

# PORTLAND TELEPHONE PLANT TO BE TURNED OVER TO NEW COMPANY. 7

### Contracting Company Will Turn Over Management of Big System to New Company, Now Being Organized, About April 1—Officers Being Selected.

A new company is being organized in Portland to take over the Home Telephone company. The plant will be turned over by the contracting company to the new Portland company April 1. F. H. Stowe, vice-president and general manager of the Omaha company, who built the Portland plant, is here to attend to the formalities.

F. F. Graves, president of the Omaha Home Telephone company, was in Portland yesterday, to give assistance in some matters regarding the transfer. He said:

It is thought desirable to have the Portland Home Telephone company operated by a company composed of Portland men. The officers and directors are now being selected. A large number of Portland business men and capitalists are interested as stockholders, and it will not be a difficult matter to get an able and harmonious directory.

One of Country's Best.

The Portland plant is one of the best in the country, and will be turned over to the operating company without loss of floating debt. The first service was commenced by this plant a year ago, with about 2,000 subscribers. The plant now has about 7,000 instruments working, and has fully 7,000 orders ahead for Home Telephone instruments to be placed in business houses, offices and residences. The company is filling these orders at the rate of 500 installations per month. But as fast as installations are put in new orders are added to the list, so that there seems to be small likelihood that the company will be able to catch up with the business that is offered.

The Portland plant was built under difficulties, against strikes and all kinds of opposition. But a great record was made in the fact that the plant is of first class construction.

The Omaha plant has had no labor troubles, but it has been up against very serious financial difficulties, brought about by the suspension last year of the Oregon Trust & Savings bank, with upward of \$400,000 telephone construction money tied up in

it. That trouble has now been satisfactorily cleared away, and I do not believe any other man excepting Louis J. Wildes could have accomplished the task.

Establishes Record.

The record made by Mr. Stowe in construction of the Omaha plant beats all telephone construction records in the history of the business. He began construction April 24, 1907, and on December 2 began service with the exchange. He has 5,000 instruments working and 12 miles of underground lines. Omaha is now the largest underground district in the world. It is the best telephone plant in existence.

Mr. Stowe said the Omaha plant, in which hundreds of Portland stockholders are interested, has 2,000 orders ahead for instruments. About April 1 these will be put in at the rate of about 1,500 per month.

February there was a bad sheet storm in Omaha. This is the test of a telephone plant. It was not necessary to send out a man or make a single repair to the Omaha plant on account of the storm. No poles are used excepting where the wires come out of the ground. The plant is as near perfect as a telephone plant can be made at the present time.

Big Business at Omaha.

The Home Telephone building at Omaha is a little palace, with marble wainscoting, tile floors, concrete construction and absolutely fireproof. The company's business there has reached its present large proportions before the city has been solicited. Its long distance business will be enormous, as it has connection with all the network of independent telephone companies in Nebraska and western Iowa, having 256,000 phones.

The growth of Automatic Home Telephone companies is phenomenal. So great is the demand met by them that the plants are always thousands of orders ahead of the construction capacity. The Los Angeles plant, the largest single telephone plant in the world, has 6,000 instruments working and it began business has it been within 1,000 of the demand for instruments, and at times it has been 3,000 behind the demand.

# PERHAPS THAT PRETTY WAX FACE IS A MODEL OF YOUR OWN

Wax figures in the store windows! Haven't you often commented on them, criticised the color of the hair and wondered how in the world they were made and a lot of other things about them?

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W. L. Rice of Lansing, Michigan, who travels about the country selling wax figures, is at the Hotel Perkins. Mr. Rice has been in the business many years and naturally is an expert in the wax figure business.

The head of a woman and the head of a man, in wax figures, of course, are estimated at the same price. If you

should happen to want the head of a blonde maiden, with a complexion to suit your taste, no matter how fastidious, you can have it for the asking. Or, if you want a man's head with a moustache, whiskers or smooth shaven and rosy cheeks, you can have him, too.

These heads will cost you \$12 each. So if you have any use for them buy as many as you like.

If you want an entire body, man or woman, in wax, these figures will meet all go for the same price. But a body of either sex costs just twice as much as a head.

