PLAN NO CHANGE IN WATER RATES

Members of City Board Make Light of Protest From Merchants.

WILL GRANT NO FAVORS

Revenue Derived From Hydraulic Elevators Is Small and City Does Not Care to Encourage Their Use.

No change in existing water rates in Portland can be expected before Jan-uary 1, 1968. This announcement was made yesterday by G. W. Allen, a mem-ber of the Water Board, who said that the charges for the municipal water service had been scheduled on a basis of the cost of operating, maintaining and ex-tending the system for the year. The schedule of charges for the service, he explained, was fixed by the Board and ratified by the Council at the beginning of the year for the ensuing 12 months.

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In regard to the complaint of the large consumers, especially those who use city water for operating elevators, alleging prohibitive charges, the members of the Water Board are inclined to be indifferent. These patrons, members of the Board say, are paying the same rate for water that is charged the homeowner, with the exception that they have the advantage of a substantial rebate on all water used in excess of the minimum water used in excess of the minimum amount. The Board has never been desirous of supplying city water for operating elevators, in view of the fact that it has not had a supply sufficient to meet the demands for domestic purposes. By serving these firms with water for elevators the supply has been re-duced to such an extent that many householders who could have been otherwise served, have been deprived of water for family use. It was for this reason that the Board decided, several months ago, that it would be only a mat-ter of equity, owing to the scarcity of water, to require these large consumers to pay on the same basis as the humblest

Second Pipe Line Needed.

Under the present administration of the Water Department, all charges for maintenance and operation, together with the cost of all extensions and improvements must be defrayed from the re-celpts for water service. The city will never have an adequate supply of water for all purposes, say the members of the Water Board, until the second pipe line from Bull Run has been laid, and for which the people last June voted \$1,000,-000 of bonds. Neither can a reduction 000 of bonds. Neither can a reduction in water rates be effected until the or-dinance assessing the cost of new pipe lines to the property owners benefitted and adopted at the same election, goes into effect. The legality of both these measures has been constituted and until measures has been questioned and until the question has been decided, no relief

receipts from the Water Department approximate \$500,000 a year, while the cost of operating is about \$100,000. The difference is expended in the laying of additional mains and making other

eded improvements to the system.
"The present rates for water in Portland are high, it must be admitted," said G. W. Allen, a member of the Water Beard, yesterday, "but the cost of maintaining, operating and extending the ser-vice, all of which must come out of the receipts for water, will not enable us to reduce the charges. These rates were fixed by the Board after having carefully studied the situation and they are considered as equitable to all consumers as it was possible to devise.

Board Needs More Money.

"In fact, the Board does not have half enough funds with which to operate. It must be remembered that Portland is growing rapidly and the demands for water service are greater than ever before in its history. But, handicapped as it is with a scarcity of funds, the mem-bers of the Board feel they are giving the people of Portland the very best administration of this department that is

ossible. The charge that the Water Department is wasteful of city water is unfounded. It is true that not more than 40 per cent of the water supply conveyed in the pipes to this city last year from the Bull Run plant was actually used and accounted for, but defective piping and the carelessness of consumers were responsible for that condition. Since then about 3500 meters have been installed with the result that this waste no longer exists, consequently, there is more water for those who need it and the depart-ment this year has not received half the complaints it did last year because of an insufficient supply in the outlying dis-tricts. This improvement has made it possible to supply many families that were last year deprived of city water.
"If these large consumers decide to discontinue the use of city water in operating their elevatos, the receipts of the Water Department can at best be only temporarily affected for the water so used will readily be taken at the established rates by residents who cannot now be supplied."

Revenue From Elevators Small.

