

VICE PRESIDENT F. I. FULLER HONORED BY 900 EMPLOYEES

Portland Railway, Light & Power Co. Official Given a Gold Watch; In Service 20 Years; Josselyn's Tribute.

Vice President F. I. Fuller of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, was given a surprise last night by the officials and employees of the company, the occasion marking the 20th year of his connection with the company. The affair was held in the New theatre, where about 900 Mr. Fuller was brought into the large auditorium blindfolded and given a place of honor on the platform when the head that crowned his vision was removed.

Seated on the platform about him were David Hunt, Louis Kahn, Alex. Allen, F. A. Smith, P. Hughes, A. H. Laird, Charles Hale, H. H. Rayburn, W. P. Clifton, George M. McRae, M. J. McMeary, T. Frank Paul, Bartholomew, Ed. W. Hutchinson, William Fraub and H. M. Gregory, gold stripe men, denoting that they, too, had been in the service of the company for 20 years or more.

In addressing Vice President Fuller, President Josselyn explained the situation, gave a brief review of Portland's street car history and in conclusion handed to Mr. Fuller on behalf of the platform men, who had contributed 10 cents each, for the purpose, a beautiful gold watch as a memento of the occasion. Said Mr. Josselyn in part:

Early Times Recalled.

Franklin Ide Fuller, first made his appearance in street railway work in Portland June 1, 1892, at which time he was appointed superintendent of the Portland Cable company and since that time has been one of the most important factors in the development of street railway interests in this city. The company he originally represented had only five miles of double track, operated five cars and employed 20 platform men.

All of you men who wear four gold stripes recall the difficulties under which railways were operated at that time, due to the stringency of the money market and panicky times. While Mr. Fuller had never been actively engaged in transportation work and his appearance on the property was looked upon with some degree of doubt in the minds of those old in the service, it did not take them long to find out for themselves that Mr. Fuller was the right man for the place.

A fair conception of the financial conditions of this country at that time may be gathered from the fact that during his incumbency as superintendent an accident took place on Chapman street, resulting in injury to a number of persons, in consequence the entire

property went into the hands of a receiver. It is told of that period that in one particular month, when pay day came, Mr. Fuller notified the employees that he was only able to pay 80 per cent of the wages that were due them, but they willingly accepted the proposal. When the first of the month rolled around, by the end of every week, bank of every character that belonged to the property, he met the bills with a smiling face and handed over the money that was due them.

The year the company endured the greatest hardship was when the entire nation was in the throes of a panic. That was the year the Portland Cable Railway company was in the hands of a receiver. Despite transcontinental systems found themselves in a similar predicament but unlike many properties the Portland company was not so big but the men could handle it. It was in this year Mr. Fuller gathered around him his faithful employees and told them in very brief but plain language the serious condition which confronted the company which was to the effect that the bondholders had refused to put up any more money for operation and had expressed a perfect willingness to allow the rails to become rusty and the cables to languish in its conduct for all time.

Wise Out at Last.

Mr. Fuller made a proposition to operate the road and to divide the receipts proportionately. Every man expressed a desire to take the chance and returned their duties with the same equanimity as if a bank roll as big as one of the barne was back of them. The prompt action of these men is the best evidence of the high regard in which Mr. Fuller was held. It tells a

story of loyalty and persistency, and of determination to fight the battle that was before them. That they fought it and won in the end was only the natural consequence where such loyalty exists. Finally the day came for the receiver to disengage from the property and receive his discharge from the court. New blood and new money were injected into the property with Mr. Fuller in charge of operation. From that day the property has grown, greatly by consolidation, absorption and extension, calling for vast sums of money from the east, until today it is looked upon as one of the greatest properties in the country, which means the world.

SECRETARY KNOX WILL REACH BAY CITY, MAY 7

(United Press Local Wire.)
Washington, April 29.—Secretary of State Knox will arrive in San Francisco May 7, according to announcement here today. Knox is now en route to New Orleans. He will represent President Taft at the exposition exercises in San Francisco and may deliver a political speech there. He is due back in Washington May 11.

OFFICES OF PUBLISHERS GUTTED BY \$500,000 FIRE

(United Press Local Wire.)
New York, April 29.—Four floors were burned with a total loss of \$500,000 today by a fire which broke out on the top floor of a 12 story building in West Thirty-second street. The offices of D. Appleton & Co., publishers, were gutted.

HUMPHREY CASE READY FOR JURY

Arguments of Counsel Occupy Time of Court at Corvallis Today.

