

RY. COMMISSIONER SEEKS REELECTION, HAS A FINE RECORD

Candidate Performs Splendid Service in Shaping Policy of Commission—Heavy Saving to People Has Resulted.



Clyde B. Atchison.

Few men candidates for office can point to a record of accomplishment that is so punctuated with things worth while as Clyde B. Atchison, who is before the Republican voters for re-election for the office of railroad commissioner, where he has served since the office was created.

His part in shaping the policy of the commission and infusing a life-giving interpretation into the railroad commission act is pointed to by his friends as of high value to the state. The law has been made effective because of the fairness and good judgment of the men composing the commission.

Oregon is one, and probably the only one of the states with similar railroad commission laws where no order of its commission has been set aside by any court. While hundreds of complaints have been investigated every year and numerous orders made, much of the important work has been undertaken on the commission's own motion, without waiting for the filing of complaints.

The supreme court of Oregon in an opinion rendered December 26, 1911, said: "The infrequency of appeals from orders of the commission indicates that the people of this state see that the rights of the public in matters of transportation are properly protected, have performed their duty fairly and faithfully."

Results Attained. Among the thorough investigations that have been made with important results beneficial to the public, are: The revision downward of the class rates for freight between all points on the O. W. R. & N. and Southern Pacific lines in Oregon; substantial reductions in the

SHE SUFFERED TEN MONTHS Mrs. Blankenship Tells of Her Restoration to Health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Elliston, Va.—"I feel it my duty to express my thanks for what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me. I was a sufferer from female troubles and had been confined in bed over one third of my time for ten months. I could not do my housework and had fainting spells so that my husband could not leave me alone for five minutes at a time. Now I have been restored to health and it has come from taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Whenever I see a suffering woman I want to tell her what this medicine has done for me and I will always speak a good word for it."—Mrs. ROBERT BLANKENSHIP, Elliston, Va., Montgomery Co.

Was Helpless—Now Well.

Trenton, Mo.—"About two years ago I had female trouble and inflammation so bad that I was literally helpless and had to be tended like a baby. I could not move my body or lift my foot for such severe pains that I had to scream. I was very nervous and had a weakness. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has helped me to such an extent that I think there is no medicine like it for female troubles. I am up and able to do my work again and I give you full permission to publish my letter for the sake of other suffering women."—Mrs. W. T. PUNNETT, 320-10th St., Trenton, Mo.

COMPLAINTS AGAINST RAILROAD Commission Alleges Central Ry. Co. Has Not Improved Its Service.

Alleged failure of the management of the Central Railroad company of Oregon to maintain safe and adequate transportation facilities caused a mandamus suit to be filed yesterday in the circuit court by the state railroad commission to correct the complaints. The company was ordered by Presiding Judge Kavanaugh to appear April 2 and show cause why a permanent injunction should not be granted restraining the company from operating until the road is repaired.

The Central Railroad operates from Union Junction to the city of Union, in Union county. Robert H. English is the general manager. The action taken today by the railroad commission is based upon numerous complaints entered by farmers and merchants depending upon the road for their transportation facilities.

In the complaint filed today, it is set forth that Union county is rapidly growing in population, thereby giving cause for much use of the road. It leads to the O. W. R. & N. and is the only outlet for the produce from Union county and especially in and around Union Junction. After many complaints, the railroad commission, which is composed of Clyde B. Atchison, Thomas R. Campbell and Frank J. Miller, held a meeting December 1 at Union. In this session the company was represented by the general manager and Attorney Charles Cochran. An opportunity was given the road to explain away the complaints. The result of this conference was that the commission ordered the road managers to give better service and correct the abuses about which the complaints were made. On December 27 this order was made and 60 days' time was given in which to begin it.

The complaint recites that nothing has been done toward improving the service, and nothing is outlined in this respect.

The commission directed that no less than 50 pound rails to the yard be laid, the roadbed straightened and made solid, the rolling stock overhauled and improved, and better service in general provided. Especially was the road directed to make the transportation facilities safer. It is further declared in the complaint filed today that the ties of the road are decayed and too far apart, the rails only 50 pounds to the yard, the rolling stock old and dilapidated. Under such service, charge the commissioners, produce and passengers are in danger and unable to be accommodated. This condition contributes to the detriment of the surrounding country, which at the present time is approaching a prosperous condition.

