

ASK COUNCIL TO GIVE FRANCHISE

Monster Petition Favoring Proposition of Empire Construction Company to Install Telephone System.

Corporation Agrees Not to Charge Any Rental for Its "Phones" Until 3,000 Are in Active Use.

A monster petition, containing between 1,500 and 2,000 names of prominent firms and people in Portland was filed today at the City Hall, asking the City Council to grant a telephone franchise to the Empire Construction Company, of Los Angeles, which proposes to establish a telephone service in Portland if the franchise is forthcoming. It agrees to install a plant costing \$600,000.

One feature which the company proposes is to lay all of its wires within the business limits underground. It also agrees to give the city a \$25,000 bond that the plant will be completed within a limited time and in case of failure the franchise is to become void and the bond revert to the city.

Among the more prominent names attached to the petition are the following: Wadhams & Co., Equitable Life, Blake, McFall Co., Merchants National Bank, Ladd & Tilton, Eastern & Western Lumber Co., Portland Soap & Chemical Co., H. & C. Albee Co., G. Helfkemper Co., Phoenix Iron Works, P. Sharkey & Co., Studebaker Bros., Moine-Bain Co., Clark Bros., Ben Selling, W. Friedlander, M. Siegel, H. C. Breiden, Eilers Piano House, Carroll & Co., Eastern Outfitters Co., Unique Tailoring Co., Schiller Clear Factory, Oregon News Co., Salem Woolen Mills, H. Liebes & Co., City Messenger Co., Central Lumber Co., R. L. Dunn, H. Wolf & Bros., Fleckenstein-Mayer Co., Baker Theatre, Holman Transfer Co., Armour & Co., and others.

The petition further carries with it letters from the Manufacturers' Association and from the Portland Board of Trade, to the effect that they favored the granting of the franchise. Various banks and financial institutions of the city gave the company letters of recommendation, bearing testimony to the fact that any agreement the corporation made would be carried out to the letter.

FRANKLIN WILL FILED

The will of the late Rosa Franklin was filed in the County Court this morning. By it is bequeathed \$500 and the south 25 feet of lot 5, block 29, Couch's Addition, to George Franklin, the husband of the deceased. All the remainder of the real property and cash goes to Charles S. Sevariau, a son of the deceased by a former husband. A pair of opera glasses, a watch and some silverware is given to a grand-daughter, Rosa S. Sevariau.

Richard W. Wallis was today appointed administrator and S. H. Cooper, C. W. Wilkins and A. W. Bennett appraisers of the estate of the late Dorothy Ann Wallis. The estate is valued at \$3,389 and consists of money and personal property.

NEW EVIDENCE IN POST FRAUD

Department May Rescind Action Awarding Contract to Print Money Order Blanks to Paul Herman.

Officials Held Long Conference Today, as a Result of Which Christian May Give Up His Post.

(Journal Special Service.)
WASHINGTON, July 11.—Payne, Bristow and Assistant Attorney-General Robb held a several hours' conference this morning, considering among other cases that of the Manifold Company of Franklin, Pa. This is the concern in which Representative Stibley is alleged to be financially interested.

The department may rescind the action awarding the printing of money-order blanks to Paul Herman on the ground of irregularities said to have just been discovered.

Assistant Attorney-General Christian's case, involved in the Treasury riding safe, was also considered. It is believed Christian will resign on the ground of ill health.

COOS BAY TIMBER

Nine Varieties of Wood Produced in That Section and Sent to Portland.

Residents of Coos Bay sent specimens of timber produced in that section of the country to Portland on the steamer Alliance which arrived yesterday. There were nine different varieties and they had been glued together in the form of a three-foot square, one side of which was so highly polished that it would almost serve the purpose of a mirror. On the rough side of the square was written the name of each piece of wood, which consisted of maple, spruce, alder, myrtle, white cedar, yew, red cedar, ash and Oregon pine. The collection will be presented to the Permanent Exhibit.

To Inspect Lighthouses.
Commander Calkins, lighthouse inspector, left for Astoria last evening to look after some gas buoys at that place. During the week he will go as far south as Cape Orford on a tour of inspection.

The steamer Alliance is taking on her outward cargo and will sail for San Francisco and way points tomorrow evening.

The steamer Columbia of the O. R. & N. Coast fleet, will arrive this evening from San Francisco. She is bringing 1,080 tons of freight and a good passenger list.

New Cannery Ready.
ILWACO, Wash., July 14.—Steam was turned on for the first time Saturday evening in the new McGowan cannery engine just completed in this city. While all the apparatus for handling the salmon catch of Baker's Bay and the mouth of the Columbia River is not placed for full operation, a crew of Chinese will be here in a few days and active work will be commenced in canning fish the last of this week.

LACK OF WATER STOPS PLACERS

Dry Season Closes Down Work of Loose-Dirt Miners in Southern Oregon After Successful Season.

