DRAWS TEETH OF NEW GAS CHARTER

Council Makes the Franchise Innocuous by Insisting on Supervision.

KILLS IT, SAYS SPONSOR

B. S. Pague, Agent for Applicant, Declares He Will Place Franchise Before People—Friends of Old Company Oppose New.

Before allowing the franchise of the Economy Gas Company to go to publication the Council at its meeting yesterday afternoon amended it to reserve for the Council the right at any time to fix the charge for gas and to regulate the service. The amendment was passed over the opposition of B. S. Pague, a member of the company, who declared that the franchise with this limitation would be worthless so long as the Portland Gas Company remains free from municipal supervision.

The proposed franchise from the Economy company was introduced in the Council several months ago. At the meeting two weeks ago it was referred to the streets committee, which recommended yesterday that it be sent to publication. Councilman Menefee immediately moved to amend it so that the Council should have direct supervision of the company in the matters of price and service.

"Such an amendment would kill the franchise," declared Mr. Pague. "If a Council should be in power which was unfriendly to the company it could completely throttle it. The city is large enough for two gas companies and besides that, competition is needed. Although the Portland Gas Company has nominally reduced its gas from $1.50 to 95 cents, there is not a man here who will not agree that the bills are higher than they used to be and the gas poorer."

"If this franchise were actually intended to give us competition, it would be a different matter," said Mr. Menefee. "This company has never shown that it has financial backing. I believe that they simply are asking for this franchise as a speculation and intend to sell it again if it is granted."

Councilman Sharkey, who voted against making possible the regulation of the Portland Gas Company, took a very different position upon this measure. When the vote was taken it was notable also that only one of the "solid nine" who desired the Portland Gas Company to remain free from municipal supervision voted against placing the Economy Gas Company completely under the control of the city.

"We have been told that we have made mistakes in granting franchises in the past," said Mr. Sharkey, "and it seems to me this is a good time to use caution. It does not seem to me that we are asking anything unfair or unjust of this company."

"If Mr. Sharkey and the other members of the Council would vote to place the old gas company under the control of the city we would not object to this regulation," declared Mr. Pague. "You do not seem inclined to regulate that company and all we ask for is a square deal. Put us on somewhat the same basis that you do the old company, and then if we do not give better or cheaper gas we cannot do business."

"What I want is a competing company," said Councilman Wills. "If we require this company to put up a sufficient bond, competition will serve to regulate the price. It is not a business proposition to make ironclad regulations for this franchise when you have refused to place the present company under the control of the city."

"I would like to ask Mr. Pague if he will disclose the names of his backers," said Councilman Annand.

"Not at this time," was the reply. "That should not be necessary. If we do not put up the bond we cannot go ahead."

The vote was then taken on the amendment, which passed by a vote of 9 to 3. Affirmative—Councilmen Annand, Bennett, Dunning, Menefee, Preston, Rushlight, Sharkey, Shepherd and Wallace. Negatives—Masters, Vaughn and Wills. Absent—Belding, Gray and Kellaher.

"That kills the franchise," declared Mr. Pague when the vote was announced. "I shall go to the people for the franchise and they will not refuse it."

CAMERON REBUKES POLICE

CASES SET FOR TRIAL WITHOUT COURT'S AUTHORITY.

Judge Orders Bail of 19 Chinese Gamblers Forfeited as Result of Captain's Officiousness.

The police department was severely rebuked by Municipal Judge Cameron and Deputy District Attorney Fitzgerald yesterday morning for taking upon themselves undue authority in setting the date of trial for 19 Chinese arrested at 131½ Second street Tuesday night in a raid on an alleged gambling-house. When the cases were called by Clerk Hennessy, no one was present to represent the prisoners or the police department, and after the names of the defendants were called in loud tones three times by Bailiff McDonald, the court ordered the bail of $10 each forfeited.

