

SCHOOL WORK CLOG CHARGED TO CLIQUE

Group Accused of Blocking Street Vacation.

JUDGE MUNLY IS NAMED

Director Woodward Lays Blame for Alleged Obstruction Tactics in Holiday District.

Charges that "a mysterious group of obstructionists" are attempting to hamper members of the school board in their building plans by blocking the vacation of certain streets to be used in the holiday district.

Personal living room property at least a mile from the proposed school site have been signing remonstrances against the street vacation. Men have been hired, Mr. Woodward charged, to circulate these petitions.

"Judge M. G. Munly is one of the leaders of this movement," Mr. Woodward said. "They are trying to prevent us from putting up a school in the four-block area which we have chosen for the vacation of the streets. Many of these obstructionists live at least a mile from the proposed site. Not one automobile an hour passes over the streets we propose to vacate."

"This idea of Judge Munly and his confederates is not born of any real idea to protect traffic; it is the work of obstructionists—or worse."

Four-Block Area Sought.

The school board plan, Mr. Woodward explained, provided for the vacation of two blocks of East Broadway and two blocks of Clackamas streets, giving the school and playground a four-block area. The objections of those opposing the vacation of the street is based on the water contention that the closing of these thoroughfares will interfere with traffic.

Fire insurance writers and agents of the city also came in for condemnation by the board as a whole and by Mr. Woodward in particular as a result of the dispute over the payment of \$29,000 of the insurance on the Holladay school, which was burned last February.

A determination to fight the matter out rather than pay the additional premiums was voted. Committee of the board will carry with the district attorney to map out a line of action. A representative may be sent to San Francisco to attempt a peaceful settlement with the highest officials of the insurance companies.

Unfair Tactics Charged.

Charges that the committee of insurance men, appointed some time ago to represent the other agents of the city in arranging a blanket policy to cover the school property of district No. 1, did not play fair with the school board but "hogged" the business for themselves, were made by Mr. Woodward. One particular grievance was the \$700,000 of the business, when it was the agreement that the \$6,000,000 insurance was to be divided up between 200 different agents operating in Portland, he said.

"This demand for the \$600 in additional premiums is nothing but a hand-picked brigade," declared Mr. Woodward. "This little inner group not only broke faith with their fellow agents, but broke faith with us, too. Now they come around and demand another \$600 before they will pay up their losses. They have come so far as to publish a four-page pamphlet which they have distributed about the city, exhorting the school board to fight the action."

The transaction, as explained by Mr. Woodward, who was chairman of the committee in charge of the insurance, started when the board decided to take out a blanket policy, covering the district's property, and to divide this policy among all of the recognized agents of the city. A committee of three insurance men was appointed, he declared, with power to act for other insurance agents.

A two-week binder, or policy, was agreed upon, at a rate equal to the average short-term policy. When the fire destroyed the Holladay school, these agents demanded a higher rate than the one previously agreed upon by the committee on the board and the insurance men, it is said.

Unless an equitable agreement is made, the board probably will carry the fight to the courts, the members being opposed to the payment of the additional \$600 premium.

Department Store Stopped.

Shops at an unnamed downtown department store were made by Mr. Woodward in fostering a motion to pay all school teachers twice instead of once a month, as is the present custom. Mr. Woodward said that the present checks are so large that teachers come downtown to cash them and that the majority cash their checks at one certain department store. He held that the payments should be made often so that the teachers, by trading in the vicinity of their schools, would have a chance to become acquainted with the merchants and residents of those localities.

Despite a strong plea by Woodward, the board decided to take no action at present toward the purchase of land to provide a playground for the school in that district.

"I don't want to spend any more money until we have made good the promises we made the public before election," said Chairman Shult.

The fact that the Woodward district had voted in favor of the bond and tax measure at the recent election was used as an argument by the spokesmen for the residents for the purchasing of the land.

Prisoner Flees While Cops Play in Movies.

Alleged Bad Check Artist Lost in Crowd Before Police Awake to the Fact.

"DARK!" shouted the portly movie director, and the blind light glared of the calcium faded to a dull red glow.

