

EMPLOYMENT OFFICES FEATURED BY MAYOR LANE

Strong Effort Will Be Made to Make Present Inoperative Ordinance Effective.

BELIEVED THAT COUNCIL WILL FAVOR THE PLAN

Lack of Funds in City Treasury Has Prevented Officials From Putting Present Ordinance Into Effect Since Its Passage.

man Roushight as the commission. What probably is a defect in the ordinance that will be remedied is the provision that \$55 a month shall be the salary of the clerk. This official would be in full charge of all bureaus and his assistants (one being nominal). As salaries go, no competent man would take such a position for \$55.

Both Seattle and Los Angeles have municipal bureaus in operation. Seattle's was established in 1894, and during the following years furnished thousands of applicants with the names of employers who wanted men. In that city, Mayor Lane is in charge of a labor commission, who is also in charge of the civil service office. The two offices are run in conjunction. The commissioners has two assistants.

In Los Angeles a registration fee of 25 cents is charged. In both towns there are separate lists for men and women, housekeepers having found that the municipal bureau is a good place to get domestic help. In both cities the salary of the clerk is \$100 a month.

Mayor Lane is heartily in favor of a free bureau. "It would be a good thing for the city and we should have one. Everything is ready but an appropriation by the council," said he today.

A. H. Groat, labor commissioner of Seattle, in a recent report, says: "We have no valid reason for the existence of private employment agencies except that of personal gain, which means the exaction of a fee from those who are least able to pay it, for information which could as well be placed throughout the city's public bureau, where no fee is charged either the employer or the laborer."

The private agencies have invariably made a heavy fight against the municipal bureau, their owners realizing that the complete success of the free office meant the abolition of their parasitic business.

At a time when laborers are scarce it is the custom for a certain class of employment agents to ship men to a job from which they will be discharged as soon as they have earned a little more than the fee they have paid the agents. The foreman and the agents then divide the spoils.

Frauds have been frequently worked on the railroads by a variation of this and innumerable other schemes.

TOO MUCH MONEY, SAYS JUDGE, FOR FALLING INTO THE RIVER

Holding that \$2,500 damages for falling 15 feet off a trestle into the river is excessive, Judge Cleland in the circuit court this morning granted a motion for a new trial in the suit of Carrie B. Fisher against the Columbia River & Northern Railroad company.

Mrs. Fisher testified at the trial that she had been riding on the trestle last February on a river steamer to go to Goldendale, Washington. At Lyle she left the boat in the evening after dark to board the C. R. & N. train. There were no lights by the train and she had to grope her way to the passenger car in the darkness. Just as she was in the act of stepping on the car she fell off the trestle into the river, going under the water twice.

She brought suit against the railroad company for \$5,000 damages. A jury in the circuit court awarded her \$2,500.

Mrs. Fisher's lawyer, who was tried out again before a jury next month, C. M. Idelman appeared as attorney for Mrs. Fisher. J. Couch Flinders appeared for the C. R. & N.

JAPAN AND AMERICA TO REMAIN FRIENDS

Ambassador Aoki and Secretary Root Hold Joint Conference at Washington.

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, Oct. 25.—Aoki, the Japanese ambassador, held a long conference with Secretary Root today, which deprecated the manifestations against the Japanese on the Pacific coast and said it was the work of agitators and in no way represents the general feeling of Americans. He explained that their exclusion from the schools was the result of unforeseen conditions arising on account of the earthquake and that he immediately prepared a message to Tokyo giving assurance of the friendly feeling of this government. He said the anti-American feeling in Japan was only among the unthinking. The two governments will remain friendly.

It is believed that the Japanese at Tokyo might regard the exclusion of Japanese from San Francisco schools as a breach of the treaty of 1894, the first article of which provides that citizens of either country will be accorded all the privileges of natives of the other country. It is admitted at the state department that this government may have difficulty in persuading Tokyo that there has been no violation of national obligations, unless San Francisco authorities throw a new light on the subject.

