### LUMBERMEN HEAR ESCH RATE PLAN

Charge Would Decrease as Load Is Increased, Using 50,000 Lbs. as Standard.

IDEA NOT FULLY GRASPED

Proposal Before Commission I Being Digested by Industry Before Recommendation of Any Sort Is Made.

Representatives of the lumber associations of Oregon, Washington, California, Idaho and Montana met yester day in Portland in an effort to solve the Esch plan of rate classification, the Interstate Commerce Commission having asked for briefs on it by January 25. Traffic experts and men of practical shipping experience considered the plan for hours, and, admitting that it was both attractive and dangerous, they finally came to the conclusion it was so far-reaching and revolutionary it would take weeks and probably months to develop the information Representatives of the lumber asso-

ary it would take weeks and probably months to develop the information sought by the Commission.

In discussing the features of the Esch plan last night, J. N. Teal said:

'In a general way, subject to some modifications, under the Esch plan a car loading of 50,000 pounds is taken as a standard carload, and present rates

Lond Increases, Rate Decreases. "As the loading increases by the measure of 10,000 pounds a car the rate decreases proportionately; that is, a 50,000-pound load would take the present rate, a 60,000-pound load a lower rate and a 70,000-pound load a still lower rate.

"On the other hand, a 40,000-pound load would take a higher rate, a 30,000-pound load a still higher rate, and so on. The plan is based on transporta-tion cost only, no other factor being considered. There are other factors that must be and always have been considered, hence the plan is a very radical change from any lumber rate structure now in effect.

"It seems to be a modification of the

so-called Peterson plan under discussion by the lumbermen and railroads for quite a while three or four years

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Plan Net Fully Understeed.

Mr. Each says his plan is revolutionary. Lumbermen, more or less dumfounded, say Mr. Each is absolutely
right in his classification of the idea.
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Spökane, Western Pine Manufacturers'
Association; F. G. Donaldson, traffic
manager of the Willamette Valley
Lumbermen's Association; C. H. McIntyre, Seattle, traffic manager of the
West Coast Lumbermen's Association;
Chester Hogue, Portland, assistant secretary West Coast Lumbermen's Association, and Robert B. Allen, of Seattle, Chester Hogue, Portland, assistant secretary West Coast Lumbermen's Association, and Robert B. Allen, of Seattle.

### SALOONMEN HEAVILY FINED

New York Court Assesses \$1800

put to prosecute the cases.

As each saloonkeeper was bonded the city and state will divide nearly \$20,000 in fines.



The **Price** of Silence

Starring

arnum

Now Playing

## MOVING PICTURE NEWS



Sunday Crowd Storming Broadway Theater to See "Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea."

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES. Peoples-Clara Kimball Young, "The Foolish Virgin." "The Foolish virgin.

Majestic—William Farnum, "The
Price of Silence."

Columbia—Mary Pickford, "The
Pride of the Clan."

Sunset—Mary Pickford, "Hearts Adrift."
Star-Pauline Frederick, "The Slave Market." Slave Market."
Broadway — "Twenty Thousand
Leagues Under the Sea."
Globe—Viola Dana—"Children of
Eve."

D HEA MITCHELL, the Portland ture theater were broken at the Broad-In the proposal of Mr. Esch car loading not only would determine the basis for fixing freight charges, but would also be the basis for differentiating between lumber and the further manufactured products of lumber, such as sash and doors.

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Francisco, representing redwood and cuit. From vaudeville she returned to than in his first Selznick picture. The character of Jim Anthony in Hammond Lumber Company, Portland; comedies to dramatic leads at the Al-

### Jane Cowl in Pictures.

Jane Cowl, one of the greatest stars of the spoken drama and known to millions as the heroine of "Within the New York Court Assesses \$1800

Penalty for Sunday Misstep.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Eleven saloon-keepers of this city were each fined \$1800 today by Justice Cohalan, in the \$1800 today by Justice Cohalan, in the \$1800 today by Justice Cohalan, in the Supreme Court, for having sold a glass of beer or whisky on Sunday, contrary to law. The court also added \$76.99 for costs to which the state had been put to prosecute the cases.

As each saloonkeeper was bonded the city and state will divide nearly \$20.000 in fines.

Miss Fealy has not played with Mr. Boberts since the days of Elitche's Gardens, Denyer, Colo., when Miss Cowl has been converted to a belief in seven art and will appear for this newest of great film producing organizations in a series of pictures.

Immediately following the run of her annual Summer appearance at the Gardens.

Immediately following the run of her newest stage play, "Lilac Time."

Screen Gossip.

"It is absurd to argue that there is no harm in a clean film with a sex play and the series of pictures."

Screen Gossip.

gin work in the Goldwyn Eastern stu-dios on two pictures of immense dramatic scope, to be written around her distinctive personality by two of America's most important dramatists. Each year thereafter, between her theatrical engagements, Miss Cowl will appear in other Goldwan production. pear in other Goldwyn productions.
\* Mae Marsh was the first Goldwyn

Peggy Snow With Cohan.

