

ANSWER MADE TO WILL CONTEST

Executors of Estate of Frank Zaninovich Ask for Dismissal of Petition.

WIDOW HAS ALREADY ABIDED BY THE WILL

Because She Has Accepted Money According to Its Provisions, Executors Declare, She Cannot at Present Time Attack Its Legality.

An answer to the notice of contest of the will of Frank Zaninovich, known in Portland as Frank Zan, was filed in the county court yesterday afternoon by John Kelly and Fred Dresser, executors of the estate. The answer denies all the charges made by Dominick J. Zan, a son, and Jennie Frances Cecilia Zan, widow of the deceased, who petitioned Judge Webster to set aside the will of Frank Zan.

The contestants of the will declare that it was not valid, alleging that Zan at the time it was drawn was not of sound mind and was not capable of disposing of his property fairly. It was charged by the petitioners that for several years prior to the making of the will Zan was addicted to the use of drugs and liquor; that he was suffering from disease; that these had caused him to have illusions and hallucinations, and that he was not compos mentis when the will was drawn. One of the provisions of the will was that the widow, Mrs. Jennie F. C. Van Zan, was to be paid \$100 a month until the daughter, Regina Veronica, should reach the age of 18 years.

In their answer the executors state that Mrs. Zan has accepted and given receipt for \$300 paid her in monthly payments of \$100, and because she has accepted the terms of the will that relate to her she cannot be permitted to allege now that her husband was not of sound mind when the will was made.

The circumstances of the making of the will and the competence of the persons who signed their names as witnesses are set forth in the answer. The executors ask that the petition of the contestants be dismissed. Teal & Minor are attorneys for the executors. The property involved is valued at about \$25,000.

EDWARD BERST IS ORDERED TAKEN TO ASYLUM

Thinks Women Assault Him Because One of His Back Teeth is Crooked.

Laboring under the delusion that women attack him because one of his back teeth does not please them, Edward Berst, of Fremont street and Union avenue, was adjudged insane yesterday afternoon after an examination by Dr. E. E. Joseph and County Judge L. R. Webster. Berst was committed to the insane asylum.

Dr. Joseph's report on the examination shows that this is Berst's third attack of insanity and that he has been in the asylum at Salem before, and was discharged as cured. Friday morning he became enraged and struck his sister with his fist, knocking her senseless. Patrolman Giddings heard of the disturbance and went to the house. After a hard fight he succeeded in handcuffing the maniac to a telephone pole while he rang for the patrol wagon. Berst will be taken to the asylum tomorrow.

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DRINK, DRUGS AND INSANE ASYLUM

E. H. Wright, After Protracted Spree, Is Adjudged Maniac by Court.

CONDITION CAUSED BY WHISKEY AND COCAINE

Imagined He Had Forged Checks and Surrendered Himself to the Police, but Checks Were Found to Have Been Honored.

E. H. Wright, who surrendered himself to the police at Oregon City Thursday, stating that he was a forger, was declared insane by Dr. E. E. Joseph, after an examination at the county jail yesterday afternoon. County Judge Webster approved the finding of Dr. Joseph, and ordered that Wright be committed to the insane asylum at Salem.

Dr. Joseph reported that Wright's insanity was due to the excessive use of whiskey and cocaine. Wright gave checks to the Oregon hotel and North Pacific sanitarium in this city last week. Going to Oregon City, he started to the police that he was a forger and submitted to arrest. The checks drawn by Wright apparently were good, as they were honored when presented. Wright's wife lives at 59 Oklampton street, Exeter, England. Wright was formerly a clerk in the employ of the Northern Pacific railroad at Seattle. He stated that his wife and child went to England last August, and that he had been drinking steadily since that time. He contracted the habit of using cocaine in the seat six years ago, he says, but uses the drug only when drinking. He will be taken to the asylum tomorrow.

WRECKED WAGON; BRUISED BOY; DAMAGES DEMANDED

Car Collision Causes Court Cases—Company Asked to Pay for Injuries.

Two suits for damages arising from a collision between a streetcar and a wagon of the Crane Bottling company were filed in the state circuit court yesterday afternoon against the Portland Railway company. The accident is alleged to have occurred August 23 of this year at East Fourteenth and Alberta streets. The bottling company has sued for \$408 damages sustained by the team and wagon, and George L. Smith, who drove the team, wants \$3,000 damages for personal injuries.

It is alleged that the street railway company was negligent because the space between the rails of the track was not filled, and also because the car was operated in a reckless manner. The wagon became lodged on the track because of the vacant space between the rails, and was struck by a car. Smith, who is 17 years of age, states that his right leg and ankle and back were seriously injured and that they will probably result in permanent disability. The bottling company states that its wagon was wrecked, one of the horses so badly frightened by the accident that it is not safe to drive on the streets, and the other so badly injured that it is worth \$50 less than it was. The total damage to the team and wagon is placed at \$408. Attorneys W. R. McDary and A. R. Clark represent both the plaintiffs.

Golden Glow.
From the Houston Post.
"She was a long way from being beautiful when I knew her."
"Well, she's beautiful now, all right."
"Some relative must have died and left her a pot of money."

DEDICATES ITS NEW ORGAN TODAY

SPECIAL SERVICES AT THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Bishop Scadding to Preach at the Evening Service—Fine Music Prepared by the New Directress, Mrs. R. Mead.

Today's services at the Church of the Good Shepherd, on the east side, at the corner of Sellwood street and Vancouver avenue, promise to mark a real event in its history. The new bishop of Oregon, Dr. Scadding, will preach at the evening service, this being his first visit to this church, which in itself, will be sufficient to call forth a large attendance. But in addition to the interest which Dr. Scadding's attendance will create, the church will use, for the first time, its new and splendid Vocalion Organ, which has just been installed for them by the Elliot Piano House, which will add much to the interest in the occasion.