But the signal was a cry to action for two others who were not among the movie actors taking a night scene in front of police headquarters.

There was the motorcycle "cop"

who had been forced to answer an emergency call just as the fair young heroine was being rudely shoved into the police patrol.

Then, there was a suspected bad check artist—a real one and not the movie kind—who had been nabbed by the motorcycle cop at the Portland garage a few minutes after he is said to have cashed a spurious check.

The motorcycle cop brought his prisoner to headquarters just as the movie people were awaiting action. The officer took his prisoner into the captain's office. Then he went in search of the captain who was directing the uniformed "supers" out in front.

It was then—as the prelude related—and the fat director shouted "dark."

For the bad check artist that one word was as balm in Gilead.

At the bright lights faded into darkness and the cop darted to the

IRISH COMEDIAN BIG "HIT" AT PANTAGES THIS WEEK.



Bob Willis.

Irish comedians are not a thing of the past. This is being demonstrated by Bob Willis this week at the Pantages theater, for he steps out and tells a lot of new stories, which are as clean as a new broom and have in them a bit of Irish laughter. The way his stories are received shows that people like a good story, well told.

Since Francis Fogarty retired from the stage and nearly all the old-timers have passed on, there has been a dearth of Irish entertainment," said Mr. Willis. "I found that people are hungry for good Irish yarns, and I am trying to supply the demand. The show for a few days, owing to the severe cold, but is back in the bill."

LAWYER UNDER ARREST

PAUL DORMITZER ACCUSED IN FINE-MONEY DEAL.

Bootlegger Charges Attorney Drew Deposit From Bank and Left Him in Jail Cell.

Paul Dormitzer, Portland attorney, was placed in the county jail Wednesday afternoon, charged with the theft of \$100 entrusted to his care by a client.

C. J. Skeen, proprietor of a soft drink establishment at 262 First street, who was arrested at his home, 2023 Jefferson street, last week, signed the complaint against the lawyer. The money was intended to pay for a fine levied against Skeen in the district court and get him out of jail, according to court attaches. Finally released yesterday when a friend produced sufficient money for the fine, Skeen found his place of business had been sold out during his absence.

Skeen was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Beeman, Talley and Schirmer on August 17, taken before District Judge Bell and fined \$200, for having liquor in his possession, a half pint being discovered in his store and several gallons of moonshine in his home. Skeen produced a bank book in court showing a deposit of \$100 in the Ashley & Rumsen bank and said that a friend of his would put up the remainder of the fine.

Dormitzer, who was in court at the time, volunteered to get the \$100 out of the bank for Skeen and was given an order on the bank, according to Deputy Sheriff Beeman. The money was withdrawn that afternoon but nothing more was seen of Dormitzer until he walked into the courthouse yesterday on other business. At that moment he appeared. Skeen was swearing to a complaint charging the lawyer with larceny by bailment.

Dormitzer under arrest when he showed up and took him to the county jail. His bail was fixed at \$250.

"I was holding it as a fee," Dormitzer explained to the deputy as he was led away.

Mose Garlin, arrested at the same time as Skeen, was released on his own recognizance in care of Dormitzer. He was put in an appearance for his client, whose case was dismissed when another lawyer was obtained, according to deputy sheriffs interested in the case.

Road Condemnation Suit Filed.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 23.—(Special.)—J. M. Devers, attorney for the state highway department, today filed an action in the Marion county circuit court to condemn land owned by Roscoe Thomas and others in the town of Jefferson for highway purposes.

Mr. Devers said the highway department had offered \$200 for the land but that the owners demanded \$800. The land is needed, it was explained, for the route of the Pacific highway through the town of Jefferson.

MUSICAL RECITAL SENT OUT BY RADIO

Splendid Array of Local Talent Is Heard.

SEVEN ARTISTS APPEAR

Three Accompanists Contribute to Concert—Next Programme to Be Dance Feature.

A splendid array of local musical talent in vocal and instrumental solo numbers Wednesday night entertained thousands of listeners in the "air."

Seven artists contributed to the concert, in addition to the three accompanists. They were, Mrs. Herman J. Huckle, soprano; Bess Owen Runyan, soprano; Toine West, soprano; Francis Richter, pianist; Gertrude Hoebler, violinist; Gladys Taft, pianist; and Margaret Bo Dine, pianist.

