# WATER MAINS TO BE LAID PROMPTLY

Intolerable Conditions to Be Re lieved as Soon as Men Can Be Assembled-New Law Brings Aid to Dwellers.

Mayer Simen and T. B. Wilcox, J. C. Alnaworth and W. B. Mackay, comprising the Water Board, took action yesterday afternoon at a session of the Board that will soon relieve vast tracts in the city and give the residents thereof ample water supply. Included in these are the great Mount Scott district, Woodstock, Waverly, Richmond, all in Southeast Portland, and Woodlawn and other smaller sections to the north on the East Side.

Just as rapidly as it is possible to assemble men and equipment, water mains are to be installed in the Mount Scott district and other portions on the South East Side, where conditions are, and long have been almost intoling the Water Board, took action yes-

and long have been, almost intol-le from a water standpoint.

Relief to Be Immediate.

"Now that we have a law under which we can operate, I shall favor the policy of proceeding to lay mains wherever they are required and where they pay the necessary 6 per cent on the Investment," declared Mr. Wilcox. "We have the law, now let us provide water for the suffering residents of the various suburbs, who have long been clamoring

auburbs, who have long been claimoring for relief."

"I am in hearty accord with that policy." said Mayor Simon, whereupon the Board proceeded to approve the recommendations of Chief Engineer Clarke for a large number of mains throughout the city.

In the Mount Scott district, from which have come loud and long calls for relief, the Board will install a distributive system that will tie into the Mount Scott and Woodmere private systems at least until a more pretentious system can be put in by the city. It is agreed by the representatives from the district that this will furnish ample supply, and they are well pleased with supply, and they are well pleased with the action of the Board. The completed system outlined for this territory, which includes a large area, calls for the ex-penditure of \$234,000, but not all of the mains can be laid because not all of them will pay the required 8 per cent, and the city does not care to take adand the city does not care to take advantage of the provision in the law which would permit the Board to lay the pipes and tax the cost to the abutproperty. The cost of the work was ordered is \$82,000.

work.

In connection with the Mount Scott and Woodmere mains, a committee, consisting of Massrs. Wilcox, Ainsworth and Mackay, was named by Mayor Simon to negotiate with the owners of the private plants at those places to see what rates they will accept for them or on what terms they may be taken over by the city, if destred.

It is the determination of the Board to supply all residents with plenty of Hull Run water at the earliest possible time, and all haste will be made to rush the mains in districts where there is urgent need for relief. The principal forces of men will be put to work on pipes to connect up those sections where

pipes to connect up those sections where there is actual shortage of water in Summer, other districts to be cared for in order as rapidly as it is possible. The Board ratified the action of its

committee relative to the increases in ployes excepting Superintendent Dodge and Chief Engineer Clarke benefit by this order. They did not seek any in-

NEW PIPELINE IS DELAYED

Contractors May Not Complete Second Conduit by July 1.

The second pipeline to Bull Run reserve, contracted to be turned over to the city complete July 1, 1911, will not be finished by that time, according to the state-ment of Chief Engineer Carke, made to the Water Board yesterday. Neither will the reservoirs at Mount Tabor be ready for use early in the Summer.

In cornection with this information, the Schaw-Batcher Company, represented by the Northwest Bridge Works, has submitted a demand for additional payment for work because Engineer Clarks ordered them to desist from the use of too much explosive at certain paints. too much explosive at certain points along the line, as he felt it might place the present pipeline in Jeopardy and cut off or impair the city's supply. The company, through J. R. Bowles, endeavored to adjust this with Mr. Clarke, but his decision was unsatisfactory to Mr. Bowles, who carried it before the Board. "I fall to see why this should be brought before the Board," said T. B. Wilcox, a member. "We entered into a contract for this work to be done through supervision of the engineer of the Water Department; the contract is here, and so is the engineer-let's abide by the contract and let all quarrels be-tween him and the contractor be settled The subject is referred to the engi-

This means that the differences must be adjusted between the company and Mr. Clarke, and that the company will have to abide by the decision of the engineer of the Board. The company alleges that, because of Mr. Clarke's orders abide to hastier. It was obliged to relative to blasting, it was obliged to employ extra labor at added cost and that it should be paid for this by the

Mayor Simon and members of the Board were greatly disappointed because the pipeline will not be completed on time, as they had expected the company

would make a great record.

"When I hast heard of this project, the contractors were going to complete the pipeline by January I," remarked Mr. Wilcox, "and now they can't finish it by late I."

