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REDUCTION ORDERED IN ST. JOHNS

Railroad Commission Takes Action in Water Case Sim- ilar to Salem's.

GENERAL CUT MADE FROM OLD RATES

Figured Consumer Will Get, on
an Average, About 12 Per
Cent Off.

The railroad commission this morning made public its findings in the case of the City of St. Johns against the St. Johns Water Works and Lighting company. The suit was brought to get the rates reduced to water consumers in the city of St. Johns, and is similar to the suit now pending before the commission by the city of Salem against the Salem Water, Light & Power company. In reaching its conclusions the commission had to take the same steps that were taken in the Salem case. The property had to be valued, operating expenses and overhead charges ascertained, and all those things, just as in the local suit. The original cost of the property was \$122,000 and the commission fixes the value at \$89,500 on the first day of July, 1913. This date is taken for the reason that at that time an ordinance was passed by the city of St. Johns fixing the water rates, and a stipulation was entered into between the company and the city that the company would make a rebate of such sums, if any, as were decided to be an over-charge, or greater than the rate finally determined as correct by the commission. Under this agreement there will be about \$1300 returned to consumers, provided the case is not taken into the courts.

The commission divided the rates into three classes, and, in fixing the new schedules, as changed the classification that it is almost impossible to make an intelligent comparison between the rates fixed by the commission and the old rates. There is a general reduction, however, of between 10 and 12 per cent. Instead of a minimum rate of 61, as under the old rule, the minimum is now 60 cents. To this, however, is added 10 cents for each additional faucet, which tends to, in some cases, make the rate a trifle higher than the old rate, but for the average consumer the rates are reduced from 10 to 12 per cent, as stated.

FRICION IN SCHOOL BOARD FEATURE OF RECENT TROUBLE

The city school squabble, which got in the limelight yesterday afternoon in the Capital Journal, seems to be demanding the attention of every member of both the school board and the parent-teachers' association in Salem. There is friction not only between Superintendent Kuntz and the grade teachers, but between certain members of the board of directors. The superintendent was turned down at the meeting last Wednesday on the grounds that "he could not get along with the grade teachers." At the same time the members of the board are at loggerheads as to what will be done next year with the present force of school authorities and grade teachers.

What the outcome will be is only a matter of question, for the reason, it is said, pressure is being brought to bear upon certain school directors, who voted to fire Superintendent Kuntz and Principal Kilpatrick, to have them reconsider their action.

GUARD PLACED OVER MAN SENTENCED FOR LIFE

Portland, Or., April 4.—To prevent venting violence, sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of Jessie Wilson from committing suicide, Arthur Pender, convicted of the murder of Mrs. Daisy Webb and her little son, near St. Helens, was placed on guard over him today by Jailor Ed Kennedy. Pender had twice tried to end his life by strangulation since his conviction last Wednesday and has been taken out once since that time.

Damages Asked by Mrs. Gerlinger

PRETTY DIVORCEE WOULD RECOVER \$50,000 BECAUSE OF USE OF DETECTAPHONE.

Portland, Or., April 4.—The outcome of the use of the detectaphone by which evidence introduced at her recent breach of promise suit against Lloyd Frank, a prominent merchant, at the conclusion of which she was awarded one dollar, Mrs. Gertrude Gerlinger, a pretty divorcee, today filed suit against Frank's attorneys, Charles H. Carey, Bert Haney and George Joseph, the William J. Burns national detective agency, J. D. Huddleston, proprietor of the Buena Vista apartments, and F. E. Glenn, janitor of the apartments, for \$50,000 damages on the grounds of trespass.

Mrs. Gerlinger alleges that the attorneys maliciously employed the agency to place the detectaphone in her room, with the assistance of Huddleston and Glenn. She alleges that through the machine conversations of a private nature were recorded, and later published to the community, when introduced at the trial.

STRONG PETITION FOR JUDGE HARRIS FILED

Hon. L. E. Bean, senator from Lane and Linn counties, is in Salem today, having brought the petition of Judge Lawrence T. Harris for filing with the secretary of state. The latter is a candidate for justice of the supreme court in the Republican primaries.

Judge Lawrence F. Harris.

practically all of the circulators gave their time voluntarily to the work. All of them are strong supporters of his candidacy.

