

ROSS ISLAND PLAN IS AGAIN REVERSED

Sanitary Commission Orders Proposal for Bond Issue Placed on Ballot.

CREMATORY IS OVERTAXED

Another Plant for Reduction of Garbage is Considered Necessary and Ross Island Location Is Favored by Commissioners.

Following a detailed investigation of the sanitary conditions of Portland the special sanitary commission appointed last Fall by Mayor Rushlight yesterday adopted a resolution requesting the City Council to place on the ballot at the city election in June an initiative measure calling for the issuance of bonds for the purchase of Ross Island in the Willamette River in South Portland. The resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of the members of the commission present after the incinerator problem was discussed at length.

The commission in its investigation has found, according to a report which is being prepared, that the present incinerator is overtaxed and that something must be done to relieve the strain. The only thing left to do, it is said, is to construct another plant, and the most practical, economical and sanitary place for such a plant is considered to be the island which the commission urged the voters to purchase.

Accordingly the commission will wage a campaign in the interest of the passage of the bonding measure which the Council will be asked to submit to the voters. Among other things the commission will prepare a short statement to be placed over the signatures of the members on the ballot stating the needs for a new incinerator and explaining why Ross Island is the proper place.

Plan Originator Is Mayor.

The Ross Island plan was originated by Mayor Rushlight, who had a bond issue measure placed on the ballot at the last general election. It lost. The Mayor, believing that the voters did not know the facts in the case, got the City Council to authorize the appointment of a commission to investigate conditions and make a report. The commission comprises 15 business men and women of the city and representatives of the newspapers.

It was explained at the meeting yesterday that Ross Island is the proper place for an incinerator for many reasons, principally, however, for economical reasons. At present, it was explained, it costs the city \$4.50 a ton to haul garbage to the crematory in North Portland. To haul to Ross Island would cost but \$1.50 a ton, a saving of \$3 a ton. With thousands of tons of garbage being consumed each month the saving would more than meet the interest on the Ross Island investment. Chairman J. N. Seal of the commission explained that he has made a careful investigation of the Ross Island plan, and has concluded that it is exceedingly meritorious. He declared he believed the Mayor's initiative measure would have carried at the last election if the people had understood the real facts.

Dr. Giesey Sees Economy.

Dr. A. J. Giesey, a member of the commission, declared that the island should be acquired for economical reasons if for nothing else. "When it comes to hauling garbage clear across the city to an incinerator it soon runs up into money," he said.

Mrs. Solomon Hirsch, Mrs. Frederick Eggert, Mrs. Hadden, and the committee members of the commission spoke in favor of the plan and voted favorably upon the resolution asking the Council to submit the question to the voters. All agreed to another resolution providing for a statement on the ballot by the commission and for the support of a publicity campaign.

The commission considered also the question of changes in the plumbing code of the city, with the view of remedying some of the defects which have been found to exist and passed a resolution asking the Council to take up the problem at once.

MARTIN DOCK SITE CHOSEN

Commission Selects Foot of Seventeenth Street for City Wharf.

A decision to relinquish its intention to condemn the American Can Company's dock at the foot of Fourteenth street, on the West Side, as a portion of the site for municipal dock No. 1, was reached by the Board of Public Works at a special meeting held last night, which was attended by Mayor Rushlight. The reason for the decision was that the company demanded \$100,000 damages for the removal of their warehouse, which would place the cost of the site at too high a figure.

It was decided to condemn the Martin dock, at the foot of Seventeenth street, instead.

The building of the municipal dock on the site selected last night will mean that the west landing of the Albina ferry will have to be moved. The Dock Commission will hold an adjourned meeting for the transaction of general business this afternoon and will meet again tomorrow at 2:15 P. M.

HEIGHTS IS DETERMINED

Council Crest for Park Purposes Is Campaign's Aim.

Unless the Park Board indicates that it contemplates acquiring for a municipal park Council Crest, or at least the observation post on the crest, of the proposed park and playground bond issue shall be passed, the citizens of Portland Heights will unite to oppose the bond measure. This was the sentiment expressed at a meeting of Portland Heights citizens held at the Portland Heights Club to consider steps for securing Council Crest as a portion of the city park system.

A delegation representing the Greater Portland Plans Association and other organizations interested in the passage of the bond issue waited on the meeting and urged the support of the measure, indicating that popular opinion is strongly in favor of the city acquiring the Crest for park purposes.

Ashland Blaze Destructive.

ASHLAND, Or., March 24.—(Special.) Fire tonight in the Mahan restaurant and rooming-house, also the Wilson cleaning shop adjoining, both frame structures, located on Fourth street. The former was a large building and a landmark in this vicinity. The destruction was complete, both as to buildings and contents. The cause of the fire is unknown.