The face of each wax figure is modeled from some person generally hired by the manufacturer. Others work in the factory regularly and about all they do is pose for wax figures, which are used to display hats and dress goods and what not in the stores about the country.

# WILL DEDICATE NEWS FORECAST TEMPLE SUNDAY OF COMING WEEK

### La Grande Baptists Hold a Three Days' Jubilee Over Great Event.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

La Grande, Or., March 28.—Rev. J. Whitcomb Brougher, pastor of the White Temple in Portland, delivered a lecture, subject "What's Under Your Hat" at the First Baptist church in this city last night, and will deliver a sermon during the noon hour today. Tomorrow he will preach at the church in the forenoon, and will deliver the dedication sermon for the new building Sunday evening. Evangelist Thomas S. Peets of the chapel car "Good Will" will also assist in the various services during the two days. His Sunday evening sermon during the young people's hour will be "A Living or a Life."

The First Baptist church of La Grande was organized at Liberty school-house, near La Grande, the third Saturday in November, 1873. Elders L. J. Booth and B. H. Lewis were the leaders in the undertaking. The others who became members of the church at that time were Mary J. Lewis, George Hornepool, Elias Hornepool, H. P. Lewis, Maria J. Lewis and F. J. Clark. Elder B. H. Lewis became the first pastor.

The first building owned by the church in La Grande was put up under the pastoral care of Rev. George T. Ellis. The present edifice, costing about \$8,500, was begun under the leadership of the present pastor, Rev. W. H. Gibson, in September, 1906.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, March 28.—Many events of news interest are scheduled for the next seven days. In the foreign field there will be the usual routine of politics in England, Germany and other countries, and the parliamentary elections in Portugal are first to be held under the new regime.

Nearer home there will be a great deal of work in the way of politics, including the first of the presidential conventions, that of the People's party and other reform organizations at St. Louis, Indiana Republicans will meet at Indianapolis and Arkansas Republicans at Little Rock. The New York presidential primaries will be held Tuesday.

William J. Bryan will begin the week by speaking Monday night at a banquet in Kansas City. He will receive the Democratic and Populist editors of Nebraska at Lincoln the following day and later in the week will start on an extensive tour of Iowa, Kansas, Colorado and Nebraska.

Secretary Taft will spend the latter part of the week in the midwest, visiting Columbus, Chicago and other points.

Important conventions of the week will include those of the International Kindergarten union in New Orleans, the National Child Labor conference in Atlanta, the meeting of the Chicago of railroad officials and brotherhood men to take up the disputes arising under the new 16-hour law.

Of interest to lovers of sport and athletics will be the championship wrestling contest at Chicago between Frank Gotch and George Hackenschmidt, the United North and South championship golf tournament at Pinehurst, the Oxford-Cambridge university boat race in sound and the coming of automobile shows in Pittsburgh and Montreal.

# IMMIGRANTS HELD TO LAND OF THEIR BIRTH

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Vancouver, B. C., March 28.—Another order-in-council has been passed by the Dominion government, providing that all immigrants shall come direct from the land of their birth. All of the Hindus, some 150, who were held in a detention shed here, were released on an order of Chief Justice Hunter. They were liberated last night. All other immigrants held under the natal act passed by the British Columbia government have been allowed to go, the court having held the act invalid.

# LOTS OF SMOKE BUT NO FIRE IN CONGRESS

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, March 28.—This session of congress will be a record breaker in respect to the number of bills introduced. It may be a "do nothing" congress so far as getting anything in the way of legislation enacted is concerned. Every one who has acted in congress will be in the act at an amazing rate. Since the sixtieth congress opened last December, 29,344 bills have been introduced, 18,544 of which have passed the house, together with house joint resolutions, house reports and house documents to bring the total up to 22,735.

Six hundred and ninety-one senate bills have been introduced and joint resolutions, concurrent resolutions, reports and documents to bring the total up to 7,216.

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# M'KENZIE CRUSHED; CROWLEY DROWNED

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Vancouver, B. C., March 28.—D. J. Mackenzie of Nelson, British Columbia, bridge inspector, was instantly killed this morning on a bridge near Cascade. He was working on a wrecking derrick when it collapsed and Mackenzie was crushed to death.

