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SEATTLE NOW PUZZLES OVER MUNICIPAL TASKS

Though Water Is Again Fit to Drink, Expert Engineers May Be Employed to Eliminate Repetition of Recent Pipe Break by Flood.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—City water is again fit to drink. It is just short of four weeks since the pipeline bridge across the Cedar River was washed out, and, in the meantime, anyone who has drunk water from the pipes without first boiling it, has done so against the urgent advice of the physicians. Thursday of this week the word was sent out that after proper steps as to letting faucets run so as to clear all the dead ends of possibly infected water, it would be necessary no longer to boil the water before use.

The city in general, during the first days of thirst and fear of fire, learned that the safeguarding of the supply is a matter of the most vital importance. Mayor Dilling is now studying the qualifications of the most eminent engineers in the country with a view to employing three to advise the city. Secretary Walter Fisher, of the Department of the Interior, has offered to give leave without pay to any engineers under his jurisdiction whom the city may wish to employ.

The city's problem is to get its two pipelines across a mountain river on a structure that will not be weakened even by the highest floods. At present both pipes are carried on the same bridge, and this, by some, is considered a mistake. It appears to be impossible to find a solid rock bottom for the piers, and if the bridge must be based on the shifting soil of the canyon, the best engineering foresight is wanted to pick the place where the Cedar River is least likely to change its course.

When Lake Washington water was pumped into the pipes for fire-fighting and washing purposes immediately after the washout, it was declared by the Health Department that the water was deadly with colon bacilli, typhoid fever. As a matter of fact, no increase in the number of cases of typhoid fever has been reported. Seattle, like other cities in Western Washington and Western Oregon where sanitation and water supply are of the highest type, is practically immune from typhoid.

Improvements Now \$2,500,000.

An interesting report was made this week by the Metropolitan Building Company, the lessee for 50 years of the University of Washington's old campus down town. This tract of four square blocks bids fair in a few years more to be in the exact center of the city's business district. When the lease runs out, in about 45 years, all the improvements will revert to the university, which if Seattle retains its recent rate of growth, will then be one of the best-endowed institutions in the country. The report of the company recites the expenditure of \$2,500,000 for improvements on the tract in the last four years and says that the company will be just as active during the next year.

"During this period," says the report, "there has been a demand for first-class office and store space; at no time has this demand for space lessened; in fact, there have been many instances when the company has been unable to supply the demand for large suites of offices."

The university's present income from rentals is not great, for the company acquired the lease for a consideration not much greater than the taxes would have been. The land, belonging to the state, is free from taxation. A bit of experimental legislation that the city council has taken up with the apparent intention of putting it

through, is the construction of a municipal home for workmen. Seattle, like Portland, is a great market for the class of labor carries its bed on its back and has no home of its own. When the logging camps and mills close down, and when winter reduces the opportunities in Alaska, the men gather in the city in great numbers, some of them with a "stake" that will last them through until spring, and some not so well supplied. They gather in the lodging houses in the congested Washington street district and while away the time by standing on the street corners. The plan is to erect a comfortable barracks on Beacon Hill, clear the land around it, and develop a model farm.

Councilman Griffiths has prepared a charter amendment creating a board of seven citizens to serve without pay, and to have charge not only of this project, but also jurisdiction over municipal workhouses and jails, training schools and detention homes, public lodging houses and baths, and the securing of work for those who want it. The commercial bodies have found plenty of public matters for discussion during the last week or so. Considerable opposition has developed to the project of the Civic Plans Commission, and the civic center and arterial highways are the subject of frequent debate. The plans will go before the voters for acceptance or rejection in March.

City's Like Carline Idea.

The discussion of the municipal car line, soon to be built, has taken on numerous phases. Some question has been raised as to the validity of the bonds and the best means of financing the project for immediate construction under the circumstances. The route picked out runs from the north end of the business district to the populous Ballard district. The intention seems to be not to follow the safely profitable plan of straphanging, but to see whether an experimental municipal line can give a seat to every passenger and still compete with an old-established corporation which has its single eye directed toward "the main chance."

Whether the city ought to compel the two telephone companies to merge, or make it ought to forbid them to do so is another burning question. The duplicate system is recognized as a nuisance, but the companies seem to have forced a general acceptance of their theorem that the greater the num-

ber of telephones the greater is the cost of operating each. The combination would therefore have the effect of lowering the cost of service to the business houses that now subscribe to both systems, but of increasing the cost to the householder with a single phone. The question also arises, what would become of the connections the independent company maintains with the little independent farmers' systems that are fighting the Bell corporation in the country districts tributary to Seattle? Would some of the trade of these districts be driven to other cities?