INSURANCE MAN WANTED BY PROGRESSIVES TO ENTER RACE FOR MAYOR.



H. RUSSELL ALBEE.

ALBEE IS GROOMED

Progressives Want Insurance Man to Run.

CONSIDERATION IS GIVEN

Resident for 18 Years, Commercial Club Member, Twice Previously Candidate for Mayoralty, May Try Third Time.

Pressure which is being brought to bear by prominent Progressives on H. Russell Albee to enter the campaign for Mayor probably will result in the announcement within the next few days of his intention to seek the Progressive primary election May 3. When asked last night if he was to enter the race he said he had not definitely decided, but admitted that he has his candidacy under serious consideration.

Mr. Albee has been a resident of Portland for 18 years, during which time he has been interested in politics and in the affairs of the city and state governments. In various capacities, upon two occasions he has sought the office of Mayor and in both campaigns came near winning. He served in the State Senate during the sessions of 1909 and 1911 and made a good record, being instrumental in the passage at each session of a number of important bills.

He first entered politics about eight years ago against George H. Williams for Mayor and came near winning after a short campaign. He again became a candidate for Mayor about six months ago, running as an independent against Joseph Simon and M. G. Munif, and again made a good race.

Since the organization of the Progressive party he has joined the ranks and is considered by the party leaders as the most apt Progressive for the Mayoralty race. It is for that reason that the leaders are trying to get him into the ring.

In believing that he can win the Progressives say they are looking largely to the women's vote. Mr. Albee is a married man and has a clear record and a clean private character, which the Progressive leaders say will count more in the coming election than will politics.

Mr. Albee is the manager of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company of Milwaukee and a horticulturist, having in addition to his home in Laurelhurst a fruit orchard in Hood River. He is a member of the Commercial club and other business and commercial organizations of the city and state and is prominent in social circles.

POLICE ARE OUTWITTED

THOMAS SMITH, CHARGED WITH FRAUD, SECURES RELEASE.

Man Who Shows Evidence of Former Prosperity Baffles Effort to Secure Bertillon Records.

With his finger-tips sandpapered down to the quick, so that they would leave no impression, Thomas Smith, a well-dressed, middle-aged man, under sentence of 90 days for circulating a poisoning petition, underwent the usual booking at the Bertillon office at detective headquarters yesterday. He also closed his eyes while being photographed, so that a poor likeness was obtained. Today he is free, after having his case re-opened and the judgment set aside, and the detectives seem to be actually basking in their effort to file a much-desired record.

Smith's careful preparations to avoid identification lead the police to believe that he is attempting to conceal a past which would be of interest.

On the plea that his attorney had been unavoidably detained and that he therefore had no opportunity to make an adequate defense, Smith's case was re-opened yesterday and he was given a suspended sentence. He was arrested several days before while circulating a petition for the release of a prisoner, which he had collected \$27. He refused to disclose his connections, but it was found later that he has relatives in good standing here. George Walker obtained nothing of value but the Bertillon measurements. He noticed that the prisoner's fingers were smooth, but Smith explained that it came from long practice in book-keeping.

Dr. Foulkes Speaks Here.

Rev. William H. Foulkes, ex-pastor of

the First Presbyterian Church, spoke before 40 Presbyterian ministers at a meeting held in the First Presbyterian Church on the aims of the board of relief and ministerial sustenance and the methods of the committee in establishing the proposed \$10,000,000 fund, by means of which pensions will be provided for aged missionaries, ministers, widows and orphans.

TAX DECISION IS AWAITED

Southern Pacific and Others Refuse Payment of Road Levy.

OREGON CITY, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—Sheriff Mass announced today that \$478,974.47 of the 1912 taxroll of \$528,760 had been collected. This is a remarkable record, considering that several of the largest taxpayers have held back to await a decision as to the legality of the new law regarding the special road taxes.

The Southern Pacific Company and other corporations are among those that have refused to pay the special road tax. They tendered checks for all taxes but the special road taxes, and the Sheriff, upon advice of counsel, declined them.

Sheriff Mass turned over to Treasurer Tufts, prior to March 15, \$251,581.17 and today turned over \$162,101.90. He will turn over tomorrow \$59,444.40. The collection of taxes was begun February 3. At this time last year \$495,759.87, which included payment by the corporations who are holding back on the special road tax payments, had been collected. Had they paid this year the collections would have been \$50,000 or \$40,000 larger.

ALLEGED FORGER IS TAKEN

Francis McMillan, Aged 24, Wanted at Eugene.

Francis McMillan, 24 years old, wanted at Eugene for alleged forgeries amounting to \$200, was arrested yesterday in company with his wife in a rooming-house at Ninth and Everett streets, by Detectives Price and Mallett.

McMillan went to Eugene about the middle of the month and was arrested by Sheriff Mass at Eugene about six months ago, running as an independent against Joseph Simon and M. G. Munif, and again made a good race.

