

DEFICIT IS LIKELY

Mayor Lane Advises Economy in Expenditures.

PRESENT BALANCE \$71,000

This Fund Will Probably Disappear Before the Numerous Heavy Expenses Already in Sight. Must Prune Estimates.

Unless the Portland Council applies the pruning-knife to a number of contemplated expenditures and practices strict economy in the future, it will be confronted with a deficit of \$71,000 for 1908. This is the prediction of Mayor Lane, who has learned that there remains a balance in the general fund of \$71,000. This figure presumes that the city will be successful in its pending suit and force the O. R. & N. Company to pay taxes on its notes and accounts, aggregating about \$160,000. The city's portion of the taxes on that assessment would be about \$75,000.

If the county fails to enforce the collection of these taxes on the railroad company, said Mayor Lane yesterday, "there will at once exist a deficit in the general fund of the city. The revenues of the city will be further curtailed by the modified vehicle ordinance, which will reduce the licenses from that source about \$15,000. An ordinance appropriating \$500 for a floral arch for the Rose Festival will be returned to the Council tomorrow with a veto and strong pressure is being brought to insure its passage. Another ordinance will be presented at the session of the Council tomorrow asking for an appropriation of \$5000 with which to make the preliminary examination for a proposed high bridge across the Willamette. Before the year ends the city will be obliged to purchase sites and erect additional engine-houses at a cost of probably \$15,000.

It is about time these facts were being brought to the attention of the Council. As I have said, if the \$75,000 taxes are not received by the city from the railroad company, there are some all-around in sight aggregating \$75,500. Dissatisfied with the work of the Council committee on ways and means, the majority of the Council took the work of making the estimates for the year out of the hands of that committee and revised the estimates, recommending a tax of a little more than 4 1/2 mills, as against a tax of 5 mills recommended by the ways and means committee. It is now apparent that the cloth has been cut too short.

Under the city charter the members of the Council are held responsible personally for all expenditures voted by them in excess of the estimates fixed at the first of the year, when the tax levy was determined.

ONLY A PLEDGE, NOT LAW

Mr. Strong Gives His Opinion of Statement No. 1.

PORTLAND, April 8.—(To the Editor.)—W. C. Tweeddale, of Albany, in his letter published in The Oregonian April 2, attempted by concrete example to illustrate that Statement No. 1 will not elect Mr. Tweeddale for United States Senator. His illustration is as follows: Suppose the Republicans have 5500 votes and the Democrats have 2500, that there are five Republican candidates for United States Senator on the primary ticket, four of whom receive 1000 votes each and one 1000 votes, and that there is but one Democratic candidate who receives 2500 votes. Mr. Tweeddale concludes by saying "This vote would entitle him (the Democrat) to be elected United States Senator." Let me assure you that Statement No. 1 is a deduction in wrong and is directly opposed by the express wording of Statement No. 1, which reads in part as follows: "I will always vote for that candidate for United States Senator in Congress who has received the highest number of the people's votes for that position at the general election." Under the present election, held in June this year, determines the highest number of votes and not the primary nominating election. The primary election could well be called the political party nominating election. If the Republicans must vote for Republicans, Democrats for Democrats, and so on, it is party choice at the nominating election. The rules of the game are the same as in the general election. It is the highest number that wins. Suppose the total vote of the state was 2500, and at the general election the four Republican candidates were represented. Each party would have one candidate on the ticket for Governor, and only one, suppose further that there was one independent candidate on the ticket, and at the election the four party candidates received 1000 votes each, and the independent candidate pulled 1000 votes from the other four parties. He would be elected. The rules in force in all general elections that I know anything about. Comparing this with Mr. Tweeddale's illustration, the Republican aspirant that received voters at the primary election would be the Republican only about 25 per cent of the vote of his party—but can one suggest a better way before we discard this law. At the general election, to return to the illustration of Mr. Tweeddale, there would be a total vote cast of 8000 votes. Under the rules of the game as practiced in all states the highest man wins. Statement No. 1 has not directed at all in determining whom the people would elect for United States Senator. This is the effect, but the same as they elect the Governor. But Statement No. 1 is necessary to get the Legislature to give the man duly elected his credentials, so that he can take his seat in Congress. The members of the Legislature are our agents and we ought to pledge them to do as we wish on any given subject. Mr. Tweeddale wants the United States Senators elected by the direct vote of the people. The man elected by the people is the man who is elected by the Legislature to vote for. Statement No. 1 is a pledge to that end and not an election law.

