## LABOR COUNCIL TO FIGHTAMENDMENT

Will Demand Publication of Proposed Water Scheme in Pamphlet Form.

MANDAMUS TO BE SOUGHT

Organized Labor Sees Possibility of Graft in New Method of Paying for Mains, and Declares 16 City Officials Will Profit.

Mandamus proceedings will be instituted by the Central Labor Council against City Auditor Barbur to combel him to print a pamphlet containing the proposed water amendment for distribution among the voters of the city prior to the special election, which will be held February 15. The purpose of this suit is to enable the representatives of organized Tabor to submit with the amendment an argument in opposition to the proposed change in the manner of laying and paying for water mains. The amendment proposes that the cost for all such extensions shall be paid from the receipts of the water department.

Authority to institute such a suit was delegated to a committee representing organized labor at a meeting of the Central Labor Council last night, following the submission of a report by an investigating committee which charged that Mayor Simon and 16 of the members of his official family are the owners of 70% lots, many of them unimproved, within the city limits, which would be benefited by the extensions that in all probability will follow the adoption of the amendment. The committee extensions that the sost of laying water mains averages \$10 at lot, representing an aggregate cost to water consumers for laying the mains for the 70% lots so owned of nearly \$00. The report of the committee involved the following prominent citizehs, who are members of the City Council or of one of the boards appointed by Mayor Simon: J. F. O'Shes, T. B. Wilcox, H. L. Corbett, Georga W. Brown, J. C. Alinsworth, Sig Sichek, and Councilmen Belding, Menefee and Baker.

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When the amendment was first recommended by Mayor Simon's Water Board, the Central Labor Council appointed a special committee to investigate into the character of the amendment and its effect. The members of that committee were D. W. Robinson, chairman; H. J. Parkinson, secretary; B. R. Marion, J. J. Tucker, William Mackenzie, C. R. Price and R. P. Coburn, This committee employed three assistants who, under the expervision of A. D. Cridge and Mr. Parkinson, investigated the extent of the property holdings of Mayor Simon and his associates in the city administration who might be benefited by the adoption of the new system of extending water mains.

When this committee had compiled its When this committee had compiled its report, Parkinson requested City Auditor Barbur to order the amendment printed in pampalet form, that these opposing it rulpht be enabled to submit an argument against its adoption. Parkinson was informed by that official that the city did not expect to go to the expense of printing the amendment. The City Auditor maintained that he was not required, under the charter, to print the pamphilet: maintained that he was not required, under the charter, to print the pamphlet;
that it was entirely optional with him.
The committee representing the Central
Labor Council consulted the statutes, and
mave obtained legal advice which holds
that the City Auditor has no choice in
the matter, and that the printing of a
samphlet submitting the amendment to
the voters is compulsory. They refer to
parts of sections 8 and 10 of the general
laws of 1907, which provide as follows:
Section 8. . . . nor later than 30 days . . nor later than 30 days cial election, at which and

before any special election, at which any proposed law, part of an act or amendment (a the constitution is to be submitted to the people, the Secretary of State shall cause to be printed in pamphies form.

Section 10. The provisions of this act shall apply in every city and town in all matters concerning the operation of the initiative and referendum in its nuncipal legislation, on which such city or town has not made or does not make conflicting provisions.

### Danger Is Pointed Out.

The following excerpts are taken from the report of the special committee on which the Central Labor Council bases the action that has been ordered:

worth \$200 an acre, but now, partly room the various doards and worth stole and the public improvements, is held as high as 41000 at single lot.

