

SWIFTS WILL SCHOOL FUDGET INTEREST

System 21-2 Miles Long Is Planned to Connect Company's Townsite of Kenton With Packing Plant on Peninsula.

In order to transport its employees between Kenton, the townsite of the Swift people, and the new Swift packing plant on Columbia slough, the Union Meat company will begin at once the construction of an electric railway 2 1/2 miles long between Kenton and the plant. The road will be in operation before June 1, according to C. C. Colt of the Union Meat company.

Bids have already been asked for the laying of steel and the overhead wiring. The right of way is to be along the new county road and trestle built by the Swift company between the plant and the townsite, and the power is to be secured from the mill of the Monarch Lumber company, on the peninsula. Five or six passenger cars will be run for the line so that frequent service can be given.

The company has been incorporated for \$40,000, by C. C. Colt, J. C. Good, George S. Heuser and C. H. Carey. The incorporation rights give them power to deal in land, real estate and to operate and construct electric railways.

"For the present our line will run over the two and one half or three fourth miles between the townsite and the packing house, and will be for the accommodation of our employees, most of whom will live in Kenton," said Mr. Colt. "Later on we may extend the line, but we have nothing we can state as to that at present. We have asked for bids on its construction now, and it will be in operation before the packing house is running—that is before June 1."

FREE BUS SYSTEM MAY BE ABOLISHED

Portland hotel managers are contemplating the abolition of the free bus system now in use. A huge automobile enough to carry all travelers to and from the various hotels will take the place of the many vehicles that line up at the curb outside the union depot. Twenty-five cents will be the difference between a ride in the big auto and a ride in the small one. The majority of the hotel keepers in the city are in favor of the plan, but delay an agreement because of their fear that their patrons may not like the new system.

"We will have to install the automobile transfer or build a boulevard for the accommodation of carriages from the hotels if Portland keeps on growing at the present rate, with the number of hotels increased in proportion," said a prominent hotel man this morning. "You will find that the hotels of other towns of Portland are giving free rides to and from the depots. But the main objection is the long line of cars drawn up at the depot whenever a train pulls in, and the bedlam of shouts that greet passengers."

PLEAS OF NOT GUILTY ENTERED

Frank Miller and E. H. Williams pleaded not guilty of embezzlement in Judge Gantenben's court this afternoon. Miller was charged with embezzling \$300 from O. A. Giltner while Williams faces a charge of stealing \$1060 from local 56 of the Brotherhood of Leather Workers.

Four men indicted by the grand jury this morning were arraigned this afternoon. O. R. Risterson came before Judge Gantenben charged with having forged a check for \$35.25 upon Carlisle Waller. Henry B. Risterson was charged with stealing a watch worth \$10 and \$2.05 from Lewis Tulane; and William Smith for stealing an overcoat from William Limback.

CALIFORNIA SENATE IN A DEADLOCK

(Cited Press Special Wire.) Sacramento, Cal., March 18.—Senator Marshall Black failed to arrive at the capital today and for the fifth time since the upper house of the legislature commenced its long fight over the direct primary bill the senate was unable to muster a majority. Black was reported to be at his home at Palo Alto, too ill to be removed to Sacramento. Senator-at-Arms Martin, who was sent down to bring him back, was the subject of running away to delay the bill. Black was in reality a very sick man. The senate is tied up by the deadlock and the prospect of adjournment tomorrow has disappeared.

DOWN WELL 80 FEET; ESCAPES WITH LIFE

Los Angeles, Cal., March 18.—Fred Cordier, a gardener, fell 80 feet down a well and escaped without serious injury. When rescued, a property owner said his only injury was a fractured knee cap and broken leg.

MAYOR VETOES EAST THIRTY-SIXTH BILL

An ordinance for the improvement of East Thirty-sixth street was vetoed by Mayor Lane today, the mayor explaining that Kirk Hoover, a property owner, had made allegations that the view from the street had been unfair to his property.

