

MAYOR DISDAINS TO REPLY TO MR. DALY

Expense Increases in Bureaus Cited in Tirade Are Explained in Full.

WATER METER ALONE ISSUE

"Figures Without Explanation Prove Nothing," Says Mr. Albee—Commissioner's Failure to Cut Expenses Stands Out.

"Figures without an honest explanation of them can be used to prove almost anything."

This was the only comment Mayor Albee would make yesterday when asked for a statement in answer to a personal tirade issued by Commissioner Daly in the heat of a rage caused by Mr. Daly's non-cherished city-wide water-meter scheme. Mr. Albee's tirade dealt with the alleged extravagance of the Mayor in administering the affairs of the police, fire and health bureaus. Mayor Albee says that he is unable to see any connection between the cost of operating the police and fire bureaus and the need of water meters and has no reply to make to Mr. Daly. When asked regarding Mr. Daly's published figures showing the alleged increased cost of operating the Mayor's department, the Mayor merely said: "Figures without an honest explanation of them can be used to prove almost anything."

Increases Declared Natural.

Increases in the cost of operating the fire and police bureaus, it is said, have been the result of a natural increase in the size of Portland and the increase in the size of these bureaus prior to Mayor Albee's administration. The present increased costs are due to the action given for increasing the old City Council, of which Mr. Daly was a member.

Among the first things Mayor Albee did when he took office, the water bureaus was the need of increasing costs because of increased equipment and buildings. In the fire bureau increases were due to new fire companies and \$105,000 worth of new automobile fire apparatus which came into existence about the time the Mayor took office. They were the creations of the old Council, of which Mr. Daly was a member.

In the police bureau the Mayor completed early in his administration the creation of a beautiful new police station, which was started during the time when Mr. Daly was a member of the old Council. The added cost of operating the new headquarters is virtually the only increase found in the police bureau.

In the same tirade against the Mayor Mr. Daly presents more figures to prove that he (Daly) has saved money. He gives the figure of \$200,000 a year. Mayor Albee's statement, "Figures without an honest explanation of them can be used to prove almost anything," could be applied to this, it is said.

Failure to Cut Expense Shown.

When Mr. Daly took charge of the Water Bureau the established water rates were high enough so that there was a large amount of revenue for new construction of mains. The surplus money went for this purpose. Mr. Daly adopted a different policy. He decided that water rates should be so fixed as to raise only sufficient money to pay the cost of operation. The new construction should be paid by money derived from the sale of bonds.

On the first of the present year water rates were reduced. This was possible under the flat rate system now prevailing, which Mr. Daly says will make need for increased rates unless all water services are metered at a cost of \$400,000. No revenue was left therefor for new construction. So on February 24 of this year Mr. Daly issued and sold \$400,000 worth of 5-year 4 per cent water bonds to raise money for new water mains. The transaction looked like a cut in expenses on Mr. Daly's part. It was, however, only a rise as bonds were issued to take the place of surplus revenue.

The adoption of a quarterly billing system last year increased the necessity of sending out bills monthly as was done theretofore. This made it possible to drop seven employees in the Water Bureau whose salary was \$90 a month each. Prior to Mr. Daly's administration a year or so, the Water Bureau sent out no bills. Mr. Daly admitted that bills increase delinquency and serve no purpose. He had an opportunity to practice real economy in cutting out his entire billing system, but failed to take this.

COUNTY WARDS SEE MOVIE

Music is Also Provided for Benefit of Blind Inmates.

A moving-picture machine recently was installed at the Multnomah County Poor Farm, and the inmates have been provided with much amusement. The various film exchanges in the city have offered to provide the film management with new reels each week.

So that the blind persons at the farm may not lack for entertainment, one of the music stores in Portland installed a Victrola.

The moving-picture machine was procured through the efforts of Mrs. E. D. Muth, superintendent of the farm. She was aided by Mrs. F. Reed and the County Commissioners, C. A. Kicker, a member of the Moving Picture Operators' Union, installed the machine.

CORNERSTONE TO BE LAID

Park Blocks Will Be Used for Shattuck School Ceremonies.

