossible to promote to the position of station seem employes such as eashiers at stations and clerks in treight offices, many of whom are more familiar with the duties of the agent and by training better qualified to perform such duties than telegraph operators. The company comes in contact with the public mainly through its station agents and it, therefore, declined to confine appointments to such positions to telegraphers and insisted upon its right to appoint competent men of its own selection.

June 1 to October 31 Every Day and Conventions Will Not Get Special Reductions.

Summer tourist rates "back East" and excursion fares to Pacific beach resorts will be the same this year as they were in 1913.

Parmount Issue Cited

Parmount Issue Cited.

The importance of proper agency representation at local stations has led the company to mature a plan which involves the employment of a competent man whose specific work shall be to instruct such employees in their attitude and duties toward the public. Acquisecence in the contention of the company in a great measure of its necessary control over its representatives.

There are, of course, involved, questions concerning rates of wages and working rules week-end rates also will be permitted to he had of the season. Specific which are important alike to the men, the company and to the public, but they are by not means centroling. The paramount consideration is the administration of the property by its officers to the end that its agents, who are important officers may be truly representative of the company.

On December 1 isst the company.

On December 1 isst the company revised its rates of pay for operators and agents, making increases of about 5 per cent of the total payroll for this class of service and its present rates and working rules are as fave challenged from the model of the company revised its rates of pay for operators and agents, who are important officers may be truly representative of the company.

On December 1 last the company revised its rates of pay for operators and agents, who are important officers may be truly representative of the company.

On December 1 last the company revised its present rates and working rules are as fave the focal payroll for this class of service and its present rates and working rules are as fave will be promulgated making them effective.

Rates East Begin June 1.

Beginning June 1 "back East" tickets will be sold every day, with a return limit to October 31. The daily sale

Mannage Field Work.

The daily sale of pay are in content at the content and the content and working rules are as favorable as those of its active competitors, additional increases in pay are in contemplation.

We are informed that the Order of Railway Telegraphers has called upon the United States Board of Mediation and Conciliation to intervene and we are informed assistant Commissioner Hanger of the board is now en route to Portland.

VALUATIONS TO BE TOPIC

Owners of Business Property Will

Confer With Assessor.

Owners of downtown property will meet at the library Friday at 1:30 c'clock to confer with Assessor Reed on his tentative valuations placed on property in the business district. With a view to the installation of the Somers system of unit realty valuations, Mr. Reed has placed a tentative value on the center lot on each side of each block in the business district.

value on the center lot on each side of each block in the business district.

# ROBINHOODANDARCHERS BOLD AT HEILIG TONIGHT

In Dense Woods of Sherwood Forest in Portland for Nonce Will Bessi Abott Sing Maid Marian in Tuneful Opera,



BESSIE ABBOTT, GRAND OPERA STAR HEILIG TONIGHT.

Saturday.

The De Koven Opera Company, which will sing this tuneful opera, is the same organization which presented the masterpiece last season during its long and successful run in New York.

In addition to Bessle Abott, of grand opera, Paris, and Metropolitan, New Jokes Paris, Johnson, Lorena Carman and Sid Braham.

MERICA'S greatest lyric soprano.

Bessie Abott, supported by the De
Koven Opera Company of 60

trained singers, will be the attraction at the Heilig Theater, Eleventh and Morrison streets, for three nights, beginning tonight, with a special matinee
Saturday.

York, who will sing the part of Maid
Marian, Henriette Wakefield, of the
Metropolitan, again will sing "Alan-a-Dale." George Frothingham, the originate Tuck with the old Bostonians,
again will play the part with this company—a role he has performed over
5000 times. Others in the cast are Ralph
Saturday. MERICA'S greatest lyric soprano, | York, who will sing the part of Maid

Dispatchers are paid about \$125 a North Pacific Coast Passenger Association to Use Last Year's Schedule.

BEACH FARES UNCHANGED

'Back East" Tickets Will Be Sold June 1 to October 31 Every Day

were in 1913.

value on the center lot on each side of each block in the business district. The property-owners are expected to discuss these tentative valuations, and as a result the formation of a community opinion as to the value of the specific lot is expected. With this as a basis, and by the application of the Somers system, the value of the other

points, \$55; Kansas City, Omaha, Mirneapolis, St. Paul and Missouri River common points, \$59; St. Louis, \$70; Chicago, \$72.50; Detroit, \$82.50; Buffalo, Niagara Falls and Toronto, \$92; Baltimore and Washington, \$107.50; Philadelphia and New York, \$108.50; Boston, \$110; Providence, \$111.80. Other cities will take proportionate rates.

