

PURPOSES EXPLORED BY LAPE PENCE

City and Park Officials Are Taken to See His Projects.

ASKS PARK RIGHT OF WAY

Members of Board of Park Commissioners, After Listening to His Argument, Will Hold Special Meeting Today.

Lape Pence had as his guests along his ditch line back of Willamette Heights yesterday the Park Commission, Mayor Williams, City Engineer Wanzor, and incidentally Mr. Routledge and myself. Mr. Pence invited us to come out and look at his scheme of irrigating, sluicing and water supply ditches and see for ourselves what he was doing, what he intended to do and why. He took us up the Cornell road in surveys, introduced us to Mrs. Pence and saw to it that we had an excellent luncheon. Later he took us along the line of the ditches, showed us what he had done, explained the big scheme on which he is working, and then at the crucial moment, at the right spot, and in the most straightforward manner, told what he wanted of the Park Board.

Will Confer First.

That three minutes' speech Mr. Pence made along the line of his ditch, 600 feet above the city and immediately overlooking Maclean Park was a masterpiece. But the Mayor merely said: "Perhaps these gentlemen would like to confer before they make any concessions."

Colonel Hawkins had a glint in his eye that showed plainly he would be the principal speaker at the meeting of the Park Board today, and the smile on his face while Mr. Pence was speaking showed even more plainly that he would show up some facts about this ditching scheme which Mr. Pence did not mention. As the Colonel said afterward: "I have some positive views on this matter."

The Park Board arranged to meet this afternoon and decide what would be its course of action. None of the members gave the slightest inkling yesterday as to his stand on the right of way matter except Colonel Hawkins and he is dead against it. J. D. Meyer, Dr. Elliot and the Mayor looked on from the side of the view and kept their opinion to themselves. City Engineer Wanzor was highly interested in the whole scheme, but then he has no say on the Park Board and could afford to talk.

On the whole Mr. Pence did the proper thing in taking out the city officials and showing them his scheme, for there was not one present who was not impressed with his scope and possibilities. It will cost a great deal of money and the promoters are taking some risks, but that is their affair. The Park Board will merely consider whether or not it will do the great thing to warrant placing a block in the progress of the plan.

Colonel Hawkins' View.

It would seem, however, as if the Board might go a little further and consider the feasibility of washing down acres and areas of ground and dumping them into Gullie's Lake. This scheme has not been inhibited a decided disinclination to see the beautiful hillsides scoured bare, so that the stark rocks will loom up like skeletons of hills, where now there are the perfect sketches of the scourgings of Nature's doing. If the Colonel will permit the opinion, he is blocking Lape Pence for a sentimental reason—because he hates to see one twig on those hillsides touched.

"They cannot scour down whole hills," said the Colonel as we drove down the Cornell road on the way home. "They will merely lay bare the ugly rocks and spoil everything."

It must be admitted that Mr. Pence has not much sentiment in his undertaking. He said yesterday:

"I have been engaged in placer mining for years and have always found my dump too small, so when I came here five years ago and saw what a dump Gullie's Lake and French Gulch would make, it made me feel sick that it was not out by some placer claims of mine. Then I saw that the hills could be sluiced down into the lake, making yard room for the railroads, and factory sites and city lots could be made near the water and are steep hills. Since then I have made thorough surveys, and for the last two winters I have had men gauge the water that runs on those hills. I found that from Balch Creek alone I could sluice down acres and acres. That is my present undertaking and only a small part of the water system I am going to begin upon.

"Next week I open a camp at Rylvan, on Tanager Creek, to build ditches over to Mill and Beaver Creeks in Washington County. The water I get from that country will be about four times as much as from the Balch Creek watershed. I shall conduct it by tunnel under Rylvan, under the hill to the Barnes road, through the backbones by tunnel, thence to a point overlooking the Cornell road 600 feet above the city. That is my main water supply and with it I should be able to water the whole country."

Further ditches will be dug by Mr. Pence to the east fork of Dalry Creek, within a few miles of the Nehalem, and all that water will be brought into the main system by the same route. What he has now will not get a drop in the bucket to what he will get later on. And all this water will pass, from where it comes, which it can be distributed along the whole line of hills back of the city.

Will Not Delay Work.

