

The Three Links Needle club Gregg, Margery Edmunds, Evanare to meet this afternoon at the geline Powell and Miss Vick. Mrs Friendly society of the Episcopal are hour to answer the phone right." I. O. O. F. hall, for a social after- Vick will chaperon the party.

Mrs. Lola Cook Bellinger was

Alden of Medford, on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Schei and

The Jason Lee Foreign Mission- visiting for some time at the ary society will hold its quarterly home of her sister, Mrs. J. C. tea at the home of Mrs. L. H. Rob- Perry, lett yesterday to go to Alerts, 1337 North Winter street, bany for a visit with her mother, Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. E. A. Jordan for the balance Miss Ellen Currier and Mrs. E. E. of the summer. She was accom-Roberts, assisting hostesses. On panied by her daughter, Verna, that afternoon there will be an and her son Glendon. linen" shower, for the Isabella Thoburn hospital in China.

president. The club is planning a coming winter. pienie at Spong's landing for sometime next week.

ian and son Glen, Mr. and Mrs. Wednesday evening. O. L. Martin and daughters Thelma and Hazel, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McElvaine and George Frey.

guests of their sister, Mrs. Reed home on Liberty street. Chambers, left last week to return to their home in Williamsport, Pa. They are making the journey amette university, was a dinner by way of the Canadian Pacific.

Miss Hollin Vick was hostess last evening to several friends when she entertained them with a family who have been in Portland picnic party at Spong's landing. for a few days this week, return-The young ladies were Miss Ruth ed yesterday, accompanied by Mrs.

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The inimitable Ada Roach is coming! Her dialect stories and

son, who will visit here the remainder of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Webb and to use a telephone through a children left yesterday to spend whole year and not experience. Most asked that he be allowed able reserve in the Pacific terria ten day's vacation at Cascadia. | some of these troubles occasion- to call N. Wigdon, a rate man of tory. The commission ordered the

Miss Margaret Stolz has as her Schulderman of Portland.

church go to Portland Saturday when her number was not the one to attend the state convention of wanted. Mrs. C. W. Scott, who has been this society there. The young women are Sarah Lansing, Martha Powell. Evangeline Powell, and company in following up com- formation Dorothy Cordon.

> Clyde Gardner, clerk of the the company it was the practice Cascadia.

the house guest Tuesday and Dr. and Mrs. Frank E. Brown. At the meeting of the Tri L. Wednesday of Mrs. F. L. Utter. who have been in Seattle where business girls' club on Tuesday Mrs. Bellinger is a former Salem they spent five days at the Pacific night, Miss Esther Natterlund was girl and has many friends here coast Oto-Opthalmological convenchosen president of the society, who will be pleased to know she tion, have returned to Salem. Miss Natterlund was formerly vice plans to make Salem her home the They report that nearly 200 doctors were present.

A picnic party who were at A party composed of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sykes and little Spong's landing for Sunday aft-The following party of Salem daughter Jeanette. Miss Nell ernoon and evening, to enjoy people motored to the mountains Sykes, and H. E. aBrber, spent a swimming and a picnic supper, infor the week-end: Mr. and Mrs. few days on an outing to Belknap cluded Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Smith suggestion?" asked Tomlinson. W. F. Drager and daughter Mar- Springs. They r eturned to Salem and daughters Leta and Margaret. Mrs. M. B. Churchill and son Howard, Marion Siddler, Sherman next to the fact that you were represents several elemnets lined tients. The expenditure at this years of age, weight 135 pounds, Mrs. F. W. Selee, and the Spong and Marion Roth,

board of managers of the Old Mrs. Charles K. Spaulding and People's Home, are giving the old Miss Mabel Mohn and Miss people of the home a lawn pisnic this afternoon at Mrs. Selee's this week in Salem, as edey success "Irene," in which be interfered with that length of the issue between Mott and Shaw Miss Louise Thompson (Kathryn time and the cause not be de- has been settled had not been de-Stair) is playing. George H. Alden, dean of Will-

Mrs. G. H. Alder leaves today guest of Mr. and Mrs. George B. for Albany and Eugene in the interest of the Methodist Episcopal missionary work.

Miss Ethel Hummell who has been the head of the Latin department of the Salem high school, Peck Josephine Brown, Helene Schei's sister, Miss Alma Ander- left Wednesday for Spokane where she wil lteach.

> Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Clauss were I would have trouble there beexpected to arrive home yesterday cause it is a small exchange. Once I had to tell the operator from a two weeks visit in Minne-

Rev. and Mrs. James Lisle who have been away on a three weeks recognized you, and knew you trip through Yellowstone park, re- were making a test, seems as if markable illustrated lecture on "My Five Years in the Arctic;" Tom turned Tuesday night to their you would have been given a to recoup themselves." home in Salem. "The commission is Skeyhill, Anzac soldier-poet and adventurer, just back from Russia home in Salem.

