

BOARD DESIRES

Bid on Irvington Sewer Goes to the Committee on Rules.

MAYOR WANTS NO SCANDAL

After Prolonged Discussion by Members of Executive Board Pacific Bridge Company Finds It Will Have to Wait.

When the question of awarding the contract for the construction of the Irvington district sewer to the Pacific Bridge Company, on its bid of \$13,750.40, came up before the special session of the Executive Board yesterday afternoon, there was a unanimity of feeling among the members that before giving the corporation the right to go ahead, every possible precaution should be taken around the property-owners, who otherwise might be at the mercy of some scheming contractor.

Mayor Lane was pronounced in his opinion on the subject. He sounded the keynote to the whole situation by explaining that already there had been a great deal of scandal connected with the building of this city, and he was averse to having his administration mixed up with them. The general discussion that followed the motion of Mr. Peery to adopt the report of the sewer committee recommending the award of the contract to the Pacific Bridge Company, developed such an antagonistic sentiment in the board as to the matter that Peery withdrew his motion, and voted with all the others to refer the question to the committee on rules, with power to inquire into the same time as to a new rule of the body covering all future proceedings of this character.

Cogswell States Position.

C. A. Cogswell at the outset stated that as a member of the sewer committee he had voted to accept the bid of the Pacific Bridge Company, and while still satisfied that it was legal and proper, deemed it expedient to proceed with caution, as some questions had lately arisen that ought to be looked into, especially with reference to the proper preparations of the specifications and the manner in which the board ought to have the benefit of expressions on the subject from both ex-City Engineer Wantzer and the present City Engineer.

Opinion of City Attorney.

With a view of securing as much light as possible bearing upon the situation, Mr. Cogswell said that he had inquired of the City Attorney in relation thereto, and submitted the following reply from the municipality's legal adviser, under date of yesterday:

In compliance with your request for a written opinion on the legality and sufficiency of the bid of the Pacific Bridge Company for the construction of the Irvington district sewer, the award of which contract to said company has been recommended by the committee on sewers of the Executive Board, I have to advise you that I can find no valid legal obstacle to the award of the contract to said company.

Reception in Oregon Building.

A very pleasant reception was given last night by the women of the Sacajawea Association at the Oregon building on the Exposition grounds. The event was to have been in honor of Mrs. M. A. McNary, City Attorney.

Discuss the Proposition.

Mr. Gearin objected to referring the matter to the committee on rules, claiming that they were in possession of the legal opinion of the City Attorney, and it ought to go before the sewer committee again, if anywhere. He called on City Engineer Taylor for his view on the latter's statement that he had examined the bids as well as he could in the short space of time he had been in office and the slight opportunity allotted him for devoting any considerable attention to the matter on account of pressure of other details, and seemed to think the specifications were regular. He had no reason to believe them otherwise.

Mayor Lane States Views.

At this point Mayor Lane ventured to suggest that there was a necessity for making some positive rules concerning bids of this character. Under the bid of the Pacific Bridge Company was irregular and should be thrown out, he said, or else it was correct, and in any event he thought the whole thing ought to be thrashed out. Under the present condition of things, if the contractors encountered a rockpile, it would cost the city a great deal for extra, while if they had any ground all the way, there would be no deductions in the opinion of the city's executive, every protection was thrown around the contractors and none around the property-owners or municipality.

Prizes Are Distributed.

Yesterday was Prune day at the Washington building and the distribution of hundreds of neat packages of this delicious fruit was the feature of the celebration. More than 100 persons visited the pavilion of the Washington building and were received by the charming hostesses from Vancouver, who preside over the social affairs for this week. Two kinds of delicious punch, and waters were served to the callers. The refreshments were beautifully decorated with flowers and evergreens. Those who assisted Mrs. J. H. Smith, hostess-in-chief, were Mrs. E. W. Shumway, Mrs. Ada E. Brewster, Mrs. R. G. Eibirk, Mrs. A. Cook and Mrs. E. F. Hixon.

To Open Crow Reservation.

