

### ADDITIONAL BUILDING COSTS \$53,398 LOSS

Portland Pays \$347,083 for \$410,481 Building.

### CITY OFFICIALS BLAMED

Changes in Materials and Construction Plans, Contractor Testifies, Add Extra Costs.

Although it cost Hans Pederson \$410,481 to construct the public auditorium, the city of Portland paid but \$347,083 for the building, according to a report prepared by Alexander Young & Co., public accountants, and submitted to the auditorium claims committee at its hearing last night.

Much of the extra cost of the building was traced to the action of city officials and city representatives, who required changes in the brick ordered, insisted upon the same used in the building being cut in Portland to furnish employment, and a large number of other changes which delayed the construction of the building, according to Hans Pederson of Seattle, the builder of the city's auditorium, who was on the witness stand last night.

### Contract Release Costs \$500.

Mr. Pederson explained that he had entered into a contract with a stone-cutting firm in Washington, but that city officials insisted that he cancel this contract and allow Portland workmen to cut the stone. This he did, he explained, paying \$500 to the Washington firm for a release from his contract.

### Happner & Co., who furnished the stone, filed suit and secured judgment for \$381, which was paid by the bondsmen of Mr. Pederson, even though Mr. Pederson had paid the sub-contractors, Malone and Sondstrom.

### \$25,000 in Excess Charges.

Failure of the city to make its payments to Mr. Pederson in accordance with the contract brought an action for cost in materials and work estimated by Mr. Pederson at \$25,000, unpaid by the city.

"The failure of the city to meet its payments caused me no end of trouble," said Mr. Pederson. "The sub-contractors and material men had been promised their money, and when I could not pay them they shut down on me. Had the city paid as it had contracted to, I could have avoided much of this distress."

### Mr. Pederson reviewed each of the separate claims made explaining the circumstances surrounding each. He did not conclude his testimony last night, and will again take the stand at 7:30 o'clock, when the hearing is resumed.

### Inspection Is Severe.

Harry Anderson, who was in charge of the brick work at the auditorium building, testified before the committee that the inspection of work was unusually severe, and that certain requirements were made which delayed the work. Such requirements, he explained, were not demanded on other work, and he did not deem them necessary.

### He also testified in detail to the delay in the delivery of brick and the consequent delay and additional cost resulting by this delay.

### WIDENING OF ROAD BEGINS

Paving Will Be 10 Feet Broader Than at Present.

CHEHALIS, Wash., July 7.—(Special.)—Following a conference here Monday with State Highway Commissioner James Allen, the Lewis county commissioners have already started the work of widening the grade of the Pacific highway across the lowlands between Chehalis and Centralia. The particular portion where the widening has been started is directly north of the North Coast power company, near the town of Southwest Washington fair grounds, a distance of about a mile. The present pavement is 18 feet wide and the grade itself will be widened 14 feet, so that eventually a 32 foot pavement may be begun, 2 feet wider than the present pavement.

The plan is to widen the entire county road between Chehalis and Centralia owing to the greatly increasing travel between the Twin cities.

### BURGLAR SUSPECT HELD

Youth Is Wanted in Eugene, Or., on Robbery Charge.

Theodore Leonard, 18, arrested at Park and Couch streets yesterday by Lieutenant Malone and Inspector Wright, is wanted in Eugene, Or., on a charge of having robbed an establishment there. It was announced last night following telegraphic communication with the sheriff at Eugene.

At the time of his arrest Leonard had a suitcase containing five suits of clothes said to have been stolen.

The sheriff at Eugene wired that he would come immediately for Leonard.

### SUMMER TERM IS OPENED

Music and Dancing Taught at Six Weeks' Session at Ashland.

ASHLAND, Or., July 7.—(Special.)—As an adjunct to the Ashland

### RED LIPS AND HEALTH

The first place that anemia, or thin blood, shows is in the lips and gums and the membranes that line the eye-lids. You may be naturally pale and still be healthy but when these membranes lose their bright red color your blood is deficient in quantity or color.

This blood is a danger. It invites disease. The organisms of the blood fight off disease germs. Thin blood means less power to do this. For instance, when you cut yourself it does not heal so quickly if you blood is thin and weak.

To build up the blood there is one remedy that has been a household word for a generation, Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. They tone up the entire system, make the blood rich and red, strengthen the nerves, increase the appetite, put color in the cheeks and lips and drive away that unnatural tired feeling. Plenty of sunlight, good wholesome food and fresh air will do the rest.

A useful booklet, "Building Up the Blood," will be sent free by Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y. Your own druggist sells Dr. Williams' Pink Pills or you can order them direct by mail, postpaid, at 60 cents a box.—Adv.

### PORTLAND IS HOST TODAY TO BOURBOIS

Delegations to Visit for Day on Way Home.

### PALMER IS WITH PARTY

Trips About City and Over Highway Are to Be Arranged for Those Arriving This Morning.

