

TALK TO BE LESS CHEAP TO LARGER TOWNS OF STATE

New Long-Distance Rates Filed With Commission to Become Effective First of Year.

VALLEY TOWNS WINNERS

Tolls Out of Salem, Springfield and Some Other Valley Towns, Reduced in General.

Salem, Or., Dec. 22.—Comparison of the new long distance rates filed with the public service commission by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company, to become effective the first of the year with the rates now in effect show an increase in rates between Portland and most of the larger cities and towns of the state, while the decreases are chiefly between less populous communities.

The new rates are supposed to be based on airline distance; that is, the rates are said to be fixed according to the distance between places as the crow flies.

The new rates will materially affect business from Portland to outside points, as a substantial increase is made in many instances where the business is the greatest. Here are a few illustrations:

- How It Will Work**
- From Portland to Albany, present rate 25 cents initial time, 10 cents each additional minute; new rate, 40 cents and 50 cents.
 - From Portland to Ashland, present rate, \$1 and 50 cents; new rate, \$1.50 and 60 cents.
 - From Portland to Astoria, present rate 75 and 25 cents; new rate, \$1.15 and 55 cents.
 - From Portland to Brownsville, present rate, 40 and 15 cents; new rate, 45 and 20 cents.
 - From Portland to Corvallis, present rate, 50 and 10 cents; new rate, 45 and 20 cents.
 - From Portland to Cottage Grove, present rate 50 and 20 cents; proposed rate, 65 and 30 cents.
 - From Portland to Elgin, present rate, \$1 and 50 cents; new rate, \$1.20 and 60 cents.

- Portland to Forest Grove, present rate, 15 cents and 5 cents; new rate, 20 cents and 10 cents.
- Portland to Grants Pass, present rate, \$1 and 50 cents; new rate, \$1.15 and 55 cents.
- Portland to Gresham, present rate, 10 cents and 5 cents; new rate, 15 cents and 5 cents.
- Portland to Heppner, present rate, 50 cents and 20 cents; new rate, 55 cents and 25 cents.
- Portland to Hermiston, present rate, 75 cents and 25 cents; new rate, 80 cents and 30 cents.
- Portland to Hood River, present rate, 25 cents and 10 cents; new rate, 30 cents and 15 cents.
- Portland to La Grande, present rate, \$1 and 50 cents; new rate, \$1.20 and 60 cents.
- Portland to Medford, present rate, \$1 and 50 cents; new rate, \$1.20 and 60 cents.

- Portland to Milwaukie, present rate, 75 cents and 25 cents; new rate, \$1.15 and 55 cents.
- Portland to Oregon City, present rate for two number service, 10 cents and 5 cents; new rate, 15 cents and 5 cents; for particular person service, present rate, 10 cents and 5 cents; new rate, 20 cents and 10 cents.
- Portland to Pendleton, present rate, 75 cents and 25 cents; new rate, \$1.05 and 50 cents.
- Portland to Salem, present rate for two number service, 25 cents and 10 cents; new rate, 30 cents and 15 cents; present rate for particular person service, 25 cents and 10 cents; new rate, 45 cents and 15 cents.

The above list, while not covering nearly all the increases in rates from Portland to other points, shows that the bulk of the business out of Portland will be affected by an increase.

The rates from Salem to surrounding points show many more decreases than increases. This is also true of Springfield and some of the other Willamette valley towns.

K. of P. Lodge on Visit
Hood River, Or., Dec. 22.—Twenty-five members of the Hood River K. of P. lodge met with the lodge at the Cascade Lodge Thursday evening and assisted in initiating several candidates into the mysteries of the order.

GOES TO TRAIN FOR AVIATION SERVICE



Walter Lofquist, former Journal carrier.

Walter Lofquist, a Jefferson high school graduate, and former Journal carrier, who enlisted recently in the quartermaster's department of the navy aviation corps, received his assignment, and left on Friday for the training school at San Diego.

Mr. Lofquist is married, and lived at 415 Chestnut.

