

The Evening Herald

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THE INCREASED PHONE RATES

Fearing that in the change of administration of affairs in this city, the question of the increase in the rates for telephones may be overlooked, The Herald takes this opportunity of bringing the matter to the attention of the mayor and council.

When the Pacific States Telephone and Telegraph company entered this city it was granted a franchise under specific conditions. One of these conditions was that it would not make any increase in rates until it had one thousand phones in service, and then a specified amount was to be charged.

It is pretty generally understood that the Bell Telephone company knew what it was doing when it fixed the rate that would be charged. It undoubtedly took into consideration "expectancy," "ready to serve," and all this late humbug that has been dug up to dust the eyes of the public in the various raids that have been made on them in the matter of increasing rates.

It seems, however, that under this twentieth century system of public plunder, under the guise of this "people shall rule" regime, there has been inaugurated a systematic policy of fleecing the consumer, and to his protests is heard the answer: "Well, the Railroad Commission has forced us to do this, and you created the commission for the sole purpose of regulating our business. We are helpless."

Added to this line of bunk comes the further ruling of our state supreme court, that the law creating the Railroad Commission supercedes everything else, and no condition that may have been inserted in a franchise prior to the passage of the law has any force or effect.

That, of course, is the law now, but it is a very poor law, and it reads into the statute something that the people of this state never intended should be there. It is a ruling that vitally affects this city in the matter of telephone rates, and it is a ruling that the people of this city, if The Herald reads public opinion correctly, will not obey.

Klamath Falls has entered into a straight-out contract with the Pacific States Telephone and Telegraph company. If it undertook to repudiate that contract to the extent of ordering its poles and wires off the streets, it would quickly be estopped by the courts, and rightly so.

So far as the government is concerned, it should be made to understand the same thing. The people of this county has had sufficient experience with the government to know

that it always exacts its pound of flesh. Already the people of this city have been robbed by the high-handed methods of charging installation fees under the pretense that war conditions demanded such, to prevent installation of phones until after the war was over.

Just remember that if you are suffering from symptoms of the flu your place is at home, and not out among your friends spreading the disease. Since the system of quarantine has been adopted, reports received from outside points indicate that this is the effective method of handling the disease.

This is the season of the year when merchants have completed taking inventory and are putting their stocks in proper shape by the inauguration of sales. These sales are a distinct advantage to the purchasing public, and should receive the careful attention their money-saving importance demands.

Coffee is going to advance; lay in ten or twenty pounds of "Morning Glory" at the old price, 35c. Best one on the market; found only at 9-6t SUNSET GROCERY.

You're welcome to a calendar for the New Year. We have a good supply of homely ones and some pretty ones.—Chilcote & Smith. 24

MEAT INJURIOUS TO THE KIDNEYS

TAKE A TABLESPOONFUL OF SALTS IF BACK HURTS OR BLADDER BOTHERS.

We are a nation of meat eaters and our blood is filled with uric acid, says a well-known authority, who warns us to be constantly on guard against kidney trouble.

When your kidneys ache and feel like lumps of lead, and you have stinging pains in the back or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment, or the bladder is irritable, obliging you to seek relief during the night; when you have severe headaches, nervous and dizzy spells, sleeplessness, acid stomach or rheumatism in bad weather, get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoon in a glass of water before breakfast each morning and in a few days your kidneys will act fine.

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PERSONAL MENTION

J. L. Shirk is here for a short time on business from Berkeley. R. E. Reed is in the city on matters of business from Portland. He is a guest at the Hotel Hall.

County Surveyor S. T. Darley was in town yesterday from Bonanza and assumed charge of his new office near the Court House. He has returned to Bonanza and will probably not be down for the next two weeks.

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BIG AMERICAN GUN SHOOTS THIRTY MILES

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 9.—"The American navy has designed, built, and is now manning with blue-jackets specially trained for land service, the largest and most high-powered mobile land artillery in the world," it is stated in the annual report of the secretary of the navy, recently issued.

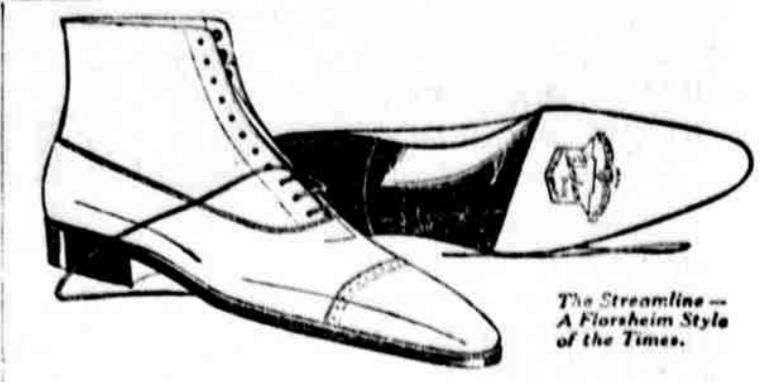
In comparing this type of gun with the German long range "freak" guns which fired on Paris, the report says: "They (the German guns) were built on permanent steel and concrete foundations which were eventually sought out by allied airplanes and the guns subsequently silenced. The shells were small, and specially built for long range flight. This fact reduced their military efficiency. The German long range guns, while they had a certain moral effect, were without great practical military value. The American naval guns fire projectiles approximately seven times heavier than the shells the Germans used against Paris."

Other recent achievements of the navy department, as shown by the report, include a special mine-loading plant with a capacity of more than 1,000 mines a day. This plant has been established near Yorktown, Va. About 11,000 acres of land was needed for the enterprise.

In Brooklyn the navy department has built what is said to be the largest concrete storehouse in existence. The navy has also installed in Annapolis the greatest high-power radio station in the world, and in Washington has constructed two office buildings for war expansion, one for the navy department and one for the war department, which "considered as a group exceed in volume and floor space any other office building in the world, regardless of type; indeed, it is thought that no existing office building is larger than either of these two." Time records were broken in the construction of these buildings. The total floor space of the two buildings is approximately 1,800,000 square feet, or more than 41 acres.

The several wings, if joined together end to end would form a structure 1-3-4 miles long, 60 feet wide and three stories high. A complete circuit of all the exterior walls would require a journey of four miles.

That American inventive genius intends to take no chances with a foreign foe is indicated by the fact, as stated in the report, that the naval consulting board has considered more than 110,000 ideas, inventions and devices submitted. In his report the Secretary of the navy pays the following tribute to the efficiency of the civil service system: "Under the law all navy yard workmen must be recruited thru the civil service, and the department desires to express its gratification and appreciation of the manner in which



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K. Sugarman

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the civil service commission met the emergency, and by the creation of almost a new organization and the fearless cutting of all needless red tape, has done all that was humanly possible to meet the navy's demands in the shortest practical time.

It is not mentioned in the report, but it is a fact that the forces of artisans, laborers and other civilian employees at the navy yards and naval stations in the United States increased from about 20,000 to more than 100,000 during the nineteen months of America's participation in the war.

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