One of the most prominent promoters of this amundment, and now a member of the improvements, is held as high as 41000 at the most prominent promoters of this amundment and own a member of the largely benefited to the extent of hundreds of holians by this kindly consideration of the Water Board when it had him more of the consumer. He was with its vertical in over 1000 vacant lots which are assessed at about \$140,000. He is individually the properties and company the part of the consumer. He was assessed at a book \$140,000. He is individually the properties and company the part in several chee properties and corporations in the part in several chee properties and corporations in the interested in one way and another in hearty too vacant lots one of the littless would require months of research and investigation to discover \$100 to the littless and the latest and the la

The people of Portland forever put a top to. At this point the committee is not presented to recommend any one of the plans reposed, either of assessing vacant and crupted lots alike, or of assessing all of he property of the city. Nor is it presented to recommend that large mains be essessed to the property benefited, although ecognizing clearly that the system of maller mains should be, larger mains sensit the entire city in part, as do reservoirs, as a rule. Since the City Council will not permit an alternative proposition to go on the ballot with their retroaditive grafting scheme of enrichment of a few at the expense of the many, your committee recommends that time be taken to draw a just and effective measure, and that when so drawn, it be submitted at the earliest opportunity to the people of the city, whether or not the proposed amendation in clatten to the water mains, bonds, etc. is adopted at the coming special election.

"Under instructions from the Cen-

"Under instructions from the Central Labor Council at tonight's meeting," said Parkinson last night, "the legislative committee tomorrow will employ attorneys, and immediately institute the mandamus sait against City Auditor Barbur. The statement of the committee submitted at tonight's meeting as to the ownership by Mayor Simon, and other men connected with his administration, of property that undoubtedly would be benefited by the adoption and operation of the proposed amendment, is bused on fact, as the records of the city show. We are strongly opposed to the amendment, and shall conduct a vigorous campaign, if possible, to bring about its rejection by the voters of the city."

DEAD OF MARQUEZ FAMILY BURIED AT SAME TIME.

Scientific Men Now Doubt That 15 Cases of Illness, 12 of Which Fatal, Caused by Ptomaines.

SANTA MONICA, Cal., Jan. 8.-With the burini Friday of 12 descendants of the pioneer Marquez family, the last being a nursing baby, who died of ptomaine poisoning following the eat-ing of tainted pears at a family re-union last Sunday, the final chapter in the tragedy was enacted. The bodies were borne to the Sawtelle Cemetery by eight hearses and interred in a row of graves in the Marquez plot.

Much interest centers in the infant Much interest centers in the infant daughters of two of the dead women, the little ones having developed symptoms of poisoning in the last two days. Both are babes in arms, and it is feared that they contracted ptomnine poisoning through nursing at their mothers' breasts. Physicians are hopeful that they will be able to save the lives of the little sufferers.

Despite the verdict of the Coroner's jury, much difference of opinion has developed among scientific men as to the cause of the 12 deaths, some asserting that ptomaines would not have developed in the preserved pears, and that another poison must have been dropped into the jar by accident or design.

### MOORE SEEKS INQUIRY

cuses Receiver of Negligence.

Waiter H. Moore, ex-president of the board of directors of the defunct Oregon Trust & Savings Bank, expects to prove that the bank was not insolvent on Augthat Receiver Thomas C. Devlin has dis-sipated and sacrificed the assets in such a way as to render it insolvent after he At least this is the statement Moor

makes in a petition filed in the Circuit Court yetserday afternoon, arking that he be given access to the Oregon Trust books and the books of the receiver, in order that copies of them may be made and that an expert may make a report upon them. John W. Ferguson has been employed by the indicted bank officials, Walter H. and Henry A. Moore, W. Cooper Morris, Elmer E. Lytle and Leo Friede, to expert the books. and records of the bank.

## M'CARTHY NAMES HIS MEN

Bay City's New Mayor Distributes Spoils of Victory.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 5.—Mayor-elect P. H. McCartby, who takes office at noon tomorrow, gave out tonight his list of appointments on the various boards and commissions, stating that in each matance he named men whose party affiliations were the same as those of the retiring

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# BEN SELLING LEADING CLOTHIER

Ex-President of Defunct Bank Ac- Grand Jury Says Their Association Is Trust Which Restrains Trade.

News Print Paper Trust Will Next Come Under Ban-Board Men Said to Levy Tribute of \$5,-000,000 on Consumers.

