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# UNWRITTEN LAW OF WATER BOARD

How It Is Broken for Favored Few. but Observed for Others.

### MAINS ARE LAID IN ALLEYS

Ladd Tract Can Have All the Pipes It Desires, but Less Fortunate Districts Are Constantly Being Befused.

Analysis of the situation with reference to the "unwritten law" of the Water Board that a main shall not be laid until the street has been improved or the grade established and the revenue to be de-rived pays 6 per cent interest on the coat of construction, reveals many interesting

Occasions have been frequent where the mains have been extended even beyond the city limits to cover special cases, while at the same time less favored diswhile at the same time less rayored dis-tricts within the borders of the munici-pality have clamored in vain for a supply. According to its own estimates, it is hard to determine upon what basis the 6 per cent proposition is figured. The rec-ord of proceedings by the Board show many instances where water-more have been granted larger mains, not upon the supposition that there was any actual insupposition that there was any actual increase of revenue at all, but merely upon the theory that what they had already been paying under a cramped method would amount to the established rate of

would amount to the established rate of revenue by an improved service.

R. L. Cate, agent for the Ladd tract, undertakes to defend the serion of the Board in laying mains arrough an alleyway there upon the hypothesis that when the tract was dedicated it was stipulated that all water mains and sewer pipes be laid in the alleys wherever practicable, to the end that connections with houses. to the end that connections with houses might be more easily made.

The answer to this argument exists in

the fact that any other tract might make it a condition precedent to dedication that the city should furnish its residents free water, and the Water Board would have just as much right to obey the injunction. Mr. Cate admits that the 16 residents of Mr. Cate admits that the is residents of the Ladd tract were already users of water by private mains from the Hawthorne-avenue main, and that the city was legally entitled to pay therefrom; consequently when the main was run down Poplar street to the alleyway, and from there to Mapie and thence back to Hawthorne avenue, the city was not enriched in any manner by the operation. riched in any manner by the operation, because it was done merely as an accom-modation to the Ladds, for which the records show the Water Board paid \$1560 of public money for the privilege.

refused for the alleged reason that the venture would only pay \$7 a year, or exactly \$1 less than the \$ per cont of the cost of construction, which the Board arbitrarily fixes as its rate of interest.

Agent Cate, of the Ladd tract, in his defense of the Water Board's action in violating its own rules by ranning the main, through the eight-foot alley less than 100 feet on a parallel from the Hawthorne-avenue main, intimates that some of the 16 residents might take water for firrigating their lawns during four months of the year, and thus increase the revenues to the extent of \$12 annually, but on the other hand, Mr. Brown and others who get no water at all except others who get no water at all except what they secure by the Rebecca process, might contend that the more fact of the advent of mains in their neighborhood would proce sufficiently attractive in itself to bring many new residents there, and greatly add to the income from that source.

hat source. At the meeting of the Water Board on September 12, the following petitions for mains were granted: On Milwaukie ave-nue, from Lee avenue to Lexington ave-lue in the Sellwood district, 100 feet of 6 in the Sanwood Basic Twenty-eighth to East Thirty-second, 1420 feet of 6-inch; Wasce, East Twenty-fourth to East Twenty-leighth, 1920 feet of 8-inch; East Twenty-fourth, Multnomah to Broadway, 122 feet 8-inch; Maitnomah, East Twenty-fourth to East Twenty-fourth fourth to East Twenty-fifth, 260 feet 6-Inch; Clackamas. East Twenty-fourth to East Twenty-eighth, 1880 feet s-inch; Hal-ser, East Twenty-second to East Twenty-eighth, 1890 feet 6-inch; East Twenty-fifth, Multnomah to Wasco, 280 feet 6-inch; A total of 2380 feet of 8-inch piping and 3880 feet of 6-inch; or 2380 feet all total feet of 6-inch, or 7400 feet all told.

others for a main on East Madison street from East Thirty-sixth to East Thirty-ninth; F. C. Goodwin and three others, for main on East Ninth street, from Marion avenue to Ochoco street, in Soll-wood; the Madinomah Real Estate Company and 53 others for a main in every surrounding counties were invited to attina district). F. Kindorr and five others
for a main on Milwaukie avenue, from
Lee avenue to Hunter street and thence
east 700 feet; W. E. Williamson and four
others for a main on East Norrison street.