The accompanists were Miss Lena Southworth, Helen Van Houten, Francis Richter and Gladys Taft. All the entertainers, with the exception of Gladys Taft and Margaret Bo Dine, who are pupils of Ella Connell Jesse, are prominent locally and have been heard in many of the local concerts and recitals.

Programme Combined Recital.

The programme was arranged in the nature of a combined recital given by Mylene Fraker Stille and Ella Connell Jesse, two prominent music teachers. With the exception of one or two, the entertainers were at one time students of either one of the teachers.

There were 25 numbers in all. Mrs. Herman J. Huckle sang her numbers in a splendid soprano voice, perfectly controlled. She was assisted at the piano by Helen Van Houten and gave the following selections: "The Star" (Rogers), "Jean" (Spross), "The Morning Wind" (Bransford) and "Thank God for a Garden" (Del Rio). Mrs. Huckle is the vocalist with the First Unitarian church.

Bess Owen Runyan, who sings in the Sunday School, gave a number in a splendid soprano voice, perfectly controlled. She was assisted at the piano by Helen Van Houten and gave the following selections: "The Star" (Rogers), "Jean" (Spross), "The Morning Wind" (Bransford) and "Thank God for a Garden" (Del Rio). Mrs. Huckle is the vocalist with the First Unitarian church.

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Many Favorable Reports Heard.

The piano solo numbers by Gladys Taft and Margaret Bo Dine, who are both promising pupils of Mrs. Jesse, were played with fine style and finish. Their numbers went out into the air in true professional style, and brought many favorable reports from the unseen audience. Miss Taft played "Hungarian" (MacDowell), "Country Dance" (McFadyen), and "Scherzo in B Flat Minor" (Chopin). Miss Bo Dine played "Lucia di Lammermoor" (Rossini) and "Romance" (Sibelius).

The programme was broadcast under the direction of the Shipmeyer Radio Service. It will begin at 8 o'clock and will contain several solo, either vocal or instrumental, by some prominent local artists.

BODY FOUND BY ROAD

UNIDENTIFIED MAN BELIEVED MURDERED.

Authorities Hold Theory Bandits Hurled Victim From His Own Car and Flew in It.

PENDLETON, Or., Aug. 23.—(Special.)—Two theories regarding the body of an unidentified man whose body, with neck broken, was found hidden in the brush by the side of the Columbia river highway, 11 miles west of Pendleton, this morning, are held by county authorities and state special agents. One is that he was killed when struck by an automobile and the body stripped of all identification, to avoid discovery of the fatal accident, and the other is that he was hurled from a car, possibly his own, by bandits who took possession, and the neck of the victim was broken by the fall.

Members of the sheriff's force believe the former theory, as there are no marks on the body which indicate that he was struck in any manner, and there is unmistakable evidence that the body was dragged and dropped off the highway into the weeds and brush in the ditch. Every mark of identification was removed. There was no hat. Tags had been taken off the shoes, the pockets were rifled and all papers and money taken. The only possible clue left is a San Diego mark on the coat. Identification may come as several people believe they have seen the victim in this city.

One report is that he worked until recently for the Newport Construction company.

Deputy Coroner Brady stated when he examined the body that it had been dead about 35 hours, and the hot sun of the past two days had rendered it difficult to handle.

The stranger was in his early 30s, was about 5 feet 3 inches in height, had dark hair and was slightly bald on the forehead of his head. His teeth consisted of bridge work. He was dressed in a blue serge suit, had on new blue socks, tan shoes and a gray flannel shirt. He had three days' growth of beard on his face.

No blood was found anywhere and he had bled but little from abrasions on the top of the head, where he had apparently been dragged over the gravel road. A post mortem examination was held this afternoon and the results of the medical examination will be reported before a coroner's inquest tomorrow.

WHOLE FAMILY IN JAIL

THREE SENTENCED ON BOOT-LEGGING CHARGE.

Three Children of Woman Left to Care of County Court to Wait Mother's Release.

