

COMPARED ROUTES OUT OF PORTLAND

How Attorneys at Salem Wrangled One Another to a Standstill.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Salem, Or., March 14.—The hearing of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company's injunction suit against the state railroad commission yesterday lasted only an hour, but during that time there was much heated argument on the part of Attorneys Crawford and Giltner for the state and Frank T. Griffith, representing the company. This hearing, however, was not the first. It was recalled by Griffith. He was questioned regarding the traffic on the Mount Hood division. He testified that one third of the traffic on that line originated in the city limits of Portland. This was brought out for the purpose of showing that there were comparatively few stops occasioned between Portland and Lentz, which city is reached without paying any additional fare. Attorney-General developed in cross-examining the witness that this same condition existed on the Milwaukie line.

Lentz Contract Admitted.
After Miller left the stand Griffith began introducing tariff sheets of other roads to show comparative rates. This was strenuously objected to by Giltner and Crawford, who stated, in support of their contention, that it was not right to allow these on the line, he stated he would testify regarding the conditions prevalent on those roads was also introduced to show that the costs of operation and maintenance were proportionately great.

The contract between the railroad company and the town of Lentz, whereby the former, in consideration of \$28,000 given to it on the part of that city, agreed not to charge more than 5 cents from any part of Portland, was introduced in spite of heated arguments on the part of both Giltner and Griffith that the contract "was made in violation of law."

Call for Company's Books.
Traffic Agent Mulcahy was recalled and gave, under the questioning of Griffith, the rates of the Southern Pacific company to various points along the line to Milwaukie and the conditions of the road, but when questioned by Crawford if he did not know that the Southern Pacific station was two miles from Milwaukie and that nobody ever went to Milwaukie on that line, he stated he did not believe he was qualified to answer.

Here an attempt was made to have Higgins testify to certain figures showing the traffic on the lines to Milwaukie and Oak Grove, but an objection was made by Griffith, and by Giltner that the witness had no right to read from his own notes, and that the books of the company should be produced.

Continuance Ordered.
While the argument was going on between Giltner and Griffith, Crawford and Aitchison made a hurried search through the testimony taken before the railroad commission and called the attention of the court to the statement of Griffith, under oath, that he did not have the statistics to show the amount of traffic. This stopped Giltner for a minute, but he replied with a smile, "I haven't asked the witness a question, so how do you know that I am not going to have him testify as to a number of things which are included in his testimony before the commission?"

Then, taking advantage of the motion to produce the books, he asked for a continuance until the books could be produced. Subsequently the arrangement was made that West and Aitchison go to Portland and examine the books there. The case was then continued until March 23.

Brick Plant at Klamath.
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Klamath Falls, Or., March 14.—Goeller & Wattenberg of this city expect to establish a brick manufacturing plant in Klamath Falls. Not a brick is to be had here at present. All the bricks used in building last season, the new firm recently sent samples of the clay here to the Michigan Brick & Machinery company and had received the report that the clay is of good quality for brick. Trouble has been experienced heretofore, the brick cracking, and it was thought it was on account of the quality of the clay, but the trouble was inferior machinery.

HIRAM MAXIM INVENTS NOISELESS FIREARM.



Ordnance experts have been very much excited over the announcement that Hiram Percy Maxim, son of the inventor of the Maxim gun, has invented a noiseless firearm. The picture of young Maxim is here shown, and below are photographs of the rifle for army uses and the revolver with the Maxim noiseless attachment. Mr. Maxim declared recently that he stands conscience stricken in the presence of this monstrous child of his brain.

NEWS FORECAST OF COMING WEEK

Target Practice of Fleet and Auto Race Are Biggest Features.

(United Press Leased Wire.)
Washington, D. C., March 14.—Apart from politics the coming week does not hold a great deal in prospect in the way of big news events. The American battleship fleet will begin its target practice in Magdalena bay, the leaders in the New York-to-Paris automobile race will enter the Rocky mountain section, and there may be some interesting developments in the far east.

