

BURDEN OF METERS WILL FALL ON USER

Initial Cost of \$352,000, Repairs and Yearly Outlay of \$25,000 Few Items.

READING IS ADDED COST

As Rates Exist, All Pay Only for Exact Amount Water Consumed. Garbage-in-Gulch Plan Another of Mr. Daly's Failures.

YOU BET WITH WATER BUREAU AND LATER IS JUDGE

If you become certain that your water meter is working too fast you can complain to the water bureau. The trouble may be due to some defect in construction or installation of the meter. The water bureau refuses to test your meter unless you agree beforehand that you will pay the test charges if the meter is in good working order. In other words, you bet the water bureau that the meter is defective. The bureau takes the bet and acts as the judge. This is one of the little troubles meter users have. There are many others.

Who will be called upon to pay the \$352,000 for the initial installation of 43,000 meters and the subsequent annual installation of 3000 on new services at a cost of \$25,000 a year? Who will pay the annual repair bill on this army of meters? Who will pay the 15 additional cents which have to be used to read them? Who will pay the bill for the renewal of all these meters when they wear out and have to be replaced at \$3.40 each? It will be none other than the man who uses the water. He will settle for every cent of the cost along with his usual bill for the water used.

Only Water Users Must Pay.

The money is not going to spring from some mystical source and is not going to be donated by any firm, firm or corporation. Every water-user in Portland is going to pay the full price for the purchase and installation of his meter and for its repair, maintenance and reading. Proponents of the meter scheme say it is false to say that water users will have to pay for their meters. Why then is there left to pay the cost? Every cent of the expense which is branded by two members of the City Council (Mayor Albee and Commissioner Dieck) as an unnecessary extravagance, will be put up by the water user. There is no other place from which it can come.

The meter makers, who, by the way, are all in the East, are not going to donate any meters to the city. They are going to exact all the way from \$5.30 to \$4.40 for each one of the 43,000 meters. Workmen are not going to donate their services in installing the meters. The average cost of the last meters installed in Portland was \$4.40 each. The big water users will pay only their proportion. The small water user will not be relieved of any part of his burden. The cost of the meter system will be placed in the column with other operating costs and upon the total bill for the water used. It takes \$252,000 at the outset to install meters, that amount will be added to the operating charges. It will add to the rates and thus will add to the monthly water bill.

Large Services Are Metered.

The large users of water are now metered. Meters are on all such services as laundries, hotels, rooming houses, factories, apartment-houses, large residences and other large consumers of water. Under rates as they are now, all users pay for what they use. If a house is large and has many taps the rate is greater than for a small house. The charge is fixed on the number of taps. The minimum rate is 50 cents a month either with or without a meter. The charge increases on the basis of the number of taps and therefore, naturally, the approximate amount of water used.

Water Rate Basis is Equitable.

Where is the need of hooking the big extravaganzas on a meter system only to satisfy a whim of Commissioner Daly?

Garbage Plan One of Failures.

Mr. Daly has been wrong on many things before. He became almost indignant because people said his plan to fill the city's gutches with garbage would be impracticable. He went ahead at considerable expense and it was barely a month before he nearly ruined South Portland with the stench from the garbage heaps. Mr. Daly insisted beforehand that the plan was the right one.

Mr. Daly tried to make a minimum wage measure work. He contended that it was for the benefit of city workmen of the city. The measure went through and instead of helping American laborers it turned the city's sewer work all over to Syrians, Italians and Russians, all unable to speak English.

A city-wide water-meter system is too costly a proposition to experiment with.

STEEL MEN SEE PORTLAND

Party of 30, on Way Home From Convention, Departs for East.

Thirty members of the American Iron, Steel and Heavy Hardware Association passed yesterday in Portland sightseeing on their way to their Eastern homes from the association's annual convention in San Francisco.

Plans had been made for the entertainment of the visitors by the Chamber of Commerce, but the members refused the hospitality because sufficient notice had not been given the organization of the coming of the visitors. They therefore conducted their own sightseeing expedition.

They arrived in Portland over the Southern Pacific at 7:30 o'clock in the morning and remained until 8 o'clock last night, when they departed over the O. W. R. & N. for Seattle. They will go East from there over the northern route.

PERSONAL MENTION.

