## STRONG PLEA MADE FOR 5-CENT FARE

Constitutionality of Law Creating Public Service Body Vigorously Assailed.

#### FRANCHISE IS DEFENDED

City Attorney LaRoche Contends That Contract Authorizing Five-Cent Fare to Be Charged Is Something Inviolable.

City Attorney LaRocha yesterday was one of the strongest arguments yet advanced in favor of the city of Portland's fight against the 6-cent street car fare, which is now being heard by a tribunal of the six Circuit Judges sitting en bane. He directly attacked

who are supposed to retain the sover-eign power, have no method of holding a referendum on any act or order of "No negligible part of social unrest

Contract Declared Inviolable. He further contended that the fran-chise contract by which the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company was permitted and directed to charge a 5-cent fare is an inviolable contract, in-assuuch as the city of Portland possensed all the powers within the gift of the state to make contracts and exact any conditions, including rates, which it might deem best. He asserted that the franchise grant was the same as though it had come directly from the state, and would, therefore, be a con-tract which could not be changed through the order of any state commis-

His third main point or argument was with reference to the retroactive feat-ure involved in the legal controversy. He contended, as did Judge Pipes Wednesday, that retroactive powers were not given the Public Service Commission and that, therefore, the com mission could not change any contract which was in effect before the commission came into being.

Deputy City Attorney Tomlinson fol-lowed Mr. LaRoche late in the after-noon and concluded the city's case against the legality and validity of the s-cent fure. Mr. Tomlinson enlarged upon the points presented by Mr. La-licohe and cited numerous authorities in support of the city's contention.

"Common People" Represented. Hume, who said he apcity of Portland who are compelled to West Side landing for the ferry Web-pay this 6-cent fare," opened the argu-ster and have this ferry use the landfore should be first considered, despite the act of the Public Service Commisin setting aside the 5-cent fare

the 8-cent rate. t was learned, however, that Circuit Judge Kavanaugh, who is now sitting as one of the jurists at the present hearing, already has held in a former street railway case that the act creating the Public Service Com-mission repealed "by implication" the act of 1981, which fixed the streetear

fares at 5 cents.

Mr. Hume's contention also was based upon the theory that the matter of fixfog rates to be charged by a public service utility is a sovereign power which exists only with the people.

People Declared Supreme. The only sovereign power in state of Oregon is the people," he as-serted. "They can make and unmake Governors: make and unmake courts and judges; they can make and un-make Legislatures. And the people have given the municipalities the right control their own affairs and not right to a state commission to set aside a solemn contract against the wishes of the people of a municipality. The only right of the Public Service Commission is to establish and adjust rates which the utilities themselves

rates which the utilities themselves have fixed through their own avarice."
Frederick V. Holman, of counsel for the Portland Rallway, Light & Power Company, started his argument late yesterday afternoon and will conclude this morning. Attorney-General Brown and either Franklin T. Griffith or Harrison Allen will make the closing argument.

The case will go to the court by moon today, or shortly thereafter. Extended briefs also will be filed, and it is excted to be some time before the aix reult Judges hand down their final

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six of the 18 organizations showed r averages than the term pre Delta Delta Delta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Delta Gamma, Chi Omega, Gamma Phi Beta and Kappa Nigma.

Mary Spiler Hall, the women's dormitory, was crowded out of first place
in the averages for the first time in
five years, Alpha Phi gaining the covsted bonor. Phi Gamma Delta led the en's fraternities for the second suc-

The list follows: First, Alpha Pi 2.330; second. Delta Gamma, 2.360; third, Mary Spiller, 2.375; fourth, Kappa Alpha Theta, 2.386; fifth, Fi Beta Fhl. 2.216; sixth, Delta, Delta, Delta, 2.196; exenth, Gamma Phi Beta, 2.132; eighth, Chi Omega, 2.686; ninth, Kappa Kappa Gamma, 2.631; tenth, Phi Gamma Delta, 2.185; alexanth, Fri Gamma Delta, 2.185; alexanthr, Fri Gamma Delta, 2.185; alexanthr damma. 2.031; tenth. Phi Gamma Delta. 1.203; eleventh. Friendly Hall. 1.907; twelfth. Alpha Tau Omega, 1.735; thir-teenth. Phi Delta Theta. 1.755; fifteenth. Sigma Chi. 1.754; sixteenth. Sisma Nu. 1.635; seventeenth. Kappa Sigma. 1.632; eighteenth. Delta Tau Delta. 1.556.

