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Rise Approved by Public Service Commission Effective January 15, 1918.

ADVANCE HELD NECESSARY

Company Faces Receivership Unless Relief Is Granted, State Tribunal Says-Tickets and Cash Include Transfer Rights.

(Continued From First Page.) is granted the company will be forced

into the hands of a receiver. Present Rates Held Inadequate.

The service as now afforded is held to be not in excess of the reasonable requirements of the traffic handled and the present rates charged for cash fares and unlimited ticket books are held to be unjust, increasonable and inadequate.

declaration that the Commission has full jurisdiction in the premises.

In substance, the order reiterates the

penses has been effected by reduction of the number of cars on many lines. Excessive loading of cars is declared to be harmful to both company and public, but a scientific study of this situation. Which is being carried on, the Commission believes, will eliminate most of the present averloading, especially with the further adjustment of the hours of opening and closing commercial and industrial establishments. The Commission gives assurance that it the commission gives assurance gives the commission g The Commission gives assurance that it will see that additional service is provided to the extent justified by existing

Budget Is Prepared.

revised budget has been prepared as to the company's expenses and in-cluded in the order, the budget being shown as a reasonably accurate forecast of the operating expenses for the year 1917 to 1918. The budget fol-lows:

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Deferred maintenance	83,600,6
Maintenance of equipment	226,500,0
Deferred maintenance	55,900,0
Conducting transportation	1,549,000.6
Power	79,296,6
Rallway express	2,500,4
General and miscellansous ex-	200 200
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Depreciation	266,108,0
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November have averaged 8.35 per	
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for this year, the following income state-ment has been prepared: Income Statement, 1917-1916.

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to extert a profit on watered stock.

We, therefore, wish to repeat with the could be maintained only by a resort tumost emphasis that if the stocks and to one or more of the following exbonds of the company were 180 times pedients: Reducing service, cutting the real value of the property it would wages, raising fares, or making up the the real value of the property it would bave no effect on this case. The appeal deficit by taxation. of the applicant and the decision of this Zone System H

exorbitant profit, fictitious stock value and the like, but modified by changes in prices and values of the exorbitant profit, fictitious stock value and the like, but modified by changes in prices and values of the component paris between the time of construction and the date of the valuation. Both in theory and in fact it represents the true present investment. represents the true present investment

Commissioner's Duties Outlined.

and in relation to its financial function asserts that this is a function "which has been almost entirely overlooked by the public, but which is constantly increasing in importance.

"A prime consideration in the investment of capital in enterprises designed to serve the public is the attitude of the public toward its servants, and this attitude is indicated chiefly by the actions of the rate-making authorities. The return permitted to existing utilities must be taken by the Prospective investor as the limit of his expectations. If the rates fixed by the Commission, while sufficiently high to escape condemnation by the courts as confiscatory, will yield only a return insufficient to at-

fact that it is customary to think of water power being inexhaustible in this state. The Commission asserts that it is evident "that even at this time the power supply is but little, if at all, in excess of the demand after making allowance for a proper reserve.

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Turning from a review of the situation as covered cursorily in the foregoing, the Commission says in part relative to the proposed relief:

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Relief Deemed Necessary.

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this difference could be overcome, interest on the balance of investment might wait for better times. But it must be remembered that a large part even of the operating expense does not vary with service. Ties rot, tracks settle, pavements go to pieces, rails trust, car timbers decay, even if there is no service at all."

Referring to municipal ownership and the zone system of fares, the commission says:

hasten the time when such restoration will be possible. "In the meantime the utility will be expected to continue to render monthly reports of its operations under this order and the public may rest assured that any possible netion in its interest will be taken without delay.

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The commission

Zone System Has Advocates.

Commission are based on the Commission's own valuation of the property, which in turn, was governed chiefly by the coat of reproducing the property at the prices and under the conditions prevailing from 1812 to 1916.