The amount of revenue derived by the The amount of revenue derived by the Water Department from the operation of elevators is not a large item. For the year 1906 only \$20,570 was received from that source while the receipts from sprinkling alone aggregated \$33,633. From water users a total of \$402,655 was received last year. January 1, last, the city was supplying 90 elevators with water power and of that number eight have since discontinued the service. "Some complaint has also been made "Some complaint has also been made because the city exacts a charge for because the city exacts a charge for supplying business firms with a special water service for fire protection ploye in the Water Department iy. "Reference to the records in other cities shows that some charge for this protection while others do not. But the situation in Portland is simply this: The city requires a certain amount of money each year to operate, maintain and extend its water system, including the payment of \$72,000 in intenest every six months, and the present sched-ule of charges is based on the actual requirements of the department. The charge for fire protection in private buildings is moderate and in a majority of instances the cost does not exceed the saving in insurance rates that is effected

by reason of that equipment.

The average rate to families does not exceed \$1 a month, which is no greater than that charged in about 80 of the lead-ing cities in the United States. This serincludes water for domestic purposes, including drinking, cooking and washing, and for a bath and toilet. The whole trouble is that the average family uses too much water. In London the average amount of water used per capita is 75 gallons, while in America we use an average 210 gallons per capita. There there is an inadequate supply comes necessary to employ stringent it becomes necessary to employ stringent PICTURES OF PROGRESS IN THE MAKING OF A GREATER PORTLAND-No. 10



NEW MASONIC TEMPLE, CORNER VAMHILL AND WEST PARK STREETS.

In 1869, 18 years after the Grand Lodge of Oregon was instituted, the Masonic Building Association was formed, and it was under its direction that the Temple at Third and Alder was built. At that time the location was in reality on the outer edge of the Town of Portland, but as the city grew in dimension and importance, it was found by the year 1905 that the building was entirely inndequate for the purpose of its construction. The building association thereupon looked about for a more suitable site, and finally secured the quarter block at the southwest corner of

Yambill and West Park streets. The old lot and site are still held by the association as an investment.

Last Spring work began on the new Temple, and it is now under roof and is about ready for the plasterers inside The contractors met with some delay in fulfilling the terms of their agreement on account of scarcity of building material and some trouble with workmen. If these obstacles had not come in the way, the building would now be almost ready for occupancy. As it is, the association expects to have the structure ready for tenants by November 1, and pos-

The building is of the steel-heavy-mill-construction style and is to be modern in all respects. The outer walls are of buff brick. On the first floor there are five store rooms and a room for the office of the grand secretary. While the new Temple is not the property of the Grand Lodge of Oregon, it is in a way under its care, as the building association is, in fact, an outgrowth of a Grand Lodge regular committee, and the Grand Lodge owns the majority of the stock. On the second floor will be the large hall in which the Grand Lodge is to hold its meetings, taking up one half of the floor space with a 28-foot ceiling. The other half, on the north side of the building, will be two stories of 14-foot ceilings divided into committee-room, clubroom and banquet-room. The Grand Lodge room will be also rent-

ed for entertainments—concerts, etc., given under the auspices of the different tenants of the building.

The third floor will be divided into indecreases (subordinate), pariors, banquet-rooms, etc., where it is now expected the following "blue" lodges will hold their meetings: Willamette, No. 2; Harmony, No. 12; Portland, No. 35; Albina, No. 101; Hawthorne, No. 111; Columbia, No. 114, and possibly Mt. Tabor, No. 42. Four chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star (women) will also be furnished with quarters. The fourth floor will be given over to the asylum of Oregon Commandery, Knights Templars, the Royal Arch Chapter, parlor, banquet-room, etc. On the top floor will be located the janitor's quarters and storerooms for paraphernalia. The basement is to be cemented and a portion used by the

stores, the balance for the heating plant and ventilating apparatus. The building will have at its opening a modern electric elevator and later on may have also a freight elevator, space teing allowed for its installation when required. Grand Lodge officers for this Masonic year are: Lot M. Pearce, Salem grand master; Edward Kittle, Oregon City, deputy grand master; Dr. Norris R. Cox, Portland, senior grand warden; Judge Charles E. Wolverton, Portland, junior grand warden; William A. Cleland, Fortland, grand treasurer; James F. Robinson, Eugene, grand Jecretary. The directors of the Masonic Building Association at present have held office, for the most part, for many years and are: J. M. Hodson, president; Henry Roe, vice-president; A. M. Knapp, secretary; M. S. Woodcock, Corvallis, treasurer, and A. Thurlow,