OF STIRRING ADDRESS.

Rev. Father O'Hara Says Labor and Capital Must Have Better Understanding of Their Positions,

"If industrial peace is to be made lasting, there will be required a faith, philosophy of life which will prothe constitutionality of the referendum claim the dignity of labor and the measure creating the Oregon Public stewardship of wealth, which will procial obligation, which will make de Mr. Lalloche pointed out the history of the Malurkey bill, which later gave his to the Public Service Commission through a referendum vote of the people. He pointed out by sections of the act field, that the people of Oragon, Library under the auspices of the Portland Chauter of the Intercologiate.

the Public Service Commission. This, is due to the widespread contempt for in itself, is sufficient to invalidate any act or order increasing or regulating cational ideals. Education is sought fares, he contended. caste is built on the avoidance of physical toll. The greater part of labor must always involve wearfsome monotony, which will provoke chafing unrest until a philosophy of life and labor is adopted which gives a dignity

Another cause of industrial unrest is the irresponsible use of wealth by its possessors, Father O'Hara said. "The ency of the less fortunate is aroused by the prodical and senseless extravagance of the rich, lust as the hatred of the weak is inflamed by the unjust dealings of the powerful," he explained. "Until the possessor shall learn that he has not absolute right to the disposal of his wealth there can be no industrial peace."

Action Taken to Give Space for Ship Ways for Willamette Iron and Steel Works,

As a war emergency measure, the County Commissioners yesterday voted peared "for the common people of the to vacate, temporarily, the present

In an order issued by the board, the captain of the ferry Webster, known as the Lower Albina ferry, was directed

to rearrange his schedule in order that he might make the same landing as the upper ferry, Mason. The Council has agreed to vacate the street at this particular point in favor of the Williamette Iron & Steel Works, in order that its shipbuilding pro-

gramme may proceed unhampered.

OVERSUBSCRIPTION OF Y. M. C. A. FUND IS COMMENDED,

Raymond Brown writes State Manager Goss That Western Lads Hold Record for Country.

Walter A. Goss, state manager for water A. Goss, state manager for the Y. M. C. A. war fund for the boys' division, has just received word from Raymond F. Brown in New York City complimenting the Oregon' boys for the way in which they are completing pledges made to the Y. M. C. A. Army fund. The quota asked for Oregon boys was \$10,690, and the boys subscribed nearly four times this amount, or nearly \$40,000.

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Mr. Brown's letter says, speaking of
the work done by the Oregon boys: "It
is, indeed, a pleasure to have certain
spots throughout the country where we simply feel that things are 'full steam shead and plenty of coal in the

Grades Last Term at State University Show Considerable Decline.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, March I.— (Special.)—Fraternity grades for the last term just issued by the registrar's office show a cansiderable decline in the scholarship average of the university. The general average dropped from 2.923 to 1.973. But

#### TALKS INTEREST WOMEN

Mrs. Spencer's Lectures on Fish Cooking Are Proving Helpful.

Mrs. J. D. Spencer will give a lecture and demonstration on the preparation of fish this afternoon at 2:30 at Powers' furniture store. She will also speak at the public mass meeting to be held tonight at the Central Library, at which the use of fish as a food will be advo-

The lectures given by Mrs. Spencer are attended by large numbers of housewives, who take notes and gain practical knowledge in food conservaand the cooking of various kinds

Mrs. Spencer recently received a letars. Spencer recently received a let-ter from H. F. Moore, deputy commis-sioner of the Department of Commerce, Bureau of Fisherics, at Washington, D. C. He said he had heard much favorable comment on her lectures and on the recipes which she used and said he would like to include them in the Bureau's publications,

Novel Means Used to Intercept Contraband on Journey to Courthouse Sewer.

