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THE OREGON ELECTRIC FRANCHISE MEANS MUCH TO THE CAPITAL CITY

WILL FILL TRADE STREET BRIDGE NORTH MILL CREEK AND ADD \$10,000 TO INCOME

The New Franchise Would Also Transfer All Freight Business From High to Front Street--The Line Would Also Get Out of City to the South Over Route Interfering With No One--Still the Citizens Generally Should Scan the Franchise Closely.

There is a feeling that there would not have been so much opposition to the Bridge and Union street franchise if it had been better understood. Even when it was finally passed over the mayor's veto, there were features that the general public did not comprehend. The Oregon Electric franchise should be thoroughly investigated by the business men of the city before it is passed by the city council.

Terms of Franchise.
The Oregon Electric franchise asked for is a line west on Mill street across the south Mill creek gulch, that will cost the company about \$75,000 to build and bridge the creek? Then the track will go south along the bank of the slough practically out of sight and with no dangerous crossings in the city at all. To that part of the franchise there will be no objection.

West on Trade Street.
The Oregon Electric also asks a franchise on the south side of Trade street from High to Commercial with a physical connection with the Southern Pacific. In this part of their franchise there is a common-user clause, as this is an industrial track. They agree to fill the south side of Trade street and put their track to grade and pay all cost for repaving the street where already paved.

Track on Front Street.
The track calls for a track up Front street on the west side of center, 12 feet from the middle of the

street, as required by the state law and city ordinance. The company agrees to build a steel and concrete bridge costing not less than \$30,000 across north Mill creek on Front street with a 20-foot roadway maintained free for the city for a period of 25 years. This will be a fine substitute for the present bridge that is practically ready to fall down and will save the city a \$5,000 expenditure for a new bridge.

East on Jefferson Street.
The Oregon Electric will cross east on Jefferson street to their present main line into the city on Broadway, and the Jefferson, Front and Trade street line will be used exclusively for freight, and will be competitive distributive line into the manufacturing and wholesale district of the city. The Southern Pacific franchise which expires on Front street in August is covered by another franchise for 25 years over their track given by the city council to the Welch corporation.

Freight Off High Street.
The freight line of the Oregon Electric on Front street will take all their freight business off Broadway and High and out of the residence district of the city and will be a great benefit to the city. Besides filling Trade street, building a bridge across North Mill creek, giving the business men a competitive freight service, the investments of the Hill people will at a low estimate add \$10,000 to the taxes the city will collect yearly, and a million dollars to property values, and start the biggest business development the city has ever experienced. There is believed to be no serious objection to the franchise and yet the business men of the city should consider every feature of the proposition.

The French Idea.
Paris, March 9.—That the activity of the United States is intended to show Mexico the direful consequences that would follow the cession of a naval base in the Eastern Pacific to Japan was a statement in today's Temps.

State Militia Turns Out.
Washington, March 9.—Following the general invitation to state militia by the war department to participate in the war maneuvers, the Mississippi state guard this afternoon tendered its services.

Will Interest Seattle Folks.
Seattle, Wash., March 9.—Joe Carroll is headed for Seattle to tell the grand jury what he knows of the operation of the Maybray gang, which operated in and about Seattle with huge financial success several years ago. Carroll's Seattle friends say he is due to arrive in Seattle in the near future. In a letter to a friend Carroll asserts that when he goes before the grand jury he will "come clean," and that he will involve a certain wrestler, whom he was associated with before his arrest. Certain members of the police department were mentioned in the letter as being involved with the Maybray gang.

Wants Advisory Dairy Board.
A letter was received by the board from Food and Dairy Commissioner Bailey saying that he had decided to appoint an advisory board to his office and asking the club to recommend some one from this territory. The matter of the selection of a representative was turned over to the executive committee.

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Stole Milk for Granddaughter.
Tacoma, Wash., March 9.—In custody at the police station Mrs. M. J. Morrill, 63 years of age, is being held for the alleged theft of three bottles of milk for her 10-year-old granddaughter whom the aged woman told the police was hungry, and there was no food in the house. Mrs. Morrill was arrested early today by Policeman Stratton, who says he saw her take the milk. Today the woman steadfastly refuses to divulge the location of her home, or give any information as to the whereabouts of the child.

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It is known that Diaz's health is bad, due to old age, that his death would mean a period of lawlessness, and that this country, in order to protect the Monroe doctrine would have to get in and protect citizens of other nations now in Mexico--Hence the sudden activity.

SECRET ADVICES THAT HE WAS DYING AND THAT THE END WAS INEVITABLE WAS THE REAL CAUSE OF THE UNPRECEDENTED ORDERS FOR MOBILIZATION ISSUED BY THE WAR DEPARTMENT. IF DIAZ IS DEAD, OR IF HE SHOULD DIE, THE UNITED STATES, IT IS BELIEVED HERE, WOULD BE FORCED EITHER TO ASSUME A PROTECTORATE OR TO TAKE ACTUAL CONTROL OF MEXICAN AFFAIRS. FEW PERSONS, HOWEVER, BELIEVE THAT WASHINGTON WOULD ATTEMPT MORE THAN SUPERVISING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DEFINITE FORM OF GOVERNMENT. WHETHER IT WOULD ATTEMPT TO SEE RAMON CORRAL, AT PRESENT VICE PRESIDENT, SEATED IN DIAZ' PLACE IS A QUESTION WHICH IS AROUSING MUCH COMMENT. CORRAL, IT IS POINTED OUT, IS THE MAN AGAINST WHOM POPULAR HATRED HAS DISPLAYED ITSELF. IT WAS FOR THE SELECTION OF SOME OTHER VICE PRESIDENT THAT THE PEOPLE CONTENTED BEFORE THE PRESENT INSURRECTION BROKE OUT. IT WAS BECAUSE HE DARED TO OPPOSE CORRAL FOR THIS OFFICE THAT REYES WAS SENT ON A FOREIGN MISSION--PRACTICALLY AN EXILE.

It is generally believed here by persons in touch with the Mexican situation that any attempt to put Corral in the president's chair would intensify the revolutionary spirit and might cause it to spread rapidly. Ambassador De La Barre, of Mexico, today sent formal denials of the death of President Diaz to all Mexican consuls and other official representatives of the government in the United States. A formal call was also issued for all loyal Mexicans to return to their own country.

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SUES TO RECOVER BANK STOCK

Alleging that the Farmers & Mechanics Bank, of Woodburn, refused to transfer on its book a certain share of stock purchased in the institution and that afterwards under a pretended sheriff's sale bought it for the cost of an action, the Pioneer Fire Insurance company has commenced a suit in the circuit court in which it asks that the certificate be transferred on the books of the bank and that it be declared to be its legal owner. The insurance company bought the certificate from J. P. Meyers paying \$2,000 for it. Meyers, it seems, had bought it from the bank paying the same sum for it and giving for it his note. The company says that when it asked to have the certificate transferred on the books the bank declined to do so and that later F. M. Kemp brought an action in the circuit court on the \$2,000 not given by Meyers and also a note for \$1,000 and attached the stock for which the certificate was given. The insurance company claims that the indorsement of the note was not genuine and that the purchase of the certificate for the sum of \$338.25 was invalid.

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