Bills for Measured Service Surprise Everett Patrons.

SYSTEM IS NOT SO BAD

Three-Fourths Pay Less Than Formerly and Increase to Others Smaller Than Expected.

PUGET SOUND BUREAU, Everett. Wash., May 1 .- Patrons of the Puget Sound Telephone company in this city and suburban districts today received their first bill for measured service under the telechronometer system in-augurated April 1. On the basis of rates tentatively established by the state department of public works, to-day's bills call for payment in proportion to the use each subscriber has made of the telephone from April 1 to April 20, when the telechronometers were read, with advance payment for May of the minimum charge accord-

The outcome of the postcard campaign warning the telephone company to hold its bills down or take out its phones is interesting. Who started the campaign, who distributed the postcards, and the possible animus of the movement are matter of little moment, since the May 1 bills have spoken for themselves. The company received these warning postcards from 200 subscribers. Checking the signatures against the bills for April service shows that more than 200 of service shows that more than 200 of these subscribers will pay less by measurement than under flat rates, while fewer than 100 will pay more. So far as advance notices indicate, then, the company has not more than so far as advance notices indicate, then, the company has not more than 100 subscribers to convince of the fairness of the metered service instead of the predicted "deluge of discontinuances." There may be other complaints, based on the showing of a fifth at a window pointing a rifle at him. continuances." There may be other complaints, based on the showing of the May 1 bills, but with 75 per cent less and the remaining 25 per cent asked to pay not as much more as they had fearfully expected, the situ-ation does not seem to be as des-perate as it has been depicted.

City's Bill Decrensed.

Some of the news stories sent out from Everett during the period of doubt and dread that preceded receipt of the May I bills told of the case of a commission house, previously on a \$6 a month flat rate and at the moment looking for a \$60 bill for measured service in April. The bill of that concern for April is exactly \$12. An apprehensive state of mind was also reported at the city hall, where the bills are paid by the taxpayers. The city of Everett's bill for April, covering all municipal departments, is \$21.75 loss than the distributed wash. May 1.—(Special.)—Newton McKee, \$3 years of age and a veteran of the civil war, today obtained a divorce from Mrs. May I.—(Special.)—Newton McKee, \$3 years of age and a veteran of the civil war, today obtained a divorce from Mrs. May I.—(Special.)—Newton McKee, \$3 years of age and a veteran of the civil war, today obtained a divorce from Mrs. May I.—(Special.)—Newton McKee, \$3 years of age and a veteran of the civil war, today obtained a divorce from Mrs. Mary I.

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Savings by metered service under the cost of the old flat rate range from less than \$1\$ to as high as \$11.50 in the cases of \$228 individual subscribers. Increases of from 10 to 35 cents are recorded for \$63 subscribers; \$2 to \$2.55 for \$495 subscribers; \$2 to \$2.55 for \$495 subscribers; \$2 to \$2.55 for \$45 subscribers out of the total of \$7774 individual and station phones of the company. In one case, the highest, the increase is \$24.70. This is the outbound telephone of an express company, by means of which every person to whom an express package is addressed is notified of its arrival. Savings in the metered service of other telephones used by this company will, it is said, considerably compensate for this increase.

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City Attorney Faussett last week asked the department of public works either to order discontinuance of the telechronometers or to increase the minimum use of measured service sixfold. A hearing has been set for June 6.

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The minimum net rate of the one-party line, \$5.25 a month, includes 600 telechrones. A sixfold increase would give all one-party lines 3600 telechrones; four-party lines 1800 telechrones; four-party lines 900 telechrones, and six-party lines 600 telechrones, and six-party lines 600 telechrones. Metered sorvice in March, before the meter rates were offective and with use unrestricted, showed that there is only one subscriber of the company who had any use for 3500 telechrones in a line of several weeks at his home here following a trip of several weeks at his home here f

experimental character of the present arrangement and rates, and says in part. "It will be our policy in the investigation of this matter to be made by our own engineering and accounting experts to collect data upon the matters as set out in your complaint, and this information will be available at the time of hearing." Meanwhile the telephone patrons of Everett and vicinity, including many of those who are not quits satisfied with their first bills for metered service, are finding some reassurance in the established policy of the department of public works to hold the earnings of public service corporations within fixed limits.

BANK RULING IS MADE

Only Certain Depositors Can Par-

olympia, Wash. May 1.—(Special.)—Only guaranteed depositors in the defunct member bank of the Washington State Bank Guaranty Fund bank may participate in the guaranty

fund when it is collected and distrib-uted but there is no provision in the guaranty act creating a lien or pre-ferred claim in favor of guaranteed depositors upon the assets of the bank, which are not included in the guaranty fund, the supreme court held today.

Lewis sought to compel the super-visor of banking to pay into the guaranty fund all moneys realized from the assets of the bank until the amount was sufficient to pay all guaranteed depositors, leaving other creditors to realize what they could on their claims.

