

LAND CEASES TO SLIDE HILL BACK OF RESERVOIRS NOW STATIONARY.

Water Committee Considers Rebuilding the Walls, but Defers Action for a Time.

A meeting of the Water Committee was held yesterday afternoon, Chairman Corbett presiding, and Messrs. Dolph, Knapp, Laab, Haseltine, Carson, Lewis, Teal and Joseph present.

The operating committee presented its report of the operation of the works for the month of April, showing receipts and disbursements as follows:

Balance paid to Treasurer \$22,697.72 In answer to 30th Mr. Dolph's report of the operating committee, stated that the receipts from the Albina system were very satisfactory—larger than had been estimated.

The engineer submitted a report, showing that the amount of water flowing from the drainage tunnel west of the reservoirs was only one-fifth as much as a few months ago, and that the sliding of the hillside had practically ceased, and there was no likelihood of any further movement of the land.

This brought up the matter of repairing the reservoirs, Nos. 1 and 2, injured by the sliding land adjoining them, and it was discussed at some length. It was the opinion of some that if there was no further movement of the sliding land, now and September, it would be perfectly safe to go ahead and repair the reservoirs.

Others thought it would be better to let them go until another rainy season had passed. Mr. Dolph was of opinion that the reservoirs were too deep, and favored filling the bottoms up for some distance. As yet it was necessary to consult the engineer in regard to the matter, it was laid over for a time.

Some 15 petitions for new mains and connections, aggregating 29,382 feet in length, were referred to the construction committee at the last meeting. The committee asked for further time to discuss the matter with the engineer before presenting a report. The request was granted.

A number of new petitions for mains on various streets, mostly on the East Side, were referred to the construction committee. A communication from Fletchinger, Mayer & Co., in regard to being charged an excess rate for water used for manufacturing purposes, on the ground that it was used for laundry purposes, was referred to the operating committee for investigation.

Nearly an hour was spent by the committee in discussing the matter with the engineer, a plumber, charged with violating the rules by connecting a closet and a building with the water mains without having procured a permit. As it was the second offense, and he had been warned by the construction committee after his first slip, he was required to come before the whole committee, and he put in rather an unpleasant afternoon, explaining to the committee how he had happened that he was transgressed. As the penalty, besides fine, was to refuse him any more in the future, he was practically driven him out of business, and as there was a reasonable doubt that he had violated the rules knowingly, he was allowed to go with writing that his repetition of the offense would be severely punished.

STREET BIDS OPENED. Board of Public Works Examines Many Offers.

At the meeting of the Board of Public Works yesterday afternoon bids for street and sewer improvements were opened as follows:

CONFERRING WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY HINES, OF THE OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY, OR COUNTY ROADMASTER STEVENSON, CITY ENGINEER CHASE INFORMED THE BOARD THAT HE HAD MADE A PRICE FOR THE USE OF THE STEAM ROLLER OF \$21 FOR A BLOCK OF 200 FEET, OR \$1.05 PER HOUR.

BOB BURDETTE'S TALK. Humorist Entertains Good House at the Y. M. C. A.

Bob Burdette lectured last evening before an audience that comfortably filled the Y. M. C. A. auditorium. He kept his hearers in laughter from the time he began until he closed, yet his humor was such that it could be laughed over but once. Nearly every sentence contained something that set the audience in a roar, but there was nothing that one could carry home and enjoy by himself or with his friends.

HERE'S NO NEW RECRUIT. The man who started the first move ever made in Congress toward the exclusion of the Chinese was George H. Williams of Oregon.

Mr. Williams submitted the following resolution: Resolved, That the committee on foreign relations be instructed to inquire into the expediency of regulating or restricting the immigration and importation of Chinese into the United States.

Mr. President: I offer this resolution at this time with the view of calling the attention of Congress to the subject. Since the first discovery of gold in California the Chinese in considerable numbers have immigrated to the Pacific Coast. They came there not to be citizens of the country, not to learn our language, to profess our religion, to adopt our customs, manners and habits; but they came there to be a people unto themselves and to maintain their attachment to the religion and government under which they have lived. I do not say that any particular harm has yet resulted from their presence on the Pacific Coast, but new facilities for their immigration have recently been created and no doubt will be increased, and some great inducement may arise which will pour clouds of Chinese from the millions who now inhabit the country where they live, upon the Pacific Coast, like locusts from the land of Egypt. I think it is not safe to despise the day of small things in reference to this matter, and it is much easier now to deal with the subject than it will be when it assumes more formidable proportions. I hope, therefore, the committee will give the subject that attention which its importance demands.

The resolution was agreed to.—Congressional Globe, part 1, page 183, Thirty-ninth Congress, December 19, 1866.

When it happens as when the victim thinks it over a week afterward, if the sufferer would only look at it that way. He said he could not tell the difference between wit and humor, though he had studied the subject frequently and carefully. One difference he has observed is that wit is local, while humor is not. That is, you can point out in a poem or in a story the good sentence or word upon which depends the wit of the writer. Humor, on the other hand, runs through the entire fabric and cannot be pointed out in any particular place. Burdette said that the difficulty is not that we have too many troubles, but that we have too many worries. There are two days in the week that he never worries—yesterday and tomorrow. One-half the things people worry about are in the past, and the other half are in the future. Neither are within human control, but the burdens of the present must be borne, and they are never so heavy as to break a man down.

