

# GROWING WARMER

## Conference on Railway Franchises.

### TO SETTLE ON PLAN

Mayor Williams Calls Meeting in His Office for Friday Afternoon.

Mayor Williams has called the members of the Common Council, the Board of Public Works and street railway officials to meet in his office Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock to have an informal heart to heart talk on street railway franchises. The Mayor is out of the city and could not be seen this morning, but it is known that he is strongly in favor of a blanket franchise, as advocated by The Journal, and it is supposed that the meeting is called for the purpose of seeing if the various interests cannot be got together. A majority of the members of the Council are in favor of a blanket franchise. It is believed that the street railways will surrender their present franchises and accept a blanket franchise if too great a burden is not placed upon them.

**NEW CHARTER PROVIDES.**  
In discussing the matter this morning a city official said: "I do not see why the companies will not accept a blanket franchise. It will come in time anyway, as the new charter, which is certain to be adopted, provides for it. If the blanket franchise should be adopted it would settle the question for the next 25 years. In my opinion the city will not be unreasonable in its demands, but on the contrary will be inclined to be liberal of the companies would come in now."  
The proposition directly at issue is the franchise of the Portland Railway Company. The new blanket franchise, a skeleton of which has been prepared and will be submitted at the meeting Friday afternoon, provides that the company surrenders all of its present franchises and to receive in consideration therefor a blanket franchise for 25 years. In consideration for this blanket franchise the company shall pay the city an annual tax either on its mileage, gross earnings or a flat sum.  
Some of the franchises held by the company will expire in a few years, and all of them within the next 25 years.  
The meeting will be held behind closed doors, that there may be a free discussion of the subject.

## HE FAVORS THE FRANCHISE

### Councilman Bentley Speaks Up for Necessity of Ford Street Line.

Councilman Bentley was seen this morning and asked for an expression on the Ford-street franchise, which is asked for by the Portland City Railway Company. He said:  
"I should hate to see a stone wall erected around the city and people kept out who want to come here and invest their money. My idea of this franchise is that the company can't afford to build the road up this high grade and build a bridge at a cost of \$30,000, and pay \$2500 per year for its maintenance during the life of its

franchise, and pay much to the city. The territory it proposes to reach is sparsely settled and the revenue it will receive is problematical. I question whether the line will be a paying one for some time."  
"I believe in taxing franchises but we should not make it so heavy as to be a burden. Suburban roads do a great deal towards building up a city. When the population of the city reaches 200,000 the franchises will be worth more and the plan of taxing them should be so modified that the Council can regulate the amount railways should pay accordingly. But when they are branching out into undeveloped territory, we should not hinder them."  
"How about putting it over until the new charter goes into effect?"  
"I see no reason why this Council is not just as competent to act now as when the new charter goes into effect. If we should wait for the new charter it would be 150 days after it was adopted and in operation before it would become effective and then another season would pass before work could be commenced. Why should we wait?"

### MINOR COURT NEWS.

The estate of the late William H. Smith, deceased, has been appraised at \$462.  
A motion for a new trial has been filed in the case of the State of Oregon vs. Henry Westerman on the ground of insufficiency of evidence to justify the verdict.  
An inventory in the matter of the guardianship of Alvin A. and Alfred P. Nelson, minors, was filed yesterday. It valued the property at \$411.  
Charles F. Briggs yesterday filed an answer to the suit filed against him by Dr. Andrew C. Smith to recover \$120 for medical services performed for Magnus Zimmerdahl. Briggs denies that he guaranteed the bill, and that if he did, he was under the legal age and the contract would not be binding.

### SUING THE COUNTY.

The case of Hume & Hall vs. Multnomah County is being heard today before Judge Cleland. It is one wherein the plaintiffs brought suit against the county in the sum of \$1500 for professional services in prosecuting a case in the supreme court against the German Loan Association, for the collection of back taxes for the year 1898. The county sets up the claim that the services should have been rendered under a previous contract, for which the plaintiffs received their compensation.

### A SICK JUROR.

A sick juror may be the cause for a new trial for George Smith, who was convicted for the murder of his white wife. Attorney Charles A. Peirain will doubtless use this as his motion for a new trial for his client. It is said that four of the jurors stood out for a verdict of murder in the second degree, but finally gave in to the majority because of the illness of Juror Chauncey Ball. Judge George has given the attorney one week in which to make a motion for a new trial.

### HAVE NO LICENSE.

The grand jury has before it today a bunch of saloonkeepers who have been dispensing the elixir of family disturbance without first taking out a county license. Those who appeared before the jury were Hans Larson, Sandy Bridge, six Ruhl, Ten Mile House, Mr. Schmidt, White House on River Road; H. La-touraille, Troutdale; Mr. Caswell, Seven Mile House.