Ten Gold Bricks Shipped from "Old Channel" Claims on Galice Creek—Keystone Property Bonded.

GRANTS PASS, Or., July 14.—As the dry season has arrived nearly all of the Southern Oregon hydraulic placer mines have been obliged to close down for lack of water, and will remain closed till the arrival of fall rains. The clean-up for this season is much larger than usual.

The rains during the past winter were long and heavy, and as a consequence a greater amount of gravel was washed off the bedrock and a corresponding greater amount of gold caught in the sluices.

The old channel placers of Galice Creek have just shipped 10 big gold bricks, which is but a part of their clean-up for the season. They will be busy for several weeks yet cleaning the bedrock and sluices of their yellow particles. Most of the placers have already brought in their gold for exchange, or shipped it to the refinery.

Keystone Is Bonded.

GRANTS PASS, Or., July 14.—Colorado mining men have secured a working bond on the Keystone quartz mine of the Lower Rogue River district. The consideration is \$65,000. The Colorado people have gone to work with a vim in the development of the Keystone and are intent on making a mine of it. The Keystone is located on Rogue River and just across from the Mule. Some 200 feet of tunnel has been driven in the Keystone. A wide ledge is exposed, the values running about \$8 a ton. It is a base proposition, depending to a greater extent on its quantity than on the richness of its quartz.

Stamps for the Mule.

GRANTS PASS, Or., July 14.—There are a lot of things doing in a mining way down Rogue River, below this city. Among others, Charles Ladd of Portland and Captain E. B. Burns of the Lower Rogue are interested in a mine located on the Rogue River near the confluence of the Illinois with the larger stream. The mine is the Mule. They have decided to put in a five-stamp mill and equipment and prepare the property for the beginning of business. Mr. Burns bought the Mule a couple of years ago as a prospect hole, from a couple of prospectors, getting it at a very low figure, as the prospectors were "all in" and ready to sell their claim at any price. Since that time the Mule has been steadily developed and is making a fine showing as its ledges are opened up.

"SKEETS" TURNED LOOSE

(Journal Special Service.)
LONDON, July 14.—"Skeets" Martin, the American jockey, was arraigned in Police Court today charged with automobiling too fast. The case was dismissed.

MURDERER SMITH ELUDES PURSUERS

Search for Notorious Criminal Has Been Abandoned by Washington Officers.

(Journal Special Service.)
TACOMA, Wash., July 14.—Smith, the murderer, has eluded the men and hounds sent after him and his hiding place is still a mystery. The bloodhounds have been returned to the federal prison on McNeil's Island, and although several officers are still scouring the country south of Tacoma in search of the fugitive who has now been at large several weeks, the chase is for the time being practically at a standstill.

The dogs worked well and at one time were on the trail, but lost it again, Smith having struck a swamp which threw them off the track. He has not been seen or reported anywhere for several days and until his trail is found again the dogs will be useless.

SPECIAL TRAIN FOR CHAUTAUQUE.

Special train service to Glandstone Park for Chautauque: Southern Pacific Company will run special trains during the session, July 14 to 26 inclusive, leaving East Washington street station 7:45, 8:40, 9:35, 11:30 a. m., 12:30, 1:30, 2:30, 3:30, 4:10, 4:30, 6:30, 7:15, 8:30, p. m. Last train leaves the park for Portland 10:00 p. m. City & Suburban streetcars connect at East Washington street. Purchase round trip tickets on streetcars or at Southern Pacific ticket offices.

MUST BELIEVE IT

When well-known Portland people tell it so plainly.

When public indorsement is made by a representative citizen of Portland the proof is positive. You must believe it. Read this testimony. Every backache sufferer, every man, woman or child with any kidney trouble, will find profit in the reading.

J. C. Buckler of No. 8 East Ninth street, brick mason, contractor and builder, says: "A constant soreness across the small of the back, which bothered me when stooping or straightening up, and was accompanied with a weakness of the kidneys, particularly in evidence at night, indicated that my kidneys were not performing their functions properly. I had it for years, despite all my endeavors to get relief, until one day I read about Doan's Kidney Pills and sent my son to the Lauer-Davies Drug Co.'s store, corner of Yamhill and Third streets, for a box. A few doses convinced me that they were going to the root of the disease, and the continuation of their use for a short time removed the pain from my back and corrected the kidney secretions. I have another box in the house, and should necessarily demand it I shall certainly resort to the use of Doan's Kidney Pills."

Sold for 50 cents per box by all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

TEAMSTERS ARE UNDER ARREST

Drivers Are Accused of Hauling Heavy Loads Over the New Asphalt Pavement on Seventh Street.

When Arraigned in Court Under the New Ordinance They Plead Ignorance of Its Provisions.

The ordinance recently passed by the City Council prohibiting heavy teaming on the new asphalt pavement on Seventh street, is evidently to be enforced by the police.

Sixteen arrests have been made thus far and the cases are to be heard in the Police Court Friday. It is possible that a fight will be made by the men, some of whom are members of the Teamsters' Union.