GLAD HE WAS WHIPPED

Horsewhipping Woman Says Preacher Got What He Deserved.

SALISBURY, Or., April 7.—(Special.)—There were no new developments today in the case of the woman who on Saturday night administered a whipping to Rev. W. N. Coffee, presiding elder of the Free Methodist Church. The warrant for the arrest of Mr. Coffee on the charge of assaulting Jasper Goode was issued last night, but Mr. Coffee is in Portland, and so far as known has not been arrested. It is understood that Jasper Goode claims that Mr. Coffee kicked him while his sister was administering the lashings. Mr. Coffee has denied that he used any violence whatever except in parrying blows, during which one of the women was pushed off the porch. Miss Lou Goode says she is glad she whipped the preacher. The Goodes will undertake to justify the act by offering proof that Presiding Elder Coffee and Rev. Samuel Roper, pastor of the local church, made slighting remarks concerning their father from the pulpit and elsewhere.

Canby Aids County Fair.

CANBY, Or., April 7.—(Special.)—At

TAKES EMPLOYER'S MONEY

DRUNKENNESS LEADS HARRY BAILEY TO CRIME.

Spends \$400 Belonging to De Laval Dairy Supply Company and, Unable to Pay, Disappears.

INDIANS AT THE FESTIVAL

Nez Percés, 50 Strong, to Have Village at Portland.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 7.—(Special.)—One feature of Portland's Rose Carnival will be a typical Indian village, where 50 Nez Percés will camp for the week. C. W. Mount, local agent for the O. R. & N., is acting for the local Portland committee, and in this capacity he has had several conferences with George Moses, who is unreturned chief of the Nez Percés tribe. It is proposed to take 50 of the best type of Indians to the Carnival, allow them to establish a village after their own ideas and allow them to dress according to the dictates of their tribal style-makers, live in tepees and bring forth a Wild West show.

Tomorrow and Friday will positively be the last days for discount on West Side gas bills. Portland Gas Company.

Hanan shoes fit the fest. Rosenthal's.

MAN AND SON BOTH GONE

Wealthy Farmer Disappears and Foul Play is Suspected.

Two Hurt in Auto Accident.

OAKLAND, April 7.—An automobile belonging to Frank C. Havens, of the realty syndicate, ran into a telephone pole this afternoon, injuring the chauffeur, McCabe, and Mr. Havens' housekeeper, Mrs. Conway, who was riding in the machine. The skulls of both were found to be fractured.

The fact that Bailey used the firm's money was discovered about two weeks ago and Manager Bruns gave him a chance to make good the shortage. This he tried to do and was in communication with relatives in the East, seeking to have them put up the money. They were either unable or unwilling to do this and Bailey learned last Friday that he could not make good the deficit. He then disappeared.

from Butte about a year ago, when he entered the employ of the Dairy Supply Company. He left his wife here when he fled the city and she has gone back to her relatives in Butte. Bailey is about 30 years old and aside from his drinking propensities is regarded as a capable accountant.

