UNITED RAILWAYS LOSSES ARE BARED

Railroad Commission Hears Application for Increase in Fare to Linnton.

\$794,358 DEFICIT SHOWN

Demand for Decrease in Garden Home Rate Incidental and People Say Other Case Is Intended to Defeat Their Plan.

The plight of the United Railways Company, which has been insolvent ever since it began operation, was presented with much statistical emphasis to the State Railroad Commission yesterday afternoon.

Figures were given, both in oral tes timony from experts and in documen-tary exhibits, to show that the road

tary exhibits, to show that the road is not only failing to pay interest and fixed charges, but that it is not even earning operating expenses.

The Commission is hearing the application of the railroad for an increase in the passenger rate between Portland and Linnton and the statements of losses were presented to justify the contention that the company's

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revenues ought to be increased.

According to the company's figures,
were it not for the fact that it is enabled to borrow money regularly from
the Spokanc, Portland & Seattle Railway, which owns 75 per cent of the
stock, the United Railways would have been in the hands of a receiver long

Expenditures Set at \$6,340,554. From the great volume of documen-tary evidence submitted it was shown

that the expenditures for the United Rallways, including the road and equipment with its additions and betequipment with its additions and bet-terments to December 31, 1913, were \$6,340,554.33. This item, however, in-cludes outstanding stock of \$3,000,000 and outstanding bonds of \$450,000. The cost of the property to the Spokane, Portland & Seattle road to date has been \$4,179,651.61, which rep-resents funds paid by the Spokane, Portland & Seattle to the United Railways and which has not been re-turned. Most of this was paid in the shape of loans,

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The loss in passenger operations between Portland and Linnton, a distance of 8.6 miles, was shown to be \$74,169.24

from July, 1912, to October, 1913, both months inclusive. Counting a fair proportion of the taxes and interest against the pas-senger earnings, the operation cost of the passenger service for the 16-month

period was \$171,301.64. \$55,642.61 Deficit Shown.

The passenger operating revenue for this same period showed a deficit of \$55,042.61.

The income statement for both freight and passenger business from July, 1910, to January 31, 1914, shows a net loss in operating revenue o

Deducting taxes paid and interest on funded and unfunded debts, the entire loss to the company during this same period was \$734,858.71.

By these figures C. H. Carey, attorney for the company, sought to show that the principal losses have been sustained through the passenger department. Although the pending application provides for a general in-crease of passenger rates between all stations from Fortland to Wilkesboro, the western terminus of the road, the most pronounced advance is that pro posed between Portland and Linnton and it is against this proposed advance that there is the most vigorous objection. The City of Linnton, as well as the City of Portland, are represented in the opposition to the new

Fare of 8.7 Cents Urged.

The present rate between Portland and Linnton is 5 cents flat. The new tariff provides for a 15-cent cash fare or an 8.7 fare on a commutation basis.

The people of Linnton and intermediate territory are objecting on the ground that many of them have built their homes on the basis of the 5-cent fare and that much of the business has been organized and is being conducted

ination is shown against that point in favor of Linnton, as the United Railways and the Oregon Electric are

owned by the Hill interests.

It is said that if the Commission grants the increase asked for by the United Railways between Portland and Linnton, the Garden Home case will be adversely affected.

The Garden Home people contend that the United Railways brought the Linnton case for the purpose of defeating them in their plan to get a reduced rate, bu the railroad attorneys declare that the Linnton application was pending before the Garden Home case was brought before the Commis-

The full Commission, consisting of Clyde B. Aitchison, Frank J. Miller and Thomas K. Campbell, is hearing the case. It will be resumed at 9:30 o'clock this morning.

PERSONAL MENTION.

George H. Fisher, of Corvallis, is a I. M. Arrington, of San Diego, is a the Oregon A. N. Moores, of Salem, is at the Washington.

C. M. Weatherwax, of Aberdeen, is at Dr. Louis Dechmann, of Seattle, is at

Calvin Blair, of Brighton, Or., is at

H. J. Wright, of Forest Grove, is at Carl Hansen, of Junction City, Or. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Pratt, of Missoula,

are at the Oregon gt the Multnomah

Nortonia from New York. Mr. and Mrs. H. Chesterbury, of New York, are at the Nortonia.

ry Hendren are registered at the Mult-nomah from Boston.
J. C. Scott, of Walla Walla, is reg-istered at the Multnomah. Don G. Fisher registered at the Ben-

son yesterday from Seattle.

