

NEW ACT DRAFTED TO RULE TAXICABS

Commissioner Daly Submits Measure Reducing Rates and Controlling Drivers.

LUGGAGE INSIDE FREE

Clause of Proposed Ordinance Forbids Smoking by Chauffeur Without Passenger's Permission. Action Due Wednesday.

Reduction in the maximum rates which operators of taxicabs, sight-seeing cars and automobiles may charge for their service is provided in a measure which has been sent to the City Council by Commissioner Daly. The measure, in addition to fixing rates, prescribes a long list of rules and regulations for the protection of patrons and governing the behavior of the drivers.

At present there is a city ordinance fixing a maximum rate of 50 cents for the first half mile for a taxicab carrying one or two passengers. The proposed ordinance provides a 50-cent rate for three-fifths of a mile. The old ordinance permitted a charge of 50 cents for the first one-third of a mile for taxicabs carrying three or more passengers. Mr. Daly's measure allows not more than 50 cents for the first two-fifths of a mile. For taxicabs carrying one or two passengers the old ordinance fixed a charge of 10 cents for every quarter of a mile after the first half mile. The Daly measure sets the charge at 10 cents for every one-fifth mile after the first three-fifths mile.

Baggage Inside Free. No charge is permitted in the new measure for children under 5 years of age when accompanied by a parent and no charge is permitted for baggage carried inside. The driver is required to unload baggage without charge and charge for waiting because of premature arrival of a taxicab is prohibited. For taxicabs carrying one or two passengers a charge of \$3.50 is allowed for the first hour or fraction thereof and 25 cents for every additional quarter of an hour. For taxicabs carrying an additional charge of 25 cents an hour may be made.

Taxicab companies maintaining zone rates are required to file a copy of the same and rates with the Commissioner of Public Utilities (Daly). The zone rates must not be in excess of the rates as prescribed for taxicabs not having zone rates.

Sight-seeing automobiles accommodating 10 or more passengers are limited to 50 cents for every passenger by the Daly measure, and are prohibited from giving a trip of less than an hour. The route must be as advertised. For trips longer than one hour an additional charge of 25 cents may be made for every passenger for every additional hour or fraction thereof.

Accurate Registers Required. The measure prohibits charging for the return trip of taxicab after performing a service or for responding to a call provided the distance is not over one mile. For a distance over one mile a charge of 5 cents may be made for every one-fifth mile over the first mile. Taxicabs are described in the measure as "any motor vehicle with two or more seats, propelled by power other than muscular, which are commonly offered or rented for hire with a driver and commonly used in carrying passengers or passengers and baggage, for hire."

The measure provides that every taxicab shall be equipped with an accurate timepiece and an accurate odometer or other device for registering time and distance. These shall be placed so that the driver can read them without difficulty at the time of starting and at the end of the trip. The driver is required to carry a flashlight to describe the location of the meter at night. No registering device may be used until it has been tested and approved by the city Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Disputes Up to Police. In case of a dispute between a driver and a passenger as to the proper legal fare the taxicab driver is required by the ordinance to drive to the nearest police station and put the question up to the officer in charge, who shall have authority to decide the question. The dispute is at the depot the policeman on duty shall decide. The trip to the police station shall be at the expense of the person winning the decision of the policeman.

Drivers of taxicabs are required to have cases inside the cars containing cards upon which the name, address of the driver and the number of the automobile and the rates provided by the city. No taxicab, the measure provides, may carry more passengers than the ordinary seating capacity. Drivers are prohibited from swearing or smoking unless they get the permission of their passengers. Commissioner Daly says such an ordinance "is necessary for the preservation of the health, peace and safety of the city in that there is no adequate ordinance now in force for the regulation of taxicabs, and great public inconvenience is now suffered on account thereof."

Immediate Enforcement Asked. He asks that the measure be passed with an emergency clause attached so that it will become effective at once. It will be considered by the City Council Wednesday. Commissioner Daly has prepared another measure to settle troubles among taxicab drivers at the depots. This also will be considered Wednesday. It prohibits any railroad company or owners of wharves from giving a right to one firm which is not given to all firms. It prohibits any person or firm from being favored by positions at depots or wharves. This measure has been prepared as a result of charges that the managers of depots and wharves favor one of the taxicab firms by the exclusion and detriment of others.

VARIED REPERTOIRE ON TODAY'S PROGRAMME

Evan Williams to Sing Aria From "Elijah" That Depicts Fierce Denunciation of Worshipers of Baal—Welsh Airs Also to Be Heard.



EVAN WILLIAMS, WHO SINGS AT HEILIG THEATER TODAY.

