

## BRIDGE CLAUSES ARE LEFT BLANK IN 3 FRANCHISES

City Desires to Make Three Cent Car Toll Amendment Operative by Legislative Enactment First.

The blanket franchise of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, the franchise of George F. Heuser and the franchise of the Hall-Dickinson company were considered yesterday afternoon informally by the council street committee in conference with City Attorney Frank S. Grant, and after the committee had ordered several amendments, the different franchises were ordered sent to the council to be made a special order of business the first thing tomorrow morning.

At the suggestion of Mayor Rushlight and City Attorney Grant, the clauses in all of the franchises referring to the rights on the Broadway bridge were left blank. The original drafts of the measures provided for truckage over the big viaduct, but Mayor Rushlight called attention to the fact that if the Broadway bridge should be tied up in any franchise for a period of 25 years the recent relief amendment providing for 3 cent tolls on all bridges might prove to be useless as far as the city is concerned.

### Bridge Clauses Blank.

It was decided, therefore, to consider the franchises without reference to the bridge and to draw up a legislative act ratifying the 3 cents per car toll on all city bridges. This act will be drafted by City Attorney Grant and submitted to the council for its approval. Mayor Rushlight will then submit the proposed act to the county court for consideration and if the court approves it the measure will be sent to the state legislature with a request that that body consider it as early as possible.

The street committee also made changes in several sections of the proposed franchise of the Southern Pacific on Fourth street. One of the changes provides that the company must accept the franchise for 25 years regardless of whether or not the United States supreme court shall decide in a long-pending suit, that the company has certain vested rights on the street.

### Plan to Avoid Remonstrances.

At the suggestion of City Attorney Grant the committee determined to ask the state legislature to pass a law giving the state railroad commission the power to lower or raise the grades at all railroad crossings in municipalities. If such an act is passed it will then be possible to compel the O. W. R. & N. and Portland Railway, Light & Power companies to construct overhead viaduct at the joint crossing of the two companies on the Sandy boulevard.

The companies, it is believed, are willing to do this, but a majority of the property owners affected have held up the improvement by threatening to remonstrate it out. The passage of the legislative act would prevent any remonstrance and make the railroad commission arbiter of all damages that might ensue to property owners by re-

## SEEK REPRIEVE OF MEN CONDEMNED TO DEATH

A statewide crusade to bring persons from every city in Oregon to Salem next Thursday morning to join in a personal appeal to Governor West to reprieve the five murderers sentenced to hang Friday until another vote on capital punishment can be taken, was started in Portland today.

The crusade is the result of the response to a proposal at Sunday's anti-capital punishment meeting that everyone present see the governor in person. Dr. Nina M. Wood, who presided, is devoting all her time to this effort to save the condemned men.

"We expect to have a big party from Portland," said Dr. Wood. "If 50 persons go, we can get a special round trip rate of \$2 and a special car. I ask that all intending to go call me at Main 9284 or A-5188, or leave word at 18 Sellings-Hilch building."

"Try to ask that everybody, in any part of Oregon, who feels as we do, that hanging is nothing less than murder, travel to Salem Thursday morning and help us in presenting our appeal for mercy."

## RIVAL MILK MEN SETTLE AFFAIR OF HONOR WITH FISTS

Two milkmen, between whom there has been much ill feeling, settled their differences in purely American style, "a la bare fists," unhampered by referees, squared rings, padded gloves or timekeepers, at 5 o'clock this morning at East Twenty-fifth and Tillamook streets.

One contestant drives for the City Dairy; one for the Sanitary Dairy. The City Dairy man declared the Sanitary driver, who covered the same territory at an earlier hour, wrote notes ordering delivery stopped, and placed these notes in the City man's bottles.

The City man obeyed these forged notes. On the same day, the Sanitary man went to the houses and said: "I understand you are having trouble about your milk; hadn't you better let the Sanitary people serve you?" And, according to the City man, the Sanitary man got the new customers.

This morning the rival milkmen met.

"You did," said the City man. "I did not," said the Sanitary man.

Bliff! Smash! and the City man took the count.

"I'll clean you yet," said the City man, nursing a bleeding nose.

And it is said that a policeman kept rigorously out of sight, for it was an affair of honor, as he explained later.

Reynen-Valmont, new man and woman novelists, at The Louvre this week, 8 to 8, 10 to 12 p. m.

Journal Want Ads bring results.

## UNITARIAN CHURCH HOLDS VESPER SERVICE

The first of the series of December vesper services at the Church of Our Father (Unitarian) was held Sunday at 4:30 o'clock. The choir rendered a number of inspiring selections, quartets and solos and several pleasing organ numbers were also given.

The minister, Rev. W. J. Elliot, gave a 10 minute sermon. He read the Christmas story and from it drew some lessons on the beauty and inspiration of the night—such a night as that on which "shepherds watched their flocks." He said in part:

"Probably none of us here think of the story I have just read as an absolute fact in detail, but sometimes the myths are truer to the depth of feeling than to outward feeling. Suppose all the wonder stories about the birth of Christ were true, even then their only worth would be what they mean to us. The meanings are true and real and it is the true and real that we want in this life."

"How many of us really appreciate the true worth and inspiration of the night, its beauty cannot always be put on canvas, because its impressiveness, its silence and its sounds are something that cannot be put on canvas. The only thing that can even hint at the wonders of the night is music, the nocturne, the lovely pastoral do in a measure convey the beauty of the night.

"Only the dark things of life can throw into relief the things of light and life. The darkness of illness is only a means of showing up the stars of your friend's sympathy. When the dark hour comes look up and if your heart is right and your vision clear you will behold that 'multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest and on earth, peace, good will toward men.'"

Two Irish men have patented a simple implement which cores and quarters an apple in the same operation.



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Large Character Dolls specially priced 89c

19-inch Kid Body Dolls special only \$1.00  
24-inch Large Jointed Dolls special \$1.49  
Mechanical Trains that run 35c to \$4.00

Teddy Bears at 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.50  
Solid Wood Blocks for 15c, 25c and 50c  
\$5.00 Doll Go-Carts on special sale \$3.98



## A Great Sale of Christmas Silks

Never were Silks prettier or lower priced than in this great Annual Sale. "No such silk values elsewhere," is the way several customers put it the past week, and that must be the general opinion, for we are doing the biggest silk business of the whole year. SURELY HERE IS CHRISTMAS SILK HEADQUARTERS.

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## Xmas Showing Dainty Neckwear



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Regular \$1.50 Neckwear special, ea. \$1.19  
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Regular \$2.00 Neckwear special, ea. \$1.48  
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Reg. \$3.50 Neckpieces special, ea. \$2.48

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All Linen Handkerchiefs with imitation Armenian lace edge, 25c kind, ea. 18c  
All Linen Handkerchiefs, edged with hand made Armenian lace, 75c kind, ea. 48c  
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