

SEEK NEW JAIL SITE

County Will Be Asked to Cooperate With City.

PRISON IS NOW UNSANITARY

Members of Executive Board Also Consider City Lighting, Stringing of Telephone Wires and Use of Fire Hydrants.

Three matters of general interest to the city were brought before the meeting of the Executive Board yesterday afternoon. They were: First, the need of a better city jail; second, the change of police and fire telegraph wires from electric light to telephone poles; and third, the use of fire hydrants by men employed in the street-cleaning and sprinkling department. The city jail matter was referred to the police sub-committee, with a view to making arrangements with the County Court for the establishment of a county and city prison and for the disposal of the present property. The change in wires was ordered made, and the hydrant question was referred to the street committee and Fire Chief Campbell.

Excepting Mr. Curtis, who is sick, and Mr. Boise, who is attending a trial in court, all the members of the Executive Board were present when Mayor Williams called the meeting to order yesterday afternoon. The first important business taken up was a communication from Chief of Police Hunt to the Mayor. In it the Chief asked for better accommodations in the city jail. Grand juries had called attention to the place for years as a menace to health. For some time the real character of the cells and of the amount of money spent in their improvement. In the main cell, 24x40 feet, in which prisoners of 24 hours are kept, the floor is infested with vermin. Another part of the cell cannot be used on account of standing water. There are smaller cells for bolterous prisoners, but these also crawl with vermin. None of the cells are ventilated, and the odor arising from them permeates the quarters of the officers. The waiting-room of the officers is directly over the main cell, and it is never in a better condition. Concluding, the Chief suggested that the two lower stories be thoroughly renovated.

To seek new jail site. "In this matter," said A. L. Mills, "I believe we should make an effort to cooperate with the County Court and endeavor to purchase a piece of property between the city and county buildings, and I move that the question be referred to the police committee, with instructions to purchase a new site for a jail—the county, of course, being willing and the present property to be disposed of."

The motion was carried unanimously. Mayor Williams said he had received numerous complaints that electric lights were out at different hours of the night, and that policemen to whom reports had been made had not notified the Chief. "We have had some difficulty," admitted Chief Hunt, "but the trouble has been that in the past there was no system. During my administration I intend to see that every officer is furnished with pencil and paper, and it shall be his duty to report to his Captain and the Chief everything that he thinks he should report. I put that system in effect when I was in charge eight years ago and I found it to work very satisfactorily."

Hard work to check up lights. "Under the old administration," said Mr. Mills, who was chairman of the Board of Public Works, "the police did not report all the lights that were out, and we had to hire a private detective. He made the police move, but—after a pause—we finally had to check up the private detective."

"The lights are very often out in my neighborhood," said Mr. Goldard. "How long must they be out in order to constitute what they call a full night?"

"One hour, I believe," said City Auditor Devin.

"Half the city is in darkness sometimes," observed a contractor who was in the background to a friend who was sitting near by.

The bill for lighting for the month was then presented and ordered paid, and Chief Hunt said he would have his patrolmen keep their eyes on "out" lights next month.

Complaint as to telephone wires. Following the lighting question was the protest against the stringing of telephone wires over private houses, which was voiced by Mr. Mills.

"The companies," said Mr. Mills, "have no right to string wires over my house or over the house of any one else, and the Board should recommend to the Council that an ordinance be passed authorizing the removal of the wires. Where the wires are more than seven feet above the peak of a house there is no trouble, but where they lie on the roof they endanger the life of the firemen, and frequently they have to see that the firemen may go to work in safety."

There are a number of wires strung over my house, but I know nothing about it until the other day," said Mayor Williams.

