

USES VETO ON HOBBROOK GRANT

Mayor Lane Refuses to Approve Ordinance Granting Franchise for Car Line on Alberta Street—Doubts Applicant's Good Faith.

Mayor Lane last night vetoed the ordinance passed by the city council granting a franchise to F. B. Holbrook to build and operate an electric street car line on Alberta street from East Thirteenth street to Alsworth avenue. In taking this action it is intimated that the mayor was influenced by a belief that the franchise cloaked a scheme to force residents of the section of the city which the proposed line was to tap, pay double fare to get into or out of the city.

It was charged in the council at one time Mr. F. B. Holbrook was connected with the Portland Railway, Light & Power company and that he wanted the franchise, not for himself but for that corporation.

The mayor points out to the council that the franchise ordinance as asked for and passed would give the Holbrook company the right to charge one whole fare on the new line, though when the patrons changed to one of the regular street car lines they would be forced to pay another nickel. The ordinance does not provide for any system of transfers.

The veto message of the mayor is interesting also from the sidelight it throws upon his probable attitude toward the blanket franchise of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, now being considered by the council. It is intimated that the mayor will not allow the company to charge from single to double tracks at will as the franchise in its present form provides. The mayor takes this stand on the ground that it will affect the cost of street improvements and work a hardship on property owners.

The mayor takes occasion to remark that the people are paying excessive rates to the railway company now because of careless grants made by previous councils and he admonishes the present body of lawmakers that great care should be taken to guard against such mistakes in the future.

The veto message follows: "To the Honorable City Council—This is an ordinance which grants to the F. B. Holbrook company, its successors and assigns, the right and privilege to lay, construct, operate and maintain a street railway upon East Thirteenth street from Alberta street to and across Alsworth avenue for a period of 24 years. A grant to the use of this street between these points at this time may be, and perhaps is, of but small importance, but in the years which will elapse before the grant expires many things may happen which will make it important that the terms upon which it is held be just and fair to the city."

Warns Against Errors. "The people of this city are paying for public service a sum greatly in excess of its value as a penalty for carelessness in having made grants of a similar nature in the past, and great care should be taken to guard against needless repetitions of such errors."

"In this franchise the railway company is given the right at its will to change its road to either a single or a double track.

"The right to do this has an important bearing upon the rights of the owners of the property upon the street in that it may affect the cost of their street improvements. Such changes should only be made with the consent of the city council upon a proper showing of the need of the same, leaving the authority safely in the hands of the people, or their representatives. If such a right is granted to this company, other railways in justice can insist upon the same right."

No Common User Clause. "The franchise contains no common user clause.

"It is given the right to charge a

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5-cent fare for a period of 24 years, which is a rate in excess of the value of the franchise. The present time and might act as a serious handicap to the entire district in which the railway is located.

"The franchise grants the right to make use of freight trains upon the streets of the city at the present time without any restrictions upon the same. Grant is Indefinite.

"The grant is indefinite and unguarded and almost incomprehensible in the respect that the railway company is allowed to hold the street for a period of 24 years by the expenditure in construction work of the total sum of \$1,000,000 each year, operating under which terms the entire time might elapse before the road was one half completed.

"These are some of the provisions of this franchise, which it seems to me it is the duty of the council to guard against. I respectfully return the ordinance to you that you may more fully consider them. Respectfully,
HARRY LANE, Mayor."

BRIDGE SANDY WITH STEEL

Preliminary drawings for a new steel bridge over the Sandy river at Troutdale have been prepared by County Surveyor Holbrook and Road Superintendent Chapman. It is expected that the county commissioners will order the building of the bridge next summer.

HOMELESS, SHE SEEKS SYNAGOGUE'S SHELTER
That Mrs. Esther Carnahan had been left waiting at the church was the belief of several persons near the Temple Beth Israel, Twelfth and Main streets, yesterday morning. All through the forenoon the woman was seen standing in front of a house of worship. When it was noticed that she remained at her post all through the afternoon, they notified the police.

BURGLAR CALLED TO LOOK AROUND
That burglars are contemplating robbing his grocery store is the belief of E. F. Loomis, a grocer at 280 Larrabee street. Friday afternoon as Loomis was in his store a man dressed in overalls and of a very rough appearance entered the store, gazed around rapidly, apparently "sizing it up," and then disappeared.

SALOONMEN TO FIGHT LOCAL OPTION LAW
Condon, Ore., Nov. 21.—The proprietors of five saloons were arrested today on a charge of violating the local option law. The saloons are owned by H. and D. R. Parker of Condon, have been retained by the saloon people. J. Bowser, District Attorney, Bureau, will take up the prosecution. The local option law is the cause of the trouble, since Condon's charter is similar to that of the city. The law may be carried to the supreme court.