### MORGAN IS OUT.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—That Morgan is not to be considered in the Tube Railroad feud here is evident from the second refusal by the Commons committee this morning. Owing to its now being impossible for Morgas to carry out his plan, the whole underground railway matter is left in the hands of Yerkes, who controls the situation.

## SLOT MACHINES AGAIN IN USE

### Cigar Dealers Place the Devices on Their Counters.

### THEY ARE SCARED NO LONGER

### A Test Case Will Be Made by Messrs. Schiller and Nye.

The slot machines are once more gaily distributing cigars to their customers and the plunk of the nickel as it drops into the maw of the machine is heard in the land. To put the reason briefly—the cigar dealers put the devices back on their counters because Edward Schilling, of 21 Washington street, and Jeff B. Nye, of 83 1/2 Third street, were arrested yesterday for operating slot machines and escaped scot-free. True, a case of the people of the state of Oregon against Edward and Jeff would be justified. It is still pending but then the ways of the law are proverbially tedious and the Lewis and Clark Fair may have passed into history long before Edward Schilling, Jeff B. Nye, or any of their heirs are called upon to pay a penalty to offended justice.

The machines were seized yesterday by Deputy Sheriff Adkins on warrants sworn out by Constable W. E. Jackson, of Justice Reid's court. On advice from the District Attorney's office the confiscated property was later returned to the cigar dealers, and now stands on their counters. It was the expressed intention to have the cases tried this morning but when the defendants appeared in court this morning the matter was laid over for the time being by mutual consent.

As a minor addition to the tumultuous reform wave which seems to have invaded this city in spots, Charles F. Lord, representative of Law Enforcement League No. 2, has written a letter to Sheriff Storey, demanding in verbose and somewhat disconnected paragraphs, that the Sheriff proceed to make the Sabbath holy by closing all stores, shops, theaters, billiard rooms and places of amusement next Sunday.

## BANQUET TONIGHT

### Discussion as to How to Get the Oriental Trade.

The banquet to Henry B. Miller, United States Consul to New Chung, China, to be given tonight at the Portland Hotel, promises to be an evening dress affair. It is given under the auspices of the Portland Board of Trade.  
The main purpose of the banquet is the meeting of the Portland merchants with Mr. Miller, and the discussion as to which is the best way to corral the Oriental trade for Portland. No doubt much good will come from this meeting of kindred interests.

### GIVEN A WEEK TO PLEAD.

Eng Gow, who was indicted by the Grand Jury for the murder of Lum Gau, was arraigned before Judge Sears this morning and given one week more in which to make his plea. Ah Chew, Lum Ka, Lum Kong, Ah Nee and Ah Sic, whose names appear on the indictment as witnesses, were held in \$500 bonds to insure their attendance at the trial.

### M'CALLA TO 'FRISCO.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—Captain McCalla has been selected by Secretary Moody to succeed Rear Admiral Miller as Captain of the Mare-Island navy yard.

## THREE KINDS OF OPINIONS

### The Matter of an Extra Session Calls Forth Diversified Comment.

Opinion on the advisability of calling a special session of the Legislature while generally very favorable, is speeded with an occasional strong dissenting vote. Among the impressions obtained by The Journal today are the following, which have been selected as being typical of their respective classes:  
COUNCILMAN A. F. FLEGEL: "I am heartily in favor of an extra session of the Legislature, for the purpose of getting the new charter adopted, making the appropriation for the Lewis and Clark Fair, and fulfilling the pre-election pledges in favor of flat salaries."  
CITY AUDITOR DEVLIN: "If the calling of a special session will secure the enactment of the Portland city charter and make the appropriation for the Lewis and Clark Fair, without involving it in the entanglement of other interests, I am disposed to think that a special session would be justified."

PHIL METSCHAN, president of the Imperial Hotel Company: "I think the idea is ridiculous. There is no necessity for it. It will cost the state \$30,000 and accomplish nothing, except an unnecessary saving of sixty days' time. More than that, it is very liable to defeat one of the very objects for which it will be called—the appropriation for the Lewis and Clark Fair. The country Legislature, already dubious as to the amount of the appropriation and more or less opposed to this city asking the country districts to financially aid the Exposition, will protest vigorously against this additional expense of an extra session. They may get in a belligerent mood about the matter, and turn the whole thing down."

