

SUIT TO COMPEL UNMERGING OF BELL LINE AND INDEPENDENTS IS FILED BY U. S. AT PORTLAND

Case Is Brought Under Sherman Anti-Trust Law and Is Government's First Attack on Alleged Trust Under This Act; Forty Defendants Include 39 Absorbed Smaller Companies.

OLDTIME COMPETITION IS DESIRED AGAIN Home Phone and Independent Phone of Puget Sound and Northwestern Long Distance of Oregon and Washington Are Included.

Suit of the government against the American Telephone & Telegraph company to unmerge its connection with the Northwestern Long Distance Telephone company and other independents with which it has affiliated within the last few years, was instituted this afternoon in the United States district court.

company and some 39 other defendants. The bill denominates the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company, the Sunset Telephone and Telegraph company, the Pacific States Telephone and Telegraph company, as Bell companies, and the ones mentioned are included among the defendants.

FESTIVAL DIRECTORS TO BE PICKED FROM A FIELD OF THIRTY

Special Committee to Select List From Which 12 Will Be Chosen.

The executive committee of the Rose Festival reorganization, delegated to a committee of five to be named today, its power to nominate 30 citizens from among whom a new Rose Festival directors of 12 will be selected by the general body.

Among the independents mentioned are: The Home Telephone company of Puget sound, operating in Tacoma and Bellingham; the Independent Telephone company, operating in Seattle; the Interstate Consolidated company, operating in Montana, Idaho and Washington.

\$40 MONTH MINIMUM FOR WOMEN WORKERS PROBABLY BE URGED

Industrial Welfare League Decides on This Figure After Conferences.

"I think I could live on \$40 a month," said Mrs. Frederick Eggert, prominent worker in the Portland Women's club, "but I do not believe that I could do so, nor that any other woman could do so and live respectably on very much less."

FEES ARE MORE THAN THEY SHOULD BE IS LAWYER'S ASSERTION

Attorney Declares That Federal Courts Better Be Abolished If Same Course Lasts.

That the fees imposed by the federal court of the district of Oregon, along with other districts of the Pacific coast are far in excess of what they should be, regardless of the cost of maintaining the courts and the court clerks' offices is the declaration of Thomas G. Crawford, a member of the bar association's committee investigating the matter of court costs.

"In view of the high cost of living at present, I think that the minimum working woman's wage of \$9.25 a week, or \$40 a month, as planned by the industrial welfare commission, is as low as it can be humanely made," said Mrs. J. H. Bristow of the Coterie.

PORTLAND FIRM HEARS OF BIG CHINESE BATTLE

"The revolution is of serious nature, Great battle is going on. Prospects favorable to the government." The above cablegram was received in Portland today by F. Krenhoff of the China Import & Export Co. from the main office of his concern in Shanghai, China.

BRYAN MAY HEAD BODY TO ARRANGE PEACE IN MEXICO

President Wilson Unalterably Opposed to Intervention and Hopes to Arrange Settlement of Wars.

CONGRESS ASKED TO BE CALM OVER SITUATION

Each of Several Plans Proposed Includes Peaceful Settlement of Affair.

Washington, July 24.—That William J. Bryan may go to Mexico as head of an American commission seeking to mediate between the factions there is the report here today. It has been learned that Chairman Flood of the house foreign affairs committee, and Chairman Bacon of the senate committee on foreign relations have discussed the advisability of such a move.

BODY OF MISSING LAD IS FOUND IN THE RIVER NEAR MADISON BRIDGE

Boy Was Drowned Presumably Near Amusement Park Sunday Afternoon.

Eight-year-old Joe Ygnazitto, who disappeared from the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ygnazitto, 468 East Harrison street, and whose disappearance was reported to the police yesterday, was drowned in the Willamette river, probably last Sunday afternoon, near the Oaks, where he was a frequent visitor.

GIRL COMPANIONS OF CLAUD SUMPTION

Carelessness of Claud Sumption, the 19-year-old son of Dr. H. L. Sumption, a dentist, coupled with his inexperience as a driver, resulted in the young man's death, the serious injury of Miss Clara Fry, of 474 Columbia street, and her cousin, Miss Pearl Williams, of Osgood, Utah, and the demolition of a five passenger automobile, in a smashup on the Powell Valley road near East Seventy-second street, shortly after midnight this morning.

BOY PAYS PENALTY WITH HIS OWN LIFE FOR RECKLESS DRIVING OF AUTOMOBILE

Two Young Women Also Badly Hurt When Youth Motoring at High Speed Turns to Talk With Them and Sends His Machine Into the Ditch.



NOT MUCH CONCERNED ABOUT MAD DOGS



"THAT'S A LIE" SHOUTS CUMMINS TO MULHALL IN LOBBY INVESTIGATION

Iowa Senator Says He Never Saw Mulhall Before; N. A. M. Will Sue Newspaper.

Mulhall insisted that every word in the letter was true, angrily shouting that he was tired of hearing denials of the truth of his letters.

WILL SUE NEWSPAPER

The first of what threatens to be a series of suits against metropolitan newspapers for caustic comment on officials of the National Association of Manufacturers, as a direct result of Martin M. Mulhall's testimony before the senate lobby committee, was promulgated today by Attorney Parker Nevin.

TODAY'S TEMPERATURE TAKES ANOTHER LEAP

Cooler weather which has been expected for the past two days has not materialized, and at 11 o'clock this morning the temperature was 7 degrees higher than it was at the same hour yesterday, although at noon the difference was only 3 degrees.

STRIKING MINERS CAPTURE SHERIFF, MILITIA SENT FOR

Rioters in Houghton County Surround Peace Officer Who Says 2000 Men Are Needed to Maintain Order.

1000 DEPUTIES CAN'T HANDLE THE SITUATION

20,000 Men Idle in Copper Mining Region and Mills and Smelters to Close.

Calumet, Mich., July 24.—More than a dozen deputies were injured, several seriously, in a clash here this afternoon with striking copper miners. A hundred shots were exchanged.

ELECTRIC WIRING IN HIGHWAYS SUBJECT OF STATE INQUIRY

Railroad Commission to Investigate Safeguards to Public From Live Wires.

The next investigation of state-wide interest to be taken up by the State Railroad Commission will be the regulation of overhead and underground wiring for telegraph, telephone, signal, trolley and power lines.

NEW GOVERNOR FOR HAWAII

Washington, July 24.—The nomination of L. E. Pinkham to be governor of Hawaii was sent to the senate today.