

SOCIETY

TRASSELLY BALL

First Brilliant Party of the Season Given at the Portland Hotel.

DECORATIONS A FEATURE

Guests Number More Than 450. Many Visitors From Vancouver Barracks Add to the Smartness of the Event.

The most brilliant party in the history of the "Assemblies" was given last evening at the Hotel Portland. For some years these smart dancing parties have been abolished and only recently were the plans formulated to give two this season, and in the future to have them rank as permanent affairs. Under the direction of H. C. Bowers, who is a past-master in the art of decorating, the various rooms given over to the event, were marked by perfection to the minutest detail. The invitation list was a lengthy one and the gowns and the jewels worn were extremely handsome. The grill-room was decorated with quantities of palms, cut flowers and ferns and presented a scene of beauty. Here music was furnished by Prapp's augmented orchestra. Subdued lights and rows of palms were arranged in the hall, while the gallery of conservatory was arranged with Turkish rugs and divans. Here the orchestra was seated in an immense and attractive arbor, composed of ferns, Oregon grape and greens, intermingled with myriads of variegated incandescents. A supper was served in the main dining-room where the music was furnished by Waldemar Lind's orchestra. The breakfast-room was arranged with handsome flowers and here tables were stationed for the bridge devotees. The presence of many army officers of Vancouver Barracks, added to the brilliancy of the ensemble. More than 450 guests were present.

BEGINS PROBING TODAY

Council Committee Ready to Investigate Local Trusts.

In announcing yesterday the fact that the special committee named by Mayor Lane to probe alleged trusts in the city will hold its first meeting at the City Hall at 10 o'clock this morning, Councilman Vaughn, its chairman, declared that "everything in Portland that looks like a trust" will be investigated. Organization and plans for procedure will be outlined at the first session, but it is doubtful if anything further will be done today. Councilman Cannon and Beideman are the other members. Inasmuch as the Draymen's Association has been declared by Councilman Kellahan to be an illegal trust, in restraint of trade, it is thought probable that the committee will select that organization as the first subject of investigation. Councilman Vaughn, however, would not confirm or deny this rumor, but at the last meeting of the committee he was expected to have the privilege of ascertaining something very interesting about the Draymen's Association, as well as other combinations. He was talking to Councilman Driscoll, political enemy, and member of the alleged "trust" under fire. The special committee was named by Mayor Lane a month ago, on motion of Mr. Vaughn, and an appropriation of \$1000 was made to defray the expense of taking and extending the testimony and other necessary features of the investigation. Councilman Vaughn declared yesterday that there will be "fireworks" when the real investigating work is begun, unless the committee's power is taken away.

BIDS ON BRIDGE OPENED

Portland Firm's Tender Lowest for Sullivan's Gulch Street.

Bids for a reinforced concrete bridge across Sullivan's Gulch on East Twenty-eighth street, were opened yesterday afternoon at the city board. The Northwest Bridge Company, a Portland concern, put in the lowest bid, so far as surface indications appear, although the City Engineer has not as yet had time to check over the various offers. The company's bid is \$64,400, but there are some extra details specified and the decision as to which is the lowest bid will not be made until the report of the engineer is made. There were a number of bids, four being by one firm. The bids submitted for the bridge were as follows: Paquet, Giesbach & Co., \$73,000; Robert Walker, \$73,000; at \$86,517, \$81,723, \$75,721, \$75,384; Northwest Bridge Company, \$64,400; at \$68,308; Contracting Engineering Company, \$67,700; Pacific Engineering Company, \$84,978. All of the bids were referred to the bridge committee of the executive board, and will be acted upon at the next meeting. It is probable the contract will be let at the next meeting and the engineer's report will be held in two weeks.

ORDERS WORK RESUMED

Harriman Plans to Complete Two Contracts in Oregon.

The Harriman interests have authorized the Pacific Coast Construction Company to resume construction work under two individual contracts that were suspended last November because of disturbed financial conditions. These contracts include the rebuilding of the line between Trout and Bonville, and the building of a new line from Beaverton to Willburg. The contract for the work at Trout and Bonville, which was suspended because of the expiration of the time for completing the Beaverton-Willburg line in the contract was limited to March 1, 1909, but such a date expires will be allowed a reasonable time for completing the work. Mrs. Eastman Asks Divorce. Alwilda Eastman has brought suit in the Circuit Court for a divorce from Watson B. Eastman, whom she married at Carrollton, Mo., January 6, 1896. She alleges that he deserted her June 6, 1906.

Suffering and Dollars Saved.

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