TIME SET FOR TRAINING ORE GON'S CITIZEN SOLDIERY.

White Appropriation Provided by War Department.

SALEM, Or., May 1 .- (Special.)-Oregon's citizen soldiery will go into camp the last 15 days in June, achand of the response of the follows of hervice.

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The preliminary examination of Wong Kin, a member of the Bing Kung Bow Leong tong, on an information charging him with assault with intent to kill, by Ah Quong, a Hip Sing tongman, and with being armed with a dangerous weapon, was held in the insules court today. The defendant ustice court today. The defendant was held to await the action of the circuit court grand fury with bonds (rived at \$2500. Ah Quong, the man who was shot and slightly wounded a few days ago, was the first witness other woman candidate, has been defended to the court of the course o

stricted, showed that there is only one subscriber of the company who had any use for 3500 telechrones in a month. Only 12 per cent of all the subscribers use more than 600 telechrones a month, and more than 60 telechrones a month.

The department of public works' reply to the city attorney's complaint calls attention to the tentative and experimental character of the present arrangement and rates, and says

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BITTER CAMPAIGN ENDS

Is Directed by Each of Leading Candidates.

PUGET SOUND BUREAU, Seattle, May 1 .- Seattle will vote tomorrow t elect a mayor, city controller, city treasurer and three members of the city council. At the same time the The contest for mayor between Dr. Edwin J. Brown and Dan Landon, state senator, has been one of the

Treasurer Terry are assured of reelection, having no opposition. For

contest favor the election of Dr. C. W. Sharples for the long term and C. H. Eckhart, incumbent, for the short

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 1.—In an appeal to "friends of prohibition cuforcement," the Anti-Saloon league urges defeat at forthcoming primaries and election of all candidates for the senate and house of representatives who fevor modification of the Volstead law.

"The situation which confronts the people in the primaries which take way \$153 560-21 —Adv

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models \$2.50 to \$3.50 nominate 435 representatives in con-gress and 35 United States senators is a challenge to the friends of law and order," said a statement prepared by the league's legislative commit-

guaranty fund, the supreme court held today.

The application of D. A. Lewis for a writ of mandamus to compel Supervisor of Banking Duke and E. L. Farnsworth, director of transition and examination, to give depositors of the defunct Scandinavian-American bank of Seattle a preference in all assets of the bank was denied.

Seattle to Vote on City, Port and School Officers. to nullify its purposes and to defeat its enforcement by the nomination and election and of wet representa-tives in congress and United States

AUTO WRECK IS FATAL TO ELIAS P. LINDBERG.

Iwo Children Let Out of Machine Shortly Before Accident Occurs on Steep Grade.

King county, will elect one new port commissioner and the Seattle school district will elect two year. Many 1.— Elias P. Lindberg, owner of a sawmill near Wahklacus station of the Gold-endale branch of the Seattle school GOLDENDALE, Wash., May 1 .land & Seattle rallway, lost his life in an automobile accident today through failure of his brakes to work after he had "killed" his engine on a steep pitch about half way up the two-mile grade on the wagon road out of the big Klickitat canyen. The road leads from Wahilacus to the

Declared Not Curtailed. OLYMPIA, Wash., May 1. clal.)-Rights and powers of cities to cial.)—Rights and powers of cities to regulate the use of their streets are not curtailed in any degree by the motor vehicle law, which gives the department of public works authority to grant or withhold certificates of public convenience and necessity, the supreme court held today. The department's order granting the Sound corner of Eighth and Bond streets, he heard a shot fired and looking up saw Wong Kin at a window pointing a rifle at him.

DEFENDANT GETS DIVORCE

Plaintiff, Vancouver Woman, Falls to Press Her Suit.

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 1.—(Special.)—Newton McKee, 83 years of age contest favor the election of Dr. C. W.

Moore, the only present councilman to be renominated, landed at the tail-supermed court held today. The desuptrement's order granting the Sound Transit company a passenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Recessly, the desuptrement's order granting the Sound Transit company a passenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Recessly, the desuptrement's order granting the Sound Transit company a passenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Recessly, the desuptrement's order granting the Sound Transit company a passenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Recessly, the desuptrement's order granting the Sound Transit company a passenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Recessly, the desuptrement's order granting the Sound Transit company a passenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Counter Encounter the Counter of the primary ticket and seems stand seems partment's order granting the Sound Transit company a passenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Transit company a passenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Transit company a passenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Transit company a passenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Transit company a passenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Transit company a passenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Transit company a passenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Transit company a passenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Transit company a passenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Transit company a passenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Transit company apassenger certificate to operate between Seattle and Transit

Opinion on Bond Sale Given.

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The initiative proposal to load the nost of operating and maintaining the municipal street railway system on to ways and any surplus remaining afte general taxation probably will be de- the work has been completed can only go into the sinking fund to retire the bonds, Attorney-General Thompson WET CANDIDATES RAPPED | Donds, Attorney General Thompson held today in an opinion to George Acret, prosecuting attorney of Grays Harbor county.