There is to be no delay to this work. Mr. Pence has already shown that he brooks no delay. With Western energy he goes ahead and then asks whether anyone objects. If they do he stands ready with his checks to pay the damages. But he does not expect to pay much damage. He realizes there are plenty of people who will try to hold him up because they think he will have to build over their lands or quit, but not he. A dozen surveys he mapped in his mind and if one part of the country balks him, he is ready to try another. He is hung up

just now by an injunction and by the Park Board, but he asks for immediate action, and he will get it as far as the Park Board is concerned. He has made a bold move in the laying of his ditches to the very edge of Maclean Park and then asking right off way, but he says that if he had let his plans be known sooner, he would have been blocked. Now he claims to have all the rights of way he needs, except the one from the Park Board and another from the Ithax Land Company. And the lack of these at worst has not delayed his work so far.

What Lape Pence hopes to get from this is a percentage of the increased valuation of the land, both the spot from which it has been washed, and the spot upon which the sluiced ground will rest, a permanent water right and a supply of hydrant water to be sold to the householders who will some time build all over the hills. He expects to work five, ten perhaps 15 years completing the whole scheme, and by that time he thinks he will have something better than all the placer mines he ever worked—a water supply on the hillsides. D.

SPENDS MONTHS ABROAD

FREDERICK W. MULKEY TELLS OF HIS RECENT TRIP.

Holy Land Still Ancient in Characteristics, but Finds Egypt, Especially Cairo, Modernized.

Frederick W. Mulkey, who returned yesterday from Europe, after an absence of several months, tells a very interesting story of his tour, which comprehended the principal points of Southern Europe, Northern Africa and the Holy Land.

Mr. Mulkey sailed from New York early in January, on the Arabic, and touched first at the Canary Islands. He went thence to Cadix, Seville and Granada. "All feeling against Americans has disappeared in Spain," said he last evening. "It was only a short time after the Spanish-American War that the Spanish attitude toward the United States became in a measure friendly. At least the violent hatred, apparent at that time, gave way very shortly after peace was declared. I found that the common people of Spain have a very vague idea of the result of the war. The popular impression over there is that Cuba and the Philippines were sold to the United States, and that the latter country acquired them through purely peaceable, commercial treaty. That is not the case, as the result of victory in war."

"I visited Egypt, spending some time in Cairo and up the Nile. Egypt is becoming rapidly modernized and the people are industrious and enterprising. In the Nile Valley they raise three crops a year and seem to be very prosperous. There is a trolley line from Cairo almost to the Pyramids, and many roads are being made. The trip under the improved conditions than heretofore. I went as far as Luxor and Carnak, and visited the famous ruins at those places.

"Cairo is a modern city as regards sanitation, transportation and lighting. Sheppard's is the popular hotel with Americans, but the Savoy is really the best hotel there.

"Athens, which I visited, is also thoroughly modernized and I spent a very interesting few days there.

"There is a decided contrast, however, when one goes to the Holy Land. Countries which are under Turkish domination do not advance, and I found the Holy City pretty much as it has always been. The European colonies for the greater part are outside the city wall, and have some of the modern conveniences. But inside the walls there is no sewer system, no carriage transportation, and street-cars are unknown. At night there is no light within the walls, and few people venture out after midnight.

"The terms of no agreement as to the actual site of the events associated with the life of the Saviour. The traveler is shown the Church of the Holy Sepulcher as the site of the crucifixion, but many authorities insist that the great event occurred at Gordon's Calvary. The one thing upon which all agree is the location of the Saviour's tomb at Bethlehem. The Garden of Gethsemane is still maintained and I was greatly interested in visiting it. Jerusalem is in no sense a modern city. The shops are little booths built up on the roofs or lighted by ten feet in size and almost their sole business is in curios and relics.

"Constantinople, which I visited, is an antiquated city of about 500,000 inhabitants. It is not lighted at night and there are no sewers. In the Holy Land I found many colonies of lepers who are not permitted to enter the cities except in the hospitals prepared for them. Most of them, however, prefer to beg on the outside and although they are very repulsive, I met them everywhere.

"I visited Rome, where I met Charles Kohn, of this city. He is completely restored to health and was anxious to hear from Portland friends. He is the only Oregonian whom I met abroad.

"In Cairo I met a German artist, who is anxious to exhibit some of his paintings at the Lewis and Clark Fair, and at various places I found that the Exposition was pretty well advertised.