MANY beautiful and noteworthy numbers will grace Evan Williams' programme at the Heilig at 3 o'clock today. Among these is an aria from Mendelssohn's wonderfully dramatic oratorio, "Elijah." In imagination we see this mightiest of all the prophets, stern, inspired with terrible power from heaven, as the curse of drought falls on the land because of Queen Jezebel and the worship of Baal she has introduced. Following the lamentations of the people and the somber, despairing mood of the music, comes three passionate appeals of most touching beauty, leading up to the lovely tenor aria, "If With All Your Hearts," full of tenderness and consolation. This aria is sung with exaltation and melting beauty by Evan Williams, whose genius calls up before our eyes vivid pictures of the scenes that follow: The grand and lonely figure of Elijah in the desert, ministered to by angels; his renewal of strength and return to the world, his fierce challenge to the priests of Baal; his call to heaven and the descent of fire from above; the rush and swirl of the storm that ends the long drought in answer to Elijah's prayer; the tragic destruction of the false priests, and the final sublime picture of the grand old prophet caught up to heaven in a chariot and whirlwind of fire.

Other beautiful oratorio numbers will be included in the programme—"Total Eclipse" from Handel's "Samson"; the martial and fiery "Sound an Alarm" from "Judas Macabbeus," and "How Many Hired Servants," from Sullivan's "The Prodigal Son." Several captivating songs by composers of today, a group of Welsh airs, delightfully naive, and two operatic arias will complete this unusual programme, showing to advantage the rare, beauty and emotional quality of the voice that is now recognized as the greatest American concert tenor. The song recital will be under the management of Steers & Coman. Following is the programme:

- (a) "Where Ever You Walk".....Handel
(b) "Total Eclipse".....Handel
(c) "Sound an Alarm".....Handel
(d) "Ah, Love But a Day".....Protheroe
(e) "I Send My Heart Up to Thee".....Protheroe
(f) "The Year at the Spring".....Schubert
(g) "Wandering".....Schubert
(h) "Murmuring Zephyrs".....Jensen
(i) "Spirit Song".....Haydn
(j) "Wind and Lyre".....Ware
(k) "Y Deryn Pur"....."Adieu to Dear Cambria."
(l) "Morris Dance".....(Welsh songs)
(m) "If With All Your Hearts".....Mendelssohn
(n) "How Many Hired Servants".....Sullivan
(o) "Flower Song" from "Carmen".....Bizet
(p) "Your Tiny Hands" from "La Boheme".....Puccini

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team registered at the Imperial yesterday. Judge and Mrs. W. H. Malone, of Corvallis, are at the Carlton. J. H. Albert, of Salem, is registered at the Imperial with Mrs. Albert. Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Russell, of Albany, is registered at the Seward. Samuel White, of Portland, is among the recent arrivals at Hotel Clark, Los Angeles. Professor F. G. G. Schmidt, of the University of Oregon, is registered at the Cornelia. J. J. Crowley, with Mrs. Crowley and their daughter, are registered at the Nortonia from San Francisco. Ernest G. Hopson, supervising engineer of the Pacific District, United States Reclamation Service, left for Truckee and Orland, Cal., last night in company with General William L. Marshall, consulting engineer of the Department of the Interior, with whom he will inspect the California projects. Charles R. Paul, of Chicago, is in Portland, registered at the Multnomah Hotel. CHICAGO, Nov. 7.—(Special.)—The following from Oregon are registered at Chicago hotels: Oakland—Congress, J. Irving Potter, C. H. King. Astoria—Congress, Mrs. George Flavel, Miss Nellie Flavel; La Salle, F. C. Harley. North Dakotans Meet Tomorrow. The North Dakota Society will meet tomorrow night at 8 o'clock in room H, Central Library. A literary programme will be given. All former residents of that state are invited.

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ers, wholesale confectioners at 722-728 West Monroe street. One of these ways—not so well known—is the promptness with which the government pays its debts. Mr. Bunte exhibited a letter from an agent of the military commission in Stuttgart, informing him that 12,000 marks had been deposited to his credit in a German bank by the government. "I keep an automobile in a garage in Stuttgart," he said, "for I go to Europe every year to see my daughters and five grandchildren. I went to Europe and was caught in the war. My automobile, which cost me 14,000 marks, was commandeered by the government for use in the army. Two days later the military commission paid 12,000 marks for the automobile. I had used the automobile for a year, and this was a good price."

SALOONS LAYING PLANS

NINETEEN LIQUOR DEALERS IN VANCOUVER TO CLOSE. General Shift in Business Looked for When Good Corners Housing Drinking Places Are Vacated.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Nov. 7.—(Special.)—Already the effects of the local option election, which carried Vancouver by a majority of 414 last Tuesday, are beginning to be felt. Seventeen saloon-keepers and two family liquor houses are preparing to sell or dispose of their fixtures, and have begun to lay plans to leave the city, or to procure other employment or business.

MEN USE BREAST ARMOR

Plates Impenetrable at Average Range of Modern Rifle. PARIS, Oct. 27.—A correspondent of the Journal states that the French infantry has recently gained much ground in the Argonne region through the use of a steel breastplate, which, though unable to resist a point-blank bullet, is nevertheless impenetrable at a range which permits the troops to pause before the last rush with the bayonet. The Russian Government had decided to adopt the breastplate at the outbreak of the war, and placed immense orders with a factory at St. Hilaire de Harcouet which has the exclusive manufacturing rights. The French Government has ordered a vast quantity also, and has released the reservists employed in the factory, which is busy night and day.