The quarter block upon which the new Temple is built was bought in 1905 for \$25,000 and is easily worth over twice that at the present time. With the building the total amount expended will have reached between \$160,000 and

the interest of extending the service to the greatest possible number of people. It is solely on this basis that the Water Department of Portland is being ad-

ministered." The manager of one of the largest hardware firms in the city asserted yes-terday that 35 per cent of the wholesale houses are equipped with hydraulic elevators and that many will discontinue these elevators in the near future. He further said that in one year his firm's bills for water had been more than

"If this firm owned the building we would install electric elevators immed-lately. The rates for water are out of all reason," he added. Another well-known wholesale grocery

company is about to install electric ele-vators on account of the rate charged for water. In a canvass of a number of representative wholesale establishments a comparison of the bills for the cur-rent menth with those of a year ago showed that charges have more than

Elevators Under Ban.

Many merchants are of the opinion that the high rates are maintained for the purpose of doing away with the hy-draulic elevators altogether. One man expressed the opinion that if such were the case, the use of hydramic elevators should be prohibited and in that way compel landlords to equip their buildings with electric elevators. Some merchants who occupy leased premises are even considering the matter of installing electric elevators on their own account, be-lieving that such a course in the end would result in economy. The Northern Pacific Terminal Com-

pany is said to be putting in a plant which will permit the use of Willamette River water at the round houses and in the various shops at the Union Depot when the use of city water will be dis-

*COLUMBIA PARK TONIGHT

Band Will Play at Place Not Hitherto Visited.

The park band will play tonight at Co-lumbia Park, a place not hitherto visited. The park is near the northern limits of the city on the East Side, and located on the St. Johns carline. The programme on the St. Johns carrier
follows:

March. "The Star of Destiny" ... Dewey
Overture. "The Linnet" ... Mackie
Waltz, "Janice Meredith" ... Gustin
Selection. "The Governor's Son" ... Cohan
Intermezzo, "Ramona" ... Johnson
Intermission.
Fantasia. "A Hunting Scene" ... Bucalossi
"Dance Africaine" ... Gilder
Selection, "Morse's Melodies" ... Morse
March, "Fiying Arrow" ... Holzmann
A. de Caprie, director.

Barley Going Out of Dayton.

DAYTON, Wash., Aug. 7 .- (Special.)-Corbett Brothers shipped the first carload of new barley from Columbia County last Saturday to the Northwestern Warehouse Saturday to the Northwestern Warehouse Company, of Portland. The barley which averaged 48 pounds to the bushel, brought the farmer \$1 a hundred. Corbett Brothers made another ship-ment of barley yesterday when they shipped two carloads to San Francisco.

When weak, weary and worn out, Hood's Sarsaparilla is just the medicine to restore strength.

Men's belts on sale. 289 Wash, st.

Members of Portland Realty Board Discuss Project.

WOULD LIST PROPERTIES

Real Estate Agents Outside Association Do Not Favor Plan, as They Believe It Would Give Members an Undue Advantage.

At the last meeting of the Portland Realty Board, which has as members about 75 per cent of the regularly established real estate dealers and agents of the city, it was decided to take up again the proposition to establish a real estate exchange.

This proposal has been talked over at nearly every meeting of the board for the past two or three years, opposition to the plan coming largely from dealers outside the board. It is urged that by listing in the exchange prospective transactions, an undue advantage would be given to members of the exchange who had not heard of the deals previously. There are other objections to the plan, both inside and outside the board, and in order to get the members together on the scheme, a motion was carried that at the next meeting, Sep-tember 10, the proposition would be made the order of business, and action

one way or the other be taken.

The Portland Realty Board has en-rolled as members 58 firms which maintain regular offices, but it is estimated that upward of 400 names appear in published lists as real estat agents, most of whom have deskroon somewhere or do business "under their hats," as one of the board put it.

