JITNEYS LICENSED TO RUN IN TACOMA

5-Cent Fare to Be Charged by Busses.

STREETCAR FIGHT ON

Mayor Fawcett Takes Steps to Force Railway Company to Reduce Rates.

TACOMA, Wash., July 13.—(Special.)—Tacomans will have 5-cent carfare, and for the lowly nickel will be able to ride from South Tacoma to Point Defiance by a route through the business section of the city after August 1, as the result of the action of the city council and Mayor A. V. Fawcett in granting permits to E. H. Sandmire of Spokane to operate 12 busses in Tacoma.

The move is the latest made by Mayor Fawcett in his fight for 5-cent street-car fare. Regulations of the busses will fall under his department.

Long Ride to Be Afforded.

Passengers may ride the entire length of the run from Union avenue via South Fifty-sixth street to Eleventh street and Broadway, out Broadway and North Twenty-first street to the Point Defiance boulevard and thence to the park for a 5-cent fare, the mayor announced. It is a distance of 11 miles.

In Mr. Sandmire's permit, granted by the council, it is stipulated that 12 16-passenger busses be kept running on the route and only 5 cents be charged for fare.

Nine of the drivers of the busses were at the council session and announced they could get their cars from Spokane and have them in runing order by August 1.

Try-out to Be Given.

In placing the jitney busses on the South Tacoma-Point Defiance route, Mayor Fawcett said, he intended to try them out and see how successfully they operated before moving to force the street cars to stop running because of the expiration of franchises on portions of both the South Tacoma and Point Defiance routes. He believes, he said, that comfortable busses running regularly from 5 A. M. daily to late at night at a 5-cent fare would so far cripple the street car business that the company would be willing to consider his 20-tickets-for-a-dollar plan.

Mayor Fawcett is confident that the jitney busses will prove successful competitors of the street cars. He pointed out that the jitneys were successful in a similar fight in Spokane and said the residents wanted the jitney lines retained even after street cars gave satisfactory service.

SECRETARY IS ELECTED

REPUBLICANS NAME CLAUDE INGALLS FOR BIG JOB.

Corvallis Newspaperman Chosen by State Central Committee Also to Handle Publicity.

Claude E. Ingalls of Corvallis was made the unanimous choice of the executive committee of the republican state central committee at a meeting held yesterday in the Imperial hotel for the position of state secretary. Mr. Ingalls is editor of the Corvallis Gazette-Times and is regarded as one of the most active workers for his party in the state.

In addition to acting as state secretary, Ingalls will do the work of the publicity man. Ordinarily it has been the custom of the committee to have both a secretary and a publicity man but as Ingalls is a newspaperman and thoroughly familiar with political writing, it was decided that he should hold down both positions in the coming campaign.

Arthur O. Jones, vice-president of the First National bank, was reelected treasurer. The appointment of a finance committee will be left to Walter L. Tooze Jr., who is state chairman, Mr. Ingalls and Ralph E. Williams, republican national committeeman.

Following the election of the secretary, Chairman Tooze outlined a few of his plans for the campaign. He was authorized to make a trip into every county of the state for the purpose of meeting with the members of the county organizations. His trip will start about August 1. He announced that he intended to spend practically all of his time between now and the election in building "fences' for the state organization of the party.

A number of the members of the committee were not in attendance yesterday but their proxies were in the hands of other members. Those present were: Mr. Tooze, Mr. Williams, Roy Smith of Hood River, E. E. Blanchard of Grants Pass, E. C. Kirkpatrick of Dallas, Mrs. John A. Carson Sr. of Salem, Mrs. A. M. Dibble, Mrs. F. O. Northrup, Mrs. W. M. Cake, Mrs. Julius Louisson and Mrs. C. E. Runyon, all of Portland; Miss Anna M. Lang of The Dalles and Mrs. Henry Henningson of Oregon City.

POLL TAX LAW RAPPED

INCOMPETENT JURORS DECLARED ONE RESULT.

President of Northwest Sheriffs' Association Makes Bitter Attack at Convention.

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho, July 13.—L. S. May of Seattle, president of the Northwest Sheriffs' and Police association, characterizing the poll tax law of the state of Washington as being responsible for hundreds of acquittals in criminal cases in that state, made a bitter attack on the poll tax law in the keynote speech of the joint convention of the northwest association of sheriffs and their deputies here today.

"The poll tax in Washington has forced upon the public and judicial system of the state a horde of irresponsible and incompetent jurors," said Mr. May. "Any man or woman who pays the poll tax is eligible for jury duty. Young men of immature years and transients who have no interest in the enforcement of the law are thus called for jury service. For this reason, if for no other, the poll tax laws should be repealed or amended."

Mr. May also touched upon the parole system and the giving of suspended sentences. He said the presence of a suspended or paroled criminal in a community had a bad influence on the youth of the community and was a cause of juvenile delinquency.

He said that 40 officers have enrolled for the institute of criminology, which will be opened on August 1 in Seattle under the auspices of the association. According to Mr. May the institute will also offer extension courses to officers unable to take the class-room work.

THE DALLES GETS READY

Business Men Donate $3000 to Entertain Legion Convention.

THE DALLES, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—Business men of The Dalles today contributed $3000 for use by the local post of the American Legion in entertaining ex-service men of the state in the convention to be held here July 27 to 29, inclusive.

Meetings of the executive committee of the Legion are being held almost nightly, and extensive plans are being made for showing legionaires and their wives the time of their lives.

NEW SCHOOL CLERK IN OFFICE SOON.

Robert E. Fulton.

Succeeding R. H. Thomas, for 14 years clerk of the Portland school board, Robert E. Fulton, chosen Wednesday night at the school board meeting, will take office August 1, without contract. Mr. Fulton was elected by a vote of 4 to 3 over A. H. Trego, also nominated for the place. Mr. Fulton is an expert accountant and has been employed by the John Y. Richardson company for seven years. Members of the board consider him especially well fitted for the position of clerk. He is a graduate of Savannah high school and Richmond Business college of Savannah, Ga. He has had legal experience.

Weyerhaeuser Party at Seattle.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 13.—Ninety-five officials and salesmen of the Weyerhaeuser Sales company, on a tour of the Pacific northwest visiting various properties of the Weyerhaeuser Timber company, arrived here today from Spokane, leaving a few hours later for Snoqualmie Falls. The party will be due to arrive in Everett tomorrow night. Saturday night the party will proceed to Portland, Or., thence to Boise, Idaho, and Omaha.

Fire Threatens Timber Tract.

HOOD RIVER, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—Fire which started in brush of Indian creek gorge Tuesday has spread to the wooded preserve owned by Dr. T. L. Eliot, pastor emeritus of the First Unitarian church of Portland, and is now threatening the destruction of the tract of virgin pines and firs, the only plot left in the lower valley. A cabin on the place is in danger of burning.

Robber Suspect Returned.

GRANTS PASS, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—Lee Brandon, alias Lee Vann, arrested here for the robbery of the Golden Rule store, was returned to Washington yesterday when Sheriff Phil Chase of Jefferson county arrived here with the necessary papers to take him out of the state. He is wanted in the northern state to answer to a charge of highway robbery, following his parole while serving a 15-year sentence for grand larceny.

Home Economics to Be Topic.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, July 13.—(Special.)—Mary Ruth Fisher, supervisor of home economics in the city schools at Twin Falls, Idaho, is to speak on "Home Economics for Boys" at the 15th annual convention of the American Home Economics association in Corvallis August 1 to 5. Miss Fisher has had several succesful classes in this line of work and is said to be a strong supporter of the movement.

Bend's Refusal Upheld.

BEND, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—The railroad committee of the Bend Commercial club has refused to meet with the Ontario Commercial club for a public discussion of the railroad situation, and directors of the club took supporting action at their weekly noon meeting today when a request by the Burns club for a representative to attend the Burns-Ontario conference on the same question, in Burns Saturday, was read.

Can Shortage Causes Delay.

EUGENE, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—A can shortage is hindering operations at the big cannery of the Eugene Fruit Growers' association, according to J. O. Holt, manager. The force of several hundred women and girls canning cherries and loganberries had to cease work yesterday forenoon on account of lack of cans and this has occurred a number of times, said the manager.

Logger's Relatives Sought.

MARSHFIELD, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—The friends or relatives of J. Willard, better known as "Blackie," who was killed yesterday in one of the Smith-Powers logging camps when a log rolled over him, cannot be found. Willard had been working at Powers about two months and nothing is known of his connections.

$4800 in Narcotics Seized.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 13.—Narcotics valued at $4800 were seized today by federal customs inspectors searching the Blue Funnel liner Talthibius. No arrests were made.

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GEORGE R. SNIPES DIES

RESIDENT OF WASCO FOR 69 YEARS PASSES.

Wagon Trail Pioneer of Oregon Succumbs at Age of 90—Funeral to Be Sunday.

THE DALLES, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—A resident of Wasco county for 69 years and a wagon train pioneer of Oregon, George R. Snipes, 90 years old, died at the family home near here early today, following an illness extending over a number of months.

Mr. Snipes was born in 1832, in North Carolina, near Raleigh. He came from a long-lived strain, his paternal grandfather having lived to be 110 years old. At the age of six George was taken to Tennessee by his parents, where he lived for 10 years. The family then moved to Iowa. George Snipes started for Oregon in 1853, because his sweetheart was also leaving Iowa for Oregon with her father's family, the Imblers. George started in an ox train that left two weeks behind the Imblers, and caught up with them at Salmon Falls, now in southern Idaho. The train of which George was a member reached The Dalles on September 16, 1853.

In The Dalles George Snipes and his sweetheart eloped, as her parents objected to the match. The Imblers were camped on 15-Mile creek and George, with friends, literally stole his bride. They rode on horseback to The Dalles and were married. Mrs. Snipes died on October 24, 1901.

Their children are Leander and Leicester twins; the former now residing in Portland and the latter in Toppenish, Wash.; James Snipes, The Dalles; Mrs. Francis McCown, Miss Mary Snipes, The Dalles; Mrs. Lilly Waterman, Spokane; Mrs. Susie Adams, Maroa, Ill.; Henry S., The Dalles. He also leaves a brother, Edgar, who resides in The Dalles. Funeral services will be held Sunday at 2:30 o'clock.

Joseph Jewett.

McMINNVILLE, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—Joseph Jewett was born November 28, 1835, in Orangeport, N. Y., and died July 10, in McMinnville. He was 86 years old. At the age of two years Mr. Jewett moved with his parents to McHenry county, Illinois, his father, Nathan Jewett, being a pioneer Methodist minister. He was educated at the Mount Morris seminary. He married Caroline M. Friend. Four children were born, Mary Eleanor, Carrie Agusta, Georgia Harriet and William Henry. He is survived by his widow and two children, Mary Eleanor, now Mrs. D. C. Yoder of Hubbard, Or., and William Henry of Berkeley, Cal., besides 12 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Mr. Jewett was a member of the local Methodist church and a member of the Masonic order. Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. M. A. Marcy at 11 o'clock today. Interment was in the Hubbard cemetery.

George Palmer.

LA GRANDE, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—George Palmer died suddenly Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Palmer was founder of the George Palmer Lumber company of this city, which he developed into one of the largest lumber mills in eastern Oregon, and retained its active management until less than a year ago, when he retired. He was born in Northfield, Vt., September 16, 1848, and came to La Grande 18 years ago, where he has since made his home. He is survived by his widow, a daughter, Mrs. G. M. Byrkit, a brother, W. H. Palmer of Tacoma, Wash., a nephew, Vincent Palmer of this city, and two grandsons, Malcolm and George Palmer Byrkit. Following funeral services here Friday afternoon the remains will be shipped to Portland, where they will be interred in the family mausoleum.

William A. Siddens.

PENDLETON, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—Funeral services were held yesterday for William A. Siddens, 75, civil war veteran, who died at St. Anthony's hospital Tuesday after a paralytic stroke. Mr. Siddens was a member of company E, first regiment of the Indiana heavy artillery, and was wounded in action. Mrs. Siddens died 23 years ago. Mr. Siddens came here in 1887 and until six years ago was employed by the railroad. He is survived by the following children: Mrs. E. R. Strahorn and Mrs. Peter Pohl of Pendleton, Mrs. R. E. Nolin of Los Angeles, Mrs. A. H. Breding of Haines, A. E. Siddens of Portland, and Orville Siddens of Boise. Two sisters, Mrs. M. A. James of Pendleton and Mrs. Louise Brown of Portland, and a brother, S. D. Siddens of Pendleton, were also present at the deathbed.

George W. Thompson.

McMINNVILLE, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—George W. Thompson was born at Bakewell, Derby county, England, December 20, 1859, and died at his home near Dayton, Or., on July 7. He is survived by his widow, two sons, George and Herbert of Dayton, and one daughter, Mrs. W. W. Clarke of Manchester, England. Mr. Thompson was engaged in commercial pursuits in England until he retired in 1911. Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. M. A. Marcy at the Macy chapel. Interment was in the Oddfellows' cemetery at Dayton.

Ida Iola Ball.

OREGON CITY, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—Ida Iola Ball, 11 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Ball of Greenwood, about three miles from Oregon City, died at the family home this afternoon of pneumonia. She was a pupil of the Greenwood school. Funeral services have not been arranged. Interment will take place in the family lot in Oswego cemetery.

Forest Fire Menaces Town.

ROSEBURG, Or., July 13.—(Special.)—A forest fire which burned over 200 acres of brush land today threatened the town of Anlauf. Fire fighters from the Douglas county fire patrol extinguished the blaze after a hard fight, there being slight damage done.

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