### EX-HUSBAND IS BLAMED

MRS. LUETTA WAGNER SAYS TRIP TO SEATTLE FORCED.

Former Wife Tells Authorities of O. Wagner Compelling Her to Go by Flourishing Razor.

about two weeks ago, with her mother at Bellrose Station on the Estacada line, married Otto Wagner, a steamboat man, last June. She says that he threatened her life often and was in-

the Arteraft Pictures Corporation to appear opposite George M. Cohan in his initial motion picture subject, "Broadway Jones," Miss Snow will portray on the screen the part of Josie Richards, the pretty stenographer at the Jones gum factory, who shows the wild "Broadway Jones" the right path. Originally presented at the Cohan Theater, New York City, by Myrtle Tannehill, the role of Josie offers a particularly likable character and one especially adapted to Miss Snow's capabilities.

The J. Warren Kerrigan Film Corporation at last has been organized, or at least Kerrigan has signed a long-term contract that not only calls for the

tinguished young actor the greatest opportunity he has yet had to make himself famous as a screen player.

Maude Fealy With Lasky.

Maude Fealy, leading woman for William Gillette, E. S. Williard, William Collier, Holbrook Blinn, Robert Hil-lard and Sir Henry Irving, star for John Cort in "The Illusion of Beatrice." "Stronger Sex" and "The Right Prin-cess," has joined the Jesse N. Lasky Picture Company She will appear as Picture Company. She will appear as co-star with Theodore Roberts in a feature picture to be released on the

no harm in a clean film with a sex is in New York.
title," says Moving Picture World. "No

mencing Thursday, the Pathe News will be no more. Pathe and Hearst will combine to present the Hearst-Pathe News, a comprehensive picture report of the world's events.

Marguerite Snow, the well-known Mary Nash, who made her screen favorite, has been engaged by debut in Pathe's "Arms and the Wom

# that time she has been with her mother and has avoided Wagner. Last Saturday night at Broadway and Washington street Wagner accosted her, says Mrs. Wagner. She was with a woman friend. They went into the Imperial Hotel to escape him, but he followed, according to Mrs. Wagner's story. MONK REPORTED ALIVE

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The woman went on to say that Wagner had a razor in his pocket with which he threatened her, and that he took her to the home of his mother at 5906 Forty-sixth avenue Southeast, where her pleas for help from her erstwhile mother-in-law were unbeeded.

threatened her life often and was insanely jealous, going so far at one time as to tear from the wall a telephone over which he thought Mrs. Wagner was talking to men friends.

The marriage was annulled in Oregon City, Mr. Dempsey was told, when Mrs. Wagner found that her husband had been divorced from a former wife within the six months' statutory period prior to his marriage to her. Since

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Broadway Breaks Record.

It is asserted that all Portland records for attendance at a motion picture theater were broken at the Broadway Sunday, when more than 9000 persons witnessed the screening of "Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea, an eight-reel picturization of Jules "The best previous theater record in Portland was \$500, when I played "Tillifor Produces and studio managers everywhere are greatly perturbed about the unprecedented increase in the cost of materials and operation in the motion-picture business. In some instances materials have increased in cost in the past two years 5000 per cent. War.

making Keystone comedies.

Rumor has it that Blanche Sweet

will retire from the Lasky company and take a long vacation before con-sidering a new film engagement.

Camille Astor, who was with Helen Ware in "The Garden of Allah," has returned to comedy. Fred Mace, who has quit Keystone to organize a comedy company of his own,

Arthur Maude, the English actor, has een engaged by Ince.

Clara Kimball Young, the Selznick-Clara Rimbali Young, the SelznickPictures star, has just returned to New
York from a trip to New Orleans,
where, accompanied by Director Giblyn and her company, she is producing
a picturized version of David Graham
Phillip's novel, "The Price She Paid."
She remained several weeks for the
purpose of making exterior scenes for
this production.

Assassination Story Spread by Hi Friends to Aid Escape, Is Story Reaching Copenhagen.

Mrs. Luetta Wagner, forced under threat of death to accompany to Seattle the man whose marriage to her had just been annuilled, escaped and returned to Portland yesterday morning, according to the story she sold Deputy District Attorney Dempsey, on the strength of which a warrant was issued yesterday for the arrest of Otto Wagner.

If the story of Mrs. Wagner is borne out by investigation, Mr. Wagner's arrest may involve a test of his sanity instead of prosecution of the charge of threatening to commit a felony.

Mrs. Wagner, who has been living since her separation from her husband, about two weeks ago, with her mother at Bellrose Station on the Estacada line, married Otto Wagner, a steamboat man, last June. She says that he threatened her life often and was in-

Deaf Mute Shot by Highwayman.

OSSIPEE, N. H., Jan. 8.—A verdict of "guilty, with capital punishment," was returned tonight against Frederick L. Small, former Boston broker, who was charged with the murder of his wife, Florence A. Small.

