

INCREASE IN OFFICE RENTS IS FORECAST

Few Northwest Buildings Pay 6 Per Cent on Investment.

OPERATING COSTS HIGH

Thirty Structures in Seattle Yielding 4.59 Per Cent; Owners and Managers Confer.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 23.—An immediate advance in office rents throughout the Pacific coast was forecast at the Northwest building conference held here today.

Operating Costs Given.

Dean Vincent, manager of the Northwestern National Bank building in Seattle, speaking as one of the delegates present who was able to say that his structure was paying the declared proper dividend, asserted that the actual cost of operation was from \$1.91 to \$2.86 a square foot.

Few new buildings of first-class type will be built under present costs, he declared.

CLERK AGREES TO PAY

John E. McGee in Albany Jail for Neglecting Support Money.

ALBANY, Or., April 23.—(Special.)—John E. McGee, Portland grocery clerk, who has been in the Albany jail the last few days because he failed to obey a court order to pay support money, was released yesterday upon his agreement to pay money for the support of his child and contribute \$25 a month regularly hereafter.

UNIVERSITY HEAD TALKS

President Campbell at Roseburg in Interest of Millage Bill.

ROSEBURG, Or., April 23.—(Special.)—President Campbell of the University of Oregon arrived here today to make an address tonight in the high school auditorium on the millage bill, which comes before voters May 21.

BRIDGE DRAW IS BROKEN

Steel Rails Loaded on Truck Fall Into Walluku River.

ASTORIA, Or., April 23.—(Special.)—The draw of the bridge across the Walluku river was broken today and the structure will be closed to traffic for several days.

25 ARE TO BE SELECTED

Democrats of Clarke County Call Convention to Pick Delegates.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 23.—(Special.)—The democrats of Clarke county have called a county convention in the Oddfellows hall here May 10 to elect 25 delegates to the state convention in Spokane, May 17.

QUARTERMASTER IS TRANSFERRED

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 23.—(Special.)—Major L. H. Palmer, quartermaster at Vancouver barracks since July 19, 1915, has been ordered to proceed to Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and with his family will leave here once for the new station.

REFUND UP TO BOARD

Attorney-General Says Overcharge on Street Work May Be Cut.

SALEM, Or., April 23.—(Special.)—The state land board is in the process of determining whether the state treasurer should return to the purchaser of certain lands included in the estate of the late Charles Clark of Portland approximately \$43 said to

ACTRESS CHATTERS OF SOUP. BUT ONLY AUNT UNDERSTANDS

Nora Bayes Adds Line or Two During Comedy Situations, but Only One Person in Audience or on Stage Perceives Real Meaning.

BY LEONE GASS BAER.

LINE or so went into Nora Bayes' chatter that didn't belong there last Thursday night, and last night, too, and only one person in the audience knew its full meaning.

What Miss Bayes said was "O-o-o, how I love noodle soup. I wish I had some good old noodle soup right this minute." But if my Aunt Bertha knew I was pining and wasting away for want of noodle soup, she would have said, "Noodle soup is good for you."

What the audience didn't know was that Aunt Bertha sat right in the second row and that Miss Bayes meant every word of her ardent desire for noodle soup, and that upon hearing it, Aunt Bertha privately resolved to solve the mystery of the noodle soup the Bayes stomach could hold.

Anyways, when Nora Bayes, 11-year-old Ella Goldberg, singing her little head off around the house, at school and at entertainments, back in Chicago—I do not know and will not conjecture how many years ago.

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be due for street assessments, according to a legal opinion given by the attorney general here today.

BEING FOR SIBERIA

SITUATION IS SERIOUS, BUT APPARENTLY MENDING.

Old Red Army Now Less Radical, Says Portland Physician Who Saw Service There.

PURCHASING BODY NAMED

Oregon City Committee to Arrange for Fire Apparatus.

GRAND JURY RECESSES

Treasury Probe Continued Over Until Monday.

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JOHN H. SCHEIDT BY NEW JERSEY WHIP

Hackensack ex-Postmaster Flays Whole Record.

CLASS AGITATION CHARGED

Attitude on Prohibition, High Cost of Living and Ownership of Railways Challenged.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 23.—Senator Hiram Johnson was handled roughly by William Jeffers, ex-postmaster of Hackensack, N. J., in an open letter today which promises to add fuel to the flames of an already hot campaign in that state.

After assailing Johnson's record on prohibition, Jeffers declared that New Jersey is against government ownership of railroads, which Senator Johnson approved in 1918.

Other questions propounded by Jeffers were as follows:

"The people of New Jersey believe in the private ownership of railroads with adequate regulation. You are on record in the congressional record of February 19, 1918, as an unqualified advocate of government ownership of the railroads of this country. Being thus at right angles with the voters, how can you expect us to support you consistently for your suffrage at the polls?"

"Ownership Attitude Cited.

"The people of New Jersey believe in the private ownership of municipal street-car lines and other public utilities. You are on record as an unqualified advocate of government ownership of street-car lines and other public utilities. How can you expect us to support you consistently for your suffrage at the polls?"