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PERJURY CHARGE PLACED

Arthur Nash, Wanted in Seattle, Arrested Near Vancouver.

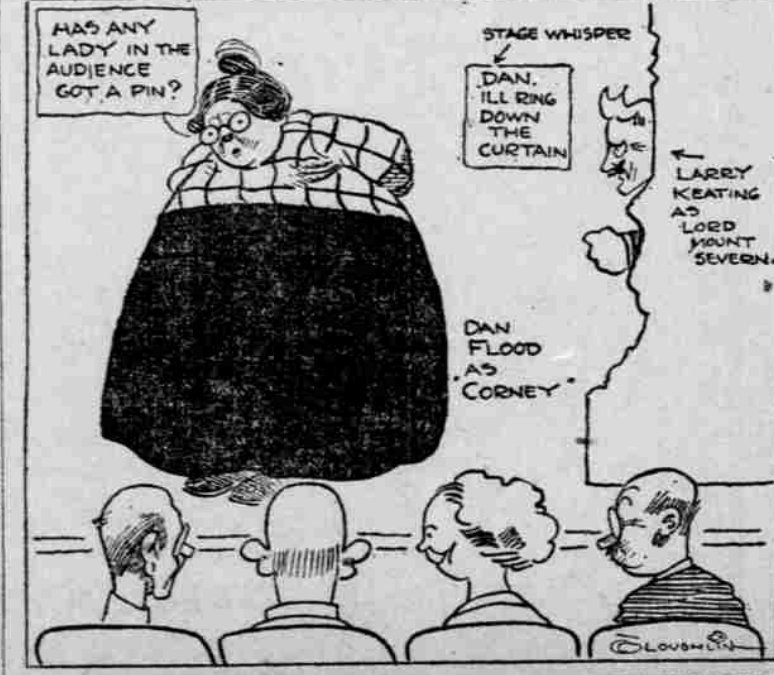
VANCOUVER, Wash., March 24.—(Special.)—Arthur Nash, wanted in Seattle on a charge of perjury, was arrested at Orchards tonight and brought to Vancouver, where he remained in the custody of the police until Mayor Irwin and J. A. Troch furnished bail for him to the extent of \$2500. He was then released.

Nash is said to have traded "unsight, unseen," 20 acres on McNeill's Island for 5 acres of Redland's Cal. land two years ago and at that time made an affidavit that there were no liens on his property. Now the other party to the transaction is bringing suit in Seattle.

Marion Bridge Now Assured.

SALEM, Or., March 24.—(Special.)—The new bridge across the Willamette River is made a certainty by the adoption by the County Court today of specifications for that bridge. It will be constructed jointly by Yamhill and Marion Counties and is to cost \$85,000.

PLAYING BARBARA HARE HAS ITS DRAWBACKS



FAMILIAR PORTRAIT OF DAN FLOOD AT 'EAST LYNNE' REHEARSAL.

FLOOD IN TROUBLE

Dan Hates Safety Pins and Cries for Suspenders.

"FOLLIES" SEAT SALE BIG

Theater Managers' Show on Thursday Night Promises to Be Greatest Burlesque of Kind—Many Acts to Be There.

Pins of the safety kind and other varieties are the bane of the life of Dan Flood, of the Lyric Theater, who is to take the part of Corney, an old maid, in the burlesque of "East Lynne," to be presented by the theater managers next Thursday night at the Helbig.

"Have you got a pin?" That's the question Dan asks fully a dozen times at every dress rehearsal, and several of the actor-managers have expressed fear that Flood will forget himself on the stage next Thursday and appeal to women of the audience for assistance.

Larry Keating, Flood's partner at the Lyric, has suggested that Milton Seaman, producer of the burlesque, provide Flood with suspenders or a belt to keep his skirts in place. It is highly probable that such a step will be taken, as Flood is the only petticoat manager as yet unable to manage his feminine attire.

CHILEAN LINE PLANNED

SHIPPING REPRESENTATIVE ON TOUR OF INVESTIGATION.

Sixteen Merchant Vessels Are Now Under Construction for Use of Chile on Northwest Route.

In view of the fact that the Chilean government will probably establish a line of ships from Valparaiso to Puget Sound, with Portland as a port of call, Rafael Roma, representative of Comyn, Mackall & Co. of San Francisco, for the west coast of South America, is in Portland studying the shipping situation and conferring with A. R. Vejar, the Chilean Consul.

The Chilean government has under construction in various shipyards of the world about 16 merchant ships, which will soon be put in operation, and after that time the service to the Northwest from Valparaiso probably will be commenced.

Comyn, Mackall & Co. have several ships loading on the Columbia River and in other Northwest ports for South America and for that reason have sent Mr. Roma to investigate conditions thoroughly, with a view to possible further extension of the South American service. Mr. Roma will remain in Portland for several days and will then go to Seattle to look into conditions upon the Sound.

