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Investigation of Books May Reveal Other Scandals.

DEVLIN IS GIVEN THE LIE

Shannon Meets Him in the City Hall and Only the Presence of Councilman Rumelin Prevented Blows From Passing.

Deep down into the affairs of the City Engineer's Department a searchlight is to be turned. Investigation thus far has been practically confined to the awarding of contracts and the acceptance of the work contracted for. Now the books and records which tell of the office are to be examined minutely, for at the meeting of the Council on Wednesday of this week it is expected that a resolution appointing another investigating committee will be introduced.

"Troubles never come singly," and to William C. Elliott, City Engineer of this municipality, they have come, not in pairs, but in hordes. At present he is the mark for most of the odium, but before the investigation is ended it is confidently believed that others must publicly bear their share of what blame there be.

If it comes to a showdown as to how the Engineer's office is conducted, and if there is anything which will not stand the light of day, the investigators will have no trouble in learning the exact truth, for the employees of the department are split into many factions, and if a trying time comes it will be every man for himself.

Will Investigate Payrolls.

It's the payroll, the number of men employed and what they have been doing that the investigating committee will scrutinize. For a long time there have been rumors that the city survey gangs do private surveying, the gangs being paid by the city for days and days when they are steadily employed by private companies and individuals. This is one of the most often repeated rumors.

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To men: What shall I purchase my wife a Xmas present? Give her an order for one of Gurney's tailor goods and same will be both pleasing and satisfactory and also good investment to yourself. G. Gurney, Ladies' Tailor, Mohawk Bldg.

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after that he would try to get to the bottom of the "padding payroll" story. City Engineer Elliott denied that he had ever instructed his chief deputy to place Shrake's name upon the payroll, as stated. Nothing has yet been done by the bridge investigation committee, as no expert upon whom the members can wholly rely has been secured. But while the committee is looking for the expert, the padmen of a big and very crooked deal on the new steel bridges continue to fly. These rumors are not street talk generally, but come from men interested in contracts and such work. But the secrets, if they are secrets, are closely guarded.

Neither has Mayor Williams announced his experts who are to make a second examination of the Tanner-Creek sewer. The Riners reported yesterday that the stone-block bottom in the sewer under the manhole at Sixteenth and Alder streets had been laid as agreed by them with the Mayor.

STANDS BY CANTINE LAW.

White Ribboners Will Oppose Any Move for Its Repeal.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 3.—The National W. C. T. U. today closed its annual convention after reaffirming its faith in the beneficence of the anti-cantone law and pledging itself to defend the measure against all efforts to repeal it. In this connection the following resolution was adopted:

"We rejoice in the position of the Fifty-sixth and Fifty-seventh Congresses in passing the anti-cantone law and protest against the continued agitation in favor of its repeal. We also know that the wisdom of this law will be demonstrated when a fair and impartial test is made of the most exchange buildings designed by Congress for the use of the men in the ranks."

Speaking in support of the resolution, Margaret D. Ellis, of Washington, National legislative superintendent, charged that the Army officers are pre-empting the post exchange buildings erected for the accommodation of the enlisted men for their exclusive use and thus robbing the privates of what was designed as a substitute for the cantone. This resolution was also adopted.

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Eager to Face Chinese Bullets

Soldiers of Fortune All Over the Land Anxious to Enlist in Reform Army

GATHER unto yourself bravery and prepare to hear of dire and sinister things. Following the announcement that there is a Chinese reform army about to invade the Celestial Empire commanded by American officers, letters by the score have poured into The Oregonian office from ex-soldiers who would like to be generals of the Chinese force. Letters have arrived from Texas, California and even from Pennsylvania. All the writers testify to their peculiar adaptability for the work, give references as to their military ability and are sure that they are the men the army will need to carry it to victory.

One man states that he would be ready to accept a commission at a moment's notice, another that he has served through two wars and wants to end his days in the midst of battle and a third announces that he has served in both infantry and cavalry and is a crack drill-master and tactician in both.