(Special to The Journal.)
Corvallis, Or., April 29.—With every seat in the courtroom occupied and the aisles and that part of the courtroom back of the seats filled with men standing, Deputy District Attorney Clarke continued his argument this morning in the Humphrey case. Having taken the jury yesterday in a word picture to the scene of the murder, the attorney proceeded this morning to bring out the points made by the prosecution and call to the minds of the jurors the fact that the defense had not proved many points promised. The attorney then took the evidence step by step, reviewing the testimony of each witness with respect to the part that testimony had in the case.

"But what of the defense?" continued Mr. Clark. "Mr. Jeffery told you, gentlemen of the jury, in his opening statement, that the defense would prove many things. Mr. Jeffery said the defense would prove that George and Charles Humphrey had been victims of the third degree; that they were forced to make confessions incriminating themselves in a number of crimes, and that

the defendants were subjected to examination by detectives who forced them, through threats, to confess to crimes they never committed.

"He told you that the defense would prove that the Humphrey brothers have confessed to five or six crimes they could not have committed, and therefore the doubt would exist as to the truth of their confessions of this crime. He told you evidence would be introduced to prove that the murder was committed by a person other than the Humphrey brothers."

Mr. Clark then declared to the jury that the defense has failed to prove even one of Mr. Jeffery's opening statements. He finished his argument at 11 o'clock, when Mr. Jeffery, in behalf of the defense, began his plea to the jury. Mr. Jeffery had only fairly begun when court was adjourned for the noon hour. Attorney Jeffery is continuing his argument this afternoon. He argued that the two men are simple minded, are as easily led as children and that they have been trapped into telling of crimes of which they were ignorant. He argued that the fact that Charles described the dress of Mrs. Griffith, the number of rooms in the house, and so on, does not go to prove that the men were the murderers because they knew those things from having lived neighbors to Mrs. Griffith, and that by third degree methods they were induced to confess this crime.

Yuan Sends Message.
Peking, April 29.—Yuan Shi Kai, president of the Chinese republic, issued his first message to the advisory council last night. He spoke of the need of money to build up the land and pleaded for order, thanked other powers for their assistance and urged the development of the country along progressive lines.

VOTERS AUTHORIZE LIGHT FRANCHISE

People of Vale Tire of Poor Service and Encourage Competition.

(Special to The Journal.)
Vale, Or., April 29.—By a vote of 123 to 14, the taxpayers of the city of Vale have authorized an electric light and power franchise for the Idaho-Oregon Light & Power Co. The special election was the result of much dissatisfaction throughout the city over the poor service furnished by the present light company, controlled by the Teller Power association of Utah.

Although the franchise will be accepted in a few days by the new company, a legal battle may be the result, as the operating company claims to have a 10 year exclusive franchise, issued about two and a half years ago. However, it is understood that the new company, the Idaho-Oregon Light & Power Co., which owns the big Or Bow plant in Baker county, will commence work on its transmission power lines to this city at once, making connections at Ontario. Both companies have been fighting for a year for the control of the Snake river valley territory. Seeing that the Teller Power association was only holding the Vale plant as a stronghold,

the Idaho-Oregon people got busy, and on account of the poor service furnished by the local company, the getting of a franchise was an easy matter, as indicated by the overwhelming vote.

Between Wilson and Underwood.
Atlanta, Ga., April 29.—Georgia's preference for the Democratic presidential nomination will be expressed by the voters tomorrow at a state-wide primary to be held solely for that purpose. Later in the month the state convention will meet here to ratify the choice. The contest is between Woodrow Wilson and Oscar W. Underwood, with the odds apparently favoring the New Jersey governor. Factional lines have been drawn into the contest. Wilson is generally supported by the friends of Senator Mike Smith, while Underwood is favored by the anti-Smith faction of which Joseph H. Brown and Clark Howell are the leaders.

Potato Doughnuts

(Recipe by Mrs. Helen Armstrong)
You will find these doughnuts both delicious and digestible; there's no "nightmare" or hard indigestion in them: Cream three tablespoons of Cottolene, add three-fourths cup of sugar, and three yolks of eggs well beaten with one white. Stir in one cupful of freshly mashed potato and one-fourth cup of milk. Sift two and one-half cups of flour with three teaspoons of baking powder, half a teaspoon each of salt and ground nutmeg, also a little putmeg, and add to first mixture, working in additional flour as necessary to handle lightly. Roll and cut all doughnuts before attending to the frying. Have Cottolene three inches deep in kettle and test temperature with a piece of bread.

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