Burdette, like all humorists, talked much about his own experience, his likes and dislikes. He spoke like a cool man, and never scolded. He doesn't like to be lectured, and he doesn't like to lecture—he has to be hired to do it.

OUR LUMBER TRADE. Prices and Demands for American Logs in Holland.

Consul Lister, under the date of April 11, wrote to the State Department from Rotterdam, Holland, on the market of American lumber, as follows:

Having lately had some inquiries as to the market for American lumber at Rotterdam, I have investigated the matter, and find that the following quotations rule at present for logs per 1000 cubic feet board measure:

Very likely the farm at Fairview, owned by the estate of the late J. H. Williams, is for sale, and the land in the vicinity of that portion of the city. Graves from the bottom of the Willamette River is being placed in the center of the street and all the intersections are being fully covered. It is a very good thing that the gravel has been spread nearly to Beacon street. Here the steam roller has been at work packing the gravel down into the cracks of the street. There is enough dirt in the street to mix with the gravel and make a compact roadway when rolled. These are the first repairs that have ever been made to East Eighth street, which was laid out some twenty years ago and had become badly worn by the heavy travel it has to carry.

The street will take on a new lease of life with this coating, and shows what can be done toward restoration of all the worn gravelled streets at small expense. The material is dredged from the river near the East Side, there being the consequent double advantage of deepening the river and saving the worn-out streets. There are miles of other streets that can be restored in the same way, if the money for such repairs will hold out long enough to reach them.

MEAD POST MAY PARTICIPATE. Oregon City Comrades Are Invited to Join in Memorial Exercises.

SITE FOR A SCHOOLHOUSE. ALMOST AS TROUBLESOME AS 1905 FAIR PROBLEM.

The Board of Education will have to settle the location of the new schoolhouse at Woodlawn, as the residents of that portion of the district are very much divided on the question. Doubt is expressed whether the directors will select another location further south and more slightly owing to the additional cost, and possibly because of the feeling displayed over the matter. The present building will be used as a portion of the new structure, and if the site is changed four or five blocks south the cost of moving it will be considerable, but even this objection is met by those who want a new site who say that they would pay the expense of moving and the difference between the cost of the new block and the value of the present school ground.

Piedmont and Rosedale people want the site on the higher ground, and say that even if the building were put up five blocks south of where the present building stands it would not cause inconvenience to any one in Woodlawn, and the site would be on higher ground, and would be more creditable to the entire neighborhood than if built on the present school ground, which is so depressed.

On the surface it would seem that if the residents on the higher ground would see that the district lost nothing in changing the higher site would be lost to every body, and the residents on the low and poorly drained land in the Willamette Valley, where the Fall wheat keeps yellow and has a sickly appearance, it is now thought that some of the grain would not mature, and that it will later be cut for fodder. Complaints are also being made that in Umatilla County the Fall wheat is unusually late in coming to maturity, and beginning to head. Oats are doing well, and grass of all kinds is making a luxuriant growth.

The cool, wet weather has retarded the growth of tender vegetables, but potatoes seem to be doing fairly well. Potato and corn planting is progressing as rapidly as possible, and the planted fields have come up nicely. Hops are in a promising condition, and the vines now reach above the tops of the poles.

The weather has been unfavorable for fruit, and the fruit trees are very condition of prunes and pears are very conflicting. Italian prunes will be a total failure in some orchards in the central portion of the valley, while in other orchards the prospect is favorable for a crop from a half to a full crop. Bartlett pears will be short, but cherries and Petite prunes are promising. It is too early to tell about the apples, but the crop so far is favorable, and it is thought that at least an average crop will be obtained. Strawberries are doing well, and the first crop of blackberries of the season were marketed from the River during the latter part of the week.

EDWARD A. BEALS, Section Director.

FOR INDIAN WAR VETERANS. Encouraging Prospect of Long-Sought Pension.

In a letter to Adjutant-General Gantenbein, O. N. G., Chairman Loudenlager, of the committee on pensions of the House of Representatives, says he hopes to report to Congress a bill for the benefit of the Indian war veterans and to see it passed. The bill has already been passed by the Senate and is now before the House.

REPAIRS TO EAST EIGHTH. What Can Be Done to Restore Worn-out Street Improvements.

The work that is being done on East Eighth street, south of Hawthorne avenue, for nearly a week, is highly satisfactory to that portion of the city. Graves from the bottom of the Willamette River is being placed in the center of the street and all the intersections are being fully covered. It is a very good thing that the gravel has been spread nearly to Beacon street. Here the steam roller has been at work packing the gravel down into the cracks of the street. There is enough dirt in the street to mix with the gravel and make a compact roadway when rolled. These are the first repairs that have ever been made to East Eighth street, which was laid out some twenty years ago and had become badly worn by the heavy travel it has to carry.

