

LET'S GO OFFICE

City Engineer Resigns Under Fire.

MAYOR WILLIAMS ACCEPTS

W. C. Elliott Says He Steps Out to Relieve Him.

BLAMES SYSTEM FOR ERRORS

Mayor, in His Answer, Declares City Loss a Valuable Servant, and His Confidence Hasn't Been Shaken by Public Clamor.

CITY ENGINEER ELLIOTT—In consideration of the numerous criticisms now made concerning the work of the Engineer's office, and the determination on the part of some of our citizens to punish some one, whether guilty or not, I feel that it is my duty to resign...

As predicted when the Council recommended his removal, City Engineer Elliott has resigned. Mayor Williams has accepted his resignation...

Yesterday the Mayor wrote his acceptance of the resignation of City Engineer Elliott to the Mayor's office...

For over a month the City Engineer's office has been the object of censure and scandal rumors concerning the Tanner-Creek sewer.

TO REPAIR SEWER. Notorious Tube to Be Lined Through-out With Concrete.

To repair the notorious Tanner-Creek sewer so that it will do service for years to come, the city has decided to line it with concrete.

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MUST STAND ASIDE

Attorney Ferrera Says Old Lawyers Are Fossils.

HE CALLS THEM MOSSBACKS

During Suit Against Michael Pieltier for Attorney's Fees Judge Moreland Also Makes Caustic Statements About Lawyers.

"All that is left for the old men in the pickings we have thrown. It does not make any difference what the old fossils charged as attorney's fees. They are old mossbacks. They are back numbers and must stand aside for the young men."

Albert Ferrera made these remarks in the course of his speech in the suit of John W. Waits against John Ditchburn against Michael Pieltier to recover \$200 fees on a contract under which they agreed to defend him in the Mary Robinson case.

Julius C. Moreland, counsel for Pieltier, assumed the position throughout the trial that the actual services performed by Waits and Ditchburn were very minimal and that they demanded from Pieltier much more than the services were worth.

After listening to the comments of Mr. Ferrera, Judge Moreland addressed the jury and made some pointed references to his friend with the black whiskers.

Made Sarcastic Shot. "If you ask Mr. Ferrera," said Judge Moreland, "who are the three greatest lawyers on earth, he will answer, Ferrera, Ditchburn and Waits. If you ask Mr. Waits who are the three greatest lawyers on earth, he will answer Waits, Ditchburn and Ferrera, and if you ask Ditchburn who are the three greatest lawyers on earth, he will say, Ditchburn, Waits and Ferrera."

Counsel addressed the jury somewhat further concerning the strictures imposed upon him by Mr. Ferrera. Pieltier testified concerning his employment of Waits and Ditchburn, which he said was conditional upon the willingness of his general counsel, Dillard & Day, of St. Helena, to give very nominal assistance in the case.

It will be no stretch to hold down Mr. Elliott's position. Every act of the new Engineer will be scrutinized by the Council, as well as the old one. He must be upon his mettle from the start, or criticism will spring up in a night.

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attention of the grand jury, judging from the character of the witnesses examined, Councilman Bentley appeared before the body yesterday, and also Rodney L. Gibson. No report was made of a final judgment may be taken some day next week.

Jury Unable to Agree. The suit of A. L. McPadden against J. E. Tillotson for \$100,000 damages for malicious prosecution and false imprisonment was submitted to the jury yesterday morning by Judge Cleveland. When court adjourned for the day the jury was still locked up, unable to agree.

Court Notes. W. P. Fuller & Co. have sued Edith Alice Baum for \$127 on account of materials furnished to E. M. Rasmussen and used in a house erected in Dolan's addition.

Flaming H. Rebell Company, of Chicago, filed an attachment suit in the State Circuit Court yesterday against J. E. King to recover \$522 on a note executed May 19, 1903.

The inventory and appraisal of the estate of Edmund C. Masten, deceased, was filed in the County Court yesterday. The property is valued at \$41,977, and consists of money, notes and real estate.

W. P. Fuller & Co. have filed a mechanics' lien suit against Flora B. Pieltier to recover \$262 for services furnished for a house erected in East Lynn addition. The goods were sold to C. R. Watson, a contractor.

Peter Gregersen has sued Hannah Gregersen for a divorce in the State Circuit Court. They were married in Multnomah County May 17, 1902, and she alleges in his complaint that she deserted him on October 3, 1903. They have no children.

NEW YORK VOTE CANVASSED. Roosevelt Has Plurality of 175,552, Higgins 80,560.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 15.—Roosevelt's plurality in the state of New York at the last election was 175,552, as shown by the totals of 732,704 cast for Roosevelt by the Board of State Canvassers. That of Higgins for Governor was 80,560.