Albany Liverman Acquitted

Albany, Or., March 18.—Albert Pearson, a local lawyer, was acquitted in the circuit court last afternoon of the charge of violating the local option law. The case was an appeal from the city recorder's court and the jury found in favor of the defendant.

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STATE TREASURER'S REPORT, ISSUED TODAY, GIVES GAIN OF \$37,555.63 FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 1—GENERAL CONDITION IS IMPROVED.

(By Journal Special Wire.) Salem, Or., March 18.—The first statement issued by the state treasurer since January 1, 1909, was given out today, and shows an improved condition, especially in regard to the common school fund interest, which has resulted from the large number of loans made during the past year. The statement shows a gain in favor of the state of \$37,555.63 for the year ending March 1—General Condition Is Improved.

No 1909 state tax has yet been received by the state treasurer, though received before March 1. It is probably due to the tax tangles and unsettled conditions generally as the outcome of the Yamhill county test case and legislative action. The inheritance tax received since January 1 is larger, however, having reached a point over \$5000, which if kept up will net the state this year at least \$30,000, larger than in any year since the tax has been in force.

Common school fund, principal	Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1909.	Cash on hand, Feb. 27, 1909.
Do, interest	\$270,859.49	\$289,483.36
Agricultural college fund, principal	121,121.36	121,121.36
Do, interest	4,791.44	2,904.19
University fund, principal	6,656.66	2,402.79
Do, interest	2,192.83	1,954.83
Burbank Trust fund, principal	141.30	1,441.30
Do, interest	120.91	1,194.91
Thurston Monument fund, principal	350.00	350.00
Swamp land funds	22.00	22.00
Five per cent U. S. land sales fund	66,870.49	1,028.23
Twenty-five per cent U. S. land sales fund	3,213.92	3,213.92
Reclamation fund	4,716.76	4,916.91
Inheritance tax fund	5,000.00	5,000.00
State agricultural college fund	24.22	24.22
Oregon Soldiers' Home national fund	16,490.52	13,550.00
Oregon Soldiers' Home estate fund	972.00	972.00
State Board of Examiners' fund	1,167.88	1,167.88
Hatchery fund, district No. 1	1,167.88	1,167.88
Hatchery fund, district No. 2	1,167.88	1,167.88
Hatchery fund, district No. 3	1,167.88	1,167.88
Game protection fund	10,495.36	16,986.96
Pure food fund	691.25	100.10
Oregon State Veterinary Medical fund	179.30	179.30
State Board of Health fund	81.44	81.44
Portage Ry. Operation & Main. fund	8,141.42	8,141.42
Oregon State Foundry fund	1,758.58	2,166.58
Penitentiary fund	14,484.36	14,484.36
Factory inspection fund	2,787.84	2,787.84
State Library fund	784.91	717.47
Normal school fund	5,902.73	5,902.73
Total	\$579,773.50	\$696,230.57

Cash on hand January 1, 1909.	Receipts	Transfers	Total
\$289,483.36	\$289,483.36	\$289,483.36	\$868,450.08
	\$1,239,796.94	\$466,667.16	\$1,706,954.26
	\$767,269.92	\$767,269.92	\$1,534,539.84
	\$1,239,796.94		\$1,239,796.94

General fund revenue for current expenses of the state, cash on hand, January 1, 1909, \$312,373.94; receipts, state tax, 1908, \$22,737.96; interest on state tax, 1908, \$273.12; tax on foreign insurance companies, \$14,646.13; fees of the department of state, \$13,320.76; corporation license fees, \$4,141.11; express company license fees, \$953.24; telephone companies license fees, \$144.23; sleeping car company license fees, \$2,073.85; supreme court fee, \$399.81; interest on deposits of state funds, \$843.95; rents and sales of property, not regulated by statute, \$1,210.00; convict labor, \$2,730.61; inheritance tax, \$5,045.86; miscellaneous, \$1,292.28; total, \$385,883.34.

