TANKS MENAGE TO LIFE AND PROPERTY

Oil Plant Condemned by the East Side Improvement Association.

RESOLUTIONS ARE PASSED

E. M. Brannicks Leads Fight Against Reservoirs, and G. C. Flanders, Local Manager for Standard Oil Company, Defends.

RESOLUTION PASSED.

Resolved, That it is the sense of the East Side Improvement Association that the Standard Oil plant, lo-cated on the East Side, is a menace

to the growth of that portion of the city, and that it should be removed to a place where it will not be a menace to property and life. At the meeting of the East Side Im-

At the meeting of the East Side Improvement Association last evening at the Information Bureau the special committee appointed to investigate the conditions surrounding the plant of the Standard Oil Company on the East Side, composed of C. E. Fields, Joseph Buchtel and H. H. Newhall submitted their reposed of C. E. Fields, Joseph Buchtel and H. H. Newhall, submitted their report and findings, which was accepted and placed on file. The report went over the subject in full, covering both sides of the controversy with fairness to the company and the interests involved. The committee's conclusions were as follows:

First—That the plant is as safe as long experience and scientific skill and trustworthy men can make it. and in itself is probably as safe as most sawnills.

s most sawmins, ad-That the Portland fire department fficials believe from their experience that the presence of this plant is a constant cance and should be removed. Third—Plat insurance men may that they

old not insure the oll plant.
Fourth—That there is wide-spread appremitten of this oil plant among property
ners and representatives of warehouse Fifth-That some do not consider the plant

Fifth—That some do not commer the panel i menace, including Manager Tate, of the Proy laundry, and that a warehouse is being created alongside the oil plant.

Sixth—That the plant does a large business, and that Manager Fjanders has been a public aprirted citizen and has helped the constitution in its senseral work.

E. M. Brannick, of Studebaker Bros. Company, made extended remarks, de-claring that the plant was a menace to property and life. He displayed numerproperty and life. He displayed numerous photographs showing fires in plants in other cities. He made strong plea for removal of the plant, declaring that was the only solution of the problem. He declared that the people were in the fight either to win out or be beaten. Mr. Brannick said that no half-way measures would do say good.

would do any good.
George C. Flanders, local manager for
the Standard Oil Company, made a brief
reply to Mr. Brannick, and said the pic-

tures displayed were those of the refiner-ies, and had no bearing on any plans in this city. He said further that in five years the Standard Oil Company had but four fires, and one was in Portland. After further discussion it was moved to be the sense of the association that the plant is a menace and should be re-

M'CUSKER MAKES DENIAL

DECLARES HE HAS NO CONNEC-TION WITH PORTLAND GAS CO.

Applies for Franchise in Good Faith, He Says, and Will Sell Consumers 65-Cent Gas.

PORTLAND, July 17 .- (To the Editor.)-Referring to the article appearing in The Oregonian today, relative to the gas franchise asked for by me, I desire to enter at emphatic protest at the unfair and unjust manner in which I have been treated. I do not believe for one moment that The Oregonian would deliberately misrepresent me or any other citizen of Portland, but the article in question is absolutely in error and a re

frection on my integrity.

In the first place, I asked for this franchise some six months ago, and in absolute good faith, and it has been discussed in the committees of the Council and Executive Board, and they have had ample time for investigation, and it is the first time that I have been charged with acting in bad faith challenge anyone to produce a single member of the Council who has said so, for I have talked to nearly all of them, and they have never intimated anything of the kind. It is true that Mr. Wallace was under the impression that the bond was not forfeitable, but the City Attorney says it is, and also says that he will say to the Council that the franchise as published, when the bond is put up, safeguards absolutely all the interests of the city. Mr. Wallace also thought that the section referring to the appointing of arbitrators should be changed. but the City Attorney says that the city has the right to appoint same in case I should

rafuse to do so.

