

BUYERS APPEAR FOR PROPERTY 'BACK' ON BOND PAYMENTS

C. E. Emmons Warns Applicants That Sale Is Illegal, but Some Buy.

ORDINANCE NOT IN FORCE

Consent That Sales Must Be Held in Courthouse Not Sustained by City Treasurer, Who Continues.

Although pieces of property in various parts of the city on which bonded street and sewer assessment installments are delinquent were offered for sale this morning very few purchasers were made.

The city purchased the property owned by E. S. Muckley in block R, Upper Drive on Portland heights, on which delinquency is \$120.

AIMED AT JITNEY DRIVERS

Enforcement of Eight-Hour Service Rule Is Sought.

A campaign is to be started by Commissioner Daly to require jitney drivers and owners to obey the ordinance requiring them to give eight hours' service during the day.

LAND WILL BE INSPECTED

Action in Playground Case Temporarily Delayed.

Commissioner Baker's proposal to establish a playground in the Vernon district was submitted to the city council, but it will not be taken into action until the land proposed for playground purposes is seen by the commissioners.

EMPLOYEES RESIST DISMISSAL

Men Let Out on Account of Sewer Trouble Appeal.

Employees discharged yesterday by Commissioner Dick as the result of the recent Montavilla sewer investigation proposed to fight their positions.

BACKING UP CLEANUP WEEK

City Takes Hold of Unightly Tract When Owners Fail.

With the owners of property on the southwest corner of Lowndale and Washington streets apparently taking no steps toward cleaning up their property, the assistant fire, marshal and cleanup workers are to expedite matters by getting busy on the property tomorrow.

NEW PLAYGROUND PLANNED

Rubbish Heaps to Be Removed From Marquam Gulch.

A playground for children is now proposed to be established in Marquam gulch, just east of the entrance to Terwilliger boulevard.

Rate Question Postponed.

Action toward fixing the rate of the Portland & Oregon City Electric Railway companies should pay for common user privileges over the tracks of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Co. and the Southern Pacific was again postponed by the council today.

"Play Streets" Are Suggested.

A number of Portland residents are petitioning the city council to close up every fourth street in the residential district from 2 o'clock in the afternoon until 8 o'clock in the evening during the summer months, that they may be

Astoria Work Held Up by Injunction

County Judge Cornelius Grants Petition Against City in Connection With Viaducting of Commercial Street.

Astoria, Or., May 11.—An injunction applied for against the city in connection with the viaducting of Commercial street was duly granted yesterday afternoon by County Judge Cornelius, in the absence of Judge Eakin, who is conducting circuit court at St. Helens.

The plaintiffs in the case are Stewart Lewis, C. Brown, Wilkinson Real Estate company, Inc., R. Carruthers, J. N. Griffin, Poard & Stokes, M. A. Copeland, F. A. Fisher, Oregon-Washington Railway & Navigation Co., a corporation, and the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway Co., a corporation, and the defendant is the city of Astoria.

The plaintiffs allege that the defendant, city of Astoria, has no power or authority to make said improvements, and that the proceedings of the common council in regard thereto are null and void.

NOTHING THE MATTER WITH PORTLAND IS THE UNANIMOUS VERDICT

General Opinion Expressed at Ad Club Luncheon Held Yesterday at Chamber.

"Nothing the matter with Portland" was the slogan expressed by posters on the walls of the Ad club's luncheon room in the Chamber of Commerce yesterday.

"Nothing the matter with Portland" was the unanimous conclusion of manufacturers and retailers, whom the club had invited as its guests and speakers.

"Nothing the matter with Portland," asserted John C. English, chairman of the day and head of the Retail Merchants' bureau of the Chamber of Commerce, as he referred to Rose City opportunities for industry.

Mr. English spoke, also of the Journal's routine of the "With Portland" as one of the most monumentally constructive pieces of public service ever rendered in Portland.

The list of speakers included C. B. Rine of the Deimos Food company, Walter Lewis of the Tru-Blu Biscuit company, John Lund of the Northwest Lead Manufacturing company, the Ad club's executive, the Hinch-Wieg Manufacturing company, Henry Feldman of the Mt. Hood Soap company, J. L. Bowman of the Brownsville Woolen Mills company, R. B. Bain of Closset & Devere, E. Dye of the Oregon Chair company, Dom Zan of the Zan Broom company, and others.

The conclusion of the session was that another meeting within three weeks must be devoted to the proposition, "How the Ad club can help Portland industry most practically?"