These rates will apply from Scattle, Tacoma, Spokane and all other points.

Tacoma, Spokane and all other points in the Northwest. Passenger officials who attended yes-

terday's meeting look for a heavy movement to Eastern points this year. In addition to the regular traffic a big movement will be developed by the large number of conventions in East-Convention Dates Announced.

Convention Dates Announced.

In addition to the Shriners' meeting some of the principal conventions for which the carriers are preparing to handle special parties out of Portland and other Northwestern cities are:

National Electric Light Association, at Philadelphia, June 1 to 5: Modern Woodmen of America, at Tolede, O., June 12 and 13; Associated Ad Clubs of America, at Toronto, Ont. June 25 to 25; Baptist Young People's Union, at Kansas City, June 2 to 5; Knights of Columbus, at St. Paul, August 4 to 6; Elks, at Denver, July 13 to 16; Fraternal Order of Eagles, at Kansas City, August 10 to 15; Rural Letter Carriers, at Washington, D. C., August 11 to 14; Hoo Hoo, at Winnipeg, Man., September 8 to 11; Grand Army, at Detroit, in September; Royal Arcanum, at New York, May 20; American Association of Nur-May 20; American Association of Nur-serymen, at Cleveland, O., June 24 to 26; Knights of Pythias, at Cleveland, O., in July; Spanish-American War Veterans,

J. W. Brewer, of Redmond, will be appointed to work in the field for the will be appointed in every community. Oregon Immigration Commission, in charge of a new department known as

the state locating bureau. This line of work was recommended to the Commission at its meeting yesof terday by State Immigration Agent C. Chapman, and he was authorized to appoint Mr. Brewer to the position.

"This step on the part of the Commission," said Mr. Chapman last night,
"marks an addition to the work which

discuss these tentative valuations, and as a result the formation of a community opinion as to the value of the specific lot is expected. With this as a basis, and by the application of the Somers system, the value of the other lots in each block will be ascertained.

Morks Department Has New Jobs.

The Municipal Department of Public Works Is to have five new employes. The City Commission at its regular meeting, which rids the lower intestine of the City Commission at its regular meeting yesterday passed an ordinance introduced by Commissioner Dieck creating the following positions: One Junior accountant at \$105 a month, two sts. Portland.

Ask for booklet, "Why Man of Tothird streets."

The Municipal Department Has New Jobs.

The Municipal Department of Public Works Is to have five new employes. The City Commission at its regular meeting yesterday passed an ordinance introduced by Commissioner Dieck creating the following positions: One Junior accountant at \$105 a month, two sts. Portland.

Ask for booklet, "Why Man of Tothird streets."

Ask for booklet, "Why Man of Tothird streets."

Free Knitting and Crocheting Lessons From 1 to 5 Daily—Art Department on the Second Floor All Oregon Electric Cars From Willamette Valley Stop at Our Doors-Parcels Checked FREE

Picture Framing

# Olds, Wortman & King

Reliable Merchandise—Reliable Methods Store Hours-9 A. M. to 6 P. M. Every Business Day-Saturday Included Flag Sale Main Floor Booth Today Will Be in Charge of

Mrs. C. D.

# Women's and Misses' \$35 Suits at \$16.95

Women's \$22.50 Coats at \$12.98

high-grade suits we include a great many models made especially for small women and misses. Plain tailored and semi-fancy styles for wear on all occa-

**DOUBLE Stamps** 

WITH CASH PURCHASES

Women's Gloves

For Today Only

Department Second Floor-In this assortment of || Department Second Floor-Not all sizes in each style but there are so many attractive models that you are sure to find one to please. Short and 3-4 length coats in handsome brown, black and sions. Tailored, draped or peg top skirts. Serges, velours, brocades, corduroys, broadcloths, and novelty mixtures in the season's most \$16.95 gray mixtures, also in several plain colors. Many are in the latest English cut with kimono sleeves and full flare skirt. Coats in this lot selling up to \$22.50. Choice \$12.98