Disbursements, warrants for current expenses, \$24,735.99; cash on hand, February 27, 1909, \$1,143.35; total, \$385,883.34.

Investments from educational funds, irreducible school fund, \$1,167.88; school mortgage loans, \$3,306,440.61; school bonds, \$267,326; certificates of sale of state lands, \$676,601.16; total, \$5,250,366.97.

The Agricultural college fund: First mortgage loans, \$185,713.31; certificates of sale of state lands, \$4,339.92; total, \$190,053.23.

University fund: First mortgage loans, \$98,068.64; certificates of sale of state lands, \$4,490.00; total, \$102,558.64.

Grand total, \$5,546,978.24.

CITY KILLS ITALIAN'S HORSE

WHEN MULCTS HIM FOR \$3 FEE

Giuseppe Gattuccio drove happily along the street. He sang a song of Sunny Italy and heeded not the splashing of his horse's hoofs in the muddy roadway. East Twenty-second street is a series of miniature lakes and you can't tell from the dirty surface of the murky water that many of the little puddles conceal deep holes. So Giuseppe was surprised when his horse suddenly stumbled and then refused to rise.

He was further surprised to find that the animal had broken its leg. He still more surprised when a blue coated patrolman happening that way declared that he must kill the disabled nag, which he proceeded to do.

The growing surprise of all came when Giuseppe, grieving over the loss of his faithful steed, was forced to pay \$3 for having the carcass removed.

Gattuccio knew a countryman who is a lawyer. The latter has at the request of his friend asked the city in a letter to reimburse Giuseppe for the loss of his horse, plus \$3 which Gattuccio had to pay for the removal of the animal's body from the street. The request is made because the Italians think the city was to blame for having such a street.

CONSIDER PLAN NEW LAW BARS SPOKANE VOTERS

Registration of 12,269 Is Invalidated by Direct Primary Amendment.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Spokane, Wash., March 19.—Measures are being taken to fight the amendment in the direct primary law, which, it is said, will bar 12,269 voters from voting at the city primaries, because none of the affidavits are in the proper form. The matter will be taken up to the secretary of state by Corporation Counsel.

The primaries are held April 6. The announcement from Olympia says: "The registration of voters in Spokane has been invalidated so far as the amendment is concerned by the legislation made by city legislation. The amendment was brought out yesterday in comparison with the original primary law."

WOMAN HAMMERED ALMOST TO DEATH

(Cited Press Special Wire.) Oakland, Cal., March 18.—After lying battered and unconscious in a hospital during the night, Mrs. Mary Walker, a confectioneer, was found today by a passer by who noticed blood trickling from the door.

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DIVORCE DOES NOT END CASE FOR DAIRYMEN

John B. Davidson and Former Wife Squabble Over Property Division.

Judge Morrow, in the circuit court of Multnomah county, will be called upon this afternoon to decide the respective rights of John B. Davidson and his former wife, Mrs. Davidson, recently divorced, to about \$50,000 worth of property in Portland. Mrs. Davidson is suing her erstwhile husband for the joint holdings.

The property in question is described as lot 4, block 1, Holiday's addition; lot 10, block 11, Macgregor's addition; and lots 1 and 2, block 11, Williams' addition, and is valued at about \$49,450. The woman declares that the land was purchased by her with money which her military shop at 189 Fourth street, and 121 Fifth street, which she has since sold, brought to her, while Davidson contends that he was a partner in the military business and that the present division of the property—\$30,000 to the woman, and \$23,450 to him—should prevail.

Davidson, a former police officer and for four years gatekeeper on the steel bridge, secured a divorce from Mrs. Davidson in February, 1907. He is now a P. S. D. having resided there six months. He made claim in the proceedings that the woman was cruel to him, and had assumed an unreasonable attitude toward him, became fault-finding and critical because of trivial matters, and often refused to speak to him for long periods. She destroyed his domestic happiness, he alleged, and had often accused him of infidelity.

