COUNCIL MAY ACT

Civic Improvement Subject of Official Inquiry.

UNSIGHTLY BILLBOARDS TO GO

Citizens and Municipal Officials Are United in the Effort to Make Portland a City Beautiful.

At the next regular meeting of the and wrestling bouts wil be introduced. Council in all probability a resolution will be introduced requesting the citizens of Portland to take an interest-in the present civic improvement agitation to the extent of beautifying their ewn property and inducing neighbors to do the same. It is understood that men preminent in the civic improvement movement and members of the Civic Federation are attempting to interest the Councilmen in the scheme, and that Mayor Williams will be con-suited today or Tuesday in regard to the matter.

Rumor goes farther and states that in the near future the fight against the unsightly bilboard may be carried into ordinance abolishing the billboard un-der certain conditions may be introduced and passed and that the general nuisance ordinance may be broadened to include biliboards erected on private property. It is deemed that this is the mest direct way to get good and last-ing results, and though Councilmen will not talk on the matter at present, hav-ing given it little thought, it is taken for granted that at least a minority are opposed to the biliboard and may be ursed to use their influence in promoting legislation against it.

A meeting of the Civic Federation may be called toward the latter part of the present week for the purpose of discussing plans for carrying on the civic improvement campaign. If this meeting is called it will probably result in a public mass meeting. meeting is called it will probably result in a public mans meeting at a later date, at which time it is boped the city may be districted and a committee appointed to carry on the work in each district. This is the original plan conceived by Mr. Wheelwright.

If this is done the present movement will be broadened and strengthened, and much road is sure to result. If, in

and much good is sure to result. If, in addition to this, the Conucil takes a hand in making a request of the people to take an interest in the work and promotes such legislation as to abol-ish the bilboard, the work will be well under way, and Portland will indeed become the "City Beautiful." This is the end desired by the Civic Federation. and the members deem that, in view of the approaching Exposition, the time is ripe for the improvement revolution, which, once started and backed by earnest endeavor, cannot but terminate

BUBURBS GETTING INTERESTED Citizens on East Side Are Aroused

for Civic Improvement. The "City Beautiful" is now the prigramme on the East Side, between St. Johns and Sellwood and from the Wil-lamette River to Russellville. At Sellwood the Board of Trade will set civic improvement in action with a rousing public meeting in Firemen's Hall, next Friday evening. Major T. C. Bell, chairman of the civic improvement committee, recom-mended that this meeting be held. He will deliver an address that evening, set-ting forth what can be done, and the La-dies' Auxiliary will assist with an appro-

priate programme.
In Brooklyn the Mothers' and Teachers' undertaken to clean up and beautify that suburb. Mrs. C. C. New-castle is chairman of a special committee on sowers and purification, and this committee will inaugurate a general cam-paign early this Spring. The committee has been gathering statistics to show the need of a big sewer. A full report is to be made, and conditions to be shown up. In this district there is not a foot of rew erage, but there are hundreds of censpools and open vaults. Some of the lotowners have already dug five and six cesspools and have no room for more on their prom-ines. At the Brooklyn School ground sev-eral hundred choice roses have been set out, and the grounds will be an object

At Mount Tabor and Montavilla both the push clubs are urging the cultivation of flowers, and much is being done in the way of cleaning up premises. The University Fark Ladies' Civic League is an active force, and is making itself felt along these lines. The school grounds there are to be cleaned, graded, and roses are to be planted. Next Thursday evening the people of the Peninsula will have the rare pleasure and opportunity of hear-ing Fred V. Holman on the subject of "Rose Culture," in Artisans' Hall. The St. Johns' Civic Improvement League has inaugurated a campaign, including a movement to encourage home deceration.

Along these lines this club will do much half year. On the Peninsula the beautiful discourage home will be beautiful discourage. ful driveway along the Willamette River to St. Johns, along the Columbia, and re-turn by way of Columbia Slough, has been graveled, and will be one of the most pic-turesque and attractive roads out of Port-

land. It overlooks the Willamette River. Portland and the Exposition grounds.
In Central Albina, Multnomah Addition

the Board of Trade, with the Ladies' Aid Society, will continue the work this Spring. Last year the Ladies' Aid Society spent about \$160 on the grounds of the Thompson School, with excellent results. There are several places on the East Side where as yet no movement has been made for civic improvement. Central East Portland, between Sullivan's Guich and Division street, needs cleaning up. In Stephens' Addition, between East Tenth and Eleventh streets, there is a bad block. It is covered with tin cans and scraps and tree trimmings. On Rod-pey avenue, near San Rafael street, there is a single lot, on which there are about 1500 tin cans. In Central East Portland the city has been spending much money in fixing up the principal streets and making a driveway from the bridges. Hawthorne avenue has been covered with crushed rocs and rolled to a solid surface. connects with East Twelfth. also has been treated with crushed rock. While the city is doing these things, there seems to be no movement to clear up the vast accumulation of trash of every de-

scription that is on vacant lots.