When arraigned before Judge Hogue this morning, C. F. Carter, E. M. Roberts, W. Baker and J. Shanks were accused of violating the ordinance, which is No. 13,398, last Saturday. Upon the entry of a plea of not guilty the cases were continued.

City Attorney Fitzgerald was somewhat annoyed that the other men against whom complaint had been filed were not present in court, as they had been notified to be on hand for trial. Thereupon bench warrants were issued for the following teamsters who were absent and their cases will also be heard Friday: William Taylor, E. A. Gint, D. Nelson, C. D. Henson, Stephen True, E. B. Crofoot, D. Quinn, T. J. Grant, F. Meera, Charles Smith, B. H. Aaron and H. Holman.

In explaining the circumstances of his case to Judge Hogue, Mr. Roberts said that he had driven upon the prohibited pavement, but did not have a very heavy load. He had not willfully violated the ordinance, for he had never heard of it before. In fact, none of the teamsters appeared to be familiar with the new law.

However, the police intend that drivers shall become acquainted with the new statute that Seventh-street pavement may be kept in good condition.

FOR SIX THOUSAND GUESTS

The largest hotel ever erected for an exposition will be within the World's Fair grounds at St. Louis. A contract has been signed for the construction of this mammoth building, the rates in which will be controlled by the Exposition. Rooms will be divided into four classes, according to size, not less than 500 rooms of each class. The rates will be, on the European plan, for each person \$1, \$1.50, \$2, \$4 and \$5 per day. The latter prices will command very large rooms with baths. Meals will be served to such of the guests as desire them at the following prices: Breakfast and noon luncheon, 50 cents each; evening dinner, 75 cents. The hotel management will collect from each guest 50 cents extra each day to cover the price of admission to the Exposition grounds. The hotel will be made larger than now contemplated if the advance bookings of guests shall warrant.



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Bathing Trunks, 15c and 25c.

DRAWING PROTEST ON BEHALF OF HEBREWS

(Journal Special Service.)
OYSTER BAY, July 14.—President Roosevelt is today engaged in drawing up the petition which is to be forwarded in a short time as an appeal from the American Nation to the Russian government to prevent recurrence of such outrages as that of the Jewish massacre at Kishineff.

It is expected that several days will elapse before this important document is ready for submission.

President Roosevelt is being assisted in this work by Levi Wolf and former Minister to Turkey Straus, both of whom took luncheon with the chief executive today.

Preferred Stock Canned Goods.
Allen & Lewis' Best Brand.

A SUMPTER WOMAN LOST \$1,100 CASH

(Journal Special Service.)
SUMPTER, Or., July 14.—While Nellie Thomas, proprietor of a dance hall at Sumpter, Frank Cavanaugh and Lynn Natson were strolling in the suburbs of this city in wee small hours of this morning they were held up by two highwaymen. The woman was relieved of \$1,100 and her diamonds. Cavanaugh lost \$65 in cash and Natson gave up \$13. There have been no arrests and the affair is a mystery. The police are at work.

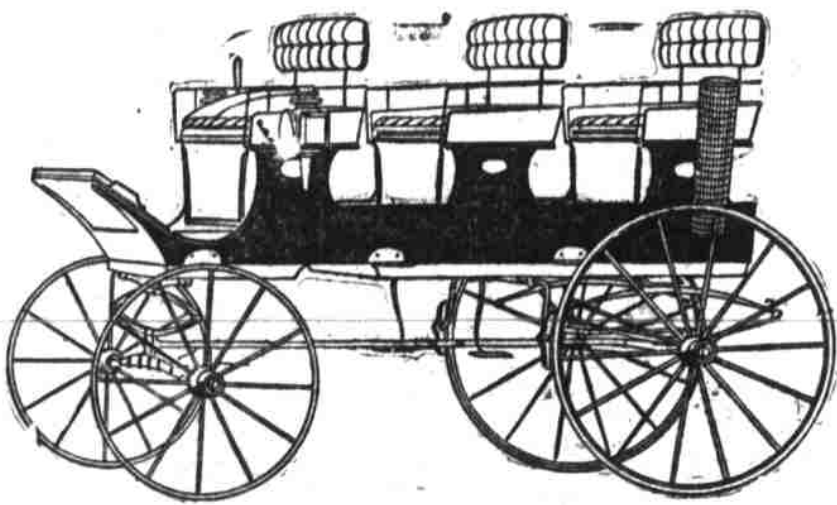
ARTHUR OPPOSES CERTAIN STRIKES

(Journal Special Service.)
WINNIPEG, July 14.—The National Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers' convention opened here this evening. President Arthur arrived today and gave out a statement opposing sympathetic strikes.

RAIL-SPEED RECORD

(Journal Special Service.)
LONDON, July 14.—The Great Western Railway claims to have made a world's record today when its train ran from London to Plymouth, 246 miles, in 223 1/2 minutes.

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