

SIMON DECLARES PRICES TOO HIGH

Mayor Believes City Got Worst of It on Deals for Park Property.

INSPECTS LAND IN AUTO

Stand Taken by Executive Makes It All More Certain That Public Grounds Will Not Soon Be Added To.

Mayor Simon yesterday afternoon began an official inspection of property already purchased and some which the former Park Board desired to acquire for park purposes, making the first part of his trip in an automobile, accompanied by Park Superintendent Mische and City Auditor Barber.

After what I saw this afternoon," declared the Mayor, "I shall say that I will not tolerate the expenditure of the people's money for park property. While I wish it to be distinctly known that I am in favor of plenty of parks and boulevards and stand for the beautifying of the city as strongly as any loyal citizen, I will not allow the funds to be wasted; while I do not want to be understood as undertaking to hold up improvements that are necessary, I will not sanction the sale of any more bonds for buying property for parks. It is nothing short of outrageous to pay such prices for land, and I will not tolerate it."

It was very evident from the attitude of the Mayor upon his return to the City Hall from the afternoon's trip that he believes the former Park Board, aided by the City Council, virtually squandered large amounts of the public fund that was created for the acquisition of property for parks and boulevards. While he did not want to be understood as being strongly intimated by the saying, "I know something of the value of real estate in Portland, and I will never consent to the purchase of any more property at anything like the prices paid for the land I saw this afternoon, I have just barely begun my trip of inspection. Why, it seems to me that Portland has more parks than Chicago, and yet more are said to be necessary by some. Now, I will say right here that it is extravagant, and that it will stop it."

In the Mayor's automobile, the official party viewed 30 acres of ground owned by the O. R. & N. Company on the hill skirting the city on the west side. It is said by Superintendent Mische and members of the former Park Board to be needed for park purposes, but the company is not anxious to sell and fixed a high price. That it will not be purchased by the city in the Simon regime, is pretty certain. The party next followed the route of the proposed boulevard along the hill and also the 200-foot strip one mile long, recently donated by the Torwilliger heirs for a boulevard. After inspecting this property, they went to Sellwood and later to Mount Tabor, where the city has large areas purchased during the Lane administration.

The theory of purchasing a large amount of property and improving it is very new," said the Mayor, "but it is not at all practical. It simply means to do to expend so much money for these things, I am more than ever determined to stop the proposed sale of \$500,000 more bonds for the purchase of parks and boulevards."

From the attitude of the Mayor it looks as though there will be no more property purchased for parks in his administration. That there are enough parks now, and they are improved, is his opinion, and, as the chief executive, he controls the situation. He will soon appoint a new Park Board, and, through the members, will undoubtedly hold the situation in his hands. The City Council not buy any property until it is recommended by the Board.

The Mayor can stop the sale of bonds, as his signature is necessary to the sale; but, aside from this, there is little likelihood of the Council endeavoring to over-ride his wishes in this respect. It is likely that none of the last half of the issue of \$1,000,000 will be sold, although they are being offered now through the city official paper, date of proposed sale being July 26.

Amusements

"Servant in House"—Afternoon and Night. There will be two performances at the Bungalow Theater. A performance at the Bungalow Theater. The Henry Miller Associate Players will present the widely discussed and interesting drama, "The Servant in the House," at 8:15. The play is one of the best that has been written in years and the company an all-star cast.

Musical Comedy at the Lyric. Today matinee and tonight are the last nights of the musical comedy company in "The Merry Widow" at the Lyric. There are a dozen songs in the bill, lots of clever patter, and a pretty chorus numbers and light comedy. Hear Ed Harrington and the heavy-brothers sing "Meet Me Down at the Corner." Two shows tonight, at 8 and 9:15.

Last Week of Rickett Family. Each afternoon and evening out at the Odeon the world's famous Rickett family, acrobats supreme, a free open-air performance on the flying trapeze. Donatelli's famous Italian band and Miss Truett's soprano are heard in a select concert programme each afternoon and evening. The special display of Pains' fireworks, which were originally scheduled for July 5, will be seen on Saturday evening, July 17. A car a minute at Third and Yamhill.

AT THE VAUDEVILLE THEATERS. Orpheum Hill Closes Sunday. There are only four more performances of this week's bill at the Orpheum, two today and two Sunday. It is regrettable that it does some of the finest acts in vaudeville. My Lena, the headliner, has introduced her charming personality and sings a number of charming songs that are all new here. Don't miss them.

Children's Matinee—Pantages. Send the children to the Pantages Theater today to see Curtis and Busse's Toy Terriers, a troupe of diminutive trained canines that perform all sorts of acrobatic acts with comparative ease. Little Bunch, the dainty dog, will introduce his "Merry Widow" waltz for the benefit of the little ones.

Before Is Is Too Late. Before it is too late see the great vaudeville entertainment which the Grand presents. This show will hold until tomorrow night with the usual sunny performances. The headliner is Albin, positively the best musician in the world. All of his illustrious



TENT TABERNACLE AT TREMONT, IN WHICH EVANGELISTIC SERVICES ARE BEING HELD. The annual campmeeting of the Oregon Holiness Association opened yesterday at the camp ground on the Mount Scott carline, at Tremont Station. Legrand M. Baldwin, president of the association, has general charge of affairs. Preaching services are conducted by the evangelistic committee, composed of Rev. Guy Phelps, Rev. A. O. Henricks, Rev. F. G. Smith and Rev. Edward Smith and wife. Services on the ground are daily at 8 A. M., prayer meeting, 9:30, public services in the tabernacle, 2:30 and 7:30 P. M. For public services a canvas tabernacle is provided that will accommodate 1500 people. At present there are 40 tents occupied by families and more are coming. The congregations are made up of people from all over the state. On the ground are water, telephone and restaurant and the tents are free. The cars on the Mount Scott line stop at the grounds. Meetings will continue over Tuesday, July 13. Yesterday the attendance at all the meetings was large.