Judge Henry McGinnis of counsel for the plaintiff will attempt to prove to the court that Davidson married the woman to secure possession of his property, and then quite promptly got a divorce.

BARBUR FIRST TO FILE PETITION

City Auditor Formally Announces Himself as Candidate for Re-election.

A. L. Barbur, city auditor, is the first man to file his intention to become a candidate for city office. This morning he filed in the office of the city auditor his declaration of intention to make the effort to succeed himself as city auditor. He asked that the following sentence platform be printed on his petitions as showing his attitude in the primaries:

"If I am elected I will during my term of office consider myself the servant of the people and will perform the duties of my office in accordance with the provisions of the laws governing the city of Portland."

He asks that the following sentence be printed opposite his name on the ballot: "Will represent the people as their servant."

Up to this time no other candidate for city office has made an official appearance by filing his notice of candidacy with the city auditor. There are, however, many prospective candidates for the different offices to be filled.

KLAMATH FALLS MAY GO WITHOUT LIGHTS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Klamath Falls, Or., March 19.—The Klamath Falls city council and the Light and Water company are in controversy over the renewal of franchises, and pending adjustment the company has ordered all construction work stopped.

The franchises under which the company has been operating expired over two years ago but the original contract provides that the city renew the franchises and contracts in periods of five years each.

H. V. Gates of Hillsboro, president of the company, presented a form of franchise on which the council has failed to act. Mr. Gates states that his company has no legal right to excavate in the streets, or extend mains, and Tuesday evening the city council will decide whether or not the franchise would be made, and that unless a new contract was entered into by April 1, street lights would be cut out and part of the hydrants.

NEW ENGINEER ON KLAMATH PROJECT

Klamath Falls, Or., March 19.—Project Engineer E. C. Patch, recently assigned to the Klamath project, to succeed D. W. Murphy, who goes to Washington, D. C., has gone thoroughly over the works, together with Superintendent E. G. Hopson of this district. Mr. Patch comes from Orland, Cal.

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FULTON CLAIMS 20 SENATORS

And That McArthur Vouches—How He Explains Failure to Indorse.

By John E. Lathrop.

Washington, March 18.—It is claimed by ex-Senator Fulton that 20 members of the Oregon senate have wired President Taft urging Fulton's appointment to the judgeship in Oregon recently created.

Fulton says he has a telegram from Speaker McArthur of the Oregon house of representatives, saying that four out of five members of the committee of the assembly which considered the nomination to indorse Fulton favored his appointment. The Fulton people are representing that the alleged opposition is imaginary and that the demand for Fulton's appointment is general.

Fulton explains the refusal of the legislature to indorse him by asserting that an agreement had been made when the special session was called that no legislation other than that relating to taxation should be considered.

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Tomorrow's bargain items are subject to delivery at our earliest convenience, and for which telephone, C. O. D. or mail orders will not be accepted. Store closes on Saturdays at 6 o'clock.

Laundry Bags--Spec. 60c

These Bags made up in art taffeta in various quaint designs; regular \$1.25 values, special tomorrow in the Drapery department, sixth floor.

Couch Covers--Sp'l \$1.50

Linen Couch Covers, full size; regular \$2.50 values; neatly fringed; tomorrow in the Drapery department.

Brass Curtain Rods, Ea. 5c

Extension Rods for hanging full-size lace curtains; regular 15c values.

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Set is made up of soap shell, tumbler bracket, tooth brush holder and towel bar. These fixtures are nickel plated and mounted on never-rust tile backing; tomorrow's special in the Basement department.

27x54 in. Velvet Rugs \$1.35

A durable Rug in oriental and floral designs, well adapted for home, camp or summer cottage use, having a short, close pile and bright cheerful colorings; tomorrow's special offering in the Carpet department, sixth floor.

Curtain Stretchers \$1.45

The adjustable pin Stretcher, the finest made, plate jointed, exact back, inch scale on length and width; regular \$3.25 values, on sale tomorrow in the Drapery department, sixth floor.