

MAYOR'S UNWARRANTEDLY STOPS BOND SALE

Declares City Has Enough Money Lying Idle to Pay for Improvements.

PROPOSALS NOT OPENED

With \$1,200,000 in Vaults Doing Nothing, Simon Believes All Necessary Betterments Can Be Made Without Bond Issue.

Lower taxes in 1910, but no halt in the progress of the city, is the aim of Mayor Simon, who thus expressed himself to the members of the ways and means committee of the City Council, which was about to open bids for the sale of \$775,000 bonds.

Mayor Simon, in explaining to the members of the committee his reasons for asking that the bonds be not sold, said it is his strong desire to make Portland famous as the city having the lowest bonded indebtedness of any city in America, and to this end asked the assistance of the Council and the citizens in general.

The Mayor reviewed the general situation with regard to funds, and called attention to the fact that there is now in the vaults of the City Treasurer at the City Hall about \$1,200,000 cash which is doing nothing. This he regrets, but he said, the payment of interest on the bond issues sold is the more serious matter, and this he is determined to avoid.

The bonds that were to have been sold were \$500,000 for parks and boulevards, and \$275,000 for a steel fireboat and reinforcing mains for the water front district. He said that his attitude to the committee the Mayor said the city has acquired enough parks, and should stop, in his judgment, until it has more lands to devote to parks.

Regarding the proposed new fireboat and water front project, he said it may be a good thing to have another such boat, but if it is, he wants to find some other means of buying it than by the issuance of bonds.

Several Eastern bidders were present with proposals for the bonds, but none of the bids were opened after the Mayor explained his attitude.

The city has money to the extent of about \$1,200,000, close to \$2,000,000 of which is deposited in various banks that is lying absolutely idle and cannot be placed on deposit anywhere because of the clause in the charter governing the matter. Eastern banking houses will not handle the money because the law requires them at present to deposit securities with the City Treasurer.

FAVORS HOME INSURANCE

"Domestic" Challenges Argument of "Foreign" Companies.

PORTLAND, July 26.—(To the Editor.)—An article appeared in yesterday's Oregonian headed: "Oregon as an Investor. Writer Favors Preference of Non-Domestic Life Insurance Companies." It is signed by H. G. Colton, and as Mr. Colton has never been an advertiser, nor has he ever been a prominent factor in the producing of life insurance, the general public does not know that this innocent-looking signature, which might be that of a disinterested citizen, is, in fact, the signature of an agent for one of the Eastern companies.

It would take too much space to go into the details of the figures which Mr. Colton quotes, but I will accept them as correct, although they are not. He admits that after deducting everything that he possibly could deduct such as death losses, commission to agents, taxes and licenses, there was still a net of \$30,524 sent East during 1908 for life insurance premiums, but as "Oregon needs the money," Mr. Colton says, it would be well to allow this money to go East, so that Oregon could borrow it back from the life insurance companies of the East.

from a domestic life insurance company, and when the interest on the loans is paid it will also remain right in Oregon and held to rebuild a Greater Oregon. Most of the people of Oregon, and for that matter most of the people of other states, believe that it is best to keep the money at home in each state, and that is why you will now find in nearly every state at least one domestic company which is doing the leading business in that state.

I had the honor at one time of representing here for a long series of years one of the large Eastern companies. Every loan that I ever put up to them was rejected on the ground that they had no machinery for handling it and that Oregon was too far from New York to permit loans being made. That this company is now making some loans in Oregon is, perhaps, best explained by the fact that their new business here for a number of years past has been almost nil; something had to be done in order to make it appear that they are taking an interest in Oregon affairs.

WILL MEET AT CORVALLIS

National President to Address Oregon Rural Letter-Carriers.

Corvallis has been selected for the meeting place of the seventh annual convention of the Oregon Rural Letter Carriers' Association, which will convene there July 29-31.



Paul E. Lindsay, President of National Rural Letter Carriers' Association, Who Will Soon Visit Oregon.

At the Saturday morning session reports will be rendered by the president, secretary, treasurer and National delegate, as well as committees. An address will be delivered by Dr. James Withycombe of the Agricultural College at the afternoon session, the subject being "The Rural Mail a Factor in Agricultural Development." Paul E. Lindsay, of Tucker, Ga., president of the National Association, will speak on the object of that organization. The election of officers will be held at the session Saturday night, and reports will be rendered by various committees.

BAND TO PLAY TONIGHT

Concert Programme Will Be Given on the Plaza.