Minor Is Bridegroom

VANCOUVER, Wash., May 1 .- (Spe-

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Thousands of Refugees Continu to Cause Problem to Workers in Two States.

NEW ORLEANS, May 1.—Relief organizations continued work today among the thousands of homeless in the stricken flood zones of Louisiana and Mississippi. Particular efforts were directed to the area in central eastern Louisiana, where a lake of more than 1400 square miles now stands on fertile farm lands and commercial towns as a result of the breaking of the levee of the Mississippi river near Ferriday.

Harrisburg, La., continues to present the most serious problem. Food is the need of the residents and several thousand refugees.

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eral thousand refugees.

Today it was reported that some food had been brought in by boat from neighboring communities which it is hoped will last until a boat with food which left New Orleans last Saturday, arrives. In addition to those in need at that town it was reported that boats laden with 1990 refugees are en route there. There is also a serious shortage of shelter at Harrisburg. Only 50 tents are eavailable and many are sleeping on the ground many are sleeping on the ground.

Refugees Are Cared For. river is continuing to spread, refugees are being brought to the out-

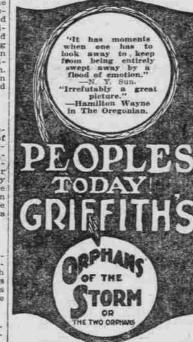
skirts of New Orleans, where better shelter, medical attention and food can be given them. In central western Mississippi renewed efforts were made today to rescue the marooned in the Yazoo basin, where a stretch of land covering 1700 square miles is under water. Relief bodies are being taxed to ca-

lower and central reaches of the river, scores of towns and villages in Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana are covered with water to a depth in some instances of 20 feet, while many larger communities have encircled themselves in hastily constructed embankments which they hope will hold out the water.

Another Rise Expected. Levee engineers and thousands of workers are preparing against an-other rise, expected within a few days. Meanwhile the problem of sheltering and feeding refugees was increasingly serious, volunteers continued a search for

marconed families.

Many residents in the Black river section are 75 miles from dry jand, and the fact that they can be reached



# only with launches and small boats presents a serious problem to the rescue workers. It is estimated that 10,000 people in this district must be cared for. A Red Cross station has been established. Shortage of tents and other shelter presents a difficulty. At Rhinebart, La, it is hoped to care for at least 5000 refugees. There was reported to be a serious food shortage in Isseuma county, where a large area has been under water for six weeks, and in the dis-trict around Yazoo City, Miss.

GAS BOAT FUMES FATAL MANY ARE HOMELESS South Bend Man Survived by

Widow and Four Children.

SOUTH BEND, Wash. May 1—
(Special.)—Elmer Johnson died here this morning from gas poisoning shortly after he was found by his wife unconscious in a gas boat. Johnson was about to beach the boat which was leaking and had worked all night on it. Fumes from the engine overcame him. His wife chanced to go down to the boat and after finding him summoned help. Johnson died before he could be taken to the hospital. Four small children and his parents also survive him.

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INQUIRY INTO LOS ANGELES
COUNTY FRAY TO BEGIN.

Grand Jury to Be Assembled Next
Thursday to Take Testimony
on Raid at Inglewood.

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of Constable Mosher, one of the raidera, by Deputy Marshai Woerner. on Raid at Inglewood.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., May 1 .- Sum ons was served today upon pro pective members of the grand jury ordered drawn to aid in the investi-

he effect that all persons that took art in the raid at Inglewood on the ight of April 23 would come volun-arily to tell what they knew of the

ers, by Deputy Marshal Woerner

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Vancouver Elks Lodge to Hold Con



## Gold From Lead

Many years ago the white-headed old men with long beards and bleary eyes got much reverence from the populace and pension and backsheesh from the kings who bossed the works, because they were alchemists.

An alchemist was a learned old geezer who was always in quest of the Elixir of Life, which allowed its drinkers to live forever. When tired of hunting drink, they turned to the philosopher's stone, by the touch of which would turn lead to gold.

The alchemist's idea that lead could be turned to gold has been a symbol of laughter, just as the historians are going to laugh at Volstead as a symbol of prohibition. But nowadays we are not laughing at the old alchemist quite so much, as it begins to look as if we might manage to turn lead to gold after all.

While you and I have been going quietly about our business, selling groceries, examining eyes, making glasses, doing our experiments in our cellars, getting rich, keeping out of the poorhouse, a lot of alchemists have been experimenting and bringing a lot of things to light which we didn't know about before.

Well, the results are so astonishing that a lot of people didn't believe it. Of course, that doesn't alter the facts. People didn't believe the earth was round, or the sun a star, or a steamboat possible, or á flying machine practicable, but that doesn't alter facts, either. And you can believe it or not, but we have been doing wonders with glasses, the greatest of which is curing cataracts with special lenses, which will head off many operations on the eves through this marvelous discovery.

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