That is my judgment on the work," plained Mr. Clarke. "If they finish it, ey will have but a little more than

The company, it was reported, took full responsibility for the recent breaking of pipe during a test by water pressure, aggregating about \$5,000 damage. It was said by Mr. Clarke that the noncompletion of the second conduit will not impair the service and that there will be ample water supply for all of the new pipes now being ordered installed. Refund Is Authorized.

Board's Vigorous Policy Will

Bring Relief to Great

East Side Areas.

Mayor Simon yesterday asked the Water Board to authorize the refunding of all money paid into the water fund on mains installed under the old law of charging cost to property owners. His request was granted and as a result sim, one will be paid back at once. This will go to those who have paid on pipes that are yielding a revenue of 6 per cent on the cost of installation.

A total of \$807,807 has been paid into the water fund by abutting property owners since the law of 1909 became effective, but only such pipes as are paying the required rate of interest can

WOMAN, AGED 80, ENTERTAINS AT BIRTHDAY PARTY.



Mrs. W. J. Humphreys.

Grandmother and grandson cele-brated their birthdays together in the Waldo Hills, near Salem, on March 5. The occasion was the 80th birthday of Mrs. W. J. Humphreys and the 24th of her grandson, Frank W. Rogers. Mrs. Humphreys is a pioneer of the Waldo Hills, having settled there 53 years ago. Her husband, W. J. Humphreys, died on March 5, 1869. Mrs. Humphreys has four

sons and four daughters.
The home was beautifully decorated with calla lilles, ferns. smilax and carnations. Two smilax and carnations. Two tables were spread, one in honor of Mrs. Humphreys and the other in honor of Mr. Rogers. More than 100 relatives and friends were present. Mr. and Mrs. Grant Ashby assisted in entertaining, and the speech of the day was delivered by W. H. Downing.

be taken over by the city through the Wester Board. The payments of refunds will begin at once, and will continue until all those entitled to money are peld in full.

The Water Board is now operating under a law adopted by the people last November, which authorizes the Board to repay all persons who have paid in

old law are now complaining that prop-erty owners in numerous cases have neither paid in assessments nor bonded

Beaver State in April, 1912, to Be First to Use Popular-Prefence Method.

Electors of Oregon in the primary ominating election of April, 1912, will not only express their choice for President and Vice-President of the United States—the first state to make such a popular expression—but at the same time will nominate candidates for time will nominate candidates for state, district and county offices. This will mean nearly a seven months' cam-paign, since the Presidential election will not be held until November. Every Presidential year hereafter the primaries will be held in April, while

every alternating blennial primary election will be held in September, as was the case last year, with the gen-eral election following in November.

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Aside from indicating their preference for President and Vice-President a year from April, the voters will be required to nominate three candidates for Representatives in Congress, if Congress at its special session next month or the regular session in December shall make the Congressional apportionment under which Oregon will be entitled to another Representative.

The last session of the Oregon Legislature passed a bill redistricting the state into three Congressional districts, Mulitromah unattached, constituting the new district. The provisions of this bill, however, do not become operative until Congress has made the apportionment giving the state another Repre-

ment giving the state another Representative at Washington.
Other officers to be nominated a year from April will be: One Justice of the Supreme Court, two members of the Railroad Commission and a State Dairy and Pood Commissioner in addition to humorous Prosecution Attorneys and numerous Prosecuting Attorneys and District Attorneys in Multinomah County the voters will nominate can-didates for two Circuit Judgeships and several of the county offices.

Hood River Youths Build Airships. HOOD RIVER, Or., March 14 .- (Special.)-Youths of Hood River are displaying a great interest in aeronau-tics and are planning to hold an avia-tion-model meet here soon. Several of the youngsters have already con-structed models along practical lines and Albert L. Crocker, a young fruitman, who is managing the meet, says probably a dozen will compete. Models may be built from original designs or on the lines of any of the noted machines of the day. Successful models will be exhibited at a Portland department size.

Edlefsen delivers dry wood.

Land Company Alleges Hassam Concern Was Without Real Competition.

INJUNCTION 18 SOUGHT

Action Begun to Declare Contracts Void--Prices Declared to Be Excessive and Increased Tax Rate Threatened.

That the City of Portland has been and is in collusion with the Oregon Hassam Paving Company to prevent

That ins City of Porliand has been and is in collusion with the Oregon Hassam Paving Company to prevent competition with responsible contractors on street improvements: that contracts entered into are irregular and illegal; that the cails for bids in each of the 13 contracts involved designated "Hassam paving," and that City Engineer Morris falled to post proper notices of improvements according to the city charter, are among the chief allegations in a suit filed yesterday in the Circuit Court by the Terwillinger Land Company against the City of Portland, the Oregon Hassam Paving Company and the Title Guaranty & Surety Company.

