

## N. P. DIVIDENDS GO IN DAMAGE CASES

Two Chehalis Injury Verdicts Cost Railway \$10,000 and \$8000, Respectively.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Chehalis, Wash., May 18.—The Northern Pacific Railway company, which was mulcted for \$10,000 Saturday for personal injuries inflicted on Michael Toy by a conductor and brakeman, was assessed \$10,000 more Tuesday in the Lewis county superior court. In the \$10,000 case the plaintiff is alive but is alleged to be injured for life. In the \$8000 case the victim was killed. The suit was brought by the widow and heirs of ex-Policeman Smith of Centralia, who was killed near the depot in that city on the evening of December 23.

**Chehalis Daily Nugget Coming.**  
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Chehalis, Wash., May 18.—Chehalis will have a daily paper, beginning June 1. The Bee-Nugget Publishing company will on that date begin publication of the Daily Nugget. The paper will be principally devoted to the local field of Chehalis, Lewis county and southwestern Washington. The Chehalis Bee-Nugget, weekly edition, will be issued as usual. This paper is one of the few state papers that has for years maintained the policy of conducting its subscription business on a cash in advance basis and the plan has proved a great success.

**Presbyterians Meet.**  
Louisville, Ky., May 18.—The annual general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian church convened in this city today with a large attendance of delegates and visitors from all over the south. The retiring moderator, Rev. W. E. Boggs, D. D., of Atlanta, preached the annual sermon. The assembly will be in session 10 days.  
The reports prepared for presentation to the assembly show the past year to have been one of gratifying progress, both in the membership and finances of the church. The increase in the number of churches in certain sections of the south, notably in Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas and Florida, has been so marked that it has been found necessary to call a halt on evangelistic effort until churches already established can be equipped. It has also been a banner year for the missionary, educational and other departments of the church work. The home mission board handled during the year \$221,600, a considerably larger sum than in any previous year.

**Librarians at Pasadena.**  
Pasadena, Cal., May 18.—A convention of the widest interest in the annual meeting of the American Library association, which formally opened its sessions here today. The association has more than 2000 members, including librarians of public, college, medical, law, state and other libraries; assistant librarians, library trustees, publishers, booksellers and friends of libraries. The president is James I. Weyer, director of the New York State library at Albany.

The meetings of the association are open and a most interesting and instructive program has been prepared for the Pasadena meeting. The sessions will last four days. In addition to papers and discussions by noted library experts the program provides for addresses by Governor Johnson of California, President Benjamin Ide Wheeler of the University of California; Luther Burbank, the celebrated horticultural expert; John Muir, the noted forester and naturalist, and Lincoln Steffens, the magazine writer.

**Society of Tropical Medicine.**  
New Orleans, La., May 18.—The American Society of Tropical Medicine, which devotes its attention to the study of methods for the prevention and treatment of tropical diseases, began its eighth annual meeting in New Orleans today. Many noted medical experts are in attendance. The medical departments of both the army and navy of the United States are represented.

**Ladies of Maccabees.**  
Wheeling, W. Va., May 18.—The annual convention of the West Virginia lodges of the Ladies of the Maccabees began in this city today, with headquarters at the Windsor hotel. The annual reports and other business of the order occupied the day. Tomorrow the ritual will be exemplified in the Elks' auditorium and in the evening the convention will close with a banquet at the Carroll club.

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## SOUTH PORTLAND BRIDGE BOND PLAN TO BE VOTED ON IN JUNE

\$1,400,000 Estimated Cost of Project to Serve 60,000 People in District.

One of the important subjects upon which the people will vote at the June election is the proposal to construct a new bridge in South Portland. The people are asked to approve a bond issue of not to exceed \$1,400,000, from which all expenses, including terminal, condemnation and purchase of property and other rights shall be paid. As outlined in the proposed amendment, the bridge would be constructed across the Willamette river from Woodward avenue, at or near its intersection with Grand avenue, and follow a line to the intersection of the west line of Corbett street with Meade street, on the west side of the river; thence west along Meade street to its intersection with Water street. The location of the bridge would be as nearly as practical as it is here described, the description being based upon maps and profiles filed by the city engineer with the auditor.

**No Exclusive Franchise.**  
It is stipulated in the proposed amendment that all railway tracks upon the bridge shall remain the property of the city, that no exclusive franchise for the use of the bridge shall be granted to person or corporation, and that in return for franchises the city council shall demand adequate compensation. No minimum sum is fixed upon as a charge for use of the bridge.

In its argument in favor of the bridge the Greater South Portland bridge committee of which Dr. Day W. Rafferty is chairman, and Burt C. Jones secretary, says in part:  
"Twelve years ago, the city of Portland had 80,000 people and possessed four bridges for traffic and transportation across the river. The population has increased three fold and the census shows that more than one half of the people reside on the east side. The major proportion are engaged in business, make and obtain their living on the west side. Necessity compels this great concourse of people to travel to and fro the bridges twice a day. The topography of the city indicates the absolute necessity of the utilization of both sides of the river to handle the enormous volume of business transacted that is the inevitable result of the ever increasing population.

**World Railways Congestion.**  
"The construction of this bridge will relieve the congested condition of traffic on the existing bridges, as it will enable the residents of the Seventh ward on the east side to reach the center of the business district without crowding in with the traffic of the Eighth, Ninth and Tenth wards. Likewise, it will render possible traffic from the Fifth and Sixth wards on the west side to reach east side points, avoiding the congestion of the existing bridges. Besides, it will afford a highway and crossing for all suburban traffic south of Mt. Tabor and north of Oregon City, to enter the city with dispatch and convenience. And according to conservative estimates the pro-

posed bridge will serve 60,000 people who reside within its immediate territory.