Special Line of Women's \$1.50 House Dresses

At the Main Floor Bargain Circle—Today at Several attractive styles to choose from. Percales in light and dark colors-plain chambrays or striped and checked ginghams in great variety of patterns. High or low necks, long or elbow sleeves. Trimmed with embroidery, pipings, etc. All sizes, \$1.50 house dresses

at Clean-Up Prices

\$3.50 Silk Vests | 50c Ribbed Vests

Women's 75c Hose 49c ≤

Black and Tan Only

Special line of women's Lisle and Cot-

ton Hose in black and tan shades. Regu-

lar and outsizes in this assortment. Standard 75c Hose, Thursday only, low price, the pair 49c

25c and 35c Hose at 19c

Women's fine quality Silk, Lisle and

Cotton Hose in good assortment of col-

\$2.75

Main Floor -- Women's Italian

silk vests and knickerbockers in

standard make. **\$2.75** Reg. \$3.50 grade, **\$2.75** 

\$2 Silk Vests at \$1.69

Odd line of sizes in Women's

Venetian silk vests. Beautifully

finished and perfect fitting. Reg. \$2.00 grades, \$1.69 Thursday Special

ors; also in black, regular 25c 19c

Women's Silk Petticoats Special \$3.29

Dept. Second Floor-Shown in a complete range of the wanted Spring shades. Splendid heavy quality messaline in plain and flowered effects. String tops, accordion plaited \$3.29 flounces. Specially priced at only \$3.29

45-Inch New Embroidery Flouncings at \$1.98 \$1 Allover Laces 48c-60c Embroideries 19c

Main Floor - Crisp new embroidery flouncings in beautiful designs-all white or colored patterns on voile, 42 to 45-inch widths. Special \$1.98 Thursday, yard

Main Floor-All-over laces and shadow flouncings in widths from 16 to 22 inches. Also 16inch Camisole laces in dainty designs. Worth up to 48c \$1.00, special at, yard

Main Floor-18-inch embroidery flouncings, 1 to 5-inch bands and galloons and 22-inch allover embroideries. Odd lines selling formerly up to 19c 60c. Special, the yard

Silk or Wool Underwear and Hosiery Remnants 1/2 Price Main Floor-Broken lines and odd lots to be closed out at once.

Get your share of these splendid bargains offered for Thursday. Center Circle, Main Floor -Remnants and odd lengths of plain and fancy Silks for waists, petticoats, linings, etc. Lengths 1 to 5 yards. Remnants of Wool

Dress Goods in lengths from 1 to 21/2 yards, suitable for waists. skirts, children's dresses, etc. On sale to-1/2 Price

40c Coffee

Fourth Floor - Coffee delivered only with other pur-chases in the Grocery Dept.



Dept. Main Floor-This is our celebrated "Belmont" line. Shown in a splendid variety of new Spring patterns - stripes and checks and figured effects, inbrown, blue, black and white, lavender, tan, etc. Woven madras and percales. Standard 95c \$1.25 Shirts, your choice

New Arrow Shirts \$1.50 to \$5

Main Floor-Plain, plaited or semistiff bosoms. Coat styles with attached or separate cuffs. Unusually fine selection of neat patterns. Also complete line Arrow shirts in colored negligees. \$5.00 Priced from \$1.50 to

Manhattan Shirts \$1.50 to \$3.75

Main Floor-Complete new stock of Manhattan shirts just received. Very latest patterns in all the wanted fabrics silks, mercerized madras, Russian cords, etc. Attached or separate \$3.75

Men's Yorke Shirts \$1.50 to \$5.00

Main Floor-Woven madras, Newport madras, Russian cords, percales and other materials. Full assortment of all styles. Smart new Spring patterns. \$5.00 Prices from \$1.50 to

## O'Cedar Oil Given FREE Today!

S. & H. Green Trading Stamps with purchases of 10e or over. "Wear-Ever" Cooking Utensils Reduced

Regular \$3.30 grades now on sale at \$1.90 Regular \$3.80 grades now on sale at \$2.60 Regular \$5.70 grades now on sale at \$3.95

## With Every \$1.50 O'Cedar Mop Third Floor-With every O'Cedar Mop sold today at \$1.50 we will give one bottle O'Cedar Oil absolutely Free.