**NEWS OF AND FOR MARINERS**  
The Goings and Comings of Those Who Plow the Mighty Deep.  
The American barkentine Chehalis' is now at Napaquit and will tie up until charter rates improve.  
A party of 12 men returned to Seattle yesterday from Alaska, where they took a survey and made soundings of the wrangel narrows.  
The steamer Redondo, of the Gray Steamship Company's line, reached Astoria from San Francisco yesterday with 200 tons of freight for various points along the lower Columbia.  
F. L. Parker, deputy collector of customs at Astoria, yesterday purchased a half interest in the steamer Vanguard from Captain Harry Hasian, the consideration being \$4000. The boat plies between Astoria and Cathlamet.  
Peter Hansen, a sailor, filed a suit for libel in the United States District Court yesterday against the British ship Port Logan. The plaintiff alleges that while working on the vessel in the capacity of a sailor he fell from a scaffold and fractured a leg. He asks for \$2500 damages.  
The steamer America Mine, which arrived at San Francisco yesterday from the Orient, reports having encountered a severe typhoon soon after leaving port of Yokohama. Waves rolling on the deck struck a Japanese steward, dashing him against the cabin and breaking his neck.  
As recently reported Captain Warneke is not in command of the Herzogian, the German training ship, which is headed toward Portland for a grain cargo. She sailed from Montevideo October 6 and is expected to reach here in about two months. She is manned by about 200 cadets.

## HOME FOR ELECTRICIANS

### Resolutions on That Subject Passed Last Night.

### THE MATTER WILL BE PUSHED

### Local Unions All Over the United States Will Be Interested.

At the meeting of the Electrical Workers last night a resolution was introduced and passed urging the establishment by the national organization of a home for disabled and indigent members of the various local unions throughout the United States. The corresponding secretary was instructed to forward a communication at once to the official newspaper of the national order notifying it of the action taken, with the object in view of getting other "locals" throughout the country to take up a similar line of work. The idea is to found and furnish a home upon similar lines as that of the Typographical Union at Colorado Springs. Members of the local union are confident that the matter will meet with general approval, and they intend to agitate the question as long as there is a probability of the object being attained. The biennial national convention of the Electrical Workers will be held at Salt Lake in September of next year, and by that time it is believed that sufficient interest will be aroused in the project to insure its realization.

## SHOT HIMSELF.

### Schoolboy Accidentally Kills Himself With a Toy Rifle.

After accidentally shooting himself through the breast with a .22-caliber rifle, George Rogers, a 14-year-old boy, rose to his feet, picked up his gun, said he was not hurt and dropped dead.  
The victim was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rogers, who live at Hillsdale, just beyond the city limits. After school yesterday the boy was examining the rifle, which had recently been given him, on the road in company with several of his playmates. The weapon was cocked and loaded. In some manner George exploded it. The ball passed through his thumb and sank into his breast. The shock threw the boy to his knees, but he recovered himself immediately and announcing that he was all right, picked up the gun and started to walk toward his home. He had taken only a few steps when he fell over on his face dead.  
The dead boy was one of eight children and was a universal favorite with all who knew him. The accident has almost distracted his parents, who are past middle age.

## TO CONTINUE BUSINESS.

### Augusta Buchner, administratrix of the estate of her late husband, Daniel M. Buchner, deceased, was authorized by the County Court this morning to continue the barber business of deceased, on Third street, until the estate is settled or until the further order of the court. She will be permitted to draw a salary of \$100 per month.

## LOOKING FOR ASSESSMENTS.

### Judge Webster and County Assessor Charles E. McDonald are paying an official visit to some of the big stores today, looking over their taxable property to see if it agrees with the schedule filed with County Clerk Fields, who is a member of the board, was unable to accompany them.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES.

### John J. Hill, 30 to Allie M. Ingersoll, 33. Charles A. Tancher, 31, to Lucy Burns, 29. Dillard Fowler, 22, to Katie Ross, 19.

## BIRTHS.

### October 18, to the wife of Edward Kraft, a girl. October 21, to the wife of Orville H. Reed, Sellwood, a girl. October 19, to the wife of Nestor Koekl, 555 Raleigh street, a boy.

## CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.

### A child of A. Phelan, 530 Market street, measles.

## DEATHS.

### October 20, Lucinda Scott, aged 19, Good Samaritan Hospital; senile bronchitis. October 19, Colburn Barnell, aged 82, 186 East Twenty-third street; heart disease. October 19, Arthur O. Peacock, aged 20, St. Vincent's Hospital; typhoid fever. October 18, Bertha Weber, aged 23, Good Samaritan Hospital; obstruction of bowels. October 18, Anna C. Petersin, aged 70, Thirteenth and Holcomb streets; peritonitis.