MEDAL COMMITTEE IS GIVEN LUNCHEON

The members of the committee which secured the fund to give the players of the Portland baseball club team testimonial medals for winning the Pacific Coast league, today adopted a resolution, which was adopted at the luncheon at the Commercial club by Manager Tom Richardson.

The medals will be presented to the Beavers at Oakland on Sunday by Mr. Richardson, who will leave tonight for the Bay City. All of the players are with the exception of Charley Moore, and he received his medal today at the luncheon, the presentation speech being made by Mayor Lane.

The medals are now on exhibition in the show windows of Olds, Wortman & King. Those who were the guests of Mr. Richardson at luncheon today were: Mayor Lane, H. P. Wood of Honolulu, Dr. James C. Zan, W. J. Putnam, W. T. Frazier, F. H. Day, J. E. Hickman, Charles Moore and J. A. Curry.

CHICAGO CAR COMPANIES TO BUILD NEW SYSTEM

Chicago, Oct. 25.—The two surface streetcar companies today submitted to the city authorities an ordinance proposing to spend \$40,000,000 in construction, improving and unifying the lines, \$5,000,000 in subways and more after five years. City traction officials appear to think that this is a long stride toward the settlement of transportation difficulties in this city.

Big. Michel Honored

Big. Michel has been appointed a member of the committee of 15 which will handle all relief work for the Jews in Russia. Some time ago Judge Sulzberger of Philadelphia selected 15 men who should elect 15 others. Among this number Mr. Michel has been selected to represent the Pacific coast, together with Rabbi Voorhees of San Francisco.

Trains Expected to Be Run Into Lewiston by First of February.

FARMERS ARE WATCHING PROGRESS OF THE ROAD

Hold Their Crops in Anticipation of Having Them Shipped Over New Line to the Market at Portland and Thus Get Benefit of Water Grade.

Grading work on the joint line of the O. R. & N. and Northern Pacific Railroad companies from Riparia to Lewiston, Idaho, will be completed by January 1. But a few weeks will be required to lay the ties and spike down the rails. It is stated by Contractor Erickson of the firm of Erickson, Peterson, the contractor for the line, that trains can be operated into Lewiston by February 1.

Mr. Erickson and Chief Engineer G. W. Hosenick of the O. R. & N. Co. are making a trip today, inspecting the work and the progress of construction of the bridge across the Clearwater river. Farmers tributary to the line are much interested in the progress of the work, and many are holding their crops with the expectation of using the road to ship their grain to market at Portland. Only 12 more miles of grading remains to be done. Rails will be laid into Atlanta within 30 days. At that point there is stored in a warehouse 110,000 sacks of grain, and the railroad company is rushing construction work in anticipation of transporting this and other products to market.

It is said to be now practically certain that the Harriman railroad interests will construct the line from Huntington north, following the Snake river to Lewiston. Engineering investigations have shown that by this route the Union Pacific system can secure a water grade practically all the way from Green River to Portland, thus out the many mountain grades over which it is now necessary to drag all freight that passes between the Pacific coast and the east. The proposed Snake river line would mean a water grade, and greatly enlarge the present or tonnage of the O. R. & N. and Short Line.

It is learned that several prominent officials of the Oregon Short Line have just completed a trip of inspection along the Snake river from Huntington to Lewiston and have given exhaustive information to matters of grade and topography. It is believed that the Harriman interests will be called for and will soon be opened. It is said the company intends to begin construction this season, should no unusually rough weather interfere with present plans.

BARRETT CONSIDERED FOR BUREAU CHIEF

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, D. C., Oct. 25.—Final disposition of John Barrett, who has been settled, but Secretary Loeb says he will probably be sent to Brazil to succeed Ambassador Griscom, who will succeed George L. von Meyer at St. Petersburg, where the latter comes to the cabinet.

Some consideration has been given to the idea of making Barrett chief of the bureau of American republics, because of his experience in South American affairs. Barrett probably prefers to continue his diplomatic career. Secretary Root was favorably impressed with Barrett on his trip home from Rio Janeiro.