NEW YORK, Jan. S.—The Federation Paper Association formed by John H. Parks, who pleaded guilty and paid a fine of \$4000 for his connection with the so-called fiber and manila pool, was indicted by the Federal grand jury in New York Friday, charged with being an illegal combination in restraint of

The federation is the Paper Board Association, comprising 140 prominent paper manufacturers, who are indicted paper manufacturers, who are indicted individually in addition to the indict-ment returned against the association as such. A fine or imprisonment thay be imposed upon conviction. Today's indictment is only one of

many ramifications of the Government inquiry instituted against paper manufacturers. The conviction of Parks brought about the dissolution of the Fiber and Manila Association, whose members were fined \$2000 each, and the action against the Paper Board Asso-ciation is following similar lines. A third proceeding directed against news print manufacturers is before the grand

Ninety defendants named in today's permission to withdraw it within three

Rigid rules bound members of the association to adliere to prices agreed upon, according to the wording of the

It recites that the association was organized in 1905 with headquarters in New York and that prices were fixed at the quarterly meetings. These prices were not to be departed from except by unanimous vote. trade each member was to enjoy was carefully apportioned. The prices, it is further charged, were greatly in excess of prices that would have been fixed by natural competition, thus levy-

ing "an unlawful tax most the peo-ple of the United States, amounting to \$5,000,000 annually."

Covert acts cited in the indictment include letters written by Parks to the various officers of the association and extracts from minutes of quarterly meetings. Minutes of the quarterly meeting held December 4 and 5, 1907, include the following items: "Fix your selling price for the en-

the coat schedule for the en-"Fix the co the sales allotment for the en-

Adjustment in Married Life. The whole of life, as well as of mar- | found

riage, is a continuous struggle for adjustment. I might divide the latter into three periods as follows: Brom the first to the tenth year, the consolousness of the need for adjustment from the loth to the 15th, the struggle for adjustment, and from the 15th to the 20th, the assimilation of the adjustment. Someone has said that in the union of the two in marriage, one real soul is created by the slow and painful process of this effort at adjustment, and that that "soul" is the existence of a true and perfect understanding.

Those of you who read these lines and who have passed on to where in your

who have passed on to where in your matured experience that "understanding" has attained to a beautiful and satisfying development should be able to declare whether the process of its creation has been worth the price of the struggle of years, worth the price of the tears, the mistakes and ave even the beartacles. mistakes and, aye, even the heartaches and the bitternesses as well! But to those of you who are beginning to moid it into form only today. I want to say a feew helpful words. I think that right now, before you go further, you should have the courage to put to yourself the question, and very clearly and distinctly, so that your inner conscienceness will not fall to hear: "Am I marrying an ideal or only just a pilan human fact?" ideal or only just a plain human fact? For upon your ability to face this question—and its answer—unflinchingly, de the man whom you are marrying.

LOANED FUNDS TO SINKING Quartermaster General Allshire, under whose jurisdiction such matters come, promised to have an investiga-

Deposits of Cleveland Bank Amount to \$2,000,000, but Capital Is Only \$150,000.

South Cleveland Bank was loaned by President U. G. Walker to the Wet-ner Company, of Akron, after Waker learned that the big publishing house was on the verge of failure, according to President Walker himsen.

The South Cleveland Banking Company made an assignment Thursday, following the appointment of a receiver for the Werner Company. Although the bank had a capital of only \$150,000. It contained deposits amounting to \$2,000,000, largely those of small tradespeople and workingmen.

Of these deposits, President Walker said tonight \$1,100,000 had been loaned to the Werner Company, of while he was a director.

"Of the total loan \$18,000 is secured"

Kennebec Journal.