Thomas J. Crowley, a young Englishman employed as bridge inspector and foreman for the Britannia Mines Syndicate, was drowned last night in the waters of the Columbia river while out rowing and his boat capsized.

# REFUGEE MEASURES TO BE VOICED

The seventh in the list of 19 proposed initiative and referendum measures to come before the people in June in the armory appropriation bill. It passed the legislature at the last session, and was referred to the referendum. Following this is an argument against the measure submitted by the grange, as is also an argument against the compulsory pass bill. The appearance of the armory appropriation measure on the official ballot will be as follows:

Referendum Ordered by Petition of the People. An act to appropriate \$25,000 annually for the use of the Oregon National Guard, the money to be expended under the supervision of the state military board at any time during the four years, the board not being required to use such appropriation the year it appropriated. The Oregon National Guard is required to pay to the state treasurer such rental for the use of said armories as may be fixed by the state military board.—Vote yes or no.

# ARGUMENTS AGAINST TWO ACTS

The executive committee of the Oregon state grange offers the following arguments in support of the referendum on the above measures, 310, 311, 312 and 313.

"Why the free pass became an issue. The primary reason for the agitation of the free pass question was the generous manner in which railway companies furnished free transportation to public officials with the exception, no doubt, of receiving some favors in return. Members of the legislature were given in the past free passes, and they could and did furnish their friends with passes also.

Corporations are not generally supposed to give anything for nothing; therefore the growth of sentiment in favor of removing the influence of the free pass. So strong did this sentiment become at the election in June, 1906, the voters of the state gave an initiative antipass law an overwhelming majority. But this measure was considered inoperative on account of the omission of the enacting clause.

In the face of the fact that a majority of the voters had favored an antipass law, the legislature passed a compulsory pass law, which provides that railway companies shall file a certificate of their routes, and that they shall issue passes to certain state, district and county officers before said company can enter into a lawsuit to condemn land, timber, etc.

This "condemnation" clause is only a flimsy excuse to legalize the giving of free passes to public officials. Last year secured their rights or were able to secure them without a lawsuit are not required to give passes, yet they may file certificates and great numbers of them wish to enter suit or not.

So the argument that, under the compulsory system, the conditions which gave the railway men their free passes, are removed, falls flat, for if any of our present roads give passes, they will do so as before. The officials for which they would expect the same return favors as before.

No Connection With Position.

Furthermore, the free pass granted to the officers who serve in the favored class has no connection with their official capacity, for they are given free passes whenever they choose to take a railway route, whether they are in office at the time or not.

Members of the legislature, for example, might have occasion to use the pass in traveling on official business, but they are not to be given a biennial session. The remainder of their two years' terms they would be free to use the pass for their private use. Is it to be expected that such privilege would be without its influence? The people, by their votes, have once indicated their opinion on this matter, and we think they will again be disposed to vote "No" upon the measure.

The constitution of the state, in providing for the traveling expenses of members of the legislature, says in part: "They shall be allowed to receive \$3 for every 20 miles they shall travel in going to and returning from their place of meeting, and the same for the return." This cannot be changed except by constitutional amendment. Section 4 of the compulsory pass law reads: "No officer or member of the legislature shall be transported under the provisions of this act shall be entitled to, or collect mileage from the state, district or county for such free travel as is obtained."

It is evident the legislator cannot obey both unless a provision is made to make it legal for him to collect the constitutional traveling fee and travel on a pass at the same time.

The Armory Appropriation.

The state grange has not called the referendum on the armory appropriation bill in any spirit of opposition to the state militia, but there are a few facts which we are bringing to the attention of the taxpayers.

In the great majority of cases in which the state militia is called into service, it has been to help in the settlement of disputes between large corporations and their employees in our state. These corporations have steadfastly resisted every attempt to levy tribute upon them for the support of the state militia. The Pacific Telephone company has refused to pay the small gross-earnings tax levied upon it by the initiative law enacted last year. It has been backed by other similar corporations, is now bringing suit to overthrow the whole system of direct taxation, and putting the state to additional expense to defend that system and enforce the collection of the tax.