CHAIRMAN KNAPP OF THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION SAYS ONLY MONEY COUNTS

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, Oct. 25.—Advertising cannot be exchanged for transportation for the Interstate Commerce Commission. This opinion is expressed by Chairman Knapp of the Interstate Commerce Commission, in a letter to the secretary of the Massachusetts Press association, who inquires as to the application of the new rate bill to advertising contracts. Knapp writes: "All tariffs filed in compliance with the law names the rates in dollars and cents, in no case providing that transportation can be paid for with property."

"The Interstate Commerce Commission will not be bound to accept advertising contracts which name the rates in property, but it will accept contracts which name the rates in dollars and cents."

WOULD-BE FIREMEN ARE INSPECTED BY PHYSICIAN

Twenty-four men took the first of the city's athletic tests this morning in the fire department this morning.

Dr. Wheeler, city health officer, who made the physical examination, pronounced today's line of applicants the best in a long time. Nearly all are athletic young men of good physique and the number of rejections will be unusually small.

Tomorrow the athletic tests will be held at Multnomah field. The would-be firemen need run only 80 yards as compared with the policemen's 100, but they must do it in 13 seconds instead of 15. The most trying stunt is the climb of the aerial ladder, though the leap of 30 feet into the fire-net is almost as nerve-racking.

On Saturday the written examination will be held. There have been a number of resignations from the fire department during the past few months and the men who pass the examination will be permanently appointed at once to take the place of those now serving under temporary appointments.

WILL NOT PROSECUTE MAN WHO STABBED HER

Fred Bouthillier, who stabbed May Vernon alias Smith, three times with pocket-knives yesterday afternoon during a quarrel in the Rosemont house, 67 1/2 Third street, was before the municipal court this morning. The woman refused to swear to a complaint against the man, and Detective Miller, who with Patrolman Anderson made the arrest, swore to the information. The case was continued upon motion of Deputy Bert Haney until October 30.

During the morning hearing, Judge Cameron said the woman was not seriously hurt. A subpoena was served on the injured woman this morning and she will be compelled to appear in court and testify.

LIFE UNDERWRITERS CONDEMN REBATES

(Journal Special Service.) St. Louis, Oct. 25.—The life insurance underwriters today adopted a resolution to exclude from the executive committee officers of those companies prohibiting the election of company officers as delegates to any convention. Another resolution was adopted which related to the selling of stock or offering inducements not legitimately in the insurance business as a means to sell policies.

GRAVING ON RIPPARIA RIVER TRUCKS BEGINS

Alarming Increase in Number of Crimes Reported to Police Headquarters.

BURGLARS PLY TRADE THROUGHOUT THE CITY

Sneak Thieves Make Life Miserable for Apartment-House Dwellers—Jewelry, Money and Weapons the Favorite Booty of the Thieves.

An alarming increase in the number of crimes reported to the bureau of criminal investigation seems to indicate that the annual winter influx of thieves has already begun. The bureau of investigation at the Richmond of Woodmen Station on the Mount Scott line of the O. W. E. reports that his house was entered last night. The thief secured \$15 in cash, a silver watch, a diamond ring, two small savings bank safes containing \$5 and other effects.

A. P. Christensen's residence on the Canyon road was visited by a burglar yesterday and a shotgun, a Winchester rifle and a gold bracelet were carried away.

Telephone-box thieves called at the home of Mrs. Hyman, at Front and A streets, last night. On the third time at 11:30 p. m. yesterday, Mrs. Hyman believes that some one reading in the neighborhood is responsible for the crimes, as the thief always runs away from the street.

The detectives have a description of the man suspected and are endeavoring to locate him.

J. T. Hume, reading at 2114 First street, last night, was disturbed by a thief who entered his room during his absence yesterday and stole a valuable revolver.

J. Weinstein, who conducts a store at 222 Water street, reports that a burglar broke into his store and stole a gold watch, a diamond ring and a gold bracelet. The burglar also stole a gold watch, a diamond ring and a gold bracelet.