C. C. Cathey, of Albany, is at the Oregon. Owen Jones, of Dufur, is at the Perkins. G. F. Clark, of Seattle, is at the Portland. D. L. Elster, of Eugene, is at the Nortonia. J. G. McIntosh, of Seattle, is at the Carlton. M. J. O'Connell, of Westport, Wash.,

manufacturer, is registered at the Oregon. H. W. Thompson, of Eugene, is at the Imperial. George Maafi, of Albany, is at the Nortonia. Henry Akin, of Sheridan, is at the Commercial. G. G. Rompaugh, of Eugene, is at the Multnomah.

Frank B. Badollet, of Eugene, is at the Carlton. S. Cline and wife, of Astoria, are at the Perkins. E. G. Sanders, of Yamhill, Or., is at the Portland.

H. H. Carter and wife, of Albany, are at the Nortonia. J. W. MacClements, of Baltimore, is at the Nortonia. E. Loree, of Redmond, Or., is registered at the Carlton.

Mrs. E. E. Corfman, of Provo, Utah, is at the Multnomah. G. H. Russell, of Prineville, is registered at the Imperial.

William Ely, Jr., of Hackensack, N. J., is at the Portland. R. Q. Teague, of Lexington, is registered at the Cornellius.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hudson, of Dallas, Or., are at the Perkins. Mrs. S. H. Hays, of Boise, is registered at the Multnomah.

B. K. Hillman, of St. Paul, Or., is registered at the Carlton. A. M. Lynch, of Rockford, Ill., is registered at the Oregon.

Nora G. Milliken, of The Dalles, is stopping at the Cornellius. Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Jarman and family, of Dallas, are at the Cornellius.

Miss Ethelwynne Craze, of Hoquiam, Wash., is registered at the Multnomah. Fred A. Williams, a well-known attorney of Grants Pass, Or., is registered at the Imperial.

Captain and Mrs. Milton Smith, of Rainier, Or., are at the Imperial while in Portland to watch the motorboat races.

BATTLE SILENCE TERROR

C. H. MORTIMER WRITES STILLNESS AFTER FIRE IN HEAVY STRAIN.

Effect of German Gas Shells is Described by Lieutenant Now at Front Near Ypres Line.

The silence following the roar of artillery after a hot engagement is more terrible than the noise of the guns under the auspices of the Olympic Mottimer, a former Portland man, now lieutenant in a battery of Royal Field artillery. In a letter just received by C. S. Greaves, of the Imperial Hotel, Lieutenant Mottimer describes part of the action when the British forces captured Hill 60.

"Five batteries, including my own," says the letter, "were bunched together, and all firing. After the first few minutes I can't say I remember anything very much except the roar of the guns all around me, and how long the action actually lasted I can't say. I know that my battery alone fired 600 rounds.

"About 3 A. M. the firing grew less and less, and then suddenly stopped. The silence in contrast to the terrific noise of the guns was simply awful. Fellows were talking in whispers—no one knows why. Suddenly I recommended on our right. The infantry now took it up, and all of the batteries joined in the chorus. By this time the action had pretty well worn itself out. Day was just starting to break.

"While we were waiting for orders I heard a bird start singing and you've no idea how uncanny it sounded. "Stand easy" came down over the field and we all lay down. I was in our tracks from sheer exhaustion. "I am in a howitzer battery of 4.7-inch guns, and our position was near Ypres.

"That gas is awful. You've no conception what a terrible thing it is until you see it for yourself. I've seen scores of men laid out gasping like fish out of water, being strangled to death, and the most distressing thing is that they die for by inches at a time.

"Mr. Mortimer was employed by the Rogers-Hart-Gibson Company in Portland until three years ago when he left for the Orient. He was in Shanghai when war started, and immediately went to England. He obtained a commission in the same regiment in which he served through the Boer War.

13 HEW WAY UP MOUNT

ONE WOMAN IN Y. M. C. A. PARTY TO REACH HODD'S SUMMIT.

Cold Wind Turns Soft Snow to Ice After Government Camp is Left Behind.

One woman, Dr. Edith MacDowell, helped to cut steps in the ice 1500 feet up the side of Mount Hood and reach the summit with a party of excursionists led by A. M. Griley, physical director of the Y. M. C. A. The party returned yesterday.

Thirteen hikers left the association Friday for a few days at Government Camp and at the summit. The snow was soft as the climbers left Government Camp, but later was frozen suddenly to ice by a cold wind that came down after camp had been left some distance behind.

Steps were slowly chopped in the ice from Crater Rock to the summit and the party finally reached the top at 5:30 o'clock after a steady climb since 1 o'clock. Fog frequently shut out all view of the landscape, then lifted again at intervals.