### The Edward Holman Undertaking Co., funeral directors and embalmers, 280 Yamhill. Phone 507. J. P. Finley & Son, funeral directors and embalmers, have removed to their new establishment, corner Third and Madison streets. Both phones No. 9.Crematorium, on Oregon City car line, near Sellwood; modern scientific, complete. Charges—Adults, \$35; children, \$25. Visitors, 9 to 5 p. m. Portland Cremation Association, Portland, Or. Burkhardt's florists, Main 502, 234 & Gilsan Clarke Bros., for flowers, 293 Morrison Street.

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## AN ESTATE DIVIDED.

The estate of the late James C. Burnside, deceased, was settled in the County Court this morning.  
To Charles K. Burnside was deeded lots 1, 2, 17 and 18 in block 2, in Excelsior and lot 9, block 5, in Good Morning addition in East Portland. To W. A. Campbell was deeded lots 4, 5, 10, 11 and 12 in block 6, in Good Morning addition to East Portland. The personal property amounting to \$785 was distributed according to the will.

## COSMOPOLITAN.

In order to give her a legal status, Mrs. Patti has taken out letters of naturalization as a British subject. This helps to augment the great diva's cosmopolitanism. She was born in Madrid, her father was a native of Sicily and her mother a native of Rome. She was brought up by an "American" stepfather in the United States, married a French man and also an Italian husband before she settled down in Wales, is the wife of a Swedish nobleman, Baron Cederstrom, and is now a daughter of John Bull.—Buffalo News.

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## VANCOUVER AND CLARKE COUNTY NEWS.

## SUPERIOR COURT

### List of Jurors Who Will Serve the Coming Session.

VANCOUVER, Oct. 23.—The following is a list of twenty-four jurors who will serve during the November session of the Superior Court, commencing Monday morning, November 10: Fred Olsen, A. C. Allen, David Stamp, J. L. Mathews, I. E. Spencer, Jacob Fash, Charles Stonehouse, John Schuster, Amos Curtice, Sam J. Miller, Scott Sretland, M. W. Chandler, W. J. Hopkins, Miles Leser, Westly Clark, C. Cortis, L. M. Kays, L. D. Brunk, Jackson Hildren, W. E. Atkins, W. C. Thornton, John Walker, Luis Chevron and E. T. Tempest.  
The docket of cases for this session promises to be a large one.

## Card of Thanks.

## Marriage Licenses.

## Meeting of Democrats.

## Hotel Arrivals.

## Vancouver Briefs.

## The Baltimore Restaurant

## OYSTERS AT 20c PER PINT

Columbia—M. Kendig, Portland; Mrs. A. G. Hansen, Battle Ground; A. M. Blaker, Hopewell.  
Baltimore—Mrs. H. L. Natterstee, Grays River; Mrs. Westerland and daughter, Grays River; Irving London, Henry Palm, Grays River; M. E. Short, City; Miss Dolly Jones, Portland.  
Riverside—R. W. Pales and wife, Kelso; Mrs. A. S. Pratt, Galien; E. A. Bennett, Portland; S. Smith, Salem.

Mrs. E. N. Scanlon and Miss Minnie Carter are visiting friends in Portland today.  
George Miller and Mrs. Eunice Taylor, of Portland, were arrested in this city yesterday by Justice Arthur Hahn.  
The steam shovel that is working at

has made arrangements with one of the largest oyster houses on the coast to be furnished oysters daily, and is prepared to serve the public with  
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British Pacific has been laid up for repairs. It will take about two weeks to get it in running order again.  
A. M. Blaker is in the city from Hopewell.  
Charles Shafter, representing Wadham & Kerr Bros., of Portland, is in the city today.  
Miss Audrey Anderson visited friends in Portland yesterday.  
W. N. Brennen, the timber man, left last night for Southern Oregon and Northern California, to be gone three weeks.  
Fred Miller of Portland is a visitor in the city.  
L. Gerlinger of Portland visited friends in this city yesterday.  
J. W. Holmes, representing Market, Joy & Co., of Portland, is in the city.  
Jerome Wolfe, representing the Star Union Cigar Factory of Portland was in the city yesterday.  
Chester Smith visited Oregon's metropolises yesterday.  
Mr. Campbell of Orchard is in the city on business.  
Mrs. M. B. Kes of Fruit Valley is a visitor in the city today.  
Miss Bessie Waggoner is in Portland today.  
Milton B. Green, of Portland, was in the city yesterday.  
F. N. Marshall of Crawford was a Portland visitor yesterday.  
Mr. Thomas Joy has moved into the city from Goodhope.  
J. E. Sneyely, of San Francisco, is in the city.  
Sam Hobson was a Portland visitor yesterday.  
W. H. Abbey returned from Portland today.  
A. Misner, the photographer, went to Portland yesterday on business.  
F. Eichenlaub, the clothier, was in Portland yesterday on business.  
D. L. Avery, of the Log Cabin, made a flying trip to Portland yesterday.

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