

NORTH BANK BOATS STRONGLY OPPOSED

Last Seven Witnesses Say No Delay Should Be Allowed in Making Sale.

TIME TO FILE BRIEFS SET

Men Called by Mr. Teal Assert Railroad Line Keeps Independent Craft Off River by Manner of Competition.

Hearing of the application of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway to continue its steamboat service between Portland and The Dalles through the summer of 1915, or until the boats can be sold, was concluded at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon before Henry C. Hall, Interstate Commerce Commissioner.

The boats in question, the Bailey Gatzert and Dalles City, are operating on a temporary permit issued by the Commission, pending a decision on the facts submitted at the hearing.

A. H. Devers, former chairman of the transportation committee of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, was the first hostile witness called yesterday morning by J. N. Teal, who, as a representative of the Chamber, has been contesting the company's application.

Mr. Devers declared that he would not be to the public interest for the line to continue under the Spokane, Portland & Seattle, or any railroad.

"I think the line should be sold to dispose of its boats," he said. "An extension will not be beneficial to the public, and it is not necessary to the railroad company."

Mr. Devers made the assertion while on the stand that he knew of several instances where railroad owned boats had driven independent lines out of business.

He and Mr. Kerr clashed several times on cross-examination, once when Mr. Kerr asked him if he had meant to infer, by a remark about "rebating" by railroad companies owning steamboat lines in company with independent lines, that he or President Gilman of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle, would grant rebates.

"No, I don't think you would ever do such a thing," said Mr. Devers. "I don't know anything about Mr. Gilman."

Mr. Devers made it clear, though, that he was not accusing the rail officials of having rebated.

Another witness was H. N. Dryer, a Umatilla merchant, who asserted his emphatic belief that development of the Upper Columbia River country was dependent on steamboat service, but that no independent steamboat line could exist unless it was free from killing competition on the middle river between Portland to The Dalles and was able to make a reasonable profit there.

Other witnesses included M. W. Matteschek, banker and representative of the Kennebec, Wash. Commercial Club; F. J. Walsh, chief engineer of the Port of Astoria; Charles W. Johnson, of Pasco, and W. S. Smallwood, former manager of the Open River Transportation Company.

Mr. Kerr, for the railroad company, obtained the admission from Mr. Dryer and several of the others, however, that in their belief an independent line could not be made to pay until after the opening of the Celilo Canal.

Commissioner Hall set September 15 for the railroad to file its opening brief, September 30 for the Chamber of Commerce to file its answer and October 10 for the railroad's reply.

After the conclusion of this case, hearing witnesses began on three applications by the O. W. R. & N. Company for leave to continue steamboat service between Riparia and the head of navigation in the Snake river, across Lake Couer d'Alene through line from Spokane, Wash., to Wallace, Idaho, and between Portland and Astoria, and between Portland and Ilwaco, Wash.

Six Chinese Taken in Raid. There were 395 smiling faces aboard the popular sidewheeler T. J. Potter when she hauled away from Ash-street dock promptly on the stroke of 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

DAINTY COMEDIENNE, WHO OPENS ENGAGEMENT AT THE OAKS AMUSEMENT PARK TODAY.



CONCERTS ARE SET

McElroy Band to Give Special Programmes at Oaks.

