PROPERTY OWNERS ASK BIG DAMAGES

Extension of Oak Street From West Park to Burnside Will Be Expensive.

CLAIMS OF $262,100 FILED

One More Owner Yet to Be Heard From — Viewers Will Assess Damages and Make Report to City Council.

The largest claim for damages for the opening up and extending of a street in the history of Portland was filed with City Auditor Barbur yesterday by owners of property lying in and abutting on Oak street, from West Park to Burnside streets, a distance of little more than two blocks. The aggregate sum claimed is $262,100, and there is still one more claim to come in. The viewers, J. P. Menefee, W. W. Terry and H. J. Morrison, will take up the matter at once and prepare their report to the City Council, which must later pass upon all of the accounts.

The claimants who have sent in their bills for damages thus far and the amounts claimed by them are as follows:

W. J. Yara and R. E. Bauske	$ 65,000
Sophie Klosterman	67,900
Ellen Elizabeth Bond	14,200
Georgiana M. Pittock, et al.	50,000
James A. Mott	33,000
A. A. Bailey and W. D. Torrey	5,000
Margaret S. Ainsworth et al.	25,000
Total	$262,100

It is considered highly important that Oak street be opened from West Park to Burnside, so that it will be possible for traffic to have a through street, an item of great moment in that district. The claims for damages will be scrutinized by the viewers, who usually prune down the sums, but whether this will be possible in that district is as yet unknown. It is in a choice location and there are buildings on some of the lots, all of which would have to be demolished and the tenants turned out, if the improvement should go through.

The viewers have their work yet to do, and when their report is ready it will be submitted to the Council, which usually refers it to the street committee for recommendation. The Council, if it orders the opening up of the street, will then authorize the City Auditor to make the assessment to the benefited property, covering the cost of the improvement and the total damages. It will require a big district to cover the amount in this particular case.

NEW OFFICER AT Y. W. C. A.

MISS MARY B. DAY BECOMES GENERAL SECRETARY.

Was Formerly in Charge at Bellingham and Fills Vacancy Left by Miss McCorkle.

Miss Mary B. Day, formerly General Secretary of the Bellingham, Wash., Y. W. C. A., has entered upon her duties as General Secretary of the Portland association, succeeding Miss Constance McCorkle, resigned. She has had much experience in Y. W. C. A. work, and has long been identified with educational and philanthropic work.

She is an Ohioan by birth, but her home is in Minneapolis, Minn. She is a graduate of Carleton College at Northfield, Minn., and is a woman of great depth and culture. She possesses a magnetic personality and a gracious dignity that, linked with her exceptional executive ability and devotion to her work in behalf of young women, has made for her a wide circle of friends and admirers throughout the Northwest.

Miss Day, prior to taking up Y. W. C. A. work, was prominently identified with educational work, being superintendent of schools at Jackson, Minn., and was for two and one-half years in the Seattle High School.

She was Associate General Secretary with Miss Constance McCorkle at the time the building campaign was started, and remained here in that capacity until she accepted the position at Bellingham, about a year ago. A new association was to be organized, and she was appointed by the board of directors to take charge of the work. The Bellingham Y. W. C. A. is now the youngest association on the Pacific Coast, and has a membership of 750, and Miss Day leaves it a very flourishing and well-managed body.

The local association is making plans for holiday festivities and social affairs, which will be announced later. The well-equipped gymnasium and the features of educational work will be open at the first of the new year.

With the installation of the local association in its new quarters Miss McCorkle felt at liberty to withdraw, and she departed last night for her home at Harrisburg, Va. She was accompanied as far as Los Angeles, Cal., by Miss Frances Gage, the State Secretary of the Northwest, who will visit the associations in the South for a fortnight.

400 BIRDS ARE AT SHOW

Polk County Poultry Raisers' Fair Is Success.

DALLAS, Or., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—The second annual show of the Polk County Poultrymisers' Association opened here today. The attendance was rather light, owing to bad weather, but otherwise the opening day was successful. Nearly 400 birds have already been entered by fanciers, not only from Polk County, but from many of the neighboring counties. The judging will be completed tomorrow and the award of prizes made public in the afternoon. Elmer Dixon, of Oregon City, is acting as judge.

SLOW PROGRESS IN TRIAL

Italian Murder Case Hampered by Necessity of Interpreters.

Slow and painful is the progress being made by the Circuit Court in the trial of Antonio Petarso for the murder of Vincenza Desantis, for the testimony thus far taken has been given through interpreters. Although the state has been grinding nearly three days, very little evidence is before the jury at this time; and it begins to grow doubtful if the case will be more than well under way by the end of the week.

