

DISCUSSED THE FRANCHISE

TRACTION COMPANY BEFORE THE STREET COMMITTEE

City & Suburban Offers No Objection to Another Line for South Portland-Street Matters.

Discussion of the Fifth-street franchise asked by the Portland Traction Company, for an electric roadway into South Portland, was the principal topic before the committee on streets yesterday.

When Chairman Martin announced that the franchise was up for consideration, two more petitions were presented, with the statement that between three-fourths and seven-eighths of all the property owners immediately adjacent to the proposed line were represented therein.

In photographs 3 to 5 is fragmentary, all the front part, the maxilla, praemaxilla, etc., having been broken off.

"Thanking you again for the pains taken with the photographs and measurements, I am, yours very sincerely, F. W. TRUE."

LET THE STRANGERS IN.

Mining Man's Views Concerning the New Smelter.

F. J. Hard, a prominent mining man of Portland, takes exception to "some portions of an article from Sumpter, which appeared a few days ago, where the writer states that 'the management of a smelter of one he expects must be placed in the hands of the very best men of Portland.'"



NEWLY DISCOVERED OIL FIELDS IN CALIFORNIA AND TRAIN OF OIL TANKS.

hand nearly all the business they are attending to, and most positive take less with him on the question of management, unless there are, in Portland, men familiar with the smelting business.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LECTURE

Judge Ewing, of Chicago, Will Be in Portland Next Week.

A lecture on Christian Science, entitled "Christian Science; the Religion of Jesus Christ," will be given by Hon. William Ewing, of Chicago, at the Marquam Theater, Sunday afternoon, March 11, at 3 o'clock.

DOES NOT TAKE WELL.

Registration of Letters by Carrier Not Popular.

The new plan of registration of letters by postoffice carrier, at the homes of the recipients, which has been in vogue since the beginning of the year, is not proving to be a popular innovation in Portland.

An Editor Arrested.

George S. Parker, late editor of the Ione Post, was enjoying a turkey dinner in the dining-car of train No. 1, when it arrived in Arlington at 12:35 Tuesday.

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CALIFORNIA IS LUCKY

GREAT OIL DISCOVERIES MADE IN THAT STATE.

Fabulous Profits Are Being Realized by Fortunate Stock Owners in Oil Wells-Interesting Facts.

In Southern California for several years native petroleum has been produced in sufficient quantities to become a recognized commercial factor, but only recently have any serious efforts been made to locate oil fields north of Tehachap.

During the past 10 years California has produced and marketed 12,000,000 barrels of crude oil, worth over \$15,000,000. The production was only 300,000 barrels; this year it will not fall short of 5,000,000.

The oil belt, running through Fresno, Kings and Kern Counties, is the richest in the state at present, as evidenced by the number of flowing wells already developed and the quality of oil produced, the oil already found being of a remarkably fine grade, rich in lubricants and illuminants.

THE RICH GOLCONDA.

The Company Has Made Portland Its Principal Office-Mr. English Comes Here to Live-The Mine and Its Prospects.

Portland may well congratulate herself upon the fact that Messrs. J. G. and J. T. English have incorporated the Golconda Mining Company and made this city the principal office of the corporation, and the further fact that Mr. J. T. English has decided to make Portland his home and cast his lot with us in the future.

"The Golconda mine is a wonder in the mining world, not only extensive, but four distinct ore bodies have been cut, that carry as much, if not more, free gold than any ore chutes in the world, some of the rich specimens of which can be seen in the office of the O. R. & N. Co., at Third and Washington streets; and other specimens will also be displayed at the company's office, in the Chamber of Commerce building, next to the safe deposit vaults, which will be opened for business on Monday.

An Oregonian reporter called on several officers of the new company, and this is what they had to say with reference to the property: Mr. J. T. English, vice-president and manager, said: "We purchased this property about two years ago. It was then nothing but a promising prospect. Since that time we have expended over \$200,000 in its development, and we now feel that we have one of the best mining properties in this country. Before we decided to incorporate I was offered \$1,000,000 for the property, but declined to accept the proposition, as we do not intend under any circumstances to dispose of a controlling interest in the mine."

