

BIG BOND ISSUES

Amendments to City Charter to Be Passed on at Next Election.

THEY INVOLVE \$2,475,000

Purchase of Parks and Spacious Boulevards, New Fireboat, New Bridge to Replace Madison-Street Structure

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes 'Improvements amounting to \$2,475,000', 'Purchase of parks and boulevards', 'New fireboat', 'New bridge', etc.

In addition to tackling the mayoralty situation at the June election, the voters of Portland will decide on several important amendments to the city charter.

Like all of the proposed issues, the bonds will be sold in \$500 and \$1000 lots to the highest bidder, the money derived from the sale of the bonds to be in the custody of the city.

(a) By the Council in purchase of land for parks—first recommended by Park Board and in pursuance of condemnation proceedings; (b) for purchase of land for boulevards, retaining right to condemn for street or highway purposes as provided in article 3, chapter 6, of charter; (c) for improvement of the city streets, retaining right to assess benefit to abutting property or district; (d) for building bridges over river or gulches.

Want New Fireboat.

An amendment important to the owners of river-front property and in fact the entire city is the one calling for an additional fireboat, the cost not to exceed \$125,000, and the laying of new water mains. This fund will be known as the fireboat and fire mains fund.

Should the bridge bond issue receive a favorable vote, it will mark the passing of the Madison-street structure, and the new structure will be known as the Hawthorne-avenue bridge.

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Annual Rentals Fixed.

A provision in the amendment fixes the rental for the use of the tracks across the bridge at not less than \$15,000 annually and not more than \$15,000. The amendment guards against a monopoly of the tracks across the bridge by the Executive Board in the following words: "Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to authorize the Executive Board or its successors in office to give any street railway company any exclusive right to operate cars over said new bridge."

The purchase of land for additional dockage for warehouse purposes, is another of the proposed amendments. The bond issue will call for \$750,000, the bonds to run for 30 years. The proceeds of the sale of the bonds will be expended by the Council, first in the payment of the expenses of advertising and issuing the bonds and after for the purchase of land for docks, or for the purchase of land and docks as recommended by the Executive Board or in pursuance of condemnation proceedings, and secondly in the construction and improvement of docks by the Executive Board.

Farmers' Institute at Damascus.

The Farmers' Institute held at Damascus the first of the week was attended largely by farmers. Dr. W. H. W. in charge, and gave a talk on "Diversified Farming."

ing instead of sticking closely to one thing. William Schimlerick, of Hillsboro, gave a practical talk on "Dairying and the Care of Milk Cows."

Harbormaster Revises Nautical Terms

Tells Captain of French Wind-Jammer to Cast Out "Behind Anchor" and Orders Ship Into Impossible Berth.

HARBORMASTER B. F. SMITH, who probably knows more about a Minnesota farm or the upturn police beat than he does of the workings and seaboard, is the object of much good-natured raillery among the habitués of the river front, and his mistakes are said to be numerous as they are funny.

"Ah, that will never do," said the new name on board himself. "Here is where I must exercise my official judgment and save the French ship from drifting down stream!"

Perhaps Monsieur would feel more ease on shore were seen the still imperturbable sailing master. "Allow me, Monsieur," the gangway told on Smith is that he watched Captain Turner, one of the most experienced pilots on the river, bring a steamer ashore and anchor her in the channel, all berth along the river front being occupied by the shipping.

"Do what I order, and do it at once!" "Well, I'm willing to obey orders when it is possible," answered the pilot, "but you'll have to show me first how to put a vessel of 18 feet draft into four feet of water!"

MAY START EMPIRE MILL

Elijah Smith Plans to Resume Work on Coos Bay.

Elijah Smith, who is a guest at the Hotel Portland, announced yesterday that the sawmill of the Southern Oregon Company on the Coos Bay, which he started up again within the next six months unless legal complications arise over the large holdings of timber lands owned by the company.

"I feel gratified over the action of the Senate of the Legislature, which killed the bill aimed to force us to dispose of our lands at \$25 an acre, when the money invested by our company now aggregates about \$2,000,000. But two-thirds of the 90,000 acres are desirable.

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CHINESE GAMBLERS TAKEN

Police Arrest 24 Players and Seize Money as Evidence.

Acting Detectives Kay and Klenen and Patrolmen Anderson and Sherwood raided the room where the arrests were made at 24 Chinese. The raid was the most spectacular and successful the police have made in the past month, and \$300 in cash was seized as evidence by the arresting officers.

Organizes New Council.

A new council of the Knights and Ladies of Security, was organized in Milwaukie the past week with the following officers: President, Mrs. Maple; first vice-president, Charles Bullard; president, Mrs. Lewis; second vice-president, Mrs. J. C. Elkins; conductor, Mrs. Mary Gamble; inside guard, Fay Maple. The council will meet next Tuesday night, when the time and place of meeting will be decided.

OPERATORS GO OUT INTO OPEN

Portland Telegraphers Go on Record as Belonging to Union.

HOPE FOR "CLOSED SHOP"

New Members Taken in and Local Organization Strengthened, but No Trouble Is Expected.

