

MINIMUM RATE OF \$1.50 MAY BE GIVEN TO RESIDENCE PHONES

Measured Service Plan Considered by Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co.

WOULD ALLOW 30 CALLS

Additional Calls Would Be Charged For at Rate of Three Cents Each, If System Becomes Effective.

Measured telephone service at a minimum rate of \$1.50 a month will be supplied by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company in Portland provided arrangements now being made between the city council and the company work out satisfactorily. The plan was tentatively agreed to by the local representatives of the company meeting with the city commissioners yesterday afternoon.

Under the proposed plan the company will allow 30 calls a month for \$1.50 a month and three cents for each additional call. This service, if established, would be in the place of the two wire five party service, long since abolished, which the city council wishes restored or some other service at the same rates put in its place.

The company yesterday first proposed to supply service at \$1.75 a month, allowing 35 calls for that amount and three cents for each additional call. It planned with this service to have the user give the number of the telephone each time an out-going call was made thus giving the company a record of the number of times the instrument was used during the month.

Will H. Daly, commissioner of public utilities, who proposed the plan for cheaper service, was opposed to service proposed by the company, contending that in proportion to the present \$2.25 a month unlimited service, for residence telephones it was much more expensive.

After much discussion it was suggested that the company work out a scheme whereby measured service at \$1.50 a month could be supplied to all of those who wish it. The company's representatives agreed to consider the plan and report its attitude within a few days.

The present franchise of the company provides that a two wire five party service be supplied for \$1.50 a month, but owing to the complications of the system the service was abolished several years ago. Commissioner Daly believes that the company should be required to give the same service at other service equally as cheap to those who wish it.

Father and Son Die in Morning

Assessor of Columbia County, Wash., Succumbs to Tuberculosis But Few Hours Before Death Takes His Boy.

Dayton, Wash., July 8.—There were two deaths this morning at the home of Claude Beckett, assessor of Columbia county. At 2:30 Mr. Beckett, who for several months has been suffering from tuberculosis, died and at 9:30 his eldest son, Russell, 12 years old, died after three weeks' illness from tuberculosis meningitis.

Mr. Beckett's resignation as county assessor was yesterday received by the county commissioners, who immediately appointed Mrs. Beckett as his successor.

During the Spanish-American war Mr. Beckett saw service in the Philippines, being a member of Company F. He was 40 years old and was a member of the Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias lodges. Besides his widow two young children survive him.

Brief Northwest News

After S. R. Duggan of South Bend, Wash., had put out a fire at his Nahcotta home, a smoldering ember was fanned into a blaze and the resulting fire destroyed the place. There are 45 summer pupils enrolled at the State Normal school at Monmouth.

Hood River council is considering a plan to tax all alien dogs that wander into the city.

In an effort to protect the salmon in the Umpqua river, systematic warfare is being waged against the seal herds that haul out that stream.

When an automobile caught fire near Eugene the occupants sacrificed half a dozen bottles of beer to quench the flames.

John Bodgen, noted California jail breaker, in jail at Eugene, chewed a key from a tin bucket and had unlocked his leg irons when detected.

James S. Johns of Pendleton has offered to pay the entire delinquent tax list of Baker county, amounting to \$70,000.

During an electrical storm at La Grande lightning sounded the fire alarm and called out the volunteer department.

The eight year old daughter of James T. Henderson, Robin, Idaho, was beaten to death with some blunt instrument, and Alfred Henderson, not a relative, is held for the murder.

Oregon Unions Protest.

(Washington Bureau of the Journal.)

Washington, July 8.—Many letters from Oregon unions have been received by Senators Chamberlain and Lane urging the exemption of labor from the provisions of the anti-trust law.

NOTED DRIVERS IN AUTO RACES THIS WEEK



Fresh from their achievements at Tacoma, Ray Harroun and S. F. Brock, the sensational Portland driver, arrived in Portland yesterday afternoon with E. A. Morse and his string of famous automobile drivers to participate in the two day meet to be held at the Rose City speedway Saturday and Sunday.