"In New York City I saw many posters advertising the Fair and found much interest in it. I returned by way of Liverpool and along the coast of France and the Bay of Biscay. It was a delightful trip and I enjoyed every moment of it, but it was not particularly eventful. Naturally I am glad to be at home and am quite reconciled to Portland."

FROM MILL TO MAN.

Clothing Made From Oregon Wool.

Where can a man buy the best suit of clothes for the money? In what many people in Portland are now thinking of. The Brownsville Woollen Mill Store, on Third street, opposite the Chamber of Commerce, suggests a few reasons why it can save you money and dress you better than the ordinary store.

First comes the mill-to-man style of doing business, which saves from \$2 to \$4 on each suit. Then the pure new wool used by the mill helps a suit to wear three or four times as long as one made from cotton or second-hand wool; usually called shoddy. Third, but not last, is the guarantee on each Oregon suit sold, of your money back if any article purchased is not entirely satisfactory. Prices on men's suits are from \$10 to \$25.

Improvements in Coos.

RIVERTON, Or., May 8.—(Special).—The completion of a new wagon road from Coquille City to Bandon at the mouth of the Coquille river, the building of a free ferry by the county across the river at Coquille River, the erection of a telephone line from Coquille City to Riverton above the Coquille Valley is progressive. The new wagon road is constructed on a railroad grade and is said to be the best road in Coos county. The work of construction will begin next Monday on the telephone line. A local stock company has been organized for the purpose of raising the funds and a sufficient amount has been raised to carry the work through.

Noxious Weed Kills Cattle.

YANCOUVER, B. C., May 8.—A strange fatality among the cattle of the Fraser Valley is attributed to eating a noxious weed growing on a great many farms in the district. Almost every farmer in the neighborhood has lost from two to three cows. The Department of Agriculture is investigating.

The Meier & Frank Store

A "May Sale" of Groceries

Groceries and Provisions can be purchased here at a minimum of cost—We provide every well-known brand for your choosing, never limit you as to quantity and deliver to all parts of the city and suburbs free of charge. Phone orders receive prompt and careful attention—This list gives a good idea of the saving if you buy here

- C. & B. Lucca Oil, quart...65¢
- 2-lb. can Singapore Pineapple 20¢
- 10-lb. sack Yellow Corn Meal 25¢
- Van Camp's Pork and Beans 12¢
- 10-lb. Sack Graham Flour...25¢
- All Gold Peaches, can...22¢
- 2 Packages Force for...25¢
- All Gold Apricots, can...20¢
- 3 packages Jello for...25¢
- Duchess Table Peaches, can 12¢
- 17 lbs. Granulated Sugar...\$1.00
- 6 pks. Searchlight Matches 25¢
- 100-lb. sack Gran. Sugar \$5.90
- McLaren's Imperial Cheese, two for...25¢
- Victor Flour, none better \$1.25
- 3 cans Van Camp's Soups...25¢
- Pound Ground Chocolate...25¢
- 10-lb. sack Pastry Flour...30¢
- 3-lb. pkg. Soda Crackers...20¢
- 3 cans Babbitt's Lye...25¢
- 1lb. Basket Washed Figs...20¢
- 1-lb. Baker's Cocoa...45¢
- 3 packages Seeded Raisins...25¢
- Darkee's Salad Dressing, bottle...10¢, 25¢, 45¢
- Can Royal Baking Powder...40¢
- 2-lb. pkg. Graham Crackers 25¢
- 6 packages Press Matches...25¢
- 2 cans Heinz Pork and Beans 25¢
- 7 bars Victor Soap...25¢
- 11 bars Standard Soap...25¢
- 2 cans A. Roche's Sardines 25¢
- Gallon Log Cabin Syrup...\$1.25
- Eagle Milk, can...15¢
- Quart C. & B. Pickles...30¢
- 3 packages Bon Ami...25¢
- Snider's Oyster Cocktail, catsup on sale at, bottle 20¢
- 1-lb. Can Shrimps...10¢
- 2-lb. can Shrimps for...20¢
- 10 lbs. Cream Rolled Oats...40¢
- Walnuts, pound...15¢
- 2 packages Violet Oats...25¢
- Pint Bottle Ammonia...5¢
- 3 packages Knox Gelatine...25¢
- Pint Liquid Blueing...5¢
- 2 packages Cream of Wheat 35¢
- 2½-lb. can Mince Clams...25¢
- 3 cans Oregon Cream...25¢
- Nabisco, all flavors, box...25¢
- 3 pks. Saratoga Chips...25¢
- Tapioca or Sago...5¢
- Sapollo, cake...7¢
- Meier & Frank's famous Mocha and Java Coffee on sale 25¢
- Sliced Pineapple, 2-lb. can...15¢