THE AEOLIAN RECITAL. The closing recital for the present season will be given at Aeolian Hall tonight at 8:30 P. M. An special invitation is extended to all lovers of music to attend and listen to the following programme:

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ANTHROPOMORPHIC ON FIRST STREET. Not Samples, Though, but Some That Were Evidently "Knocked Out" in Spokane.

"It is a significant fact," said a correspondent for an Eastern music trade paper yesterday, "that with the exception of Mr. Stinchfield, every firm of piano and organ dealers in business in Portland at the time Ellers' Piano House commenced here, has gone out of existence." Not a single one of the firms which at that time took special pains to belittle and decry Ellers' Piano House remains here in business today.

The South Mount Tabor School. The eighth grade of the South Mount Tabor School will take the state examinations Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. As the school closes this week the pupils have invited M. Idlemann to deliver an address to the graduates on Friday evening, May 23. Friends and patrons of the school are cordially invited to attend on that occasion. The number who will graduate has just been opened which is not known until after the examination papers have been looked over.

Will Address Missionary Society. Mrs. W. L. Howard, of Honolulu, will address the Missionary Society of Crater Methodist Church this afternoon at the home of Mrs. Milton Sutherland, 31 East Pine street. She spent several years there and has through knowledge of the industry work. She is a pleasing speaker.

Pioneer Seriously Ill. John Deardorff, a well-known pioneer local painter, died yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Scott, 2725 Broadway, of a long illness. He was 75 years old. His recovery was then considered doubtful.

WEEKLY CROP BULLETIN. Unseasonable Rains, but Crops Make Progress.

PORTLAND, May 20.—The past week has been unseasonably cool and cold; local rains have occurred almost daily in the Western part of the state, and stormy conditions prevailed generally east of the Cascade Mountains. A sharp frost occurred Monday morning in Southern Oregon and the Indian work. The minimum and maximum temperatures between 34 and 56 degrees.

MAY ENLARGE HOME. Possible Action by the Odd Fellows' Grand Lodge.

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AMUSEMENTS. MARQUAM GRAND THEATER.

Tonight and remainder of week, with matinee Saturday and Sunday. New changing prices. Evening, 15c, 25c, 35c, 50c. Matinee, 10c, 15c, 25c. Next attraction, "The Banker's Daughter." A superb production.

THE BAKER THEATER—Geo. L. Baker, Mgr. Tonight, 8:30, 10:30, 12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 6:30, 8:30, 10:30. Next attraction, "The Banker's Daughter." A superb production.

THE FREDERICKSBURG—SEVENTH AND ALDER STS. TONIGHT AND REMAINDER OF WEEK, WITH MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY. NEW CHANGING PRICES. EVENING, 15c, 25c, 35c, 50c. MATINEE, 10c, 15c, 25c. NEXT ATTRACTION, "THE BANKER'S DAUGHTER." A SUPERB PRODUCTION.

MEETING NOTICES. WASHINGTON LODGE, NO. 48. A. F. & M. E. M.—Evening meeting this (Wednesday) evening at 7:30 sharp. Work in the East. Master's degree. By order of the W. M. J. A. NEWELL, Sec.

PORTLAND CHAPTER, NO. 3. R. O. T. M.—Regular convocation this (Wednesday) evening at 7:30 sharp. Work in the East. Master's degree. By order of the W. M. HENRY ROE, Sec.

NOTICE.—On and after July 1, 1902, the working hours for shipbuilders, caulkers and riggers shall be from 7 o'clock a. m. to 5 o'clock p. m. Wages same as at present. By order of the union. W. J. THOMPSON, Sec.

BORN. HOFMANN—Sunday, May 19, 1902, to Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Hofmann, a son, weight 11 pounds.

DIED. COGGIARDI—In this city, May 20, 1902, at the family residence, 833 First St., Marguerite Coggiardi, aged 56 years, 5 months and 15 days. Funeral notice hereafter.

FUNERAL NOTICES. HANSEN—In this city, May 20, 1902, Herman Hansen, son of Louis and Margarete Hansen, aged 2 months, 14 days. Funeral services at 10 o'clock a. m. at the residence of parents, 799 First St. Interment at Greenwood.

SCHAEFER—May 19, 1902, Eugene L. Schaefer, aged 55 years, 11 months, 8 days. Funeral services at 10 o'clock a. m. at the residence of Mrs. Schaefer, 19th and Quincy sts. Friends invited. Services at grave private.

SMITH—The funeral services of the late Henry Smith, who died at the family residence, 415 Prescott st., Thursday, May 22, at 2 P. M. Friends invited.

DOBSON—In this city, May 18, Henry Dobson, brother of Thomas Dobson, died at Central, Wash., May 21. Seattle papers please copy.

CLASSIFIED AD. RATES

"Rooms," "Rooms and Board," "Housekeeping Rooms," "Shedding," "Wanted," 10 words or less, 15 cents, 10 to 20 words, 20 cents, 21 to 30 words, 25 cents, etc. No discount for additional insertions.

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