

## STREET SPANS GO OUT IN FRESHET

Great Northern Loses Two in Northwest Washington; Settlers Threatened.

(United Press Local Wire.)  
Bellingham, Wash., Nov. 22.—The Great Northern steel bridge at Everett in this county, was washed out last night as a result of floods. The Whatcom county wagon bridge is expected to go out at any time. Hundreds of acres of land are inundated. Settlements on the Noakack and the Skagit are under water and it is believed that unless cold weather sets in or the rains cease quickly the damage will reach a high figure.

Yesterday it was not believed that the rivers would rise high enough to damage bridges, although some of the low lands were inundated, but during the early evening the waters rose rapidly. Railroad traffic is demoralized and telephone wires into the country districts are run in bad shape. Great Northern trains are running via Sumas and the Northern Pacific tracks.

## EAST SIDE PEOPLE

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know how their business is being transacted."

## COMMITTEE SHOWS WHY STREETS MUST NOT BE GIVEN AWAY

Portland, Or., Nov. 22.—To the Editor of The Journal.—Kindly allow us in your last issue before the meeting of the council, Wednesday, which may pass on the east side street vacations to extricate from the tangle of confusion thrown about the matter a few of the more cogent reasons why the vacations should not be made, and set them clearly before the public.

First—It is utterly unnecessary, as everything needful to the railroad to conduct its service can be granted by a franchise such as it has operated under there for the last 30 years. Everything, except title, which in all land so situated, connecting the street system of a port city with its harbor and the harbor landings themselves, should certainly remain with the city.

Second—The policy of East Portland, when granting the franchise in 1877, was to secure in exchange terminal facilities in this tract and terms to that effect were specified in the franchise with improvement of streets connecting therewith. These vacations not only ignore this franchise and contract, but abrogate it and vacate streets improved by the railroad under its provisions.

Third—The city has decided to invest \$1,500,000 in public docks. As part of this money will be levied in East Portland, and as East Portland is not devoid of business but can to great advantage use such docks and will have undoubted claims upon part of this public expenditure, and as this ground of the city's rights therein to the harbor is adjacent to or abuts upon some of the deepest near shore water in the harbor, and is the most centrally located for east side purposes, it appears a crime for the city to abandon the city's rights therein to the railroad already well supplied in this particular and which can only need such frontage to defeat the very purpose for which the bond issue was voted. The city, on the other hand, is practically without harbor frontage, nearly all she has left being included in these vacations.

Fourth—It is said these streets are of but little use to the city. As far as this is true, it is because they are occupied by the railroad, and this with the railroad's ownership of the shore line has not only arrested such use, but the use and development of a large tract of land lying between the harbor and Union avenue, and Holladay avenue and Gilean street. And these vacations will work further large injury to the value of this tract as well as all East Portland.

It is not necessary that this extensive and inestimably valuable land be either monopolized by the railroad or the railroad excluded therefrom. The ideal and very practical plan at this time would be to divide it between the city and the railroad. Let both have their docks, connect all docks in the city by a belt line of railway, with complete connections with both docks and railroads. Let all tracks be covered by a common roof. Then the transportation activities of all would become harmonious and supplemental and this eternal warring for monopolistic advantage and control would end.

For the council to vacate these streets now will not only disgrace the city, but will disgrace every councilman voting for it. It will embitter city politics, retard the growth of the city, cause unnecessary waste of the public docks fund, and render necessary repetition of the notorious fluke by which the city gave the Southern Pacific its rights on East Burnside and then paid \$10,000 for enough rights back again to enable it to build its east approach to the Burnside bridge.

The power assumed by the council in vacating these streets was not contemplated nor intended by the city's charter, so it provides that the council shall make such vacations only when it finds that no injury is worked to the public interest thereby. By an oversight this weakness was left in the charter that a street may be vacated entirely by a majority vote, but no title is required to grant a franchise thereon.

