# ROAD COMPLETED

East Side Business Men's Club **Anxious That Projects** Be Rushed.

RIGHT - OF - WAY TROUBLES

Manager C. W. Miller Says Company Has Been Held Up at Gresham. Declares Work of Construction Will Be Resumed in Spring.

What the pians of the Mount Hood Railway & Power Company are in regard to the completion of the projected trolley line to Bull Run and the crection of the proposed hig power plant at that point is a live subject with the East Side Business Men's Club. That organization is anxious that the project shall be pushed forward to completion. At a recent meeting it was decided to send a committee to call on the Mount Hood Company and see what can be done to have construction resumed. A representative of the club was a caller at the offices of the company in the Swetland building yesterday and a committee from the same organization is expected to make a formal call within the next few days, and will then report back to the Business Men's Club. It has been intimated to the Mount Hood Company that the East Side business men will aid in raising money to carry the trolley project forward if it is desired.

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Manager C. W. Miller declares that Manager C. W. affer of the says there is ample money behind the Mount Hood preposition, and that work will go forward as soon as conditions are favorable and right of way suits are

favorable and adjudicated.

"If we had not been held up by property-owners at Gresham, the line would now be complete." declared Manager Miller yesterday. "I wanted to cut out Gresham and sun around it, but the others did not agree with me. We have Gresham and sun around it, out the others did not agree with me. We have been delayed because of difficulty in getting right of way and the weather now is not suitable to construction, anyway. These right-of-way troubles should be ended by Spring, and then we expect to resume construction and finish, the line."

Very little work has been done on the Mount Hood road during the past year. In the Summer, when the weath-er was good the delay in the work was attributed to right-of-way difficulties, and in the Winter the weather was held and in the winter the weather was near responsible. Both these causes are now said to be delaying the work. The of-fice force of the company has been scat-tered, and the headquarters show the suspended animation that is the present

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LONGSHOREMAN STABS BAR-TENDER; RESISTS ARREST.

Wife and Housedog Both Help in Hampering Detectives, Who Take Man Only After Hard Fight.

E. Ferguson, a longshoreman living at Seventh and Couch streets, severely stabled W. H. Lawson, a bartender, late yesterday afternoon, and, after running from the police and taking refuge in the attic of his home, made a desperate effort to fight off Detectives Maloney and Hyde. Even after Detective Hyde had ordered him to surrender at the point of a loaded revolver. Ferguson displayed an abandoned desperation, running at the weapon, seizing it by the barrel and striving to wrest it from the officer's bands.

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Helped by his wife, who pounded and scratched at the officers during the struggle, and by his housedog, which snapped viciously at their heels, Ferguson fought until completely overpowered and then was handcuffed. The weapon was discharged once during the tussle, but burt no one.

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The Mason Construction Company, in which E. P. Clark, president of the Mount Hood road is interested, has the centract to construct the tailroad to Buil Run, but it is now engaged in other construction projects. During the past Summer it has been building a portion of the new Southern Pacific branch to Kinmath Fails. It now has a contract to tay out the Vancouver berminal of the Spokans. Portland & Seattle Railway. This work will keep the company busy until Spring.

COLUMBIA RIVER POLICY

Argument of Man Who Begins to Build His House From the Top.

PORTLAND, Nov. 22 — To the Editor.— Year editorial. "Rail and River Policy." November 21, summarizing the health of the Activities of the policies of the company of the Columbia Valley, and your obscion to the engineers' estimate of Editor, now proved the the contract to the producer of Editors by Sar, compels thoughtful consideration of the policies and sweet will be attracted by the souffing. Would be attracted by the souffing would be attracted by the souffing would be attracted by the souffing answer.

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## ONLY ONE BID REGEIVED

IF ESTIMATE ACCEPTED, LIGHT-ING TO COST \$25,000 MORE.

Portland Railway, Light & Power Co. Only Bidder-Matter Refered to Executive Board.

The Portland Raliway, Light & Power Company was the only bidder for the city lighting, it was found, when the hid was opened yesterday afternoon, and from an estimate of the situation, figured on the best information obtainable. Mayor Lane stated that the municipality will pay about \$25,000 more for the same amount of current next year than this, if the contract is a warded to the sole hidder. There is a disputed balance approximating that amount now in controversy between the officers of the company and the city. The contract is for five years. No definite action was taken and the matter will be acted upon by the Executive Board, to which the committee will make its report next Friday.