Rosebrook's band will play tonight at 8 o'clock on the south Plaza block, Third and Main streets. The programme will be as follows: Overture "La Caid".....Ambrois Thomas (a) "In a Cozy Corner".....Britten (b) "The Merry Widow".....Strauss (c) "The Merry Widow".....Strauss (d) "The Merry Widow".....Strauss

MARRIAGE LICENSES

HEDDEN-GUSTAFSON—Isaac S. Hedden, 34 Amy, Gustafson, 19 city. JAMES-REYNOLDS—Robert Jacob, 24, Arleta, Laura Reine, over 18, city. BRAY-PAGE—Donald Henry Bray, 26, St. Clair, Kathleen Rose Lawler, over 18, city. CHOQUETTE-SHIFF—Paul A. Choquette, over 21, Minnie M. Shiff, 21, city. WEST-SARGENT—Emmy Richard West, 29, Myrtle Creek, Lucy May Sargent, over 21, city. DONAHUE-LUCKEY—William R. Donahue, 22 city, Beulah R. Luckey, 21, city. BRADSHAW-CLARK—Orlando Bradshaw, 24, Olympia, Wash., Lida Chapman, 22, city. BAFFIELD-HARRIS—Charles Raffell, 28, Sprague, Caroline E. Harris, 24, city. MURCHISON-HALE—William H. Murchison, 22, St. John, Carrie R. Hale, 21, city. FRUTKIN-ALBERT—Charles Frutkin, 45, city, Isa Albrecht, 38, city. HALL-ORCUTT—Joseph C. Hall, over 21, Walburg, Wash., Este Alberta Orcutt, over 18, city. BISHOP—Les Fox, 29, city, Ay. 25, city. OLSON-NELSON—Maudie Olson, over 21, city, Anna Nelson, over 18, city. SELVA-LAZARINA—L. Dilia Silva, 23, city, Estela Lazarina, 21, city. BENJAMIN-YUKES—Gilbert H. Benjamin, 21, city, Estela Yukes, 21, city. TURNER-WALKER—Walker E. Turner, 25, city, Madie M. Walker, 21, city. HUMPHREY-GORDON—E. Humphrey, 24, city, Lois Forbes, 21, city.

Wedding and visiting cards W. G. Smith & Co., Washington bldg., 4th and Wash. Cleveland, O.—A club composed of disheartened factory employees, advocating suicide as the only means within their reach of attaining the peace of mind they crave, and to escape the torments of their daily grind, is believed to exist here. This fact was advanced by the parents of Miss Rebecca Henschel, 13 years old, who was found shot to death in Gordon Park Sunday.

KICKS, HER PORTION

Mrs. Georgia Kelsay Seeks Divorce for Cruelty.

THREATS TO KILL CITED

Complainant Says Her Sister Hid Husband's Pistol in Badger Hole. Two Other Wives Seek Separation for Desertion.

Mrs. Georgia Kelsay has filed in the Circuit Court a divorce suit against Leslie M. Kelsay, charging him with extreme cruelty. She says he took a loaded gun from the wall last August and threatened to shoot her. Her sister wrenched it from him, she declares, and hid it in a badger hole, near the house. Then, the complaint continues, the husband proceeded to beat her.

These Charge Desertion.

Jesse Woollette wants a divorce from George W. Woollette, and permission to resume her former name, Lindell. She married him December 23, 1892, and says he left her in December, 1897. William H. Wilson accuses Grace L. Wilson of having deserted him a year ago. He married her at Kearney, Neb., December 24, 1888. He wants the custody of the children, but is willing that the younger of the two should remain with his grandmother, Mrs. T. M. Akeley.

Mary M. Malone filed yesterday a divorce suit against David F. Malone. They were married at Andrian, Mo., August 10, 1881, and has five children, of whom the wife asks the custody. She says her husband deserted them.

Harry J. Kelley has brought a divorce suit against Madge Kelley, whom he married at San Jose, Cal., March 15, 1903. He says she deserted him in November, 1906. Mrs. Beulah Pribble, wife of Milton J. Pribble, a longshoreman, who was arrested by the police some time ago for beating his wife, filed suit for divorce in the Circuit Court yesterday. She wants the custody of their two children, \$30 a month for their support and \$15 a month for her own. She says her husband earns between \$100 and \$125 a month.

SETTGAST HEIRS IN DISPUTE

Judge Webster to Decide Whether Certain Property Shall Be Sold.