Mrs. Melvin Plimpton and daughter Janet, accompanied Miss Betsey Abbott, who, has been visspeaking on "The Weeds and Flowers of Literature." and Burnell iting her cousin, Miss Janet, to exactly a fair test." Ford, electrical scientist and inventor, demonstrating the marvels of her home in Portland yesterday.

Mrs. George Putnam and daughters Elizabeth and Ruth have just The Keighley Broadway Players, a New York company with an returned from a week's vacation Il-professional cast, will present on the fifth night one of the great- at Bay Ocean.

> dren Jean and Bobby and Mrs. J. S. Savage, and Miss Grace Savage, motored to Portland Friday, to visit Mrs. C. L. Stidd. They returned to Salem Monday.

> Mrs. Norman George, and Mrs. Bertha Page of Olympia, Wash., are visitors in the city.

ican composer. At the evening concert Jane Peterson, prominent Miss Jean Ketchum of Independence is visiting this week in Salem, as the guest of Mrs. B. F. Club of Los Angeles and rated as one of the foremost male quartets Pound and Miss Grace Savage.

in the country. Two programs by the Roach-Freeman Duo and two Miss Grace Savage returned this week from a month's visit with Mrs. Harry Wilson of Aberdeen,

> WOMAN TELLS OF TESTS IN PORTLAND (Continued from page 1.)

ised. The maximum time that elapsed was 137 seconds.

Washington Cities Better, Figures were submitted for omparative purposes, showing that in a test in Washington cities outside of Seattle during the influenza epidemic and just after the armistice was signed in 1918 the average lapse of time in getting central was 4.26 seconds, and in Seattle the average was 3.90 seconds. This testimony tended te show that in Washington cities ter than in Portland in normal times, but in an era of high rates. Mrs. Johnson said that during the second of the two weeks of the test she questioned the patrons as to whether they were satisfied with the rates. Nearly all of them, she said, complained that they were too high. was frequently told that the phones were kept only because of their value in emergencies.

Many Reasons Possible, In reply to a question by E. M. Cousin. Mrs. Johnson intimated that the poor service might be attributed to a number of causes. out that in her opinion it was ack of experience on the part of operators. The company, she said, considered 3.5 seconds good ser-

Upon cross-examination by Mr. lined up against the telephone Shaw, Mrs. Johnson said she made company Mott has turned out to be an average of about 30 calls a one of the most troublesome to day during the test. phone service tariffs. The Astor-

Witness Not Confused. Attorney Shaw tried to tangle ian had sat without a word the witness on the point that 30 throughout the forenoon until calls a day from any single sta- just before adjournment he sudtion would be so unusual that it dealy pitched into the telephone in itself would be a cause of trou- commany with the assertion that ble. Mrs. Johnson would not con- exhibits it had furnished relative cede this. She only admitted that to the company's returns in As it would be unusual for a resi- toria could not be relied on and dence phone, but not for a busi- that he proposed to draft a wit-

called that you were making a what the company is receiving for est for the city attorney?" asked its service in that city. Shaw ob-

"Don't you think this would furnished me and which I proaffuence their answers?" The reply was negative. Mrs. Johnson said that of the pany's returns at Astoria was 339 persons only three or four 5.33 per cent. Another shows

had said they were satisfied with that the estimate for this yar on the basis of the new rates is over 21 per cent. After these exhibits Lawyer Has Friends. the had been produced I was told they "One was an attorney." witness volunteered, "who said he were all wrong and that the comhad friends working at the tele- pany has other and different ex-

phone office."

"Aren't these usual experiences lanything about them, and i pro- pay a return, a real value or a of everyone," asked Mr. Shaw. | pose to find out exactly what the value counting depreciation that Would it be possible for anyone situation in Astoria is. Shaw Registers Objection

Not So Careful Now.

were spread out over the day, or

were all made during the busy

hours of the day. The answer

was haat they were distributed

Calls Are Scattered.

"Did any of the operators get

making a test?" asked Tomlin-

Voice Gave Her Away.

"They knew me by my voice."

operators listened in to her con-

to close her key so I could hear

"In the instances where they

"I did get snappier service," re-

"Then this could not have been

"No. I think I got better ser-

In the early part of the after-

operating on a basis of more

than 9 per cent returns in As-

of this year, and 8.66 per cent

for the 10 months following the

effective date of the rate increase

order effective March 1. The

commission's order, he declared,

contemplated only 5 per cent.

From witnesses connected with

the telephone company he elicited

information that the rate for the

time is estimated by the com-

discrimination against Astoria.

burden of the other cities."

Astoria Defended.

hot and cold at the same time,"

toria is returning the company 1

Reply Made by Shaw.

here is no such thing as a per-

must be taken into account. The

9 per cent estimate for Astoria.

facts indicating that if the com-

he said, represented only certain

program at Astoria its return

would then amount to 9 per

"If the company actually were

receiving 9 per cent at Astoria or

anywhere else," he said, "I would

ask the commission to reduce the

Mott Troubles Company. Among the array of lawyers

"One of the company's exhibits

hibits. I have never been told

Attorney Shaw replied that

20 per cent.