ABOUT 500 REGISTER DURING PAST WEEK

The county clerk's office was a busy place this afternoon on account of voters registering. In fact it was so busy that the Journal man could not get the books long enough to count the registration nor had the deputies time to count. April first there were 3271 registered in the city and a trifle over 9000 in the county. During the week about 500 have registered with the clerk. At the general election in 1912 there were 9,900 registered, or about the same number that the boys on the registration books. With the women voting and the natural increase in population allowed for, it is estimated that just about one half of the voters in the county are now registered. They remain but 15 days after today in which voters can register, and this will require that about 475 registers each day from now until the books close to show up the list. County Clerk Gehlhar says the voters from the county are registering much more rapidly than those in the city, and that the latter are unusually slow. A feature of the last week's registration is the large percentage of women getting their names on the books, they being almost as numerous as the men during that period.

SAYS SECRET SESSIONS OF SENATE HAVE NOW RECEIVED DEATH BLOW

Kenyon Predicts Appointment Will Never Again Be Made Under Cover.

STILL CRITICISE DANIELS

Jones, Cummins, La Follette and Others Who Opposed Appointment, Express Their Disappointment.

Washington, April 4.—"An outrage" was Senator Kenyon's characterization today of Winthrop M. Daniels' forced confirmation as a member of the interstate commerce commission.

"But it accomplished one good thing," he said. "Secret sessions in the senate have received their death blow. Never again will appointments be made without full knowledge by everyone concerned that what is said on the floor will go out to the whole country."

"Then people will be able to place the blame, if there is blame, where it belongs. I don't propose to be bound by a rule of secrecy. I don't consider that my oath binds me to adhere to any rule which is against the public interest."

Senator Jones' View.

"I fear the people's confidence in the interstate commerce commission will be broken down," said Senator Jones. "If such men as Winthrop M. Daniels are named commissioners I am afraid the people will conclude that strong influence has been brought to bear to force a decision on the pending rate cases. So much has been charged along this line that the president's intense desire for Daniels' confirmation, despite the opposition of those who dislike his record, is bound to have influence."

Senators' Opposition.

Daniels' confirmation as an interstate commerce commissioner was opposed on the ground that his decision as a member of the New Jersey public service commission, to which President Wilson appointed him during his term as governor of New Jersey, indicated that Daniels believed corporations were entitled to dividends as "going concerns" in addition to the dividends based on their actual physical valuations.

His opponents in the senate fought him for three days. Much of the debate was very bitter. Finally Senators Kenyon, La Follette, Jones, Gronna, Poindexter, Clapp, Bristow, Cummins and Borah announced that, inasmuch as the confirmation evidently was going through, they would not be bound by the oath of secrecy imposed in connection with executive session and meant to tell the senate all that had been said in the course of the Daniels' controversy, that the people might know how they stood and why they objected to the appointment.

Organizations Oppose Confirmation.

Democrats who voted against confirmation were Ashurst, Chamberlain, Lane, Hitchcock, Hollis, Leo, O'Gorman, Thompson, Vandaman and Walsh. Republicans who voted with the majority for confirmation were Brandegee, Dillingham, Fall, Gallinger, Lippitt, Lodge, McLean, Oliver, Page, Perkins, Townsend, Warren and Weeks.

FORMER SALEM PHYSICIAN BUNS AFOUL OF ORDINANCE

Dr. A. E. Pierce was found guilty in municipal court at Portland yesterday of conducting a tuberculosis hospital within the city limits, and was fined \$25. His attorney served notice on Judge Stevenson that they would appeal.

RICHEST TIMBER MAN IN WORLD IS DEAD AS RESULT OF PNEUMONIA

Weyerhaeuser Has Been Said by Some to Be Wealthier Than Rockefeller.

MOST SECRETIVE OF ALL

Hated Publicity, Gave Very Little to Charity, Spent Little on Luxuries and Avoided Pads

Pasadena, Cal., April 4.—Frederick Weyerhaeuser, the timber magnate of St. Paul, reputed as one of the world's richest men, who has been ill at his winter home here for the last ten days with capillary pneumonia, died at 8:30 o'clock this morning.

Gave Little to Charity.

Personally, he was a paradox. Known to his intimate friends as a gentle and kindly man and a man of deep religious convictions, his name was entirely unknown in the fields of charity. His friends assert that he gave to charity but always with the warning that publicity meant immediate withdrawal of his support. They admit that he gave comparatively little, however, although they believe that his will may disclose more generosity.