Odd Lines Art China for Decorating at 1/2 Price

MRS. G. E. LAWRENCE TO MANAGE under canvas around the sunken gar-PENINSULA PARK EVENT.

Plans Laid for Campaign to Raise Funds for Expenses, and Tentative Date Is Fixed.

Mrs. G. E. Lawrence, president of the

Women's Auxiliary, was elected manager of the Peninsula Park Rose Show at a meeting of the joint committee Club and the auxiliary yesterday. Her assistant managers are J. H. Nolta and S. L. Osborne. It was tentatively de cided to start the show Monday, June 8 J. W. BREWER IN CHARGE
Hend of New Bureau Is Selected to
Manage Field Work.

Cided to start the show Monday, June 8.
The plan to raise money for expenses, suggested by Mrs. Nellie K. Shadduck, was adopted. Penny boxes are to be placed in every family and places of business on the Peninsula, in which each family is expected to deposit one foot of pennies or more. The North Portland Commercial Club will procure and distribute the boxes.

All organizations on the Peninsula

### Why You Should Bathe Internally

Under our present mode of living nature unassisted cannot dispose of all the waste. This waste sends its polsons into the system through the blood cirwe are already carrying on in co-operation with the State Bankers' Association and other organizations. It is a step distinctly intended to be for the benefit of the settler rather than the culation, and brings on countless ills. That's the reason a physician's first

Physicians generally, in order to stop this accumulation of waste, are now mail you a jar, postage prepaid. (56) advising the use of the "J. B. L. MRS. J. HORLICK, West Philadelphia, Pa.,

J: 109.2

light to play on the sunken rose gar-

At 35c

Main Floor - Women's ribbed

vests in low neck and sleeveless

style with fancy yoke. 35c Regular 50c grade, at

\$2.75 Vests at \$1.19

Women's silk and wool vests in

famous Zimmerli make. White

and a few colors in this lot. Regular to \$2.75 \$1.19

The Women's Vernon Club and the Women's Overlook Club have tendered their assistance. Mrs. Lawrence, man-ager, said that she expected that every citizen and organization on the Penin-sula would do their part, and on that condition she would agree to manage the show.

Logger Samuel Frye Killed. NORTH BEND, Or., Feb. 18. - (Spe-

#### When the Children Cough Use MUSTEROLE!

No telling how soon the symptoms may develop into croup. And then's when you're glad you have a jar of MUSTEROLE at hand to give prompt, sure relief. It positively does not blister the tenderest akin.

As first aid and a certain remedy

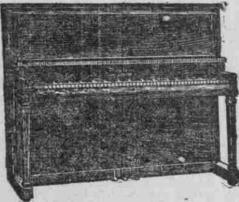
there's nothing like MUSTEROLE. Thousands of mothers know it. You should keep a jar in the house. It is the remedy for adults, too. Relieves Sore Thront, Bronchitis, Tonsilitis, Croup, Stiff Neck, Asthma, Neuralgia, Headache, Congestion, Pleurisy, Rheumatism, Lumbago, Pains Aches of Back or Joints, Sprains, Sore Muscles, Chilblains, Frosted Feet and Colds of the Chest (it prevents Pneumonia).

At your druggist's in 25c and 50c jars, and a special large hospital size Accept no substitute.

If your druggist cannot supply you, send 25c or 50c to the MUSTEROLE

Company, Cleveland, Ohlo, and we will "My 4-year-old son had severe brnochitis.
I found Musterole the best thing I ever

A special committee was appointed to cial.)—Samuel Frye, a logger, died to-see about illuminating the park with day in Mercy Hospital, having been where his back was broken when he electric lights, and to obtain a search-



### **Medium-Priced Pianos** \$365 to \$450

We have carried for many years three makes of medium-priced pianos-each affectionately known in thousands of homes:

Kurtzmann-Emerson-Estev These three makes are built reliably—the musical qualities of tone, touch, etc., are very pleasing and satisfactory—the prices

are very reasonable, considering their reputation and worth. We will sell you a medium-priced Piano and agree to take it back any time within one year, allowing the full purchase price toward a new Steinway.

Moderate payment terms on any Piano.



Morrison at Sixth, Portland, Opp. Post Office