There is much difference of opinion, too, as to the proper expenditure of the vast sums that are to be spent on harbor improvements prior to the opening of the Panama Canal. In an effort to crystallize public opinion on this matter, the Chamber of Commerce is taking a referendum vote of its members. The great mileage of Seattle's waterfront leaves room for many different improvement projects, each with its own advantages and each backed by many varied selfish and unselfish interests.

The Commercial Club held an election of officers this week, in which George Matzen, who openly favored consolidation with the Chamber of Commerce, was defeated for president by W. W. Withers, who wants consolidation only on condition that the consolidated body shall be conducted on broadly democratic lines, without placing any great power of action in the hands of a board of trustees. This has probably postponed the accomplishment of the merger desired by many.

Canadian Excursionists Coming.

W. R. Shey, traveling passenger agent of the Harriman system, passed through Portland yesterday en route to Canadian points, where he will complete the organization of the second annual excursion of residents of the Canadian territory to California points. The excursion party will be assembled at Spokane, and will leave that point Friday, January 5. On the following day the excursionists, numbering about 250, will be the guests of the people of Portland. They will be entertained at dinner at the Portland Commercial Club and the same night will depart for California. When in the city the Northerners will be entertained jointly by a special reception committee, composed of resident Canadianists in Portland and the standing reception committee of the Commercial Club.

Astoria Poultry Show Open Tuesday.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 16.—The poultry show of the Lower Columbia Poultry Association will open in this city next Tuesday and continue for three days. The entire lower floor of the new Elks' building is being put in condition to receive the feathered competitors for prizes. The show, from present indications, will be one of the most suc-

cessful ever held in the state, and many fine trophies have been given by citizens to be given for the best exhibits.

Olcott Grants Extradition.

SALLEM, Or., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—

Extradition papers were granted by Acting Governor Olcott today for Thorn Dahl, who is under arrest in Portland and is wanted in Tacoma on a charge of grand larceny. It is alleged he represented himself to be an heir to an estate valued at \$11,000 and by so doing secure \$30, which he said

he desired to use to buy a ticket to New York so he could collect the estate.

Man Killed Leaving Out of Car.

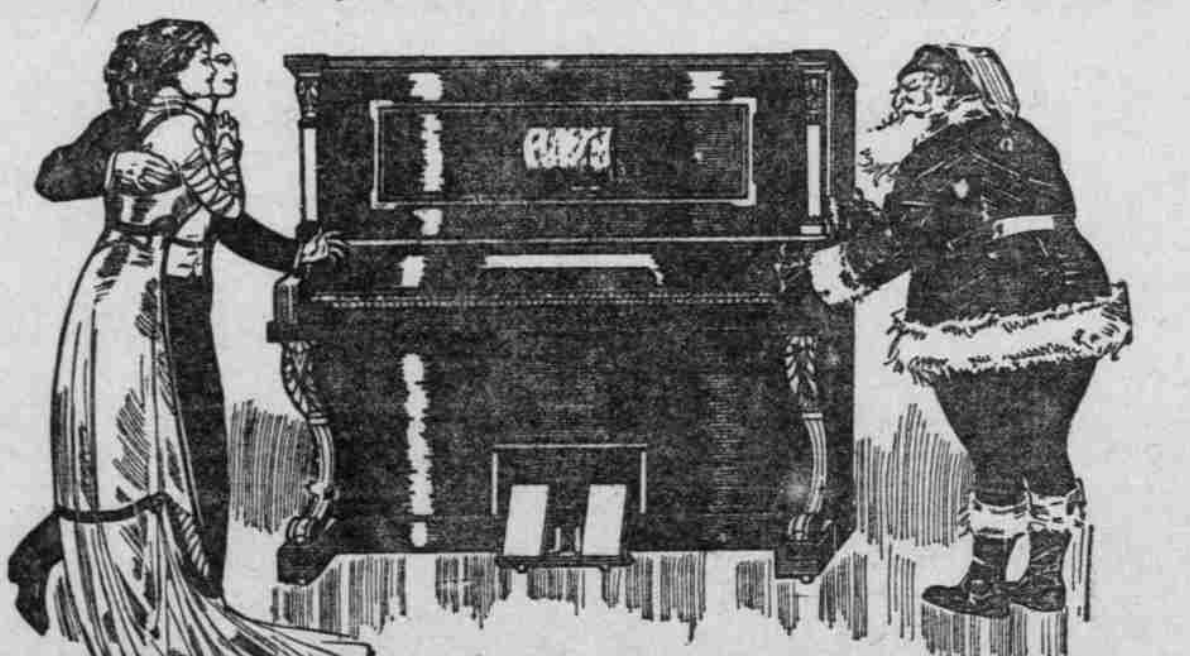
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 16.—Harry Rice, a clothing merchant of Hanford, was killed today in the Newhall tunnel on

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