Regarding the time for completing the work, it is just possible that I will be working on it for the full 25 years, as a gas plant can never be completed in a growing city.
The Portland Gas Company has been working for more than 40 years and is still working. Under section 7 it is provided that if
said gas plant and works have been completed and \$250,000 expended in laying of mains, etc., in three years, then my bond may be withdrawn, as with this amount expended for laying of mains and an addi-tional amount of \$100,000 for the plant I certainly have demonstrated my good faith and no reasonable business man would ask me to maintain a perpetual bond in the sum of \$50,000 after that. So far as shortening the time to two years for doing this work would be to ask me to donate \$50,000 to the city, as no one with any husiness sense would agree to do so, as with the condition of the Iron markets and labor questions to contend with, a man would be a fool to accept such conditions, and as I believe the Content in the content with the conditions. council to be composed of reasonable busi

ness men who will give other people's business the same consideration they would ask for themselves. I do not expect them to make any change in this matter.

No one in the city can say that I ever made any misrepresentations to the Council or public, and for that reason it is a de liberate misrepresentation to say that I am working in the interest of the Portland Gas Company; in fact, the Portland Gas Company is the only one interested in defeating my franchise, and it has very much more the appearance of some one else being in employ for the purpose of delibera diting me than the reverse. In a

named by your paper, every one of who deny absolutely that they made such state

named by your paper, every one of whom deny absolutely that they made such statements. Mr. Wills was more than emphatic in his dealal, and neither Mr. Wallace nor Mr. Gray made the statements attributed to them. This is confirmed by the City Attorney, who was present, and in fact they claim that the surgestion about the Portland Gaz Company and my connection with it did not originate with them at all.

Begarding the price of 63 cents, which I propose to charge, the only criticism I have heard on that was that they flid not see how I could do it if the statement of cost made by other companies was true, but they hoped that I could, as the public would welcome lower prices. I do not believe that anyone is worrying for fear I won't supply 65-cent gas, but some no doubt fear I will, and I want to say right now that we will do so. The People's Gas Company of Indianapolis charges 60 cents, and in Kansas City and Los Angeles 75 cents, and there is no reason why in this age of improvement Portland cannot have 65-cent gas, and even lower, and from what my people say I be-

Fortiand cannot have on-cent gas, and even lower, and from what my people say I believe we will sell gas at 50 cents.

The statement that this is in the interest of the Portland Gas Company is so absurd as to need no refutation, as no one with a grain of sense will give it any consideration. As your article has done me an injustice, I trust that you will give this the same publicity so that the public may know the exact facts in the matter. THOS. M'CUSKER.

TO REMODEL BLOCK.

Owners Plan Improvement of Marquam Building.

Upon hearing that the appeal of P. A. Upon hearing that the appeal of P. A. Marquam had been denied by the Supreme Court, J. Thorburn Ross, manager of the Title Guarantee & Trust Company, said that the consideration of plans for the improvement of the Marquam block would be immediately taken up. While stating that nothing definite has been determined upon as yet, Mr. Ross said that the interested parties would be consulted at once as to what changes should be made.

"No leases have been given upon the property, and no designs for its improvement, and no designs for its improvement of the suprement of the committees on credentias, Grand Master Berchtold conferred the grand lodge honors on 50 new, members. "No leases have been given upon the property, and no designs for its im-provement have been adopted," said Mr. Ross, "While we have at all times felt confident of the ultimate outcome of the case, we considered that out of respect to the Supreme Court we could

not pursue our plans until its final de-cision had been rendered.

"It is, of course, certain that exten-It is, of course, certain that extensive alterations will be made. Whether we shall add to the present building or simply remodel it, I cannot at this time say. We had an application for the lease of the building some time ago, and had sketches drawn up to see if it could be altered to suit the prosp tive tenants. I wanted to see if a plate glass front could be installed in place of the present stone work, and the architects assured me that it could. The negotiations for lease have now been discontinued and there is no certainty that we will adont the specifications

that we will adont the specifications prepared at that time."

The plans referred to by Mr. Ross were prepared some time ago by Mac-Naughton & Raymond. While the details have never been made public it is understood that the sketches prepared by the architects involved the tearing away of the present frame buildings and construction on the ground made vacant an eight-story addition to the present brick structure. It is known that this plan has been considered by

property.

The decision of the Supreme Court gives assurance that extensive alterations on the block will be taken up at tions on the block will be taken up at an early date. The property is one of the best business locations in the city, and the fact that the owners were compelled to close the theater reduced the revenue to a figure very much below what the block is capable of paying. It is rumored that several large offers have been made by capitalists who would like to purchase the block, and it may be disposed of in this way.

