

# JOSSELYN NOT ARBITRATE

## Declares City Must Prove Contentment That Light Service Is Inefficient.

### WILL NOT REDUCE BILLS

President of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Co. Replies to Mayor Lane's Objections to Monthly Estimates.

President Josselyn, of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company, declines to arbitrate the differences between his company and the Mayor in regard to the action of the Executive Board in reducing the March and April bills for street lighting. When asked if he would agree to this adjustment of the difficulty, he promptly stated there is nothing to arbitrate, and that the Mayor would be required either to withdraw his objections to the bills as rendered or prove that the lights being furnished are not equal to the requirements of the contract. Mr. Josselyn said:

As the question has been raised by the city officials, the burden of proof naturally rests with them and not with us. We have always asserted that the average Magnette arc lamps now in service have greater lighting efficiency than the old open arc lamps, and that the city authorities permitted us to change from the open arc to the Magnette arc, now in use, some 15 months ago.

#### New Lamp Is Stronger.

The National Electric Light Association, which held its annual meeting in Chicago last month, and which is composed of the best electrical experts in the world, are unanimous in the opinion that the average illuminating power of the Magnette arc lamp now in use in this city is 60 per cent greater than the old 4.9 ampere direct current series open carbon lamp formerly in use. The light, instead of being thrown directly down on the street at an angle of 45 degrees, is thrown up and down the cross streets, and the relative candle power of 250 feet in each direction from the lamp shows 375 candle-power for the Magnette, 50 candle-power for the 4.9 ampere direct current series open carbon lamp, and 340 candle-power for the 3.6 ampere direct current series open carbon lamp, the latter being the one displayed by our present Magnette lamp.

These are the facts which we stand upon, which have all been arbitrated by a body of men composed of the best electrical experts in the world, and upon which we rest our case. If the city officials take exception to these facts, the burden of proof will naturally be upon them.

I have just received by mail a copy of the report of the lighting committee of the City League of St. Louis, which was issued last month, and have been much interested in noting that Portland bids fair to have the same experience in regard to a new lighting contract that was had in the city mentioned.

The committee had referred to it the question of street lighting in St. Louis, with the request that the investigation and report upon the most desirable and economical form and method of lighting. They began their investigation by consulting the literature available on the subject, including the lighting reports of the various cities, government reports, discussions on the question of municipal ownership, magazine articles, and the extensive report of the National Civic Federation on the municipal and private operation of public utilities, including the most recent data on municipal lighting plants in American and English cities. They framed a list of questions to be sent to the supervisor of lighting in each of the first twenty cities in the United States, requesting accurate and detailed information on practically every phase of the problem. They have carefully reviewed the history of street lighting in St. Louis, and as far as possible examined the facts regarding the right of franchise, the laws, both state and municipal, controlling them.

#### Reports to St. Louis.

From these sources the committee has drawn its conclusions and has submitted the report referred to, with the hope that it will assist in settling the lighting question in St. Louis far enough in advance of the expiration of the present contracts to enable the city to secure the best form and method of lighting and at a minimum cost.

Their conclusions are summarized as follows:

First—Definite arrangements for the lighting of the streets should be made far enough in advance to secure the best system of lighting and insure the best terms to the city.

Second—The present cost of electricity of \$97.50 per arc lamp per year, and \$19.65 per incandescent lamp per year is unreasonably high and should be immediately reduced.

Third—The three best ways of securing a reduction in the cost of electricity are: (a) by constructing a municipal plant; (b) by encouraging competition; (c) by regulating and controlling private municipal plants. The cost of operating a municipal plant, if operated in a business-like manner, would be approximately two and one-half cents per kilowatt hour, or about \$60 per arc lamp per year, and about \$17 per incandescent lamp per year. The cost of operation of a private plant, in the management and operation of the plant, which tends to reduce its efficiency and increase its cost, indicates the inadvisability of municipal ownership except as a last resort. Municipal ownership in the place of public franchises merely transfers the danger of political mismanagement from the legislative body which grants the franchise to the administrative officials appointed to operate the plant. The economy of municipal operation and control has not yet been proven in this country. Only two of the first cities, Chicago and Detroit, have attempted it. The experience of these two cities is not such as to warrant the statement that a municipal plant would be more economical than contract labor. In the opinion of the committee the conditions at the present time are unfavorable for the construction and operation of a municipal lighting plant. The streets of St. Louis are in such a condition that the function should not be undertaken by the municipality if reasonable rates and efficient service can be secured from private companies.

The duplication of investment and equipment, the damage to the pavement and injury to the appearance of the city make competition wasteful, ultimately add to the price paid by consumers and finally induce lighting corporations to merge.

