

## SUBMITS COLD FIGURES AS TO EXPENSES OF THE CITY

### O. B. Fuller Goes Back to City Records to Show the Comparative Expense of Running the City---Does Not Oppose the Issuance of Bonds But Wants the Money Used on the Streets.

Editor Daily World:

Were it not for the fact that Mayor Gellatly in his last letter accused me of making a false statement I would not again "raise a dust," as his honor terms it. He stumbled around in the dark for some time, but finally landed on his feet long enough to acknowledge in plain words my original contention, viz: That this council would be required to draw heavily on this proposed bond money to maintain general expenses this year.

The call for this election, as I stated before, places this money at disposal of council for general or special purposes, or in any manner the council may determine to dispose of same or any part thereof.

In his last letter he says: "These improvements have been commenced and can and will proceed. Warrants can be issued." Yes, warrants can be issued, but you could not legally issue enough to go far to start improvements and sewer extensions along with other expenses of the city unless the fund was replenished with this or some other bond issue.

Maintain your present rate of expense, figure your sources of revenue for the year, and your account will lack considerable of balancing. By placing this bond money in the general fund only a small portion would find its way into street improvements and sewer extensions.

There is no contention as to the paramount need of these improvements. It is on that account we entered this controversy. We want to

vote the \$40,000, but we want to know that it will be used for that purpose. No one has questioned the honesty of the mayor or a member of the council. No one has questioned the fact that a single cent has been misappropriated. The city's expense must naturally increase with its growth.

I believe, from a moral standpoint, Mr. Gellatly is right on the liquor question. But we do not agree that radical changes of this kind can be adjusted without due preparation if results are substantial and permanent. Facts and cold, unsentimental figures don't show it.

In the last paragraph of his letter his honor certainly does himself proud. It's really worth repeating: "His intimation that the current expense of the city this year is disproportionate with other years is false, as a reference to the city records will show." Mr. Gellatly shows his unfair inclination in using the word "disproportionate" when I said the expenses had increased. We have taken the trouble to examine the city records and we find general expense account for 1907, January, February and March, to be \$2,784.60. Same account for same period in 1909, \$4,466.32.

Who did you say had made a false statement, Mr. Mayor?

You say you are pleased to have people ask questions of public interest. One would rather infer you had stepped on a tack.

O. B. FULLER.

## ROADS ATTACKING COMMISSION

### RAILROADS WEST OF MISSOURI RIVER TRY TO SHOW THAT ITS POWERS AND ACTS ARE UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

St. Paul, April 15.—A united attack through the United States courts upon the interstate commerce commission as an institution was begun today by the largest railroads operating west of the Missouri river.

The battle which promises to be one of the fiercest of the courts of this country have ever seen, was begun before Judge Dickson, special master in chancery. The Union Pacific and the Great Northern and Northern Pacific are among the complainants.

The object sought by the roads is a final conclusive decision by a United States court to the effect that its powers and functions authorized by congress are unconstitutional.

## SENIOR CLASS PLAY TO-NIGHT

### "SHE STOOPS TO CONQUER" TO BE PRESENTED AT WENATCHEE THEATRE BY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS.

This week has been a strenuous one for the members of the senior class who are to take part this evening in the play.

Two dress rehearsals have been held, and with every member perfect in his or her part, they are anxiously awaiting the hour. Those who have seen these rehearsals pronounce the play one of the best local talent plays ever given in Wenatchee.

The management desires that the audience be on time, as the curtain rises at 8:30 sharp, and those coming later will not be seated until after the first scene. It is to be hoped that this request will be complied with by those interested.

## BALL GAME NEXT SUNDAY

### RAILROADERS OF COLUMBIA RIVER WILL CROSS BATS WITH UNDEFEATED WENATCHEE TEAM.

The Railroaders at Columbia River has issued a challenge to the Wenatchee ball team for a game for next Sunday. While the Columbia River men have had little opportunity to get together, they have a number of old and experienced players and expect to put up a good strong game.

They have been particularly fortunate in selecting timber for their battery; Max Nord, who is in the employ of P. Welch & Co., the railroad contractor, was manager and captain for the ball team at Kaslo, B. C., for a number of years, playing the position of catcher, where he established a record in his batting average. J. J. Farrell, who will be in the box for the men from the construction town, is also in the employ of the contractors, and while following railroading has not overlooked the opportunities afforded in different parts of the country in the great American game. He was with the Grand Forks, B. C., team for two seasons, and has been given credit for winning several close games. He played with Rosalia for one season, where his playing was so well thought of that he has since been offered positions with several of the big teams.