This valuation represents the original actual and rightful cost of construction, stripped of all elements of struction, stripped of all elements of mould permit low rates to be rain-tained in a great part of the city and would compel the long and now unprofitable lines to pay at least the cost profitable lines to pay at least least profitable lines to pay at least least profitable lines to pay at least least profitable lines to pay at lea

"But while these considerations are entitled to great weight, it seems to us that the adoption of the zone system The Commission includes in its order is inexpedient at this time. It is esm brief outline of its functions in explanation of the position it assumes in
granting the relief asked by the company, declaring that the Commission
must see that the public gets what it
mays for no more no less; that in pays for no more, no less; that in the center of the city: It his distance the exercise of its judicial function a transfer charge added, the additional rate for each zone necessary to make up the deficiency in revenue will be 2 and in relation to its financial function asserts that this is a function

yield only a return insufficient to at-tract capital into needed public service portation has improved rather than in-it is the public and not the investor who will suffer." the suffer."

Lack of Power Forescen.

The Commission, referring to the power situation, asserts that it finds power altuation, asserts that it finds charges of the zone system would fall almost entirely on them. While the effects of the growth of her new industries feets of the additional cost of transfer of the control of the additional cost of transfer of the control of the additional cost of transfer of the additional cost of the from lack of power, regardless of the portation would not alone be sufficient mian. Main 7070, A 6095.

Interesting Point Arises.
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Times Have Changed.

Referring to the control of utilities.

ton, are, in fact, confiscatory. What the Commission has no legal right to maintain.

The manner and extent of relief require careful consideration and we shall discuss briefly the various measurers which have been proposed.

Service Reduction Considered.

The possibility of reducing the expenses within the receipts at the spenses within the receipts at the spenses within the receipts at the spenses of the old rates, or at least a step in thought this seems feasible. Operating expenses and bonded interest exceed receipts by only about 12 per cent. If this difference could be overcome, interest on the balance of investment.

with the co-operation of the com-pany, any further profits may be equally divided between the three parties, the employes receiving more wages, the company more revenue and the public better and cheaper service. Efficient management then will be rewarded by increased dividends, and fare. faithful service by higher wages, while the public will profit from both by will profit from both by reduced farea."

KASER RITES TOMORROW

Funeral Services for Pioneer Woman Will Be at Crematorium.

CARVER PROMISES JITNEYS

Mount Scott Service Assured Within Week, Says Attorney.

Stephen Carver, who received fran-chises at the last city election to con-duct Jitneys on various routes in the city, expects to start service on East Stark street, Belmont street, Division street and to Mount Scott this week. L. M. Lepper, attorney for Mr. Carver, said yesterday the service would be started as soon as the city approves bonds filed some time ago. Although Mr. Carver has been giving

assurances that service would be start ed, no cars are operating yet except or the Linston line.

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President Grififth Says Effort Will Be Made Not to Inconvenience Patrons.

SERVICE TO BE UNCHANGED

Reduced Operation Started October 15 Will Not Be Increased, at Least for Present-Council Action Undetermined.

Portland residents should have six cents ready when they board a streetcar on the morning of January 15, for the new fare on the city lines will go

into effect on that date.

To make it easy for the traveling public, tickets will be sold, both on the the Commission says it requires but a streetcars and in the company's offices. little reflection to show that these two objections must partly neutralize each a nickel and a 1-cent piece out of one's other. pocket when the conductor holds 'out his hand expectantly.

"We shall make every effort to es ablish the new fare basis with as lit tle inconvenience to the traveling public as possible. Each conductor will be supplied with strips of five tickets to

Agitation Starts in August.

The history of the 6-cent fare case dates from August 14, last, when streetcar employes of the city asked an inreased wage and an eight-hour basic Late in August President Grif-

city will do," said John M. Mann, Com-missioner of Public Utilities, last night. "When the Council is officially notified, then will be time for action, if any is determined upon in respect to the decision favorable to the 6-cent decision favorable to the 6-cent I have no idea at this time as to

PENSION FUND SURVEYED

Report on Firemen's Relief Finances to Be Made Soon.

Whether on not the firemen's relief Funeral services for Mrs. H. M. Kaser, and pension fund system as established is on a sound financial basis will be announced soon by actuaries of the at her home. 172 East Fourteenth street. Oregon Life Insurance Company and Friday, at the age of 71 years, will be held tomorrow at 11 o'clock at the Postland Crematorium.

Portland Crematorium.