This was a most unusual affair, as Chinese are invariably present when their cases are called and are always represented by legal counsel. When the news of the forfeiture of the bail, aggregating $190, spread abroad, it reached the ears of Detective-Sergeant Baty, one of the arresting officers. He hurried into court and explained to Judge Cameron that the understanding had been entered into between the police and the Chinese and Lawyer H. W. Hogue, representing the defense, that the cases were to be heard Saturday morning. This was why no one was present to speak for the police or for the Chinese previous to the forfeiture of the bail.

Judge Cameron and Deputy City Attorney Fitzgerald, prosecutor in the court, then made it plain to Sergeant Baty that the police have no authority whatever to arrange for the hearing of cases, and warned the officer that the authority to set cases was the prerogative only of the court officials.

Sergeant Baty explained that Patrolman James Anderson, who was one of the officers making the raid, was detailed to be in court to represent the police and to make clear the understanding that had been entered into between the department and Lawyer Hogue, for the Chinese. Anderson failed to put in an appearance, and the court officials had nothing to show that the police had made any arrangements other than that the cases should go by default.

Owing to the misunderstanding, it is probable that Judge Cameron will grant a trial and that the bail of the Chinese will be not forfeited, although it has been entered as forfeited in the books of Clerk Hennessey.

The matter was reported to Chief of Police Gritzmacher, who immediately issued an order to the Captains, as follows:

If a person is arrested any time when the Municipal Court is not in session and cash bail is furnished by such person, the officer in charge must give a receipt for the same to appear at the first session of the court after the arrest and not otherwise, unless especially ordered by the Municipal Judge. No arrangements must be made with any one arrested and no receipts given for any date beyond the first session of the court after the arrest.

NO DAMAGES FOR DR. SEMLER

Amateur Editor Not Injured by Being Arrested, Says Jury.

Dr. Paul J. A. Semler was not damaged in the least when arrested several months ago on a charge of attempted extortion, preferred by Julius Meier, Paul Wessinger and the Meier & Frank Company. This was a jury's decision after hearing the testimony in Dr. Semler's $20,000 damage suit. The verdict was returned yesterday forenoon in Judge Frazer's division of the State Circuit Court. The finding was for the defendants. Notice of appeal was at once given by Attorney John Ditchburn, representing Dr. Semler.

The suit grew out of a smallpox case which broke out in the Meier & Frank store last Spring. Dr. Semler claims that Mr. Meier tried to prevent publication of the matter in a local German paper by threats and intimidation. Mr. Meier, on the other hand, accuses the doctor and erstwhile editor of the German paper in question of asking some $500 for the suppression of the article. The jury probably took into consideration that part of the evidence which tended to show that the German paper has been given to blackmailing in the past.

REGULAR PANEL FOR MARCH

Veniremen Drawn for Service in the State Circuit Court.

The following veniremen were drawn from the regular panel yesterday, for service on juries during the March term of the State Circuit Court:

Barr, S. M.	Jaeger, E. J.
Bue, Peter.	Luelling, William.
Burrell, W. F.	Latourell, H.
Breeding, R.	Lillis, W. P.
Blaser, Herman.	Kreidt, H. L.
Clark, Newton.	O'Keef, Dave.
Clayton, B. F.	Pugh, Fred.
Capron, A. J.	Regner, J. D.
Dayton, Frank.	Ross, James.
Dougherty, J. A.	Roskis, Mike.
Duniway, W. C.	Schmeer, Rudolph.
Dryer, W. H.	Saltzman, C.
Driscoll, M. J.	Syring, Albert.
Doech, Henry E.	Taylor, H. F.
Dunckley, W. H.	Thorin, Alexander.
Eggert, P.	Wettelund, T. E.
Floss, F.	White, Walter F.
Gerspach, H. F.	Wilson, J. T.
Going, J. W.	Wilcox, Nathan.
Geger, A. R.	Wirt, Herman.
Gardner, Robert.	White, Warren E.
Helm, Jesse.	Wright, Robert.
Herman, Samuel.	Wilhelm, Ludwig.
Helney, Ross.	Whitemore, C. A.
Hicks, W.	Welch Robert O.

Jury Cuts Doctor's Bill.

