

CONTRACTS LET FOR NEW DREDGE

Joseph Supple to Build Boat for Spokane, Portland & Seattle Road.

PLANS UNDERGO CHANGE

Two Aid Barges Also to Be Built. New Craft Especially for Making Fills Along Line of North Bank Railroad.

Portland's fleet of suction dredges is to be augmented by Spring through the completion of a powerful, substantially built digger for the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railroad, which will be turned out at the yards of Joseph Supple, at the foot of East Morrison street. The dredge will have an 18-inch suction pipe, and, while larger ones are in use, it is expected to be capable of pumping a strong stream of material.

Hull Especially Designed.

Mr. Supple is to construct the hull, which has been especially designed and provision made for strengthening wherever possible, indicating that the Hill interests propose keeping the digger in commission for a lengthy period. There is included in the contract the house over the machinery and quarters for the crew, besides rudders and incidentals, so that she will be ready for service when the machinery is in place. Besides the dredge there are to be built two aid barges, each 50 feet long and having beams of 16 feet and 4 feet depth of hold. They will be bulkheaded fore and aft where the ends raise, so that all will be carried in the main hold instead of in tanks, as is the case with other types. For the pipeline of the dredge 20 pontoons are to be constructed that will be 20 feet long by 10 feet wide.

Contract Let Without Bids.

No bids were asked for the work by the railroad officials, as Mr. Supple had constructed two ferries for transferring trains of the Oregon trunk across the Columbia and his work was familiar to them. Orders have been given for the dredge and barges to be hurried, and with the work on the North Bank road, the plant will employ a number of mechanics during the winter season. The primary purpose for which the dredge is intended is for making fills along the North Bank road where bridges and levees are needed, but there will be other enterprises, such as filling low ground at Vancouver when the terminals there are enlarged, and planned, and improvements in the hills interests at the Lewis and Clark Park grounds. In speaking of the dredge plans yesterday Chief Engineer Budd, of the North Bank road, said that it would have a monthly capacity of 150,000 yards and that it was proposed to maintain a double crew on the digger.

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"It's graft; that's what it is," said Mrs. Annie Benson, in Municipal Court yesterday, protesting against her case of disorderly conduct against Paul Smith, being thrown out of court.

"Why is it," she asked, "that every time I come into this court, I am put out if it was a man, he would get attention."

The aged woman, who is an eccentric character, well-known on the East Side, was arrested by Judge Tawell that if she continued he would be compelled to punish her for contempt. Mrs. Benson referred her to the civil courts.

Mrs. Benson has resided in this city for 35 years and has had many adventures. She was injured in an all-road accident some years ago and was given a site for her little shack in the Albina yards by the officials of the O. R. & N. Company. Charitable women, headed by "Grandmother" Land, bought her another piece of property at the foot of East 21st street and on the \$5 income a month from this place she supports herself. She has been in court frequently to try out contentions with her neighbors.

About two years ago Mrs. Benson was arrested and beaten in her lonely cabin. The assault is now serving time in the penitentiary.

CHANGES IN WILLAPA AID

Commander Elliott Recommends Improvement in Lights.

Replacing the Eikon Scaus postlight with an acetylene beacon and raising the front range light on Willapa River five feet and the rear range light 10 feet are changes recommended by Commander Elliott, lighthouse inspector, for Willapa Harbor, as a result of his trip there last week. The matter was brought up at Westport, and an order for the improvements is expected shortly.

The light on Eikon Sands, besides being of less brilliancy than provided by an acetylene beacon, has been found difficult to maintain owing to it being removed from a habitation and in a position exposed to the elements. The change in range lights is necessitated through the construction of a wharf near the first light, that places the range and stock illuminations almost on the same level, while the wharf hides the rear illuminant. The Manzanilla relocated buoys in Willapa Harbor and on the Columbia river buoy that recently went adrift.

The banks of Australia had recently \$124,500,000 of deposits, an increase over the year of \$20,000,000.

PLAN OUT TO SUE CITY

ATTORNEY WILKINS THREATENS MANDAMUS ACTION.

Clerk of Municipal Court Beutgen Seizes Book From Lawyer. \$10,000 Is Involved.

Mandamus proceedings against N. D. Beutgen, Clerk of the Municipal Court, are threatened by Attorney M. O. Wilkins, to compel the clerk to allow him free access to his books, but the attorney wishes to secure a list of the fines and forfeitures which have been made by the court within a period of two years in cases where no complaint was filed, with a view to suing the city for the return of the money.

Beutgen found Wilkins poring over the cash book yesterday and seized it out of his hands, with instructions to let it alone in the future. The clerk says that he is willing to allow any citizen access to his books, but the task assumed by Wilkins is of such magnitude that it would take all of the clerk's time to wait upon him. On this ground Beutgen says he will defend mandamus action before he will submit to the requests of the attorney.

About \$10,000 is said to be involved in the controversy. Until recently it had not been the custom to file formal complaints in uncontested cases, but a few weeks ago the law in the procedure was discovered when the clerk was charged with vagrancy, after being sentenced to 90 days at the rockpile.

Acting upon this authority, it is said to be Wilkins' intention to secure a list of all cases where no complaints have been filed within the period not covered by the statute. Since the law, and after getting assignments from the defendants, sue the city for the recovery of the money, on the ground that the clerk has violated the written complaint is filed, and that a fine or forfeiture on a non-existent case is void.

TRIP ONE OF PLEASURE

E. E. Covert and S. Benson Return From Journey Through South.

E. E. Covert, attorney, and S. Benson, logger and lumberman, have just returned from a pleasure trip to Florida and the South, having been gone a month and traveled 800 miles. According to Mr. Covert, Florida is just a big pleasure ground for wealthy tourists from the Eastern North who haven't heard of California or lack the time to go there.

"The most wonderful thing I saw was Alligator Joe's alligator farm at Miami," said Mr. Covert. "Joe has hundreds of the 'gators' and he keeps them in pens, just like pigs, only he doesn't feed them often than twice a year when they are given a nice mess of fish. We stopped over a week at Hot Springs, Ark., and while in Arkansas we met the original of the 'Arkansas Traveler' in the person of the type etched outside the phonograph, but there he was, sure enough. I wrote my partner, Mr. Stapleton, that the soil is not more than an inch and a half thick anywhere in Arkansas, but I think I did the state an injustice. In some parts the soil is two inches thick."

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