

### What the P. R. L. & P. Co. is Doing

The Portland Railway, Light and Power Company in 1920 purchased \$1,345,885.00 worth of materials and supplies in Oregon. It paid out in wages and salaries during last year a total of \$4,494,919.47, and it paid in taxes and bridge tolls during the same period a total of \$798,453.35.

These are some of the important facts relating to the importance of the activities of this public service corporation in connection with its present issue of \$1,000,000, eight per cent five-year Gold Notes which it is now offering to its employees, customers and the public. The Company is frankly desirous of having as many of its employees and those who are using its service financially interested in it as possible for the reason that it will thereby enable the Company to extend and improve its service to meet the urgent and growing needs of the many communities served by it. The following are some of the additional impressive facts about what this Company is doing to help the prosperity of the district it serves:

It serves a territory of over 800 square miles.

It renders a useful public service to a population of over 330,000, embracing nearly 40 different communities.

It has 9 large hydro-electric and steam power plants.

It has 18 sub-stations.

It has 403 miles of high tension transmission lines.

It has 6363 miles of distribution wires.

It has 32 city street car lines.

It has 4 interurban lines and controls another.

It has 2743 employes on its payroll

It paid out in wages and salaries during the year 1920 a total of \$4,494,919.47.

It paid in taxes and bridge tolls last year a total of \$798,453.35.

Its purchases of materials and supplies in Oregon last year totaled \$1,345,885.00.

Its gross earnings for 1920 were \$9,564,615.25.

It gives continuous car ride of 19 miles for a single fare.

It owns and operates 186.63 miles of city car lines.

It owns and operated 109.45 miles of interurban car lines.

It operates, but does not own, 11 miles of city lines.

It controls an additional 35 miles of interurban lines.

It has 543 city passenger cars and 65 interurban passenger cars.

It owns 9 electric locomotives.

It owns 321 freight cars.

In 1920 it carried 96,852,120 passengers on its city lines and 3,851,723 on its interurban lines, a total of 100,703,843 passenger.

The capacity of its 9 power plants is 114,783 horsepower.

In 1920 it sold 167,374,143 kilowatt hours of electric energy.

It had 53,285 light and power customers December 31, 1920.

The purpose of this issue of Gold Notes is explained in the following:

To keep pace with the rapidly expanding requirements of this district served by the Company, this Company has steadily increased its invested capital to provide the facilities with which it is rendering public service. In the past these additional investments of capital have come from outside the Portland district. It is the purpose of the Company to continue to give good service and to expand its facilities to meet the increasing demands upon it. To accomplish this large additional sums of capital must be procured. Investment in these notes by the people of the districts served would be mutually advantageous, in that the funds so invested would be expended at home and aid in the further development of this territory, and would also provide an attractive, sound investment. The Company frankly wishes to have financially interested in it as many as possible of those served by it. The expenditures for betterments and additions to the property of the Company during 1921 will exceed the total amount of the note issue now offered.

Money to finance this Company has

heretofore been sought principally outside the state of Oregon. It is believed that it would be mutually advantageous if we, who are employees by the corporation, and also the people directly served by the corporation, should be financially interested in it. With that purpose, the corporation is now offering to its employees, its patrons and the public generally \$1,000,000 of five-year Gold Notes bearing eight per cent interest. The new investment for additional facilities to be made during the year 1921 will materially exceed the amount of the note issue now offered."

#### H. S. Debate.

(Omitted last week)

The debate between the High Schools of Oregon City and Estacada, was held here Friday evening, February 4th, in the High School auditorium. The subject was "Resolved that the Primary Election Law in Oregon should be Repealed."

Estacada had the affirmative side of the question and was represented in the debate by Helen Wooster and Gilbert Shearer. Considering the fact that neither of the speakers had ever had any previous experience in debating, we feel that they made a very good showing. The arguments put forth by our team were not met and refuted by the visiting team, but the decision went to them on the strength of their "come back" in the rebuttal. In delivery we feel that our Estacada team easily excelled the visiting team. We hope this is only a beginning of what our school may do along these lines.

On this same evening, the members of our negative team, Frederick Burns and Pearl Faultz, met the affirmative team at West Linn. The statement of this important question made it impossible for any school to know before hand what plan might be advocated by the affirmative. It seemed logical, however, that a team advocating the repeal of the direct primary, would first attempt to show it

faults, and later offer a constructive plan, and the argument and rebuttal of our negative was planned accordingly. As it turned out, the West Linn representatives adopted reverse order. Under these circumstances our speakers had to give their rebuttal in entirely different order, and to rearrange their argument considerably. Their manner of meeting this emergency, reflects credit on both of them. They were not disconcerted, and made a showing of which the school has reason to feel proud. The two-to-one decision of the judges went to West Linn, but the decision means little in comparison, while the training and poise gained by the students of a school which participates in such contests.

E. D. Allen, who has been here from Marmot, has returned home.

The T. & T. Co. has installed a new switch board, which will improve the service.

J. W. Morrow of Portland was in town Wednesday to inspect the ruins of the old barn burned last Monday night.

Miss Frances Murphy and two small sisters from Seattle, were guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Allen.

#### Died

In Portland, February 10th, Amanda J. Jones, aged 52 years, 1 month and 1 day. The funeral services were held from the conservatory chapel of the East Side Funeral Directors, 414 East Alder, Monday, February 14th, at 10:30 a. m. Interment in Estacada Cemetery. The deceased was the mother of Hugh Jones, of Currinsville.

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A. HAIDLEN, Prop.  
Leaves Estacada 8:30 a. m.  
Leaves Portland 4:30 p. m.  
Phone, Estacada.

**Notice of Final Account**  
In the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Clackamas. In the matter of the estate of George Henderson, deceased.  
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Agnes Henderson, administratrix of the estate of George Henderson, deceased, has filed her final account in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Clackamas, and that Monday, the 14th day of March, 1921, at the hour of 9:30 a. m., of said day at the Court House at Oregon City in said county and state, has been appointed as the time and place for the hearing of objections to said final account and the settlement thereof.  
Dated and first published, February 3d, 1921.  
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AGNES HENDERSON, Administratrix.

**The Family Theatre**  
THURSDAY NIGHT  
February 17th,  
**BILLIE RHODES**  
— IN —  
"The Blue Bonnet."  
SATURDAY NIGHT  
February 19,  
**TOM MOORE**  
— IN —  
"Toby's Bow."  
First show opens at 7 p.m. sharp  
Prices: Adults 25c, war tax 3c.  
Children 10c, war tax 1c.  
W. E. LINN, Manager.

**We Wish to Announce**  
To the Motor Public, that we are now established in the  
**REED & SHIBLEY GARAGE**  
at Estacada, where we will expect to merit the continued patronage of old patrons, and we extend an invitation to all having Motor Troubles to give us a trial.  
Having had many years experience in this line of work, we will undertake to handle anything that would be expected to be handled in a modern shop.  
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Respectfully Yours,  
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