

JITNEYS SAILING TROUBLED SEAS

With Adoption of Carver Franchises and Bonding Measure Rule Must Change.

LONG FIGHT IS CONCLUDED

Mr. Carver Not Ready to Establish Service, as Uncertainty of Election Prevented Him Carrying on His Negotiations.

Adoption by the voters at the election Monday of the franchise grants to Stephen Carver for a city-wide jitney system and adoption of the same time of a measure requiring that jitneys operated in Portland to furnish a \$2500 bond for the protection of the public in case of accidents, probably signalized a decision in the jitney business in Portland in the immediate future.

The franchisees granted to Mr. Carver call for scheduled service over fixed routes throughout the city with transfers and other privileges. He is now at liberty to start this service, although it had not been agreed upon by the city council and the voters. Mr. Carver, it was learned, had not made the necessary arrangements, being uncertain as to the outcome of the election. It is said that Mr. Carver will not attempt to establish his bus service if jitneys were allowed to compete with him for his business without meeting the same conditions which will have to meet under his franchisees.

Vote Regarded Decisive

Although the City Council has taken no action, and probably will take none for a few days, it is expected that the Council will insist on the jitneys being up to the regulations insisted on by the voters. The vote was clear, being overwhelmingly in favor of the granting of free use of the streets to the jitneys and being strongly in favor of bonding all jitneys and granting city-wide franchises to Mr. Carver. No grant of other jitneys the right to operate on terms more favorable than those imposed on Mr. Carver would be a distinct violation of fair dealing, and it is said that under such conditions Mr. Carver would refuse to establish the service.

Members of the City Council said yesterday it might take time to work out the details of enforcing the measure requiring the jitneys to furnish a protection bond, but it is known that a majority of the council will enforce the mandate of the voters to the letter, requiring a bond on which persons may actually recover. It is expected that a majority of the voters to the letter, requiring a bond on which persons may actually recover. It is expected that a majority of the voters to the letter, requiring a bond on which persons may actually recover.

Linnton Tangle Cleared

The action of the voters on the Linnton jitney franchise undoubtedly will result in the city putting out of business all jitneys operating on Linnton except those operated under the franchise as obtained by Mr. Carver. It is seriously questioned whether the Council will tolerate the jitneys on other routes, particularly those to be operated by Mr. Carver under the franchise as granted to the Linnton jitney voters on the expression of the voters on the jitney subject.

Jitney Buses Abandoned

Jitney buses first put in an appearance in Portland in December, 1915, and their growth was rapid, owing to the supposition that there were big profits in the business. Large buses followed quickly after the jitneys, and as time went on they were found to be unprofitable. Large numbers of old cars which came into the business first disappeared, as it was found the cost of operation and maintenance was greater than the profits.

Soon after the advent of the jitneys

officials began considering regulations. The demand for regulation was strong, in face of accidents, due to incompetent drivers, reckless driving and overloading. Regulation assumed drastic form at first, but finally simmered down to safety and service regulations. An ordinance was passed in the Spring of 1915 imposing regulations as to service, safety and responsibility.

Court Invalidates Ordinance

This measure was referred to the voters and was passed by vote of 21,000 to 14,000. Immediately thereafter it took up a fight in the courts, and the State Supreme Court invalidated the ordinance on the ground that it had not been passed by the Council before being referred to the voters.

Instead of re-enacting the same measure, the Council adopted another measure much less drastic. This was employed during the rest of 1915 and the first half of 1916, when Commissioner Daly, in charge of jitney control, reported to the Council that the ordinance was such that jitneys could not be regulated under it. He introduced an ordinance requiring the jitneys to have a franchise by November 15, 1916. This measure was passed.

Consideration of terms of a franchise

were taken up, and four members of the Council voted for strict regulation, while Commissioner Daly opposed strict regulation. Mr. Daly holds. The difference of opinion brought a bolt from Mr. Daly in which he sought to have the ordinance requiring a franchise repealed. This effort failed and the jitneys were put out of business for not having a franchise by November 15.