Parker is shown to have run nearly 100,000 behind Herrick, the Democratic candidate for Governor. The Democratic elector on each Presidential ticket is taken as the standard in the figures which are given relating to the choice of Presidential electors.

Other candidates for President are: Debs, Socialist-Dem., 36,882; Swallow, Prohibitionist, 29,787; Corcoran, Socialist-Labor, 9127; Watson, People's party, 8000.

For Governor, a total of 1,525,907 votes were cast, of which Higgins received 513,264, a plurality of 80,560 over the total of 732,704 cast for Herrick. Other candidates for Governor received: Pendergast, Socialist-Dem., 26,258; McKee, Prohibitionist, 29,548; DeLeon, Socialist-Labor, 8978; Boston, People's party, 6045.

One of the results of the state election proper will be the loss of status as an official party by the Socialist-Labor party. It failed to cast the necessary total of 10,000 votes for its candidate for Governor. The People's party was on the ballot by petition.

FEDERAL TRIALS SET. Many Interesting Cases to Be Heard During Session.

Judge Bellinger called the civil docket yesterday and set for trial the cases to be heard during the remainder of the present term.

These cases, with the date of trial, are: Henry Smith vs. J. G. and I. N. Day, December 20; Arthur S. Ellis vs. Inman, Poulsen & Co. et al., January 5.

Albert Lillenthal et al. vs. J. R. Cartwright et al., December 27; Otto Eastland vs. Frank Menefee et al., December 28.

Lain Dong vs. the Sanborn-Cutting Packing Company, December 29. Of the less serious cases, the most important is that of Smith vs. Day. This is a damage suit arising out of the construction of the Cascade Locks.

At that time the Regulator struck the locks, and on a certain day when Smith was a passenger on the boat and while the boat was at the mouth of the locks, the Regulator struck the roof of the deckhouse, injuring Smith.

Smith brought a damage suit against the contractor, and the case has been thrashed out in the courts for the past two or three years. It has been to the United States Court of Appeals and is now pending in the Supreme Court.

Ellis vs. Inman, Poulsen & Co. is a case brought under the Sherman act, asking for damages to business owing to a conspiracy to restrain trade on the part of the defendant.

MRS SARAH DUKEHART DEAD. Highly Respected Woman, Suffering From Melancholia, Commits Suicide.

Mrs. Sarah R. Dukehart, of 554 Yamhill street, died last night at 6:30 as the result of a stroke of apoplexy, which she had suffered from for several months. After it had been learned that she had swallowed the drug, Dr. Hollister was summoned, but his light to save her life failed.

Coroner Finley took charge. Mrs. Dukehart was 44 years of age, was the widow of John D. Dukehart, who died November 1, and was well known and highly respected. Her death is a great loss to the community.

MILLIONAIRE MUST PAY WIFE. Court Decides Mrs. George F. Harding Is Entitled to Alimony.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—George F. Harding, Chicago millionaire and clubman, has lost his contest over the payment of \$300 a month alimony to his wife, Mrs. Adelaide M. Harding, and in an opinion given today Judge Gibbons found Harding not only responsible for future payments, but in contempt of court for arrears to the amount of \$23,801.

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Xmas Furniture. To please the most particular. Selections can be made easy here. You pay as you please. Open Evenings. For the benefit of those who cannot conveniently shop during the day, our store will remain open evenings until 10 o'clock. A COMFORTABLE Rocker for Xmas. All woods, leather cover, cane seats, rattan, Colonial styles, all exclusive with this store.

WOODMEN ARE PREPARING. BRILLIANT EVENT TO OCCUR IN FEBRUARY. Plan is to Initiate One Thousand Members on Day Before Washington's Birthday With Ball. Indications already show that the campaign started here November 1 by the Woodmen of the World to initiate 1000 new members February 21, 1905, at Merrill's auditorium, Seventh and Oak streets, is going to be a brilliant success.

TRIES A CLEVER DODGE. Colored Man Makes Attempt to Get Marriage License Free. Tom Johnson, who wasn't colored, but was born that, was tried to secure a marriage license without paying for it by a novel plan, which he evidently thought would prove a complete success, but his scheme was doomed to prompt and sudden failure.

Are You Staying Up Nights with the Baby? Harfina Soap. RESTORES GRAY HAIR to Youthful Color. "There's no place like home," and no soap like Pears'. Pears' Soap is found in millions of homes the world over.

WOODARD, CLARKE & CO. Fourth and Washington.