For fixing a couple of broken bones, performing two surgical operations and making a few X-ray examinations, Dr. L. G. Holland will receive $237 instead of $397, the amount he asked for. A jury which heard his ideas regarding the amount due him awarded him the smaller amount in the State Circuit Court yesterday. The verdict was given against the Linnton Box & Lumber Company, which had the doctor treat an injured workman named J. A. Simpson last Spring. The company wanted to pay only $85, maintaining that this was a reasonable sum and that Dr. Holland's ministrations had not been marked by a surplus of medical skill.

PLANS APARTMENT HOUSE

J. McGrath Buys Site at Third and Montgomery for $10,000.

J. McGrath yesterday purchased a 50x100 lot at the southeast corner of Third and Montgomery streets from a local investment company for $10,000. There are two small cottages on the lot, but the new owner contemplates the erection of a large apartment house. The sale was made by E. J. Daly and W. B. Streeter.

A three-story apartment house is being erected on the southwest corner of Twenty-first and Flanders street by Dr. Ball to cost approximately $20,000. It will cover a full lot and will contain 12 suites of five and six rooms each. The excavation work is now on.

Seth Riggs yesterday purchased the southwest corner of First and Burnside streets from Loewenson Brothers for $55,000. The lot has a frontage of 50 feet on First street by 98 feet on Burnside street, and is the site of a two-story brick building. The sale was made by Goldsmith & Co., in conjunction with Holmes & Menefee. Mr. Riggs recently sold the northwest corner of First and Pine streets to Scott Brooke for $60,000.

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READY TO PROCEED

Railway Co. Asks Franchises for Tracks to New Depot.

MEASURE READ IN COUNCIL

Provides for Use of Pine, Ash and Jefferson Streets, With Required Switches, Loops and Connections.

An ordinance was introduced at the meeting of the Council yesterday afternoon granting permission to the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company to lay tracks on streets connecting with the proposed new $1,000,000 passenger depot. The permits will provide for all connections, switches and loops that will be necessary for the change in the system that will come with the erection of the handsome station that is to cover the block bounded by First, Second, Pine and Ash streets.

The ordinance grants the company definite permission for tracks on Pine street, from First to Fifth; on Ash street, from First to Fifth, and on Jefferson street from Water to Second. It also provides for all necessary sidings, curves and connections.

The tracks on Pine street and on Ash will run on both sides of the huge depot that is to be erected. Crossing First, Second, Third and Fifth streets they will be accessible from all divisions of the local system. Loops will then be run through the building and Portland's new traffic center will be complete.

The ordinance gives the company permission to lay three-rail tracks on the streets named if it so desires. This provision is probably included in order that the O. W. P. cars and those of the city lines, which are of a different gauge, can use the same tracks. The permit for the Jefferson-street line is supposedly asked for the purpose of connecting the Portland system with the lines of the Oregon Electric Railway Company. The ordinance was introduced by Councilman Belding and referred to the street committee.

Engaging of New Expert Delayed.

In order to force the hand of the special committee that is investigating the report of the expert accountants, a motion was passed demanding that the committee return its findings at the next meeting of the Council. The ways and means committee had submitted an ordinance authorizing the employment of George Black to expert the books, but this was held up until the special committee can be heard from.

The ordinance appropriating the pay for a fourth captain and a lineman in the police department was returned to the ways and means committee upon motion of Councilman Rushlight. It is understood that there is now no objection to the appropriations and that the only question is whether the lineman, Fred Gifford, is to be left in the police department, or placed under the fire department. The committee was advised to confer with the Chief of Police and the Chief of the Fire Department.

Councilman Sharkey introduced an ordinance instituting proceedings towards the construction of a bridge over Sullivan's Gulch at Union avenue. If built, the structure will be of steel and concrete and will cost about $50,000. The ordinance was sent to the street committee.