FLOWERS THAT BLOOM IN THE SPRING, TRAIL ARE ON JOB NOW

Daisies in Blossom at La Grande; Roses and Honey-suckle at Hood River.

La Grande, Or., Dec. 22.—The unusually open winter weather in this section up to date has hit the H. C. of L. A. hard jolt in the matter of hay. Reports from various sections of Union county indicate a general decline in the price of this feedstuff. Hay in the vicinity of North Powder, which was selling at \$30 a ton a few weeks ago, is now being sold at \$15, and a similar decline is reported from other sections. The rains of the past week have also served to ease off the feed situation, as they insure a good start for the spring crops.

Although this is December, which, by all precedents, should be mid-winter, the weather which has been dished out here so far this month has been more like that of early spring.

Daisies are in bloom. Other flowers are blooming on the hills, the willow buds are swelling, lawns are greening up, and crocuses report the appearance of the snowflake—without which no spring is truly spring.

Red Cross Auction Is Grand Success

Fig. After Being Paraded Down Streets at Vancouver, Is Sold for \$28; Number of Articles Offered.

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 22.—Though the entire proceeds from today's Red Cross auction have not been figured it is certain that more than \$300 will be realized. A great variety of articles was on hand and bidding was brisk. The pig donated by Mrs. G. W. Louder of Fourth Plain brought \$50, and was bought by Fullenweider & Son. Offered for sale the pig, which was decorated with red, white and blue ribbons, was paraded through the streets.

Articles sold included turkeys, chickens, chickens, puppies, a shepherd dog, vegetables, fruits, pianos, an old army musket and other things too numerous to mention. Colonel W. S. Wood and E. H. Wright auctioned the goods and kept the crowd in a good humor. The sale is considered to have been a great success.

Macomber-Cook Wedding

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 22.—Thomas P. Macomber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Macomber, and a private in H company, Fourteenth U. S. Infantry, and Miss Ruth Cook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Cook, 108 West Twenty-ninth street, were married Friday at 3 p. m. at the home of the bride's parents. Decorations were in red, white and blue. The ceremony was officiated by Rev. R. L. Dunn, minister of the First Christian church. Mrs. Mervin Norton played the wedding march. The bride couple entered the room preceded by little Miss Velma Eaton, carrying the wedding ring in a large white carnation. Miss Marcelle Raymond of Yaocit acted as first bridesmaid, and Miss Florence Bradford and Miss Hattie Norton as attendants. Clarence Cook was best man.

Mr. and Mrs. Macomber left on the evening train for Spokane. Where they will visit the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Macomber.

Will Observe Old Custom

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 22.—Following an ancient custom originating in countries beyond the sea, members of the St. Paul Lutheran church will hold their Christmas morning services at the church at 11 o'clock. The program includes cornetists in the steeple playing, "Come, All Ye Faithful," and "Joy to the World the Lord Is Come." This custom has been observed here each Christmas morning for the last 15 years. The cornetists this year are E. V. Coates, Oscar Johnson, E. R. Gilney, C. J. Leuehner, M. S. Thompson and W. E. Little. Sunday school Christmas services will be held Sunday evening in the church at Thirteenth and Franklin streets.

Will Raise Flag at Yard

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 22.—Sunday at 12:30, an 8x10 flag will be raised to the top of the 100 foot flag pole at the east end of the U. S. State corporation's shipyard. A program has been arranged for the occasion, the principal feature of which will be band music by the newly organized band bearing the name of the firm. Sam Custrum, a retired army musician, is leader of the band, which is composed of about 20 pieces.

R. A. M. at The Dalles Have New Officers

The Dalles, Or., Dec. 22.—The Dalles chapter No. 6, Royal Arch Masons, elected and installed the following officers last night: W. A. Johnston, high priest; J. E. Anderson, king; Thomas L. Dunsmore, scribe; George G. Biskley, treasurer; A. E. Demple, G. Blaney, R. E. Cress, captain of host; A. R. Hammond, principle squire; Jennings I. Woodard, Royal Arch captain; Donald D. Lewis, master of the third veil; Steven Norton, master of the second veil; R. W. Scott, master of the first veil, and F. C. Clausen, guard.

