

COUNTY TO SCAN RISE IN TELEPHONE RATES

District Attorney Evans to Have Grand Jury Probe.

SLACK SERVICE IS SCORED

Multnomah Prosecutor Points Out How Company Failed to Meet Demands During War Activities.

Grand Jury investigation of the Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Company and its officials relative to an alleged violation of the criminal laws of Oregon in attempting to force an increased rate on telephone subscribers is to be taken immediately.

Law is Quoted.

The law under which he contemplates proceeding against the company reads, in part, as follows: If any public utility or any agent or officer thereof shall, directly or indirectly, by any device, demand, collect or receive from any person, firm or corporation a greater or less compensation than such agent, officer or to be rendered by it in or affecting its relation to the conveyance of telegraph or telephone messages or for any service in connection therewith that is prescribed in the public schedule of tariffs then in force or established as provided therein...

Service Declared Failure.

"During all of the strenuous times of our war activities this is the only public service corporation which I can recall that actually failed to meet the demands placed upon it. It has consistently and constantly appealed to the public not to use its lines. We were besought in a patriotic duty to refrain from calling up except in case of urgent need; nevertheless, this company has not been imbued with sufficient patriotic fervor to remit any of the tolls exacted from the public for deficient service.

MAYOR PASSES PHONE FIGHT

City Executive Determined to Get Justice for Portland. "We simply want them to put all their cards on the table," said Mayor Baker yesterday after sending a telegram to Postmaster-General Burleson asking justice for this community in the telephone fight and inquiring into the possibility of purchase by the city of the Home Telephone equipment here.

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SOCIETY NEWS

BY GERTRUDE P. CORBETT

THIS week promises to be brimful of exciting diversions, the spirit of holiday gaiety prevailing. Several large and merry parties have been arranged for Thanksgiving day, which will be celebrated in splendid fashion, befitting the combination of Victory and Thanksgiving days.

One of the charming affairs of yesterday was the box party for which Mr. and Mrs. Warren E. Thomas were hosts honoring a popular and attractive matron, Mrs. Thomas Carrick Burke, who will leave Wednesday for the East. Additional guests were Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Wray, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. T. Bushong and Mr. and Mrs. M. Donald Spencer. Later the party was further entertained at supper by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, musical numbers by the several well-known musicians present making the evening most delightful.

All avenues lead to the Waverley Country Club, where Thanksgiving Victory day will be celebrated in elaborate style with a dinner-dance tomorrow evening. Accommodations have been made for hundreds of guests, and during the evening a number of special features will be inaugurated. Among those who have reserved tables for the event are Dr. J. B. Riedel, F. E. Smith, Miss E. Menefee, Eric V. Hauser, Major S. Griggs, Major Lehmann, F. H. Campbell, Captain Prescott Cookington, J. H. McKenzie, W. P. and Otto Kettenbach, J. C. Ainsworth, Graham Glass, J. A. Dougherty, L. B. Menefee, A. L. Thompson, W. E. Wearson, Carl Wernick, A. B. Scott, C. A. Hart, G. L. Thompson, W. MacRae, A. W. Howard, A. L. Gile, S. M. O'Connell, J. A. McPherson, Dr. Samuel C. Slocum, Dr. G. E. Bruere, A. B. Winfree, Wilson Clarke, J. W. Vogan, J. F. Shea, A. N. Cannon, William MacMaster, Irving L. Webster, C. D. Bruun, C. T. Whitney, W. E. Co-man, Frank Dooley, John Banks, Irving Stearns, A. R. Porter and C. D. Simonds.

Honoring Mrs. Thomas Carrick Burke, the MacDowd Club will entertain this afternoon with a reception and tea at the University Club. Mrs. Burke is the retiring president of the club and her efforts have been responsible for the success of the organization. Mrs. Warren E. Thomas, new president of the club, is in charge of the reception today, which will be held from 2 to 5 o'clock.

The wedding of Edna Dean Condon, of Eugene, and Fred Assenheimer, of Gardiner, was solemnized November 18 at the parsonage of the First Christian Church in Marshfield, Or. Rev. M. E. Couler officiating. The attendants were Dr. and Mrs. Allen L. Hart. The bride is a popular Eugene teacher, well known in university circles and graduate of the Oregon Normal and is at present teaching in the Gardiner High School. Otto Grice is a prominent merchant of Gardiner. Mr. and Mrs. Assenheimer will be at home to their friends in Gardiner after November 26.

The Thanksgiving sale to be conducted by the Woman's Exchange will start this morning at 9 o'clock and continue throughout the day and all day tomorrow. As the excellent quality of the goods is well known, the demands placed upon it. It has consistently and constantly appealed to the public not to use its lines. We were besought in a patriotic duty to refrain from calling up except in case of urgent need; nevertheless, this company has not been imbued with sufficient patriotic fervor to remit any of the tolls exacted from the public for deficient service.

Daughters of Norway will give a dance Thanksgiving evening at Masonic Temple, 48th and Yamhill streets. Soldiers and sailors are cordially invited. Members of the Laurelhurst Club. At the Theaters. Pantages. SPARKLING and diversified is the new Pantage bill, with a quite out-of-the-ordinary "opine" musical comedy turn, called "Oh, That Melody." The story is started cleverly by a series of motion pictures, which introduce the characters and tell enough of the plot to make its unfolding later quite exciting.

CHARGE PURCHASES MADE TODAY AND REMAINDER OF THIS MONTH WILL GO ON DECEMBER ACCOUNTS PAYABLE JAN. 1, 1919

Ladies of the Eastern Star Will Meet for Red Cross Work in Auditorium 4th Tuesday from 10 to 5 Wilbur Methodist Church War Work Society Will Also Meet in the Auditorium Tuesday. Members Invited

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