

CHANGE OWNERSHIP**San Francisco Street Car Lines Transferred to New York****DEAL HAS BEEN CONSUMATED**

Wealthy New York Syndicate Will Assume Control of Important Street Car Franchises in 'Frisco, and Will Increase Carrying Capacity.

San Francisco, April 15.—The Chronicle says today:

After controlling the affairs of the United Railroads for three years, the New York banking house of Brown Bros. & Co. is understood to have decided to relinquish the control and management of San Francisco's big street railway combination to Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co., one of the largest financial houses of New York, and their clients. Experts, it is said, have been here for some time past examining the properties and the settlement will be based upon their report of values. It has been officially admitted here that such a deal was in progress, but the officials of the company are preserving a stubborn secretiveness regarding the deal.

STRIKE IN FRANCE.

Strikers Destroy Property and Plunder Stores.

Limoges, France, April 15.—The strike in the porcelain factory here assumed great proportions today. The strikers carried red and blue flags, surrounded the leading porcelain factories breaking windows and doors. The Haviland factory was pillaged and the Haviland motor car burned.

The rioters plundered the gunsmith shops and erected street barricades. Many officials were injured. Strong military reinforcements have been dispatched to the scene of the disorders.

WAS IT MURDER?

Deputy Coroner Max Pohl Finds Corps Under Allen's Store.

A reporter of the Astorian was informed early Friday evening that the corpse of a man had been found under Allen's store. The informant did not know much about the matter, but said it must be under Allen's store in Uniontown. After interesting Editor Kearns of the Budget in the search the editor went to work. Friday evening Max Pohl was notified by the children of Mr. Rasmussen that there was a corpse under A. V. Allen's store. Mr. Rasmussen had gone under the street and seen it, because he had felt of the shoes on the man's feet. Mr. Pohl asked him if the corpse smelled bad, and Rasmussen held his nose and said: "Aye bet my life, he has stunk."

Mr. Pohl secured a lantern and together with Mr. Rasmussen they went under the street in company with the two boys. They searched everywhere, and finally, imbedded between two logs they found it. Mr. Rasmussen asked Mr. Pohl how he should proceed to collect \$5 from the county for discovering a corpse, and \$10 damage to his clothes, besides the \$50 reward recently offered for a man who was drowned.

A straw dummy used at the Unique theater was missing on the afternoon of Friday and it was suspected that some one, as a joke had thrown it overboard. After viewing the remains Mr. Pohl concluded an inquest was not necessary and he very kindly informed Manager Hager where he could find his dummy. The last seen of Rasmussen he was anxious to get to his fishing boats so as to get out on slack water, and it is probable he has not stopped running yet.

Licenses Increased.

Master Fish Warden Van Dusen has issued 608 gillnet licenses up to the last evening against 294 for the corresponding period of last year. Last year very few fishermen started to fish before the first of May on account of the small run, but this year they can save \$2.50 in the license fee, as the last legislature passed a bill making the license \$5, which goes into effect on May 15. It is probable that no more fishermen are out this year than last, but most of them have availed themselves of the opportunity to save the increased license fee. The indications for an early run of fish are better this year than last. There is no freshet in the river and no muddy water, caused by cloudbursts in eastern Oregon which prevented the fish from entering the river last year. The indications point to a very successful fishing season, especially for the gillnetters.

Bound for Alaska.

The American ship Berlin cleared for Alaska yesterday and went down to the lower harbor, but will probably not leave out before Monday. She has on board 50 Japanese, 89 Chinamen

and 110 fishermen. The St. Nicholas also cleared yesterday for Alaska with a cargo of cannery supplies and about 150 Astoria fishermen. She will probably leave out tonight or Monday. The ship Seargent received her inspection certificate last night and will probably sail Monday. The steamers North King and North Star have not completed their cargoes and will probably not leave before the 25th of this month.

Along the Water Front.

The steamer Sue H. Elmore arrived in last evening from Tillamook with freight and passengers.

The four masted schooner Transit arrived in yesterday from Redondo and will load lumber.

The bar dredger Chinook arrived in early yesterday morning and is lying at anchor abreast Flavel.

A three masted schooner arrived in last evening and will load lumber for San Francisco.

CARRIE RELEASED

She Closes the Deal for Her Kansas Property and Vamouses

WILL LECTURE IN THE SOUTH

After Finishing a Lecture Tour She Will Go to Shawnee, Okla., Where She Will Wield Her Little Hatchet Against the Saloons and Vice.

Topeka, April 15.—Carrie Nation was released from the county jail, where she has been serving a sentence of 30 days for malicious destruction of personal property, having broken up a saloon with her little hatchet. She closed the deal for the sale of her personal property at Topeka for \$7000 this afternoon and left for Chicago, where she will spend a few weeks looking after her publication, "The Home Defender," which is being issued there. From Chicago she will go to Alabama for a lecture tour of two weeks and from there for another lecture tour in the west.

