

AKUSED BY TAYLOR

City Engineer Discharges Two Street Inspectors.

OHLHOFF AND MERGES GO

Acceptance of Defective Cement Work Is Charge and Action Is Result of Much Complaint by Property-Owners.

City Engineer Taylor has at last become aroused at the numerous complaints against his office and last Saturday took his first official action in an attempt to straighten up affairs by discharging August Ohlhoff and Peter Merges, inspectors of streets.

SHEPARD HAD TROUBLES

MOST INTIMATE FRIEND THINKS HE IS SUICIDE.

V. L. Walker Says He Knew Dead Man for Many Years and That He Brooded Over Trials.

Much Criticism Made.

Board Took Up Complaints.

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L. Morris, a young man of gambling propensities and impaired nerve, brought suit in the Justice Court yesterday forenoon against W. F. Myers and George M. Howatson, who run the Edel Brau, at 210 Morrison street. Morris alleges that they are professional at the gentle art of separating unsuspecting ones from coin through the medium of the gambling table.

On April 19 Morris got into a little game with them, he says. They appeared him with the astonishing sum of \$1. On April 19 they removed from his suitcase the contents of a leather suitcase of \$11 and again on April 29 he got into another game with them, only to be mulcted of \$15.

When he said that he got so much money, but he does show the effects of sleepless nights spent in worry at his losses, for his hair in the comb is long and tangled. He maintains that the two alleged sharpers are so expert in the games of pitch and so expert to leave him little chance of winning. Further than that he avers that they are conducting a game continually, despite the claim of the administration to close down. Taking advantage of a state law, he asks the return of his losses multiplied by two.

It is understood that Mr. Ohlhoff will appeal his case to the Civil Service Commission, and that the belief is held by the Executive Board upholds the action of Mr. Taylor next Friday. He has engaged the services of Lawyer John F. Logan, and is said to be preparing to put up a battle to regain his former position.

Several months ago Mayor Lane began a crusade against contractors who did poor work on streets, and demanded of the City Engineer that closer inspection and inspection be made before improvement work should be accepted. He did this because of many months of property-owners complaining that the work was improperly done and that it should not have been accepted at all by the City Engineer's force.

When Mayor Lane began to receive letters and complaints, he asked the street committee to investigate and to investigate. Chairman Isaac Sweet, P. E. Sullivan and J. A. Newell took up the matter and made personal inspections of various streets. The reports were startling, and justified the complaints that had been made, according to the reports of the committee.

One of the most glaring instances of record in this connection was the hard-surface pavement laid on Killingsworth avenue which was accepted by the inspectors, but about which there was great complaint. Personal inspection of this work was made by the Mayor and members of the committee, who refused to accept it. They reported numerous bad spots in it, and demanded that these be repaired before the work was accepted.

Last week the acceptance of the macadam improvement on Mason street, from Maryland to Williams avenue was questioned by property-owners, and an investigation was directed by the City Engineer Taylor. The work had been recommended for acceptance by Inspectors Ohlhoff and Merges, but Chief Deputy Engineer Hamilton and an assistant made a personal investigation and found that the sidewalks and curbs were very defective. Upon receipt of the report, Mr. Taylor discharged the inspectors.

Emmett Lee, of Seattle, the 13-year-old son of Andrew Lee, ran away from home with two other boys. His father has died since he left, and Emmett has returned from Portland to attend the funeral, which will be held this morning. His home is at 817 1/2 Eighth street, Seattle.

James Morrison, 15 years old, living at 719 Spring street, Seattle, and Edward Baldwin, 12 years old, living at 807 Eighth street, in the same city, were taken into custody here by Juvenile Court officers with young Lee, J. D. Martin and Edward Baldwin, the boys' parents, were telegraphed to, and the following answer came yesterday:

Have telegraphed \$15. Please purchase tickets and send Edward Baldwin and Emmett Lee to Seattle on tonight's train, care conductor. Emmett's father has died, funeral tomorrow morning. Will meet them at train. Mrs. K. Lee.

Chief Probation Officer Teuscher sent the two lads home last night, but is holding James Morrison, as he has not yet received transportation for him.

Hamilton's Affinity With Mother, Who Shuts Out Intruders.

OAKLAND, Cal., May 11.—Hazel Moore, to whom is attributed part of the blame for the downfall of ex-Adjutant-General Otis Hamilton, of Washington, accused of embezzling military funds, reached here yesterday in favor of C. W. Pallett, the defendant. The suit was tried in Judge Cleland's department of the Circuit Court.

FREIGHTS EXER

Exporters Seem to Await Definite Information.

EAST REPORTS SHORTAGE

IF Called Upon to Supply Deficiency East of Rockies, This Coast May Require Considerably Less Tonnage—Marine News.

From reports given out by steamship agencies it would appear that the demand for the coming grain crop have not locally come to a standstill. Exporters evidently fear that the short Eastern crop, that would seem to be threatened, will possibly interfere with export business, as was the case in handling the 1908 crop.

When there is a shortage in the Eastern crop, which means all east of the Rockies, the Pacific Northwest is called upon to supply the deficiency, and usually that means that less grain is available for export from this coast. It is still rather early to determine what the Eastern crop will be, but so far reports do not indicate even a normal

STEAMER INTELLIGENCE. Due to Arrive. Breakwater, Eureka, State of Cal., Alliance, Argo, Rose City, etc.

Both Sides to Get Together. Not With Each Other, Though, but Each by Its Wild Lone. Republicans and Democrats will get together tonight but not each other.