In the party were A. M. Griley, Thomas R. Sator, E. Russell White, William C. Dalzell, L. H. Moomaw, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Markham, R. C. Elder, Dr. J. H. Hall, Dr. Edith MacDowell, J. W. Hargrave, N. English and C. H. Treichel.

AUTOS FOR PARADE NEEDED

Infirm Grand Army Men to Take Part in Rose Festival Pageant.

An interesting feature of the big Friday daylight parade of the Rose Festival will be the appearance of the members of the Grand Army, many of whom are now too old and infirm to travel on foot, which will necessitate the using of automobiles for their benefit. For this reason considerable money has been raised for the success of the festival, and especially in the welfare of the old soldiers, to assist by offering the use of their autos for this purpose.

About 75 autos will be needed in all, and they surely could not be put to any more loyal service than to help in this way. If you have a machine you will be willing to drive in the Friday parade and carry some of the old boys in blue, kindly telephone George L. Baker, Main 5728, room 417 Northwest corner Bank building, and leave particulars.



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ST. JOHNS IS ACTIVE

Citizens Are Pushing Annexation Campaign.

People Urged to Vote

Indifference Considered Greatest Danger to Annexation Cause.

Mr. Adams is Active—New Club Boosts Mr. Baker.

Residents of St. Johns and the various civic organizations of Portland are conducting an active campaign to induce citizens of Portland to vote "yes" on the question of annexing St. Johns at the forthcoming municipal election.

It will be pointed out that unless a majority of all the persons voting at the coming election vote favorably on this issue, the proposed consolidation of the two cities will be defeated.

The sentiment of Portland persons seems to be overwhelmingly in favor of the merger, but because it is so overwhelming many persons think it unnecessary even to vote on the question.

That disposition not to vote, it is declared, presents the greatest danger to the consolidation programme.

Under terms of the law passed at the recent Legislature a majority of all the electors voting at the election must vote favorably on annexation if the annexation is to be authorized. That means that 1, 60,000 votes are cast for city commissioner, at least 30,001 must vote for annexation. But if 60,000 votes are cast for commissioner and only 29,999 persons vote on the annexation question, and all of them vote "yes" the annexation will be lost.

At a series of meetings to be held this week the importance of voting "yes" will be impressed upon the voters. The law provides that the annexation issue must be presented to the voters on separate ballots. The judges and clerks of the several election boards will be instructed by the city officials to provide each voter with an annexation ballot.

Portland voters will be asked at this election to pass on the annexation of two suburbs—Linton and St. Johns. Of these, St. Johns is by far the larger and more important, although an active campaign is being made for Linton also.

The people of both suburbs already have authorized the annexation, providing it is acted on favorably by the people of Portland.

The Chamber of Commerce has endorsed both plans. It is pointed out that for all practical purposes St. Johns now is a part of Portland and that it will be only a short time until Linton will be similarly situated.

Annexation in accordance with the programme for a greater Portland, it is urged, and will be beneficial not only to the people of the affected suburbs but to the people of Portland as well.

C. A. Bigelow, Commissioner of Finance and a candidate for re-election, spoke at the meeting Saturday night in the Russellville Grange Hall, while C. C. Hall, of his campaign committee, assisted.

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INFORMATION FOR TOURISTS

Mountain, River and Beach Resorts Where To Take a Short Trip Out of Portland

Herewith is a list of short trips in and about Portland. If you are in doubt about any point, or the trip you have heard about is not mentioned here, call at the Information Bureau of the Chamber of Commerce or phone them—Bell Phone, Broadway 520 or Automatic, A 6091. Information will gladly be given. Literature of interesting points furnished—Time Cards, Beach and Mountain Resort literature. The Oregonian asks the names and addresses of tourists for publication. Enclose your business card with names of your party to Summer Resort Dept., The Oregonian, Portland.

COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY.

A scenic drive of rare beauty, built along the south shore of the Columbia River, a distance of more than 40 miles from Portland. A series of remarkable waterfalls, rugged peaks and deep canyons are among the attractions.

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Electric car line to Boring, 24 miles; automobile to Welch's, Rhododendron and Tawney's, round trip from Portland, \$7.25. Same as above with horse stage all the way, \$5.75.

MOUNT HOOD RESORTS.

Cloud Cap Inn is a delightful retreat, 6000 feet above sea level, on a sheltered spur of the very mountain itself, and is located just at the upper edge of timber line.

The trip to the inn usually is made by rail to Hood River and thence by stage. The round-trip rate, including all traveling expenses, is \$12.50. Service begins July 1 and continues to September 15.

