

BARBUR REVERSES SELF IN DISPUTE

Intent to Oust Grade Crossing Elimination Engineer Is Abandoned.

MAYOR TAKES UP CASE

Discharge of G. S. Edmondstone Opposed and Commissioner Next Plans to Place Man in Subordinate Position.

City Commissioner Barbur yesterday reversed himself on his plan to announce Monday of discharging George S. Edmondstone as City Engineer in charge of the O.-W. R. & N. grade crossing elimination project. The change of mind was announced at a conference called in the office of Mayor Baker. Mr. Baker, in accordance with his policy of acting as general supervisor of all departments, injected himself into the controversy and into the grade crossing contract troubles.

In changing the plan regarding Mr. Edmondstone Mr. Barbur announced that he intended combining the grade crossing elimination bureau with the bureau of highways and bridges, placing Mr. Edmondstone in a subordinate capacity. This has stirred up more trouble, inasmuch as no reason is apparent for the change. Mr. Edmondstone yesterday forwarded a letter to Commissioner Barbur in which he declined to vacate his office unless the City Council, which created his position, should order him removed.

Mayor Opposes Change.

It is understood that Mayor Baker and Commissioner Mann and Bielewicz and possibly Commissioner Kellaker are opposed to Mr. Edmondstone being ousted from a position in charge of the grade crossing elimination project. The city's interests may be sacrificed by a change. The city's legal bureau, which is keeping tabs on the legal end of the contract, feels the same way. In his letter to Mr. Barbur yesterday Mr. Edmondstone says in part: "The letter which I received from you states no reason for desiring to remove me, save 'lack of work,' which does not apply to this question, and as the ordinance creating my position does not contain any provision for my removal, I believe a serious mistake would be made by its dismissal."

Contractor Reported Behind.

At the conference with Mayor Baker yesterday the details of the contract and the work to be done were discussed. It was reported that the contractor is far behind in his work and has put in many claims for extras which Mr. Edmondstone has refused to pay. Mr. Edmondstone declared that by all means Mr. Edmondstone should be kept in charge of the work. "I know Mr. Edmondstone only by the work he has done," said Mr. Baker. "He appears to be thorough, honest and efficient. I believe a serious mistake would be made by his dismissal."

Another Reported Slated.

One rumor which has been current is that another outside engineer has been slated for the position later. George Maher has been mentioned as the possible selection. Mr. Maher has been a visitor in Mr. Laugaard's office frequently of late. There is a possibility that more trouble will arise in connection with the controversy and rumor has it that it may terminate in Mayor Baker taking the grade crossing bureau out of the hands of Mr. Barbur. Mr. Baker refused to discuss this yesterday.

EASTERN FORESTERS VISIT

Forty-five members of Association Touring Western Reserves.

Forty-five members of the Massachusetts Forestry Association on tour of the national forests and parks, arrived late last night, and will spend three days visiting points of interest in the vicinity of Portland.

NEW CHIEF RETURNS SOON

N. F. Johnson, who is to be Portland's new Chief of Police August 1, is expected in the city this week from a short trip to the East, where he has been visiting relatives and looking over Eastern police departments.

Ridgefield Man Injured.

RIDGEFIELD, Wash., July 24.—(Special.)—Reuben Schwantes fell from a cherry tree, yesterday, breaking his right arm at the wrist and getting badly cut in the face.

We Give S. & H. Green Trading Stamps With Cash Purchases Amounting to 10c or More—Filled Books of S. & H. Stamps Redeemed in Cash on Fourth Floor

Special 25c Shoppers' Lunch Served Daily in the Basement—Grass Furniture, Rugs, Draperies, Third Floor—Manicuring and Hair Dressing Parlors, Second Floor

ARTISTIC PICTURE FRAMING TO ORDER AT LOWEST PRICES DEPARTMENT FOURTH FLOOR

Soap 8 Cakes 25c
On Sale in Basement
—Toilet Soap of pure vegetable oils, free from all animal matter. Lathers freely in hot or cold water. Special 8 cakes 25c