Ray Harroun is the designer of the three Maxwell racing cars that have created such wide spread enthusiasm among automobile lovers throughout the country on account of their unique design and the fact that they are the first American built cars to enter races since the famous Ford Model T. These three cars are now in Portland and will be driven in the races by "Terrible Teddy" Tetzlaff, the idol of the northwest motor fans, and Ray Harroun, who won the Potlatch 200 mile event at Tacoma which has been pronounced by experts as the closest automobile race ever held in the United States, if not in the world. The first three cars were not four seconds apart at the finish of the 200 mile grind. In winning this race, Hughes established a new record for the northwest speedway of 74.63 miles per hour.

In addition to being a designer of great note Ray Harroun has also won his spurs as a driver. He won the first Indianapolis 500 mile race in 1911 in a Marmon car, establishing a record at that time of 44.8 miles per hour for 500 miles. The duplicate of the car he drove at Indianapolis will be driven by DeAlene. Harroun has also perfected a carburetor for kerosene that is expected to make him a fortune within the next few years.

Brock is the Portland boy who made such a wonderful showing at the Tacoma races last week. He is one of the best motor pilots of the world. There is no doubt that Brock would have given Cooper, in his Stutz, the race of his life in the Montemarathon if the frame of his car had not broken. He was leading the White Streak, driven by Cooper, by 15 seconds when his car went out of commission and he had to withdraw from the race. The car is now being repaired for the Portland races, and with a little luck Brock will give the Portland fans an exhibition that will make the better known eastern drivers remember they have had a race with the Romano Special, of Seattle, also arrived in Portland yesterday. Barnes will be remembered in Portland as the boy who took all honors at the last meet, and

GET HIS NUMBER, SLOGAN

"Get his number." This is the new order that has gone out to the engineers on all the Oregon lines of the Southern Pacific in connection with the company's safety movement. Whenever an automobilist whizzes over a grade crossing, the engineer leans out of his cab and gets a glimpse of the license plate.

Then he reports to his superintendent that automobile No. so-and-so narrowly escaped accident at such-and-such a crossing. The superintendent looks in his book, finds that automobile No. so-and-so is owned by Mr. Whatshisname, and dictates a pleasant letter.

The letter runs something like this: "Dear Sir: On July 4 your automobile narrowly escaped collision with train No. 23 at the grade crossing near Spaulville. Our engineer reports that you did not look to see whether the track was clear before you started to cross. We congratulate you upon your escape from serious accident, but would call your attention to the following facts—"

Then the letter recites paragraphs from the rules of safety, tells of the necessity for grade crossings and urges cooperation between automobile owner and railroad to cut down the number of avoidable accidents.

Good Effect Noted. "You would be surprised to see what effect these letters have had within the last few weeks, since we have put the system in force," said a Southern Pacific official yesterday. "But it has done another thing, too, and that is to check up our engineers. One automobile owner to whom we sent such letter replied very courteously, admitted he had been at fault in not looking to see if the track was clear, but suggested that if the engineer had blown his whistle or sounded his bell he would have been apprised of the train's approach and been put on his guard, regardless of his own relaxation in not having looked voluntarily."

"It's a check on our engineers and a check on the reckless driver." At several points in the state, where grade crossings cross tracks which divide the town approximately in half, and it is necessary to cross in getting back and forth to business, the company has conducted informal traffic surveys. Counters were stationed at the principal crossings in Grants Pass, where the 918 horse drawn vehicles, only 151 halted long enough for the driver to glimpse the track.

The Southern Pacific has estimated that in places in Portland its tracks and public roads cross at least 10,000 times a day. Over these some 30,000 trains pass annually. The possibility of accident at these crossings, based on the constantly increasing number of automobiles, officials say, is multiplying in an enormously increasing ratio. That is why the safety movement is being broadened to cover every point at which railroad and public have physical connection. Automobile clubs have been enlisted in the movement and cooperation with street railway companies who conduct similar safety campaigns is expected to have a noticeable effect in smaller number of accidents.

Press Nipped Fingers.

Salem, Ore., July 8.—H. Koke of Yoran's printing house, Eugene, has reported to the industrial accident commission an accident to the press feeder, who had two fingers crushed in a press on July 1, the day the workmen's compensation law went into effect.

MOVING PICTURES TO CHANGE TEACHING, IS AGREED AT ST. PAUL

Rockefeller and Sage Foundations Promise to Be the Subjects of Attack.