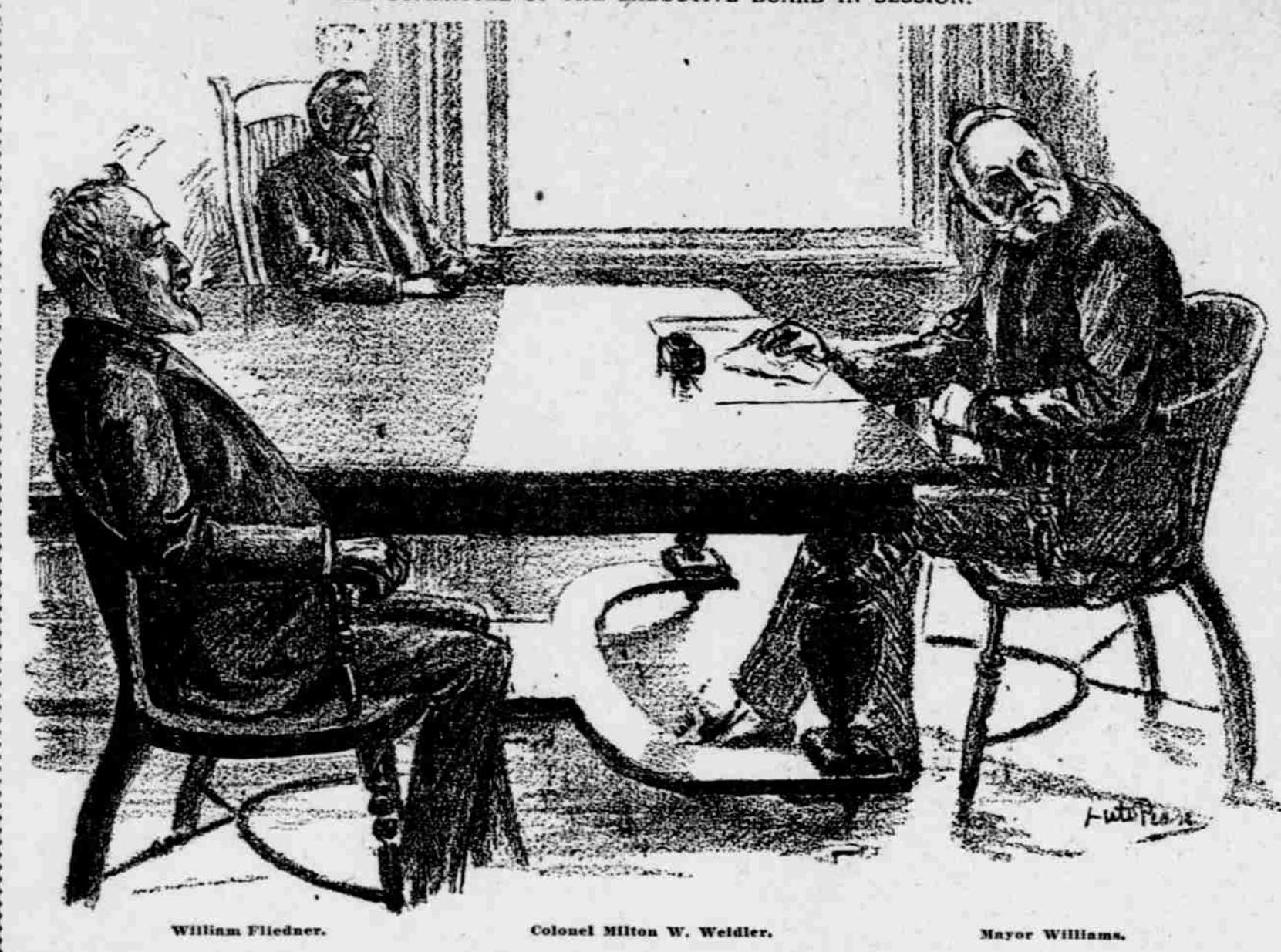
After a further discussion, Mr. Mills' motion that a recommendation be made that the Council pass an ordinance prohibiting the stringing of wires over buildings was passed.

Fire and Police Wires. On the removal of fire and police telegraph wires from electric light or telephone poles, Fire Chief Campbell and Electrician Walker said such removal was for the best interests of the service. In times of storm the wires were crossed and arched in the engine and truck houses received the benefit of a current of from 110 to 1600 volts. In one house a horse was nearly electrocuted. By the crossing of wires the entire system in the West Side was interrupted four times in 30 days during the recent storms. On the East Side, where the wires had been transferred to telephone poles, there had been only a few interruptions in the service.

The use of fire hydrants by the city sprinkling carts during the summer season was complained of by Chief Campbell, and just as the Chief had started to tell his troubles the fire bell tapped and he had to take a hurried leave. Mr. Mills and Mr. Fildner completed his tale, for they said that the streetmen had improperly fastened hydrants after using them, and the leakage resulting had frequently caused a fire. On their joint motion the question was referred to the street committee and Chief Campbell for further investigation and report.