A. A. Prince is registered at the Washington from New York. C. W. Laughery registered at the Im-perial yesterday from Astoria. J. R. Wilson registered at the Cor-nelius yesterday from Tacoma. George N. McLean, of Eugene, regis-tered at the Benson yesterday. Norman Waterhouse and E. J. Nash,

Homer G. Day, of White Salmon, Wash., is registered at the Cornelius. J. E. Donnelly, a physician, is reg istered at the Imperial from Condon

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cole, of Seattle, registered at the Washington yester-

D. M. Nayberger, a business man of McMinnville, is registered at the Ore-James Hemingway, a business man of Cottage Grove, is registered at the

Mrs. O. L. Murphy and Margaret

BANK CASHIER HEADS GRANTS PASS COMMERCIAL CLUB.



Marshall Hooper.

GRANTS PASS, Or., March 16. Marshall Hooper, recently elected president of the Commercial Club of Grants Pass, is cashler of the Grants Pass Banking Company. Other officers of the club are Edward S. Van Dyke, vice-presi-dent; R. K. Hackett, treasurer; W. P. Quinlan, secretary, and Frank South, C. A. Sidler, Dr. E. N. Bywater, G. P. Cramer and R.

L. Bartlett, trustees.

The club soon will take up the matter of advertising for the coming year. The largest local proposition on hand is to direct for the May primaries.

......... Travis, of Wilbur, Wash., are at the

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Lytle, of Salem, re at the Oregon. Dr. Lytle is State Veterinarian.

CHICAGO, March 16 .- (Special.)-E L. Vandresar, of Portland, Or., is registered at the Congress Hotel.

OREGON HOTEL ASSOCIATION ADOPTS RESOLUTIONS.

City Commission Asked Not to Appea Case to State Supreme Court.

Declaring that the hotel bonding orinance, the principal sections of which vere held to be unconstitutional re ently by Circuit Juage Morrow, is un fair, unjust and discriminatory, the Oregon Hotel Association has adopted resolutions asking the City Commission

not to appeal the case to the State Su-The resolutions read: Whereas, it has come to our notice that the honorable Mayor and the City Com-missioners are considering the matter of an appeal of the case of Gevurtz wa. The City of Portland, to the Supreme Court and pass-

ing another ordinance similar to the ordi-nance annulled by reason of the decision,

their homes on the basis of the 5-cent fare and that much of the business has been organized and is being conducted on this same basis. They point to the fact that the original builders of the Linnton line agreed to a 5-cent fare in consideration of the use of the public road west of Portland as a part of the right of way.

The original builders began, however, to charge 5 cents between Linnton and the Portland city limits and an additional 5 cents between the city limits and the business district. Later the courts held that the 5-cent fare should apply from the heart of the city to Linnton and the road has been operated on that basis ever since.

Garden Home Case Incidental.

Incidental to the Linnton case is the application of residents of Garden Home and intermediate points on the Oregon Electric for a flat 5-cent rate between those points and Portland. The Garden Home case is based principally on the allegation that discrimination is shown against that point in favor of Linnton, as the United

COMMISSIONER IS NAMED Idaho Educator, However, May Suc-

ceed Spokane Man Soon.

OLYMPIA, Wash, March 16.—(Special.)—Dr. H. T. Graves, of Spokane, head of the dairy and livestock division, was promoted to be acting Commis-sioner of Agriculture by Governor Lister today upon the retirement of J. H. Perkins, first head of the new state department. Governor Lister said the appointment was temporary and a permanent head probably would be

permanent need probably would be named by April 1.

Current report is that Professor W.

L. Carlyle, dean of the agricultural school of the University of Idaho, and former breeder of cavalry horses in Colorado, is the choice of the Governor for permanent appointment, and that he has been given until April 1 to ar-range his Idaho affairs.

NEW CONVENT TO BE BUILT Archbishop Christie Will Lay Cor-

nerstone Sunday.