Saw it in Philadelphia Paper.

From McVeystown, Pa., comes the first letter. The writer saw the item regarding the army in a Philadelphia paper and hastened to find out particulars. His communication reads as follows:

McVeystown, Pa., Nov. 26.—(To the Editor.)—A few days ago I noticed in a Philadelphia paper an article stating that there would be about 3000 officers in demand to officer the Chinese army. I thought there any truth in it? I saw service in the Civil War and have held a commission in the State Guard, and still feel able for active service and would like to spend my days in that occupation. Kindly let me know any way you can pertaining to the subject. Sincerely,

Another From Illinois.

Another missive comes from Illinois, where the writer saw the article in The Oregonian. He writes as follows:

Quincy, Ill., Nov. 25.—(To the Editor.)—I would like to be put into communication with the officer or agent who is recruiting officers for the Chinese Reform army. The enclosed clipping explains what I want. I have served four years in the United States Army, filled all position from a private soldier up to a commissioned officer in my day. Please grant my request and oblige, yours truly,

The writer enclosed a clipping from a Quincy paper also, headed "Officers for Chinese Army Being Recruited in Portland." He writes with a bold hand, but it is evident from his epistle that he was not educated at West Point.

Tennessee Heard From.

Tennessee is also heard from. It appears there are gentlemen in that noble state who like to don uniform and sword and fight our country's battles. The Tennessee man encloses a clipping dated Portland and beginning: "The Oregonian prints the following today—" and says:

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 25.—(To the Editor.)—Please note the enclosed clipping from the Memphis Commercial Appeal of this date. Can you advise me concerning this matter? I am a First Lieutenant commanding a company of the Tennessee National Guard. Your attention will greatly oblige, yours sincerely,

Golden State Butts In.

California, who is near enough to Oregon to know better, also butts in and wants to be represented in the Chinese army. The writer has been a soldier, but is now an attorney, and wants to get into military service again, that he might win laurels in the name of his native state. His epistle reads in the following manner:

American War and knows all about things military. This is how he breaks the news:

New Orleans, Nov. 25.—(To the Editor.)—I enclose herewith clipping from the New Orleans Times-Democrat and would like to know if the information contained therein is true. I am an ex-officer of the U. S. Volunteer Army and saw service in the Spanish-American War. I would gladly accept a commission in the Chinese army and can furnish information from all the superior officers of my regiment. I am unmarried, 33 years of age, and would be ready to accept a commission at a moment's notice. Yours truly,

Another From Pennsylvania.

From Reading, Pa., there comes another, as follows:

Reading, Pa., Nov. 24.—(To the Editor.)—I see an account in your paper entitled "American Officers for the Chinese Army." Will you please inform me to whom I may write to find full particulars? I am very much interested. Truly yours,

Michigan is also represented, the representative being a Sergeant in the State Guard. He writes on the letter-head of the Guard to prove it, and his discourse is in this manner:

Grand Rapids, Mich., Nov. 25.—(To the Editor.)—On looking over a copy of your Oregonian, I saw an article in the State Guard. I would like to know if you may have any other information of an officer of the Michigan National Guard. Sincerely,

Texas Also Runs.

Nor is Texas, the state of ferocious and never-fearing combatants, left without a representative. From Texas comes a letter written in the name of several inhabitants of Waco, and the epistle is one of the best of the lot. The Texas man says:

Waco, Tex., Nov. 25.—(To the Editor.)—I am informed through Associated Press dispatches from your paper that officers of the Chinese Reform army are recruiting trained officers for the reform association as instructors for the Chinese army, under a five-year contract. As several of our Texas military men seem to be decidedly interested in the matter, which has gained publicity through The Oregonian, and our boys are peculiarly adapted to Chinese climatic conditions, and have expressed anxiety for connection, I have been requested to ask that you will kindly inform them through me how to proceed to gain the desired information, so that their wishes may be placed direct before the proper agency. Thanking you in advance, I remain, Sir, another admirer.