A decree of the court is prayed for to declare all contracts null and void, to restrain the city from authorizing the performance of the contracts and to restrain the paving company from completing the proposed improvements. These improvements are scattered throughout the city and involve an aggregate cost of approximately \$800,000.

Alleging additional cause for action, the complaint declares that the cost of the paving in each of the 13 improvements is much too high, and that as a result the city's indebtedness will be greatly increased. The price of \$1.55 a square yard is given as a fair charge for the work, it being pointed out that other contractors could lay eequally as good paving at that price at a profit.

Reference is made in the suit to the fact that the paving company has in the past two years secured contracts in excess of \$2,000,000 without any competition. Each of the 13 contracts, says the complaint, specifies "Hassam pavement," and in view of the fact that the company lays claim to an exclusive right to lay Hassam pavement in Oregon, other contractors could not submit bids as the bids would not be excepted, even to lay Hassam pavement in Oregon, other contractors could not submit bids as the bids would not be accepted, even if lower than the Hassam Company's

"The pavement in specifications and proceedings was designated in each case as Hassam pavement unlawfully, arbitrarily and contrary to the charter of the city," says the complaint, "and for the purpose of preventing competition among bidders on the improvements, and with full knowledge upon the part of the City Engineer and the City Council, that by so requiring, comparition might that by so requiring, competition might be destroyed and a monopoly created in favor of the Oregon Hassam Paving

New Law in Favor.

The law under which this is being done was adopted by vote of the people done was adopted by vote of the people last November, and is declared by Mayor simple and the members of the Board to be an admirable one. It was recommended by them jointly with the Seventh Ward Improvement League and East Side push clubs and permits the laying of mains by the Board from water receipts or bonds where the revenue to be derived equals 5 per cent on the initial investment. While the Board to submit reasonable bids because of the mains when laid. Because of this, the Board refused to award contracts, feeling that the laying of the property owners would not pay their assessments for the mains when laid. Because of this, the Board refused to award contracts, feeling that the bids received are unsatisfactory, however, the Board will do all of the work.

In connection with the Mount Scott in favor of the Oregon Hassam Paving Company."

The Water Board is now operating under the people last November, which authorizes the Board to be law adopted by the people last November, which authorizes the Board to be law and depted by the people last November, which authorizes the Board to be company. The complaint continues:

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The complaint says that unless the contracts are cancelled and set aside and the city enjoined from enforcing the and the city enjoined from enforcing the performance of the contracts, the indebtedness of the city will be greatly increased and the taxes heretofore levied against the property of the plaintiff company will be materially raised. It is estimated in the complaint that the completion of the contracts would require an assessment of 3 mills upon the taxable property of the city. The plaintiff owns property with an assessed valuation of \$79,500, against which the tax levy for 1810 is \$2156.90. for 1910 is \$3156.90.

The plaintiff company asks for a decree on the following pleas:

1. That the contracts be declared null and void and also the bonds executed by the Title Guaranty & Surety Com-

2. That the resolutions, ordinances and proceedings of the City Council and ex-ecutive committee be made null and

3. That the Oregon Hassam Paving Company be restrained from completing the contracts by virtue of the authority vested in the contracts by the city, or from in any way tearing up or de-stroying the streets or performing any work under the contract 4. That the city officials be perpetually enjoined from authorizing the performance of any contract with the Ore-

gon Hassam Paving Company.

According to the figures representing According to the ligures representing the City Engineer's estimates and the paving comapny's bids, it of the is contracts were awarded on bids lower than the estimates. One contract was let .n which the bid was higher than the estimate by 1972 and one contract was let where the estimate and the bid were identical. While the main purpose of identical. While the main purpose of making estimates is merely to guide the city in the matter of determining somewhere near what the cost of improvements shall be, it has been the practice to give the contractors the advantage of the estimates before bids are submitted. The 13 different improvements, together with the estimates and bids, as shown in the complaint, include the fol-

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lowing:		
Districts	City Eng.	Company's
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East Eleventh Stre	95,189.00	\$ 90,572.73
Union Avenue In	78,872.90	T9,951.88
Hood Street In	m-	Fauto Zaran
provement	51,594.00	\$1,888.32
Portsmouth Aven	92,188.00	87,765.00
Alberta Street In		50,995.29
East Fiftieth Stre	et.	50,371.90
Improvement		EMPORT THE
Mississippi Aven Improvement	04.5FT.00	68,269.00
Lombard Street It	n-	
provement	127,545.93	127,545.93
Kerby Street In	40,727.00	40,6G4.13
Derby Street In	84.837.00	33,107,02
Albina Avenue In		THE RESERVE TO SERVE
provement	38,213.00	\$1,559.77
East Sixteenth Stre		85,007,67
Improvement		00,001,01
Improvement		37,640.60

Will of E. I. Hughes Filed.