### DAYTON DELEGATION ADMITS SCENIC CHARM.

400 Members of Club Spent Time Boosting Candidate for Presidential Nomination.

### COX' NEIGHBORS IN TOWN

Members of the Dayton, O., delegation to the San Francisco convention stopped yesterday in Portland for sightseeing trips and incidentally to tell Oregon people something of the manner in which they boosted Governor Cox at the national convention.

George F. Ahlborn, Michael Ueschold and John J. Stoeklein of Dayton and Charles Ammon of Gordon, were four of the delegation who called at the Oregon exhibit and paid their respects.

"Bring home the bacon or nothing," was the instruction that Governor Cox gave to the men of his home town on the eve of their departure, according to George F. Ahlborn, who fondly refers to the presidential candidate as "Jimmie" and declares that he is "a thorough gentleman and the finest man that ever has been produced by the great state of Ohio," and he admits that in his opinion the buckeye state is the best of the whole United States.

"When Grover Cleveland was inaugurated president the first time," said Mr. Ahlborn, "Jimmie" Cox's mother was in Washington to attend the celebration. When she shook hands with President Cleveland she told him that she had a boy at home who would be his successor in the "White House."

The Dayton men wore the impressive badge printed in gold leaf of the Oregon City Democratic Club of Dayton. There were 400 of them at San Francisco and they did the work of showing the visitors about the adherents during the long battle of halting that finally resulted in victory for their candidate.

### OCEAN RATE QUESTIONED

OVERLAND TARIFF HELD TO WORK INJUSTICE.

Local Manufacturers Handicapped by Reason of Having to Pay Freight.

The foreign trade department of the Chamber of Commerce has called a meeting of manufacturers and exporters for 4:30 P. M. Friday, at which all persons interested in the new trans-Pacific freight tariff, which goes into effect July 1, are invited to be present. The rates were agreed to at a conference of Pacific coast operators at Vancouver, B. C. last week. Two sets of separate and distinct tariffs have been published, one covering overland freight and one covering cargo originating locally at port of exit. The overland rate is \$2 to \$5 per ton lower than the rate fixed for cargo originating locally, the idea of the steamship operators being to encourage the movement of overland freight via the Pacific coast.

Shippers say that in establishing the rates for local cargo the operators have overlooked the fact that manufacturers on this coast, in most instances, have to get their raw products from the east on which they pay the overland tariffs for domestic shipments which are higher than export rates for the same material. They then add higher manufacturing costs so that the manufactured articles are as high, or higher, than the cost of manufacturing in the east plus the freight to the coast.

It is also contended by the local manufacturers and exporters that whereas the local cargo shipments were very light when trans-Pacific service was first established, it now comprises fully 30 per cent of the total shipments from Portland.

### RECOUNT IS AUTHORIZED

Vote for Justice of the Peace in Astoria Questioned.

ASTORIA, Or., July 7.—(Special.)—Circuit Judge Eakin decided today that the county court has authority to hear the petition of Frank J. Carney for a recount of the votes cast at the election for justice of the peace. The jurisdiction of the county court had been attacked on the ground that the office of justice of the peace was a district and not a precinct office. Judge Eakin held that it was a precinct office within the meaning of the statute.

The recount will begin before County Judge Cornelius next Tuesday. The official canvass showed that Carney had been defeated by J. L. Toumalia by five votes.

### 3 HELD AS SUSPECTS

Trio Thought to Know Something of Disappearance of Auto.

Eddie Nafus, 22; Sam Collins, 19, and Bob Lincoln, alias Ralph Brandt, 29, were arrested yesterday morning by Patrolman Ferry of the district bureau at Broadway and Flanders street and held for the Los Angeles, Cal., authorities on charges of larceny of an automobile.

The members of the trio were caught by the policeman trying to sell a windshield and headlights from a machine.

It is charged that the car had been stolen from L. Asher, 741 South Olive street, Los Angeles, Cal., and driven to Oak Grove, Or., where it was being torn to pieces and sold, the police say.

### Yaquna Bay Towns to Confer.

NEWPORT, Or., July 7.—(Special.)—At a joint meeting of the ports of Toledo and Newport in Newport tomorrow evening, questions of interest to the progress of Yaquna bay as a harbor will be discussed.

### SHOW MASHER GETS OFF

Married Man Told to Flash \$10 Bills at Wife, Not Chorus Girls.

"If you have any money to flash, flash it at your wife," Judge Rossman told A. Renfro, employee of the National Hospital association, who was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct Tuesday night as the result of an escapade at the Lyric theater.

Renfro is said to have taken a box at the theater and tried to attract the attention of the chorus girls by flashing a \$5 bill. The girls thought he was trying to do a little "mashing," and called the police. Motorcycle Patrolman Simkins arrested him.

Judge Rossman discharged Renfro.

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