Candidate Is Introduced. Charles F. Berg introduced Tom Phelps, head of a group from Washington high school, and he, in turn, introduced Miss Lucille Johnson, the Ad club's secretary, as high school candidate for queen of the Rose Festival.

In response to Mr. Berg's appeal and the prompt work of a committee of 12 Ad clubbers, enough money for 25,000 votes was secured from those present. The committee as announced by S. C. Bratton, acting president, consists of L. R. Bailey, chairman; Sol Blumatter, E. Carson, R. H. Atkinson, R. D. Stone, R. M. Emerson, M. Moerssohn, George Bower, A. N. Stanton, Sidney Mills, George Vinton and Ray Barkhurst. H. J. Blaessing was chairman of the day.

Two Men Shot Down At Meeting of Union

Union Members Silent as to Facts, but Injured Men Led Fight Against Officers of Organization.

Chicago, May 11.—(I. N. S.)—Two sheet metal workers, who have been heading a vigorous fight to wrest the high offices of their local from the present holders, were shot down, and one was perhaps fatally wounded last night at the close of an exceptionally quiet business meeting. The wounded men are: Burt Connors, 41 years old, married, shot in the side; wound believed to be serious; Joseph P. Cooney, 44 years old, shot through the stomach; probably will die.

The police believe that Cooney and Connors' activity in lining up a fight on the present officers at the coming June election was the motive for the shooting. The men belong to the Amalgamated Sheet Metal Workers' International Alliance, local No. 73.

A dead wall was encountered by the police in their efforts to get information concerning the shooting. Nearly 80 men were in the hall when the guns were going, but the hand of silence covered every man's mouth when the police started an inquiry.

Connors and Cooney also refused to make any statement concerning the shooting.

Deposed Pastor Will Face Fraud Charge

Episcopal Minister of Philadelphia Is Charged With Sending Threatening Letters Through Mails.

Philadelphia, May 11.—(I. N. S.)—Charged with sending "threatening letters through the mails with intent to defraud," Rev. George Chalmers Richmond, recently deposed from his pastorate of St. John's Episcopal church, was arrested today and held in \$500 bail for further hearing.

Howard Nurmer testified as the recipient of one "unmailable" letter.

Secretary to Leave Berlin. Berlin, May 11.—(I. N. S.)—Official announcement was made here today that J. C. Grew, secretary of the American embassy, will leave for New York shortly to attend to private business. Grew's father, recently died.

used as "play places" for the children. The latest petition was filed with the council today by 39 residents of St. John's.

MAURICE B. SMITH, VETERAN OF THEATRE TICKET TAKERS, DIES

Man Who Always Smiled Pleasantly Came Here in Early Days.



Maurice Barrymore Smith.

The little old fat man who always smiled genially when he took your tickets at local theatres for so many years is dead—Maurice Barrymore Smith, prince of ticket-takers and dean of Portland stage employes, died this morning at a private sanitarium of Bright's disease.

Hundreds of Portlanders knew Maurice Barrymore Smith as ticket-taker and treasurer of Cordray's old Third street theatre and later of Cordray's Washington street theatre.

Hundreds of others knew him as the stage doorkeeper of the Sullivan & Considine houses in this city and of the Orpheum. He was at his post at the local Orpheum up to the closing of the season early this month.

Known Along Entire Coast. Maurice Barrymore Smith was the best known stage doorkeeper on the Pacific coast and numbered the country's greatest actors as his friends.

His name was Maurice B. Smith, the initial being expanded into Barrymore after the celebrated actor of that name early in his Portland career.

And so Maurice Barrymore Smith stuck with him to his death.

He was always in good spirits, always had a smile and a good word, and ever had a fund of reminiscences and stories.

Maurice Barrymore Smith first came to Portland in 1892. He met John F. Cordray, now proprietor of The Oaks, on the street and asked for a position. "I am a Mason," he told Cordray.

"From what lodge?" asked Cordray. "From Denver No. 5," he replied.

It so happened that Cordray was a member of the same lodge.

"I am a Royal Arch Mason," continued Maurice Barrymore Smith.

"From what lodge?" again asked Cordray.

"Denver No. 2," replied Maurice Barrymore Smith.

Engaged On Short Notice. Cordray was a member of this lodge, too, and he engaged the applicant on the spot.

Maurice Barrymore Smith was first ticket-taker at Cordray's Third street theatre. Then he was made treasurer, continuing in this capacity when the Cordray theatre moved up on Washington street.