Dumping Ground in City's Center. Opportunities for the Civic Improvement Association are said by a corre-spondent to be waiting at the corner of East Sixth and East Oak streets. He savs; "What was once a beautiful, grassy slope is now an unsightly dumping-ground covered by rubbish gathered by the Salva-tion Army from all parts of the city. What rubbish they can't sell they dump on the vacant lot. The brush is draped with wearing apparel, old mattresses and other stuff equally unsightly." The correspondent suggests that bill-

boards with fiaring posters on them would be preferable to the present prospect.

Scattle Indoor Meet.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, Seattle, Feb. 26.—(Special.)—March 21 has been set as the day for the big Western Washington indoor meet to be held by

UNREST IS CROWING

the University of Washington. The Se-attle Athletic Club will probably be the university's hardest competitor. While the club has a large number of noted

of defeating the collegians.

The university men are getting to

Winsor, the Scattle High School star of the last three years, has also now

At the interclass meet, held in the university armory on Friday night. Winsor proved to be the particular star of the class, taking first in the 30-

yard dash and the running broad jump. With Tilley and Wipsor in the broad jump the "U" will be stronger in this

Cinnabar Test Is Satisfactory,

The contract let last Fall for driv-

this tunnel, including stopes, are com-

Dull Day for Salem Sports.

SALEM. Or., Feb. 26.—(Special.)— Salem was a closed town today for the

first time in many months. All salcons were closed tight, front door and back,

and not a drink of intoxicating liquor could be bought, except perhaps at drugstores. All gambling games were

registered at the college.

athletes on its list, still but few of the men have as yet begun training and will need all of the coming month to get in shape. Dick Huntson, the cap-tain-elect of the club, has great hopes Political Agitators Stir Up Russian Laborers. gether a very strong aggregation. Hall Tilley is filling up the gap that was made by the loss of Joe Pearson. Billy

BREAK EXPECTED IN SPRING

Peasants May Then Make Common Cause With Discontented Workmen. Now Apparently Held in Leash by Silent Factors.

event than it has ever been before.

Rex Smith, another freshman, is also rapidly developing into a sprinter as well as jumper. While in the Seattle High School he cleared five feet ten inches in the high jump. Several boxing ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 27 (1:35 A. M.) -Evidence is increasing that the strikes throughout the empire, and especially COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Feb. 26.— Special)—W. B. Dennis, manager of those in St. Petersburg, are not economic in their origin, but inspired by a definite political plan. The government and em-ployers are embarrassed by the action of the Black Butte quicksilver mines, says the test recently made treating cinnathe workmen, whose discontent is being fed and who are increasing their debar ore proved quite satisfactory, and he is now enlarging on that new de-vice of a furnace. The company has mands with each new concession.

an immense amount of development. This condition is believed to have been work done and large bodies of cinna-bur ore exposed, that will enable the who are stirring up the men and at the operation of the furnace for many years to come. same time holding them in leash, apparently awaiting some signal for concerted Fear is entertained that this widespread agitation may be connected with a plan to await a possible peasant outbreak in the Spring, with which a gen-sral strike will be synchronized, the work-men joining hands with the peasants. ing a long-tunnel will be completed in the course of six weeks, and from this level a vertical depth of 1200 feet will have been gained. The levels above

The election of labor representatives to the imperial commission which is to in-vestigate the causes of discontent in St. Petershurg, passed off quietly yesterday.
The situation in Riga is again reported to be very serious. The authorities there apparently are unable to cope with the

is wiess element.

In the Caucasus the situation is extreme-

conditions in other towns in the Caucasus are equally desperate.

Owing to the gravity of the situation in
the Caucasus and apprehension based on
depiction of the district troops for the
war, the government has appealed to the
American Catholics to exert their parsenal influence to persuade Armentans to
rease their annoyances. The Catholicos
went to Avarian, where he exhorted peopic to remain tranquil.

went to Avarian, where he was to Avarian, where he went to Avarian, where he was to a construction of the Siberian Railway at coal mine, and on the Siberian Railway at Chitao. The strikers at the latter point an unknown man fired a revolver at a patrol, killing two polloemen and severely wounding a Sergeant. The murderer escaped.

In Siberia, as well as in other parts of the empire, the government has granted considerable concessions to railway em-ployes, in some cases according them a reduction of the hours of labor to nine a day. This causes the situation of private employers increasingly difficult, as they allege that it is impossible for them to concede so much.