OLD WAR IS REVIVED.

Down-River Fishermen Protest Against Up-River Wheels.

The old war between down-river and up-river fishing interests seems likely to be renewed this winter in the Oregon and Washington Legislatures. The lower interests at Astoria last Wednesday showed a desire to shut out the wheels of the upper interests by recommending to the Legislature of the two states the closing of the salmon season above tide-water from January 1 to July 1. This would practically put the wheels out of business, since their best catches are made before July 1.

This desire of the lower interests was revealed at a conference of the Legislators from Clatsop and Columbia Counties and Master Fish Warden Van Dusen. This week those Legislators will meet the Washington Legislators from Pacific, Waukegan and Coville Counties to take up the matter in its interstate aspect. Other recommendations to be offered will be abolition of the closed seasons between March 1 and April 15 and between August 15 and September 15, so that fish may be caught at any time in tide-water, except between Saturday morning and Sunday evening of each week.

erries unmolested. But the wheelmen reply that gillnetters should not talk of mercy until they stop fishing on the bar and scaring the salmon out of the river. They cite authorities to show that one of the causes of the slack runs in the Columbia is the presence of 150 or 200 gillnets, which close the entrance to the river, hold the fish out to sea and cause the gillnets to come in late.

But for the gillnets at the mouth of the river this year, the pack would have been short. Mr. Van Dusen, however, in his last report recommends that such fishing be prohibited by establishment of "a certain well-defined line at the mouth of the Columbia" beyond which no fishing be allowed.

For many years the down-river interests have been longing to legislate the wheels out of existence. The wheelmen point out, however, that they catch less than one-fifteenth as many fish as the gillnets, traps and seines down the river. A lot of packer, John Furesey, of Astoria, who has spent 23 years on the Columbia, was in the city last night, and said that he did not sympathize with the effort of tide-water fishermen to monopolize the salmon. Mr. Furesey is connected with the "combine" and last season was engaged in picking fish. He estimated that the fish packed on the Columbia last year were caught as follows: Gillnets, 70 per cent; seines, 12; traps, 12; wheels, 6.

The 1905 report of the late H. D. McGuire, Fish Warden, shows the destruction of fish that year to conform closely with Mr. Furesey's estimate this year, except that traps did relatively better than this year. Mr. McGuire's comparison was as follows: Gillnets, 64 per cent; traps, 19; seines, 12; wheels, 5.

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TO TEAR UP SOCIETY.

Candid Confession as to What Social Proposes.

BALISTON, Or., Nov. 30.—(To the Editor.)—The Oregonian has always been noted for liberty of space to cranks and critics—our readers may place me in which category they please.

The Republican party, being once more firmly seated in the saddle, makes a shining mark for the slings and arrows alluded to by Hamlet. We are promised revision by the friends of the tariff, and this means a whole season wasted in listening to special pleaders for gigantic infant industries, ending in a big Congressional log-rolling; result: Another absurdity like the Dingley bill. It won't do, gentlemen. The G. O. P.'s new gorge at the public crib is a Belshazzar's feast, and on the wall is the handwriting of Socialism. The way to revise is to revise, and the simplest



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It is toly to deride the Socialistic movement as a fad that will die out as did Populism. It is too deeply rooted and too universal. As Jack London says, it proposes to tear out the very foundations of existing society, and build a new structure from the ground upward. Yet in this country its growth may be directly charged to the policy and teachings of the Republican party. Ever "since de wuh" that party has been spelling nation with a big N; every workman has been taught to look to the Government for "protection," as to a "great white father." Everybody who wanted a goose pond improved or a wood pulp or other industry fostered, was expected to turn his eyes to Congress for help.

And there is no prospect of the G. O. P. attempting anything to stem the tide. Puffed up with power, it may still be expected to show us the spectacle of foreigners buying lumber, iron, steel, and other goods from a third to a half less than we poor "robbed" unfortunate have to pay. High wages

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