

BRIDGE FRANCHISE MAY BE ENJOINED

Taxpayers See Move to Obtain Exclusive Rights on New Interstate Span.

LETTERS INDICATE PLAN

Officials of Portland Railway, Light & Power Company Would Bar Broad-Gauge Cars, in Opinion of Those Opposing Terms.

To prevent the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company from obtaining what they consider an exclusive franchise over the new Interstate bridge, a number of taxpayers of Multnomah and Clatsop counties are planning to enjoin the interstate bridge commission...

In a letter to J. Fred Larson, who acted as agent for the Interstate Bridge Commission in obtaining opinions on rights of way for the various suggested approaches on the Oregon side, Franklin T. Griffith, president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, specifies certain conditions for the free grant of a right-of-way across Hayden Island...

Words Are Feared. The use of the words "at our option" is construed by those who are seeking the injunction as a means by which the Portland Railway Company can prevent a broad gauge line from using the bridge.

In a subsequent letter to the mayor and City Council, F. I. Fuller, vice-president of the company, makes similar terms for use of the company's private right of way, although he makes no reference to the use of narrow gauge and standard gauge tracks.

Perpetual Rights Sought. "That it be granted the right to construct and maintain a double track, either single track or double track, at its option, with power to change from single track to double track, or from double track to single track, over and upon all of the said approach, such right to continue vested in this company, its successors and assigns, so long as it or they maintain and operate said railway."

"That this company be granted a reasonable franchise over the bridges crossing Oregon Slough and the Columbia River, and the right to use the tracks to be laid and maintained on said bridges by the authorities having jurisdiction thereof. That this company be required to pay no portion of the cost of constructing said bridges, or the said approach, other than the cost of laying its track and the cost of paving with Warrenite the portion of said approach occupied by its tracks."

Common User Terms Proposed. "It is understood that the rights to be granted this company shall include the right to construct and maintain its necessary overhead construction for the electrical operation of its railway upon said approach, and it is also to be understood and agreed that tracks laid by this company upon said approach shall be subject to common use by any other railway company upon fair and equitable terms and upon condition that such other user shall pay this company a fair and reasonable portion of the cost of constructing said railway and in laying and maintaining the said pavement."

"The tracks mentioned above are intended to be narrow gauge and the agreement concerning the use of said approach should provide for change of said narrow gauge tracks at our option to standard gauge, and in the event of any such change to standard gauge it to be provided that the strip of paving to be maintained by us shall be eighteen (18) feet wide, instead of fifteen and one-half (15 1/2) feet."

"We are willing to co-operate with the City of Portland in the opening and extension of Union avenue to the Columbia boulevard upon any fair and reasonable plan that may be devised, reserving our right to maintain and operate our railways on said extension to Union avenue."

Mr. Fuller Gives Views. Mr. Fuller's letter to the city authorities bears date of March 24 and reads as follows: "Confirming the understanding reached in the conference in the Mayor's office yesterday afternoon with representative owners on Union avenue we desire to say that the position of this company in regard to the opening of Union avenue from Bryant street to the Columbia boulevard is as follows: We own a private right of way, 30 feet in width, located in the central portion of the proposed extension of Union avenue from Bryant street to the Columbia boulevard."

In case the approach to the new interstate bridge across the Columbia River is located so as to connect with the northern end of the proposed extension, this company will not oppose the opening of the proposed extension and the use of its right of way for street purposes, providing that there is reserved to it the use of all its present rights to maintain and operate a double track railway along such portion of its right of way as may be required for such double track, together with the right

to erect trolley poles along the curbs of said extension and to string spans, trolley, feed and power wires on and along such poles. The reservation to be made in a similar manner to that along East Thirteenth street, near Malden avenue, when East Thirteenth street was opened, and, provided further, that this company shall be put to no expense in connection with the regrading or filling of all or any portion of said proposed extension or the building of bridges or viaducts thereon, it being understood that the roadbed on such extension is to be provided ready for the laying of the tracks without any expense to this company.

Paving Terms Given. "As to paving, this company will be willing to assume the cost of paving so much of the surface of such extension of Union avenue, between Bryant street and the Columbia boulevard, as may be located between its tracks and between its tracks, and one foot outside of its outermost rail, providing it shall be the privilege of bonding, under city improvement bonds in the ordinary way, the cost of such paving assessment."

It is understood that this proposal, permitting by regular opening proceedings, the use of our above-mentioned right of way for street purposes, under the above conditions, is to be binding only in case that such extension of Union avenue is to be used as the approach to the new interstate bridge across the Columbia River, and in such event we will be willing to grant, under reasonable conditions, common user privileges to that portion of said extension between Plymouth street and Columbia boulevard."

OREGON ASKED TO HELP

EFFORT MADE TO SECURE FEDERAL EXPOSITION PAVILION. California Morally Enjoined From Urging Passage of Administration Bill for \$500,000 Fair Appropriation.