A. O. U. W. Officers and Delegates at Work.

SUPREME MASTER IS HERE

W. M. Narvis, of Muscatine, Iowa Addresses the Assembly-Officers Elected Today-Degree of Honor in Session.

The grand lodge of the A. O. U. W. opened sessions yesterday in the Knights of Pythias Hail with 12 past grand masters, Supreme Master Workman W. M. Narvis, of Muscatine, Ia., and a large number of delegates present. In all. 132 delegates are in attendance. W. M. Narvis delivered the opening address to the delegates.

delegates.

After the usual preliminaries, Grand
Master Workman Berchtold appointed the

following committees:
On credentials-D. M. C. Gault, chairman; W. M. Parker, W. C. Corbett, J. M.

new members.

At the opening of the afterno

At the opening of the afternoon session fraternal greetings from the Degree of Honor were extended to the grand lodge by Mrs. W. M. Briggs, superior chief of honor, and they were ably responded to by Grand Master Berchtold.

Today's special business consists of the consideration of the adoption of an official paper and the election of grand lodge officers and three representatives to the supreme lodge, which meets in Milwaukee, Wie, in 1908. The former question will be considered at 10 A. M., and the latter will come up at the afternoon session. The officers of the grand lodge are:

George H. Durham, P. G. M.; F. Berchtold, G. M. W.; W. F. Clarke, grand foreman; Phillip Gevurts, grand overseer; Newton Clark, grand recorder; R. L. Durham, grand receiver; W. H. Warner, grand guide: grand receiver; W. H. Warner, grand guide; Samuel Roak, grand inside watchman; George T. Baldwin, grand outside watch-man, and D. Walker, grand medical ex-aminer.

Below is given a complete list of dele-

gates attending the convention: G. W. Cummings, Frank Davey, J. S. Pennehaker, P. H. D'Arcy, F. Lempke, J. M. Dixon, J. H. Zane, L. J. Kelley, W. H. Ben-vie, J. L. Fletcher, S. H. Abrams, J. F. vacant an eight-story addition to the present brick structure. It is known that this plan has been considered by the owners and will probably be adopted.

Lipman, Wolfe & Company is the firm which endeavored to lease the Marquam building some time ago. At that time negotiations could not be concluded, as the Supreme Court proceedings were still hanging over the property.

The decision of the Supreme Court

Hoffman, H. Claussenius, E. W. Crosby, Sam McKee, William Pauker, E. W. Manning, Robert warwick, William Pauker, Lesses Spencer, F. Wo. Osburne, A. Lombhard, D. S. West, J. W. Strange, B. F. French, J. C. Smock, J. S. Jesse, Lymon Daymon, E. W. Finley, George P. Tapping, D. M. C. Gault, T. H. Fearey, G. F. Johnson, J. J. Hembree, Cornellus Hughes, J. A. Bilyeu, E. C. Rexford, Oscar Scott, A. W. Camehl, F. W. Spleer, A. M. Gallighar, J. N. Gooding, A. R. Cyrus, H. B. Hoffman, H. Claussenius, E. W. Crosby, San

Scott, A. W. Cameni, F. W. Spicer, A. M. Galleghar, J. N. Gooding, A. R. Cyrus, H. B. Ligard, William Wabber, A. H. Knight, C. Schuebel, A. C. Beauhan, R. Crandail, C. E. Abbott, C. L. Cappeli, L. P. Swan, P. T. Harbour, C. N. Drew, E. Helliwell, George L. Ford, E. W. Hawell, T. M. Dimnock, E. A. Anderson, A. L. Kingery, Lester Waite, J. P. Kidd, F. L. Damon, Mitchell Smith, C. E. Baird, M. W. Meyers, J. Patterson, J. H. Henderson, H. L. Boggs, William Humphries, W. B. Snyder, James Holman, W. R. Stock, J. E. Bean, E. D. Steincamp, George Bethers, March Standard, M. R. Stock, J. E. Bean, E. D. Steincamp, George Bethers, March Standard, M. R. Stock, J. E. Bean, E. D. Steincamp, George Bethers, March Standard, M. R. Stock, M it may be disposed of in this way.

ers, Joseph Shannon, R. Durken, F. E. Fremont, Sam Wagner, M. T. Dixon, William Grant, George Worthington, W. J. Burchard, Murine Eye Remedy. It soothes. It cures.

