

## CURT LETTER IS ANSWERED

Attorney Will File Motion, But Says Commission Ignores Custom

In another letter to the public service commission yesterday, replying to the commission's short and curt note of Wednesday, the office of Attorney General Van Winkle sharply calls the service commissioners' attention to the fact that they are departing from customary procedure in not consulting the attorney general relative to legal procedure in withdrawing the commission's answer to the Robert G. Duncan suit in Portland.

The suit was filed in an effort to have the court set aside the order of the old commission increasing service rates of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company.

### Will File Motion

The letter of yesterday, however, which is signed by Willis S. Moore, first assistant to the attorney general, informs the commission that without further passage of notes between the two departments a motion will be filed for an order of the court to withdraw the answer.

The commission in a recent resolution signed by Chairman Newton McCoy and Commissioner Kerrigan, but with Commissioner Corey opposing, requested Attorney General Van Winkle to withdraw the answer. The attorney general wrote back for further information, intimating that the court doubtless would require some kind of a substitute answer. Yesterday the attorney general's office received a reply from the commission which, in effect, demanded that he go ahead and withdraw the answer and further information as to the commission's intentions would be given him afterward.

### Embarrassment Possible

Apparently the attorney general believes he might find himself in an embarrassing position before the court should he ask to withdraw the answer and have nothing to offer in its place. The attorney general's office is completely outside the confidence of the service commission in the case up to this time, and in utter darkness as to what the commission holds in its hidden hand.

### Letter Is Quoted

"I have your letter of the 15th instant in which you ignore request in my letter to you of the 12th instant for information which I explained would be of advantage to me in representing you in proposed withdrawal of the answer of the commission on file in appeal by Robert G. Duncan and others from the order of the commission fixing telephone rates and renew your request that I withdraw said answer.

"As your legal representative in said appeal I have felt some responsibility as to the course to be pursued in withdrawing the answer, but assure you that I have no desire to inquire into your purpose in the matter, and, much less, to retard you in any action you may contemplate taking in connection with revision of rates or any other matter involving the exercise of your discretion.

### Custom Ignored

"It has heretofore been customary for state officers, commissions, etc., to consult this office in matters pertaining to legal ac-

tions in which they were represented by it. Since, however, in this case you have elected to assume all responsibility for the course proposed to be pursued, please be advised that I have no disposition to insist upon compliance with my said request of the 12th instant, but will proceed in due course to file a motion for an order to withdraw said answer as requested by you."

### West Side Highway Work Not Probable This Year

It is not probable that further work will be done this year on the Rickreall-Holmes Gap and the Monmouth-Luckiamute sections of the West Side Pacific highway this year because of litigation instituted by Independence residents who have succeeded in tying up the work. This was the opinion expressed yesterday by Roy A. Klein, secretary of the state highway commission.

The Independence litigants seek to prevent the sale of \$40,000 in county road bonds that were voted to be applied to the highway. Bids for the work have been received by the commission, but no contracts awarded because of the action in court.

### Forty-Six More Trucks Are Given to Oregon

Forty-six more new and first class trucks have been given by the federal government to the state highway department of Oregon and are being distributed by the department among the counties.

The trucks are said by Herbert Nunn, state highway engineer to be the best ever received from the government. They are of the Liberty make and of three and one-half tons capacity each, new and in perfect condition, including tires. They are valued at about \$4500 each.

The trucks come from the war department. The only cost to the state is the freight, minor repairs and some other incidentals connected with the shipments.

The government has now given the state a total of about 350 army trucks to be used in highway construction work, and of these about 150 have been given by the highway department to the counties.

## CHERRIAN BAND PLAYS TONIGHT

### Only Three More Concerts in Summer Schedule of Entertainment

The Cherrian band will give the third last concert of the year in Wilson park tonight. Mrs. Hallie Parrish Hinges and Oscar Gingrich will both be included in the program for solos. The program as announced by Oscar Steelhammer, director, is as follows:

March, "Old England," Chambers.  
Selection, "The Firefly," Fru-vil.  
Vocal solo, Oscar B. Gingrich.  
Popular numbers; vocal solo, Mrs. Hallie Parrish Hinges.  
Selection from Comic Opera, "The Serenade," Hubert.  
"Guard Mount Patrol," Ellen-berg.  
Selection, "King Do Do," Mac-kil.  
March, "Let's Go," H. G. Woods, director Seattle Shrine band.  
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Special group of stylish suits, including many new fall models. Former prices up to \$42.50. Sale price

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A group of Jersey and some Silk Skirts, regular values up to \$5. Sale price

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