Mott Launches Attack.

he operators found it out.

for I was trained to it."

remedied to a certainty.

throughout the day.

tected."

the party."

replied the witness.

vice than most people."

Shaw.

She said they were.

the telephone company. "I only made note of those who "I object," interrupted Shaw, "I couble reserve that has accrued in nonse guest this week, Miss Marie complained of frequent trouble," don't propose that the opposing Oregon, but the company has not XI replied Mrs. Johnson. "One wo- counsel shall develop our case for done it. We would like to know man said she had been called us before we are ready to make how much it is, it seems only fair Colofado Executive Asks Olgirls from the Girls' down stairs seven times in half our defense. Counsel has no such that when the company says prop-

telephone company, or Mr. Shaw, ation. As for imprevements, only or anyone I want," declared Mott, statements of actual performance Relative to delinquency of the "for purposes of obtaining this in- should be admitted."

In the afternoon Shaw was over-Plaints, Mrs. Johnson said that

when she was in the employ of Juled. While the attorneys were conthat the session would adjourn In reply to a question by At- and the difficulty be settled imme- mission's order effective aMrch 1 torney Shaw, Mrs. Johnson said diately in the afternoon. Mott exthe places from which she made plained that he was in haste to her calls were selected by the city obtain the inforantion for the timony of some of the farmer witreason that he must return to As- nesses who said independent rural Mr. Tomlinson asked if the calls toria and would not be able to lines were advocated in their lohad hoped.

Program Is Changed Contrary to the program prasentation of Portland's end of the up against the telephone company, point will be \$740,000 and Cousin consumed most of the "I can answer that," interrupt- forenoon with a statement of contermined, but Portland witnesses probably will be on the stand. Mrs. Johnson's answer was that |

Mr. Cousin emphasized the statement that prior to 1918, while there was competition in the field. she said. "I can't change my the Pacific company had not made voice. I talk like an operator, an application for increase in rates. He charged that with the On some exchanges she said the taking over of the Home lines and equipment this had been added in for valuation, increasing the valu-"I had trouble particularly on ation estimates from about \$12,the Columbia exchange. I knew 000,000 to about \$16,000,000.

Patrons May Be Goats.

"There is no valid reason," said Cousin in speaking of the company's proposed improvement program, "for increasing rates to take care of this program. Should the program not be carried out there would be no way for the patrons

'The commission is still without figures on which to base actual valuation," said Cousin, However, the commission did in 1914 arrive at a valuation which it was said was for rate making purposes, when the company reported valuations to the state tax commission of \$9,401.786.23. while the commission's so-called noon City Attorney James Mott rate base was \$10,035,464. 1 am making no particular point of that of Astoria attacked the telephone toria to offset lower returns in The principal inconsistency in arother parts of the state. More riving at valuations has been the than 9 per cent, he said, was the estimate for the full 12 months adding of estimates to actual ex-

"There is doubt in the public

figures, and taking into considering at valuations I think there is very good ground for attacking these valuations. The public asks state as a whole at the present on what value it is supposed to



has accrued. The company has accumulated a \$24,000,000 depreci-

erty has depreciated that amount "I can call the president of the should be deducted from the valu-

Hughes Action Cited

Consin said that in the railroad cases Justice Hughes had thrown nor Olcott of Oregon to assist in Marion hotel for five years, left to inquire of the patron every tinuing their duel across the table out the testimony of all experts Marion hotel for five years, left to inquire of the patron every thuing their duel across the land except that showing actual per-

Mr. Cousin referred to the tesstay through the rehearing as he calities. He declared this poor public policy.

PURCHASE APPROVED

WASHINGTON, July 21.-Seccase was broken into at the out-set yesterday. Instead of Attor-retary Mellon has approved pur-"Were they spread out at my ney H. M. Tomlinson calling his chase of the Central New England had been unable to find any trace witnesses yesterday morning he Sanitorium association property at of her there. yielded to E. M. Coustn of the Rutland, Mass., to accommodate The woman was described as Oregon Telephone federation, who 300 former soldier tuberculosis pa- being an American, single, 31

cott to Assist in Hunt for Mrs. Mayne

Oliver II. Shoup, governor of Colorado, has appealed to Goverlocating Mrs. Laura Mayme, who disappeared while en route from New York City to Gunnison, Colo.

Governor Shoup said the last information received from Mrs. Mayne was in the form of a letter mailed from Milton, Ore. In this letter Mrs. Mayne said she had been drugged on a train and was being held captive by two men. The letter indicated that it was written while Mrs. Mayne was under a nervous strain. Recently the woman's relatives

appealed to the mayor of Milton for help, but he replied that he

height five feet four inches, heavy

brown hair, brown eyes, educated, refined, well dressed. Any information rgarding Mrs. Mayne should be sent to Jacob Starr, of Crested Butte, Colo.

Of course, the wife has gone on vacation and the last last words she said were: "You will find plenty of bath towels in the bath room closet." or, "I have left you dozen eggs; eat them before

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