Oregon's representatives in Congress were urged by a telegram yesterday from John F. Logan, of the Oregon Commission of the Panama-Pacific Exposition, to do everything in their power to assist in the passage of the measure recommended by President Wilson providing for \$500,000 for a Government building at the San Francisco Fair, the suggestion coming from C. C. Moore, president of the Panama-Pacific Exposition, in the following message:

"President Wilson having sent a message to Congress, asking an appropriation of \$500,000 for the construction of a Government building, we feel that the defeat of this measure would indirectly seriously injure the Exposition, because it would indicate unfriendliness of Congress to the enterprise."

"Whatever impairs the Exposition as a whole is detrimental to any of its parts, and, while this action of President Wilson is entirely the act of the Administration and in no way reflects the demands of the Government Exhibit Board, yet we feel that all of those American states which are participating in the Exposition should be advised of the situation in Washington and given an opportunity to render such assistance to the passage of this bill as they may feel inclined to give."

"Owing to the assurance given Congress at the time the location of the Exposition was under consideration, we are not in a position to advocate the passage of this measure, nor perform any act that would be construed to repudiate the location of the Exposition at that time, but it is certainly our privilege, if it is not our duty, to inform the public of the situation in this regard, that this bill having been introduced in Congress, no matter under whose auspices, it would seriously impair our position here, as well as at home, if it should now be defeated."

"With expressions of the highest esteem. Yours very sincerely, CHARLES C. MOORE."

HILL TO USE SHIPS

STEAMERS GIVE WAY TO WIPE OUT \$17.50 ARBITRARY. Official Says Arrangement Will Be Made So Visitors Can Use Route Through Portland.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 7.—(Special.)—That the Hill line, through the rail and water transportation to be inaugurated between Astoria and San Francisco will wipe out all or a large portion of the \$17.50 differential rate fixed by the Southern Pacific on business between the north ports and the exposition city, was the announcement Monday of M. J. Costello, assistant general traffic manager of the Great Northern. He made the statement on his return from a conference with President C. Gilman of the Southern Bank and W. D. Skinner, general traffic manager of the system.

Abandoning hope of obtaining concessions from the Southern Pacific, the Northern lines are turning their attention to the rail and water route offered by the Great Northern when its new steamships are completed, as a solution of the problem. While no official action has been taken by the Hill line, it has been discussed by the heads of the system. An arbitrary on the steamships of \$10 or less, a portion of which may be absorbed by the rail lines so that the passenger can come by way of Seattle, Vancouver, Victoria or Tacoma at a small increase of cost over the direct lines, probably will be arranged.

VACCINATION ORDER WIDE

All Employes New York Hotels and Stores Must Take Treatment. NEW YORK, April 7.—New York department stores, hotels and other establishments in the large numbers of people congregated must have all their employes vaccinated if they want the names of their concerns included in a "white list," which will be issued by the health department about May 1. "If you find the name of your favorite hotel, department store or local tradesman on the 'white list,'" said the health department in a statement, "you may feel certain you are patronizing an establishment anxious to safeguard the health of its patrons. Only those establishments whose employes have been recently vaccinated will be included in the list."

BRYAN REMAINS IN BED

Secretary's Bronchial Tubes Affected and Grippe Improved. WASHINGTON, April 7.—Secretary Bryan still was confined to his home last night, suffering from an affection of the bronchial tubes and grippe.

Although his condition was reported improved, the Secretary was advised to remain home for several days.

GRACE AND TAYLOR CHURCHES PEWITE

Methodists Adopt Old Terms Modified—Building Will Be Altered.

WORK TO BEGIN AT ONCE

Third-Street Structure Will Be Converted Into Income-Producing Property—Dr. Loveland's Arrival Aids Settlement.

The congregations of Grace Methodist Church and the church at Third and Taylor streets, after a controversy which has extended with varying fortunes to either side through a period of nearly two years, have united under conditions which are a modified form of the articles of union which were adopted in 1912, and which provided for a new building on the Grace Church site.

The terms of their reunion as the First Methodist Church were embodied in a resolution from the trustees which was adopted at a meeting of the quarterly conference Monday night at the Grace Church.

Since the coming to Portland of Rev. Frank L. Loveland, formerly of Topeka, who exchanged pulpits a short time ago with the Rev. E. J. Young, former pastor of the First Methodist Church of Portland, steady efforts have been made to bring about a solution of the difficulties between the congregations of the two churches.

Bishop's Ruling Falls. It had been thought last winter when the bishop rendered a decision recommending a continuation of the union of the two churches that the question was settled, but the controversy was renewed within less than a month. At the same meeting at which the two factions made their open break, Dr. Young's request for a transfer to Topeka was announced.

Dr. Loveland preached Sunday in the Taylor-street church as well as in the Grace Church and in both churches it was announced that the quarterly conference called for Monday night was to settle finally whether they should continue as two churches or should reaffirm their articles of union adopted nearly two years before.