Notions and Small Wares
On Sale at Bargain Circle, First Floor

Art Gum, regular size cake, at 8¢
Double Serge Silk Belting, 2 ins. wide, black and white, at yd., 15¢
Cable Cord, in 8-yd. lengths, white only; sizes 40, 50, 90; the bolt, 5¢
Pearl Buttons, asst. sizes, cd., 7¢
Cotton Stay Binding in 4-yard bolts, all widths, at the bolt, 5¢
Lingerie Tape, 5-yard bolts, at 7¢
Stickier Edging Tape, asst. 7¢
Dove Brass Toilet Pins, paper, 5¢
Wire Snap Fasteners, dozen, 5¢
Sterling Skirt Markers, only 10¢
—Hairpin Cabinets in bronze and jet. Best grade of pins, at 10¢
—Kid Curlers, priced, dozen 14¢
—WAYNE WARDROBE BAGS for storing woollens, furs, etc. Dust-proof and moth-proof. All sizes on sale now at low prices.
—Bias Folds, No. 1 to 7, at 5¢
Invisible Bronze Hairpin Cabinets on sale today at, each 4¢
Cube Pins, black or white, at 5¢
Rubber Household Aprons 39¢

Women's Fine Lisle Vests

Basement Week-End Sale
—Hundreds of Women's Lisle Vests in this special offering; shown in several neat styles, with low neck, crochet or lace-trimmed yoke, no sleeves. It will pay you to buy enough for the entire season. Manufacturers' "seconds," with slight imperfections. Supply your needs now and save.

—WOMEN'S Summer weight Union Suits, special 25c
—WOMEN'S Union Suits, in pink or white, loose knee 47c

35c and 50c Wash Goods at 25c

—Basement—Dainty tub fabrics for Summer dresses and waists; great many different weaves, including voiles, batistes, lawns and organdies—also the much-wanted French crepes, white and 25c asst. colors, 35c, 50c values 25c

CHEAP FOOD TOPIC

University Professor Tells How Pennies May Be Saved.

MEAT SUBSTITUTES NAMED

Miss Winifred Kerr Discusses Use of Cheaper Cuts and Value of Vegetables—War Bread to Be Subject of Monday's Talk.

The boiled dinner, that not unsavory reminder of washday, was commended yesterday to Portland housewives by Miss Winifred Kerr, of the University of Oregon, who spoke at the Central Library on "Conservation of Meat."

FRUIT UNION REORGANIZES

Umpqua Valley Body Also to Employ Field Representative.

ROSEBURG, Or., July 24.—(Special.)—Acting on a report of an expert accountant, the stockholders of the Umpqua Valley Fruit Union today decided to reorganize the affairs of the association by the elimination of F. H. Davies as bookkeeper and the election of A. L. Kitchin as secretary. Mr. Kitchin has been manager for the union. The stockholders also decided to employ a field representative.

BEACH RESORT TO OPEN

COLUMBIA RIVER RETREAT PREPARES FOR SEASON.

Accommodations Provided for 5000 Bathers Daily—River Bottom Is Found to Be Without Holes.

Columbia Beach, a popular playground and bathing resort, will throw open its gates for the 1917 season next Saturday, July 28. This announcement was made yesterday by Manager Al Harris, who has had a big crew of men busy for more than a week past clearing up the debris left by the recent high water and getting the grounds of the big playground into shape.

A number of new attractions have

The Standard Store of the Northwest
Olds, Wortman & King
Reliable Merchandise—Reliable Methods

Basement Rummage Sale Women's Suits and Coats

Priced for Quick Selling \$5 At Your Choice, Only—

—Our Mid-Season Clean-up of Women's Wool Suits starts Wednesday morning in the Basement Store, and will continue while any remain. It's a final windup of the most successful suit season the Basement Store has ever known. Great many splendid suits to select from. We also include in this offering many Women's and Misses' Coats, in all the popular styles and fabrics. Many handsome models for sport wear, with large collars, fancy belts, pockets, etc.—Coats and Suits in this extraordinary sale that cost very much more than the price we have put upon them, but we must close this lot out at once. Don't delay—be on hand early Wednesday morning and share in this remarkable offering of Women's Coats and Suits at only \$5.00. Extra salespeople here to see you are waited on promptly.