Kelly. The latter spoke of the history
of the Grange and the pioneers who
started it in the schoolhouse at Lents.
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now live. The Grange has 30 active
members, many business men of Portland elfth to East Sixteenth street.

\*August S. E. B. Foley and eight others, who live on Cieveiand avenue, between Fremout and Beech streets, and who were heling supplied from a 1-inch pipe, were granted an 8-inch ream at a cost of \$100, on their plea that their supply was insuf-ficient. They were already paying a total of \$108 a year, and there was no increase of revenue for the \$500 expended. This is a sample of what has been going on right. along and apparently the only remedy left for communities shut off from a water supply is by agitation until the Water Board is made to see the injustice

# Unwritten Laws Broken.

That the Water Board does not always observe its "unwritten law" not to lay a main until the street is improved, the grade established, or the s per cent interest theory is properly observed is shown by many of its official acts, too numerous, in fact to mention France France of Mrs. Compton. ous, in fact, to mention. Experienced engineers give it as their opinion that unless there are deep garges, or the formation of the country is otherwise broken.

It is not entirely necessary for the grade
to be established or the street improved to be established or the street improved before mains are put down, on account of the high pressure from the reservoirs. Whenever the Water Board wants to deay some poor citizen the right to get water, it can siways find an easy means of doing so, and the record of its proceed-ings are full of instances where it has repeatedly violated its our role. repeatedly violated its own rules. The beard is usually governed entirely by the seport of Superintendent Dodge, and he is posmingly invested with autocratic power to say who shall and who shall not be favored in that respect. The members, and distributes.

of the board seldom, if ever, question hi edicts, and rarely make any personal in vestigations, because they are all business men, who are serving the city without salary, and it is not to be supposed that they are going to work their heads off n the city's interests under such circum

The fate of all the applications for water mains is therefore practically vested in the hands of one man, and while he may be the most honest and sin-cere person on earth, he is just as liable to err as anybody else, especially in suc cases where be is obliged to draw th lines so closely as to create a distinction without a difference. Mr. Dodge has sev-eral favorite subterfuges to fall back or whenever he wants to deny an application for water. He says no, either because it will create a "dend-end," and the wate become liable to stagnation on account of infrequent usage, or he tells the board the street is not improved or the revenue to be derived will not pay 6 per cent interest on the cost of construction, and whatever he says goes, because he is micrely carrying out a few of the boards own rules that were apparently framed for no other purpose than to suppress the growth of the suburbs.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH WILL HOLD CELEBRATION.

Services Will Begin This Morning, Continuing Until December 10, at the White Temple.

It has been 50 years since the First Baptist Church of Portland was founded, and in commemoration of this anniversary a golden jubilee will be held, beginning this morning and lasting until December 16. This church was organized the first Sun-day in May, 1855, in the courtroom at day in May, 1835, in the courtroom at Front and Salmon streets. The organizers numbered ten, and were: Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Boyakin, Vr. and Mrs. Josiah Falting, Miss Elizabe'h Falling, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram S. Pine, Mrs. Catherine Bohnell, Mrs. Olive Simonda and Mrs. Andrew Dray. Rev. Egra Fisher and Rev. Here tall. Mrs. Olive Simonda and Mrs. Andrew Dray. Rev. Egra Fisher and Rev. Here tall. Mrs. Olive Simonda and Mrs. Andrew Dray. Rev. Egra Fisher and Rev. Here tall. Mrs. Olive Simonda and Mrs. Andrew Dray. The standards of the erection of the first church dwnee by this congregation was begun and occupied the ground on which the Honeyman Hardware Company's building now stands. The White Temple was begun in 1885 and finished the following year.

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The opening service will be held there at 10:30 o'clock this morning. There will be special music, and Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher will preach on "Four Looks." Bible school jubilee exercises will be brid at 12:30 P. M. S. J. Barber, J. S. Majone, James Edipunds and C. J. Millis will de-liver addresses. At 3:30 P. M. there will be a reminiscent

and communion service, and at 5 P. M. luncheon will be served in the lower temple. At 7:30 P. M., there will be a Jubilee popular service, when C. A. Chambers will direct the orchestra and J. Belcher the singing. Dr. Brougher will preach a sermon on "The Queen of the Home." A benedictory service will follow.

### Historical Service Tomorrow.

because it was done merely as an accommodation to the Ladds, for which the records show the Water Board faid \$1500 of public money for the privilege.

Case of Variance.

In direct variance with this evidence of frenzled finance, the case of H. H. Brown and two others stands out in bold relief. They made application for water on the same day as the agent for the Ladd tract, the contemplated main to rom on East Fortleth street 500 feet wouth from Hawtherne avenue, but were refused for the alleged reason that the venture would only pay \$27 a year, or the First Baptist Church; Schiff Gaia, Chinese Mission; Rev. John Bentzien, city refused for the alleged reason that the venture would only pay \$27 a year, or

The jublice prayer service, Thursday, will consist of reminiscences. The closing feature will be a bazur and reception, Friday, December 8, from 2 to 5 P. M., and 7:30 P. M., by the Ladies' Aid Society.

## GRANGERS TO GIVE HELP

Will Send Memorial Asking Government Aid in Deepening Channel.

At the annual meeting of Evening Star Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, yesterday in the hall on the Section Line road, it was decided to assist in the general movement to secure Government aid to deepen the Columbia River to the sea. A com-munication was received from the Port-land Board of Trade, asking that the Pa-trons of Husbandry join with the other denth, 150 feet s-linch; East Twenty-fifth, Multnomsh to Wasso, 30 feet s-inch; a cotal of 200 feet of s-inch piping and 500 feet of s-inch, or 780 feet all told.

At the same time these petitions for mains were denied: A. Wright and eight sheers for a main on East Madison street from East Thirty-sixth to East Thirty-linth; P. C. Goodwin and three others, or main on East Ninth street, from March 100 feet in the same time the same time these petitions for this state and send it to H. W. Scott, who will present all the inchromals. At this meeting arrangements were completed for the institute, which will take place in the ball next Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, several committees being a committees being a committee of the content of the content of the said. and Saturday, special committees being appointed to handle the details. All farmers in Multnomals, Clackanas and surrounding counties were invited to at-

This being the annual meeting, appropriate remarks were made by Judge J. F. Caples, E. A. Milter and Mrs. Plympton Kelly. The latter spoke of the history, of the Grange and the pioneers who started it in the schoolhouse at Lents.

Out of the M charter members only four now live. The Grange has 26 active members, many business men of Portland among them. It has a line hall, and is out of debt. J. J. Jehrson was re-elected master, this being his third term in that capacity. It was the largest attended meeting of the year, and there were representatives from different portlens of the state present.

McCusker Leaves Railway Employ.

Thomas McCusker, who recently resigned his position as assistant general agont of the freight department of the Harriman lines, in order better to be able to work for a franchise on Front street, is now out of the railroad offices, after a service of many years. His resignation took effect Priday.

Mr. McCusker has purchased an interaction of the freight department at the resignation took effect Priday.

Mr. McCusker has purchased an interaction of the freight department at the present courage and manly independence that have characterized your statements of the present Company, and will hereafter be connected with that firm.

Faneral of Mrs. Compton.

The faneral services of Mrs. Namey E.

The funeral services of Mrs. Nancy E. Compton, whose death took place in this city Thursday morning, will be held at the family residence, 68 East Alder street, this afternoon at 2.20 o'clock. Mrs. Compton was a prominent member and active worker in the Taylor-Street Methoder Episcopal Church and the services will be conducted by Dr. P. Bur-gette Short, pastor of that church. The terment will be in Lone Fir Cemetery.

## BUSINESS ITEMS.

Revision of Internal Revenue System Is Requested.

TO PRESIDENT

Temperance Congress Starts Crusade Against Federal Liquor Tax That Is Deluging White House With Communications.

Potland temperance workers are, as a Protand temperance workers are, as a result of the Exposition Temperance Congress. Industriously codesavoring to have President Boosevelt recommend to Congress the repeal of the internal revenue system, so far as it has to do with the liquor traffic. During the past few days a large number of postal cards and petitions and many personal letters have been forwarded for the purpose of gaining the favorable consideration of the President in the matter, and the temperance advocates are hopeful of favorable responses, despite the stupendous issue that would be raised by such recommendation.

The movement is not confined to Port-The movement is not confined to Port-land alone, but petitions, letters and cards of similar character are being directed to the President from nearly all quarters of the United States. The postcards, which are designed for individual signa-ture, read as follows:

### What the Postcards Say.

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Hon. Therefore Rossevelt, President of the United States—Dear Sir. As a loyal citizen of the United States and a hearty admirer of your maintenes and thidependence. I appeal to you for give luminediate and earnest personal consideration to the Important petition sem; you by the Portland National Temperance Congress and thus recognize this overshadowing, lesus of the liquor traffic. traffic in your next message to the Pederal Congress.

The petitions, which are designed for any number of signatures, and which have been largely signed by pasters, church officials and voters generally, read as fol-

Dear Shr. Belleving beartily tent and in agreement with the following resolutions unanimously adopted by the Na-tional Temperance Congress at Portland, Or., September 21, 1985, ws., the undersigned, citizens of the United States, do hereby re-

Whereas The Federal Government, when it created the Bureau of Internal Revenue in 1862 laid special war taxes upon the products of nearly every business, including the liquor traffic; and
Whereas. All these special taxes were rebealed immediately following the war, with the exception of the Federal taxation of the liquor traffic, which has continued to the present day; and
Whereas. The internal revenue system has

present day; and
Whoreas, The Internal revenue system has
developed and tostered the liquid Traffic beyend the fondest dreams of its early promoters, until its invested capital exceeds
\$500,000,000, and fis retail cash income from
the people of the United States is nearly
\$1.000,000,000 years; and
Whoreas, The Internal revenue receipts
from all alcoholds liquous is less than \$200.
000,000, and the license and tax receipts of
all state and local governments is less than
\$200,000,000 annually, while its cost directly
and indirectly to the whole people exceeds
\$2,000,000,000 yearly in money value alone;
and

measure directly traceable to this ctill; therefore he it Resolved, That we as citizens of the United States, do hereby appeal to Theodore Rossevel, President of the United States, that he hereat the official effects of the present and past administration for more than do years upon this direct and criminal completity of the National Government with the legalized figure traffic, and with the same magnificent courses and many independence that has characterized his statementable; in the present hour, changes the resemble right of protection from the majors and in his next message to the National Congress declars that the affiance must be broken, and the internal revenue bulwark of the liquor traffic allowant of orever.

Mr. Amon' Letters'

## Mr. Amos' Letter.

Following is a sample of the personal letters which are going forward to the President, this being a copy of the com-munication addressed to the Chief Execulive by L. H. Amos, chalrenan of Lewis and Clark Temperation Congress:

Lowis and Clark Temperature Congress:

Dear Sir: Hearing spec the resolutions unanimously adapted by the National Temperature Congress at Porthana On, September 21, 1900, to edited by the National Temperature Congress at Porthana On, September 21, 1900, to edited your attention is now must carnestly lifely ealled, permit for he government of the writings of two perments promittent in the couplins of the best and spirit frade organization, as to the very imperiant part played by he thiorized feweres on any in the service cave to any in the selection and strengthyning of the trade.

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James E. Pebper, in the same publication, said. The progress of the distilling business during the pest century, has probably been greater than in almost any other line of manufacture. When one glances at the distilling with its distilling.

fined to his home with a dislocated ankie.

Which he suffered recently by a fall. He will be able to be out within a few days.

Miss Jean C. Slauson came down from Durance has Wednesday in spend the remains of the content of the co Thanksgiving holidays at her home on the of Ohlo, age, 55 years, 5 months and 25 the East Side. She will return to her days the East Side. She will return to her studies in the University of Oregon to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Brnet and daughter. Helen, have just returned to Portland at-ter spending two months in the Bast and Middle West. While on their trip they

C. E. S. Wood leaves for Washington this morning, where, it is supposed be is going on business connected with the Malbeur irrigation project. Mr. Wood is attorney for the wagon road company, which owns counsiderable land under the proposed ir instina project.

R. B. Miller, general freight agent of the Harriman lines, left Friday night for Chirago and other Eastern cities. Mr. Miller reckeitly returned from a business trip through the East, and goes to attend to edine matters in connection with the feesight service, which were left unfinished at that time.

W. Frank Walkins, secretary to A. L. Trails general passenger agent of the Harriman lines, has realigned his position, to take effect next week. He will leave the service of the railroads, and heresafter be employed in the offic of J. H. Barber, immigration inspector in the Costorns building. Mr. Walkins has been connected with the local railroad offices for the past five years. He will be sucfor the past five years. He will be succeeded by E. C. Fleming, who is now in

DERSONAL MENTION.

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Middle West. While on their trip to the visited relatives in Michigan, Illinois, Colorado and Missohri.

C. E. S. Wood leaves for Washington BIDWELL-At St. Vincent's Hospital, November 26, Jose Messinger.

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PAULSON-At Florence Crittenden Home, November 26, to the wife of Luther Paulson,

Same to same, lot 2, block 2. Past Tabor Villa
C. Girard to E. Stein, lot 8, block 228,
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V. E. Beno and wife to L. Wager, lots
9, 10, block 12, Feurer's Add.
City to C. Buschier, lots 41 to 45, block
8, Pentmeular Add.
H. S. Galloway and wife to A. Carlin,
lot 6, block 12, Sellwood
Oak Park Land Ch. to M. F. Tate, S. 1,
lot 4, block 12, Sellwood
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lot 4, block 12, Sellwood
L. M. Beildy to M. E. McClake, lots 7,
8, Bock 4, Point View
E. L. Hannagen to Bridal Vell Lumber
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N. E. Turner and wife to same. IS acres
Sec. 14, T. 1 N. R. 1 E.
L. Petroc et al. to same, 13 acres, Sec.
16, T. 1 N. R. 1 W.
Title Guarantee & Trust Co. to M. C.
Winters, lot 2, block 18, Holladay
Fark First Add.
G. W. Hown to F. Foster, lot 28, block
J. Arieta Park No. 2

M. A. Marshall to G. C. Barton, lot 11,
block 30, Homyside
W. S. Ward and wife to J., C. McCrew,
lots 6, T. Mount Scott Acres
J. C. McGrew and wife to J. D. Sheer,
lot 8, block 18, Karn Park
A. Peterson and wife to J. B. Hell and
wife, lots 5, 6, block 17, Hodladay
Fark First Add.
A. E. Downing and wife to A. Downing to II, block 18, Columbia Heights
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A. E. Downing and wife to A. Downing to II, block 18, Lot F. I. Mo-

The continue of the past five years are continued by E. C. Fleming, who is now in Mr. Craig's office.

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—Geocial.—Orogenial man registered today as follows:
From Portland—W. E. Hurd and wife, at the Additortum; J. Davidson, at the Raiserhof.

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Manufacturing Complany, Fortland, wife and daughters. Agnes and Thereas, registered at the New York Readquarters of the continued and daughters. Agnes and Thereas, registered at the New York Readquarters of the continued and daughters. Agnes and Thereas, registered at the New York Readquarters of the continued and daughters. Agnes and Thereas, registered at the New York Endoquarters of the continued and daughters. Agnes and Thereas, registered at the New York Readquarters of the continued and the continu

Miss Boskowitz, and "Current Events" by Miss Mae Hirsely and Mrs. A. Fox. Miss Park will be the vocalist for the after-noon and Mrs. Rose Bloch Bauer, accompresident during Mrs. Blumauer's absence.

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## Sacred Concert at Sunday Club.

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Rev. Henry Wilson, D. D., of New York City, will speak this afternoon at the Sunday Club for men at the Young Men's Christian Association, on the subject, The Gifts and Calling of God." Wilson is connected with the Christian and Missionary Alliance movement, and is one of their most eloquent preachers. He is widely sought after as a platform speaker. A special sacred concert has been arranged which will begin at I clock. The concert is given by the association orchestra under the leadership of A. L. Clifford and the quartet of the Westminster Presbyterian Church-Miss Reba Hobson, soprano; Mrs. Luiu Miller, contralto; K. Knudson, tenor, and Ron-ald Bradbury, baritone.

## A Song.

Helen Hay Whitney in the Christmas Matropolitan.

Dead leaves that whirl in the tattered wind That once were fairy gold.

Breathlessly, hopelessly turn and blind—
This is to be old. Breathlessly, hopelessly This it is to be old,

Wild songs that clang on the silver air, A flame with a forked tongue, Passionate, masterful, wise and fair— This it is to be young.

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