A. O. Foster, F. L. Pound, C. M. Smith, L.

DEGREE OF HONOR IN SESSION

New Policy Makes All Women Good Moral Character Eligible.

The Grand Lodge, Degree of Honor, A. O. U. W., was in session in the Selling-Hirach Hall all day yesterday, much business of importance being transacted and many important reports read. Grand Chief of Honor, Mrs. Sarah A. Fastabend, of Astoria, presided over the business meetings, the Superior Chief of Honor, Mrs. Mamie W. Briggs, also being present on the platform. Degrees were conferred upon 72 past chiefs, and an exceedingly interesting address was given by Mrs. Margaret Herrin, of Portland.

The report of Superior Representative Mrs. Addie B. Colvig was complete and interesting in its detail. She stated that the Superior Lodge convened July II in Stanley Hall, Montreal, Canada. A radical change was made in the eligibility The Grand Lodge, Degree of Honor, A

CHOSEN SUPERIOR CHIEF OF HONOR BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.



Mrs. Mamie Wagley Briggs.

Mrs. Mamie Wagley Briggs, superior chief of honor, was born in Sterling. Ill., July 7, 1865, and was educated in Sterling Academy, She came with her Sterling Academy, She came with her parents to Oregon in 1883; was married to Merriam P. Briggs July 7, 1887, and is the mother of two chil-

subordinate lodge through the grand lodge and superior lodge step by step, and by unanimous vote from superior watch to the highest office in the gift of the order, superior chief of honor. Mrs. Briggs has been an important factor in the Degree of Honor.

law at that convention, the "open-door" policy being adopted and the law admitting females of good moral character and otherwise qualified is now in full force, otherwise qualified is now in full force, without regard to the applicant's relationship to any member of the parent order.

Mrs. Colvig further stated that June II was made National Degree of Honor day, and Mrs. M. W. Briggs, of Oregon, was elected Superior Chief of Honor, and Miss Maggie Barker, of Albany, appointed chairman of the superior finance committee.

Greetings were sent to the Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W., by a committee on courtesy, composed of Mesdames Briggs, Colvig, Herrin, Belknap and Parker. Greetings were also sent to Past Grand Chiefs of Honor Susan B. Gwilt, of California, and Carrie W. Holman, of Salem.

At 10 o'clock this morning the election of officers for the ensuing year will take

of officers for the ensuing year will take place. The large attendance and the delightfully cool weather of the past two days has made this twelfth annual con-vention of the Degree of Honor of unusual interest, and the programme is being disposed of rapidly and without unusual incidents arising to retard the work. The following committee appointments were made at the morning session:

Credentials—Ada M. Kuykendall, Euforever. Ask your grocer.

gene; Nora B. Jacobs, McMinnville; Rose Rexford, Lebanon.
Document clerk-Mrs. C. E. Parker.
Distribution-Ora Cosper, Dalias; Mand Russell, Jefferson; Emma Cyrus, Astoria. Press reporter-May R. Moorhead, Junc-ion City.
Press reporter.

Press reporter—May R. Moorhead, Junction City.

Press reporter—Mrs. S. L. Moorhead.

Marjorie Caufield, of Oregon City, was appointed assistant clerk.

Among the 150 delegates present at the convention are the following:

Past grand chief of honor, Addie B. Coivig, Jacksonville; Sarah A. Fastshend, Astoria, grand chief of honor; Hattie E. McCormae, Marshfield, grand lady of honor; Harriet C. Looney, Jefferson, grand chief of ceremonies; Sadie E. Moore, Corvallis, grand brother; Mattie Smead, Hoppner, inner watch; Mora Hendricks, outside watch; Ollie F. Stephens, grand recorder; Fidelia L. Mann, grand receiver; grand finance committee—Mrs. Jennie Quinton, of Portland; Mrs. Quinn, of Portland; Anna Winn, of Lafayette; committee on laws—Mrs. Mary Randall, Portland; Mrs. Sara Wagner, Portland;