Does any one believe that every citizen, in the case of the state militia, pay their just share for the support of the government whose protection they are enjoying? If these corporations are not to be taxed, they are needed, they can be provided without placing any additional burden upon the taxpayer, and they are carrying all the load that it can stand.

Furthermore, we object to this measure not merely for the sake of saving this particular money, but for the assurance that the matter would stop at this amount, it would not be so serious an objection to the measure as the provisions of this bill the way may be opened for endless graft in the future. No definite number of armories are provided, but they are to be erected upon the recommendation of the state military board in the towns where one or more companies of the Oregon National Guard are located. No limitations were placed upon the cost of the different buildings.

Amount Does Not Cover.

Does any one believe that \$25,000 would be sufficient to buy land and erect ten or twelve strong, substantial buildings of a permanent character and of sufficient size for the purpose of drill hall for companies or battalions? If the amount did not prove to be sufficient, what then? Every town with an armory is entitled to an armory under this law. There would seem to be no other way than for an additional appropriation to be made at the next session of the legislature.

Then, again, if some towns find themselves well provided with public buildings, but they are to be erected other towns from organizing militia companies and demanding the erection of armories.

Any one familiar with the methods by which such matters are generally carried through the legislature by the formation of log-rolling combinations may well ask where this species of graft will stop if once begun.

A. T. BUXTON,  
B. G. LEEDY,  
C. E. SPENCE.

Executive Committee, Oregon State Grange.  
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F. W. BENSON,  
Secretary of State.

# ADVISES BOYS TO DRINK BOOZE

# Parsons at Bellingham Declare Boycott Against Ministers From Montana.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Bellingham, Wash., March 28.—Leonard W. Snyder of Billings, Montana, is in this city and a boycott has been started to prevent him from speaking in any of the churches or high schools of Bellingham. He will be barred from the Y. M. C. A. if he seeks admission for an audience.

He comes to this city to give lectures before boy audiences on "good morals and better citizenship." He is known as the "boys' minister," but because of his advocacy of the liquor interests he is incurring the opposition of the clergy everywhere he goes. The ministers are carrying their boycott on Dr. Snyder from city to city.

Rev. Thomas H. Cornish, pastor of the First Baptist church of this city, is in receipt of a letter from Rev. G. Sawin, pastor of the First Baptist church of Reno, Nevada, urging him to see to it that Dr. Snyder should be neither in your public schools nor recognition in your churches.

Cornish lost no time in warning Secretary Wright of the Y. M. C. A., Dr. Mathes, principal of the normal school, Superintendent Hughes and members of the school board. The close of his letter last night, Cornish said:

"I now feel sure Dr. Snyder is effectively barred from opportunity to spread his liquor or gambling should be abolished in any city. I believe the liquor traffic has its virtues as well as its vices, and for this reason, if for no other, it should not be prohibited. Christ Himself drank liquor."

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Lancaster, Pa., March 28.—With a merry "hello, boys!" Agnes Jane Miller greeted her four husbands who were lined up in Magistrate Doebler's office last night. The husbands were all willing to testify against her, and she was committed to jail for trial at court.

"I just got tired of having the same husband hanging around every day," declared Mrs. Henry, the name she got by marrying her first husband. "I wanted a new one I just disappeared, and it is not hard to find another husband if you go about it the right way."

Her first matrimonial experience was in May, 1900. John Rutter was the man. Three years later her love was bestowed on William Moon. She soon tired of him, and in February, 1907, she married Isaac D. Leaman. He was not all bills, and in February husband No. 4 was captured. Another year, however, she thought divorce from husband No. 1 was advisable, and a divorce was granted in March last.

When Policeman Doebler set to work on the case it was with the prospect of discovering two husbands, and now he is searching for more.

# NEW RULE ON TAXING PROPERTY IN TRANSIT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Olympia, Wash., March 28.—The state tax commission has overruled the general custom in this state of exempting from taxation property in transit during

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There's no excuse for your grunting and complaining about pains in your back, stiffness in your shoulders and legs, that "tired feeling," weak back, nervousness, indigestion and failure of vital power. It should not be. Nature ought to have held you good until you are 80, and you ought to feel like a boy now. But you have overdone your things and wasted your vitality. You still have the constitution, but lack the force. That's electricity. Electro-Vigor will restore it.

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