Real estate transfers and building permits, in point of number of trans-actions and value of improvements, are matters of considerable surprise to dealers. In all the leading offices in the city the same story of dull times is told, but when the records are examined it is found that midsummer duliness is more in name than reality With transfers involving \$130,000, as in the case of the Irvington race track a few days ago, and permits for sevenstory steel buildings, as in the case of the Beck building, at Seventh and An-keny, taken out at a cost of \$140,000. running the total considerably over \$200,000 for the day, one wonders what figures are pecessary to meet real es-tate dealers' ideas of activity.

As an indication of the class of residences that are being erected on the East Side, yesterday's building permits contained record of a two-story frame house, taken out by Johan Poulsen, of the Inman-Poulsen Lumber Company, to cost \$7000. Quite a number of per-

The Heidelberg tract, down the Pen ion of 10 acres adjoining, purchased by the Pacific Coast Realty Company.

Knapp & Mackay closed a deal for the northwest corner of Fifteenth and Raleigh streets, sold by J. C. Alns-worth and John Beck to William M. Davis, formerly deputy city attorney. The tract is vacant property. On the expiration of the two-year

lease on the four lots on the north side of Market street, between Front and Water, Charles E. Hall, who has ac-quired ownership for \$21,009, intends to erect modern buildings on the property. For more than a month past work-men have been busy tearing down the buildings on the Ainsworth tract, on Taylor street, between Sixth and Seventh. They will begin today to excavate for the new building to be used by the Y. M. C. A and Y. W. C. A. This is the structure for which Portland people gave \$350,000 last Winter.

WOMAN KICKED BY HORSE

Mrs. Anna Hoerzog Knocked Senseless While Walking on Street.

Mrs. Anna Hoerzog, of 221 Shaver street, was kicked in the groin by horse at Third and Stark streets at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon as she was passing the place where the team was hitched. She was rendered unconscious, and was carried into an office, where she was given temporary treatment by Dr. Robert H. Ellis, after which she was removed to St. Vincent's Hospital in a private ambulance. The injuries she received are not serious, beyond

W. T. Joplin, of the firm of Joplin & Meek, with offices in the Abington building, is the owner of the team. The horses were taken to a barn by a po-liceman, upon orders from Acting Cap-tain Baty. When Joplin appeared at headquarters to secure his property he was placed under arrest on a charge of permitting a vicious team to stand on the street, and he was released on cash bail of \$20. The team had been left standing in the rain for at least five hours, according to Chief Gritz-

WHERE MUCH CEMENT GOES

San Francisco Has Used 2,500,000 Barrels Since Earthquake.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 7 .- From all sources there have come into San Francisco since the fire, according to the figures given out by the California promotion committee, 2,500,000 barrels of cement. Of this amount, 1,300,000 barrels were imported from foreign countries, 200,000 barrels came from the United States outside of California, and 1,000,000 barrels came from California. Cement weighs 400 pounds to the harrel, consequently these 2,500,000 barrels weighed 1,000,000,000 pounds, or

NERVOUS WOMEN Take Horsford's Acid Phosphate
It quiets the nerves, relieves nausea and si
headache and induces refreshing sleep.

DOES LANE ASPIRE TO GOVERNORSHIP?

Mayor's Friends Regard Him as Logical Democratic Candidate in 1910.

"LITTLE DOCTOR" SILENT

While Holding Another, He Says-Strength Lies in "Jollying."

Mayor Lane may be a candidate for

And again he may not. "How do I know?" he said vesterday when asked the question point blank, "The Pacific Coast cities have such a habit of putting their mayors in jail that I may be in the Schmitz class before then. Nobody can foretell what will happen in the political world in the two years to

come. The campaign is a long way off.

"Meanwhile it would not be right for me, while holding one office, to spend my time scheming to get another. I shall devote myself to being Mayor until my term is out." and the Mayor resumed signing checks to pay the city's hired

Mayor Lane's term will expire two years from July 1, 1907, The Gubernatorial campaign will open the following Spring. If he aspires to be the Democratic candidate for Governor it will come in pat for him as far as his tenure of his present office is concerned. It is thought that he will not run again for Mayor and the supposition is also that Governor Chamberlain will vacate the capital and enter the Senatorial lists.