ENGAGEMENT IS NEAR END

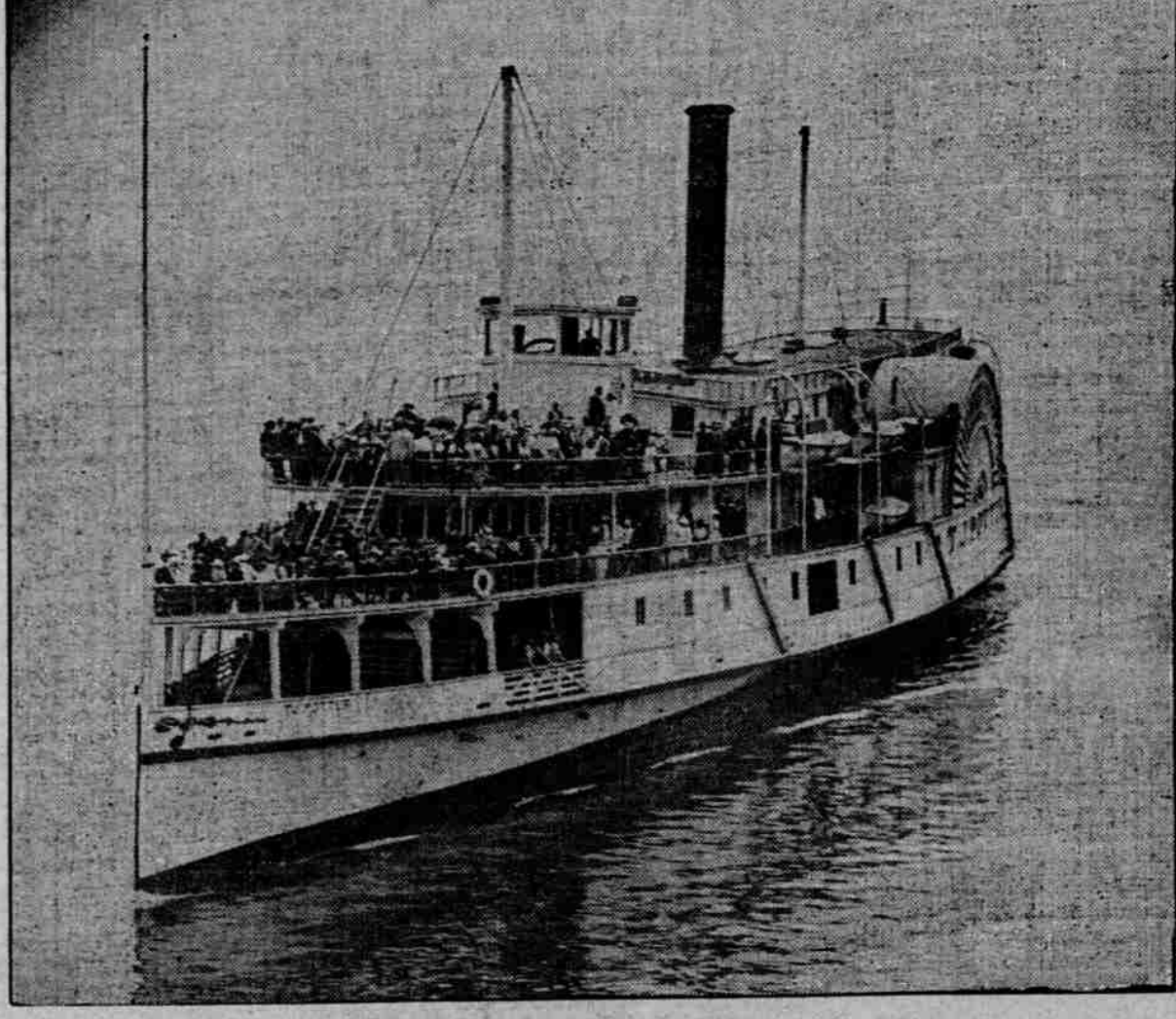
Monica, Comedienne, Is Headline Feature and Has Act of Merit, Advance Reports Say—Movies Are Shown Daily.

After one of the most successful seasons of its ever had, McElroy's band will close its engagement this week at the Oaks Amusement Park.

The headline feature of the week is Monica, the comedienne. Monica has a programme of unquestioned merit, advance reports say.

Her press notices declare: "Monica has appeared before four of the crowned heads of Europe and at least one command performance at Buckingham Palace."

SIDEWHEELER LEAVES WITH ONE OF LARGEST CROWDS OF SEASON FOR WEEK-END TRIP TO FAMED NORTH BEACH RESORTS.



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LAND SHOW SPACE TAKEN WITH RUSH

Counties of Willamette Valley Arrange for Large General Exhibit.

MANY FACTORIES ALSO ACT

War News Is Credited With Having Exhilarating Effect on Sales for Displays—Farm College Has Big Area.

War news from Europe the past week is credited with having had an exhilarating effect on the sale of space for the Manufacturers' Land Products Show to be held October 28 to November 14.

The trip made by Messrs. Bateman, Buckley and others down the Willamette Valley also resulted in the various counties taking space to the extent of about 1600 square feet for a general Willamette Valley exhibit.

The Manufacturers' Association of Eugene has taken up the question of making an exhibit. It probably will occupy 300 square feet.

The Baker County Commercial Club will settle the matter of a general county exhibit this week. The Grande Commercial Club wants space for its section.

The Vancouver Commercial Club, Clarke County (Washington) took 300 square feet. The Morrow County signed up for its exhibit. The Oregon Agricultural College has 1200 square feet.