SOLDIERS GUARD THE POLICE

Warsaw Authorities Are Taking Un-

usual Precautions Against Attack. WARSAW. Feb. 26.—Every policeman on duty here today is accompanied by a soldier. The authorities, fearing a strike by the police, ordered this precaution, so held a reception. He will go to St. Petersthat in the event of an officer leaving his post it will not be unprotected. The messure is further intended to guard policemen from possible attack by strikers.

The police demand \$12.50 per month, the same scale that is paid at St. Petersburg. The present pay here, is \$5 per month. The private coachmen and livery stable. men have struck today. The strike of street railway employes continues.

Some 15,000 strikers from the big from

mills will return to work, all their de-mands having been granted. These in-clude a nine-hour day, instead of 10½ and an increase in wages of from 5 to 25 per It is announced that all the railways will be placed under martial law, in order to prevent the extension of the strikes. The employes of the Warsaw-St. Peters-

troops, but while these may be able to workmen's demands, which will be restop the reign of terror, they will be impotent to start the whoels of industry.

The Vienna Rallway service having been resumed, the station here was crowded

STOESSEL HAILED AS A HERO Governor, Nobility and Civil Officers

Greet at Moscow Station. MOSCOW, Feb. 26.—General Stoesset, late commander of the Russian forces at Port Arthur, and his party arrived here Port Arthur, and his party arrived here at 3 o'clock this morning. General Stoes-sel was met in the imperial pavillon at the St. Nicholas Station by the Governor, nobility, numerous officers and civil of-ficials. Colonel Diamensky made an eulo-gistic address of welcome, declaring that "your splendid defense of Fort Arthur amased the world and crosted immortal glory for Russis."

burg Wednesday, but subsequently he will return here for a prolonged stay.

At Kursk Station; where the crowd which had assembled was disappointed by the nonstoppage of General Stocessel's train, some students made a hostile demonstration against Celonel Relax, late Chief of Staff at Port Arthur, who trav-eled to St. Petersburg. The incident in-censed the crowd, and in a scuffle that ensued three students were beaten by a policeman.

ADVISE EMPEROR TO TEMPORIZE

People's Représentatives to Be Given Seats in Council of the Empire. ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 27 (1:55 A. M.

could be bought, except perhaps at drugstores. All gambling games were in Baku the inhabitants burricaded in their houses are petitioning the central habit of spending their Sunday evenants in salcons and gambling places from the existing condition of affairs. The found this a dult day.

The question of convoking the Zemsky for presentation to the management. This sobor is apparently not yet settled. Sobor is appar

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step towards a representative assembly it might be well to invite representatives of the people to sit in the Council of the Empire, a purely consultative assembly, with existing conservative elements as a balance wheel.

TelegraphOfficials Threaten to Strike MOSCOW, Peb. 26.—Postal telegraph micials are threatening to strike unless their demands—improvement of their con-dition—are granted.

Railroads Under Martial Law. ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 28.—All the Russian rallways, except the Central Asian, have been pigced under martial

Robbed for Five Years.

BOSTON, Feb. 26.-Upop warrants charging them with the larcany of \$50.proprietors, during the last five years John E. Keefe, 54 years old, and James H. Gretzinger, 51 years old, were arrested today. The police allege an ex-tensive conspiracy to defraud the com-

Dennis McCall, 21 years old, was arrested a few weeks ago in connection with the case. The prisoners were employed in the shipping department.

Mayor Vetoes Saloon Ordinance. COTTAGE GROVE. Or., Feb. 16 .-(Special.) - Mayor J. S. Medley has ve-toed the ordinance recently passed by the City Council relative to the saloon keepers keeping their places exposed to public view, the discontinuance of musical lestruments in and about the saloons, and closing at midnight. It is believed that the ordinance will pass over the veto of the Mayor at the next session of the Council, which meets Monday, a week from tomorrow

Gale Off English Coast.

LONDON, Feb. 26 .- A heavy gale blew off the British coast Saturday and to-day, resulting in serious disaster. One boat was capsized and five of her crew drowned. A French hoat was wrecked off the Lizard, and two of her crew were drowned, the others sminiming

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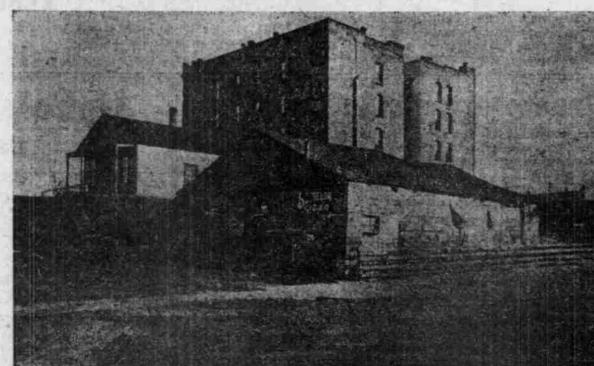
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