Then, say his friends, will come Lane's chance. He is said to be the most "available" Democrat. He is the only one of that political faith ever re-elected Mayor of Portland. If this does not show strength, what does?

Veto His Only Remedy.

Why shouldn't the "little doctor," after why shouldn't the 'little doctor, after prescribing for the political ills of Portland for four years, take on a larger practice and safeguard the health of the commonwealth? His plan of treatment is simple and seems to be effective. The veto in large doses is his one remedy and the seems to suit the rationt Probably he it seems to suit the patient. Probably he could use the same prescription in the Governor's chair and it is a 100 to 1 shot that he would get along with the Legisla-ture fully as well as he does with the Council, for he could hardly be in worse standing with the city's lawmakers than

Good medicine is always unpleasant and or, Harry Lane's favorite prescription is fully as bitter as the most patent mixture yet patented. But the taxpayer seems to enjoy the wry faces the Council makes while swallowing the stuff.

From his two campaigns for Mayor it may be inferred that the "dear people" will be the principal asset of the Lane campaign, should be go after the Gover-norship. Coupled with this well worn political "prop" will be a fine exhibition of the art of "jollying," in which Port-land's Mayor is an expert and a willing performer. He does it so cleverly that the audience does not notice it. After he calls his hearers "my good people" once or twice, they forget to watch him closely for strings or wires.

Strong With the Jolly.

His sleight of hand is excellent. can display a political issue in full view of the audience and then make it disappear with such ease that th pear with such ease that the audence forgets it was ever there. Then he proceeds with his patter that has no relation to politics but is merely plain jolly.

People come to the City Hall with "kicks." They see the Mayor, tell him their troubles and expect him to become as indigenent are they are the part of the common that the common that they are they are they are the common that they are the common that they are the common that they are as indignant as they are. But before they know it he has lighted a fresh cigar and is pounding them on the back while he tells them a funny story. They go away laughing. Next day they have for-gotten what they "kicked" about and are telling their neighbors what a good fel-low the Mayor is

low the Mayor is.

He is not a hypnotist or a wizard. is plain jollier, and nothing more, but he gets away with it. Few do it better. He does not resort to the glad hand over-It is mostly done with a smile and an overflow demonstration of lasting good nature. There is always the smile and always the jolly. It would be inter-esting to know whether he is that way before breakfast.

Chamberlain a Handshaker.

Governor Chamberlain elbowed his way into the executive chair by giving a pumphandle motion to the good right hand of everybody within reach, the plain people preferred. He did this stunt with a "God bless you" effect that even if it a "God bless you" effect that even if it was not genuine stood the acid test and showed that the plate was well put on and ought to be good for 20 years at least. Can Mayor Lane, with his smile and his fancy line of jolly, duplicate the performance of Governor Chamberlain? Can he equal the latter's remarkable popularity? This is what Democrats are wondering and perhaps Mayor Lane is as much engrossed in the problem as anyone. He grossed in the problem as anyone. realizes that the state is strongly Repub-lican; but so is the city and look what he did to two Republican nominees for Mayor. Anyway what chance does party loyalty stand when a jollier is speaking?

Clark County Board in Session.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Aug. 7.-(Spe cial.)—The Board of County Commissioners of Clarke County is now in session as the Board of Equalization and will remain in session during the entire month.

"I find Cascarots so good that I would not be without them. I was troubled a great deal with torpid liver and headachs. Now since taking Cascarets Candy Cathartie I feel very much better I shall certainly recommend them to my friends as the best medicine I have ever seen."

Anna Basines, Osborn Mill No. 2, Fall River, Mass.



ANNUAL SALE, TEN MILLION BOXES



missioners as they at this time take up for adjustment any matters of taxation and any other matter of this nature. As-