Court Judge Webster will be called upon to decide whether Marie M. Settgast, administratrix of Fred Settgast's estate, shall sell two lots in the White tract, near the edge of Gault Lake, or whether the heirs shall continue to receive the income of \$25 a month from them. Frank Settgast, Annie C. Bennett, Martha Erwin and Jennie Anderson, four of the heirs, have petitioned that the property be left intact, saying that the administratrix will squander the money should the property be sold. Mrs. Bertha Settgast, through her guardian, Albert Link, asks that it be sold.

Saloon Involved in Litigation.

Suit over the ownership of the Office saloon, at 89 Sixth street, has been begun in the Circuit Court by Conrad J. Carstens, Ed E. Smith and H. J. Kimball, Jr., are the defendants. Carstens charges them with having conspired to defraud him of the saloon while he was away in San Francisco. He left the saloon in Smith's care, he says, with instructions to sell it for \$4000 if possible, and offering to pay Smith \$15 a week for his trouble. The average profit of the place is \$15 a day, he alleges, and as Smith has not made an accounting, asserts that he has been damaged \$500. He wants a receiver appointed, and the defendants enjoined from disposing of the business.

Hurt by Car, Sues Company.

Caught between east and westbound cars while riding across the Morrison-street bridge last October, Juntus Wright has brought a suit in the Circuit Court to secure \$1918 damages from the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company. He was riding a bicycle at the time of the accident, and was bruised and lacerated by the wheels of the cars, suffering permanent injury to his left thumb. He was wearing a diamond ring, and lost the diamond, which he says was worth \$300. It cost him \$9.50 to repair the wheel.

Notes of the Courts.

The Gault Company has brought in the Circuit Court a suit against C. F. Petch a Sellwood plumber, to foreclose a mortgage on his two lots on Umavilla avenue. The company alleges Petch owes upward of \$1900. Known by the name of Frank Holton for the last five years, Frank Settgast has petitioned the County Court to have his name legally changed. He has been put to considerable trouble and annoyance in his business transactions, he asserts, by people mistaking the name Settgast for Settsast and Setgast. He regards the name Holton as more euphonious. Suffering the mutilation of his left hand while trying to regulate the pressure bar on a planer belonging to the Inman-Poulsen Lumber Company, Anton Glienski has brought suit in the Circuit Court to recover \$7500 damages. The accident occurred last April. Glienski lost three fingers, and a fourth finger was injured. He alleges that Francesco Danzenzo, who was standing at the starting lever, 12 feet away, failed to stop the machine, so that when Glienski's wrench slipped, his hand was caught in the unprotected gearing.

SPECIAL TRAIN BUY YOUR TICKET TO BROADMEAD

Any time before 6 P. M. Friday, July 30, for our personally-conducted half-rate excursion over the S. P. R. R. SATURDAY, JULY 31, AT 8 A. M. Train leaves the Jefferson-street Depot promptly, and returning gets you home in time for your evening meal. SPECIAL ROUND TRIP FARE, \$1.50. See the town of BROADMEAD in the building—walk over BROADMEAD'S 3000 acres—note the big things happening, and the greater things in store. Satisfy yourself about BROADMEAD. Its future greatness is assured by its present fertility. Be on hand, and be on time. BROADMEAD is sold at easy prices, on easy terms.

FREE TOWN LOT A full-size town lot goes to every person upon payment of 10 per cent of the purchase price of any 10-acre tract—but not after Saturday, July 31—our opening day. This is a generous offer—you can't afford to miss it.

BIG BARBECUE We have arranged to treat all of our visitors to a grand big barbecue on our opening day—we'll be prepared to take care of a great many people—come and try the roast, satisfy your appetite, and see BROADMEAD at your leisure.

Columbia Trust Company BOARD OF TRADE BUILDING. 84 FOURTH STREET.

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"His mother gave it to him steadily and he began to improve at once. In less than a month he had gained about eight pounds and soon became so well and strong we had no further anxiety about him. "An old patient of mine, 73 years old, came down with serious stomach trouble and before I was called had got so weak he could eat almost nothing, and was in a serious condition. He had tried almost every kind of food for the sick without avail. "I immediately put him on Grape-Nuts with good, rich milk and just a little pinch of sugar. He exclaimed when it came next day, 'Why, doctor, I never ate anything so good or that made me feel so much stronger.' "I am pleased to say that he got well on Grape-Nuts, but he had to stick to it for two or three weeks, then he began to branch out a little with rice or an egg or two. He got entirely well in spite of his almost hopeless condition. He gained 22 pounds in two months, which, at his age, is remarkable. "I could quote a list of cases where Grape-Nuts has worked wonders. "There's a Reason." Read "The Road to Wellville," in plugs.

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