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The weather—Showers, warmer tonight; Sunday showers and cooler.

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VALIDITY OF INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM TO BE TESTED BY TELEPHONE COMPANY

SUIT FILED BY TRUST WILL DECIDE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF THE ACT

OBJECTS TO SPECIAL TAX

Assessment on Gross Earnings Under Act Proves Thorn in Side of Corporation—United States Supreme Court to Decide.

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NOTICE OF THIS GREAT FOR READERS. Journal's Sunday Magazine Tomorrow will contain: Story of the Pan-American and Its Promoters. Hubbard's Experience at Moon's Training School. Science Is Saving the Babies. Relief of the Siege of Burg. Etc. Its Many Uses and How it is Manufactured. "Do You Possess Intelligence?" Being the World's Greatest Sale by Charity. Announcements of Royalty—an interesting story of nobility's love adventures. Sports, Society, Drama and Music. Do not forget Maud, Happy and The Journal's Best Comic Supplement in Northwest. Sunday Morning Oregon Journal

SOME OF THE EXCUSES OFFERED FOR FILING THE SUIT.

These are the grounds on which it is alleged that the federal constitution is violated by initiative and referendum law. Deprives legislature of power to consent to purchase by congress of places in Oregon for arsenals and forts. Art. I, Sec. II. Deprives legislature of power to prescribe time, place and manner of electing senators and representatives to congress. Art. I, Sec. IV. Deprives legislature of power to direct manner in which state shall appoint electors for president. Art. II, Sec. I. Deprives legislature of power to consent to junction of Oregon with other states or parts of states. Art. IV, Sec. III. Deprives legislature of power to apply to United States for protection from domestic violence. Art. IV, Sec. IV. Deprives legislature of power to apply to congress for conventions to propose amendments to federal constitution; and of power to ratify constitutional amendments. Art. V. Deprives legislature of right to choose senators to congress. Art. I, Sec. III. Violates rights, privileges and immunities granted corporations. Amendment XIV, Sec. I. Is unrepresentative, and violative of a republican form of government. Art. IV, Sec. IV.

MAY SETTLE FOR SIXTY CENTS ON THE DOLLAR

Oregon Savings and Trust Company Will Probably Be Able to Pay This Sum to Depositors—Receiver's Report Is Expected Monday.

Monday or Tuesday of next week will probably be the date of filing of the report of Receiver T. C. Devlin upon the condition of the Oregon Savings and Trust company. No intimation has been secured from the bank as to what the report will indicate, but there is reason to believe that under the disadvantages that are the usual result of liquidations and receiverships the bank ultimately will not pay depositors more than 60 cents on the dollar.

ADEPTS SESSION MAY BE STORMY

Americans Opposed to Mrs. Besant's Faith in Spirit World Masters.

Chicago, Sept. 14.—Opposition to Mrs. Annie Besant of Adyar, India, world president of the Theosophical Society of the World, is already taking shape here, and before the convention of "adepts" is brought to a close it is believed that many stormy sessions will disturb the Universal Brotherhood.

TWO CENTS IS SUM DEMANDED IN SUIT AGAINST VANCOUVER

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 14.—James Dick, a well-known clubman, will sue the city for two cents. When he paid his taxes a few days ago, the cents column of his bill added in the figure "2," and paying 5 cents he asked for 2 cents in change. The clerk informed him that 5 cents was the lowest legal tender in Canada, and there was no change coming. He will make a test case of it in the courts.

CITY MUST HAVE MORE TEACHERS

Portland Schools Crowded With 2,000 More Pupils Than Last Year—Conditions Require That Facilities Be Greatly Increased.

Assembly Halls Will Have to Be Utilized to Accommodate Overflow—Half Day Sessions Will Be in Vogue at Arleta School.

That there will be an increase of from 1,500 to 2,000 pupils in the city schools this year, and that from 30 to 40 more teachers will have to be employed before Christmas is firmly believed by the school authorities.

Superintendent Robinson of the Multnomah county schools stated this morning that with few exceptions all of the county districts would resume work Monday morning.