"We have incorporated in order to perpetuate our holdings, and to prevent a suspension of operations that might be caused by the death of any of the parties interested. "I have been solicited time and again to sell stock, and now have decided to offer a small amount for sale to the Portland people. I am coming here to live, and expect to invest in your city, and am willing that your people may have an opportunity to be interested with us."

"The mine is now ready for the sale of stock to be used in increasing the milling capacity of the mine from 10 to 40 stamps, and providing additional deep mining machinery."

"We are now running night and day with a 10-stamp mill, and the property is complete in every detail. We have an office, assay office, moderately equipped, messhouse, houses for all the employees, sawmill, shafthouse, with a complete hoisting plant for 500 feet of depth, an electrical transmission plant, operated by water power, which has a permanent capacity sufficient for running the mill with the additional machinery contemplated, and furnishing all the light necessary for the mine and buildings connected therewith."

"We have all the timber needed for fuel, mine and sawmill, with several miles of good roads leading thereto. "The property, that has been deeded to the company, comprises nine quarters and seven placer claims. Our mine is now earning from \$7 to 10 per cent per annum on its capital stock, above operating expenses, and I firmly believe will earn 2 per cent per month net when the new machinery contemplated is installed. The mine is entirely out of debt, and the property has been turned over to the corporation absolutely free and clear of all incumbrances."

Mr. J. Frank Watson, president of the Merchants' National Bank, and treasurer of the company, said: "I was asked to take an interest in this property and become one of the officers of the Golconda Mining Company, but Mr. English insisted that I should first visit the mine and satisfy myself before doing so. Agreeable to his request, together with Mr. Vincent Cook and others, I went to the mine and thoroughly examined the property, and I am more than pleased with the results. I have never seen such rich ore as I saw in the tunnels, drifts and stopes of the Golconda mine; it is a great and permanent property, and I am satisfied it is all in hand, and represented to be, and that Mr. English is modest in his estimate of its earning capacity."

Mr. V. A. Schilling, of the O. R. & N. Co., and secretary of the company, said: "I have been requested many times to take stock in the Free Coinage, but I have felt that it had not reached that stage of development which would warrant placing the same on the market, because purchasers of mining stock generally want results at once on their investments; so I have been instrumental in inducing Mr. English to offer some stock in the Golconda to the Portland people, because I know that it will be a dividend paper from the start, and I have no doubt the stock will double in value within less than a year from this date."

Mr. Edward Cannon, president of the Northwest Electric Engineering Company, and one of the directors of the Golconda, said: "I have known the Englishes for 25 years. Mr. J. G. English, president of the company, has been president of the First National Bank, of Danville, Ill., since its organization, in 1883, and is a very capable man. No one in his country has a higher reputation for integrity and business ability. Mr. J. T. English has also had large business experience and enjoys the same reputation as his father. "They are not strangers to the mining world, as they were large stockholders in the Le Roi mine, and made some \$300,000 out of that property. The stockholders will always receive honest and fair treatment at the hands of the company, who own a controlling interest in the mine."

"We wish to remind you that you should purchase your medium and low-price pianos where they can be exchanged for Steinways within two years and have the full purchase price allowed. We are selling upright pianos for \$5 00 per month, and some good pianos for \$3 54 and \$5 per month. Sherman, Clay & Co., Steinway dealers, Russel Building, Fourth and Morrison streets."

"Use of brain burns up and destroys small portions of it, which must be rebuilt or 'brain fed' results. That's the story, and that is why Grape-Nuts can be had of any first-class grocer. Made at the pure-food factories of the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich."

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Edwards' elegant store attracts the buying public. Price and quality suit them. EDWARDS

Buck's Ranges and Stoves. The Great White Enamelled takes precedence over all other makes; price, \$20.00 to \$65.00

Cook Stoves. We handle only the best make of different manufacturers which stoves have stood the test of time and found to be popular favorites.