Unionism scored a victory yesterday afternoon, when about 60 telegraph operators, representing the Western Union, the Postal and the Order of Railroad Telegraphers met at Drew's Hall for the purpose of passing on to vote the proposition whether the Western Union Telegraph Company should become unfettered or remain as heretofore.

DEATH OF WELL-KNOWN OREGON PIONEER WOMAN.

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H. M. WILLIAMSON REPLIES

Says Report About Lone Fir Cemetery Was Well Founded.

H. M. Williamson, who presented to the Council information that the Lone Fir Cemetery Company planned to use East Twenty-first street for graves, with the result that the 400 square feet of the street would be lost.

Union Offers Insurance.

The telegraphers' union has a system of life insurance which is quite different from that of almost all other internal insurance organizations in that the rate does not increase with advancing age.

Many Members Added.

The local union took in about 55 members at the meeting, and the embarrassment of about 30 operators who have been members of the union, sub rosa, was lifted. The recent raise in wages

and lifting of embargo against union men by the Western Union was discussed, and it was pointed out that the time was ripe for all operators who so desired to "come out in the open" and announce their union affiliations.

Mr. Sinks told of the struggles of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers, and explained the reasons for its system of insurance for its members.

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HAVE DONE BUT LITTLE

Secretary Stone, of Y. M. C. A., Says People Will Profit Little From the Legislature.

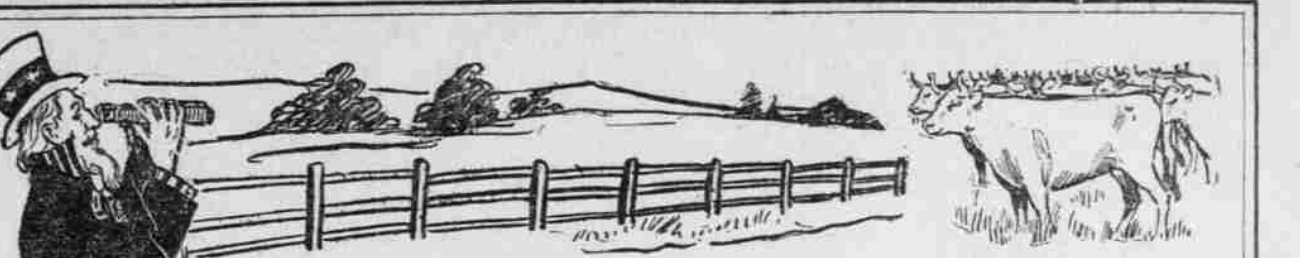
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WILL BUILD ADDITION TO CHURCH.

The Young People's Society will build an addition to the Montavilla Baptist Church.

Emigrants Six Feet Tall.

I should like to see immigration restricted to the simple question of emigrants. Never allow a man under six



The Mask is Off!

"Whom the gods would destroy they first make mad." Monopoly has stepped forth from behind the mask of deceit, and dispelled the clouds of illusion which have heretofore surrounded and enveloped it!

TO THE PUBLIC:

The Harry Wood Market has been in and of Portland since 1889, and Harry Wood is here to stay—at First and Alder, ON the corner.

A carload of bulls came into Portland last week, consigned to a certain market in our city. Wonder if such weapons as "bull-ber" are to be used in the fight against the people and their favorite market?

Table of meat prices: Prime Rib R'st Beef 10c, Beef Sirloin Steak 12 1/2c, Small Porterhouse 12 1/2c, Fancy Porterhouse Steak 12 1/2c, etc.

THE HARRY WOOD MARKET COMPANY

The Meatshop on the Corner With Prices on the Square CORNER FIRST AND ALDER STREETS

Cemetery Company is not a cemetery association such as are now often organized under laws which make them worthy of favor from the public.

There is good reason to believe that when the cemetery company, which has been organized by the general public for the purpose of separating the cemetery from the street has been organized.

The disturbance that made its appearance on the Northern Washington Coast last evening has increased in intensity during the last 24 hours and this evening has assumed the character of a well-defined though moderate storm area.

A FRIEND'S TIP

70-Year-Old Man Not Too Old to Accept a Food Point.

"For the last 20 years," writes a Maine man, "I've been troubled with Dyspepsia and liver complaint, and have tried about every known remedy without much in the way of results until I took up the food question."

THE STAR

Week of February 25. The Little Church Around the Corner.

Pantages Theater

THE SUGNOTS, Direct From Japan. Sloan Sisters, The Whales, Leo White, Harry De Lain, Miss Kittle Pierce.

The Grand

Lizzie Evans and Jefferson Loyd. "The Old Love."

HEILIG THEATER

14th and Washington. AUGUSTIN DAHL MUSICAL COMPANY. Tonight 8:15. Tomorrow Night 8:15.

BAKER THEATER

GEO. L. BAKER, General Manager. Home of Baker Theater Stock Company. All This Week—Presenting Jerome K. Jerome's Famous Four-Act Comedy, "MISADVENTURES."

LYRIC THEATER

Portland's Popular Stock House. WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY, FEB. 25. Incomparable Lyric Comedy in the Famous Civil War Comedy Drama, "STRUCK OIL."

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