Australia has effectively closed its markets to the plumage of the heron, bird of paradise and other birds.

GUNMEN IN DANGER

Tong Feud Data Will Be Laid Before Department.

DEPORTATION IS DESIRED

In Search for Evidence Regarding Recent Murders Detectives Unearth Can of Opium Stored in Safety Deposit Box.

Comprehensive data regarding the present tong feud in Chinatown are being prepared by District Attorney Evans and will be taken to Washington, D. C. by Immigration Inspector Barbour, when he goes to lay before the Commerce Department the proposal to deport undesirable Chinese, particularly those who are shown to have highlander connections. Mr. Barbour will leave in a few days for this purpose.

In the course of the investigation regarding the murder of Lam Foon and Ching Ah Gong, a week ago, the authorities have disclosed many facts affecting a score of residents of Chinatown, who have given aid to the gun-fighters, but not to the extent of making themselves liable to trial in the courts. It is this class which, according to the plan, will be fought by deportation orders. The immigration laws are declared ample in giving the Secretary of Commerce discretion in these cases.

A difficulty which will be encountered is the fact that many lawless Chinese have fraudulent identification papers, showing that they are American born, but in most cases it is thought, it will be possible to expose the fraud.

From Ontario, Or., yesterday Detective Abbott reported by telegraph the failure of a quest he was on, based on a report from La Grande that two Chinese, suspected gunmen, had passed Eastward through there. The men were in company with a Chinese woman. Detective Tichenor, armed with a search warrant, opened a safety deposit box in a downtown bank yesterday in search of evidence reported to be there, but found little to his advantage. He disclosed incidentally, however, through the discovery of a small can of opium, that Chinese users of the drug resort to the deposit vaults to conceal their supply.

On salmon packers along the Northwest coast is likely to find one effect of the tong war, because of the fear of harm which prevents contractors from going out to gather up their men for the fisheries.

JEWIS FORM 2 COLONIES

CENTRAL OREGON OBJECTIVE POINT FOR BOTH.

Organizations Founded at Annual Meeting of Jewish Agricultural Society at Synagogue.

Two new Jewish colonies have been organized in Portland and will start soon for Central Oregon to establish themselves on the soil, as has already been done by one colony of 50 persons which went out to the country near Bend several weeks ago. About 15 persons have already joined each of the new colonizing parties and before all preparations are made and the parties are ready to leave for Central Oregon, it is expected that many more will have joined them.

The foundation of these two new colony parties was made at the annual meeting of the Jewish Agricultural Society at the Talmud Torah Synagogue Sunday afternoon, which was one of the largest mass meetings that has ever been held at that place.

Officers of the society for the ensuing year have been elected as follows: President, D. N. Moersohn; first vice-president, D. Nemerovsky; second vice-president, M. Ostrow; third vice-president, J. Hovencranz; secretary, E. Weinbaum; treasurer, S. Hertz, and legal adviser, B. H. Goldstein. The legal adviser of the society gives his services free of charge to its members in their efforts to carry out their plans of colonization.

ACTRESS WILL BE HONORED

Two Lodges Plan Welcome for Miss Ida Jennings Tomorrow Night.

Monda Glendower (Ida Jennings), Portland-bred actress, is to be honored by two Portland lodges this week, the Elks and Woodmen of the World, which her father, J. J. Jennings, is a prominent member. These organizations

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plan to hold celebrations to welcome the Empress star to her home city.

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A serenade by the Elks' 42-piece band in front of the Empress tomorrow night will be a feature of the festivities and the lodgemen will attend the theater in a body later of see Miss Glendower in "A Christmas on the Comstock," the headline act on the Empress bill.

The Woodmen will celebrate next Saturday night in honor of the daughter of Councilman Jennings.

One dozen altar boys from the Christian Brothers' Business College were engaged by Miss Glendower yesterday to appear in her act. The boys, dressed in surplice and cassock, will walk across the stage before a church setting and sing "Adeste Fideles," a Christmas anthem, in the finale of the playlet. Judge Gatens, of the Juvenile Court, granted permission yesterday for the boys to appear on the Empress stage throughout the week, and also will be in charge of Rev. Brother Andrew.

IMPLEMENT MEN TESTIFY

International Harvester Company Did Not Dictate, Say Witnesses.

WICHITA, Kan., March 24.—Eight Oklahoma implement dealers testified that the International Harvester Company never attempted to prohibit them from handling machinery.

trial to dictate the retail prices they tried to charge in the hearing here today of the Government's suit against the company under the Sherman anti-trust law.

E. P. Grosvenor and J. P. Darling, special assistants of the Attorney-General, questioned the witnesses.