Has Special Training. Previous to that, in 1905 and 1908, he was clerk of the state tax commissioner, this work leading naturally to consideration of rail problems. He was appointed a member of the railroad commission upon its creation, February 18, 1907, and in 1908 was elected for the full term of four years by the voters of the old district he now seeks another election. He became chairman of the commission on June 1, 1911, and has held that position since.

Mr. Atchison has been for two years chairman of important committees of the national association of railroad commissioners. Last year he was chairman of a committee to consider amendments to the interstate commerce act and this year he is chairman of the committee on railway service accommodations. The railroad commission calls for a man with special training, a specialist, and the friends of Atchison are urging his experience and results accomplished the last five years as the strong features of his campaign for reelection.

GRESHAM FAIR GETS AID FROM THE COUNTY

Members of the Gresham Fair association picked a psychological moment when they decided to call upon the county board of commissioners yesterday afternoon to ask for an appropriation. The delegation asked that the board allow \$2500 toward the premium list this year. The request was granted. L. W. Steadwick, president of the association, explained that the fair this year will have a larger exhibit than ever. Since the Portland Livestock & Racing association has practically abandoned all intention of giving a show this year, the Gresham people have changed the name of their event to "Multnomah County Fair association."

SONGS OF NURSE MAY CURE MAN'S TROUBLED MIND

(United Press Landed Wire.) Los Angeles, March 25.—In the sweet soprano voice of Miss May Flynn lies the only hope for the mind of Steven S. Stephens, according to the belief expressed today by physicians at the county hospital where Stephens is a patient and Miss Flynn a nurse. Stephens' mind, the doctors say, is a discordant jangle, and although the usual remedies have failed utterly, he responds perceptibly to the musical voice of the little nurse. He will be given treatment six times daily throughout the next week.

Captain Given Leave.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, March 25.—Captain Frederick S. Mazy has been granted three months' leave of absence, beginning when he is relieved by another medical officer, at Fort Stevens.

SAYS ROAD DID NOT PLAY FAIR Gay Lombard Discusses Merger With Portland Railway, Light & Power.

"A case of very bad faith all around" is how Gay Lombard, who was a member of the city council that granted franchises to the Mount Hood Railway & Power company, regards the merger with the Portland Railway, Light & Power company. Mr. Lombard has just returned to Portland after a six month vacation in California with Mrs. Lombard.

"The Mount Hood officials have not played fair at all with the people, for the franchise was granted with the distinct understanding that there would be genuine competition," he said today. "I had great faith in the Mount Hood company and its intention to present real competition and was very much surprised to learn of the consolidation. However, I think there will not be any results harmful to the people, because I am very sure it will be found on looking into the provisions of the franchise that the city is to be paid 25 per cent of the gross receipts of the company in case of consolidation. The statement that the physical properties only and not the franchises are included in the merger I consider only a subterfuge. It is pretty certain to be found that the deal includes franchises, too, and the people then will be entitled to the 25 per cent."

"This should be a lesson to the people of Portland to be most careful to guard carefully their rights when granting franchises to public utilities corporations. I do not believe in municipal ownership, but I do believe in municipal regulation and I always fought for that when I was in the council. The people must be most careful in what they give away."

A voyage to Honolulu was one of the side trips Mr. and Mrs. Lombard enjoyed while they were away. They also motored considerably in California, though they made no very long trips. In his new automobile Mr. Lombard is counting on motoring direct to New York sometime this summer. He expects to make the trip in the remarkably fast time of 15 days. He is confident that he will be able to do this in view of his experience last summer, when he drove from New York to Cheyenne in eight days, an average of 287 miles a day.

Restrictions on Meat Prices. (United Press Landed Wire.) Vienna, March 25.—The prices of meat have risen so high and are so exorbitant that the authorities of Vienna have taken measures to place restrictions upon the prices at which meat may be sold.

'PHILANTHROPISTS' SEEK NEW FIELDS Persons Who Were "Given" Lots in "Summerland Park" Wonder If It's a Blirk.

Offices of the "Exposition Developing company" in the Ellers building are closed today. The two strangers, names unknown, who acted as the concern's representatives, have flown, and a large number of plucked citizens here who paid \$5.50 for a deed to a lot in "Summerland Park No. 2," said to be a mile from Casadero, Cal., a milk station in the hills of Sonoma county, are wondering whether they were swindled.