Street Contracts Let. Bids for all the street improvements, which were opened at the last meeting, were awarded to the lowest bidder, with the exception of Umattila avenue. This bid was less than the estimate of the City Engineer, but the property-owners protested against it on the ground that the

FIRE COMMITTEE OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD IN SESSION.



William Fildner. Colonel Milton W. Welder. Mayor Williams.

work could be done cheaper, and it was referred to the street committee. All the bids for sewers were rejected and ordered made, and a friendly friendship developed between them. The City Engineer's estimates from 13 to 25 per cent, although the estimates had provided for a profit of 10 per cent.

CITY OFFICIALS IN TACOMA.

Portland Delegation Inspects Street-Paving Materials.

TACOMA, Feb. 6.—(Special.)—A delegation from the City Council of Portland arrived this morning and registered at the Tacoma. The party consists of L. Zimmerman, president; B. P. Cardwell, City Auditor; T. C. Devin, City Engineer; W. C. Elliott, A. K. Bentley and Matt Fiedler. They are here for the purpose of inspecting the street-paving material used in Tacoma. The party was shown about the city during the day, and seemed well pleased with street improvements.

"We are visiting several of the Western cities in the hope of finding some good material for paving our streets," said Mr. Cardwell. "The streets of Portland are paved with asphalt, and that is wearing out. We cannot afford to take up the old pavements that are on cement, so we are looking for something to cover over the solid foundation we now have and make good streets. Tacoma has some fine streets. The work done here is certainly a credit to your municipal authorities. Our people, I think, are generally well pleased with the bituminous macadam pavement you are using. The streets are not so smooth as ours, but that is an argument in favor of the Tacoma material. In my opinion, the mixture used here is what we want for our city."

BOYS MAY PLAY.

New Park Board Pays No Attention to Anonymous Letters.

A regular meeting of the new Park Board was held in Mayor Williams' parlors yesterday morning, and all the members were present. The resolutions, which were recently passed by the Lewis and Clark Centennial committee, providing for the erection of tablets at the head of Park avenue, were referred to a committee consisting of Dr. Eliot and Colonel Hawkins. The tablets are intended to represent Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Nevada states and a part of the fourth state that arose from the acquisition of Oregon, all four of which were scenes of the explorations of Lewis and Clark.

The matter of holding public concerts in the park this summer was considered, but no action was taken.

Anonymous communications against the use of the park blocks by boys in playing games were received, and the board was disposed to take any notice of them. Mayor Williams suggested that if the language of the boys was offensive to the public, complaints, were made by the anonymous correspondents, they should make their complaint to the police, but he added that a policeman will be sent to the grounds to see that the youngsters behave themselves.

SMALL HOLDER'S RIGHTS.

No Law Wanted That Will Provide for a Timber Trust.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Feb. 4.—(To the Editor.)—In your issue of January 21 I saw a decision of the Supreme Court making void the act passed by the last Legislature, for the purpose of the payment and control of navigable streams for the transportation of logs and timber. Now, in a later issue (January 29), there was introduced, I see, H. B. 197, for the same purpose. That is very good as far as it goes. But you notice, in the Booth bill, in one section it gives the power to regulate charges on such streams to the corporation improving said stream. After the experience of the people with railroad, telegraph, telephone, streetcar and other corporations, we very well all the traffic will bear.

Nor is that all. Supposing such a law should pass, what will become of the small holder of timber, who depends on the use of the park blocks by boys in playing games and the other products of timber? Will he not be at the mercy of the company having control of the stream and be forced to sell to them, on their own terms, for of course such a corporation always engages in the manufacture of lumber themselves. Very few persons will have any objection to the improvement of such streams, if the power to fix charges shall be left to the County Court, for instance, but deliver us from the "well-meaning" corporation that will fix the terms for us. A member of a certain firm made the remark, after they got a franchise on a certain stream under the Booth law, that it was worth \$250,000 to them. See the point? The terms "open river," "public highway" (robbery), "lumber trust," "timber monopoly," and such things as unlimited charges as their casual appendage. Of course, if the new bill makes provision against such things, all well and good; but if not, I believe it is to the interest of the people at large that it shall not pass.