JORDAN TO HEAD N. E. A.

Dr. David Johnson, of South Carolina, Withdraws in Favor of California to Avert a Bitter Struggle.

(United Press Special Wire.) St. Paul, Minn., July 8.—Professor David Starr Jordan's election as president of the National Educational association, in session here, was a certainty today, though the actual ballot will not be taken until Thursday.

It was also stated positively that there would be no opposition to Oakland, Cal., for next year's meeting. It had been decided to hold the 1915 convention in August, but the exact date remained to be determined.

Professor Jordan's election to the presidency seemed unlikely as late as yesterday. He had said he would be a candidate if there was opposition to him, and inasmuch as supporters of Dr. David B. Johnson, of Rockhill, S. C., were making an extremely active campaign, this announcement by the Stanford university professor was generally taken as equivalent to a withdrawal.

Late yesterday, however, following a conference of his backers, Dr. Johnson unexpectedly gave out word that he was out of the race, leaving Professor Jordan alone in the field. His election will be unanimous.

The outcome was considered a very fortunate one to what had threatened to develop into a somewhat acrimonious controversy between followers of the two candidates.

Principal R. L. Short, of the Cleveland West high school, lectured today on technical education. Physical Director Anne Skeele, of the Massachusetts Normal school, another of the day's speakers, urged a closer study of hygiene and physical training in the school. "Movies" were also discussed at a special meeting devoted to that subject, the speakers agreeing that moving pictures were destined to revolutionize educational methods.

A resolution was pending today which, if adopted, will commit the association to an expression of disapproval of the Sage and Carnegie foundations, of the various Rockefeller boards and of similar organizations as tending to injure small schools. The resolutions committee agreed to present the convention with a resolution endorsing suffrage.

After a spirited debate, the chairman of the resolutions committee was instructed to draft a resolution approving the teaching of sex hygiene on a limited scale.

United States Commissioner of Education Clayton opposed the proposal demanding a minimum wage for teachers. The question was fiercely debated but no action was taken.

Fish Trust Charge Being Investigated

According to Documentary Evidence Company Has Been Boycotted in Effort to Exclude Competition.

Seattle, Wash., July 8.—Wells Fargo & Co. has been boycotted by eastern fish interests doing business in the northwest to aid the formation of a fish combination in restraint of competition, according to government documentary evidence just made public. The evidence was released by United States Attorney Clay Allen for use before the Interstate Commerce commission in the fight brought by independent fish companies against a new express schedule alleged to be designed to crush them. This evidence consists mostly of confidential letters of the heads of big business houses.

The letters and telegrams from the personal files of D. L. Carey, general agent of Wells, Fargo & Co., appear to show that the Booth fisheries interests, the principal alleged violators of the Sherman anti-trust law, boycotted the Wells Fargo company for more than a year, until the express company agreed to do certain things calculated to crush the small independent fish companies of Puget sound.

These files are the main evidence against the Booth fisheries in trust prosecutions, United States officials say, should the grand jury return an indictment. They are the basis of the entire fish investigation.

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Sacramento in for Vice Investigation

Sacramento, Cal., July 8.—E. Guy Talbott, who recently denounced vice conditions here from the pulpit of a local church, asserting that "there was presumptive evidence that women are paying for protection" in the tenderloin, was today summoned to appear as a witness before the grand jury when it meets tomorrow. Vice conditions are to be probed thoroughly, it is declared.

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Martin Johnson Is Released on Bail

Pleads Not Guilty to Charge of Assault With a Dangerous Weapon on Which Charge He Was Indicted.

Salem, Or., July 8.—Martin Johnson, who was indicted on the charge of assault with a dangerous weapon, alleged to have been committed against "Fighting Bill" Smith on the Johnson ranch near Astoria, February 25, pleaded not guilty to the charge yesterday afternoon and was released on \$1000 bail. The trouble between Johnson and Smith arose over some pigs and when Smith visited the Johnson ranch to help himself to some pigs he contended had been taken from the door and shot him with a rifle. Smith was in a hospital for some time. William Adams, who pleaded guilty to an assault on his young step-daughter, was sentenced by Judge Kelly to one to 10 years in the state penitentiary.

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