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Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Dec. 22.—Norval Carnie, of Chicago, Ill., a member of the graduating class of June, 1917, has been appointed to the vacancy in the quota of 38 O. A. C. men selected as members of the third officer training camp, caused by the resignation of Eric Englund, of Portland.

Carnie, during his college days, took a prominent part in student activities, and was the editor of the Oregon Countryman. He is to report for duty at Camp Lewis, January 5.

Three Sons of Morton Family in Service

Morton, Wash., Dec. 22.—Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Crumb, of Morton, have three sons serving in the army. Joe Crumb is at Washington, D. C., a member of Company D, Fourth battalion, 20th engineers; Tom is at Walla, Idaho, a member of the Third company, coast artillery; and Fred is at Ft. Ord, California, a member of Company D, 10th engineers.

PORTLAND BOY IS AT SEATTLE CAMP



Donald Fairbanks.

Donald Fairbanks, formerly employed by the Blake McCall company, was recently sent to Seattle from the local navy recruiting station to the officers' radio training camp. He enlisted in November, was sent immediately to the camp, and after being there for six weeks will be sent to New York to complete his course.

Fairbanks is a graduate of Washington high, and completed a commercial course at the Y. M. C. A. He is the son of Mrs. Thora Fairbanks of 226 East Ninth street, and has lived in Portland many years.

HOOD RIVER PASTOR IS BOUND OVER ON A COMPLAINT OF ARSON

Rev. J. L. Allen, Witnesses Testify, Had Insurance Policy for Property Not in Room.

Hood River, Or., Dec. 22.—The prominence of Rev. J. L. Allen, pastor of the First Baptist church of this city, drew a large crowd at the court house Friday afternoon to listen to the testimony of a number of witnesses who testified in behalf of the state, prosecuting Rev. Mr. Allen on a charge of arson by the burning of a dwelling at Cascade Locks on Thanksgiving night. The house was occupied by L. C. Day and wife, together with the aged mothers of both Mr. and Mrs. Day.

Mr. Day testified that the fire originated in the apartments occupied by Rev. Mr. Allen and at the outbreak of the fire it made a report, and that the odor of oil burning was accounted for by the fact that the Allen apartments had been poured from the Allen apartments into Mr. Day's rooms.

The state produced a signed application by Rev. Mr. Allen for a \$400 fire insurance policy covering approximately 300 volumes of law books, new typewriter, roll top desk and other effects that witnesses, who had been in the Allen apartment, testified to his presence, testified he never in his rooms.

The agent for the fire insurance company stated that the defendant asked a policy for approximately \$1200, and that he represented to him that he was an attorney-at-law.

Witnesses testified that Allen was at Cascade Locks on the evening of the fire. No claim for insurance was made by Allen after the fire. The accused was bound over to the grand jury under \$1000 bonds by Judge A. W. Outhouse.

Arthur Lofis Promoted

Hood River, Or., Dec. 22.—Arthur Lofis, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Lofis of this city, who joined the navy a few months ago, and who was recently transferred from San Diego, California, to New York, to take a special course of instruction in mechanical engineering, has been advanced to the rank of second machinist and soon expects to go into active service in Atlantic waters. It is said that young Lofis is the youngest man in the navy to attain this rank.

Bridge Goes Out

Hood River, Or., Dec. 22.—The toll bridge spanning Hood river in the upper valley, and one of the historic bridges of this section, was swept away by the recent flood and part of the structure passed through the city on the swift currents en route to the Columbia. The bridge at Winans station, known as the "scall bridge," the building of which caused the recall of the members of the county court responsible for its construction, and concerning which it was prophesied, that it would "go out" the first high water, still stands and is open for traffic.

