

GREATER HEATING PLANT

What the Banfield-Veysey Fuel Company Proposes for Portland.

USES WASTE FROM MILLS

Under Its Franchise Granted by the City Council, It Approved by Mayor, Proposes to Supply All Down Town.

Portland will have the largest and most modern heating plant ever in the Northwest. It is a heating plant of Denver, and one of the few of its kind this side of the Mississippi River. If the plans of the Banfield-Veysey Fuel Company, outlined at the meeting of the City Council Wednesday night, are carried out in their present form, the heating plant will be a landmark in the city.

At the meeting mentioned, the Council passed the ordinance granting the company a franchise for the installation of the system, and the measure is now awaiting the Mayor's action. Until the company is assured that the franchise will be granted in its present form, no detailed statement of its proposition will be made.

What the Company Proposes.

Summed up in a few words, the company proposes to make the heating plant at present ever made on the Pacific Coast to utilize on a large scale the refuse from the sawmills, which on Puget Sound and in most other Western lumber camps, is burned in huge slab piles, or in refuse burners erected near the mills, and in and around Portland largely used for filling in low ground dumped into the river to be carried away by the summer floods.

In this city, to a greater extent, probably than in other Pacific Coast lumber centers, the refuse has been gradually increasing in volume for the last five years. On Puget Sound, the refuse is piled up in great piles, but in this city, the refuse has been gradually increasing in volume for the last five years. On Puget Sound, the refuse is piled up in great piles, but in this city, the refuse has been gradually increasing in volume for the last five years.

Plant to Burn Refuse.

As briefly stated by Mr. Banfield, this company proposes, if its franchise is granted, to erect a large central station for the burning of refuse, and to burn the refuse in a rotary furnace, which has been purchased, at a cost of \$50,000, and bring the mill waste in barges from miles around to the plant, there to be burned under the supervision of the company, and converted into steam heat and power and electricity for lighting, heating and manufacturing purposes.

Cost Will Be Heavy.

Although the Banfield-Veysey Company is not yet ready to announce the cost of the proposed plant, it is probable that it would involve an ultimate expenditure of not much less than \$300,000. A large fraction of such a sum, Mr. Banfield stated, would be used in the construction of the plant, which he estimated would be completed during the coming summer in case the franchise is granted, it being desired to lay as much as possible of the underground conduit carrying the steam to the heating plant as an excavation work can be carried on cheaply and expeditiously.

Sure of Ultimate Success.

"There is no doubt as to the ultimate success of our plans, once we are granted our franchise," said Mr. Banfield, "although we do not expect to make a cent of profit for at least five years. The business must be built up gradually and for years to come we shall be working for the future in the greater Portland that is to be. The physical figures, however, will easily be overcome."

Heating Problem Big One.

The heating problem is one of the most difficult with which the owner of business buildings in Portland is confronted. The building and the owners of private residences close in have to contend with coal in winter and the cost of coal is so high that it is almost an insupportable burden. The reduction in insurance rates that would result from the installation of a central heating plant is a matter that the business community should carefully consider.

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Ten Thousand Cords Monthly.

"I have made a careful estimate, and can state that 10,000 cords of mill wood are now used each month in Portland, but the output of the mills is increasing so rapidly that the refuse is constantly accumulating, and that which cannot be used for filling in the ground about the mills is now lying below high-water mark, where it will be washed away and lost at the next flood.

What the Franchise Provides.

The franchise of the Banfield-Veysey Fuel Company, as passed by the Council, has a life of 25 years, with the usual charter provision for the purchase of the plant by the city at its appraised value at the end of that time. It is provided that all pipes, wires and conduits shall be underground, that the streets shall be torn up as little as possible by the company's workmen; that the grantee shall begin work within six months, and within two years shall have the plant in full operation; that portion of the city lying between the river and Twelfth street and Gibson and Taylor streets; that the grantee be compensated for its services, which shall in no case exceed 4 cents per kilowatt hour for electricity for 100 hours or less, gradually diminishing to 3 cents per kilowatt hour for 200 hours, and finally to 2 cents per kilowatt hour for 300 to 400 hours; for heating, the maximum charge is fixed at \$1 for each 100 pounds of water condensed, and for lighting, 2 cents per month per cubic foot. A compensation to the city of 1 per cent per annum on the gross earnings is provided for.

STORER OUT SINCE MONDAY

Custom Ignored In Haste to Get Ambassador Removed.

VIENNA, March 22.—Secretary G. B. Rivers, of the American Embassy, today informed the Foreign Office here that Bellamy Storer, the retiring American Ambassador, ceased his connection with the embassy March 19, and requested the Austro-Hungarian government to agree to the appointment of Charles S. Francis immediately. This request, Francis declares is a most unusual proceeding.

Francis Will Do the Rest

Not Essential Storer Should Present Letter of Recall.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Although it is customary for retiring Ambassadors to present their letters of recall to the government to which they have been accredited, it is not essential that the letter should be presented by the ambassador.

Francis Welcome and Confirmed.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The Government has been informed from Vienna that C. S. Francis, nominated to be Ambassador to Austria-Hungary, will be acceptable to that government.

FIGHTING IN MINDANAO.

Deserters From Constabulary Lead Insurgents Against Troops.

MANTLA, March 22.—(Special).—The latest reports received from Dapitan, Island of Mindanao, indicate that further trouble is feared there as a result of the conflict between deserters from the constabulary and a detachment of troops sent in pursuit.

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NOW TALK OF ANNEXATION

MONTAVILLA AND MOUNT TABOR WILL ACT.

WHAT LADY IN PORTLAND

has never heard of the Julia Marlowe shots, now on sale in all styles by REEVES SHOE COMPANY, 129 Sixth Street.

STRANGE FACTS

It seems strange that sometimes your stomach or bowels won't digest your food, no matter what you eat.

NEW TALK OF ANNEXATION

Petition to Be Sent to Portland City Council to Submit Proposition to Vote.

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