A Maine furrier has purchased a black fox skin, paying the current price, \$1000, therefor. The trapper who gets one black fox skin in a season can afford to loaf all the rest of the time, for if he knows the value of his prize and seeks the right market he can exchange the glossy pelt for \$1000 or more, spot cash. But not many trappers have such luck as to cet a black fox. for that valuable freak, like other good things, is rarely

BIG PAVEMENT MUST WAIT

War Department Promises to Take Matter Under Advisement, but Owing to Cutting of Estimates Settlemen Cannot Be Made.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Jan. 8.—Representative McCredig has laid before the War Department a petition from the people of Vancouver, asking for an appropriation of \$25,000 for putting down a macadam pavement on the extension of Fifth street, passing through the Vancouver military reservation. He urged upon the War Department the desirability of this improvement, and asked that they this improvement, and asked that they the information was first conveyed to submit to Congress an estimate for the measury amount.

tion made by the Quartermaster at Vancouver Barracks, but he would be unable, he said, to submit the estimate at the present session.

War Department Cuts Down.

The War Department, he explained, had cut its estimates this year to the very lowest figure, under orders from the President, and this improvement, while it might be desirable, would hard by come under the imperative rule which has prevailed recently. If there is to be greater liberality in appropriate the president of the pres

was a director.

"Of the total loap \$18,000 is secured by first mortgage bonds of the Werner Company." said Walker, "and \$75,000 by accounts payable to the Werner Company. The rest of the paper is not very good. Two years ago the Werner Company would have failed if we had not tided them over. I should have allowed it to fail at that time. The loans made since then were doubtful. I was in it, though, and could not have pulled out.

Black Fox Skins \$1000 Each.

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Necessity of Improvement Seen.

Necessity of Improvement Seen. The Quartermaster-General seemed to appreciate the righteousness of the cause of the people of Vancouver, and was favorably impressed with the necessity of improving the roadway over the reservation—an improvement that the reservation—an improvement that Humphreys Homeo. Medicine Comust be made by the Federal Govern- William and Abs Streets, New York

New Diplomat Speaks Five Lan-

guages and Is Author. BERNE, Jan. 8 .- The Marquis Cusant-Confalloneri, who for three years has held the post of Italian Minister 20

> The Marquis, his wife, son and daughter are most popular here and have a large circle of friends in the United States. The Marquis speaks five lan-guages and also is a painter and author. He belongs to one of the oldest families

in Milan, and is a personal friend of King Victor Emmanuel. WASHINGTON, Jan. 8 .- Baron Mayor des Planches, Atalian Ambassador to the United States, who, according to a cable from Berne, Switzerland, is to be sucfrom Berne, ceeded by Marquie Cusani-Confalloneri, Italian Minister to Switzerland, had re-ceived no official word last night of

### Republicanism in England.

There is no denying that society is more than a little concerned at the great freedom which certain leaders of the labor party and others have recently been allowing themselves in speaking of King Edward's place in the

I understand that these speeches are not sporadic or accidental, but must be reckened as the first hints of the open-ing of a more definite campaign against narchy in Great Britain Informal exchanges of opinion have already, 1 believe, been made between certain labor and Irish members, and the speeches to which I have referred and the questions which have been put in the House about the Prince of Wales' position in the navy are the first

There is no doubt that an attempt is

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ment because the road at that point is entirely on Government land.

But, as stated, he indicated that his hands are tied for the present. He will, however, get an official report and estimate, so that he will be in position to lay the matter before the department next Winter in case the Secretary of War is favorable to the project.

ITALY NAMES AMBASSADOR

about to be made to raise again the banner of republicanism, which has been furled and hidden away in English since the early days of the reign of Queen Victoria. There is an extreme section in the radical party which would give its support to this propaganda, and the idea that it has also the sympathy of Lloyd-George may have given rise to the rumor that there are strained relations between him and the King.

### Chinese Dollars Coined.

Cincinnati Inquirer For manys years the Mexican dollar was current at and in the vicinity of the Chinese coast and river ports, but now Chinese dollars are coined in the Switzerland, has been notified of his appointment as Ambassador to the United Wuchang, Hankow, Canton and else-

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