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Columbia River Excursions—Steamers leave Portland daily in the summer season up the scenic Columbia. A trip of unsurpassed beauty. It is possible to travel one way by rail and the other by water. Steamers go as far east as The Dalles, 100 miles from Portland.

Forestry Building—A permanent log structure from the Lewis and Clark Fair. Open to the public free from 9 to 4:30 daily. Take "W" car on Morrison street to end of line.

Portland Heights (Council Crest)—1200 feet above the city. Take Council Crest car on Washington street, 20 minutes each way. Wonderful view of the city and snow-capped mountains.

Don't fail to see Portland's famous roses. You can see them by observation cars, sightseeing buses or by special auto.

Summer Hill—Close inspection of one of our largest sawmills granted free to visitors upon presentation of permit to be had from Portland Chamber of Commerce, No. 85 Fifth street.

The Oaks (the Coney Island of the West)—Over 80 acres of priceless roses in full bloom, with every form of entertainment and accommodation for tourists. Orchestral and band concerts, prima donna, and musical comedy company every afternoon and night in the open-air theater. Performances all free. Admission to park 10 cents. Reached by express special Oaks trains (fare 5 cents), from First and Alder; or by launch (10 cents), from Morrison Street Bridge.

Park—Washington Park, head of Washington street, with small zoo and aviary. Take any car west on Washington street excepting Sixteenth; fare 5 cents. Celebrated statue, "Coming of the White Man," also "Sacajawea." Excellent view of the city.

Riggs, Mrs. Rose Coursen Reed, Mrs. R. Citron, Mrs. J. P. Brogan, Mrs. J. C. Otte, Miss Halle Thomas, Mrs. M. L. Jeter, Mrs. George M. Harris, Miss Mc Brahm, Miss Frances Barnes, Mrs. F. Henshaw, Mrs. Clarence Brown, Mrs. George L. Hoffman, Mrs. Arline Bates, Mrs. I. A. Webbe and Miss Elsie Gilt. Mrs. Paul R. Kelly has been elected president. The members of the Good Government Club are working for the encouragement of efficiency and sound business principles in the handling of civic affairs and will make the name of their club their motto.

A. W. Lafferty and A. C. Marsters, candidates for City Commissioner, will speak on the jitney question at a meeting in the assembly hall of the Central Library at 5 o'clock tonight. They are running on a joint platform for the restoration of the city publicly pamphlet and in favor of the jitneys.

Commissioner Brewster and two candidates for School Director, Dr. E. Sommer, who is up for re-election, and S. P. Lockwood, are to speak at a meeting in the North Portland Branch Library, Killingsworth avenue and Congress street, tonight.

City Auditor Barbur has sent notices to chairmen of all day and night election boards to attend a meeting at the City Hall Saturday night for special instruction in their duties. He is preparing a guide to the election laws so that chairmen can look up any point over which controversy might arise.

Charles V. Cooper, candidate for City Commissioner, in reply to the assertion that he worked against woman suffrage nine years ago, said yesterday: "A man who cannot or will not change his opinions with the progress of time is dangerous. The fact that some thousands changed their minds with me on the question of suffrage is evidence of the fact that a majority of men came to see the issue as a benefit and not as a detriment. There were thousands of good women in 1907 who conscientiously believed the vote for women to be against the best interests of the state. Many of these same women are today the strongest supporters of the struggle for enfranchisement. I did vote for the suffrage amendment."

Employed Officers at Astoria, Cal., had left for their homes. The officials were entertained at breakfast, taken about the city in autos to places of interest and then conducted through the association building, where 100 varied activities were pointed out.

Among the visitors yesterday were: Fred Willis, general secretary, Worcester, Mass.; R. P. Caine, international committee, New York; and Mrs. Caine; General Secretary Smith, of Newcastle, Pa.; and Mrs. Smith; C. W. Page, general secretary, Houston, Tex.; Thomas Johnson, general secretary, Savannah, Ga.; Mr. Page and Mr. Johnson are giving particular study to the methods and systems of the Portland association.

There are now 423,000 barrels of apples in chemical storage in Western New York State; 347,000 barrels more have been disposed of since March 20, 64,000 of these barrels are in Albion County.

MORE SECRETARIES ARRIVE

Employed Y. M. C. A. Officers, on Way From Conference, Are Guests.

Additional secretaries arrived at the Y. M. C. A. yesterday after the members of the two large parties returning to the East from the conference of



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