Following is the line-up: Railroaders—Max Nord, c; J. J. Farrell, p; F. F. Thompson, 1st b; H. McMinn, 2nd b; Sumner Hurd, 3rd b; G. Hickey, ss; W. H. Benton, lf; Bill Roth, cf; W. A. Griffing, rf. Wenatchee—Tyrell, c; Longanecker, p; Green, 1st b; Chapman, 2nd b; Perry, 3rd b; Triplett, ss; Clary, lf; Block, cf; Whalen, rf.

Substitutes—Harry Warren, Sam Elder, Whisnand. The following are the special officers of the Columbia River team: Mascot—Paul, the famous Columbia River bulldog. Captain—J. J. Farrell. Manager—Wm. Roth. Coach—H. G. Cowling, J. S. Craig. The game will be called promptly at 2:30 at the ball park.

## STRUGGLE OF RAILROADS IN CENTRAL WASHINGTON

### Hill, Harriman and Earling Engaged in Struggle for Tonnage of the Eastern Portion of the State---Harriman and Hill Have Broken Truce and Are Now Battling for Great Prize.

Eastern Washington, central Idaho and western Montana are the checker-boards upon which Hill, Harriman and Earling are playing the game of modern railroad building, and the presence of engineers in Spokane, Lewiston, Missoula and the Columbia river basin suggests that the Inland Empire will be the scene of a struggle, which for opposition and energy has no parallel in the entire northwest. There are indications, too, that Harriman has broken truce with the veteran empire builder in the Clearwater country in central Idaho, southeast of Spokane, and it is generally believed that the plans now being exposed by the appearance of engineers, have been under preparation since the fall of 1907, and that every detail required for the allying of the Harriman and Earling interests to wrest the territory from Hill has been arranged.

The Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway company, which expended \$100,000,000 in completing its transcontinental line through Washington, is also making a fight for feeder territory in this state, Idaho and Montana. The announcement by Howard Elliott, president of the Northern Pacific Railway company, of the construction of a line to connect the Washington Central with the Northern Pacific at Pasco, Wash., south of Spokane, thereby giving a direct line to the water level haul of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle and passing through the Moses lake country from the Big Bend, has stirred the Milwaukee officials. Surveyors are in the field for a line to be constructed from a point near the Columbia river west of the Moses lake country and tapping the Big Bend country, the wheat belt west of Spokane.

It is also definitely announced that the Milwaukee will build direct into Hanford, on the west side of the Columbia river, and may in the near future formally announce its intention of reaching the Yakima valley. The most important movement, however, adopted so far by the Milwaukee is dispatching Assistant Chief Engineer Kyle to the Flathead country in Montana.

There are more than surface indications that the Johnson Electric railway between Nez Perce and Vollmer, Idaho, now nearing completion; the Northwestern Lumber company's road, projected from Vollmer into the Craig mountain timber district; the Clearwater Timber com-

pany's road projected from Orofino into the great timber district of the Clearwater country, are links in a planned system that when completed will give the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound and the Harriman roads a direct line from Butte or Missoula, Mont., to Portland, Ore., through the Clearwater country, with feeders extended to serve the greatest tonnage producing districts.

Engineers are now active on the Northwestern Lumber company's road and on the Clearwater Lumber company's road. The latter is a Weyerhaeuser concern, while the former is said to be closely related to the Monarch Lumber company, and subsidiary to the Milwaukee. The fact that the Milwaukee has acquired the Weyerhaeuser road from Palouse to Boville and the announcement of plans of extending to the Clearwater country, clearly suggests its intention of becoming a bidder for a business that does not exist at the present time, and can be developed only through activity in the timber districts.

The two timber companies are now ready to begin operations, and by the time the mills are installed and in operation the Harriman and Milwaukee interests could be in a position to provide the necessary transportation into the markets not accessible under present transportation facilities.

Northern Pacific officials are wondering what part in the game will be played by the Lewiston & Southeastern Electric company, promoted several years ago, and of which little has been heard lately.

The Johnson road between Nez Perce and Vollmer follows the Lewiston & Southeastern survey between those points, and, in fact, has appropriated the constructed grade work without any protest on the part of the Lewiston & Southeastern.

It is also definitely known that in the last two years all the engineering data of the electric project has been in the Portland office of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company and that less than two months ago the inspection of the route was made by the O. R. & N. engineers.

As far as the public is concerned the interests of the electric road are now held by the Commercial Trust company, which is headed by Joseph M. Keatings, a New York banker who came to Lewiston less than a

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## PIANO MEN WERE FREED

### JURY BROUGHT IN VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY IN CLINE CASE AND McCUE WAS DISMISSED WITHOUT TRIAL.

The case of the state vs. C. L. Cline, charged jointly with A. McCue with stealing a team of horses belonging to Ison Skagg, went to the jury yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock. The taking of testimony was concluded early in the forenoon and the arguments to the jury were very lengthened. The jury retired about 4 o'clock and about 7 o'clock announced that a verdict of "not guilty" had been arrived at. This morning, on motion of Prosecuting Attorney Kemp, the case against McCue was dismissed.