#### Cost to Company Less.

The company, which supplies commercial lighting, can supply public lighting at a minimum cost:

(a) Every increase in the demand for service means a decrease in the cost of production.

(b) An electrical plant primarily for street lighting cannot be operated economically, since its daily output is small and it is under full load for less than half the time. A commercial plant is under a more nearly uniform load during the twenty-four hours of the day.

(c) A private company can take immediate advantage of inventions and improvements for reducing the cost of production. Municipal plants, as is shown by experience, seldom keep pace with modern and improved methods.

Your committee is of the opinion that a result of competition which might result in reducing exorbitant rates, ordinarily is only a makeshift; and that permanently satisfactory results and a minimum cost cannot be secured by competition.

A uniform system of efficient and ornamental lighting should be established, especially for the business streets of the city. In the business portion electric lights or arc lamps should be adopted and so spaced as to brilliantly illuminate the streets by night and make them attractive by day. In the residential portion it may be deemed advisable to supplement the present gas lights with arc lights at street intersections in order to secure adequate illumination.

The report referred to contains a complete history of street lighting in St. Louis, reciting the many ordinances that were

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## City Left in Darkness.

They also met with serious delay in passing ordinances for general street lighting to prevent the impending danger of darkness, which occurred by reason of the lighting company turning off the city lights at the expiration of their contract. Daily mass meetings of citizens were held, increasing in fervor, and plans were adopted to make very plain the attitude of the citizens concerning conditions existing at that time. The city was in darkness for sixteen days until a new lighting contract was made.

## Twice Too Many Tables in Our Stock—20 to 45 Per Cent Discount.

Every Table in the Stock Included in This Sale.

City	Number	Cost Per Lamp	Per Year
New York	13,972	\$90.00	\$9,000.00
Philadelphia	11,414	100.00	11,414.00
St. Louis	1,139	97.50	110,902.50
Boston	3,781	124.10	469,342.10
Cleveland	1,777	97.92	173,903.64
Buffalo	2,856	56.60	161,630.40
Cincinnati	5,323	73.90	393,370.70
		60.00	319,580.00
		72.00	383,424.00
Baltimore	1,949	87.49	170,711.01
Pittsburg	3,379	75.00	253,425.00
Washington	1,121	83.00	93,053.00
Detroit	3,374	62.83	211,988.42
Portland	1,587	65.00	103,055.00
Overhead			65.00
Underground			65.00

## Reports From 29 Cities.

City Engineer Edwin A. Fisher, of Rochester, N. Y., found that the average cost of arc lights in 29 cities with over 100,000 inhabitants is \$84.18 per lamp per year (Portland \$62.50 per lamp per year). The opinion of the St. Louis committee is that judging from the experience in Chicago and Detroit, the question "Will Municipal Lighting Pay?" cannot be answered in the affirmative.

The report of the lighting committee of the City League of St. Louis is very pertinent to the present discussion in Portland. Over one year has been devoted by experts to the study of the subject, with conclusions shown above, and I would suggest that any of our citizens who wish to get a full text of the report should do so, in that it is educational and would be of great value in studying the matter intelligently.

Our contract with the City of Portland expires December 31, 1908, and so far as I am advised the clause providing for extension of the contract is not in effect, and whether we shall be called upon to furnish lighting for the city after the expiration of our present contract. Until such time we shall refrain from ordering additional machinery for that purpose, which cannot be delivered by manufacturers within six months, for in the event of our not obtaining a new contract for city lighting, new machinery proposed would be a dead loss to us.

## CHILD KILLED BY TRAIN

### Little Tot Hurlled to Death by West-bound Passenger at Weiser.

WEISER, Idaho, June 13.—(Special.)—The little son of Mrs. Zolda Thrasher, of Penderville, Idaho, who is visiting her parents, who reside near Eaton

## PORTLAND ACADEMY GRADUATE WHO RECEIVED THE FIRST PRIZE AT GRADUATING EXERCISES

Lou Constance Killingsworth. At the graduating exercises of the Portland Academy, held Friday evening at the First Presbyterian Church, the first prize of \$30, was awarded to Miss Lou Constance Killingsworth, the popular daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Killingsworth, for excellence in declamation.

## Station, about eight miles from this city, was killed last night by being struck by the second section of west-bound passenger train No. 5. The little fellow was crossing the track when he was struck. His skull was crushed and otherwise badly mutilated.

## LOCKLEY HALL OPENING

D. J. Quimby has charge of Lockley Hall this season. The house has been thoroughly renovated and Mr. Quimby is better prepared than ever to give Portland people the best accommodation at the beach. Write for rates and reservations.