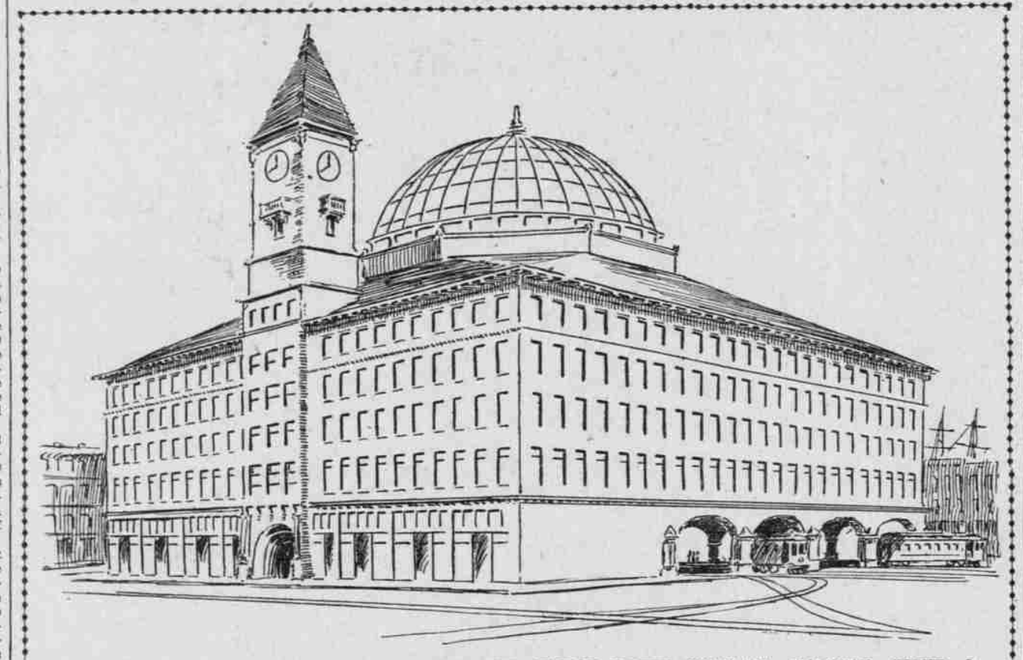
An ordinance was passed fixing the new fire limits on the East Side. The measure was prepared by a special committee in conference with East Side property owners. The new boundaries are set forth as follows:

East Side Fire Limits.

Commencing at a point 95 feet south of the south line of Hawthorne avenue where the same is intersected by a line 100 feet west of the west line of East Water street; thence east on a line 95 feet south of the south line of Hawthorne avenue and parallel therewith to a line 90 feet east of the east line of Grand avenue; thence north on a line 90 feet east of and parallel with the east line of Grand avenue to a line 100 feet north of the north line of East Burnside street; thence west on a line 100 feet north of and parallel with the north line of East Burnside street to the center line of East Second street; thence south on the center line of East Second street to the center line of East Oak street; thence west on the center line of East Oak street to a line 100 feet west of the west line of East Water street; thence south on a line 100 feet west of and parallel with the west line of East Water street to the place of beginning.

An exception is made of blocks 102 and 121.

After giving nearly an hour to the consideration of the subject the Council voted against canceling the license of Marie Correill, a palmist. Her license was recently revoked by the Council but after the license committee had recommended that she be granted another permit, one was obtained from the license department. Councilman Bennett moved to cancel this also, but was supported in his motion by only Councilmen Rushlight and Willis. It is understood, however, that an ordinance will soon be prepared for the purpose of driving out of business all palmists, fortune-tellers and massage establishments.



A PERSPECTIVE SKETCH OF THE UNION PASSENGER STATION OF THE PORTLAND RAILWAY, LIGHT & POWER COMPANY TO BE ERECTED AT FIRST AND PINE STREETS—DRAWN FROM A DESCRIPTION.

HIGH LICENSE BILL PASSES

SALOONS TO PAY $800 A YEAR INSTEAD OF $500.

Council Adopts Ordinance Without Discussion—Sharkey and Rushlight Vote Against It.

Without discussion the Council yesterday passed the ordinance raising the saloon license in Portland from $500 to $800. The report of the liquor license committee, recommending the measure, was read and the ordinance was passed without opposition except the negative votes of Councilmen Sharkey and Rushlight. The measure had been under consideration for so long that all interests were practically agreed upon its passage before its presentation in the Council. It was well known that there is no opposition among the liquor men, who expect that it will head off any movement to raise the license to $1000 in June.