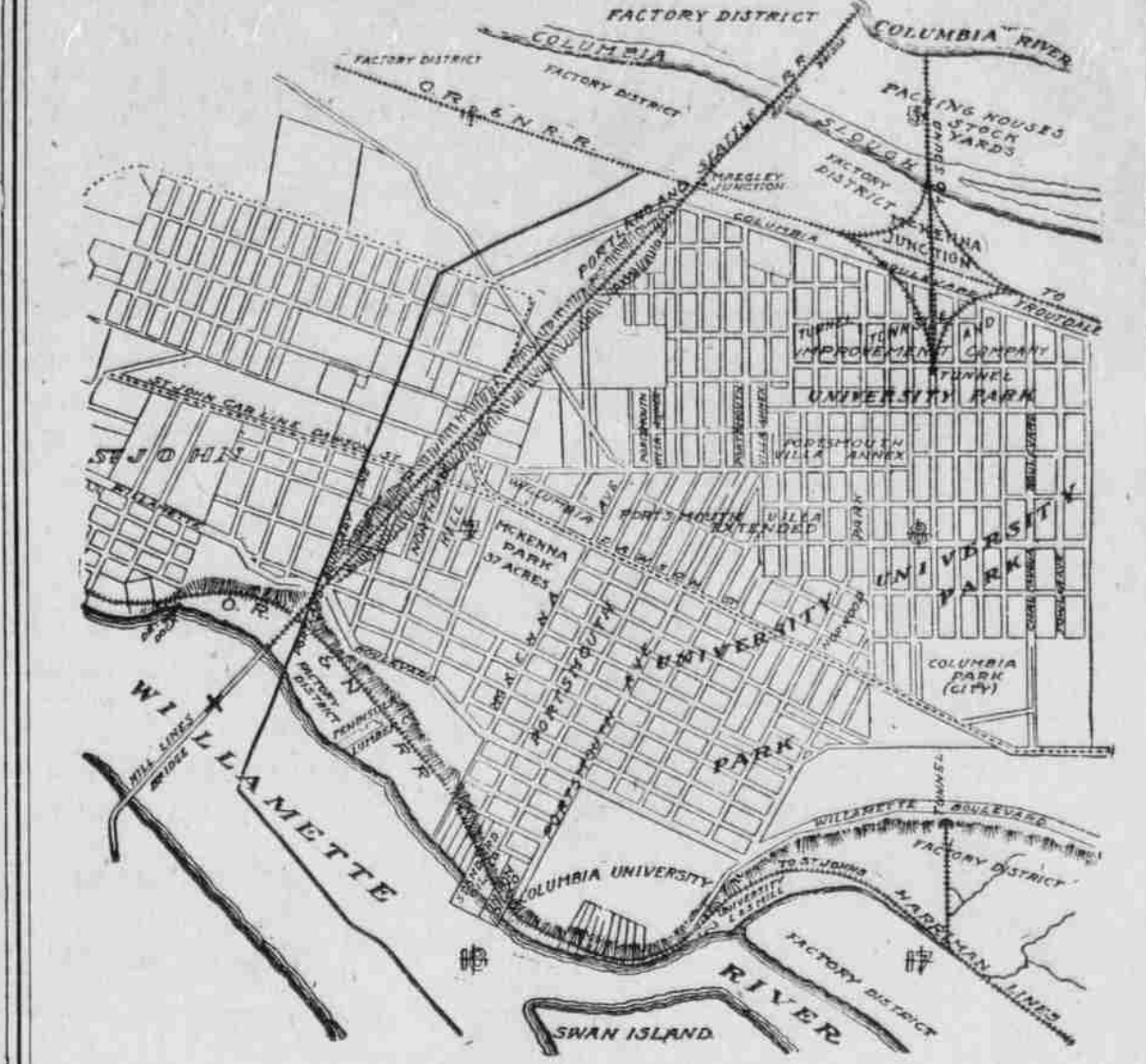
FOCATELLO, Idaho, April 7.—(Special.)—F. L. Royce, a farmer from South Boise, and his 8-year-old son, mysteriously disappeared from McCammon last Thursday while the old gentleman was negotiating for the purchase of some land. He was a guest at a McCammon hotel for two days and displayed a considerable sum of money. Thursday he and the boy left the hotel to look at a piece of land on the edge of town and nothing has been seen of them since that time. Foul play is suspected. Posses and searching parties have been hunting for three days and today bloodhounds from the state penitentiary were brought out but failed to pick up the scent.

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Wherever railroads centered there has sprung up a large city. What have we a reason to expect of University Park, with its vast lumber business, its large stockyards and packing-houses and all the great transcontinental railroads centering there, in addition to its rivers navigable to the commerce of the world? When we consider what has been done in other cities, have we not good reason to expect to see lots sell on such streets as Chautauqua, Willis and Fowler for \$1000 per front foot within 10 years? An investment in only one lone lot will surely make you rich in 10 years. Does not something deep down inside tell you not to let this opportunity slip by?

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By paying down \$37.50 on a business lot before April 15 you can get advantage of the rise of \$100 on April 15. A gain of \$2.50 in 10 days for each one dollar invested ought to be good enough for a beginning. Take St. John car, get off at Chautauqua Boulevard, where you will find my office.

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