Several residences along Columbia slough were visited by thieves Tuesday and considerable property stolen. Mr. Repp suffered the loss of two watches and a gold band ring and a cash box. A hunter's cabin in the vicinity where the burglars secured several shotguns, a rifle and other articles of value.

NEW SCHEDULE IS INAUGURATED

(Journal Special Service.) Portland, Oct. 25.—The first train on the new schedule of the valley lines of the Southern Pacific came into Portland this morning from Springfield and was promptly made all connections on time and was well patronized. The train was personally conducted by John P. Jones, traveling passenger agent. The new schedule is apparently well pleased with the new schedule. Singularly enough, the merchants at the terminal towns are not so much disgruntled at the idea that Portland may secure some of the retail trade that has heretofore remained at those points. They believe the better train service will develop the valley, increase population and business for all as well as for Portland. The rancher and town man from this date will be able to come to Portland and transact business and return home the same day he started. The country business man can do the same and in addition secure more prompt service in express and mails. Similar satisfaction is expressed by the people of the valley. The line of the change of schedule, the people of Woodburn, Albany, Silverton and other points benefit by having more trains and better time of arrival and departure.

SEWELL COLLECTED FOR TWO COMPANIES

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Pendleton, Oct. 25.—It was learned today that W. J. Sewell, defaulting partner of the Potlatch Lumber company, was also short several thousand dollars with the Grays Harbor Lumber company, from whom the local business was purchased last winter. F. W. Howell, representative of the Grays Harbor company, stated today he found that Sewell had collected between \$5,000 and \$10,000 on account for the Potlatch company. The local business was sold to the Grays Harbor company, and the accounts were left with Sewell for collection by the Grays Harbor company.

LITTLE LEGISLATOR IN FARRELL FAMILY

Robert S. Farrell of 214 North Twenty-fifth street, elected to the legislature from Multnomah county, is more proud now than when he was assured of his election. Last night he became the father of an 8-pound son. It is presumed now that the Farrells will be even more deeply interested than before in legislation affecting educational matters or governing the young.

UPDIKE ADMITS HE THREATENED MURRAY

(Journal Special Service.) Omaha, Oct. 25.—At the Interstate grain hearing today Neils Updike, president of the Updike Grain company, admitted writing a letter threatening to establish a store at Little Sioux, Iowa, to drive out Storekeeper Murray unless Murray quit the grain business. He said he was justified, because he bought Murray out, who refused to stay out.

BRYAN LEADS FOR VOTES FOR REPUBLICAN

(Journal Special Service.) Montpelier, Oct. 25.—W. J. Bryan this morning opened the Ohio campaign urging voters to support Judge Kinkaid, the Republican independent candidate for circuit judge. He declared that the judiciary must be free from politics.

CONSOLE MILLER TELLS OF DEEDS OF BRAVERY ACCOMPLISHED BY INDIVIDUAL SOLDIERS.

ALL WILLING TO DIE FOR THEIR COUNTRY

Monument Erected to Every Man That Falls in Battle, Perpetuating Name, Honor and Rank of Himself and Family.

Journal's Astoria Bureau, Oct. 25.—The pitiable conditions existing in the Phund home, at Symman, were brought to the attention of the county officials when the woman appeared before a lunacy commission yesterday afternoon. Instead of being committed to the asylum, it was decided to place the unfortunate woman in a sanitarium for a few weeks, while her brother, Fritz Blum, who is largely responsible for the woman's condition, will probably be turned over to the institution. Physicians who examined the woman expressed the belief that her mind was not seriously damaged, that it had merely given way to a strain placed upon it. Her chief trouble seems to have been the care of her idiotic brother, who lived at the Phund home, and this, with the care of her own brood of some 10 children, made her task unbearable. The straitened circumstances of the family also left its share toward the unhappy environment. The case of Blum is one of the worst with which local officials have been called upon to deal. When Sheriff Fomero went to the house for the man yesterday, he found him attired in an old shirt, which he always wore. He seems to have lost the use of his liver, lungs and walk, and his stomach like a walrus. His face even bears a distorted look and tells the tale of his miserable existence. As soon as Mrs. Phund and her brother are disposed of the officials will take up the case of the younger children, and it is probable that some of them will be turned over to the boys' and girls' society until their parents shall be able to afford them proper care and protection.