Following this Mr. Daly employed the city's taxicab ordinance as a means of letting the jitneys back into the field. Subscribers were reported to be admitted and the jitneys operated as taxicabs, evading the Council's mandate. Mayor Albee finally took jitney control from Commissioner Daly and gave it to Commissioner Dieck, who continued to allow the jitneys to operate as taxicabs.

Because of the referendum power

the Council was unable to pass any additional regulations, and the jitneys now are operating with virtually no regulation. Regulation Issued Voted On. The question of regulation appeared on the ballot yesterday in two forms, one giving the jitney free use of the street without regulation and the other requiring that the jitneys continue in business furnish a bond of \$2500 each to protect the public in case of accidents.

The bond measure was proposed by the Progressive Business Men's Club in view of three deaths and 121 per-

sons injured by jitneys in the two and a half years of their operation. During the jitney troubles before the Council, Stephen Carver, president of the Portland & Oregon City Railway Company, came to the front and agreed to establish city-wide jitney service on the Council's terms, giving transfers, scheduled service, protection bonds and service on streets and in districts not now covered by the street railway lines.

The franchise covering this service were passed by the Council and referred to the voters to prevent the Jitney Drivers' Union from invoking a referendum and thereby holding up the franchisees for two years.

FARM HAND IS DROWNED

EMIL ETTER PERISHES IN FLOOD NEAR FELIDA.

Man Thrown From Horse Into Flow of Water in Front of Barn Carried Off in Current.

RIDGEFIELD, Wash., June 5.—(Special.)—Information has just reached here telling of the drowning of Emil Etter last Saturday. Etter was 31 years of age, and was employed as a dairy hand on the Chris Herzog ranch near Felida, eight miles south of here. He was attempting to cross an unusually swift place in the backwater of the Columbia flood, between the house and the barn.

Apparently the horse which he was riding stepped into a hole and Etter fell into the water, which was about five feet deep. He was unable to swim and the swift current of the flood carried his body away, so that men on the ranch were unable to recover it until about four hours later.

The drowned man was a native of Switzerland and has no relatives in this country so far as known. He had been employed at Felida for some time. The body was taken to Vancouver.

DAWES STIRS UP BANKERS

Chicagoan Is Cheered Wildly for Address at Bond Men's Club.

CHICAGO, June 1.—Charles G. Dawes, president of the Central Trust Company of Illinois, delivered a fiery speech for "financial patriotism" at a noon meeting here of the Bond Men's Club of Chicago in the assembly room of the Illinois Trust & Savings Bank. The purpose of the meeting was to perfect plans for the marketing by the Chicago bond salesman, of whom there are about 1000, of liberty loan bonds throughout the seventh Federal reserve district, composed of parts of Illinois and all of Iowa, Indiana, Michigan and Ohio. In the course of his speech Mr. Dawes said:

"Do you bond men realize what ten billions of dollars means—the sum that must be raised by the Government for the prosecution of the first year of the war? We bankers realize it. It means, practically, that the banks have got to place their whole assets at the government's disposal. It means that if we don't, the Government will take them. Do you know what it costs to fire one of the big guns once in the battle line? I'll tell you. It is the equivalent of 50 \$1000 liberty bonds, and it means that you have got to sell those \$1000 bonds for every time the gun is fired. The trouble with us people here in the United States is that we have not yet been hit hard enough with that's what's the matter with us, that's why we haven't yet rushed up to subscribe and over-subscribe to these billion dollar loan. Wait until the first American ship carrying American goods to Europe is torpedoed and sunk. Wait until Germany begins to hit us hard."

"But we must not wait," continued Mr. Dawes. "We must get busy now. The country must act now and it is your business to do your part to make it act now by buying these liberty bonds. It is not a question of how much to be invested, but of victory to be won. If the war lasts two years that means that the Government will need not less than \$20,000,000,000 to finance it, and it means that some of you whom I am speaking to now will be then on the firing line in the trenches."