The defense set up a plea that Cline and McCue had purchased the Skagg team on a promissory note payable in 60 days. It was a case of the word of Skagg against that of Cline and McCue, and the jury was inclined to give credence to the latter, thus freeing the two men from any criminal charge.

The team of horses is still in the possession of the sheriff. The Clines insist that the team be taken back to Ellensburg, where it was taken by the sheriff and brought to this city. It is understood the replevin proceedings will be instituted this afternoon by Attorney Crass in behalf of Skagg.

Joe Wagner, oldest correspondent on the Spokesman staff, spent yesterday in Wenatchee and today went to Seattle.

## INDICTS CUDAHY MEAT COMPANY

### FEDERAL GRAND JURY OF KANSAS BRINGS IN 737 COUNTS AGAINST BIG MEAT TRUST FOR DEFAUDING GOVERNMENT.

(By Associated Press.) Topeka, Kan., April 16.—Indictments were returned by the federal grand jury against the Cudahy Packing company, of Kansas City, on 737 counts of defrauding the government out of \$80,000, in violation of the internal revenue law. The minimum fine for each count is \$1,000, making the total for which the company is liable in the event of conviction of over \$700,000.

## ANOTHER RED APPLE SCHOLAR

### Tourist Club Raising Funds to Send Honor Young Lady Student to One of the State Institutions.

Another meeting was held last night by the Tourist club committee which is at work on the scholarship fund. This scholarship will be known as the "Wenatchee Women's Scholarship for Girls," to be awarded at commencement time, largely on a basis of scholarship. There will be no restrictions as to which of the state institutions the winner of this scholarship shall attend. The fund raised will be \$250.

The committee in charge is Mrs. C. H. Lodge, chairman; Mrs. J. H. Blake, Miss Cora Colton, Miss Lorena Hull, Miss Bessie Murray.

A. W. Dressel and family arrived from Brookings, S. D., today, to look over the valley.

## MOHAMMEDANS KILL AMERICAN MISSIONARIES IN TURKEY

### General Massacre of Armenians in Asiatic Turkey Results in Two American Missionaries Being Killed at Adana, the General Station of the American Missionary Board.

(By Associated Press.) Constantinople, April 16.—Information today from Adana, in Asiatic Turkey, declares that two American missionaries had been killed in an Armenian outbreak in that place.

Berlin, April 16.—A dispatch received at Mersina from Adana says that city has been aflame since last Wednesday evening and that horrible massacres are being carried on in the streets. This information was conveyed to Berlin in a private telegram from Mersina. Adana is the station of the American board of commissioners for foreign missions, with a working force of five missionaries and 32 native workers. The American missionaries there are Rev. William Chambers and wife and the Misses Webb, two sisters. The population of Adana is 45,000, mostly Mohammedans, but there are a considerable number of Christians, including the Armenians and a small Greek colony.

Mersina, Asiatic Turkey, April 16.—The massacre of Armenians at Adana continues. The troops are powerless and some soldiers are joining in the pillage of the city.

Constantinople, April 16.—There is no confirmation of the deaths of the two American missionaries at Adana. The Moslem attacks started yesterday and continued throughout the night. A large number of Christians are said to have been killed. One report says 60 Armenians have lost their lives and many houses are looted and burned. The British vice consul at Mersina has proceeded to Adana. Many conflicting reports as to the number of deaths and the extent of trouble are current.

Chicago, April 16.—The Misses Webb, former residents of Missouri, and Rev. William N. Chambers, 70 years old, and wife, are maintained by the First Congregational church of Oak Park, a fashionable suburb of this city. Chambers has been in Turkey since 1879.

## AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO ATKINSON CASE IS ON TRIAL

### IT IS REPORTED THAT VETERAN EDITOR OF THE OREGONIAN WILL SUCCEED NEBRASKA MAN IN SOUTHERN REPUBLIC.

Chicago, April 16.—The Tribune today says that Harvey W. Scott, editor of the Portland Oregonian, will be the next American ambassador to Mexico, to succeed David E. Thompson, of Nebraska.

George Farr, manager of the Skykomish Lumber company, went to his home at Skykomish after spending a couple of days in this city.

H. D. Halferty, of Cashmere, is in the city on business.

### CASE WHEREIN DEFENDANT IS CHARGED WITH WRONGING GIRL OF FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE LAST JUNE.

The case of the state vs. Prince Atkinson was commenced this morning and up to 2 o'clock this afternoon a jury had not been secured. This is the case wherein Prince Atkinson, a pioneer resident of this valley is charged with criminally wronging a girl 14 years of age.

### Washington Weather.

Fair tonight and Saturday.

J. H. McCue went to Seattle this noon.