The company operated through several moving picture shows here. Theatre patrons were given coupons entitling them to a "free" chance on a lot. Apparently every one won in the weekly "drawing," as scores of persons were visited by agents of the concern, during the two weeks it operated here.

The offices of the company were moved to the Perkins building, Tacoma, recently, and opportunities for Portland 5 cent moving picture patrons to become landowners were cut off, when the police ordered the theatres to discontinue the distribution of coupons. So hastily did the strangers leave that they did not even ask for half a month's rent which they had paid in advance on their offices in the Ellers building.

Among the moving picture show houses that innocently aided the company were the Rainbow and Cozy theatres on First street. "The proposition the men made looked good to me," said G. E. Chamberlain, one of the owners of the Cozy, today. "They told us that all we were to do was to give away the coupons and that our attendance would increase when people learned we were giving away free lots."

"They furnished us with slides showing pictures of the lands they said they owned, and explained that the scheme was to advertise the park so they could later sell lots. We began to get suspicious, however, when every one seemingly drew a lot and we were getting ready to stop giving coupons when the police told us to quit. The strangers got wind of this and left Portland soon afterward." The Exposition Developing company's main office is 28 Montgomery street, San Francisco, according to addresses printed on its stationary. None of the names of its officers is printed. The men who acted as its representatives here were very careful not to give their names to either the moving picture theatre owners, with whom they dealt, or to the superintendent of Ellers building when they rented offices.

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- Chiffon Lisse—A very sheer fabric in dainty checks and stripes. On special sale at, yard, 35c
- New Poplins—In both white and colored, with mercerized finish. Special at, yard, 25c

New Spring Hosiery, Knit Underwear

An entire page could be filled with the splendid offerings in these sections, but these few items will serve as an index to scores of equally as good values displayed throughout these departments.

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- A special underpriced sale of Women's Fine Silk Lisle Hose, made full fashioned, with double heel, sole and toe, and guaranteed fast black. Sizes 8½ to 10. Best 35c grade priced for this sale at, the pair, 25c
- CHILDREN'S HOSE of Egyptian Lisle, Specially Priced, a Pair, 25c
- A sale of Children's Fine Ribbed Egyptian Lisle Hose, made with double linen heel and toe that insures additional wear. They are fast black and come in all sizes from 5 to 9½. Regular 35c quality priced for this sale at, 25c

New Foulards, Messalines and Taffetas

HIGH QUALITY SILKS OF STANDARD WIDTH, SHOWN IN THE LATEST SHADES, WITH NEAT, SMALL COLORED DESIGNS, STRIPES, POLKA DOTS, ETC.—THESE FINE SILKS ARE SPECIALLY UNDERPRICED AT ONLY 49c Yd.

Unlimited quantities of delightfully new Silks will surely tempt every visitor tomorrow to this section, as it is fairly overflowing with beautiful new weaves now in greatest demand. For this sale we offer 55 pieces of new Foulards, Messalines and Taffetas at a very special price. The assortment includes all the latest and best shades of blue, tan, brown, etc., and black grounds with neat, small colored designs, polka dots, pin and novelty stripes in all colors; also 24-inch Silk Poplins in solid colors that are guaranteed to wash perfectly. They are good, durable silks of brilliant finish, shown in all wanted shades. Nowhere else will you be able to get silks of such splendid character at such an astonishingly low price as you will here. Tomorrow you have choice of 2500 yards at FORTY-NINE CENTS!

New Woolen Dress Goods Just Arrived

WILLIAM READ'S AND PRIESTLEY'S SERGES, 44 TO 56 INCHES WIDE, AT 75c TO \$2.00 A YARD

A delayed shipment of Fine Woolen Serges just arrived. They are William Read's and Priestley's celebrated all-wool fabrics, from 44 to 56 inches wide. Shown in qualities to please all and at prices that appeal to those that want the best values for the least money. The assortment includes all the new shades in tan, brown, blue, etc., also cream and black. As serges are in greatest demand this season, we suggest immediate buying.

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- NEW CHALLIES 50c AND 65c A YARD
- Twenty-eight-inch beautiful Bordered Challies, made of the finest wool and shown in many exclusive patterns, priced at sixty-five cents a yard; also a splendid line of All-Wool Challies, shown in neat dots, rings, stripes, rosebuds and neat, small figures of rich colorings on grounds of any wanted shade. They are specially priced for this sale at fifty cents a yard.

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