The meeting was harmonious and the resolutions were adopted with little discussion. The plans for church building taken since the adoption of the original articles of consolidation, July 30, 1912, were rescinded, and the board of trustees of the church instructed to take such action as may be necessary to carry forward the construction and improvement of the church property.

The entire new building contemplated originally will not be erected immediately. The present Grace Church building will be opened on the West Side and the Sunday school unit of the proposed new building will be built adjoining it on the property at the west.

The property at Third and Taylor streets, after the resumption of services in the remodeled building, will be transferred into some sort of income-producing property and the revenue therefrom dedicated to the extension of Methodism in Portland.

Properties of both the Grace Church and the Taylor-street church will be transferred at once to a board of five trustees to be elected, and this board will administer the property and its improvement.

"We realize that this plan may not please everybody, but we believe that it is calculated to please a large percentage of our membership, that it is consistent with the interests of the church in general, that it will carry forward the cause of Methodism in our city, were the closing words of the resolution, and as a board of trustees, we earnestly appeal to this quarterly conference to adopt it as a reasonable working programme."

After the adjournment of the conference its membership spent some time in an informal reception to each other and in the interchange of felicitations over the fact that the dispute that had existed between the two wings of the church was settled.

RALLY PLANS COMPLETED. McCormick, Progressive Leader, Will Speak in Lincoln School Hall. Portland Progressives have completed the preliminary arrangements for the Progressive rally Saturday night, at which Medill McCormick, of Chicago, will be the principal speaker.

IF CHILD IS CROSS, FEVERISH AND SICK

Look Mother! If tongue is coated, cleanse little bowels with 'California Syrup of Figs.'

Children love this "fruit laxative," and nothing else cleanses the tender stomach, liver and bowels so nicely. A child simply will not stop playing to empty the bowels, and the result is they become tightly clogged with waste, liver gets sluggish, stomach sour, then your little one becomes cross, half sick, feverish, don't eat, sleep or act naturally, breath is bad, system full of cold, has sore throat, stomach-ache or diarrhea. Listen, Mother! See if tongue is coated, then give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the system, and you have a well, playful child again.

Millions of mothers give "California Syrup of Figs" because it is perfectly harmless; children love it, and it never fails to act on the stomach, liver and bowels. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. Get the genuine, made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.—Adv.

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Hardy Gold Fish Fantails. High Colors and Leopard Spots, SPECIAL. 1 Glass Aquarium, regular... 60c. 2 Fantailed Gold Fish, reg... 50c. SPECIAL THIS WEEK, 79c. Garden Hose. A 50-foot length with fittings, ready for use... \$3.25. Lawn Mowers. You'll grow young pushing one of ours—cuts like a safety razor. 14-inch... \$6.00. 16-inch... \$6.00. BORDEN'S MILK. Served at our Fountain. Delicious, Nourishing, Refreshing. Twelve different appetizing ways of serving. \$1.10.

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"The Progressive a Militant Party," will be his subject. Mr. McCormick is vice-chairman of the Progressive National committee, one of the most active and vigorous leaders of the party, and former publisher of the Chicago Tribune. He is on a tour of the West. His wife is prominent in the National woman suffrage movement. T. R. Neuhausen, state chairman of the Progressive party in Oregon, announced last night that the rally will be held in the Lincoln high school auditorium at 8 o'clock.

Northwest, died at his home, 529 Greenwood avenue, Monday morning after a brief illness, from ptomaine poisoning. He was 43 years old and had been a resident of Oregon for 22 years. For eight years he had been in the railway mail service on the Shasta Limited, of the Southern Pacific, between Portland and Medford. Mr. Van Gross is survived by his widow and three minor children; three brothers, two sisters and his father. Two of his brothers—Martin and William Van Gross—are employed with Olds, Wortman & King. The third brother is J. A. Van Gross, an instructor at Portland Academy. His father, Christian Van Gross; a sister, the wife of Dr. W. J. Gilstrap, and Mrs. May M. Enschbe, another sister, live in Sheridan.

"Reasonable" Defined. (Washington Star). "What do you understand by the word 'reasonable'?" "Reasonable," replied Mr. Dustin Star, "is an adjective that may be applied to any theory or request that I may have to present."

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BLOSSOM TIME. Week-End Fares. PORTLAND TO SOUTHERN OREGON POINTS via the SOUTHERN PACIFIC. Effective every Saturday and Sunday until the end of May, round-trip tickets will be sold from Portland to all points in Southern Oregon, Comstock to Ashland inclusive, good for return Monday following. Fruit trees are now in bloom in Southern Oregon, and everything outdoors inviting. An excellent opportunity to visit friends. Further particulars at City Ticket Office, 80 Sixth Street, Corner Oak, Union Depot or East Morrison-Street Depot. John M. Scott, General Passenger Agent, Portland, Or.

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