Women's Silk Coats \$12.95
Up to \$7.50 Dresses \$2.98

—Basement—Women's Silk Coats—odd lines from our regular stock, and a few sample garments, of splendid quality black taffeta, and also in a few of the leading colors. This season's best styles. Women's beautiful Silk \$12.95 Coats on sale at low price

—Basement—Extra Special—Women's new Summer Dresses—big special shipment just received. This season's very newest styles and materials. White, plain colors and various combinations of shades. Dresses in this lot \$2.98 formerly selling to \$7.50.

—Basement—Don't miss this sensational sale of high-class Waists, for the values are most remarkable. Odd lines of the season's models, made up in fancy silks, nets, crepes, etc. Hundreds to select from; good assortment of colors and sizes. Waists \$1.95 worth \$3.50. Sale price \$1.95

—Basement—Clean-up of many special lines of Women's House Dresses at a fraction of real value. Made up in good styles from serviceable materials. We also include in this lot odd lines of Dressing Saques and Wrappers on sale in the Basement Store at the very special price of only 50c

—Basement—Women's Knit Pants, in loose knee style; a pair 19c
—GIRLS' Ribbed Vests, sizes 4 to 12; while they last, only 5c

Outing Flannel Night Gowns
Worth to \$1.50—Special 89c

—Basement—Great special purchase and sale Women's Outing Flannel Night-Gowns to go on sale beginning Wednesday at a very low price. A good opportunity to buy gowns for the beach or camp and also to supply winter needs. Dozens of styles in plain white or stripes \$1.25 and \$1.50 Gowns on sale now at

PASTOR IS ARRESTED
Rev. G. R. Dye, ex-Portland Minister, Accused of Arson.

in Portland until Saturday morning, and said he had a round-trip ticket from his home at Mount Vernon. It was said that he could not produce this ticket and an investigation is being made concerning his statement that he did not arrive here until the morning after the fire.

During his preliminary examination last week, Mr. Dye broke down completely and asked to be allowed to see a physician. It was said, however, that he had gone immediately to John F. Logan, an attorney, Mr. Logan assisted him yesterday in securing the cash bail of \$1000.

Mr. Dye is now pastor of the First Baptist church of Mount Vernon, O., and on various occasions has supplied the pulpit at the White Temple, in Portland. It is said that he has considerable property interests in Portland and Oregon. He stoutly protests his innocence and said yesterday that a complete investigation would show that he had nothing to do with the fire. He will be held under bail pending action by the grand jury.

OREGON FRUITS STUDIED
Wisconsin Jelly Manufacturer May Use Products of Pacific Coast.

With the object in view of ascertaining how his company may utilize Oregon fruits, Otto E. Glidden, of the Waukesha, Wis., Pure Food Company, is paying a visit to the Northwest. After some time spent in Portland, he went to Salem yesterday and is making a study of the loganberry industry.

His trip to the Pacific Coast at this time was made in order that he might have first-hand information as to conditions with regard to the fruit crops and for the purpose of deciding how his company may utilize them in the manufacture of his products, among which is Jiffy-Jell, a widely-known product which has millions of users throughout the country, although it has been upon the market only a year. Special advertising campaigns put on by his company have made practically every housewife in America familiar with its name.

Mr. Glidden is on his way South, but before leaving he will make a thorough investigation into fruit crop conditions in this vicinity.

Copper Plant Increased in Size.
ROSEBURG, Or., July 24.—(Special.)—De Witt Van Ostrand, owner of extensive timber interests in Douglas County, came here today from Grants Pass, where he is developing the Waldco copper mine. Mr. Van Ostrand says he has enlarged the stamp mill at the mine and its capacity is now six times greater than the original plant.

Honor Guards to Drill.
ROSEBURG, Or., July 24.—(Special.)—At a meeting of the Girls' National Honor Guard held Saturday night the members organized a drilling company for military training. Miss Lucile French was chosen captain, Miss Elma Peyton lieutenant, Miss Maxine Sykes sergeant, and as corporals of the squads were selected Misses Myra Hannan, Maybelle Miller and Edith Wilcox. A farewell dance to the fourth Company, Coast Artillery, will be held here Friday night by the Honor Guard girls.