A large amount of space in the manufacturers' division of the show also was signed.

Among those taking space are the following: Denny-Renton Clay & Coal Company, Economy Wire Tie Company, Portland Bolt Manufacturing Company, Portland Furniture Company, Oregon Brazing Company, the Parelux Manufacturing Company, the Needlecraft Shop, Helsner and Under Machine Works, Oregon Dynamite Block Company, Brown Portable Elevator Company, American Brush and Broom Company, Multnomah Trunk & Baggage Company, Universal Bed Company, Gerlinger Auto Truck Company and others.

President David M. Dunne has called several meetings for this week. Monday afternoon the Manufacturers' exhibit committee will meet at 1:15 o'clock in the offices, 408 Commercial Club building.

Space has been reserved and will probably be taken this week by the Crystal Ice & Storage Company, White Auto & Truck Company, Portland Wood Pipe Company, Carming Manufacturing Company, Oregon Welding Company, the Parelux Manufacturing Company, the Needlecraft Shop, Helsner and Under Machine Works, Oregon Dynamite Block Company, Brown Portable Elevator Company, American Brush and Broom Company, Multnomah Trunk & Baggage Company, Universal Bed Company, Gerlinger Auto Truck Company and others.

WALLA WALLA FRONTIER DAYS SHOW IS GROWING

Wild Indians, Bucking Bronchos, Wild Horse Races, Roping Contests and Parades Will Be Seen in September.



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UPHOLD PUN VOICED

Dr. O'Hara Proposes Change in City Employment Agency.

SEGREGATION IS ADVISED

Member of American Association for Labor Legislation Asserts That Present Conditions Prevent Efficient Service.

That a free employment office located where it will be patronized, and efficiently managed, is much needed in Portland, was the assertion of Dr. Frank O'Hara, of the American Association for Labor Legislation, yesterday, apropos of the suggestion to move the present municipal employment bureau to the north end of town.

Commenting upon what would be desirable, Dr. O'Hara said: "It appears that certain amount of opposition has developed to a proposal made by some of the City Commissioners to make the municipal free employment agency more efficient and to move it to the north end of town. This opposition seems to come principally from two sources, the private employment agencies and certain well-wishers of the free employment agency who are afraid that the women's department of the agency would suffer if the office were to be moved to the section of town where unemployed men congregate."

"The objection on the part of these latter is not well taken. As a matter of fact, the women's department of the city free employment agency is not a success in the present location of the office. It is distinctly a failure. The people who oppose moving the office to the north end of town should oppose having it where it is. It should not be in the same office as the men's department. These private employment agencies have two offices, one for men in the part of the city where unemployed men are to be found and the other for women in a part of the city where women prefer to go, act more wisely. Whether the men's department of the city agency is moved or not, the men's department should be separated from the women's department. The Council will separate them, there can be no reason why the men's department should not be moved to the place where the unemployed men are to be found."

Inefficiency Is Charged. "The men's department of the free employment agency is not efficiently run at the present time. This is due to two principal causes. It is not properly located and it is not properly equipped. It should be located where it is possible to get the business and it should be managed so that it will get the business. A manager who can handle the business properly cannot be had for the salary which is paid to the present manager. The city should find a man who knows the business, who is willing to accept the responsibility enough to enlist his interest in the business. The office should be located where it can get the business."

"Naturally the private agencies are opposed to any move on the part of the city which will serve to make the free agency more effective. This is not to be wondered at. Like other institutions, they do not relish too keen competition. The express companies, for example, opposed the parcel post. No one blamed them for opposing it, but very few would attempt to maintain their interest in the common interest. There was a time when they satisfied the demand for them at the present time is rapidly diminishing. Similarly, there was a time when honest private employment agencies were as numerous as the need of honest private agencies is decreasing. The need for honest private agencies will not disappear until the city or the state develops a thoroughly effective free office. There is some talk of abolishing private employment agencies, but the wisdom of such a move. Abolishing the private agencies will not build up a public agency. The public agency must be built up by constructive means."

Advertising Is Urged. "One thing that the municipal free employment agency needs to do is to let the public know that there is a city free agency. A great many unemployed men who are in the city are unaware of the existence of the agency. A questionnaire circulated by those in charge of that gathering, showed that they were unaware of the existence of a city free employment bureau. On the other hand, many contractors employing considerable numbers of men do not know where the agency is located nor what it is doing."