"Dry" Land Gives Good Crop Results

Dec. Or., Dec. 22.—Hershey Markley, living seven miles from here towards Lost Lake, harvested two tons of beans from two acres of non-irrigated land. Loan committees and federal reserve bank appraisers consider non-irrigated land of little value in this section. One rancher, a neighbor of Mr. Markley, who irrigated his beans freely, had no crop, while the adjoining farm neighbor did not irrigate and has harvested a ton per acre. The quality was good.

Firesmen Must Have Permission

A decision of the war department was received by Colonel George E. Young of the local army recruiting station in the Worcester building, stating that no members of the police or fire department applying for service in the United States guard, or in the militia, which has been issued, can be accepted without presenting authority from the proper chiefs. Men in such municipal departments, necessary to the safety of the citizens at home and are also exempt in the draft for service overseas, until the need for men becomes desperate. They are in the third class for the selective draft.

PERSONS CLOSEST TO M'CAMANT SAY HE IS GOING TO SIT TIGHT

That Is Until After Primary Election; Doesn't Want Olson to Succeed Him.

Salem, Or., Dec. 22.—Persons close to Wallace McCamant, justice of the supreme court, say it is unlikely that he will resign his position on the bench until after the next primary election. This statement is made because it is known that Justice McCamant is very anxious to get back into the private practice of law and for some time has had under consideration the question of resigning.

His probable decision to wait until after the next primary election before resigning is said to be based on his desire to prevent Conrad P. Olson of Portland from succeeding him and to save Governor Withcombe from making what he believes would be a big political blunder if the governor should appoint Olson to the supreme court.

It is understood that the governor has assured Olson that he would appoint him to the supreme court if a vacancy occurs. Justice McCamant objects to having Olson succeed him, and it is said he figures that if he waits until after the primary election to resign the governor then will be almost obliged to appoint the man who receives the Republican nomination for the office.

Justice McCamant, it is said, figures this will eliminate Olson and at the same time save the governor from making another blunder before the primary election.

FOOTBALL PLAYER IS IN AVIATION SERVICE



Gordon Gleibisch.

Gordon Gleibisch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Gleibisch of Irvington, is now stationed with the aviation corps for the naval reserve at San Diego, where he is training for that department of his work. Mr. Gleibisch is a graduate of Jefferson high school and had intended to enter the State university at Eugene this fall, but on the outbreak of his work, Mr. Gleibisch is a member of the Jefferson football team for 1916 and at one time was a member of the all-star interscholastic team.

Boys Go to War; School Census Lags

Albany, Or., Dec. 22.—The official school census of Linn county shows that there are 1996 children between the ages of four and 20 within the county. Of these 1996 are boys and 2811 girls. This is 254 under the 1916 census when there were 2250 children in the county. The difference is accounted for by the fact that fully 500 boys of high school age in Linn county have enlisted in some branch of the army or navy since last April and were not counted when the census was taken this month.

Lad at The Dalles Killed by an Auto

The Dalles, Or., Dec. 22.—Andrew Keller, 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Keller of this city, was killed at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon when he was struck by an automobile. The lad was playing in the street just before the accident, holding out a stick for cars to run over in one of the busiest blocks of the city, according to witnesses.

Philip Sharp, employe of a local garage, was driving down the street when the lad ran from behind another car directly in the path of Sharp's car. Death was almost instantaneous.

Roses Are in Bloom

Hood River, Or., Dec. 22.—Roses and in bloom in a number of yards in this city. This is a condition believed never witnessed before at this season of the year. Dr. W. F. Laraway has a number

Two High Schools Now Standardized

Salem, Or., Dec. 22.—The high schools at Astoria and Vernonia have met the requirements for standard high schools in this state, according to announcement made today by J. A. Churchill, superintendent of public instruction. This permits the students from those schools to enter any other standard high school in the state and exempts those school districts from the county high school fund tax. F. M. Mitchell is principal of the Astoria school and J. D. Wilderson of the Vernonia school.

Carpenters Meeting Postponed

The meeting of Local No. 1120 of the Carpenters' and Joiners' union scheduled for Monday night, has been postponed until Wednesday night, December 26, at 7:30 o'clock. The meeting will be held at Grand avenue and Pine street hall.

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