committee on laws—Mrs. Mary Randall,
Portland; Mrs. Sara Wagner, Portland;
Mrs. Jennie Hembree, Lafsyette.
Past grand chiefs present: Mrs. Margaret E. Herrin, Portland; Maggie E.
Barker, Albany; Whida A. Belkmap, Prineville; Maggie Houston, Eugene; Minnie
hason, Portland; Julia A. Gault, McMinnville; Mrs. Kate J. Meisner, Portland;
Laura Smith, Baker City.
The delegates include the following:
Mrs. Dora Woods, Medford; A. M. Peterson, Pendleton; Hattle Bunn, John Day;
Nellie Beckwith, Corvallis; Ida R. Adkin,
Junction City; Ada Kuykendall, Eugene;
Dora Sovern, Eugene; Myrtle Smith, Gar-

Dora Sovern, Eugene; Myrtle Smith. Gar-diner; Emma Smead and Kate Meyer, Al-bany; Clara Smith, Prineville; Mary Klyver and Nora B. Jacobs, McMinnville; De Peatt, Athena: Louie E. Minnie De Peatt, Athena; Louie E. Bearth, Weston; Laura A. Lanman, Yoncalla; Maude Russell, Jefferson; Anna Ponkey, Central Point; Mary E. Clark, Baker City; Emma Minkler, Ashland; Carrie A. Benson, Myrtle Point; Bertha Fitzgerald and Minnie Massingill, Lakeview; Pearl Erickson, Brandon; Orma Smith, Elgin; Jean Grant, La Grande; Merr Smith, S. Paul, Lenne, Hurr View, View, Pearl Smith, Eigin; Jean Grant, La Grande; Mary Smith, St. Paui; Jennie Hurn, Kla-math Falis; Fannie A. Hazzard, Marsh-field; Mary A. Thatcher, Salem; Julia R. Flory, Portland; Mary S. Kantz, Rose-burg: Lizzie Gardiner, Port Indus; Anna Westerfield, Grass Valley; Clara Broad-wall, Amity: Rose Rexford, Lebanon; Eya Keene, Macleay: Sadie Henderson, Scotts burg; Mary Halfpapp, The Dalles; Mary-beth Crowell, Hood River; Annie Conway, Oswego; Margaret Goodfellow, Oregon City; Luella Hurner, Carlton; Mrs. Dan-ials, Montavilla; Ethel Mather, Clacka-mas; Mary B. Vinyard, Canby; Laurelta Yeager, Heppner; Lilly Muxphy, Antelope; Thompson, Portland; Maude Hov

ell, Waldron.
Sessions will continue until Thursday afternoon. Entertainments in honor of delegates will be held in the evenings. The delegates will visit The Oaks to

MOVE FOR NEW FIREBOAT

Question of Issuing Bonds for Craft May Go Before Voters,

It is probable that the voters of Portland will soon be given the opportunity of expressing their opinion upon the advisability of purchasing a new steel fireboat. Chief Campbell and other officers of the fire department have

officers of the fire department have been urging the necessity of such a movement for a long time, and it will be brought before the Council at the first meeting in August.

Councilman Annand is now having prepared an ordinance providing that the people vote upon the question of issuing bonds for the new boat. It is estimated that such a boat as is desired would cost in the neighborhood of \$130,070. A special election may be called for the purpose of voting upon this question, and the proposed new Bull Run pipe line, but it is more likely that both questions will be taken up at the regular election next June.

EVERLASTING JARS.

The preserving season is height. Fruit never spoils in Everlast-ing Jars. All glass. Easy to seal Easy to open. Why waste time, fruit and sugar, and endure the heat with infer-for jars? Everlasting Jars are a joy

STRONG CASE

Auto Driver Given Hearing on Charge of Running Down and Killing Boy.

TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT

Defendant May Be Held for Manslaughter Unless Judge Cameron Finds Weight of Authority Is Against Such Procedure.

This morning at 9 o'clock Municipal Judge Cameron will give his decision as to whether or not William McCaillg, auto-mobile driver, must answer to the grand ury for his crime in running down an killing il-year-old Ellis Korklin. The case was submitted to the court yester-day forenoen. It was in order to look up authorities quoted that Judge Cameron

day forenoon. It was in order to look up authorities quoted that Judge Cameron took the matter under advisement.