After completing her lecture tour and securing her book she will go to Shawnee, Okla., where she will make her future home.

Standard Oil Company.

City Attorney Smith is preparing an ordinance which will be introduced and passed at the meeting of the common council next Monday night extending the limits in which crude petroleum or oil can be stored within the city limits. An ordinance passed several years ago fixes the district east of Sixth street, whereas the Standard Oil Company, who are erecting a fire trap at the foot of Fifth street are out of the prescribed limits. When the ordinance is passed a notice will be served on the managers of the Standard Oil Company to desist in the building of their oil tank, and if they refuse, which they are almost certain to do, they will be arrested. An injunction will also be applied for restraining them from completing the oil tank now under construction.

Library Benefit.

Do you like to read new books? Is there an especial one you wish? Is there any subject you would like to read up on? Tell the librarian what book or books you would like, then attend our concert, Monday, April 24, at the Opera House, and thereby spend an enjoyable evening and help the library Association to get the books for you. If you cannot attend, buy a ticket for a friend. If you have no friend, buy it for your wife.

Honor Conferred.

Miss Grace Moore, a graduate of Stanford university, '04, has been elected a member of the Stanford chapter of the Phi Beta Kappa society, the oldest fraternity in the United States. The Phi Beta Kappa fraternity is based purely upon scholarship, and takes into its ranks only those graduates who have attained an unusually high standing during the four years' college course.

There is a restaurant in town which makes a specialty of serving fine meals, where prompt and good service can always be relied upon. This is the California Restaurant, which has just opened under new management, and is well worth visiting.

A report from the governor of Guam says that the inhabitants of that island are very dirty, and very religious. Perhaps they feel that having the godliness they are at least possessed of the next thing to cleanliness.

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UNITED WORKMEN

The Lodge in Washington in Good Financial Condition

EMPLOY BUSINESS METHODS

The Grand Lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen and Degree of Honor Hold a Joint Convention at Tacoma Productive of Much Good.

Tacoma, April 14.—The grand lodge meetings of the Ancient Order of United Workmen and the Degree of Honor, which convened Wednesday morning, came to a close this afternoon. Bellingham was selected for the next meeting place. In session today the workmen defeated a proposition to create a board of control to have charge of the reserve fund which will result from the new system of paying regular monthly death assessments instead of paying in just enough to meet demands. It was voted to abolish the arbitration board, leaving the law and finance committees to care for such matters. The grand master workman was placed on a salary of \$1800 per year. The degree of honor voted favorably on the proposition to create a reserve fund to be used later in establishing a home for aged members.

Postmaster Hahn.

After serving nearly three years, Granville Reed yesterday retired from the Astoria postoffice as postmaster and John Hahn assumed the duties of the office. Mr. Hahn was appointed several weeks ago, but his commission was not received until this week, owing to its being held up in Washington pending investigation. The department forwarded his commission this week and he is now in charge of the postoffice. Mr. Hahn announces that he will make no changes in the personnel of the office, being satisfied that the wants of the public are properly attended to. Otto Heilborn will continue as registry clerk and Miss Reed as assistant postmaster.



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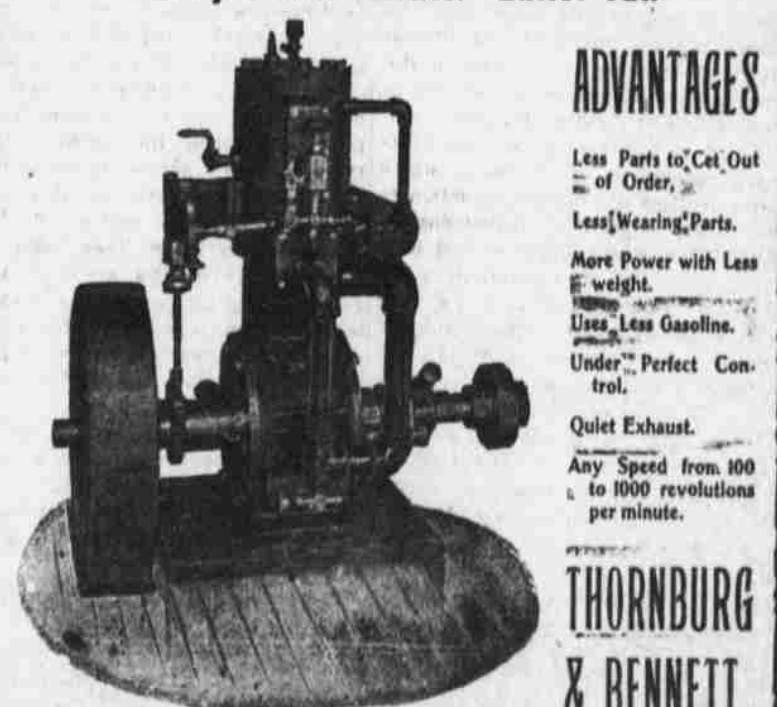
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