Forced into Lumber Business.

Weyerhaeuser was born in Germany in 1834. He laid the foundation of his fortune at Rock Island, Ill., while managing a small lumber mill, which he took on a debt.

Burial at Rock Island.

The body will be sent east on the Los Angeles Limited at noon tomorrow. The funeral services will be held at Rock Island, Ill., where the timber magnate made his start in the accumulation of his vast fortune. Mrs. Weyerhaeuser, who died November 29, 1911, is buried there.

MANY MAKE ADDRESSES AT HYGIENIC CONFERENCE

The Social Hygienic conference, beginning last evening at Eaton Hall, Willamette university, was continued today throughout the morning hours, and after a noon intermission, when many of the delegates were entertained at private homes, the sessions were resumed for the afternoon with about 35 delegates present. The nature of the subjects discussed prevented the meetings from being open ones, but the attendance of physicians and educators from out of town was large.

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THE WEATHER

The Dickey Bird says: Oregon tonight and Sunday showers; southerly winds.

Worst Scandal Since Days of Dreyfus is Involved



Mme. Genevieve Caillaux.

Paris, April 4.—That the official government of France reeks with scandal and intrigue has been made plain in the developments prior to and following the shooting of Gaston Calmette, editor of Figaro, by Mme. Genevieve Caillaux, wife of the minister of France. Mme. Caillaux insists that she shot at the editor to scare him and did not intend to kill him. He had published one letter seriously reflecting on the honor of Caillaux. The shooting followed his refusal to return the letters.

FEDERAL FORCES CAUGHT IN TRAP OF ENEMIES

Chihuahua City, Mex., April 4.—The federal force driven out of Torreon was surrounded today near San Pedro de Las Colonias.

Anxious to Break Up Army.

The rebels were particularly anxious to break Velasco's army up completely. Velasco plainly was trying to reach Saltillo, and, if he should succeed, it would be necessary to fight him again under much the same circumstances as at Torreon. With his forces so badly shattered as at present it was believed he could be beaten with comparative ease.

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MANY LICENSES ISSUED DURING MONTH OF MARCH

The records in the county clerk's office show that during the month of March, 538 licenses, most of them for the venereal fishermen were issued, and the county was enriched in the sum of \$538 thereby.

CHINESE OF 17 ADMITS FOUL CRIME

Boy Cook Employed in Van- couver, B. C., Home Con- fesses Woman's Murder.

BURNED HER BODY IN FURNACE OF HOME

Examination Reveals Her Gold Ring and Quantity of Charred Bones.

Vancouver, B. C., April 4.—Jack Kong, 17 years old, a Chinese, today confessed that he murdered Mrs. Charles J. Millard, wife of the chief ticket agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway company, who has been missing since last Wednesday. Kong was employed at the Millard home. Millard had gone to Victoria, and upon his return was unable to locate his wife.

Boy at Once Suspected.

Suspicion at once fastened upon the Chinese boy, but he steadfastly denied any knowledge of Mrs. Millard's disappearance.

Later the police dug the garden at the Millard residence in search of the woman's body.

An inter-examination of the furnace, however, revealed a gold ring that had been worn by Mrs. Millard, and a quantity of charred bones.

FRED BYNON WOULD BE LABOR COMMISSIONER OF STATE OF OREGON

WELL-KNOWN BOOSTER FOR IM- PARTIAL ENFORCEMENT OF LAW AND STRICT ECONOMY IF CHOSEN FOR PLACE.

The Mr. Dooley, of Salem, Fred B. Bynon, has flopped his sky-piece in the political ring at last. Bynon farced forth this morning with a petition and declared himself as being a republican candidate for the office of labor commissioner.

Other Productions Possible.

It is also possible that the creamery company may extend its business to include the manufacturing of other products such as ice cream and a general line of goods used by the confectionery store in Salem. This last proposition has not been definitely decided upon as yet but it is more than probable that such a plant will be added to the creamery.

SMALLPOX SCARE SPOOLS TILLAMOOK'S SOCIETY CARD

Tillamook, Or., April 4.—Five cases of smallpox developed here during the week. All of them have been traced to A. Mulla, a recent arrival. To prevent further spread of the disease the council last night ordered closed all places of public gathering. It is possible that the term of court scheduled to begin Monday will be postponed.