

INSPECTION TRIP  
SECRETS ARE OUT

Mayor's Foxy Reticence on  
Jaunt to Bull Run Proves  
of No Avail.

## WILCOX IS SOOTHSAYER

Anyhow, Clackamas Road Is Pretty  
Bad and Must Be Fixed at  
Once, Say Prominent Men  
Who Had to Walk.

Mayor Rushlight is a foxy evader, when it comes to giving out news of his explorations and expeditions, but in this case he has been fooled by members of the Water Board. When appropriating \$5000 to repair a road from Bull Run postoffice to the headworks of the water supply, yesterday afternoon, members of the Board disclosed facts which show that last week's pilgrimage to the famous intake was unusual.

"I would like a report on last week's trip to Bull Run intake by the Mayor, Mr. Alinsworth, Mr. Mackay and Engineer Clarke and Superintendent Dodge," said Mr. Winn, a member of the Board. Messrs. Alinsworth and Mackay are also members.

## Joke Bound to Get Out.

"The roads are very bad in Clackamas County, but we will not make any report on that," replied Mr. Mackay, with a grin, as he cast furtive glances at Mr. Alinsworth.

"I can testify," commented Superintendent Dodge, "that the roads are bad and that walking is worse."

"How's that?" asked Theodore B. Wilcox, Water Commissioner, flour mill operator, millionaire property owner and extensive traveler, who had just returned from a trip of one month in the East.

"Well," replied Mr. Dodge, "we walked back from near the headworks to Bull Run postoffice."

"What for?" persisted Mr. Wilcox, sending a good joke.

"My car struck a rock and broke off the flywheel," confessed Mr. Alinsworth, seeing that the secret was bound to out.

"Aha," ejaculated Mr. Wilcox, "but did you fellows catch any fish?"

This insinuation that the Mayor and his party went to the headworks to fish brought forth laughter, for it was a hot day, such as makes city folks wish to get off into shady places where the festive trout dash to and fro in the bubbling brooks, when the party went forth on the "trip of inspection."

"I will tell you," said Mr. Mackay, reflecting, "the fish were not at hand that day, but the day before, the people told us, the fish were swarming in the river."

## Mayor Keeps the Secret.

None of these details was disclosed by Mayor Rushlight upon his return to the City Hall from this celebrated trip, when he was asked about the "inspection," last week.

As a matter of fact, however, Commissioner Alinsworth, who runs a bank and is otherwise engaged in business in Portland, took to the road himself, accompanied by Superintendent Dodge and Chief Engineer Clarke, and walked from the scene of the auto accident to Bull Run postoffice, where they took the steam car to the city.

The members of the Board agreed that the road into the reserve from Bull Run to the headworks, a distance of five miles, must be repaired at once, not only to avoid such accidents, but to enable quick passage to and from the headworks in case of accident to the pipelines.

Five miles of the road lying in Clackamas County outside the city limits, also be repaired, but the Board expects the county authorities there to do that work.

The Board tabled an application by Cornelius G. Murphy for \$897 for back pay, during the time he was suspended on charges. He was reinstated by the Civil Service Commission because the charge was not sufficiently definite.

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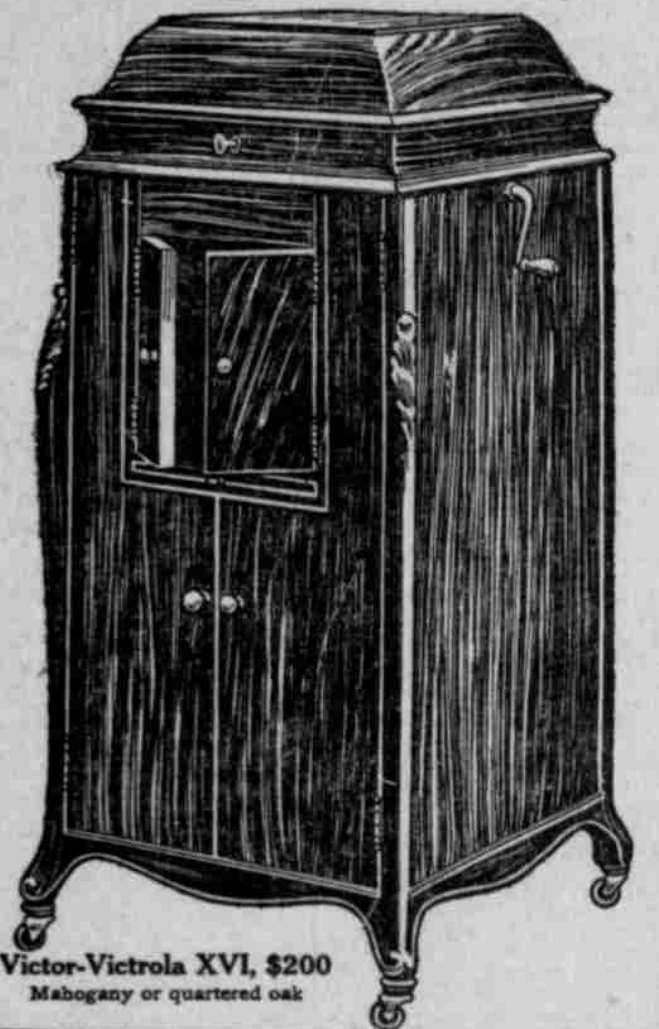
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