Questions have to be put by attorneys to Italian interpreters, who repeat the questions to witnesses; and the answer is given back through the same devious channel. If the witness misunderstands or gives an unsatisfactory answer, as is generally the case, it takes from five minutes to half an hour to get the tangle straightened out.

All day yesterday was consumed in completing the examination of one witness and taking up the examination of another. There were no legal fights, and very little testimony was entered. Luigi Martino, nephew of the victim, and Joe Desantis, son of the murdered man, were the witnesses. Both described the shooting, but their testimony was involved and contradictory. Martino first said that Desantis did not attack Petarso with a knife, as is to be claimed by the defense, and then he said he saw a knife in the victim's hand just before the shooting occurred. The son said he saw no knife and that the murder was not committed in self-defense.

The shooting occurred last June and followed a drinking bout in celebration of Petarso's birthday. Four Italians were trying to assist Petarso home when a dispute arose and the fatal shooting ensued. It will be contended by the defense that Petarso was cornered at the time he fired and that he saved his own life by a very narrow margin by using the revolver.

NAME COSTS $55 A LETTER

MAYOR HAS BUSY DAY SIGNING AWAY PUBLIC MONEY.

Each Time "Harry Lane" Is Written $500 of City Improvement Cash Goes.

Mayor Lane received callers yesterday as he sat at an old table signing city improvement bonds. Hundreds of men and women, with their peculiar tales of woe, the job-seeker who thinks the executive can ladle out almost any kind of a position in the public service at any time to any person, and the numerous others having private and official business in the office at the City Hall, including the representatives of the press, always hungry for a "story," came to see him.

"What is stirring today?" the Mayor was asked, as he shoved his pen over the lithographed sheets of bond paper.

"Nothing doing," he replied, as he glanced up from his monotonous task. "Nothing doing at all, except that about every minute I am signing away $500 of the peoples' money. These are improvement bonds, and must be signed by the Mayor in his own handwriting, you see. I have to write 'Harry Lane' on every last one of these papers, each of which means $500. It is nice to be the Mayor."

And mechanically the Mayor shoved his pen along over the smooth bond paper, each time writing "Harry Lane."

"I heard a nice thing about myself this morning," remarked the Mayor, smiling benignly. "I don't like to tell nice things, compliments, I hear about myself, but a man really told me this morning that he had it straight from a friend that I am quite severely bothered with the swelled head; that I am doing some things simply because I am 'swelled up.' Now, think of a man sitting up here at this old table pushing a pen over improvement bonds all day having the swelled head—what do you think of that?"

And the Mayor laughed heartily as he wielded the pen.

GYMNASIUM FUND STARTS

Forest Grove Business Men to Aid Pacific University.

PACIFIC UNIVERSITY, Forest Grove, Or., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—A movement toward securing funds for a new gymnasium was inaugurated last night at the banquet tendered the Forest Grove Board of Trade by Pacific University. Over 50 of the business men of the city were in attendance, all of whom pledged their undivided support to the institution.

President Ferrin stated that the present plans for the gymnasium called for $15,000, of which $3000 had already been raised. He proposed that if the business men of this vicinity would pledge $3000 additional that he could raise $10,000 from friends in the East. It was determined by vote that Judge W. H. Hollis, president of the Board of Trade, appoint a committee to assist the college in a canvass of the town. The chairman announced that such committee would be selected at the annual meeting Friday, December 18.

President Ferrin read from the expense account of last year, showing that all money obtained from the productive endowment of $215,000 and the tuitions paid in by the students was required to meet the running expenses of the institution. He referred to the fact that Dr. D. K. Pearsons, the Chicago benefactor of colleges, had intimated that if the business men of the city showed their willingness to do their part toward bettering the financial condition of the college they could count on him to do his share. Dr. Pearsons referred especially to the need of a boys' dormitory.

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NEWHALL IS SUED

President of East Side Bank Has More Trouble.

PECULIAR DEAL ALLEGED

Complaint States He Sold Eastern Man's Property for $2100, Bought It Back and Then Resold It at Big Profit.

H. H. Newhall, president of the East Side Bank, has other things than the recent robbery to occupy his mind. Yesterday a complaint was filed against him before the United States Circuit Court, seeking to recover $7900, the difference, with interest, between the value of a piece of property he, as agent, bought and then sold for $10,000. President Newhall, according to the complaint, had acted as agent for A. B. Turner and Mary Turner, his wife, both residents of Corning, Iowa. The Turners owned property on the East Side and Newhall collected the rents and paid the taxes on the property, and was the Portland representative for the Turners.