ENGLISH EXPERT TALKS OF ROADS

Brains First Essential in Improving Streets, Declares E. P. Hooley, of London. "Do you know what is the best road-making material in the world? Brains." So spoke E. P. Hooley, of London, president of the English-speaking section of the International Good Roads Association, who was in Portland yesterday.

ASPHALT PAVING FAVORED

Officer of International Association Says Portland Wastes Money by Leaving Too Much Space Between Curbs. "Take a few tons of cheap material and combine it with a little common sense and you could make that street passable instead of dangerous," continued Mr. Hooley, pointing to the mud holes in Hoyt street near the North Bank station.

GIRL'S AFRAID OF FIANCE

HAS HIM ARRESTED ON EVE OF HIS WEDDING. Changes Her Mind About Marrying and Has Sutor Locked Up Lest He Cause Trouble. Coming to the Pacific Coast to wed an Oregon belle, only to be lodged in the County Jail, was the expense yesterday of F. A. Shepard, who is employed by an Eastern oil company. It was a case in which the young woman in the case changed her mind and in order that she might feel altogether secure from any possible violence at the hands of her admirer, she caused his arrest and temporary detention. Shepard was released late yesterday afternoon, after he had assured the authorities he would take the next train for Pendleton and never again inflict his attentions on the frightened young woman.

Sheet Asphalt Is Best

"Sheet asphalt, I think, is the most satisfactory for well-traveled residence streets. It requires expert knowledge in laying, however. The asphalt must be kept entirely free from dirt. If a spoonful of gravel gets into the surface the first rain permeates the pavement at that point and spreads to the surrounding asphalt. It shows almost at once as a large black spot. This spot soon wears into a hole and when patched greater care is generally used and a harder pavement laid in the patch. The material from at the edges. You will notice these spots on many of your asphalt streets."

Granite Blocks Too Noisy

"For the main business streets I think that asphalt blocks are the best pavement. These blocks are a combination of asphalt and crushed rock and are laid upon a concrete base. They wear well, are quiet and make a street that is readily repaired. Granite blocks are best adapted to wholesale districts where the

NEW SHIPS NAMED

Harriman Boats to Be Called Bear and Beaver. F. K. MASTERS WINS PRIZE Over 600 Compete in Contest and Vessel to Be Christened for Oregon Will Bear Name of First Steam Craft in Pacific.

Logic of the Trinity

Argument Made That We Are Saved by Inner Morals. MILTON, Or., July 8.—(To the Editor.)—It seems proper for the undersigned to respond to the good-natured comment upon a recent editorial appearing in the Oregonian, which was headed "The Trinity of the Oregonian." The article in question, published in the Oregonian of July 7, was a criticism of the Oregonian's editorial of July 6, which was headed "The Trinity of the Oregonian." The article in question, published in the Oregonian of July 7, was a criticism of the Oregonian's editorial of July 6, which was headed "The Trinity of the Oregonian."

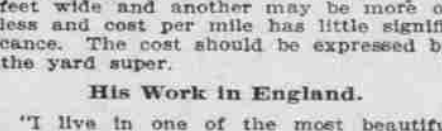
Those Who Do Things

The men and women of today who do things must be strong, healthy, active. Their blood must be pure and rich, their nerve forces strong and perfectly balanced, their brains clear. In short, they must maintain vim, vigor and vitality in every function of life.

The Best Food for Growing Children is

Pabst Extract THE BEST TONIC is the surest agent to bring about this condition. It stimulates every function of the body to work at high pressure. Those persons suffering from vital exhaustion, loss of appetite and general debility will derive the greatest comfort and benefit from its use.

Contains all the material needed for building muscle, bone and brain—a food to study on, to play on, to grow on.



Order a Dozen from Your Local Druggist

Advertisement for Victor records. Text: "Given a place in the campfire circle, on the veranda of the Summer cottage, out on the water with the launch; in fact, anywhere the Victor fits. It will do more than any one thing to add to the joy of the vacation days. With the now famous Victor dance records it will furnish the music for the jolly informal 'country dances'; it takes to the 'camp' the programmes of the greatest bands, the funny talks by the funny fellows, the old plantation songs, the banjo, the mandolin, violin, the voices of the world's greatest vocalists. Yes, any talent that is good the Victor will give you for a small expense. The cost to you now need be very little. Pay small amount cash, balance monthly. Victors \$10, \$17.50, \$25, \$32.50, \$40, \$50, and upward."

Advertisement for Sherman, Gray & Co. Text: "Wholesale and Retail Victor Machines Records Supplies. OPEN THIS EVENING. SHERMAN, GRAY & CO. SIXTH AND MORRISON, OPP. POSTOFFICE. OPEN THIS EVENING. Wholesale and Retail Victor Machines Records Supplies."

Advertisement for Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway. Text: "NEW SHORT LINE between CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE, ST. PAUL, MINNEAPOLIS, DULUTH, DAVENPORT, ROCK ISLAND, MOLINE, ROCKFORD, FREEPORT, DUBUQUE, LA CROSSE, OMAHA, SIOUX CITY, KANSAS CITY, ETC. and PORTLAND, SEATTLE, TACOMA, SPOKANE and other North Coast points. Through fast time handling all classes of freight. Consign shipments to our care. Satisfaction Guaranteed."

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