The testimony, for the most part, was clear and direct. McCallis, on the night of the tragedy, was driving his machine at a speed of from 10 to 12 miles an hour. Approaching a group of children, he veered off slightly to the left from them, but did not slacken speed or sound an alarm. There were no lights displayed on his automobile. Just before he struck the boy he turned his head to speak to a woman who was seated beside him. An instant later he saw the child and threw on the brakes, and the child was crushed beneath the heavy wheels. A moment before the lad had started to run across the street, being engaged in a game of "tag." He had no warning whatever until the automobile was right upon him.

The defense makes the point that McCallig, having noticed objects in the

The defense makes the point that Mc-Callig, having noticed objects in the street, veered to one side. Just why, in taking this precaution, he did not essay the added safeguard of sounding an alarm or stackening speed was not explained. The prosecution was conducted by Dep-uty District Attorney Haney, who vigor-ously contended for the holding of Mc-Callig to the grand jury. The interests of the defendant were looked after by Attor-neys Long and Sweek. The defendant sat by his lawyers during the progress of heys Long and Sweet. The detendant sathy his lawyers during the progress of the trial, and took a close interest in the examination of witnesses. He did not appear to suffer any contrition, laughing heartly time and again at the heavy humor of the attorneys. The courtroom was filled to its capacity with a gaping throng of policemen, interested spectators and

Mrs. Ida Smith was called by Mr. Haney as the first witness for the state. Mrs. Smith was one of those in the auto when the fatality occurred. She said the party had just visited two saloons and was speeding toward the business part of the city when the accident occurred. Shortly before a policeman had shouted to them that it was getting time to turn on the lights, and they had intended stopping shortly at a candy store for the purpose of lighting the lamps. It was not yet completely dark, she said. As they approached a group of children McCailig bore to the left and she did not see the little boy until he ran in front of the machine a few feet ahead. McCailig then threw on the brakes and all got out and attended to the injured lad. The witness said she remained by him until he died.

Similar evidence was given by Mrs. R. Roliti, who occupied the rear seat of the auto in company with one Peterson. Mrs. Ida Smith was called by Mr. Ha-

auto in company with one Peterson.
William Sigler, an auto driver who was
passing the scene at the time and witnessed the accident, gave testimony that aided the state's case materially. He was within 15 feet of the place when the boy was struck. He said the auto was run-ning about 15 miles an hour, and did not slacken speed as it approached the group

A TRULY IDEAL WIFE HER HUSBAND'S BEST HELPER Vigorous Health Is the Great Source of Power to Inspire and Encourage— All Women Should Seek It.

One of the most noted, successful and richest men of this century, in a recent article, has said, "Whatever I am and whatever success I have attained in this world I owe all to my wife. From the day I first knew her she has been an inspiration, and the greatest help-

mate of my life."



To be such a successful wife, to retain the love and admiration of her husband, to inspire him to make the most of himself, should be a woman's

constant study.

If a woman finds that her energies are flagging, that she gets easily tired, dark shadows appear under her eyes, she has backache, headaches, bearingdown pains, nervousness, irregularities or the blues, she should start at once to build up her system by a tonic with specific powers such as Ledia E. Piele. specific powers, such as Lydia E. Pink-

ham's Vegetable Compound.

Following we publish by request a

Following we publish by request a letter from a young wife: Dear Mrs. Pinkham:

"Ever since my child was born I have suffered, as I hope few women ever have, with inflammation, female weakiness, bearing-down pains, backache and wretched headaches. It affected my stomach so I could not enjoy my meals, and half my time was spent in bed.

"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound made me a well woman, and I feel so grateful that I am glad to write and tell you of my marvelous recovery. It brought me health, new life and vitality "—Mrs. Bessie Ainsley, 611 South 10th Street. Tacoma, Wash.

What Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound did for Mrs. Ainsley it will

Compound did for Mrs. Ainsley it will

do for every sick and ailing woman. If you have symptoms you don't un-derstand write to Mrs. Pinkham, daughter-in-law of Lydia E Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. Her advice is free and always helpful.

of children who were playing in the street, The driver seemed to be talking to the woman beside him as they approached the boy, who darted suddenly in front of the auto and was run down. The auto driver gave no alarm signal nor displayed any lights, said the witness. There was nothing, in his opinion, that could have prevented McCallig from giving the boys a wider berth or from slackening speed, sounding an alarm, carrying lights or taking orders programmed Sieler. ing other ordinary precautions. Sigle also stated that with his electric automo

also stated that with his electric automobile he could have stopped before running down the boy, even at the distance from which McCallig threw on his brakes.