# GAS STOVES

**GARLAND PACIFIC DIRECT ACTION**

**\$8.95 Gas Stoves**  
Top 17 by 25. Two large New Process burners, 1-inch supply pipe, 18-inch oven with improved oven burner, and body made of heavy stamped steel.

**\$11.25 Gas Stoves**  
Top 17 by 25. Two large New Process burners; one Summer burner, 1-inch supply pipe, oven 13x18 1/2, broiler 18 1/2; stamped steel body, 34 inches high.

**In Missouri**  
The Kansas City Gas Company is compelled by the terms of their franchise to furnish free a gas stove to each gas consumer who wants one.  
500 Direct-Action Stoves were sold last year in that city, because some people found out that cheap gas stoves don't pay, even if obtained for nothing.

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Top 32x17. Three large New Process burners, Summer burner, oven and broiler, 18 1/2 inches wide; 1-inch feed pipe, adjustable needle valve; stamped steel body, 34 inches high.

**\$17.50 Gas Stoves**  
Top 20x25; 3 large, 1 giant, 1 simmer burner, oven and broiler 18 1/2 in. wide; adjustable needle valves, new process oven burner, 1-in. feed pipe; stamped steel body; 34 inches high.

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We are prepared to supply complete Camping Outfits at Most Reasonable Prices.  
Camp Stools .....25¢  
Tents, 7x9 .....\$6.15  
Blankets, wool .....\$3.75  
Camp Stoves .....\$1.25  
Portable Cots .....\$2.25  
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**WATCH THE METER GO ROUND**  
We have Direct-Action Gas Stoves and other stoves connected to meters at our showroom. If you can believe your own eyesight you cannot afford to buy anything except a Direct-Action Gas Range.

**Dining Table Sale**  
TWICE TOO MANY TABLES IN OUR STOCK—20 to 45 Per Cent Discount. Every Table in the Stock Included in This Sale.

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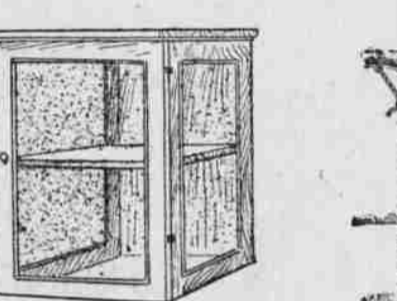


**Dining Table Sale**  
FIFTY-SIX SAMPLES ON THE FLOOR—Representing a Stock of Over Five Hundred Tables. 20 to 45 Per Cent Discount on Every One of Them. To Look at Them Will Cost You Nothing.

**THIS GO-CART \$3.50**  
Just as shown, has rubber tires, 10-inch wheels; can be folded; has reclining back, adjustable foot. It is worth \$5.



**MEAT SAFES \$1.25**  
Made of spruce, 23 inches high, 18 1/2 inches wide, with movable shelf, screen front and sides. \$1.25



**HAMMOCKS SELLING FAST**  
Just as well buy a hammock now as later, when all best ones are sold. Palmer hammocks have been awarded 20 medals for excellence of construction and durability.



**THIS GO-CART \$5.50**  
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Fiber Carpets, the yard... 39¢ Rag Carpets, the yard... 36¢  
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**For Lawn or Porch \$2.50**  
Buy a comfortable chair, white maple frame, with arms—Large green bent-wood chairs, \$1.30  
Large green bent-wood Rockers, \$1.75  
Large green bent-wood Stools, \$1.55  
Complete line to select from.



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PENLETON MAN DECLARES HE HAS SEEN P. H. FEE.

**SHOOK HANDS AND TALKED IN PORTLAND WITH MAN SUPPOSED TO HAVE BEEN DROWNED.**

**PENLETON, Or., June 13.—(Special.)—**That P. H. Fee, of Portland, who was supposed to have been drowned while attempting to cross the river near Ariel, Wash., a few months ago, still lives, is declared by James Neagle, of the firm of Neagle Bros., who knew Fee for several years, and who declares he saw shook hands with and spoke to Fee on the streets of Portland last week. Neagle declares that Fee admitted to him that he allowed the report of his drowning to be circulated for a purpose which he declined to state.

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**RAPID GAINS OF Y. M. C. A.**  
ASSOCIATION HAS TOTAL MEMBERSHIP OF 2032.

Classes	Men	Boys	Total
Bible classes	1907	1908	
Men in Bible study	252	309	
Boys in Bible study	105	132	
Men on committees	357	531	
Men on committees	33	70	
Shop classes	4	10	
Total attendance at church	3,789	9,000	
Total number religious meetings	105	108	
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Money spent by religious department	\$3,709	\$3,081	
Physical Department.			
Number enrolled in gym	Men	Boys	Total

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INQUIRER.

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