Scotch and Peerless Granite Ware. In this department we are daily adding to our stock. The prices are right.

Extension Tables. Solid oak, well-selected stock, varnish finish, 6 feet long and 3 feet 6 inches wide, castored, complete; regular price, \$7.50; this week, \$6.00

Dining Chairs. A very serviceable and well-constructed chair; regular price, \$1.00; this week, 75c

Large Arm Rocker. Cane back and seat made of well-selected stock, antique color and varnished; regular price, \$2.50; now \$2.00

Linoleum. Is a time-honored floor covering, and dates nearly back to colonial times in its manufacture.

Oilcloth. New line of very handsome patterns have just been received; worth 25c, 30c, 40c; this week, 20c, 25c, 35c

China Matting. A full line of 300 rolls, all in beautiful colors and of the latest and newest designs, worth, per yard, 15c, 20c to 50c; this week, 10c, 15c to 35c

Reversible Art Squares. We carry the largest assortment in this city of extra heavy, extra super "Imperial" Ingrain and Processed Art Squares, ranging in size from 25x35 yards to 35x yards; regular price, 50c to \$1.00 per yard; for this week we sell them from 35c to 80c Per Yard.

Rugs. Of all makes and sizes, including, among others the popular Reversible Smyrna, being exactly alike on both sides, and the Bundabur Wilton Rugs; price, \$1.50 to \$6.50

Reception-Room Suits. Consisting of three pieces, comprising table, settee, armchair and side chair, mahogany finish, spring seat, upholstered in half wool damask, worth \$25.00, \$16.90

Window Shades. Two hundred dozen have just been selected. All in latest and best selected colors; worth each 50c, 60c to \$1.00; during this week, 30c to 65c

Bed Sheets. Two yards wide and 2 1/2 yards long, best bleached muslin, 50c each

Bed Comforts. A large and well-selected stock, filled with white cotton and covered in silkline; worth \$1.75, \$3.00, special, \$1.50, \$3.00

Hair Mattresses. Thirty-pound gray hair mattresses, A. C. A. ticks; special this week, \$8.50. Call and examine our hair.

Lace Curtains. Special this week: Our \$1.00 curtain for 50c; our \$1.50 curtain for \$1.25; our \$2.00 curtain for \$1.50; our \$2.50 curtain for \$2.00; our \$3.00 curtain for \$2.50.

H. E. EDWARDS, 185-187-189-191 FIRST STREET

'99 BIKES FOR \$20.00. We don't mean by this that we will sell you 99 Bicycles for \$20.00, as that would be LESS THAN 25c EACH. But we have some 1899 Model Golden Eagle Bicycles left over from last season which we are anxious to close out to give us the room they occupy, and have decided to offer them at \$20 each to close them out quick. We sold over 1000 of these wheels last year, and they all gave good satisfaction. In fact, there is not a better wheel on the market at \$25, except our 1900 Golden Eagle. 1900 LINE Mitchell \$40 and \$50 Phoenix \$40 Golden Eagle . . \$25 CASH AND INSTALLMENTS Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co. FIRST AND TAYLOR STREETS

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Food That Makes Brains HOW? AND WHY? Scientific research discovers that the life forces that make intelligent selection from food to build different parts of the body when ready to build and rebuild the brain, seize upon the delicate particles of phosphate of potash, which is furnished in certain portions of the wheat and barley kernels, and setting this element into active vibration uses it to amalgamate with albumen. This new combination is carried by the blood to all parts of the body, and is absorbed by the nerve centers and brain, to rebuild the delicate cells of which brain is made, and which must be renewed every day as the brain is used. Use of brain burns up and destroys small portions of it, which must be rebuilt or 'brain fed' results. That's the story, and that is why Grape-Nuts can be had of any first-class grocer. Made at the pure-food factories of the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich.