

INSPECTOR WANTED

Councilman Mullen Would Protect the Consumer.

OR WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Petitions Asking For More Paved Streets Are Submitted to the Consideration of the Council—Other Matters.

AND STILL ANOTHER.

Just prior to adjournment of the council last evening, Councilman Mullen suggested that it would be well for the city to create another office in the appointment of a weights and measures inspector.

Petitions asking for additional paved streets were presented to the consideration of the council last evening as follows:

Chadwick street—Chas to Washington street.

East Lane street—Kane to North First street.

Upon being read the petitions were referred to the street improvement committee, and were later returned with favorable recommendations.

Engineer's Report.

The city engineer reported that he had prepared the necessary plans and specifications for the paving of Chadwick, Washington, and West

Washington streets, and submitted the following estimates:

Chadwick street—Douglas to Washington street, \$2,114.84.

Washington street—Kane to Chadwick street, \$2,080.79.

West Washington street—Rose to S. P. Railroad tracks, \$5,526.12.

After brief discussion the report of the engineer was accepted, and resolutions were adopted authorizing the improvement.

Minor Matters.

A petition was presented last evening asking that an electric light be installed at the corner of Park and Prospect streets.

The city engineer reported that he had prepared the plans and specifications for the South Roseburg sewer system, and had found that the same would cost in the neighborhood of \$14,930.

Wendell Wright protested against the present location of a certain fire hydrant, near his residence property, and asked that the same be changed.

Eugene Hansen protested against the present sidewalk grade on East Douglas street, and asked that the property owners in that section of the city be granted certain concessions.

Winnie Gaddis, a local plumber, was awarded the contract for constructing the Chadwick and Washington street sewer.

ATTENTION PLEASE.

We thank you for your hearty co-operation in the affairs of the Lyceum Course. We now come to the climax. The numbers have all been good, we have reserved the best for the last.

WANT GAS FRANCHISE

W. F. Boardman & Company Submit an Application.

COMPLETE PLANT IN 8 MONTHS

Company Agrees To Post Bond and Commence Actual Work on Plant Within Sixty Days—Will Investigate.

ESSENTIAL POINTS.

- Franchise asked by W. F. Boardman & Company, of San Francisco. Term of franchise—50 years. Petitioners agree to establish plant of sufficient capacity to supply a city of 25,000 inhabitants.

As predicted in a recent issue of The Evening News, W. F. Boardman & Company, of San Francisco, presented the council with an application for a franchise to lay gas mains on all streets and alleys in the city of Roseburg.

Thomas D. Petch, chief engineer of the company was present at the meeting last evening, and upon invitation of the mayor, spoke briefly. Mr. Petch said that the company he represents is at present operating plants at Medford, Ashland, and several California cities, and are desirous of invading Roseburg.

Further, Mr. Petch said that the plant would cost in the neighborhood of \$50,000, or an amount equal to that expended in similar establishments in towns three times the size of Roseburg.

Upon motion of Councilman Mitchell, the application was referred to a special committee, appointed by Mayor Haynes as follows: Councilmen Joseph Mitchell, S. S. Josephson and George E. Houck.

The following is the letter and application presented to the consideration of the council last evening: San Francisco, Cal., 2-24 '11 Mr. A. N. Orent, City Recorder, Roseburg, Ore.

Dear Sir: In accordance with conversation between your honorable mayor, and also between Mr. Geo. Spenser, Jr., your city attorney, and the writer, I am enclosing you a memorandum for application for a franchise for the erection of a gas plant, and the laying of gas mains in your city.

I wish to state that if your city council and mayor decide to grant us this franchise, we will proceed to erect this gas plant at the earliest possible moment and carry out our part of the agreement; and we should be perfectly willing to deposit a verified check with your city treasurer that in case we do not fulfill our part of the obligation we would forfeit this check, or in the event that we comply with all our obligations that this check should be returned to us upon the completion of the gas plant and the turning on of gas in the city of Roseburg, Oregon.

Our engineer, Mr. Thomas D. Petch, will attend your meeting next Monday evening, March 27th, and will be prepared to answer any and all questions that may come up.

Yours Very Truly, THE W. F. BOARDMAN CO. By W. F. Boardman, Pres.

San Francisco, Cal., 2-24 '11. An application for a franchise for the erection of a gas plant and the laying of gas pipes in the streets, alleys and thoroughfares of the city

of Roseburg, Oregon, for the purpose of manufacturing, carrying and distributing gas for light, heat and power, to be granted The W. F. Boardman Company, under the following conditions:

First—That a franchise be hereby granted to The W. F. Boardman Company, and their assigns, conveying unto them the right to lay gas pipes and conduits for a period of fifty (50) years in the public streets, alleys, parks and thoroughfares of the city of Roseburg, Oregon, for the purpose of manufacturing, carrying and distributing gas for light, heat and power, and to make all necessary connections with said pipes and conduits.

Second—That no excavation made for the purpose of laying pipes and conduits shall remain open longer than absolutely necessary for the laying of said pipes and conduits therein, and that all parts of streets, alleys or sidewalks disturbed by such excavating shall be immediately restored to their former condition.