The will of Edgar I. Hughes, who died last Friday, was filed in the County Court for probate yesterday. Mrs. Nellie E. Godfrey, one of the daughters of the deceased, is the petitioner. The estate in this county is valued at \$9000, there being also valuable timber holdings in Coos County the value of which is not given in the petition. The will gives half the property to the widow, Donna Hughes, and balance to children, Fletoher and Thornton Hughes, Mrs.



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GRAND JURY IS SWORN IN

Mark W. Gill Foreman of Federal Investigative Body.

The 23 men constituting the Federal grand jury for March were drawn, sworn in and charged at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Federal Judge Wolverton, in instructing the grand jury told the talesmen 16 members constitute a quorum and that 12 votes are necessary to find an indictment. He told them they are at liberty to excuse any member from duty at any time they see fit, and that they are to keep their deliberations secret. The District Attorney must not be present when the grand jury votes on an indictment, said the court.

Gill foreman of the grand jury.

Centralia Company Drills.

# Company

Of San Francisco, in the State of California, on the Stat day of December, 1910, made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Oregon, pursuant to law:

imount of capital paid up....\$ 400,000.00 Income Total income ...... 603,393.58

Disbursements. cluding adjustment expenses, Dividends paid during the year on capital stock on capital stock.

Commissions and salaries paid during the year.

Tarse, licenses and fees paid during the year.

Amount of all other sapenditures

\$ 698,567.56 Total agrets admitted in Ore

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on an indictment, said the court.

In examining the prospective jurors, before they were sworn in, United States District Attorney McCourt seked the usual questions as to age, citizenship, length of residence in the state, and as to whether the jurors are taxpayers. "I believe," said Mr. McCourt, "that it is not necessary to be a taxpayer in order to be a juror, but that this question is asked merely to determine whether or not the names of the jurors have been chosen from the taxroll."

Judge Wolverton appointed Mark W. Judge Wolverton appointed Mark W.

F. Wood, John T. Concannon, S. W. Bain E. C. Comstock, W. H. Smith, John Mo-Govern, C. W. Nottingham, W. A. Gor-dan, John A. Bell, Charles Hegele, A. J. Farmer, W. Hofmeister, George W Hoyt, C. E. Fields, John L. Hartman, Frank Dann, John Baldwin, James A. Higamus, E. A. Blake and S. B. Bain.

CENTRALIA, Wash, March 16-(Special.) — Members of Company M are drilling almost nightly under Lieutenant Livingstone, in preparation for service at the border. The minimum height of members of the company is five feet three inches, but the average height of the Centralia company is far above five feet nine inches, and eleven of the men are over six feet. Five are six feet two inches, and two are taller.

STNOPSIS OF THE ANNUAL STATE-MENT OF THE

# Pacific Coast Casualty

4 159,464.50 191,160.02 7,486.40 36,159.05 Total expenditures ..... \$ 426,219.97

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SYNOPSIS of the ANNUAL STATEMENT

# Maryland Casualty Co.

Capital. of capital paid up ....\$1,000,000.00 Income.
Premiums received during the

ceived during the year
Gross increase in book value of securities 16,128,77 Total income ......\$4,722,584.54

Total income

Disbursements.

Losses paid during the year, including adjustment expenses, etc.

Dividends paid during the year en capital stock, also 381-3 per cent stock dividends.

Commissions and salaries paid during the year

Taxes, licenses, and fees paid during the year

Gross losses on sale of securities

Gross losses on sale of securities

Gross decrease in book value of securities 1,551,873.87 274,898.48

96,658.75 Value of real estate owned \$ 532,171.60
Value of stocks and bonds owned 4,271,918.42
Reinsured losses due from other companies
Cash in banks and on hand... 169,068.80
Premiums in course of collection and in transmission
Interest and rents

Interest and rents due and ac-26,928.82 Total assets admitted in Oregon . \$5,724,271.36 Liabilities.

Gross claims for losses unpaid. \$1,179,040.82

Amount of unearned premiums
on all outstanding risks ... 2,108,696.06

Due for commission and brokerage.

age
All other liabilities, bills and accounts due or accrued
Taxes due or accrued
Reinsurance due other companies Business in Oregon for the Year.

Gross premiums received during the year

Premiums returned during the 88,809.54 

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