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa, Jan. 8.— When Sidney Smith, 22, a deaf mute, to-night paid no heed to a command to "throw up his hands," a robber shot him four times. Smith died in a hospital a few hours later. The murderer escaped. The crime was committed on a street in the business district.

Experiences of a castaway girl and a man on a tropic island.

# MARY PICKFORD

HEARTS ADRIFT

Today

## SUNSET

Next Sunday

### RICHARD J. JOSE

No other singer was ever known to have a voice just like Jose's. That wonderful, sweet contra tenor stands alone. He will appear in person, singing an accompaniment to the picture "SILVER THREAD AMONG THE GOLD," in which he plays the leading role.

## HALL WILL BE READY

George Baker Promises Auditorium by June 1.

### **BIG CONVENTION DISCUSSED**

Juanita Hansen, Keystotne comedienne and youthful player with Fox and Mutual during the past year, is to be the star of "Glory," a serial made by an Eastern producing concern.

Louise Huff has left the Famous Players studio in the East for the Lasky studio at Hollywood, Cal. Jack Pickford will follow soon and the two will appear in "Freckies," an adaptation of the Gene Stratton Porter novel. Fourteen companies are now busy in the coming five years than she has entertained in all her previous his-

Before he starts work in pictures again, J. Warren Kerrigan will devote three months to appearing in leading theaters of the country.

contentained in all her previous history."

Mrs. G. J. Frankel, speaking in behalf of the Women's Co-operative League, said that the women of the city would assist actively in every possible way to said that the women of the city would assist actively in every possible way to entertain the delegates. Mrs. George W. McMath, of the Oregon Congress of Mothers, emphasized the importance of giving the visiting delegates the best possible entertainment while they are here, saying that they would do more to advertise the West favorably than could be obtained through any other agency—provided care is taken to make their visit here pleasant.

L. R. Alderman, Superintendent of Schools; O. M. Plummer and W. T. Foster, of Reed College, spoke on various phases of the preparations for the phases of the preparations for the convention, and pointed to the effect that had followed previous conven-tions for the benefit of the ctiy in which they had been held.

> MRS. ANNA WALLACE DIES Pneumonia Is Fatal to Highland

> > Resident at 83 Years.

OREGON CITY, Or., Jan. 8.—(Speciál.)—Mrs. Anna Wallace, wife of Godfried Wallace, died at the family home at Highland Sunday from pneumonlas and the funeral services will be held tomorrow from the Myers & Brady chapel here. The interment will be in the Highland Cemetery.

Mrs. Wallace was born August 11, 1842, and on October 7, 1865, she was married to Godfried Wallace. She is survived by her husband, three sons, John Wallace of Caldwell, Idaho; Joe wallace, of Highland: George Wallace, of Broad Acre, Or.; two daughters, Mrs. Fred Hettman and Mrs. George Berger, of Seattle, Wash.

AUTO CLUB MEET CALLED Directors Will Be Chosen for State-Wide Motor Association.

A special meeting of the Portland Automobile Club has been called for Wednesday evening of next week, January 17, at which time 15 directors for the newly evolved Oregon State Motor Association will be chosen from among 20 listed by the club's nominat-

among 20 listed by the club's nominating committee.

Following the election of the new directors the organization heretofore known as the Portland Automobile Club will become the Oregon State Motor Association, with state-wide activities. The meeting next week will be held in the main dining-room of the Chamber of Commerce at 8 o'clock.

Negro on Board of Education. NEW YORK, Jan. 8,—Dr. E. P. Rob-erts, a negro, today was appointed a member of the board of education by Big crowds, pleased crowds-go today. Only today and to-

A compelling drama of life today "The Foolish Virgin"

By Thomas Dixon. Played by Selznick stars, headed by beautiful

Clara Kimball Young Her newest, greatest role. Fascinating Pictographs, too,

Peoples

Another "hit"

-at the house of "hits."

Only today and tomorrow, the greatest

Pauline Frederick

with Thomas Meighan, in a smashing, romantic drama, "The Slave Market" A New Paramount Picture; World Tours,

also-a delightful programme.

Telephone Company Elects.

Mayor Mitchel. Dr. Roberts is the first negro to be appointed to the board since the organization of Greater New York in 1898. He was formerly a medical inspector in the schools.

Telephone Company Elects.

Telephone Company Was held this afternoon at the Courthouse. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Alexander Fraser, president; C. C. Creighton, secretary-treasurer. The directors are George Cooper, W. W. Rawson and Corbin Corson.

THE DALLES, Or., Jan. 8.—(Special.)

—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Dry Hollow and Three-Mile

An Englishman is the inventor of an alarm to show when vapor is leaking from gasoline pipes in garages.

# JAMES

### **NOW PLAYING**

That Great Film Triumph

Jules Verne's 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea

The first and only photo-drama enacted on the bottom of the ocean. Capacity houses at the Big Broadway Theater yesterday. 11 A. M. to 11 P. M.

Admission 15 Cents

Children 5¢

Loges 50¢