It seems that the Turners were anxious to sell the property, and in the correspondence that passed between Turner and Newhall, Newhall is said to have represented that the property, because of fills and the neighborhood in which it was located, was not of great value. He informed his clients, it is said, that he had been offered $2100 for the property. The Turners finally agreed that they would sell. A deed was made out to C. Zimmerman, through Newhall, the consideration named being $10. On December 17, 1906, the complaint alleges that a warranty deed was recorded in Multnomah County from Zimmerman to Newhall, and again the consideration was $10.

Newhall did not hold the property long, for on January 2, 1907, the property was again transferred, this time to R. T. Linney, and this time the consideration was $10,000. Linney, it is understood, bought the property as a terminal ground for the Mount Hood Railway Company. It finally came to the knowledge of the Turners that the property they had formerly owned had been sold for $10,000, and they engaged W. C. Bristol as their attorney, and the result of his investigation has been the filing of the suit. It is understood that a piece of property close to the former Turner lots has recently been sold for $20,000.

"Spitework," Says Newhall.

"The suit is merely a piece of spitework," said Mr. Newhall last night, "growing out of a disagreement we had over the bank dividends last January.

"The Turners were satisfied with the amount they received for the property and would be now but for the meddling of other people. The deal was made two years ago and since then there has been considerable improvement going on around this special piece of property. When it was sold there was a bill of $4600 against the property for improvements."

BIG WAREHOUSE PLANNED

Settlement of Suit Clears Title to Waterfront Property.

Suit brought against F. P. Mays by Campbell-Sanford-Henley Company has been won by the grain firm, and in this decision by the courts one of the most valuable waterfront tracts along the river passed title.

The ground is 365x440, and adjoins Martin's dock at the foot of Seventeenth street, and the property of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railroad, where that company is erecting a dock and warehouse. The exact amount involved in the transaction just closed is in the neighborhood of $125,000, but for business reasons is not given out at present.

The action at law was brought to compel the former owner to comply with the terms of an agreement entered into some months ago to sell the property. It is the intention of the purchasers to build a warehouse on the premises to practically cover the entire piece, and work is to be started on the structure as soon as some details of the deal are closed up.

A deal was closed yesterday for a quarter block at Park and Salmon streets for about $46,000. The sale was made by A. C. Pike and the purchaser, Mrs. Sarah H. Merrill. Mr. Pike bought the realty six years ago for $11,500. The piece fronts the property recently bought by the Arlington Club.

Wants Money for Work.

The suit of J. A. Graeff against the Perkins Hotel Company for the recovery of $896 alleged to be due from the company for work and material furnished in remodeling the hotel went to trial in Judge Bronaugh's department of the Circuit Court yesterday. The defendant is represented by Attorney A. E. Clark.

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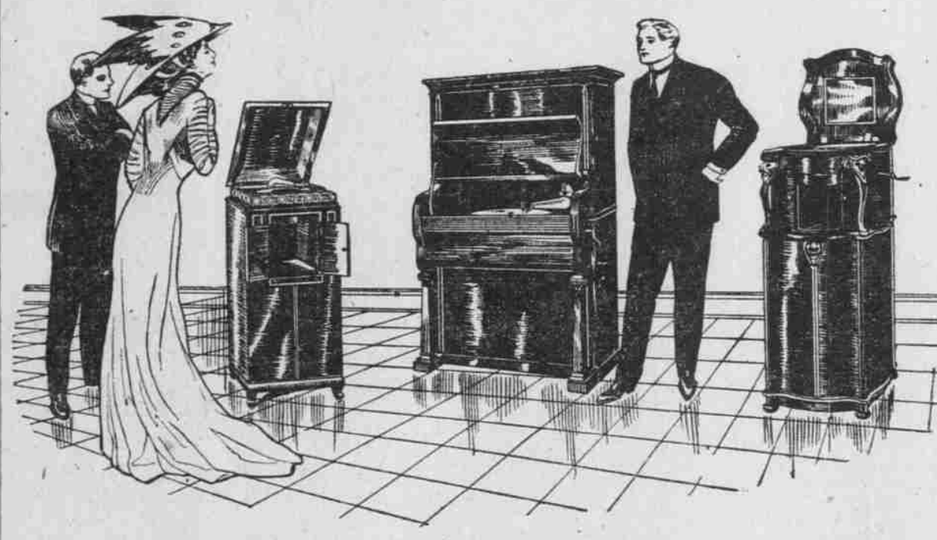

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