King Edward is cruising about the Mediterranean and Emperor William is due to start for the same region. The travels of these two monarchs will naturally afford grist for the news mill and food for reflection in the various chancelleries of Europe.

Grover Cleveland, the only living ex-president of the United States, will observe his seventy-first birthday next Wednesday at his home in Princeton. The next seven days will form a critical period in Republican national political affairs, witnessing further progress of the Taft boom on the one hand and more thorough organization of the opposition on the other. The convention state and district, to be held next week, will for the most part be in Secretary Taft's favor. The state convention will be held in Des Moines, Iowa, which state is practically conceded to Taft. An expression in his favor is likewise expected from the New Mexico territorial convention to be held next Saturday.



The Taft managers likewise expect favorable results from district conventions to be held during the week in Ohio and Virginia. Secretary Cannon is expected to capture the delegates from the Eighteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first and Twenty-third districts of Illinois, in all of which conventions will be held during the week.

Governor Johnson of Minnesota, Secretary Taft and Governor Hughes are listed as speakers at the annual banquet of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick in New York city Tuesday night. Senator Knox will be heard at a similar function in Philadelphia the same night. If Governor Johnson decides to keep his engagement and make the trip east the event will probably have important developments in regard to his boom for the Democratic presidential nomination.

CARMAN'S LEG BURSTS FROM LONG STANDING

Motorman on Streetcar Falls to the Platform Bleeding and Is Re- moved to Hospital.

Philadelphia, March 11.—Peter Roach, a motorman on the Darby line of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit, yesterday fell prostrate on the platform of his car and was removed to the University hospital. Passengers were shocked when they saw blood trickle from his clothing and form a pool on the platform. To streetcar men it was not regarded as a very unusual occurrence.

"Only a case of trolley legs," said another motorman. "We all have the same trouble after we have been in the business four or five years. The only difference is that Roach probably did not take proper care of himself. Nearly all the old motormen wear tight-fitting silk or rubber stockings, to prevent the bursting of blood vessels."

"It is caused by standing so many hours every day without any exercise. The blood causes the veins to swell until they burst. Conductors are not troubled with trolley legs so much as motormen, because they do more exercise walking through the car."

"There should be some arrangement so the motorman could sit down part of the time. With the old handbrakes that was impossible, but now that most of the cars are equipped with airbrakes the motorman could sit down and do his work just as well as he can standing."

The elevated railroad cars have stools for the motormen, and the Pennsylvania railroad electric cars to Atlantic City are also provided with seats for the motormen. "We'll get seats for the streetcar motormen some day, too."

Big Y. M. C. A. Meeting.
(United Press Leased Wire.)
Frederick, Md., March 14.—Elaborate preparations are being made for the third biennial interstate convention of the Young Men's Christian Association, which is to assemble in this city as part of this month for a session of four days. Maryland, Delaware, West Virginia and the District of Columbia will be represented at the meeting.

The program completed for the gathering provides for addresses by Senator La Follette of Wisconsin; L. B. Coulter, state secretary of Virginia; C. L. Fay, industrial secretary for Pennsylvania; C. K. Ober of New York City; Rev. S. H. Woodrow of Washington; District of Columbia; Lieutenant-Colonel E. W. Halford, U. S. A., and a number of other men of prominence.

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LEADERS IN COLLEGE JOURNALISM

On the left is shown the handsome countenance of J. J. Peddicord, editor of the Barometer, O. A. C.'s college paper. On the right appears the no less handsome face of C. Watts, who manages the Barometer's business interests.

TO RECLAIM FLOOD LANDS IN KLAMATH

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Klamath Falls, Or., March 14.—The people of Wood River valley are contemplating throwing up a dike on either side of Wood river to reclaim 100,000 acres of fire land. Abner Weed, who

owns a large ranch in this valley, has a river front of six miles, and it is reported he will have the Adams dredger throw up a dike to prevent his lands from being overflowed. There is enough work for the dredger in the Fort Klamath country for two years, and the reclaiming of the overflow lands would mean a great development for that section.

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