Not only does the measure passed raise the license to $800, but it also sets a limit on the number of saloons in the city. By its provisions all saloons holding licenses March 31 may continue in business indefinitely, but that no additional licenses will be issued until the population shall exceed 500 for every saloon. After that additional licenses may be issued at the ratio named. The ordinance was introduced by Councilman Gray.

The Council sent back to the liquor license committee the ordinance of Councilman Shepherd, providing a higher tax for wholesalers, restaurants, grocers, druggists and brewers. This measure was sent to the Council without any recommendation from the committee. It was objected to by Councilman Annand on the ground that it provided a license of $300 upon brewers. He desired a change made so that breweries should be taxed in proportion to the business done. An amendment to this effect will probably be added by the committee and the ordinance returned for action at the next meeting.

MR. DOOLEY ON THE THAW CASE

You want to read "Mr. Dooley" on the Thaw case in The Sunday Oregonian. His subject is "Expert Testimony" and his strictures on the expert witness (there are a few in the Thaw case) are more than amusing. Here is his start:

"What's an expert witness?" asked Mr. Hennessy.

"An expert witness," said Mr. Dooley, "is a doctor that thinks a man must be crazy to be rich. That's thrue iv most iv us, but these doctors don't mean it th' way I do. Their theery is that annything th' rich do that ye want to do an' don't do is looney. As between two men with money, th' wan with th' most money is craziest."

This just gives you the flavor—you will find the rest in next Sunday's Oregonian.

WOMEN'S CLUB RECEPTION

Several Hundred Persons Attend Function for New Members.

A reception for new members was given by the Women's Club last night at the Women of Woodcraft Hall, Tenth and Taylor streets, and was attended by several hundred persons. The hall, which is well designed for entertaining, was treated with a green and white decorative scheme, representing the club colors, and the serving tables were decorated in harmony. Mrs. W. Wynn Johnson, president, received, assisted by the 40 members who have joined the club during her regime. Mrs. Johnson was gowned in pearl gray crepe worn with a dog collar of pearls, and many handsome lace and silk gowns were noticeable in the receiving line.

A bevy of young women, in charge of Miss Delta Watson and Miss Irene Flynn, served, and the music was furnished by the Wilder String orchestra, which played throughout the evening. The affair was a complete success socially, and much credit is due Mrs. Johnson, whose progressive spirit has been so much in evidence during her presidency.

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GRAVES IN STREET

Council Checks Plan to Use Highway for Cemetery.

ORDINANCE GOES THROUGH

Complainants Alleged Purpose to Usurp Part of East Twenty-sixth for Lone Fir Burial Ground.

What is declared by residents in the vicinity to be an attempt of the Lone Fir Cemetery Company to usurp a portion of a public highway was quashed by the Council at its meeting yesterday afternoon. By passing an ordinance that prohibits the digging of graves within 70 feet west of the east line of East Twenty-sixth street, between East Stark and Belmont, a movement of the company to use a 20-foot strip of the street for cemetery purposes is thwarted.

H. M. Williamson appeared before the Council and explained that a portion of East Twenty-sixth street adjoining the Lone Fir Cemetery had never been dedicated. Taking advantage of this fact, he said, the company had made preparations to move its fence 20 feet into the street and sell the land thus gained for cemetery lots. This would narrow East Twenty-sixth street to 40 feet.

"The residents of the vicinity all favor this ordinance," declared Mr. Williamson. "As a matter of fact the roadway has been used for more than 10 years without protest and has therefore become a public highway in spite of the fact that it has never been dedicated.

"The company has repeatedly shown its recognition of the fact that it owns none of the street, and those buying property in the neighborhood were told that the fence would be left where it is. In spite of this, Wilson Benefield, who controls the company, is now making arrangements to encroach upon the thoroughfare."

