

REPORT FAVORS HIGHER BRIDGE

Board of Trade Committee's
Plans for New Madison-
Street Structure.

WILL NOT RAISE GRADE

Provision to Be Made for Elevated
Roadway on Third Street—Small
Steamers Must Have Drop
Smokestacks.

Reconstruction of the Madison street bridge at a higher elevation and with elevated approaches was endorsed by the Board of Trade at a meeting yesterday afternoon. Such a structure was recommended by a special committee, appointed by the Board at a previous meeting. This committee yesterday submitted its report, together with plans that had been prepared by an engineer. By the plans, which meet with the approval of the Board of Trade, congested traffic conditions along the waterfront on the East Side can be relieved without noticeably increasing the grade over the bridge.

After being approved, the report was referred back to the committee, with instructions to amend its plans that an elevated roadway will be provided for East Third street and at the same time make some provision for an approach for vehicles at each end of the main bridge. The committee was directed to resubmit its report as modified in time to be further considered at another meeting of the executive committee, which will be held next Monday.

How Elevation Can Be Gained.

By starting the grade for the new approach of the new bridge at a point 100 feet on Madison street and the approach of Front street and making the grade of such approach a 2 1/2 per cent rise from that point to the main bridge, a gain of one foot in elevation will be obtained—the distance between the points being approximately 200 feet. This would give the bridge an elevation of 47.37 feet above low water. The grade mentioned is not at all steep, either for team or car traffic, and might be profitably increased to a corresponding gain in bridge level.

With the gain in bridge elevation mentioned and action on the part of harbor authorities requiring river steamers to be equipped with draft-lifts or gear, the delay incident to the opening of the draw would be avoided. We believe that the board should take action in connection with the bridge matter of securing a drop-smokestack regulation.

Recommendations as to Viaducts.

As to the east approach, we recommend that a viaduct approach be constructed on the Morrison street side and that the railroad tracks crossing that avenue on East Water, East First and East Second streets, be shifted eastward. A single line of the bridge on the east side of the viaduct, about 100 feet east of the end pier, where the turn is made on Hawthorne avenue. The rise with a grade of about 2 1/2 per cent to the east line of East Second street, then on a level to the west line of East Third street, then descend with a grade of about 2 1/2 per cent to the west line of Union avenue. This viaduct would clear the present street grade at the intersecting streets (allowing 30 inches for structure) as follows: East Water street, 18.75 feet; East Third street, 22.5 feet; East Second street, 19.1 feet; East Third street, 17.1 feet.

FAMILY FROM YORKSHIRE

Homeseekers Come Through Efforts of Chamber of Commerce.

Among the recent arrivals in Portland as a result of a correspondence with Secretary Giltner of the Chamber of Commerce, are David Horner and family, consisting of a wife and three grown sons, who hail from West Morton, Bingley, Yorkshire, England. Several months ago, Mr. Horner, who had been in Oregon for some time, wrote to Secretary Giltner a letter of inquiry concerning Oregon and immediately forwarded information as to the climate and the resources of the garden spot of the Coast. The prospective settler addressed another letter to Secretary Giltner seeking further information as to the change in seasons and what might be considered the best line of the year to come to this state. This information was also forwarded by Mr. Giltner.

Yesterday afternoon while seated in his office, Mr. Giltner received a caller that was none other than Mr. Horner, who handed the secretary of the commercial organization one of the letters that had been written by that official. Mr. Giltner was just preparing to receive a severe upbraiding for coaxing the Englishman to Oregon, especially this season of the year, when he was perfectly astonished to have the newcomer express his delight with the country and its climate, including the changeable weather of Oregon, which was a typical March day.

TWO WEEKS LEFT TO FILE PETITIONS

Council Passes McNary Measure
Governing Procedure
on Initiative Bills.

FIGHT FOR CLEAN FOOD

Health Officer Says Butchers and
Bakers Are Careless.

That some of Portland's butchers do not pay sufficient attention to sanitary conditions in their shops and to the cleanliness of the meat they sell, is the opinion of Dr. C. H. Wheeler, the City Health Officer. Dr. Wheeler says he has an ordinance drafted that will correct these abuses and will submit it to the City Council. He thinks the people of the city should be educated in the matter of preserving the public health, and believes that this would do much to check many common diseases.