The cornerstone for the new con-vent and Academy of the Hold Child Jesus will be laid at 3 o'clock Sunday. Archbishop Christie will preside and nake an address. Father Conaty and Judge Kavanaugh will also speak. The psalm sung will be one that has been put to music by

ne of the sisters. The new school for

50-CENT WATER, NU METERS, POSSIBLE

T. B. Wilcox, ex-Member of City Board, Says Defeat of Daly Plan Would Be Wise.

BIGGER MAINS HELD NEED

Sixty-Seven Million Gallons Additional Supply Declared Available. Referendum Petitioners Con-

tinue to Increase.

PLANS OF WATER METER REFER-ENDUM COMMITTEE.

Committee headquarters, 412 Railnumber, Main 180.

Petitions should be brought to headquarters as fast as possible to be validated and filed, as the committee will close its campaign for names this week. Blank petitions may be obtained at

the headquarters or will be mailed upon request.

Any citizen of Portland more than 21 years old is entitled to sign the

office) address should be given. "The water department can today re-

duce the flat rate to 50 cents, without installing meters, and still have sufficient revenue to take care of itself!" This was the statement made yesterday by Theodore B. Wilcox, who served on the Water Board from 1909 to 1913. and who, with the rest of the Board, was at all times opposed to the installation of meters.

"If the people are wise they will turn down the ordinance providing for meters to be installed and if Commissioner Daly is wise he will reduce the flat rate to 50 cents and let the poor man have all the water he wants.

Old Board Planned Reduction. "While I was on the Water Board we twice reduced the rates and it was the intention of the Board, as soon as the expenses which were occasioned by the establishment of the big new main from Bull Run was attended to, to reduce the rate to 50 cents. It can be done now.

"On the other hand you can't run a meter on less than 75 cents a month and pay for the expense of the meters. "Meters on a small main won't in-crease the service to the section in which the main happens to lie. The remedy for lack of water to any given district in Portland lies not in metering the inadequate mains, but in laying distribution mains which will carry a sufficient volume of water.

"The Water Board ordered 2000 meters while I was a member, to use on large concerns which consume a great amount of water. When we found that they were being put out among the residences we stopped and

never bought another meter. Better Distribution Aim Once. "The policy of the Water Board at that time was to spend money, if it was to be spent, on improving the dis-tribution, instead of metering old distribution mains. In many of the sections where the city had bought private water systems, the mains were not for the community, and we set to work putting in eight-inch distribution

"If there are any sections in the city where the distribution mains are not sufficiently large to carry all the water the section needs, the water depart-ment can do a whole lot better by spending some of the revenue that is coming in, over and above operating expenses, on the improvement of the system instead of on the installation of

"There is no occasion now, nor will there be for years to come, to conserve the supply, for it is far greater than the population of Portland can use up, or a city of three times our popula-tion. When the population grows up to the supply then it will be time to consider the question of whether you will spend money on meters for an in-adequate supply of water, or will install new mains from the source o supply. It's just as easy to bring into Portland 67,000,000 gallons more water

as it is to bring in 10,000,000."

Many Petitions Turned In. The general attitude of the public in favor of the referendum was most apparent yesterday at the headquarters of the referendum committee, when the volunteer circulators began to pour in with hundreds and hundreds of names for validation and filing.
Everyone who brought filled petitions took away with him blank petitions and will go after more names.

Five hundred new petitions were put in circulation yesterday by the commit-

tee and there are now more than 1500 going about the city. Reports of the circulators indicate that not one person in ten who has been approached has declined to sign the

petition. A special committee went out yes terday and placed petitions in most of the leading mills and factories of the city. Each place where they went the petitions were received and the promise given that they would be returned as soon as possible, filled with names. Not a single concern declined to take up the matter. The committee will complete its placing of petitions in the field today and by the end of the week, expects to have fully 20,000 names to file calling for the referendum against the expenditure of \$500,000 for meter-

HENRY CLAY WORK'S MELODIES STILL ARE POPULAR,

Connecticut Man Once Imprisoned for Helping Fugitive Slave Escape. Inventions Bring Wealth.

Only those who lived during the Civil War can realize the power and influ-ence exercised by the song writers of the time. Henry Clay Work, who was born at Middleton, Conn., in 1822, was imprisoned in Missouri for helping a fugitive slave to escape. He was a printer by trade and wrote "Kingdom Coming," "Babylon Is Fallen," and in his "Come Home, Dear Father, Come one of the sisters. The new school for John W. Palmer, of Hood River, is the Multnomah.

H. M. Nikkelson is registered at the Cortonia from New York.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Chesterbury, of New York, are at the Nortonia.

