CHARTER IS TO WAIT

Council Firm in Stand for Commission Form.

INVESTIGATION TIME ASKED

Willingness to Refer Measure on Old Manner of Government at Election Two Years From June Is Announced.

Taking a firm stand, the City Council by unanimous vote yesterday refused to submit to the voters at the June election a proposed new charter giving Portland the old Councilmanic form of government in place of the present commission form. In taking this ac-tion the members of the Commission tion the members of the Commission announced that a change in the form of government is too serious a proposition to be submitted to the voters by the City Council without time for investigation of the provisions of the charter as proposed.

If the measure were to be submitted the Council would have only one week in which to investigate the whole charter as proposed, containing 200

charter as proposed, containing 200 typewritten pages and involving a complete change in the form of government and the method of transacting business. The voters would have only 20 days in which to ascertain the containts of the proposed charter it was tents of the proposed charter, it was

Eleven Wards Proposed. The proposed new chater was pre-sented by George S. Shepherd, representing a committee appointed at a mass meeting held in North Portland in March. Mr. Shepherd announced that in March. Mr. Shepherd announced that the measure proposed to do away with the present commission system and to re-establish ward representation. It was proposed to have eleven wards with a representative in the Council from each. Positions of City Attorney. City Treasurer, City Engineer and Municipal Judge were to be made elective. When the request was made by Mr. Shepherd that the proposition be submitted Commissioner Daly wanted to know whose charter it was. He declared that it was the outcome of dissatisfaction on Mr. Shepherd's part because the City Council had refused to appropriate money for the dredging of Columbia Slough as a sewer drain for the Peninsuls. He said the committee the Peninsula. He said the committee was appointed at a mass meeting, which was poorly attended.

Time to Investigate Desired.

"It would be an insult to the voters to ask them to vote upon a question like this without having time to investigate the provisions of this proposed new charter," said Commissioner Brewster, who took a firm stand against the committee. He moved that the proposition be placed upon the taple and receive no further consideration.

W. T. Vaughn, ex-City Councilman and defeated candidate for City Commissioner at the last election, declared that nine people out of 10 were against commission government. He asserted that the new charter committee represented four-fifths of the people of the city. Time to Investigate Desired.

Members of the Council expressed r willingness to submit to the voters a new charter, provided time were allowed in which to prepare a charter properly. It was declared that the present Commissioners would be willing to submit a proposed new charter at the election two years from now.

PORTLAND RAILWAY, LIGHT & POW. ER COMPANY TO RAISE \$1,250,000.

By Transfer of 50,000 Shares to Preferred Issue on Payment of \$25 a Share Fund Is Created.

A plan for refinancing that will provide \$1,250,000 for immediate needs, was adopted by the stockholders of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Combany at a special meeting yesterday

By this plan holders of the outstanding common stock will be permitted to surrender 20 per cent of their holdings, together with \$25 for each share thus surrendered, and receive in return paid-up preferred stock, share for whare

The present capitalization of the company is \$25,000,000 in common stock, of which but \$75 on each share, par value \$100, has been paid in.

Decreasing earnings has forced the company to seek revenues from other sources and for a time the advisability of levying an assessment was considered.

The meeting yesterday authorized an insue of \$16,000,000 in new preferred stock, of which one-half will be 6 per cent non-cumulative, same date. Only one-half of each issue will be offered for immediate sale, however. The remaining shares, or \$2,500,000 of cumulative and \$2,500,000 of non-cumulative, will be held in the company's treasury. By this plan an assuregate of \$0,000 By this plan an aggregate of 50,000 shares of common stock will be surrendered and canceled. Each share will be secompanied by a cash payment of \$25—an aggregate of \$1,250,000.

This money will be devoted to im-mediate betterments and improvements, such as are required in the ordinary conduct of the company's business. The company has paid no dividends for

LIQUOR AUCTIONS TABOO

Council Opposed to Plan of Saloons to Dispose of Stocks.

Plans of liquor dealers to hold liquot suction sales were alphed in the bud by the City Council yesterday, when it was decided by unanimous vote not to grant permits to conduct such sales. The suctions had been planned by several concerns as a method of getting rid of the stock of liquor which will be left the end of this year when Portland

Mayor Albee brought the question before the Council yesterday at the request of liquor dealers. All members of the Council, including the Mayor, were against the proposition.

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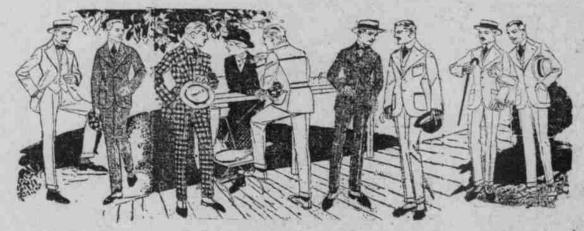
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To the man or woman catching the largest trout and bringing it to Meier & Frank's. Bring in your catches and get into the race! Contest closes next Monday, May 17, at 6 P. M. Sporting Goods Store, Temporary Annex, Main Floor.

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90.2; Ella Bonheim, 89.9; Bess C. Burch, 87; Sue Loomis, 77.2; C. C. Walker, 75.4; Blanch Fisher, 81.3.

RETAILERS TO BE HOSTS at the depot and escorted to a boat for a trip up the Columbia River to Cascade Locks.

The first party will be that of the be closed at that time for repairs Ohio Retail Merchants' Association, and The vessel will be docked and her boilers thoroughly cleaned. cisco Sunday. The party will be met

Instructors.

Eight out of 13 persons who took a recent civil service examination for positions of swimming instructors in the public swimming tanks during the complex swimming

THREE BALLOTS PROBABLE Annexation Questions to Go on Separate Tickets.

An opinion of City Attorney LaRoche Two big parties of Ohio business men are coming to Portland the first of the public swimming tanks during the coming summer season got passing grades, according to the ratings as made public systemeday by the Municipal Civil Service Board.

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It is said the law regarding annexation provides that such questions must not be submitted on the same ballot with other issues at an election.

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