It was moved that the ordinance be placed on its final passage so that the owners of the cemetery should be prevented from carrying out their intention. Councilman Shepherd objected and urged that the measure be sent to the committee on health and police. His objection would have been sufficient under the rules to cause the vote to be postponed, but the opposition was withdrawn when Mr. Williamson told him that if the ordinance should not be passed there would probably be 50 bodies buried in the street before the next meeting of the Council. The measure was then passed by unanimous vote. It will not only prevent the use of the street by the cemetery, but also any interments within 10 feet of the present line of the cemetery.

A resolution was also introduced by Councilman Bennett dedicating the 20-foot strip as a portion of East Twenty-sixth street. It was referred to the street committee and will probably be passed at the next meeting.

HALF A HUNDRED ADDED

Y. M. C. A.-Y. W. C. A. Building Fund Total Brought to $253,892.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO DATE.	
Fall canvass	$230,733.80
February 3-19	22,719.00
February 20	440.00
Total	$253,892.80

A special meeting of the citizens' committee of the Y. W.-Y. M. C. A. building campaign will be held this noon for the purpose of organizing the work more thoroughly, and of starting out some new sub-committees of five members each. During this week a number of people have volunteered to help out in the campaign, and this special meeting is principally for the purpose of making use of their services. The solicitors raised $440 yesterday, thus bringing the balance needed to complete the fund down to $96,107.20.

The subscriptions yesterday were as follows:

La Grande Creamery	$100
A. H. Potter	100
Dr. C. W. Cornelius	100
George Ainslee	20
Oregon Creamery	25
Pacific Transfer Company	25
R. H. Birdsall	20
Benjamin S. Woodward	10
H. Labowitch	5
Mrs. W. Reed	5
Total	$440

ELEVATOR BOYS WALK OUT

Chamber of Commerce Employes Are Refused $10 Raise.

"We demand an increase of $10 a month in our salaries. See? If it is not granted we will go on strike."

This was the ultimatum tendered to the superintendent of the Chamber of Commerce building yesterday morning by the elevator boys, and as the desired "raise" was not forthcoming, the "airship pilots" walked out.

The service was interrupted for a short time yesterday, but new men were soon found to man the levers in the lifts and were put to work. The striking elevator boys were receiving $40 a month. It is understood the strike was meant as an expression of disapproval of an act of the superintendent on Monday, when he paid an extra man for his services in running an elevator Sunday but failed to recompense the regular employes, who also worked an extra day.

The Columbia River Differential.

PORTLAND, Or., Feb. 20.—(To the Editor.)—In The Oregonian's Salem report on the Port of Columbia matter I find the statement that "E. W. Wright said that the 30 cents a ton differential against the Columbia River is due wholly to poor pilotage." The reporter apparently misunderstood me, for in my statement I mentioned four other items which the shipowners' union assured me contributed to the imposition of the differential. The misunderstanding was probably caused by my stating that all of the disabilities with which we were charged by the shipowners had been removed with the single exception of bar pilotage.

E. W. WRIGHT.

School Entertainment.

The teachers and pupils of the Lents School will give an entertainment tomorrow night in Davis' Hall for the benefit of the piano fund. It will be a basket social. Admission free.

Grange Will Hold Banquet.

Russellville Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, will hold a banquet tomorrow night in the hall of the schoolhouse. In connection with the affair there will be a programme.

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SHEPHERD TO STEP DOWN

TENDERS HIS RESIGNATION AS PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL.

Attorney of Southern Pacific Company Will Not Give Up Membership, However.

George S. Shepherd tendered his resignation yesterday as president of the Council, but will still retain his membership in that body. He gave as his reasons for withdrawing from the presidency that his duties at present keep him from the city much of the time and that he does not feel in every way qualified as a presiding officer. The resignation is to take effect upon the election of a successor. It was not acted upon yesterday.

Mr. Shepherd announced some time ago that he would resign from the Council because of his employment as an attorney of the Southern Pacific Company. It was after this announcement that he was elected to the presidency of the Council, and many of his fellow members believed that was conferring upon him a brief honor before his withdrawal. Mr. Shepherd, however, decided to postpone his resignation from the Council, and is not yet ready to say when such action will be taken. After asserting that his duties interfere with his filling the president's chair, Mr. Shepherd in his message yesterday said:

The second reason is purely personal, but realizing your kind and considerate temperaments and dispositions, I feel that you will consider my extreme modesty and relieve me from a duty from which I duly shrink each time I am summoned to preside during the deliberations of this body. I am now, and ever have been, a disciple of the simple life, and to be called from the ordinary seat in the crescent of the Council chamber to occupy the Mayor's chair approaches so nearly to the bedizening splendor of a throne that I suffer intensely from stage fright and my family physician prescribes the quietude and peace of mind that flits at public glare.