"The harbor running through the heart of the city must not be further obstructed, and it is an admitted fact that it will never be feasible to place bridges between those now operated and contemplated. The harbor must be maintained at any expense. It therefore becomes necessary that the river be spanned where it will not interfere with navigation. The proposed South Portland bridge will be above the harbor, the height will make it possible for any river steamer now in use on the Willamette river to pass beneath the bridge until the water is 23 feet above its low mark, without disturbing the movable span. Hence travel will be facilitated in a marked degree.

**Fire Protection.**  
"Protection to property on both sides of the river is a strong argument in favor of the project. It will enable the fire department to concentrate their fire apparatus at points in the Fifth, Sixth and Seventh wards and thus be in a position to reach a conflagration without the delay encountered by the opening of bridges.

"Those who oppose the bridge do so principally on financial grounds, with the double argument that the expenditure of too much money is authorized and that the city should not now be called upon in such large amount for a new bridge.  
In this connection it is observed that if all the bond issues presented this year carry, the city will be within \$2,000,000 of its debt limitations, and that the bridge is much the largest of any of the pending proposals, the next largest being the \$600,000 proposed for a public auditorium.

**Objections Are Made.**  
Some of those who advocate the subway idea and others who look to a bond issue for tunneling the South Portland hills, demur to any further millions for bridge building with the city debt limit so nearly attained. It is argued that with the completion of the Hawthorne bridge streetcar traffic to the south-east is well taken care of and that the commercial use of a structure so far south is not of sufficient magnitude to justify the bond issue at this time.

It is urged that one engineering estimate of the cost of the South Portland bridge was \$1,900,000 and the council seriously considered cutting the proposed bond issue to that figure. Taking the position that it is unwise to authorize the expenditure of large sums in excess of the actual need, because the full amount authorized is usually spent, this is used as an additional argument against the bond issue as it stands.

**Lee-Harris Wedding.**  
Philadelphia, May 18.—Many persons of prominence in the social life of New York, Baltimore, Washington and Philadelphia were present at the wedding today of Miss Mary Kuhn Harris, a niece of Mr. and Mrs. C. Hartman Kuhn of this city, and Joseph Jenkins Lee, a member of the well known Lee family of Virginia and Maryland. The wedding took place at the home in Devon of the bride's sister, Mrs. Charles Boone. The bridegroom was

one of Roosevelt's Rough Riders and for a time was in the United States diplomatic service.

**Opening Tourney.**  
Vienna, May 18.—All arrangements have been completed for the international fencing tournament which is to be held in this city under the patronage of his imperial and royal highness, Archduke Leopold Salvator. The competitions will begin tomorrow and continue four or five days. The events are to include individual matches in fencing, rapier, sabre and dual sword, and also a number of team matches. Only amateurs are eligible to compete. Entries have been received from nearly all of the countries of Europe.

**Admiral Lloyd Dies.**  
(United Press Special Wire.)  
London, May 18.—Admiral Rodney McLain Lloyd, R. N., retired, died suddenly today at the Royal Naval club from angina pectoris.

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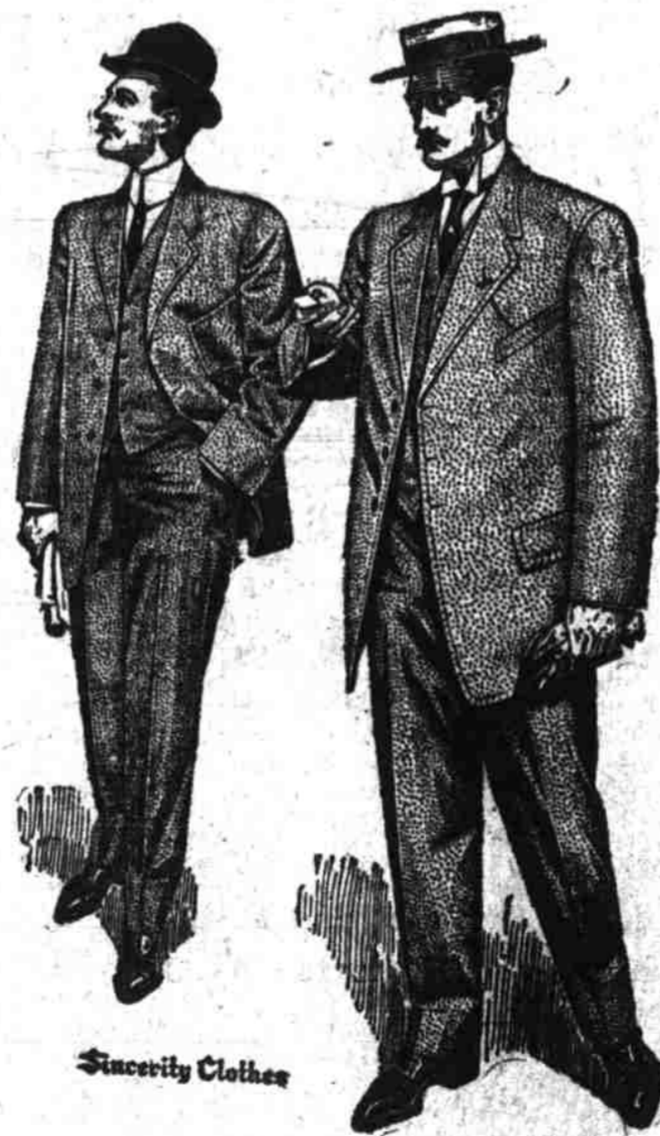
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