TO LEAD TACOMA TIGERS

MANAGER M'KIBBEN PASSES THROUGH PORTLAND.

He Has Signed Fisher, Rockenfeld and McCarthy—Lucas Will Keep the Forfeit Money.

Manager Byron E. McKibben, of the Tacoma baseball club, passed through Portland yesterday morning en route to Tacoma, where he will immediately take up his duties with the Tiger players. Mr. McKibben spent the day looking over the city with Third Baseman Jay A. Andrews, of the Portland team. Andrews played with McKibben's management several years ago, and a warm friendship developed between them. Mr. McKibben expressed himself as being very much pleased with the outlook in the Northwest this season, and says he will work his hardest to turn out a winning team for Tacoma. He already has signed Fisher, Rockenfeld and McCarthy, of the team of 1902. In regard to the forfeit money, McKibben said he had signed Fisher, Rockenfeld and McCarthy, of the team of 1902. In regard to the forfeit money, McKibben said he had signed Fisher, Rockenfeld and McCarthy, of the team of 1902.

On Thursday last the work of constructing the new baseball grounds for the Tacoma baseball club of the Pacific Coast League was begun. About \$3000 will be expended in making the new park complete, and Manager Parke Wilson says that it will be the finest west of the Missouri River. The grounds will be opened about May 1, in time for the Seattle team to play its first home game. Manager Wilson will use his players south to Riverdale on February 15, where the men will practice preparatory to playing the first game of the season with Los Angeles.

HIGHEST-SALARIED PITCHER.

John Chesbro, of New York Club, Receives \$333.33 for Each Game.

John Chesbro, the star pitcher of the National League last year, who has been signed for next season with the New York American League club, will receive a salary of \$8000 for his services. He is the highest salaried baseball pitcher on the diamond, and does comparatively little to earn his money. It is considered a hardship, in these days of modern ball playing, for a star pitcher like Chesbro to receive in more than two games a week. He is a comparatively old man, and is asked to do more than this generally complains of ill-treatment on the part of the management, complains that he is overworked and performs his work reluctantly.

Chesbro is a man of magnificent physique and has an arm of steel. By his work last season he demonstrated to baseball cranks that he is capable of pitching a full game every day for two weeks if he is so inclined, but such a proceeding would be entirely unprofessional. The association of players of the National League is a bunch of chumps. Pitchers of skill who have become famous in the baseball world believe that they should have their salary arms as much as possible. They feel that the less they are asked to do, the more they should be paid. They believe in building their strength for as long a time as possible.

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"It is a terrible strain," said a well-known National League pitcher recently. "The box is so far away from the home plate that it requires extraordinary skill and strength to pitch winning ball. It is not so much great speed that exhausts one's stamina, as the change of pace, the accurate control one must have nowadays and the great activity to be exercised in the position. In a hard game in which both pitchers keep the hits and runs down, it becomes an intense strain on the nerves toward the close of the contest before a final result is attained."

"With the excitement of the crowd, the noisy coaching and the fact that the game depends on him, a pitcher undergoes an ordeal, for they make it necessary for him to rest several days before he enters the box again. Two games a week, in my opinion, are quite enough for any pitcher."

Managers have profited by past incidents in baseball history. They want to preserve their valuable pitchers as long as possible, so they readily consent to the two games a week proposition and carry half a dozen pitchers on the pay roll.

Give me two pitchers like Chesbro and Griffith," said Charles Carey several days ago, "and I'll bet I won't lose a game the whole season because of poor work on the slab. But they must be on the nerves toward the close of the season that cannot be pressed too much into service."

Willamette Wins a Game.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Feb. 6.—(Special.)—The Centralia baseball team was defeated for the first time on their own floor Wednesday night by the team from the Willamette University, of Salem, Or., by a score of 11 to 9.

Roseburg Girls Meet Defeat.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 6.—(Special.)—The girls' basketball team of the Willamette University tonight defeated the players from the Roseburg High School by a score of 23 to 2.

The cures a medicine makes are the proofs of its merit, and Hood's Sarsaparilla makes the most.

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ONE LONE FAVORITE WINS.