WOMAN GIVES FIRST CLEW

In Dark Corner of Basement Officers Discover Large Tin Container Holding About Ten Gallons of Mixed Liquors,

Discovery by Sheriff Hurlburt and Special Agent Green, of the District Attorney's office, of a secret "tap" in the dark recesses of the Courthouse basement, from which the red liquor destroyed every few months in the courtyard at the Courthouse is intercepted on its journey to the sewer, it causing considerable uneasiness among unty employes, it was learned yes

Although the "tap" was discovered Monday morning, when approximately 2500 quarts were destroyed, the find was not made public until yesterday in a dark corner of the basement they discovered a large tin container hold-ing nearly 10 gallons of liftuor, while a one-gallon demilohn was also discovered, nearly filled.

Suspicion is not yet attached to any of the county employes, although a thorough investigation is now under way. The liquor, which is a mixture of wine, whisky, gin and beer, is not fit to drink, according to the officers, although they admit that an individual with a highly developed thirst might be tempted to quaff the stuff.

Woman Furnishes Clew. The finding of the "tap" was the reauthorities by some unknown woman This woman, who apparently knew every feature of the dark basement, drew an almost perfect pencil sketch of the room where the "tap" was located She has called the officials by tele-phone repeatedly during the past week, informing them, of the "tap" and urging them to uncover the hidden reservoir for liquor which flowed for a short distance from the courtyard sewer pipe.

The sewer pipe had been tapped and the opening had been tapped and the opening had been carefully thread-ed in order that another pipe to inter-cept the liquor from the sewer pipe might be inserted. When the officers came upon the tap the floor was damp us though the liquor had been dripping

COUNTY VACATES WHARFAGE USED

BY FERRY WEBSTER.

Irom the pipe.
Sheriff Huriburt and Special Agent
Geren kept a careful watch upon the
place Monday morning when the liquor
was being destroyed, but they were unable to detect any person entering or leaving the particular room where it is located. They say there is but one door to the room and no person could have arranged the tap Monday morning to supply of the liquor without be-Informant Is Persistent.

They expressed the belief that the or found in the room is a part of said yesterday. former quantity of liquor was ment yesterday in behalf of the city. He said he was serving without remuneration for the "common people."

Mr. Hume made much of the legislative act passed at the 1801 sermion, which fixed definitely at 5 cents the streetcar fare to be charged by any streetcar fare to be charged by any mere than \$0,000 people. He asserted for the street fare than \$0,000 people. He asserted fare that this act is still a law and theretain this act is still a law and theretain the street and have this ferry use the tane the tane that this act is still a law and theretain the street and have this ferry use the tane the tane that the fact that some on the hidden tap, This woman was as familiar with the location of the hidden tap, This woman called Deputy District Attorney Hammersley by telephone last Sunday and the fact was held to await the action of the fixed at \$1000. Niels C. Jensen, cook telegraphic petition assing that this mersies by telephone last Sunday and Each was held to await the action of the Emergency Fleet Corporation.

The vacation of the ferry Webster landing at the foot of Seventeenth street will permit the construction of two more ways for the shipbuilding company.

The vacation of the ferry Webster was carefully watched. Just amination and was held to the grand fixed at \$1000. Niels C. Jensen, cook on the craft, had previously waived extended the construction of liquor is something the officials are unable to understand.

Old Tap Tampered With, They are also at a loss to explain her unusual interest in the case. They believe she is either the wife of some person who has been using the "tap" and wants his supply of liquor shut off, or else is seeking to get some county employe "in bad" by getting caught with the liquor.

District Attorney Evans said yester-

day that even though the person re-sponsible for the "tap" might be found, dismissal from the county service is repably the only action which could be taken. The liquor, he said icially "dead" when it is destroyed.



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could be convicted for having liquor in his possession which has been legally

It was learned yesterday that another "tap" was found in the Courthouse basement a year ago, but had been tightly plugged by Superintendent of Properties Eatchel. This old "tap"

appeared to have been tampered with

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