OREGON CITY, Or., Aug. 23.—(Special.)—An entire family, with the exception of the children, is in jail, and the three children are being cared for by the county court, as the final sequel to the arrest two weeks ago of Charles Straight, confessed Clackamas Heights boot-legger.

Mrs. Sarah Straight, on a plea of guilt to the instant boot-legal case, was fined \$500 and sentenced to six months in the county jail. Her sister, Maud Smith, was sentenced to serve 60 days in jail, following a similar plea.

Mrs. Smith, the 20-year-old wife of C. L. Smith, drew a comparatively light sentence for today, was fined \$500 and sentenced to six months in the county jail. Her sister, Maud Smith, was sentenced to serve 60 days in jail, following a similar plea.

The two women were arrested August 12 when the sheriff raided Straight's ranch in company with his deputies and state men. Straight pleaded guilty to a second offense and was fined \$500 and sentenced to a year in jail.

STAR THEATER TO OPEN

Ed Armstrong Closes Contract for Use of Film House.

Announcement was made Wednesday night of the closing of a contract between Ed Armstrong of Armstrong's Baby Dolls revue, which recently played an engagement at The Oaks, and the Jensen & Von Herbert interests, whereby the Star theater, a well-known Washington-street playhouse which has been closed during the summer, will be opened September 3 for a season of musical comedies. It was said that a force of workmen will be put on the job at once to make necessary alterations, transforming the old film house.

Armstrong said the new production house will introduce high-class New York successes in his new playhouse. These will include special royalty attractions, he said. His personnel will include nearly all the principals of his cast at The Oaks and many new faces. A complete change of programme will be made each week. Motion pictures will also be presented in conjunction with the regular programme.

Loan Mortgage Ruling Made.

SALEM, Or., Aug. 24.—(Special.)—The world's largest state aid commission today was advised by the attorney-general that in the event of the destruction by fire of the premises covered by a mortgage, the proceeds of such insurance shall be used in the construction of a building to take the place of the one destroyed.

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TRAFFIC MEET SLATED

HIGHWAY REGULATIONS FOR AUTOS TO BE TOPIC.

Letters Suggesting Conference in Portland Sent Out by Secretary of State.

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Officials who probably will attend the conference, in case it is held, will include Charles J. Chen, superintendent of the motor vehicle department of the state of California; Robert O. Jones, secretary of state of Idaho; Charles T. Stewart, secretary of state of Montana; George Brodigan, secretary of state of Nevada; H. E. Crockett, secretary of state of Utah; L. D. McArdle, director of the bureau of efficiency of the state of Washington, and the director of the motor vehicle department, with headquarters at Victoria, B. C.

It was explained by Mr. Jones that the conference also will be opened to all municipal and county officials and all persons who are interested in the subject of motor vehicle regulation.

Subjects to be discussed at the conference include lights, signals, interstate regulation and others.

C. H. WHEELER IS HURT

Timberman's Leg Broken When Speeder Leaves Track.

C. H. Wheeler, 30, head of the C. H. Wheeler timber interests, sustained a compound fracture of the left leg and serious cuts and bruises Wednesday when a gasoline speeder on which he was riding jumped the track on a sharp curve of a logging railroad near Cochran, Or., and plunged into a ditch. The injured man was removed to Hillsboro by train and from there brought to Portland in an ambulance last night. He was taken to St. Vincent's hospital, where it was reported he will probably recover.

According to information received here, Mr. Wheeler was alone on the speeder and riding at a fast rate when it left the rails. Logging employees found him helpless and cared for him at their camp until it was time for the train to leave.

About two years ago Mr. Wheeler was a similar victim, the cause being a similar accident, but the same point on the logging railroad, when a heavy gasoline speeder jumped the rails on a high trestle.

Two men were killed at that time, but Mr. Wheeler escaped serious injury.

Big Catch of Whales Made.

HOQUIAM, Wash.—Forty-five whales have been taken this far this season at the whaling station at Westport. Three whaling vessels have made the catches, which include 35 humpbacks, nine finbacks and one sperm. The catch below normal at present, but the whalers hope to attain their expected catch before the season closes, late in October.

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