Will Present Piano to City.

Tomorrow night the Milwaukie Social Club will hold its first public function and will present to the city a fine $400 piano, which the club has just purchased. The Council granted the club the use of the hall for three years, and in return it has placed a piano in the hall as rental. The club has about 35 members and was organized to promote a social and harmonious feeling among the citizens. Philip Streib is the president. He will make the formal presentation and Mayor Shindler will accept the piano in behalf of the Council. The leading citizens of Milwaukie are now members of the club.

VALUABLE LETTER MISSING

Check for $50 Sent to Jeff Hayes Not Delivered, He Says.

J. W. Hayes, owner of the Hasty Messenger Company, of this city, has made complaint to the postal authorities that a letter containing a check for $50 directed to him from Goldfield, Nev., has not been delivered to him. He said that the letter in question came to his address at 108 Seventh street on January 20, but that he had not received it. He laid the matter before United States Postal Inspector Riches, of this city, expressing a belief that the letter had been withheld from him by former business associates through spite.

He further said that Nelson Borland, a clerk of the City Messenger Company, acknowledged to him that the letter had come to the office of the above-named company, at the corner of West Park and Washington streets. He said Borland had since told other stories about the movements of the letter, one of which was that he had given it to a postman. Later that the letter had been given to J. F. Shorey, manager of the messenger company, and that Shorey had put the letter in a mail box. To Hayes, Shorey denied that he had ever seen the letter. With all this mystery surrounding the letter, Hayes thought it a proper riddle for the postal inspector to solve.

No attempt has been made so far to cash the draft, and Assistant United States District Attorney Cole, who has the case in charge, will not at present make a move. Postal Inspector Riches inclines to the opinion that there is a large element of business jealousy in the whole matter, as there has been a strong rivalry between the two messenger companies for some time.

PRIZES ON DISPLAY.

Oaks Rink Colonial Masquerade prizes, Woodard & Clarke's window. A great time is anticipated at the great Oaks Rink Colonial Masquerade, to be held Friday night. The big Oaks Rink will be open at 9 A. M. for the big day. There will be two sessions Friday night, 7 to 10 and 10 to 12. Masks off at 10. If you haven't a colonial costume, invent some other, as there are six elegant prizes to be given, and they are on display in Woodard & Clarke's window.

RHEUMATISM

WORSE FROM YEAR TO YEAR

The cause of Rheumatism is an excess of uric acid in the blood, brought on by indigestion, chronic constipation, weak kidneys and a general sluggish condition of the entire system. The refuse and waste matter of the body is not carried out as nature intends, but is left to ferment and sour and generate uric acid, which is absorbed into the blood. The first evidence of Rheumatism is usually little wandering pains in the muscles and joints, or a tender, sensitive place on the flesh. These are often so slight that nothing is thought of them and they pass away; but with each recurrence the trouble becomes more severe, and from slight wandering pains and excited nerves, Rheumatism grows to be a painful and almost constant trouble. The longer the poison remains in the blood the firmer hold the trouble gets on the system. Each day the acid deposit is increasing and the disease grows worse from year to year. After awhile the joints become coated with a corrosive substance which seriously interferes with their working and movements and sometimes they become permanently stiff and useless. S. S. S. cures Rheumatism by going down into the blood and attacking the disease at its head. It neutralizes the poisons and acids and dissolves the salts and irritating deposits, making the blood stream pure, fresh and healthy. S. S. S is made entirely of roots, herbs and barks, and is therefore a safe remedy. When the blood has been purified by S. S. S., the pains and aches pass away, and the cure is permanent. Book on Rheumatism, and medical advice free.

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