The growth of this church has been very gratifying. The present building was erected in 1894. The pastor, now in charge, Rev. John Dawson, has been with the church for about three years, coming from Robsburg. Through his earnest efforts and enthusiasm, the membership has been doubled, and the vestry is practically out of debt. In addition to this splendid work, a fund has been started for a new church building, the vestry aiming to raise \$15,000 in order to put up a structure worthy of the growing community on the east side.

The purchase of the new Vocalion Organ, to be dedicated today, was decided upon, as an addition to the usefulness of the church, which was well warranted. A great deal of care was given to the matter of selection, a number of makes being critically considered before the final choice was made, but the Vocalion seemed so much superior in every respect that there was practically a unanimous choice in its favor from the first. It places the very finest music within their reach and renders possible the same rich efforts that are shared by churches with far more costly but ordinary pipe organs.

The direction of the church music, including the choir, has recently been placed in the hands of Mrs. R. Mead, which, together with the acquisition of the new Vocalion Organ, is a sufficient guarantee that the musical part of the impressive Episcopal church service will now be such as to deepen the spirituality of the worshippers and add much to the interest in the church work.

The Women's Guild, under the presidency of Mrs. W. S. Hayes, is in splendid condition and doing good work. The Sewing School, under the direction of Mrs. Dawson, wife of the pastor, meets Saturday mornings, and has proven very popular. Girls of all classes are taught the useful art of needlework in a practical and thorough manner.

Unlimited credit is due the vestry for their splendid work in the building up of the church and for the care and interest given by them to their exacting duties dependent upon them. Both the Sunday School and Chancel Guild are also in a flourishing condition.



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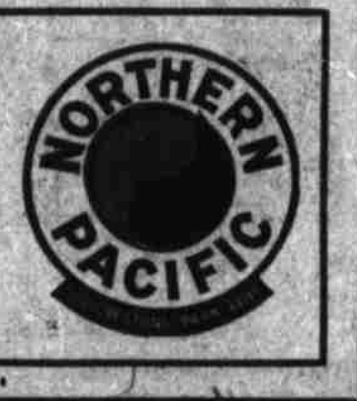
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PUSHING WORK ON ELECTRIC LINE

Portland-Salem Road Being Built as Rapidly as Possible by Railway Company.

BRIDGE FOR RIVER HAS ALREADY BEEN ORDERED

Will Cost One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and Will Be Shipped West From Pennsylvania as Soon as Completed.

The Oregon Electric Railway company is steadily pushing construction work from Salem to Portland. Its Willamette river bridge, to cost \$150,000, has been ordered from the Pennsylvania Steel company, and is now being made.

It is expected that the line will be in operation early next season. Contract for power has been closed with the Portland General Electric. Six modern passenger cars, and a number of trailers, have been ordered, and two electric locomotives for freight traffic are being built. The motor coaches will be of the most modern type, with chair apartments, the Williams and baggage room. They will have wash-rooms and interior finish resembling Pullman cars. They will be 56 feet in length, and geared to run at a maximum of 50 miles an hour. Four cars will be required to give an hourly service, and two more will be employed on local runs. The road is being built up to the standard gauge requirements of steam railroads, and the equipment will be heavy and powerful.

Should the United Railways company not build its projected system in Portland, the staff of White syndicate, of New York, backers of the Williams Traction company and Oregon Electric, will proceed to build and operate the line on Front, and west on Flanders to Sixteenth, the limit of their franchise. believes company will build.

Well informed persons who know what is doing, have no doubt that the United Railways company's projected system in Portland will be built. The Front street line is much more valuable to that company than is the Willamette valley of Oregon Electric. The reason of this is that the Front street line, under the management of the Oregon Electric, could operate cars only at night between southern Portland terminal yards and the terminals of the transcontinental lines and the immense warehouse district that is growing up in north Portland. But under ownership and management of the United Railways company the bar on daylight operation of Front street would be no handicap, for the United Railways company has a freight franchise for its line on Taylor to Seventh, and down Seventh to Flanders and the transcontinental terminals, and all kinds of cars could be operated over this line day or night. Besides, it is



believed by railroad men that, no sooner will the Front street line be completed and operated, than its advantages to traffic on Front street will become so patent to property owners and merchants there that there will be an overwhelming demand for a modification of the terms of the franchise, to enable the company to deliver carloads of commission products day or night, whenever needed.

THREE SUSPECTS ARE PLACED UNDER ARREST

Detectives Price and Inskeep arrested Arthur Young, J. P. Page and J. H. Williams yesterday afternoon, the latter on a vagrancy charge and the others for having opium in possession. The detectives noticed the trio in Chinatown and believing them to be suspicious characters placed them under arrest. A bottle of nut oil used in lamps for cooking opium and a quantity of the drug smeared in a folded playing card was found in Young's possession.

All of the men stoutly denied being addicted to the use of opium and were aggrieved over having been taken into custody. Page managed to secure two cards of the drug in his trousers, where they were found when they were searched. It is the opinion of the detectives that the three prisoners may be the pickpockets who have been operating throughout the city.

AGED PERSONS REPORTED TO BE AMONG MISSING

Two elderly people were reported missing to the authorities yesterday. Norman Fraser, of 119 Foster street, left his home yesterday and has not been seen since. He weighs 200 pounds, is 5 feet 8 inches in height and has a mustache. The matron of the Home for the Aged notified the police that Mrs. Mackaroy, a 70-year-old inmate of the institution, wandered away yesterday. The aged woman is said to be feeble minded and all patrolmen have been directed to keep a sharp lookout for her. Young girls of Hal's have organized a penny club.

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