When Mr. Cordray sold out to Sullivan & Considine provision was made in the agreement that Maurice Barrymore Smith should have a position with them.

He was made stage door tender for the Orpheum in the old Marquam theatre building and followed the Orpheum in its many moves.

He was gregarious and always good natured but he never permitted anyone to cross the stage door without proper authority.

On one occasion he stopped Martin Beck, head of the Orpheum circuit.

All Looked Alike to Smith. "But I am Mr. Beck," protested the magnate.

"I can't be helped," responded Maurice Barrymore Smith. "I don't know you and you can't go on the stage without a permit." And he didn't.

Maurice Barrymore Smith was a member of the Theatrical Mechanics' association and of the Masons. He was an authority on Masonic law.

He leaves no relatives, so far as is known, and was about 72 years old. No funeral arrangements have been made as yet.

Maurice Barrymore Smith was a unique figure in the amusement life of Portland.

"FORTY-FORTY AND FIGHT IS O. & C. SLOGAN

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roads, diverting 40 per cent to the reclamation fund. Of that two-fifths Oregon, in the nature of things, would receive only a small proportionate share.

Feeling, however, that 10 per cent is enough to reimburse the government for its administration expense, the senate sub-committee decided that another 10 per cent could fittingly be placed in the reclamation fund, leaving the forty-forty plan for Oregon's schools and roads undisturbed.

Chairman Ferris Not Favorable. Can this forty-forty division be held in the senate and in the bill that is finally to become law? That question is not easy to answer. The house is the hardest nut to crack, in view of the attitude of its committee on public lands. Repeated effort there to secure better treatment for Oregon has been turned down, and Chairman Ferris, who will head the house conferees, gives no encouragement to the thought that there may be a change of attitude.

Aside from the section apportioning the proceeds from timber sales, Senator Chamberlain secured one other highly important amendment to the bill as reported to the house. This is the provision making the timber taxable as soon as it is sold. Under the present law the timber would not become taxable when sold on the 10-year credit plan until patent was issued, which might not be until 10 years after sale.

Oregon's tax loss will be reduced to comparatively small proportions if the plan proposed by the Chamberlain sub-committee is adopted. The secretary of the interior is directed to sell the timber as soon as market conditions allow, and the timber sold would go on the tax roll at once.

Senator Chamberlain believes tactical advantage will be gained by making as few amendments as possible in the bill as it comes from the house, since that bill makes no radical change in principle from his original measure, but has undergone close scrutiny as to detail by the house committee and has been approved by the federal departments concerned.

Railroad Revenues Increase. Washington, May 11.—The upward sweep of railroad revenues is again

SEARCH BEING MADE FOR S. E. EMERSON; REPORTED MISSING

Mind of Corvallis Man Believed to Have Been Affected as Result of Injury.



S. E. Emerson.

A statewide search is being made for S. E. Emerson of Corvallis, who has been missing since May 2.

He was last seen near the North Albany bridge after getting off an Albany-Corvallis car.

His mind affected by injuries received in a railway wreck several years ago, he is believed to have wandered away. He had no money when he left home.

Emerson is described as being 58 years of age with gray hair, sandy mustache and weighing 140 pounds. He wore a gray suit with a blue work shirt and a soft hat. He is pale and sickly and walks with slow step and stooped position. His left lower eyelash is cut, letting the upper lash droop. His mind is weak and affected. There are gold crowns and fillings in his lower teeth.

The accompanying picture was taken 25 years ago. Emerson has a wife and daughter in Corvallis and a daughter in Portland.

Information as to his whereabouts is requested by J. D. Wells, chief of police of Corvallis.

shown in the report just issued by the Interstate Commerce commission showing returns for the month of March and for nine months ending with March.

In March the net revenues of large western roads were \$37,775,000, compared with \$27,745,000 for the corresponding month in 1915, while for nine months back the net revenues on these lines amounted to \$351,504,000, against \$285,407,000 for the corresponding nine months of the previous year. For the United States, for the nine-month period, the revenues jumped from \$608,000,000 to \$885,000,000.

FRAUDULENT LAND OPERATORS PENALIZED BY BILL BEFORE HOUSE

Washington, May 11.—Fraudulent land operators in general will take notice of a bill introduced in the house by Chairman Ferris of the house public lands committee, fixing a stiff penalty for misrepresentations made to settlers or intending purchasers.