Road Bond Bids to Be Opened.
ROSEBURG, Or., July 24.—(Special.)—The County Court will meet in special session here Saturday to open bids for the purchase of \$555,000 worth of road bonds which were authorized at the election held June 4. Approximately \$250,000 of the sum will be expended on the Pacific Highway.

Earl Grey Seriously Ill.
LONDON, July 24.—Earl Grey, former Governor General of Canada, is seriously ill. He recently underwent an operation.

Accused Man, on Visit Here From Ohio, Insists He Is Innocent and That He Reached Portland Day Following Fire.

Following investigations by Captain Roberts, of the Portland Fire Bureau, and Deputy District Attorney Hindman, Rev. G. R. Dye, an ex-Portland minister but now a resident of Mount Vernon, O., was placed under arrest on a charge of arson. He is accused of setting fire to his house, at 1449 East Nineteenth street, for the purpose of collecting \$2500 in insurance money. He was arrested in the District Attorney's office, where he had gone to arrange cash bail of \$1000 which he was able to furnish.

Mr. Dye's house, a two-story building, was burned to the ground last Friday night. The authorities say the fire had started in five different parts of the building, and it was upon that view that the arson investigation was made. Yesterday Clark said to have identified the man he saw fleeing from the burning building. When he was first questioned by Captain Roberts last Saturday the minister declared that he had not arrived

Brooklyn to Have Band Concert.
Campbell's American Band will play this musical programme at Brooklyn playground, tomorrow night at 8 o'clock: "The Pride of the U. S. Marines" (Bennett); "Gypsy Queen" (King); quartet, "Rigoletto" (Verdi); instrumentalists, E. C. Stevens, Charles Shanda, cornets; N. A. Tait, trombone; R. E. Tait, euphonium; excerpts from Strauss opera, "Merry War" (Meyrelles); Interludes, "The Nights of Gladness" (Aucifre); serenade, "Love's Greeting" (Elgar); selection, "Katinka" (Fring-Clark); patriotic march, "The Old War-Burg" (Barnard); finale, "The Star-Spangled Banner."



Men's Pants At \$1.39

—Basement—Men's Work and Outing Pants of good, heavy quality khaki material. Styled with cuff bottom and belt loops. Special, pair of fine ribbed cotton, at 29c
—MEN'S NIGHT GOWNS heavy muslin. Sale price 63c
—MEN'S ATHLETIC Shirts, low neck, sleeveless style. Cool for hot days. Special at 19c
—MEN'S HANDKERCHIEFS of fine, soft fabric; full size; worth 10c each. Special at 5c
—MEN'S COTTON \$1.00 Bathing Suits, all sizes \$1.00
—MEN'S COTTON Hose, 9c with seamless feet. Special
—MEN'S UNION SUITS 50c of halbriggan or mesh, at

\$1.50 Undermuslins 89c

—Women's dainty Undermuslin, in a rousing 4 days' sale, at a seasonally low price. Manufacturer's samples, some slightly soiled from handling. Gowns, Chemise, Skirts, Corset Covers, Combinations, etc. Garments worth \$1.50 up to \$1.50, priced at only 89c

Corset Covers At 25c

—Basement—Corset Covers and Drawers of good quality muslin, trimmed with laces and embroidery. Full range sizes
—Women's Drawers, Corset Covers, Skirts and Envelope Chemise of good grade materials. \$1.45 All sizes. Priced special at 47c



Columbia Beach

OPENS Saturday, July 28

THE new, improved and better Columbia Beach—Portland's Coney Island—will open Saturday. New concessions—better forms of entertainment for grown-ups and children are ready for the season's frolic. Plan to attend the opening or come out Sunday with the picnic basket. Bathe, dance or rest—just as you prefer.

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Dancing every evening and all day Sunday.
Special Music
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Pittcock Block
Imported Gingham in Smart Frocks \$7.50
One Lot at \$8.75

These clever gingham dresses are positively the most popular Summer fad in New York. The smart shops are all showing them, and the smartly dressed women are all wearing them on the avenue and elsewhere. You see them everywhere you go. These dresses were picked up at a close-out price to go on sale at \$7.50 and \$8.75. See them here today.

SPECIAL—A big lot of Blouses in voiles and batistes with colored collars and cuffs, and in dainty embroidered voiles \$1.45

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instead of coffee
A Health Tip