

ITINER'S ESCAPE TAX

Council Decides Against Exaction of License at Present.

TROLLEY PROTEST IN VAIN

Mr. Griffith Declares It Is Unfair That Corporation Pay Heavy Taxes and Be Subjected to Uncontrolled Competition.

Expressing conviction that the trolley business, as it is operating at present, will lead to a natural death, members of the City Commission yesterday gave President Griffith, of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, an assurance that steps would be taken at present to curb the concern.

Members of the Council in a lengthy conference with President Griffith took the position that the service cannot be made a permanent one.

Commissioner Brewer contended that the new bus service is an experiment and may some day take the place of streetcar service.

President Griffith said that 20 per cent of the gross receipts of the streetcar company go to pay taxes and licenses for doing business.

CHURCHES TO PROTEST

PLAN IS PROPOSED TO OFFSET LIQUOR INTERESTS' LOBBY.

Spokane Congregations to Unite in Impressing on Legislators That They Represent All People.

COYOTE CAUGHT BY HAND

La Grande Policeman Loses One of Two Animals in Chase.

LA GRANDE, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—"Catch 'em alive" alternately the Oklahoma man piloted Roosevelt on his hunting tours through the southwest and caught coyotes alive banded, has nothing on Officer Weagle, of the local police force.

HIGHWAY SLIPS ONTO RAILS

Rains Send More Columbia Retaining Walls on Drop to Track.

ST. HELENS, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—The Federal Court against the Columbia Highway with the last rain, has dropped onto the tracks of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railroad.

SLAYER HAS JAIL RECORD

California Police Report C. Pettis Has Been in Trouble Often.

THE DALLES, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Clarence Pettis, who shot and killed Ralph Brown, a Kaskela, Or., rancher, New Year's day and who is in jail here awaiting trial on a murder charge, recently wrote a letter intended

WILLS NEED HEART

California Flour Makers Bid Higher for Supplies.

DELAYED BUYING TOO LONG

Urgent Demand From South Aids in Putting Market Up—May Bluestem Goes Past \$1.50 Mark.

STOCK GAINS GENERAL

ALL CLASSES PARTICIPATE IN UPWARD SWING.

Special Issues Lead in Advance—Bond Values Continue to Improve.

Money Rates Easier.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—Stocks moved forward again today, under lead of the various special issues, including fertilizer and motor shares, the copper and such a list of miscellaneous securities, half a point higher.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

Table with columns: Stock Name, High, Low, Closing. Includes Alcoa, Am Sugar, Am Tobacco, etc.

VISIBLE SUPPLY DECREASES RAPIDLY.

Loss in Past Week Is Nearly Four Million Bushels.

The weekly wheat statistics of the Merchants' Exchange show the following changes in the American visible supply:

NEW ZEALAND BUTTER IS FIRM.

Foreign Demand and Dry Weather Cause Higher Prices.

Reporting on New Zealand butter and cheese shipments, Consul-General J. I. Britton, for Auckland, writes:

EXPORT DEMAND FOR OREGON HOPS

Unsold Supply Cut Down to 8000 Bales.

A good export demand for hops is keeping prices in this state in a firm position, and with supplies steadily declining, no recession in the market is looked for.

2 MEN SHOOT UP SHANKHO

Judge Assesses Fine and 60 Days in Jail for Wild West Trick.

THE DALLES, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Two men who shot up the town of Shaniko Saturday are now prisoners in the Wasco County Jail.

Grippe Gales Minister and Family.

THE DALLES, Or., Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Mrs. Nathan Evans, wife of the Methodist pastor here, planned to leave Saturday for Ellensburg, Wash., where her daughter, Miss Lecl, a school-teacher, is ill with the grippe.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Table with columns: Commodity, Bid, Ask. Includes Wheat, Flour, Feed, etc.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Local jobbing quotations: Apples, \$1.25 per bushel; Oranges, \$2.00 per bushel; Lemons, \$3.50 per bushel.

Dairy and Country Produce.

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Wool, Hides, Etc.

Wool—Valley, 17¢; Eastern Oregon, 16¢; Montana, 15¢.

Provisions.

HAMS—Standard, 17¢; fancy, 18¢; picnic, 15¢.

San Francisco Produce Markets.

Prices Current in Bay City on Fruits, Vegetables and Canned Goods.

Chicago Livestock Market.

Chicago, Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Cattle—Receipts, 2,000; market, steady.

London Market.

London, Jan. 18.—(Special.)—Wheat—Receipts, 1,000; market, steady.

Local Market Is Off Ten to Fifteen Cents.

NO SALES MADE OVER \$6.90

Run Is Heavy, Exceeding 7000 Head for the Day—Cattle and Sheep Steady at Last Week's Quotations.

There was a big run at the stockyards yesterday, averaging well over 7000 head and the market was consequently very active.

Copper Exports.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Copper exports during the six weeks period ending January 15, 1915, were valued at \$7,211,250.

Hops at London.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 18.—Hops in London: Pacific Coast, 12 1/2 to 14 1/2.

EUROPE DESIRES CORN

PRICES LIFTED BY TALK OF EM-BARGO ON WHEAT.

Decrease of Nearly 4,000,000 Bushels of Visible Supply Offsets Federal Inquiries.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—Announcement of a decrease of nearly 4,000,000 bushels in the United States visible supply of wheat tended to act as more than an offset today for the bearish effect of Federal inquiries.

MINORITY BUYS IN PLANT

Idaho-Oregon Power Company Is Sold for \$2,005,000.

BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 18.—Rival factions today bid for the property of the Idaho-Oregon Power & Light Company, which was sold at public auction to the Electric Investment Company, a Delaware corporation.

TRAVELERS GUIDE.

Sailings for HAVRE

CHICAGO ..... Jan. 30, 3 P. M. NIAGARA ..... Feb. 6, 3 P. M. ROCHAMBEAU ..... Feb. 13, 3 P. M.

San Francisco

LOS ANGELES AND SAN DIEGO S. S. YUCATAN Sails Wednesday, Jan. 20, at 6 P. M.

BUENOS AIRES

SHOW FLAG OF SOUTH AMERICA. BARRIA, RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTO CRUZ, RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTO CRUZ.

COOS BAY LINE

STEAMSHIP BREAKWATER. Sells from Astoria dock, Portland, 8 P. M. every Tuesday, Freight and ticket office, 1000 Broadway, N. Y.

LAIDL & TILTON BANK. Capital and Surplus \$2,000,000. Commercial and Savings Deposits.

LABOR IS ON DEFENSIVE. SEEKING PASSAGE OF NEW LAWS. CLASH BETWEEN OPPOSING ELEMENTS POSSIBLE AT OLYMPIA SESSION OVER 'FIRST AID' MEASURE.

DETAILED FRUIT AND VEGETABLE MARKET QUOTATIONS. Apples, Oranges, Lemons, etc.

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