"A number of the private agencies have objected to the extension of the city's activities in the line of the employment bureau. They are afraid that the giving of something for nothing will tend to pauperize the workers. This objection overlooks the fact that there is a great deal of difference between giving bread and potatoes and giving information. The employment agencies do not give or sell jobs. They give or sell information. True, there is a widespread opinion that many of the private agencies are actually in a position to sell jobs, temporarily, on account of secret understandings which they have with foremen and superintendents. But to the extent to which this is true it is an evil which should be abolished. The legitimate private agency sells or gives away, not the jobs themselves, but information about the jobs."

"If we are to object to free employment agencies because they give information for nothing, we might equally well object to the activity of the Federal Government in collecting and distributing information concerning the size of the wheat crop, or of the agricultural college in distributing information concerning soils to farmers. The wage-earners are as interested in the size of the wheat crop as the speculators in wheat or the farmers and the state is interested in seeing that they make the most of their resources, both for themselves and for society."

"The best way to put the crooked private employment agency out of business is to develop a strong public free agency. The honest private agency undoubtedly will suffer somewhat in the process, but it will suffer less than it is likely to suffer if it attempts to stand in front of the wheels of progress. If the people generally learn how crooked a crooked employment agency can be without being caught they may become impatient of the slower methods of reform."

Ward Ulrich Arrested. Charged with taking his automobile, which he had mortgaged, outside of Multnomah County, Ward Ulrich will be brought back from La Grande, where he was arrested, by Deputy Sheriff Phelan to face the charge of larceny by bailer. Deputy Phelan left yesterday to bring Ulrich back.

VARSIITY'S HEAD IS HERE

BISHOP AND FACULTY WELCOME COLUMBIA'S PRESIDENT.

Rev. John T. Boland, C. S. C. Arrives to Assume Charge of Classes. Library Is Enlarged.

Rev. John T. Boland, C. S. C., new president of Columbia University, returned yesterday from Tacoma, Wash., to take up his duties. Father Boland was welcomed on his arrival by Archbishop Christie and the faculty. He succeeds Rev. Joseph Gallagher, who governed Columbia University as its president for eight years.

Father Boland comes from St. Edwards College, where he was president for 15 years. Father Boland is not a stranger here, having visited Portland and being an old acquaintance of Archbishop Christie and Catholic clergy-men of this city.

The remainder of the faculty remains intact. Rev. Hugh S. Gallagher, C. S. C., continues as vice-president; Rev. George J. Marr, C. S. C., director of studies; and Rev. James H. Galligan, C. S. C., prefect of religion.

A new course in civil engineering will be inaugurated at Columbia this year. The library has been increased by nearly 100 volumes through the generosity and assistance of Portland business men and friends of the university. Columbia will open September 18.

SUNDAY AMUSEMENTS HIT

Evangelical Association League Condemns Excursions and Movies.

Resolutions were adopted at the close of the convention of the Sunday School League at Jennings Lodge, under the auspices of the Evangelical Association, Thursday, condemning all forms of Sunday amusements and Sabbath desecrations among the young people of the country.

PARK PROGRAMME GIVEN

City Band Will Play at Sellwood Today, South Parkway Tomorrow.

The Municipal Band, Charles L. Brown director, will play the following programme at Sellwood Park today at 3 o'clock: "America," "Chamber's Overture," "William Tell," "Rosalind," "The Barcarolle," "Waldteufel," "duo for piccolo," "The Nightingale and Thrush," "Kiln," "Messrs. Knight and Straub," "selection," "Princess of Pique," "Lullaby," "Intermission," "(a) "Miserere," "H. Trovatore," "Verdi; (b) "Sextette," "Lucia," "Donizetti," "Messrs. Evans, Livingston, Tait, Newman, DeCappio and Cluff; American sketch, "Down South," "Myddleton; patrol, "U. S. A.," "Peck; dream picture of the old South, "Uncle Tom's Cabin," "Lampe; an educated rag, "The African 400," "Roberta."

Sixteen new railways are being built in Switzerland, some of which will be completed this year.

YOUNG MATRON WILL VISIT PARENTS IN IRVINGTON.

Mrs. H. Ellery Seymour. Mrs. H. Ellery Seymour (Hazel Westermire), who left Portland last November, is now in New York, having passed some time in Atlantic City, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington, D. C. She plans to leave soon for the Coast, coming by way of the Canadian Rockies to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Westermire, of Irvington.