Third—That the construction of a plant for manufacturing gas with a capacity sufficient to serve a population of twenty-five (25,000) thousand, and the laying of pipes and conduits therefor, shall be commenced within sixty (60) days hereof and said work diligently prosecuted thereafter to completion, unless unavoidably conditions arise over which the grantees or their assigns have no control; in which case the council may by resolution grant a reasonable extension; and such gas plant shall be completed and in service within eight (8) months, from date; otherwise this franchise shall be declared forfeited.

Fourth—That the grantees or their assigns shall bear all expense of connections from the mains to the property lines on the streets and lot lines on alleys of property of each consumer.

Fifth—That the price to be charged consumers of gas shall not exceed one dollar and seventy-five cents (\$1.75) per thousand cubic feet. All meters shall be furnished by the grantees or their assigns free of charge to the consumer.

That said grantees or their assigns shall be empowered to make such rates or discounts to any or all consumers as they may desire, provided that such rates shall not exceed the maximum above mentioned.

This franchise is granted subject to reasonable rules and regulations of the Common Council and the police powers.

Immediate Action Predicted. In the event the committee to whom the application was referred, submits a favorable report at the regular meeting of the council next Monday evening, an ordinance will be prepared under the direction of Mr. Petch, and the same will come up for consideration early in April. In the event it meets the approval of the council, and is accepted, the franchise will be granted, and the company will commence work within 60 days, thus assuring the completion of the plant in eight months in accordance with the terms of the application.

LOCAL NEWS.

Contractor F. F. Patterson spent the afternoon at Oakland looking after business interests.

Mrs. Steven Sanford returned here this afternoon after a brief visit at the home of her sister at Medford.

Mrs. G. T. Russell, of Oakland, arrived here this morning to spend a couple of days visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. M. Kelly.

R. E. Smith, of the Douglas Abstract Company, left for Portland this afternoon to spend a few days looking after business matters.

Among those registered at the Roseburg hotel today are the following: Thomas Gray, Joseph Crouch, Ralph Hand and Floyd Smith, Oakland; C. E. Staley, Ashland, and E. L. Wright, Portland.

Among those registered at the Grand hotel today are the following: A. Everett, Portland; Dean Latimer, Portland; J. W. Griffith, Seattle; W. G. Tuernell, Portland; J. H. Hogan, W. C. Hagne, A. Mills, Oakland, and Mr. Puebler, Portland.

The work of erecting the recently authorized hose house, near the Southern Pacific emergency hospital, on Lane street, was commenced this morning. It is the intention of the contractors to have the building completed and in readiness for occupancy not later than Thursday.

Mrs. John Weaver, who resides between Myrtle Creek and Canyonville underwent an operation at Mercy hospital this morning. Drs. Sether & Stewart were the attending surgeons. The patient is said to be resting easy this afternoon with excellent chances of a complete recovery.

Thomas P. Petch, engineer for W. F. Boardman & Company, of San Francisco, who are looking for a franchise of the streets in which to lay gas mains, left for Medford this morning where he will remain for a few days. He expects to return here Saturday evening in order to meet the members of the committee to whom the petition was referred for investigation on Sunday.

BILLION DOLLAR TRUST

Controls Anthracite Coal Product of Country.

PROMINENT MEN ARE ACCUSED

New York Labor Protests—Russian Bear Satisfied For Present—Land Grifters Are On Trial—Peace Talk.

(Special to Evening News.)

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Following an extended investigation by the department of justice of what is declared to be the biggest trust in the world, announcement is made today that criminal prosecution of at least half a dozen of the most powerful financiers in the United States will be instituted at once by the federal government.

Secret service agents have reported that they found evidence to show that a billion dollar combine exists, the octopus being fathered by the Pennsylvania Railroad, and organized to control the entire output of anthracite coal in the United States.

It is said, will undertake to show that this gigantic trust has existed for years and has secretly used its power

to extort enormous profits from the coal trade. It is alleged by the government officials that the trust systematically throttled all competition by overwhelming cars from concerns got in the trust, while immense coal land holdings were purchased and small railroads subsidized.

PORTLAND, March 28.—The man giving the name of George Brown, arrested at Salem yesterday on the charge of being the suspected murderer of Barbara Holtzman, proved to be the wrong man and was released this morning.

SALEM, March 28.—Banker Cooper Morris, found guilty of embezzlement of the sum of \$75,000 in connection with the failure of the Oregon Trust & Savings Bank, of Portland, must, according to the decision handed down today, affirming the case on appeal from the circuit court, serve five years in the penitentiary for the crime.

PITTSBURG, March 28.—Charles Sheldon, a broker, was arrested here today charged with obtaining over a

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Advertisement for ROSEBURG BEAUTY PARLORS. Features: Barrels of Watch, New Our Neckwear Windows. Includes an illustration of a woman's face.

Advertisement for NO MORE COLDS. Features: Allens Cold Tablets. Text: It is a big satisfaction to feel safe. It is a big satisfaction to know that you can be both safe and free from colds.

Advertisement for Hoover's Liniment. Features: THE BIGGEST LITTLE DRUG STORE IN TOWN. Text: The time when you felt over ambitious and tried to do more than your strength warranted, was just the time you probably strained your back, your arm, or your ankle.

Advertisement for HARTH'S TOGGERY. Features: When a Tiger is Not a Tiger. Illustration of a man in a suit. Text: A tiger skin, with the tiger left out, is only a shell of a tiger. Harth's Toggery hand-tailored clothes stake everything on sincerity of tailoring because the tailoring makes up and makes permanent the style.