Slave Outruns Byron Rose in Seven-Furlong Handicap.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—Only one favorite won today, and that was the fine, but the track was still slow. The main attraction was the seven-furlong handicap, in which some clever sprinters met Byron Rose, who was favorite with Kenilworth, despite his loss of 15 pounds, a well-placed second choice. Slave, a high-class colt in the Morris stables, was played from 1 to 1 1/2 to 1, and outrunning Kenilworth in the first part, won with something to spare from Byron Rose. Kenilworth was third. The indications point to a field of about 20 in the \$18,000 Burns handicap tomorrow. Results:

Six furlongs, selling.—Naulahka won, Lady Gallantry second, Salver third; time, 1:54 1/2.

Three and a half furlongs, selling.—Planet won, Annie Marie second, Rosefear third; time, 0:43 1/2.

Five and a half furlongs, selling.—Mile won, Stella Perkins second, Grand Sarcophagi third; time, 1:13.

Seven furlongs, handicap.—Slave won, Byron Rose second, Kenilworth third; time, 1:27 1/2.

Future course, selling.—Peter J. won, Shell Mount second, Oro Viva third; time, 1:13.

One mile, selling.—Mexicana won, Divina second, Ada N. third; time, 1:41.

FALLS AS SHE WINS.

Brief Captures New Orleans Handicap, Injuring Jockey Redfern.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 6.—Brief's victory was won at the price of painful injury to Jockey Redfern. The lad's masterly riding overcame the obstacles which the mare met in the race, and her nose crossed the finish she stepped in a hole, stumbled and fell. Redfern was rendered unconscious by the fall, and with the exception of a brief interval remained so until removed from the track. He will recover. Results:

Six furlongs.—Royal Deceiver won, Jettie second, Versifier third; time, 1:14 1/2.

Seven furlongs.—Maricos won, Dr. Fanning second, Masterful third; time, 1:28 1/2.

Three furlongs.—Becky Rice won, Alcomer second, Miss Nancy third; time, 1:05 1/2.

Handicap, mile and a sixteenth.—Brief won, St. Tammany second, Jena third; time, 1:47.

Six furlongs.—Booster won, St. Cuthbert second, Athlana third; time, 1:14.

Seven furlongs.—Lady Alberta won, Ed L. second, El Rey third; time, 1:27.

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57th Annual Statement of the Connecticut Mutual

Life Insurance Company, Of Hartford, Conn.

Net assets Jan. 1, 1902. \$ 62,649,582.92
For premium received in 1902. 5,571,881.42
For interest and dividends. 2,889,899.08
Rents. 8,161,574.54
Total. 70,811,157.42

DISBURSED IN 1902.

For claims by death, matured annuities and other policies. \$ 4,377,328.44
For interest and dividends. 2,889,899.08
Lapsed and surrendered policies. 500,548.71
Total. 7,767,776.23

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS.

Loans upon real estate, first lien. \$ 24,556,730.50
Loans upon stocks and bonds. 2,300.00
Premium notes on policies in force. 641,884.78
Cost of real estate owned by the company. 11,932,838.90
Cost of bonds. 2,957,291.94
Cost of bank and railroad stocks. 803,454.00
Cash in bank. 288,352.71
Bills receivable. 2,404.04
Agents' debit balances. 7,627.55
Total. \$ 63,182,791.23

Balance net assets Dec. 31, 1902.

\$ 63,182,791.23

ADDED.

Interest due and accrued. \$ 895,018.35
Rents due and accrued. 11,538.38
Market value of stocks and bonds over cost. 1,302,552.86
Net uncollected and deferred premiums. 353,615.50
Total. \$ 2,461,845.39

Less bills receivable and agents' debit balances.

\$ 10,611.50

Total. \$ 65,634,605.12

Admitted assets Dec. 31, 1902.

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Amount required to reimburse all outstanding policies, net, company's standard.

\$7,578,361.60

All other liabilities. 1,875,221.09

Total. \$ 75,088,187.81

Surplus (including contingent real estate depreciation memorandum account \$439,494.72).

\$ 6,373,992.43

Ratio of expenses of management to assets in 1902.

12.66 per cent

Policies in force Dec. 31, 1902, \$7,578,361.60

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