SCAN CITY AND COUNTY BUDGETS

Taxpayers to Examine Expenditures for Bridges and Usual Items.

Within the next 10 days it is expected that a meeting of the Taxpayers' League will be called to discuss the city and county budgets for the coming year. Several large expenditures of the public funds have been proposed for the coming year, and the members of the league are studying over the figures of the city and county budgets. A letter to the members has been issued by President Frederick W. Mulkey and Secretary L. J. Goldmann in which they urge bearing on the tax levy and the standing obligations of the local government bodies is set forth.

What Direct Tax Must Meet.
Outstanding bonds of the City of Portland, November 1, 1908, on which interest is met by direct tax, amount to \$2,828,500, the annual interest being \$141,240. The water bonds total \$2,300,000, with an annual interest of \$145,000 paid from the water rates. The school district No. 1 is liable for \$390,000 in bonds, and the interest charge is \$38,490. On \$900,000 indebtedness of the Port of Portland there is \$39,500 to be met in interest. The total interest charge to be met by taxation, therefore, is \$359,250.

The letter then makes a showing of the city bonds on which interest has to be cared for by direct taxation. Under this head are the pipe line, meters, etc., \$3,000,000; park and boulevard, \$1,000,000; dock bonds \$500,000; Madison-street bridge \$450,000, and fireboat and mains \$215,000. The total interest is \$309,000. There is also \$30,000 interest on the principal of the Port of Portland bond issue, but the statement points out that this, as well as the dock bonds, should be met from the use of the utilities provided.

Bridges Provided For.
Summary shows that the total obligations amount to \$12,741,000, and that \$388,250 must be met in interest by direct tax. Then a table is given of proposed unusual expenditures, estimating \$2,000,000 or more for a bridge for north Portland, \$1,000,000 or more for a bridge for south Portland, \$125,000 for increase in teachers' salaries, and unknown sums for a new courthouse and county hospital.

CAR FAVORS MAN WITH TWO NAMES
Lewis Reed, who also gave the name of George Griffin, was struck by a street-car and miraculously escaped with nothing more serious than a few bumps.

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PAST MASTER OF FOUR GREAT ARTS

Miss Josephine Locke Lectures on Michael Angelo Before Woman's Club.

Miss Josephine C. Locke lectured yesterday afternoon in Women of Woodcraft hall at a largely attended meeting of the Woman's club, on Michael Angelo, the Italian sculptor, painter, architect and poet. Miss Locke showed how the great artist's work was influenced by the great reformation that convulsed Europe in the first half of the sixteenth century. She said, in part: "The age of Michael Angelo, 1475-1564, was the most strenuous period of the life of Europe since the opening of the Christian era. The origin of Protestantism, the great schism of the reformation led by Luther and Melancthon in Germany, Calvin and Zwingle in Switzerland, Latimer and Crammer in England, convulsed Europe, while the great master was at work on the Medici tombs and the marvelous Sistine chapel. "This was a man whom God so loved that he endowed him with four souls—the soul of sculptor, the soul of painter, the soul of architect and the soul of poet. His art, like the art of Dante and the music of Beethoven, distinguishes itself from his contemporaries by being a series of personal confessions.

DISCUSS JOHNSON GOOD ROADS BILL

A joint conference of committees from the State Good Roads association, the state grange and the recent good roads conference held in Portland was held in the convention hall at the Commercial club last evening for the purpose of going over the Johnson road bill passed by the last legislature and vetoed by Governor Chamberlain. Senator A. H. Johnson, the author of the bill, was present and explained its provisions. The principal object of last night's meeting was to frame a new bill that can be passed through the next legislature, and that will meet with the governor's approval.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS TO MEET IN CONVENTION

The Multnomah county district Sunday school convention for that part of the county north of East Stark street and east of the Willamette river will be held at the Hassalo Street Congregational church, corner of Hassalo and East Seventh streets, tomorrow afternoon and evening. The convention is especially for the Sunday schools of the district included in the above boundaries, but all other schools of the county are invited to take part.

Every ticket given away free by The Johnson good for an adult couple at the Exposition Roller Rink. Given with "want ads."

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Reliable, strictly brand new, well-known New York makes are offered in this Emergency Sale at \$195. The piano styles go now at \$128. Or you can select from a vast assortment of the very finest and fanciest exhibition styles—in Hungarian Ash, Mottled Mahogany and genuine quarter-sawn Oak—take your choice tomorrow at Emergency Sale prices—\$237, \$242, \$246.

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