The bid was for \$62.50 per year for are lamps and 2½ cents per kilowat hour for incandescents. The committee figures that, at this rate, these smaller lights will bring the company an anual revenue of \$25,000 more than at the present rate. The rate for area is the same as paid at present.

Thomas G. Green is chairman of the committee on lighting and he will make an exhaustive report on the matter to the Executive Board, which is scheduled to meet next Friday afternoon, Much interest attaches to the question, as it is of vital importance to the city. It had been thought probable that the Portland Gas Company would put in a bid for lighting the public buildings, the City Hall and the fire stations and others, but no bid whatever was received for gas lights. Had there been a bid for gas, it is thought quite likely the committee would favor gas lights over the incandescent electric lights.

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Mayor Doubts City's Right to License Peddlers.

VETOES ORDINANCE

Measure Increasing License Fee Returned to Council With Message, in Which Executive Questions Its Validity.

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Mayor Lane yesterday vetoed an ordinance, passed at the last regular session of the City Council, increasing the license for street pedders, and in so doing he raises the question as to whether the city has authority to permit any one to use the public streets for private husiness. It is a matter that will probably be referred to the City Attorney when the Council meets tomorrow.

The Mayor's veto message follows:
To the Henorable City Council—Genilemen: I return herewith ordinance No. 18592, not approved.

This is an ordinance which by simply refraining from naming them will. If it becomes a law, operate to debar peddlers and hawkers of fruit and vexetables from the use of the public streets of the city.

Another section of the ordinance increases the sum which the city collects from vendors of pennuts and poperar for a license to sell the same upon the public streets from \$200 to \$400 a year, and size provides a schedule of prices for licenses

a license to sell the same upon the public strebts from \$200 to \$400 a year, and supprovides a schedule of prices for licenses for vendors of various other articles.

Without entering into a discussion of the merits of the contention, either for or against, the hawking or seiling of fruits and other articles from wagons upon the public streets of the city, I have to say that it is a question, as to whether or not the city has the right to grant licenses to make private use of the streets which have been dedicated to the general public and for their use alone. and for their use alone.

Grants of many sorts to the

Grants of many sorts to the use of the streets for private purposes have been made in the past without compensation to the city, and I appreciate the fact that in many instances it would have been no more than fair for such grants to have been made for limited periods of time only or for a nominal sum, if need be, or, upon the other hand, for the city to have insisted upon receiving the full market value for such waiver of its rights, yet it has been decided that the city has no authority to make such disposition of its rights in this respect.

make such disposition of its rights in this respect.

If the contention that the city can neither lease nor sell its rights to the streets of the city for private use is true, it is pertinent to require, if it has the right to sell a license, to make use of them for the sole purpose of barter and trade?

I would respectfully suggest that if there is any question of the logal right of the city to collect money for such grants and privileges that it had best be investigated before any farther action is taken in the matter and I roturn the ordinance to you for your consideration. Respectfully,

HARRY LANE, Mayor. HABRY LANE, Mayor.

### CEMETERY BLOCKS STREET

Lone Fir Obstacle to Improvement of East Twentieth.

The improvement of East Stark street beyond Twentieth street is held up by Lone Fir Cemetery, which adjoins the south side of the street to East Twenty-seventh street. Although bids have been asked for the work, contractors fight shy of this improvement, as they fear they cannot collect from the Lone Fir Association, Present owners of the cemetery refuse to pay, and say they will resist. There is a case parallel to the Lone Fir situation pending in the Supreme Court concern-

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ing Riverview Cemetery, but when the decision may be readered nobody can guess, and in the meantime, East Stark street remains in bad condition beyond East Twentieth street.

Councilman Kellaher thinks the improvement is of so great importance that he favors making an appropriation from the general fund covering the assessment of the Lone Fir Association, as there seems no other propertyowners are ready to pay their assessments, and are anxious that the improvement, and are anxious that the improvement be made at once. Between East Twentieth and the river, East Stark street has been improved at great expense, but it practically ends at East Twentieth street.

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