Men's Wear Specials Today

- Men's French Balbriggan Underwear, shirts and drawers, all sizes, exceptional value for today and tomorrow 63c
- Men's \$1.00 Neckwear, large English Squares in the very best patterns and colorings, light and dark; great special value at 69c
- Men's Muslin Night Shirts, plain and trimmed, with or without collar, all sizes; our best 50c values, for 39c
- Men's white plaided Golf Shirts, also Oxfords, this season's best \$1.00 values, in all sizes, on sale for 89c

Cross-Stripe Curtains 98c Pr.

- 300 pairs of cross-stripe Madras Curtains, five styles to choose from; 50 in. wide, 3 yds. long; attractive, serviceable curtains; regular \$1.25 values, on sale for, pair...98c
- 200 more Silkoline-filled 3-Fold Screens, oak, cherry or white enamel frames; regular \$1.25 values, on sale, ea...98c
- 300 India Stools, weathered or golden oak; nice for hall or bedroom; regular \$1.25 value, for this sale only, ea...89c
- \$5.00 Couch Covers of heavy tapestry, handsome Oriental colorings; great "May Sale" special at this low price...\$3.85
- \$2.00 Tapestry in floral designs, 6 patterns, yard...\$1.35

\$6.75 Portieres \$4.48 Pair

Heavy Mercerized Portieres in two-tone effects, all colors, fringed top and bottom, size 50 inches wide, 3 yards long; regular \$6.75 quality, for this sale only at, pair... \$4.48

200 Silk Petticoats \$4.95

200 beautiful Silk Petticoats, another one of our great Silk Petticoat "specials," made of superior quality Taffeta Silk with deep plaiting, ruffles and two rows of ruching or four ruffles; black and colors, including green, tan, red, grays, blue, pink and other leading shades—Petticoats that we sell by the thousands regularly at \$9 and \$10 each—your choice of this lot of 300 at the low price of, each... \$4.95

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- Reclining Folding Go-Cart, automobile gear, 12-inch wheels, ½-inch rubber tires, hub-caps, springs and foot-brake; handsome reed body, parasol included; regular \$11.00 Cart, on sale for... \$9.45
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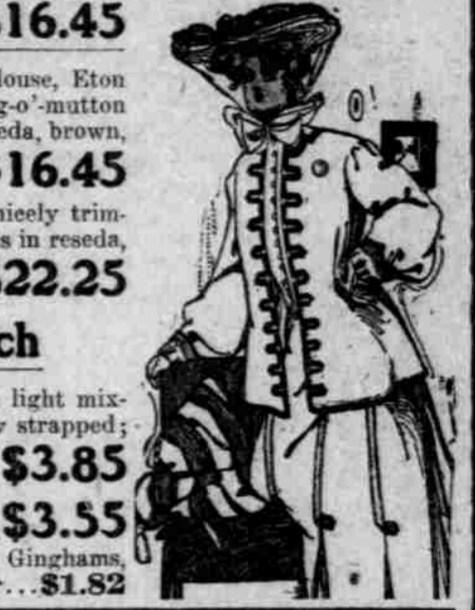
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Nainsook and Cambrie Gowns, high, square, round and V-necks; trimmed in fine Valenciennes and Torehon Laces, embroideries, beadings and ribbons; all sizes; immense assortment pretty styles to select from, \$1.35 to \$1.75 values, for... 87c

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 - \$4.00 Sailor Suits... \$2.85
 - \$5.00 Sailor Suits... \$4.55
 - \$6.00 Sailor Suits... \$4.95
 - \$7.00 Sailor Suits... \$5.15
 - \$8.50 Sailor Suits... \$6.20
 - \$3.50 Sailor Suits... \$2.65
 - \$5.00 Sailor Suits... \$3.85
 - \$6.50 Sailor Suits... \$4.95
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