ARMY IS EFFICIENT

"When I said that the Japanese army was without a single head, I did not mean that they were imperfectly organized and floundering about, without any sense of direction. On the contrary, they have the highest type of efficiency in the world. All of their plans are prepared by a council of strategy, and instead of detailing the work of a large campaign to one man, which in our day has become ridiculous, the Japanese have perfected their organization in such a way that they obtain the very highest results."

Consul Miller will visit in Portland in the afternoon of the 27th, and will depart on the 28th. He is on a two-month leave of absence, and will devote most of the time in Oregon, where he has many friends.

LINEMEN PRESENT THEIR PETITION

Declare They Still Demand Four Feet Space Between Low and High Power Wires.

To deprive the statements of representatives of the electrical combine that few linemen desired any radical change in the arrangement of wires, a petition signed by 42 journeymen electricians has been presented to members of the ways and means committee of the council.

It will come before the committee officially at the next meeting. This is the first time that the linemen have taken any action in the city, as nearly two thirds of those employed are classed as apprentices, not having had three years' experience.

What is earnestly requested of the committee is that the provision for four feet of clear space between the low and the high power wires be kept in the ordinance now before the committee.

This provision is the vital point of the measure, the construction of which the combine has been trying to get it out of the ordinance. Considerable money will be saved if the change is not demanded.

This same petition shows that three of the linemen killed within a short time this year came to their death because of the insufficient space between the wires. As it is now, a man working on low power lines may be struck by high power lines, and a man working on high power lines may be struck by low power lines, and a man working on high power lines may be struck by low power lines, and a man working on high power lines may be struck by low power lines.

FAILS TO SHOW UP IN POLICE COURT

Fred Davis, who was arrested last Saturday night by Detective Price on a charge of vagrancy upon orders of Captain Bruin and released upon deposit of \$100 cash bail furnished by Gene Blaster, failed to put in an appearance on time in the police court this morning, with the result that his bail was forfeited.

Davis is well known to the police of San Francisco and this city. He was arrested here some time ago and allowed to leave the city on the understanding that he would be given a sentence of 30 days in the event of his return. He was arrested here on the same charge, for in company with several of his pals he came back over two months ago. Captain Bruin in an endeavor to clean the city of the herd of vagrants, ordered that the men be sent to the north end, gave orders that Davis be picked up.

VON BUELOW IS FOR PEACE WITH FRANCE

(Journal Special Service.) Cologne, Oct. 25.—The Gazette today semi-officially affirmed that Chancellor Von Buelow disapproves the attacks by the German press upon the new French president, Mr. Faure, who consolidated the two papers as the Rainer Review. It is rumored that H. G. Kamp, ex-editor of the Register, will leave Rainer for Portland.

DISLOYAL STUDENT DUCKED AT SALEM

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Salem, Oct. 25.—A small banding affair occurred last evening at the university, when the members of the junior football team ducked in the mill race on the campus, a member of the Delta fraternity for alleged disloyalty to the football team in a game with Whitman.

The Delta man was kidnapped at a reception given the visiting team and his associates were kept from rendering him aid. The affair caused a sensation and future developments are expected.

EVIDENCE OF REBATES GRANTED GRAIN MEN

(Journal Special Service.) Minneapolis, Oct. 25.—Federal officials declare that they have secured direct evidence of rebates granted by the Minneapolis & St. Louis railroad to grain companies, thus forcing independent producers of business. The federal grand jury continues the investigation.

CARE OF TEN CHILDREN AND IDIOT BROTHER DRIVE MRS. PHUND TO DISTRACTION.

PROPER MEDICAL CARE WILL AVERT INSANITY

Pitiable Conditions are Disclosed When Woman is Brought Before County Court Lunacy Commission for Examination.

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