Charles Philip Beebe and James Hen
one of the sisters. The new school for girls will be located at the corner of East Fifty-fourth street and the Ala meda, in Rose City Park.

It is expected that the school will be ready by September. Eight sisters father's Clock," and at one time a member of the Society of the Holy Child Jesus, who will establish the school, came from England recently. ber of the music firm of Root & Cady, Chicago. He invented a knitting ma-chine and rotary engine, which gave "Dividend Day" Next Thursday-30 Free Stamps to All Visitors to Premium Parlors, 4th Floor Special Demonstration of Colgate's Toilet Preparations and Borden's Malted Milk-Main Floor

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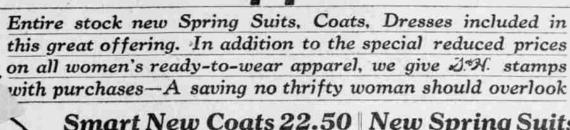
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Garment Department, Second Floor - Many of them styled similar to this illustration. Very attractive coats for street wear. The materials include Golfine, Duvetyne, Checks, Plaids, etc., in handsome Spring colorings; trimmed with fancy collars and cuffs, buttons, belts, etc. In all \$22.50 sizes for women and misses. Spe'l

Smart New Coats 22.50 New Spring Suits \$25.65

Suit Salons, Second Floor-At this moderate price we show a splendid assortment of styles in plain tailored or novelty effects with kimono sleeves and new tier or ruffled skirts. Were we to price these at what other stores ask for suits of this kind you would have to pay \$30.00 to \$32.50 for them. All newest \$25.65

Women's \$1.50 House Dresses, Special at \$1.19 "Clara Barton" Slip-Over Dresses, Special \$1.00 Each

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Underwear and Hosiery Bargains

At the Main Floor Bargain Circle Today

Women's 50c Outsize Silk Lisle Hose 39c in black only; specially priced, pair, Women's 65c Silk Boot Hosiery in 45c black, white and tan; special, pair Women's 50c Imported Lisle and Cot- 31c | Women's 25c and 35c Black Lisle and 19c ton Hose; black, black split foot, 31c | Cotton Hose in broken sizes; special, 19c



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Imported "Zimmerli" Vests 1/2 Price Bargain Circle, Main Floor - For today's selling we offer the Genuine Imported "Zimmerli" Vests at just half price. Fine quality lisle in plain and lace trimmings-Regular \$1.50 grades, 43¢ Regular \$1.50 grades, 75¢ Regular \$1.75 grades, 63¢ Regular \$1.75 grades, 88¢

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an independent fortune in later

life, and he enjoyed the sunset of his busy career in a house at Hartford, Conn., not far from his birthplace. His songs had a great vogue in their time and still continue popular in the melo-

dies of the old days. Several of Work's famous old songs appear in "Heart Songs" now offered by this paper to its readers. A complete library of American song. See coupon elsewhere in this issue.—Adv.

LINN OFFICES ARE SOUGHT Fifteen Candidates Are Out of Whon 13 Are Republicans.

ALBANY, Or., March 16 .- (Special.)-Fifteen candidates for office in Linn County have filed thus far, and others have announced that they will be candidates. Of the 15 who have filed, 13 are Republicans.

Notices of candidacy have been filed as follows: For County Clerk-R. M. Russell, of Albany; Ralph Thom, of Lebanon; W. W. Bailey, of Brownsville, and C. B. Winn, of Albany, all Republicans.

For Sheriff-D. H. Bodine, of Al-

bany, incumbent, and Grant Pirtle, of Albany, Republicans; W. J. Moore, of Brownsville, Democrat. For Recorder—Grant Froman, of Al-bany, incumbent, Republican. For Treasurer—W. W. Francis, of Albany, incumbent, Republican.
For Commissioner—O. H. Russell, of
Sweet Home, incumbent; J. D. Irvine,
of Brownsville, and T. M. Holt, of

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For Coroner-William Fortmiller, of Walter M. Eaton, of Albany, Democrat. Albany, incumbent, Republican.

For Surveyor—Alfred L. Geddes, of Albany, incumbent, Republican, and who have not filed are Frank C. Stell-



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us, but Tip-Top Bread always. "And so we sign ourselves, Mrs. Grandma, Mrs. Mother

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