"We have a number of butchers here," said Dr. Wheeler yesterday, "who are conducting their establishments in such a way that they are nuisances to the people who live in the vicinity, as well as a menace to the health of the community. For instance, we often find a butcher shop which presents a clean appearance from the front, but on going into the rear of the shop it is found to be filthy. Passing through the room in the rear an open space is found where the butcher is making hamburger steak and sausage and frying off scraps of bone and meat to obtain the tallow. Some of this meat is probably tainted, but much of it is sold to patrons, nevertheless."

"We need an inspector of meats," he has asked the Council for an appropriation so that I can employ an inspector at \$1200 a year, whose duty it shall be to inspect meat only. I could use such an inspector all the time, and to the best interests of the citizens of the city, too."

"We are fighting the bakeries at every turn and compelling them to make their bread clean and wholesome. I do not have time single-handed, however, to look after these things as I would like to do."

ASSESSOR SIGLER TALKS

Tells East Side Business Men's Club of His Work.

County Assessor Sigler was present last night at the meeting of the Business Men's Club in Oddfellows' Hall on Grand avenue and East First street, to talk on and to answer questions regarding the assessment. Mr. Sigler said his office made a practice of assessing land at its real value as near as possible, and to deal liberally with improvements, and to deal liberally with assessments. In expressing his own views, Mr. Sigler said that if it were possible he would have revenue derived only from the land and from income which he considered the most equitable and fair method. He answered many questions as to how assessments are made, and said he should be glad to get any help the club might give.

PLANS TO BUILD HALL

Brooklyn Improvement Club Resolves to Own Its Home.

At a meeting of the Brooklyn Republican and Improvement Club last night, it was decided to proceed with the erection of a hall for that portion of the city. A. L. Barbur, C. C. Klein and F. P. Keenan were appointed a hall committee. When subscriptions to the stock have reached \$1000, the company will be organized and work started. Shares will be \$1 each. Last night, by 38 members present, \$625 was subscribed toward the hall. It is thought there will be no trouble about raising money enough.

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A Voice From The Stomach

A Bloodless Fight Between a Tablet and a Habit—The Tablet Wins.

ATTEMPT TO AMEND FAILS

Action Insures Validity of Petition
for \$1000 Liquor License Ordinance—Free Water Amendment Goes Over.

The Council yesterday passed the McNary ordinance prescribing a procedure for the filing of initiative petitions and limiting the time in which petitions may be filed to 60 days before election. Those who have petitions to file have about two weeks in which to conform with the provisions of the McNary ordinance. The action of the Council yesterday insures the validity of the petition for the \$1000 liquor license ordinance.

An attempt was made yesterday to amend the McNary ordinance to establish the time limit at 30 days instead of 60 days, but it failed. This would have left all the petitions at the discretion of the Council, which could have accepted them or thrown them out at its pleasure. Gray introduced the amendment and it was promptly voted down. The McNary ordinance passed by a unanimous vote.

The ordinance passed by the Council when a special meeting of the Council will be held. All the petitions that conform to the law and the questions approved by the Council will then be ordered submitted at the June election. The members of the Council want to place the free water amendment on an equal footing with the bill of the central water committee. Otherwise the Council would have acted yesterday afternoon.

The ordinance of the ways and means committee appropriating \$3000 out of the general fund for 100 new arc lights was passed. The executive committee will determine the location the lights, most of which will be given to the East Side.

BETTER CARE OF ORCHARDS

FARMERS PAYING ATTENTION TO HORTICULTURAL LAWS.

Spraying of Fruit Trees Contagious, Says Secretary Williamson, of Horticultural Board.

"Spraying and more properly caring for orchards, like a pestiferous animal, has proved contagious in this state," said Secretary H. M. Williamson, of the State Board of Horticulture, yesterday. "Never before in the history of this state have orchardists given so much attention to their fruit trees as they are giving this spring. This is especially true in the Willamette valley, where nine-tenths of the sports are being received by the Horticultural Board from all other sections of the state. Spraying for the treatment of the San Jose scale has practically been abandoned. We are convinced that the most effective means for treating with the codling moth evil is to prevent the sale of all wormy fruit in the market. The greatest trouble in carrying this line this season has been the scarcity of labor, otherwise the spraying process would have been more extensively carried out."

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F. John Scott, of Glasgow, Scotland, and George De Jours, of Milwaukee, Wis., are at the Imperial. They have come to the city for the purpose of looking it over as a field for investment. Both men are pleased with the Rose City and its prospects, but will visit other Pacific Northwest cities, before they decide where to locate. It is their intention.

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