Convict Wants Education. Imprisoned in the Leavenworth (Kan.) Penitentiary, where he is known simply, but he is known as No. 1077.

Will Collect Valuable Data. Weather Bureau Official Goes to Establish New Stations. W. B. Fuller, first assistant in the local Weather Bureau, left yesterday to establish new mountain snowfall stations.

Body of Suicide Found. Mrs. Jennie Mayo's Remains Are Taken From River. The body of Mrs. Jennie Mayo, a domestic, was found floating in the Willamette River at the foot of Wood street.

Goodness Shows. The suits we sell at \$15 show high quality at every point. Don't miss seeing them. J. L. Bowman & Co., Fifth and Alder.

Lowest Priced Shoes. Sale on at Goddard-Kelly Shoe Co. Look nice all summer by outfitting now.

Losers Seeks to Recoup. A. L. Morris, Gambler, Sues Under State Statute. In order to recoup his losses in pleasant little games of polo and pitch, A.

Majestic Recovers Cargo.

After Tipping overboard her deckload of lumber at St. Helens a few days ago, the steam schooner Majestic succeeded in picking up most of it and sailed yesterday from Goble for San Pedro.

Tacoma Shipping News.

TACOMA, May 11.—British steamer Kumeric arrived in port today from the Orient after a smart passage of 15 days. She brought in 1,000 tons of rice, 500 bags of gunnies, 500 sacks of rice, and other general freight.

RAYMOND, Wash., May 11.—(Special.)—The Quinalva arrived in yesterday from San Francisco, and is loading at the Quinalva Lumber Company for San Pedro. The Cascade Lumber Company is loading at the Willapa for Valparaiso. The Willapa is loading at the Raymond Lumber Company for San Francisco.

Marine Notes. Leaving down at 3 P. M. yesterday, the Daisy Freeman will go to Willapa, Wash., to load lumber.

Arrivals and Departures. PORTLAND, May 11.—Arrived—State of California, from San Francisco. Sailed—Ansonia, for San Francisco; Daisy Freeman, for Willapa.

Arrivals and Departures. ASTORIA, Or., May 11.—Condition at the mouth of the river, light, calm, wind, west-northwest, 20 miles; weather, cloudy. Arrived—City of Portland, from Portland; Steamer George W. Elder, from San Pedro and way ports.

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BIG GAIN IN SCHOOLS

ATTENDANCE SHOWS 1365 INCREASE OVER 1908.

Enrollment in Both High and Grammar Grades Is Larger and New Buildings Required.

There has been a decided gain in attendance at the Portland public schools for 1909 over 1908, as shown by a comparative list of the various schools. The total number of pupils in attendance during April of last year was 21,827 and for the same period this year 23,192, a difference of 1,365 in favor of 1909.

In the elementary or grade schools there was an attendance last year of 20,947 and this year there are 22,288, a difference of 1,341 in favor of 1909. In 1908 there were in attendance at the two high schools 1,780 pupils, and in 1909 there are 2,125, or 345 more this year than last year.

A number of new buildings have been completed or partially completed and pupils have been distributed from the various schools to duty in the new ones. In spite of the fact that the Board of Education is constantly increasing the capacity in the grade and high schools, every building is crowded and there is need of additional room.

The attendance at the schools, as shown by the comparative statement for 1908 and 1909, is as follows:

Table with columns for School Name, 1908, and 1909. Includes schools like Alnsworth, Arletta, Alhina Homestead, etc.

THE SOCIALISTIC STATE

A "15 Yearling" Doctrinaire Gives Reasons for His Beliefs. BERKELEY, Cal., May 8.—(To the Editor)—As an 15-yearling Socialist and a working man, I have found much interest in an editorial in the Oregonian of May 4. The Oregonian has said things that were good and necessary in regard to the present state of the world.

THE CHINESE DOCTOR. This great Chinese doctor is well known to those who are in the Northwest because of his wonderful and marvelous cures, and is today head and shoulders above all other Chinese doctors.

THE VALUE OF SPECIALIZING. "There is no man so old that he may not live another year, and none so young that he may not die today." I call attention to this previously printed statement because so many men mistakenly think they may as well be "Oserized" so far as certain physical conditions are concerned.

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Alcohol. Ask your doctor if a family medicine, like Ayer's Sarsaparilla, is not vastly better without alcohol than with it.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla. NON-ALCOHOLIC. A Strong Tonic - Without Alcohol. A Body Builder - Without Alcohol. A Blood Purifier - Without Alcohol. A Great Alternative - Without Alcohol. A Doctor's Medicine - Without Alcohol. Ayer's Sarsaparilla - Without Alcohol.

Will Alter Courtroom. Inspector Will Visit Portland Federal Building Today. Herbert Huntington, Superintendent of Construction of United States Public Buildings, is expected to arrive in Portland today from Tacoma to confer with Postmaster Young regarding changes to be made in the Federal building, due to the necessity of providing quarters for Judge Bean.

MRS. PLUNY BREAKS LEG. Oldest Oregon Pioneer in Hospital, Suffering From Accident. Mrs. George Pluney, the oldest pioneer living in Oregon, is a patient in the Good Samaritan Hospital with a broken leg as the result of an accident May 8 at the Patten Home for the Aged, where she is spending her declining years.

SHOES ALL CAN AFFORD. A shabby shoe ruins a noble outfit; at Goddard-Kelly Shoe Co. prices are way down—sale on. Is the joy of the household, for without it no happiness can be complete. How sweet the picture of mother and babe, angels smile at and commend the thoughts and aspirations of the mother bending over the cradle.

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