

GO TO COUNCIL

The application of J. B. Schaefer, S. F. Parr and Louis Osberg for a street railway franchise for the proposed Linnton street railway, will go before the city council at its meeting next Wednesday.

The proposed ordinance provides that these men shall have the right to operate a street railway upon using in common with the United Railways company, the tracks, poles, etc., now constructed and maintained under authority of a franchise granted by the county court of Multnomah county August 20, 1915, and a franchise granted by the city of Portland February 10, 1916, to the United Railways company.

The route as designated in the franchise ordinance is on Nicolai avenue, from Thirty-first to Twenty-second streets; on Twenty-second street to Pettygrove; on Pettygrove to Twelfth, and on Twelfth to Burnside streets.

NEW STREET IMPROVEMENT

A notable increase in the demand for street improvements has developed within the past month or six weeks, say city officials. Petitions for this class of work that will be presented at the meeting of the city council next Wednesday will include:

East Fourth street, from East Second to East Third; East Twenty-second street, from Alberta to Sumner streets; Haley street, from East Third street to Union avenue; Stanton street, from East Sixty-eighth to East Seventieth streets; East Twenty-third street, from Crane to Skidmore streets; Tacoma avenue, from East Seventeenth to East Nineteenth streets; going street, from Gantenbein avenue to Vancouver avenue; Knapp avenue, from Fremont to Siskiyou streets; a sewer in Stanton street, from East Sixty-eighth to East Seventieth streets.

APARTMENT HOUSE PERMIT

Commissioner Barbur will recommend to the city council next Wednesday that a permit be granted to E. R. Markward for the erection of a two-story concrete apartment house on lots 13 and 14 of block 3, Hillside addition.

A committee report will recommend that the council order the demolition and renewal of the two-story house located on East Sixth and 4 of block 3, First Street Terraces.

DIPHTHERIA CASES ARE ON

Records of the health bureau today showed 162 diphtheria cases in quarantine in Portland. The epidemic is gradually decreasing. At its peak more than 400 cases were under quarantine.

The health office today received the report of the death of two children from this disease. They were George Wright, 3 years of age, and a girl, this morning at 447 East Ninth street, and Marie Johnson, aged 2, who died Friday at 546 Sixth street.

RAIL DECISION MADE

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all rules, whether local or national in character. If the parties to the dispute cannot formulate a set of rules by July 1, next, the railroad labor board will hand down a set of rules binding upon both sides.

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Naturally the working men imagine that with the strike parties to the national agreement, certain aggressive foes of union labor in the railroad world will assume an arbitrary attitude and that work that strikes would be made to be used as a means of coercing a single word, will be of little avail. If working conditions on the Pennsylvania system, for instance, are agreeable and wages are high, the strike would be of little avail.

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SUBJECT TO RULES

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BASIS IS LAID

The full effect of the decision will not be immediately apparent. The specific rules have yet to be formulated by the roads and representatives of labor. But the Chicago decision affords a basis for comparing the readjustment and the general feeling in the national capital here, particularly among those who have made a study of the railroad problem, is that

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