Had such a law been in operation

a few years ago the activities of many locators who have opened in Oregon and California land grant "claims" would doubtless have been curtailed. The bill was prepared by the interior department and introduced by request of Secretary Lane, who says he believes a statute of this sort is needed to deal with unscrupulous persons who have shown little regard for truth or for moral obligations in dealing with prospective settlers. After the enacting clause the bill reads:

"That any person who, for a reward paid or promised to him in that behalf, shall undertake to locate for an intending purchaser, settler, or entryman any public lands of the United States subject to disposition under the public land laws, or who shall willfully and falsely represent to such intending purchaser, settler, or entryman that any tract of land shown to him is public land of the United States subject to sale, settlement, or entry, or that it is of a particular surveyed description, with intent to deceive the person to whom such representation is made, or who, in reckless disregard of the truth, shall falsely represent to any such person that any tract of land shown to him is public land of the United States subject to sale, settlement, or entry, or that it is of a particular surveyed description, thereby deceiving the person to whom such representation is made, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished by a fine of not exceeding \$300 or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment."

INSIDE PASSAGE TO UNITE COLUMBIA RIVER WITH PUGET SOUND

Washington May 11.—Disregarding the scrupulous care of the house of representatives in refusing to include new projects in the river and harbor bill, except in the case of the New York channel deepening urged by the president as a preparedness measure, the senate committee on commerce has added to the measure several new plans.

Most of the new projects carry small appropriations. Of the larger ones, two of the more important are on the Pacific coast. One is a project for the benefit of Los Angeles harbor, the other for the improvement of Willapa river and harbor in Washington.

Numerous new surveys of prospective projects were also directed, the one most important to the west coast being an instruction to the army engineers to make a preliminary survey for an interoceanic waterway between the Columbia river and Puget sound. The object is to provide an inside passage for vessels by connecting Gray's Harbor and the Willapa harbor by canal, extending the canal system north and south to the sound and to the Columbia channel.

No specific appropriations are made for surveys, this expense being carried in a general item. The house bill provided \$250,000 for surveys, for which no special appropriation is made. The senate committee, having in mind the extra work in this line that it creates, increased this amount to \$350,000.

The Willapa river and harbor item as approved by the senate committee appropriates \$100,000 for improvement, and further authorizes the secretary of war to enter into contracts for the completion of the project at a cost of not more than \$24,950 additional.

The senate bill carries \$42,934,685 in appropriations and authorizations, with \$40,889,735 in direct appropriations.

Manufactures of Spokane.

Washington, May 11.—Census figures of manufactures for the city of Spokane, Wash., for 1914, just issued, show 275 establishments, with 4161 employees, a payroll of \$3,618,000, capital investment of \$18,932,000, and product worth \$16,637,000. Comparison is made with 1909, showing a decrease of practically 20 per cent in the number of employees, of nearly 17 per cent in payroll, and of over 10 per cent in value of products, but an increase in capital of 16 1/2 per cent.

To lessen the smoke nuisance an inventor proposes drawing locomotive smoke beneath the engine and moistening it so that the soot and cinders drop to the ground.

RED CROWN GASOLINE. The Guide to Pure Gasoline. Wherever you see this sign, in front of garages or at our SERVICE STATIONS, you know you can get Red Crown, the straight refinery gasoline—not a mixture. Use ZEROLINE, the Standard Oil for Motor Cars. STANDARD OIL COMPANY (CALIFORNIA)

- Try for a - Fifty-Dollar Prize! Can you write a short, snappy slogan? Can you express ideas in a few words? If you can—if you can forcefully and tactfully express the object of the Greater Portland Association you may win the \$50 prize offered for the best slogan submitted!

The Greater Portland Association is an organization of business men, professional men and property owners who are interested in the upbuilding and development of the individual stores. By purchasing your clothing at a clothing store—your hardware at a hardware store, your millinery at a milliner's, and soon, in confining your purchases to the merchants specializing on respective lines you are aiding in the city's development. Look for this seal when shopping, and ask any clerk or merchant where you see the above seal for information about the slogan contest. Send as many slogans as you desire. Contest closes June 1st. Greater Portland Association. Reed Adv. Co., Asst. Sec. 502 Selling Building.

Three Days Only Majestic Theatre THEATRE Dorothy Bernard and Stuart Holmes in A Real Sensation 3 Days Only, Beginning Today SINS OF MEN A Drastic Arraignment of the Evil Men Do ALSO Majestic Novelty Trio Pathe News Knockout Comedy Charlie Chaplin In the Best of All His Comedies The Floorwalker