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## HARVEST OF PRAISE SERVICE AT EPWORTH

Sunday was a red letter day at the Epworth Methodist church. At the 11 o'clock hour there was a "Harvest of Praise" service given by the Sunday school. The auditorium was decorated with ferns, Oregon grape, class banners, flowers and an attractive centerpiece of fruit.

At the evening service the pastor, the Rev. Charles T. McPherson, preached a Thanksgiving sermon on "God's Gifts." The newly elected Epworth League officers were installed by the pastor. He announced as his theme for next Sunday "The Victorious Runner" and "The Whatsoevers."



Harry Hermson, comedian with the musical play, "The Kissing Girl," at Heilig Theatre tonight and all week.

Greater Birmingham Celebrates.  
Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 22.—A big two days' carnival was ushered in here today in celebration of the recent election returns showing Birmingham to be one of the fastest growing cities in the United States. The city is filled with visitors, among whom are hundreds of Confederate veterans come to attend their annual state reunion. The principal streets are gaily decorated with flags and bunting and colored electric lights add to the brilliancy of the scene at night. The festivities were ushered in this morning with a magnificent automobile floral parade. Tomorrow's program will include a military pageant, a civic parade, and a torchlight procession at night.

## EASTERN OREGON DEVELOPS MINES

Portland Man Brings Encouraging News From Baker and Malheur Counties.

Reports from the mining districts in Baker and Malheur counties are to the effect that mining operations in the Mormon Basin are more active and that there is a greater awakening of mining interest there than for several years past.

H. G. Patterson, manager of the Cleveland Development company's mining properties in the Mormon basin, recently returned from a trip into Baker and Malheur counties where he spent some time at the various mines.

"While in the Mormon Basin," said Mr. Patterson today, "I went to the Humboldt mine and personally inspected the development work being done there. A 200-foot shaft has been sunk and at the 100 and 200 foot levels 500 or 600 foot drifts have been made. At the 200 foot level five inches of ore was uncovered running \$1500 to the ton. The ledge at this level is 12 feet wide and will average \$10 to \$15 a ton. It is the intention of the Humboldt people to sink the shaft 400 feet and drift on the 300 and 400 foot levels. The history of mining in the Mormon Basin shows that the richest ore is found at a depth of 300 and 400 feet. I was told that the Humboldt people are preparing to put in another 10 stamp mill giving them 30 stamps. Power to operate these stamps and the other machinery of the mine is to be brought from the big electric power plant under construction at Ox Bow on the Snake river. In fact all the mines in the Mormon Basin are planning to get power from the Ox Bow power plant. The completion of

## THOUSAND INDO-CHINESE OVERWHELMED BY FLOOD

Saloon, French Indo-China, Nov. 22.—More than 1000 natives are dead or missing as a result of a sudden flood at Kwang Ngai, in Annam province. The total of the dead is expected to aggregate more than 1000. The property loss was enormous. Four hundred boats with merchandise are reported lost.

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## DISREGARD HOME RULE HIS ADVICE

Attorney Benbow Says Amendment is Unconstitutional as it Gives Illegal Power.

Attorney W. C. Benbow believes the phrasing of the Home Rule law will forbid its enforcement. He stated today it gives the electorate, not the council, power and obligation to issue licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors. In other words, a list of persons applying for licenses would have to be submitted to the voters in an election to be held to dispose of this matter, unless another method can be found.

"The law delegates the power to issue licenses to the municipality," declared Mr. Benbow. "The municipality does not mean the council, but the electorate. It is a maxim of law that delegated power cannot be redelegated without consent of the delegating agent. In other words, the people who receive power to govern the licensing of saloons cannot pass this power and obligation on to the council. I have already tried to point out that the use of the word 'exclusive' in the amendment is in effect an irrevocable surrender of sovereignty from the state to the people, and is consequently an impossible act in that the state cannot so surrender

sovereignty, and to attempt to do so would be in violation of the constitution of the United States and of the state.

"I cannot see any other way for the regulation of the liquor business save for the city council to proceed to grant licenses under the old law, disregarding the Home Rule law."

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