HELENA, Mont., Sept. 28.—J. Scott Harrison, Government Inspector of Surveys, after having been in the Crow Indian reservation held for nearly four months, has completed his task and returned to Helena. His report will be forwarded to the General Land Office, after which the plate will be filed in the Eastern Montana Land Office, to be followed by the President's proclamation announcing that the lands are open to settlement, included in the reserve is the Custer battlefield.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy cures diarrhea and dysentery in all forms and in all stages. It never fails. For sale by all druggists.

RECORD IN DIVORCE

Fifty-Nine Decrees Granted in September.

DESERTION COMMON PLEA

Cruelty and Drunkenness Are Other Causes Which Are Most Frequently Alleged as Ground for Legal Separation.

Judge Sears officiated in the divorce court yesterday and granted decrees in eight cases. The record for the month of September is 59 divorces, which is the largest number ever granted in this county in any one month. The large number is due to an accumulation during the summer vacation period of the State Circuit Court.

Divorced for Desertion.

Elizabeth Babcock testified that her husband, Charles W. Babcock, deserted her in this city in 1902. She was allowed a decree dissolving the bonds of matrimony, and was awarded the custody of a child 7 years old. The Babcocks were married in Crescent City, Cal., in 1882.

Divorced for Drunkenness.

Robert Scott, a member of the committee appointed to consult with the officials of the Exposition Corporation regarding the erection of a memorial building in Portland, made a verbal report that the corporation had generally decided not to furnish the \$50,000 necessary.

Refused Marriage License.

Carl Lobstein, a farmer 51 years old, who resides at Castle Rock, Wash., was refused a license to marry Beulah, a 15-year-old girl, because she was not a resident of this county and state, which the law requires. She also lives at Castle Rock, with her parents.

File Incorporation Articles.

Incorporation articles of Women of Woodcraft, a benevolent, beneficent and charitable society, were filed in the County Clerk's office yesterday by Carrie C. Van Orsdale, grand guardian; John L. Wright, clerk; and Florence Wehrly, Anna Hawkins, Clara O. Wilson, Clara Hillis and Lillian Pollock, grand members.

Sues to Recover Loan.

J. T. C. Nash yesterday began suit in the State Circuit Court against C. W. Knowles to recover \$500 which he says he advanced to Knowles November 10, 1907, to assist him in his business, and which he agreed to pay back as soon as convenient. Interest is demanded from November 10, 1902.

Would Escheat Estate.

Proceedings to escheat the estate of Mike Burns, deceased, amounting to \$652, were filed in the State Circuit Court yesterday by District Attorney Manning and Oglesby Young, special attorney for the State of Oregon. There are no known heirs.

Pleads Guilty of Theft.

Dominick Raue, an Italian, who stole jewelry valued at \$25 in residence of Louis Viennara, at 802 Water street, on August 15, pleaded guilty before Judge Fraser yesterday, and will be sentenced on Monday. Raue was arrested in Spokane, and sent back here by Deputy Sheriff Cordano.

Guilty of Assault and Battery.

A. Nelson pleaded guilty in the State Circuit Court yesterday to assault and battery on Willie Le Wanway, on September 4. Monday was set as the time for passing sentence.

Suit to Foreclose Mortgage.

Armena Houck has sued E. P. Frenness et al to foreclose a mortgage for \$18 on lot 5, block 1, Albina Homestead.

State Will Act Promptly.

BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 28.—(Special.)—Governor Gooding announces that the state, acting through the Attorney-

WHY JAPAN MADE PEACE

Crop Failure Made Financial Breakdown Imminent in Empire.

WELCOME TO THE VICTORS

Japanese Commander on Sakhalin Received With Praise.

TOKIO, Sept. 28.—Notwithstanding the silence of the government, the real fact is disclosed by the Japanese made peace at Portsmouth in fear of a financial breakdown. The war proved more costly than had been calculated and the rice and cereal crops seemed doomed to failure. Instead of sunlight and warmth during August, when the crops ripen, there was continued rain and exceedingly cool weather. While some improvement may still be in store, it is still certain that the rice crop promises to be from 15 to 25 per cent below the average and far below last year's crop, when it was marvellously large.