"If a man refuses to buy a Liberty bond from you, I say knock him down," Mr. Dawes said. "It is our duty as bondmen to knock him down." An official of the Illinois Trust & Savings Bank announced that the banks of the United States in general have agreed to loan on liberty loan bonds at 3 1/2 per cent interest, which is the same interest the bonds carry. It is a matter of course that the banks that the bonds will be accepted as collateral, and the only question to be determined is the amount to be loaned. The bonds are to be issued in amounts from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

GERMAN PRINCE DIES GAME

Nephew of Kaiser Thanks British for Kindness in Hospital.

LOU-DON, May 31.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—An interesting account of the last days of Prince Karl Friedrich, nephew of the German Emperor, who was wounded when flying and taken prisoner by the Austrians, is given in a letter received here from Rev. Mr. Caldwell, a Baptist minister, who is official chaplain to the German prisoners in the general hospital in France. "If I am anything," the minister quoted, the Prince as saying to him, "I am a sportsman. I have played tennis with Willie and other fellows in England. I shall never forget the good times I had in England when I played them all. The kindness which has surrounded me since I became a prisoner has brought back the memory of those days."

"The Australians were good to me; the officers and soldiers who attended me coming down the line were very considerate and the whole atmosphere of this hospital is kindness. I am grateful to you and all who wish me well."

"I lie here a hopeless prisoner, but I have no regrets. I did my best for my country and I am not sorry to have finished with the war. I want to live. I am young and when the war is over I shall go back and help to build up my nation again."

"He shook hands with me each time I came and went," said Mr. Caldwell. "An hour or so before he died I prayed with him and he was very weak and ill. When I finished he opened his eyes and with a smile said: 'Thank you, thank you very much.' He soon fell into unconsciousness from which he never recovered."

Canning Clubs to be Organized.

LAS CRUCES, N. M., June 2.—The women of this section of New Mexico, led by the women's auxiliary of the State War Board, are planning to cooperate with the Government in conserving the resources of this section by organizing canning clubs. This section is organized throughout the valley among the women in order that all fruit, asparagus, vegetables and other products may not be wasted. The equipment for teaching fruit canning at the local college has been placed at the disposal of the women and will be used in caring for surplus fruit to prevent it from being wasted.

LADIES ONLY AT DAILY MATINEES 11th ST. PLAYHOUSE AT ELEVANTH. All Seats Reserved PHONES Main 4767 NOW SELLING MATINEE TODAY 2:15, TONIGHT 8:15 ALL THIS WEEK. NO CHILDREN ADMITTED. A POWERFUL PLAY THE QUESTION OF THE HOUR!

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WAR MAKES BOY PROBLEM. Question Will be Analyzed by N. E. A. in Portland Meeting.

MEETING NOTICES. MULLENHALL COUNCIL, NO. 11. A. and S. RITE—Thirty-sixth semi-annual reunion. Program for tomorrow (Thursday) evening.

PORTLAND LODGE, NO. 21. A. F. and A. M.—Special communication. This (Wednesday) evening, West Side Temple, 10 o'clock, 11th degree. Visiting brethren welcome.

FUNERAL NOTICES. GALLOWAY—At 9064 Seventy-third avenue, Clatsop, Oregon. Burial at the Forest Hills Memorial Park.

REGULAR MEETING of the (Wednesday) evening, East Side and Alder streets. Visitors cordially invited.

WASHINGTON LODGE, NO. 46. A. F. and A. M.—Special communication. This (Wednesday) evening, West Side Temple, 10 o'clock, 11th degree. Visiting brethren welcome.

BETSY BOSS COUNCIL, NO. 11. Meeting (Thursday), June 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31. Ethelyn Bullard, Sec.

DEATH. JACOBS—In this city, June 5, Fred A. Jacobs, of 612 Salmon street, 26 1/2 years old. Survived by his widow, his mother and two children. Interment at the Forest Hills Memorial Park.

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