Mrs. Kaser was born in Pennsylvania in 1847 and moved to California in 1847 and moved to California in 1847 the fact that the present system, alwith her family. In 1879 they came to though considered sufficiently strong with her family. In 1875 they came to Oregon, first living in Washington in the beginning, could not hope to County and then in Portland, where she had since made her home. She is survived by four sons and two daughters—to when this condition was discovered that Mayor Baker asked the experts to make an investigation. This report should be completed within a short time and probably will result in agitation for a revision of the system to make it sound financially.

Otto Straub Alleged Bootlegger.

Otto Straub, whose soft-drink establishment at Second and Davis streets was raided early, yesterday by Special Agents Scott and Jeffries, was charged with bootlegging in a complaint filed later in the District Court. The officers say Straub attempted to pour out the street of the s some liquor in a pitcher when they entered the place, but a few ounces was secured, which analyzed more than 33 per cent of sleohol.

City to Let Big Cement Contract.

The Oregon Portland Cement Company is to receive the city's contract for furnishing 5000 barrels of cement during this year. Recommendation to that effect was made yesterday by City Commissioner Kellaher. The company bid \$2.05 a barrel for the cement on the dock. The other bidders each asked \$2.10 a barrel.



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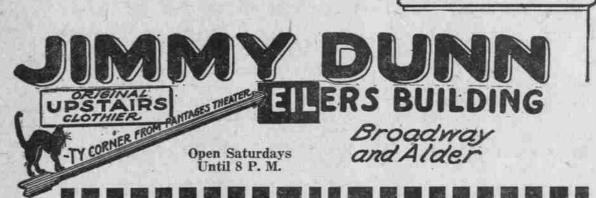
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to the Second Floor

PWELVE MEN DELIBERATE 28 HOURS IN CHIN JUNG HIN CASE.

Semi-Official Reports Indicate That Seven Jurors Stood for Conviction.

defendant, who is president of the Suey Sing tong, was accused of con-spiring to bring about the murder of Chin Hong, a wealthy and influential member of the Bing Kungs, a rival

day. Late in August President Grilfith's company started a series of advertisements in the newspapers, the
slogan of which was "We are partners,"
and which pointed out the close relation between the prosperity of the
tion between the prosperity of the
state, inasmuch as it will have
for the state, inasmuch as it will have Chief Deputy District Attorney Col-lier, who, with Deputy District Attor-ney Mowry, handled the prosecution, a big effect in keeping the Chinestongs out of further hostilities.

From semi-official sources it was re ported that the jurors stood seven for conviction and five for acquittal from the time they entered the jury room at





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30 Friday afternoon until they were discharged last night.

Mr. Collier said he was still undecided concerning the prosecution of other murder cases against the allied Hop Sing and Suey Sing tong officers. E. M. Underwood, of the underwriters, who based his opinion on the success of the recent fire - prevention - day cam-

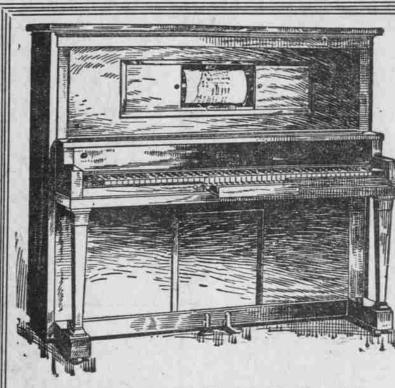
CITIZENS TO FIGHT FIRE We wish to extend our thanks to our friends and the members and ladies' auxiliary of George Wright Post, G. A. R., for their kindness shown us in our bereavement in the death of Frank Read. (Signed) MRS, FRAND READ, Adv. HENRY READ. Permanent Committee on Prevention

Work Proposed. A permanent citizens' fire prevention committee is to be formed to promote fire prevention work in Portland. City Commissioner Bigelow yesterday an-nounced that he expects to perfect the organization with a membership of

Michigan Society to Meet.

The Michigan Society will meet Monorganization with a membership of day night at the Portland Hotel in the probably 25 business men within a short day night at the Portland Hotel in the assembly-room. There will be clection The idea that such an organization of officers and a programme.

CARD OF THANKS.



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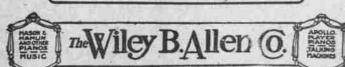
The Euphona is built in two styles. One, operated by footpedaling only, sells at \$510. The other is operated (when desired) by electricity and sells for \$750. Either style will "color" its playing with the same shading of delicacy, tenderness, passion or gafety that characterize the playing of an artist.

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