"New Jersey voters are patriotic and loyal to the core, they are 100 per cent American. Analysis of the vote cast for you in Detroit, Mich., and Chicago, Ill., shows that you had the support of the vast majority of those who have suffered from the practice of 'outlaws' of what you preach."

"In view of the fact that you are asking for New Jersey votes, does it not seem to you that you are inviting you to join a brotherhood with this radical and dangerous element in our country? If New Jersey men lie down with dogs they are bound to arise with lions."

"New Jersey believes in organized politics—not corrupt politics, but a sound organization for the good of the party. From one end of this country to the other you have denounced state political organizations. How can a man who denounces the organized republican party in the various states and the nation as a whole justify a plea for the vote of New Jersey republicans who believe in organization so as to present a solid front to the democrats?"

"The Bergen county republican committee in session here on Wednesday week was asked for the vote of the subject of his personal experience in the early 'gold rush' days at the following times each day:

SUNDAY
9:00 P. M., 9:25 P. M., 9:50 P. M., 10:15 P. M., 10:40 P. M., 11:05 P. M., 11:30 P. M., 11:55 P. M.

WEEK DAYS
9:35 P. M., 10:00 P. M., 10:25 P. M., 10:50 P. M., 11:15 P. M., 11:40 P. M., 12:05 P. M., 12:30 P. M.

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Offer for Million Dollar Highway Issue Held Too Low.

SALEM, Or., April 23.—(Special.)—The bid of Freeman, Smith & Camp for \$1,000,000 in state highway bonds was rejected by the state board of control here today because the offer was considered too low.

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Roseburg Chooses M. S. Hamm Out of at Least 100 Applicants.

ROSEBURG, Or., April 23.—(Special.)—M. S. Hamm of Lewistown, Ill., where he is at present employed as city superintendent of schools, has accepted the appointment of superintendent of schools in Roseburg and was the only witness in the election from about 100 applicants for the position.

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Woodard, Clarke & Co. Woodlark Building S. & H. Stamps Alder at West Park. Prices Reduced On POPULAR ELECTRICAL CONVENIENCES. CURLING IRON \$3.19, HEATING PADS \$3.69, ELECTRIC TOASTERS \$4.87. SPECIALTIES: Cuticura Soap, Woodbury's Soap, 3 cakes Jergens' Bath Soap, 3 cakes Jergens' Old Fashioned Soap, 3 Soap Nipples, Robertine, Camelina, Non-Sol, A-R-D-A-S Bath, Chloroform, Citric Acid Cream. Reduce: Eau de Cologne, Mineral, Eucalyptus, Denton, Index, Emulsion cod liver oil, Sal Vitae, Quinine, Fruitola, Phosphoric acid, Reguline, Ovarin, Yasmine hair tonic, Ekkee hair cream, Dandarine, Vinol, Abarbine Jr., L'Avoris, Urtiform, Eaton. BRING THIS COUPON In Today, April 24, and Secure 20 EXTRA 20 S. & H. GREEN TRADING STAMPS. With the First \$1.00 of Your Purchase, and DOUBLE STAMPS With the Remainder of Your Purchase.

campaign, is seriously ill here, suffering from poisoning which spread from an ulcerated tooth. New York Editor Dead. NEW YORK, April 23.—The death of Reginald Schroeder, managing editor of the New York Staats Zeitung, with which he was connected for 40 years, was announced here tonight. Infant Left in Suitcase. NEW YORK, April 23.—(Special.)—Burglars entered the home of John Wilkinson, 1109 Broadway, yesterday afternoon and stole a number of valuable articles, including the money in the toy bank of little Jane Wilkinson. Child's Bank Looted. VANCOUVER, Wash., April 23.—(Special.)—Burglars entered the home

REX BEACH presents THE SILVER HORDE. EXTRA! WE PAID the highest price for "The Silver Horde" that was ever paid for any picture on the Pacific coast, and it is worth it. Personal Appearance of Alaska Jack. By a remarkable coincidence we are able to offer you an unusual opportunity during the remaining days of this picture's presentation. One of the Yukon's most famous characters, "Alaska Jack," is in Portland and has consented to appear in person at this theater. "Alaska Jack" is the man who staked the townsite of Nome—was one of the most prominent miners in the historic fight on which Rex Beach based his story of "The Spoilers"—appeared in the motion picture of "The Spoilers," and also plays a minor role in "The Silver Horde." He will appear in his Alaskan costume and will be in the foyer of the theater, where any who are interested in Alaska may have the privilege of questioning him. Low Admission Prices. Matinee, 35 cents; Loges, 50c. Evenings: Balcony, 50c; Lower Floor, 30 cents; Loges, 75 cents. In Seattle last week, at higher prices than these, crowds waited outside in hundreds for almost every performance. We have lowered the matinee price to encourage you to come early. Sunday Concert 1:30 P. M. PROGRAMME: Marche Militaire... Schubert, Naughty Waltz... Excerpts from Friml's Operas, Absent... Metcalf, Tulip Time... Stamer.