Corroborative evidence was given by two children—Joe Mazouraski and Maggie Silverstein, who were playing with the Korklin boy at the time of the tragedy.

Charles Dowell, a planing-mill employe, testified that he saw the McCallig automobile when it was which two blocks of mobile when it was, wihiln two blocks of the scene of the tragedy. He heard Po-liceman Stuart shout to the party and tell them to light their lamps, but said the automobilists kept on and seemingly paid no attention to the officer's instructions. Sanford Evans, another millhand, gave further corroborative evidence. The state then rested.

The defense offered to testimony, attor-ney Long arising at once and moving for dismissal on the grounds that no case had been made out against the defendant. He contended that the accident was unavoid-able and that there was no element of gross negligence such as is necessary to

gross negligence such as a necessary to establish manslaughter.

Mr. Haney insisted that the case was plainly one where the defendant should be held to the grand jury, and after authorities had been submitted at some length the motion for dismissal was taken under advisement by Judge Cam-

BOYS IN JUVENILE COURT

One Confesses Theft of \$20; Two Others Admit Stealing Horse.

One little 11-year-old boy confessed in the Juvenile Court yesterday to having stolen nearly \$20 in coln from a neighbor. Another 11-year-old lad and his 13-yearold companion were before Judge Frazer in the same court on the charge of having stolen a pony from a dock last Tues-day, and taking the animal to an East

day, and taking the animal to an East Side shed for safe-keeping. The lads admitted they took the pony, but declared that a man told them that it did not belong to any one.

The lad who confessed to stealing money was accompanied by his father, and the scene that insued during the triat of the case was heart-breaking. Thinking all along that his boy was honest and upright, the father broke down and wept when he heard the story related to Judge Frazer by the lad. The little fellow's brothers and sisters are said to be the best youths in the neighborhood in which best youths in the neighborhood in which they live, and the father, who works hard from sunrise to sunset, thought his il-year-old just like the others. The boy did not cry until he saw his father

weeping.
Of the money taken, the lad said that
he had spent \$7.50 of it; the remainder

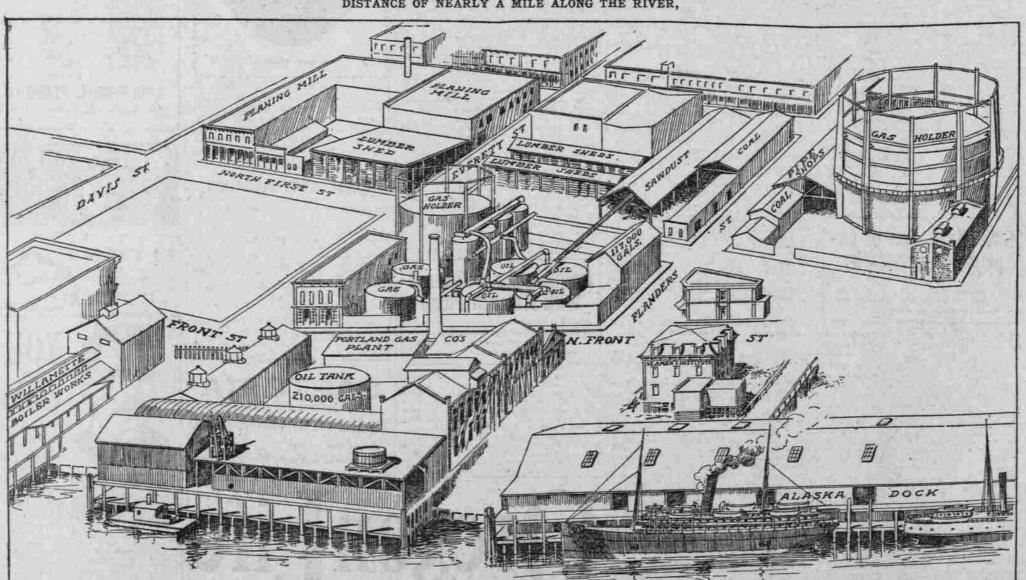
Of the money taken, the lad said that he had spent \$7.50 of it; the remainder was recovered from the places where it had been hidden. After talking to the boy sternly, but kindly, Judge Frazer informed him that he would be allowed to go on probation if he would promise to go to work and earn enough money to pay back the \$7.50 expended. The lad promised, and said that he would begin picking berries tomorrow. He was placed under the care of Chief Probation Officer Marion R. Johnson.