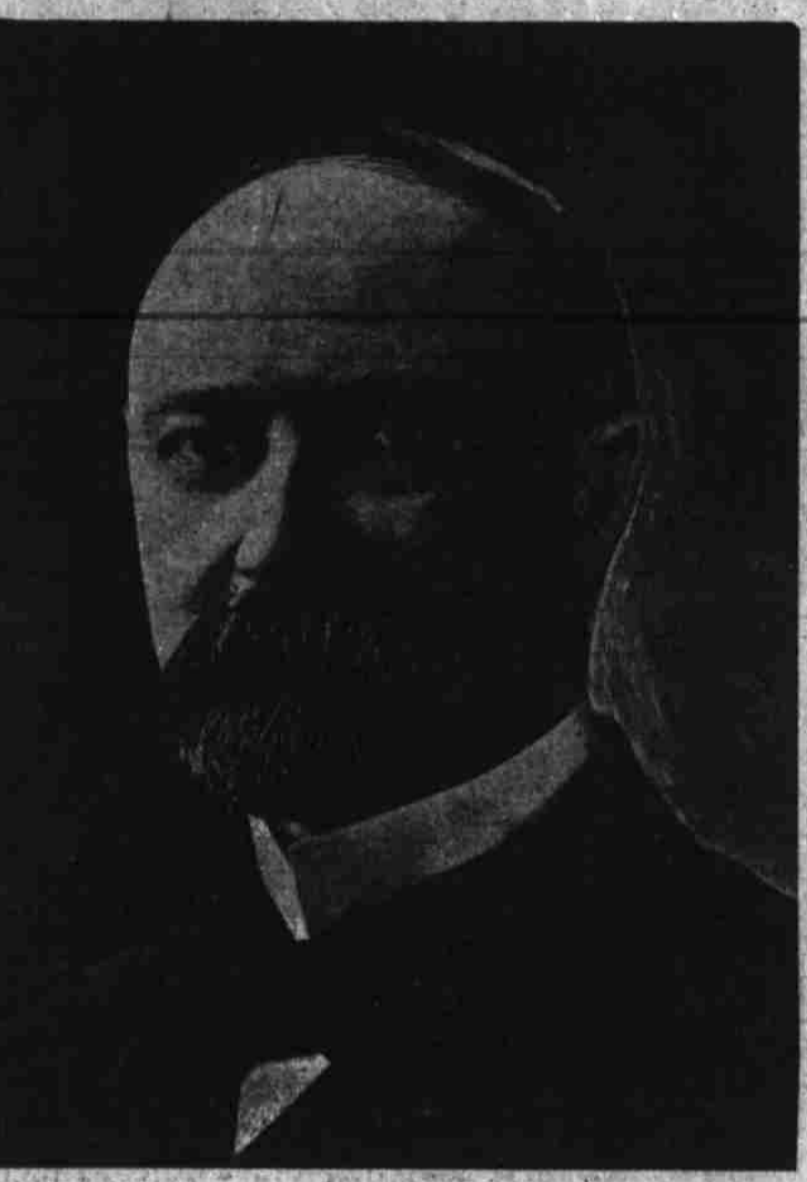
Every school in the district is supplied with teachers. The two high schools of Portland have splendid prospects for a good year. St. Johns is employing three teachers in the advanced course and Grusham has two teachers.

INTERSTATE COMMISSION CANNOT AID LUMBERMEN

Washington Railway Commission Receives Reply to Appeal—Advised to Secure Injunction but Find It Is Impossible.

Olympia, Wash., Sept. 14.—The railroad commission has received a reply by telegraph to its recent request that the interstate commerce commission prevent the putting in of the proposed increased lumber rates.

PROSPERITY WILL BE NEXT CAMPAIGN ISSUE



VICE-PRESIDENT FAIRBANKS, WHO SAYS THAT "PROSPERITY" WILL BE THE KEYNOTE OF THE COMING PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN.

Fairbanks Declares That the Interests of Labor Are Greater Than Those of Capital and That Roosevelt Cannot Be Censured.

There is always enough "hard times" to go around," he said. "The man in dull indeed who believes that the waking up of the people to their rights and wrongs can be smothered. The public officials, from the president down, should keep in touch with the great mass of people. The highest interests of the American people are the common interests, and we must keep up or down together. The interests of labor in the making of our welfare are greater than that of capital. No one can rightfully reproach President Roosevelt for his prompt enforcement of the laws."

NEW ORLEANS IS TIED BY STRIKE

Dockworkers Refuse to Handle Cotton—Galveston Longshoremen Win.

New Orleans, Sept. 14.—The port of New Orleans is effectually tied up by the strike of the longshoremen. The unions flatly refuse to meet the commercial exchanges. As a result an investigation of cotton hauling in other ports will be made and there is every probability that the entire system in vogue will be changed so as to pay the laborers so much per bale instead of by the hour.

BLOODY GANG FOUND IN LISBON SUBURBS

Lisbon, Sept. 14.—The discovery and roundup of a gang of desperadoes in the miniature catacombs in the suburbs has revealed eight partly decomposed bodies and heaps of human bones believed to be the remains of mysteriously disappeared victims. A dozen men were arrested after a pitched battle with the police.

MRS. EARLE IS FOND OF "AFFINITY"

Cast-Off Wife of Artist Is Greeted at Boulogne by Handsome Brother—Says Husband Should Be Proud of Miss Kuttner.

French Woman Feels No Pain Over Separation and Is Surprised at Notoriety Caused by Her Actions—Is Not Jealous.

Boulogne, sur Mer, Sept. 14.—Mrs. Emilie Earle, whose husband, Ferdinand Finney Earle, the New York artist, cast her off for his "affinity," Julia Kuttner, with her 2-year-old son Harold, has arrived in Boulogne. Lieutenant Finckhacker of the French navy came up from Paris to meet his sister. She greeted him with a bright smile and waved the tiny hand of the fair, round-faced baby in her arms to the handsome, well-dressed Frenchman, who had come to take the deserted wife back to her father's home in Paris. As the Englishman was lowered, Mrs. Earle skipped down it with the light-heartedness of a young girl and kissed her brother affectionately. She consented to be interviewed regarding her present and future plans and the causes that led up to her remarkable renunciation of her husband.

"CLEAN" BOXING OR NONE AT ALL

San Francisco Supervisors Not Opposed to Game If There Be No Fakes.

San Francisco, Sept. 14.—The action of the police committee of the board of supervisors in refusing to recommend the application for an October fight permit has caused something of a flurry among fight promoters. The question that naturally has arisen is whether the members of Mayor Taylor's board are planning to shut down on the boxing game entirely.

PRINCE CHAVADSE IS VICTIM OF ASSASSIN

Princess Chavadse was wounded at the same time.

Princess August of Coburg Passes Away