CHAPLAIN IS 'ENTERTAINER'

United States Gives Army Spiritual Advisers New Tasks. WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—Army Chaplains this Winter will have to play the role of official entertainers for the soldiers in the United States Army. To enable them to do this about \$80,000 will be expended soon on amusement outfits. Each chaplain will be furnished with a tent, and his show properties will consist of a moving-picture machine, stereopticon outfit, and a phonograph. These articles will be furnished by the War Department, but most regiments will have pianos and many of them orchestras to assist the chaplain.

KAISER PAYS PROMPTLY

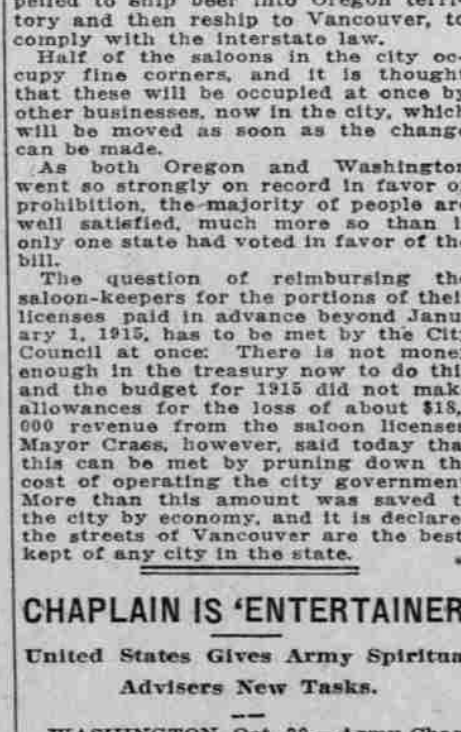
Government Sends Check for Commandeered Auto in Two Days. CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—The efficiency of the German government is shown in more ways than one according to Ferdinand Bunte, president of Bunte Brothers, wholesale confectioners at 722-728 West Monroe street. One of these ways—not so well known—is the promptness with which the government pays its debts.

JOHN J. BRIGGS PASSES

OREGON PIONEER OF 1859 ESCAPED INDIAN MASSACRE BY CHANCE. Man Who Helped Build Up Town of East Milford, Neb., Survived by Five Children.

John J. Briggs, who died at Bay View, Or., October 25, was born near Bowling Green, Ky., August 20, 1844. As a boy he worked in the lumber camps conducted by his father on the Mississippi River. About 1860 he left his father's home and engaged in milling near Camden, Neb., where he located on a homestead. For 14 months he mined in Colorado, journeying to Fort Kearney, Neb., by ox team. Led by chance by the party with which he intended traveling to the Black Hills, he escaped massacre by the Indians.

BEAUTIFUL LITTLE GIRL WHO HAS BEEN SELECTED FOR TEMPLE OF CHILDHOOD FOR PANAMA-PACIFIC EXPOSITION AND HER PRIZE-WINNING BABY BROTHER.



Miriam and Stanley M. Schiller, children of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley L. Schiller, are both exceptionally attractive types. Little Miriam is an exceedingly bright child, 5 1/2 years old, with marvelous eyes, fringed with heavy curling lashes. She is a lovable and natural little girl, with a keen sense of humor, tempered with obedience. Stanley is 1 year old and is also a beautiful child. He recently won a prize at the baby show at the Manufacturers' and Land Products Show at the Armory.

NEW SONG WITH A PECULIAR IDEA

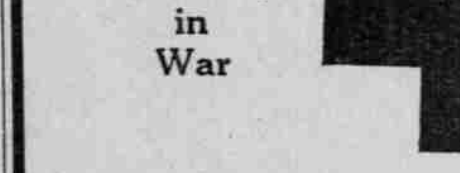
Has a Love Secret Hidden Between the Lines. New York has a new song which is said to be one of the oddest things written in a long time. It is called, "I'm Going to Tell Your Mother" and is full of smiles and surprises until the last line is reached. We can only quote a part of the chorus for the reader must guess for himself, or herself, what the secret is. Here is part of the refrain:

I'm going to tell your mother - er, I ought to know, for it's a-bout your beauty. Something I know a-bout you, I think she ought to know, for it's a-bout your beauty. I am going to tell her all a-bout your beauty.

Mrs. Lilburn Returns to Roseburg

Mrs. A. J. Lilburn, who was the chaperone for the Roseburg Queen of the Manufacturers' and Land Products Show, left for her home yesterday, after passing two weeks among her Portland friends. Mrs. Lilburn was formerly a member of the Portland Progress Club, and the members entertained her during her stay in Portland.

Neutrality in War



Humanity in Suffering

Call to the Red Cross Colors Will You Help?

The need is urgent. Humanity in distress is appealing to you. Winter has already set in and the suffering of wounded soldiers is intense. The American doctors and nurses already, on the field of battle, rendering aid to the sick and wounded, have been received with open arms. Cheers greet the American Red Cross Flag on every occasion. The doctors and nurses, whose great services to the suffering are made possible by your subscriptions, called forth the blessings of every nation in this terrible conflict. To keep up this good work the American Red Cross appeals for your aid. Give what you can. The smallest contribution is welcome. Local Depot for American Red Cross

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