The tale told by the "bronco busters" did not please the jurist. He told them that, even if some one had said that the horse belonged to nobody, they did not have the right to take the animal. Their cases were continued until this afternoon. During the few minutes' intermission between the stories told by the little berrypickers and the "cowboys," Judge Frazer slipped into his private chambers and wedded Edward Daniel Carlson and Corina Eola Purdy. This event caused Marion Johnson, who acts as clerk of the Juvenile Court along with his duties as balled expention officer. Juvenile Court along with his duties as chief probation officer, to remark that it is seldom that the blind-folded goddess of justice gets shoved off her pedestal by such a little mite an Dan Cupid.

BUSINESS ITEMS.

If Baby Is Cutting Teeth, Be sure and use that old and well-tried rem-edy, Mrs Winslow's Soothing Syrup, for chil-dran teething. It soothes the child, softens the gumz, allays all pain, curse wind coll-and disresses.

OIL TANKS ON WEST SIDE WATERFRONT, AT PLANT OF PORTLAND GAS COMPANY, MAKE INSURANCE RATES FROM 10 TO 25 PER CENT HIGHER FOR A DISTANCE OF NEARLY A MILE ALONG THE RIVER,



THE FRANCHISE OF THE GAS COMPANY GIVES THE CITY THE RIGHT TO ORDER THEIR REMOVAL AT THE EXPENSE OF THE GAS COMPANY.

An oil tank memace on the West Side water-front, making insurance rates nearly from 10 to 25 per cent higher than outside the danger area, is that of the Portland Gas Company's plant at the foot of Everett and Flanders streets, where there are two oil tanks, one of 210,000 gallons capacity, the other of 117,000 gallons.

The extra insurance is paid by property owners from the foot of Davis street to the foot of Quimby and Ninth streets, a distance of nearly a mile. Davis street, one block upstream from the plant, is included in the danger zone by the underwriters because, as they explain, at certain stages of the river, the water flow is upstream, on account of the tide and this flow would carry oil, burning on the river are the property of the control of the tide and this flow would carry oil, burning on the river.

Among the properties that pay the extra insurance are: Willamette Boller Works, Portland Rice Mills, Alaska Dock, Alasworth Dock, Albers' Bros. Milling Co.'s Warehouse, Greenwich Dock No. 2, Columbia Dock No. 2, Columbia Dock No. 1, Mersey Dock, Blue Mountain Company, Centennial Dock The oil tanks are in the center of the West Side water-front. Below and above them, facing the river, are wooden wharves and warehouses, which would burn fast were an oil fire to float to them on the sure of the river. Surrounding the tanks on the land side are lumber sheds, coal sheds, a planing mill, and inflammable wooden buildings. The oil tanks of the Standard Oil Company, on the East Side against
ich a campaign is waging, are really a lesser fire menace than are those of the gas company on the West Side, for the reason that the East Side tanks have little or no inflammable property in close prox-

The gas plant discharges greasy oil waste into the river, to the annoyance of boat owners, who find that the waste blackens the hulls of boats, covering them with a flithy slime. The oil floats on the river, bubbling up from beneath the gas company's wharf and contaminates a wide area of the river.

The extra rates were established in September, 1904. Under the terms of the gas franchise the city can compel the removal of the entire plant. A clause in the franchise granted by the territorial Legislature in 1859 reads as follows: "And whenever on account of the growth of the city the place at first or at any future time fixed upon shall be deemed by the city authorities improper or not suitable. It shall be competent for them to order a removal at his or their own expense." This clause was repeated in a franchise granted by the Legislature in 1874 to Al Zieber, who assigned it to the Portland Gas Company.