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TOKIO, Sept. 28.—(News.)—Lieutenant-General Haraguchi, commander-in-chief of the Japanese military forces on Sakhalin Island, accompanied by his staff, arrived at the Ueno Railroad station this morning and was met by General Teramachi, the Minister of War, and M. Ijūin, Japanese Consul-General at Niuchwang, representatives of the army and navy, and Viscount Tanaka, the household minister. The general present was accompanied by the different societies and representatives of the Ladies' Association, who in welcoming the general, said:

KAISER'S PRAISE FOR WITTE

Accords Him Same Honor as to Crowned Head.

BERLIN, Sept. 28.—The National Zeitung's St. Petersburg correspondent has telegraphed to his paper as follows: "Mr. Witte told me today that Emperor Wilhelm said to him: 'I accord you the same honor as I would to a crowned head. You have accomplished extraordinary things and I congratulate you on the possession of such a man. If monarchs had many such true servants, then one would think better of monarchs.'"

PRESIDENT'S GIFT TO MIKADO

Komura Bears Sealed Package to Japan With Him.

OTTAWA, Ont., Sept. 28.—A present from President Roosevelt to the Emperor of Japan was on the special train passing through Ottawa yesterday bearing Baron Komura, homebound. It was a large parcel, labeled, sealed and handled carefully. Nobody knows what it contains, and nobody will until it reaches the imperial palace at Tokio. The President requested the plenipotentiaries to make no notification that a present was being forwarded, and it was personally delivered to the Emperor.

GREAT BOOM IN SHIPBUILDING

Large Orders on Clyde Ready for Big Eastern Trade.

LONDON, Sept. 28.—Orders for 100,000 tons of shipping have been placed with Clyde builders during the present month, while 44,369 tons of new ships were launched during the same period. This great boom is due to the expectation of a great increase in the Far Eastern trade now that the war is over. The Scotch iron and steelmakers are full up with orders and new work can only be placed at an advance of \$170 per ton. The wages of the workmen are rising.

Odessa's Welcome to Witte.

ODESSA, Sept. 28.—The municipality, the Board of Trade and the exchange have sent telegrams of welcome to Mr. Witte thanking him for securing peace and expressing the hope that he will render his country "many more services in this hard time." The authorities are daily forwarding troops to the Caucasus.

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Patrons will find many advantages, notably in greatly increased facilities for expeditious service and opportunities for making selections under the most favorable conditions

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FIGHTS GIFT TO O.W.P.

OREGON CITY BOARD OF TRADE OPPOSING FRANCHISES.

Company Controls Four Councilmen, but Taxpayers Hope to Win Today's Election.

OREGON CITY, Or., Sept. 28.—(Special.)—Few political campaigns have been more vigorously waged in Oregon City than the fight against the objectionable freight franchise which is asked of the City Council by the Oregon Water Power & Railway Company and which will be submitted to a popular vote tomorrow.

TILLAMOOK PRODUCTS GROW

Census for 1905 Shows Large Output of Industries.

TILLAMOOK, Or., Sept. 28.—(Special.)—The census of Tillamook will show but very little change in numbers from five years ago, being in the neighborhood of 4000. It will also show that for the year 1904, 2,285,983 pounds of butter and cheese were manufactured; 17,161 tons of hay put up; 31,467 bushels of potatoes, and 14,692 bushels of apples raised; and that there were 11,129 head of cattle and 1422 head of horses in the county for that year. There is a considerable increase in cheese this year, for it is estimated that it will be over 4,000,000 pounds.

Saloon Man Arrested.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 28.—(Special.)—Upon complaint of City Marshal Cornelius Eugene Eckerlein, a prominent saloon-keeper, was arrested today on two charges, selling liquor without a license and selling liquor on Sunday. Eckerlein conducts a cafe adjoining his saloon and it is understood the charges are founded upon sales in the cafe.

Advertisement for Tiffany & Co. featuring jewelry and silverware, with details about their new store on Fifth Avenue and promotional offers like the 1905 Blue Book.

Large advertisement for Cardui's Harmless Girlhood Tonic, featuring a woman's portrait and text describing the benefits of the tonic for young girls.