The Park blocks in front of the Shattuck School building, now under way, will be used for the cornerstone-laying exercises on Friday, May 21. Benches in the park will be grouped for the use of spectators. School Clerk Thomas having made this arrangement with the city authorities.

The programme being arranged by the School Board will be similar in character to that recently of the new Couch School. Addresses will be made by representatives of the architects, the builders, the district and the directors, and pupils will participate. The new Shattuck School will cost approximately \$170,000 and will include the most modern conveniences for all lines of school work.

BANK CONCESSIONS MADE

Federal Reserve System Preparing to Attract State Institutions.

The privilege of entering the Federal Reserve system with the power of

withdrawing at will is only one of the concessions that the reserve board is preparing to make in the hope of attracting the state banks into the system. Portland bankers said yesterday, commenting on the announcement that the reserve board would make special inducements to state banks by providing that their participation should not be irrevocable.

"Whether the state banks will enter the system now depends largely on the nature of the new regulations," said Edward Cookingham, vice-president of Ladd & Tilton, the largest state bank in the Northwest, last night.

"There has been a feeling among state bankers, however, that all the banks in the country should be members of the Federal system, that there should be more co-ordination between the state banks and the National banks, so that the new banking system might be operated with a maximum of success.

"Difficult for the state banks to become members of the system without surrendering many of their privileges. The new regulations are intended to make the system more attractive for the state banks and it is possible that many of them will affiliate with the system when these regulations become effective."

C. M. SCHWAB IS COMING

HEAD OF BETHLEHEM STEEL COMPANY DUE IN PORTLAND SOON.

Career is Picturesque Leading From Day Labor to Head of United States Steel Corporation.

Another steel magnate is coming to Portland. He is Charles M. Schwab, president of the Bethlehem Steel Company of Bethlehem, Pa., one of the principal competitors of the United States Steel corporation, the president of which is Andrew Carnegie.



Charles M. Schwab, Prominent Steel Magnate, Who Will Visit Portland This Week.

of which James A. Farrell, was here last week. Mr. Schwab, like Mr. Farrell, is on a tour of the Pacific coast, principally for pleasure. He is accompanied by a party of friends. Their objective point is San Francisco, where they will inspect the wonders of the world's fair. They are traveling on a special train of four or five private cars and are due to reach Portland this week.

Mr. Schwab has had a spectacular career in the industrial world. He began life as a stage coach driver between Lorena and Cresco, Pa., and later drifted into the steel trade through the channel of an ordinary laborer. He advanced rapidly and in 1887—the age of 26—became vice-president of the United States Steel Corporation. Four years later when the United States Steel corporation was formed Mr. Schwab became its president at a salary of \$1,000,000 a year. Through the rapid advance in steel shares and the high prices paid the Carnegie people by the new corporation he acquired immense wealth. He was one of the small group of so-called "Pittsburg millionaires" that came into prominence through Andrew Carnegie's activities in the steel market.

Even the salary of \$1,000,000 a year did not remain attractive to Mr. Schwab and after a few years he resigned and embarked in business for himself. The Bethlehem Steel Company of which he now is the head is an important industrial concern. It has been highly successful in placing orders for steel armament and steel military equipment with European powers.

ROUNDHOUSE BEING BUILT

Work Begins on O.-W. R. & N. \$60,000 Plant at Walla Walla.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., May 15.—(Special.)—Work started yesterday on the new O.-W. R. & N. roundhouse, Moore Bros. of Portland, having the contract for the improvement. Julius Paulson has returned to College Place from a trip to El Paso, Tex., and other points and will commence work in a few days on his fruit canery at College Place.

Memorial Day Observance Planned.

CENTRALIA, Wash., May 15.—(Special.)—The local posts of Grand Army of the Republic and Women's Relief Corps announced yesterday that they will observe Memorial Sunday, May 30. The veterans will attend church in the afternoon, marching from the church to the cemetery. An effort is being made to have Company M participate, May 30 and 31.

BIG PIANO HOUSE QUILTS BUSINESS!



FINE PIANOS—FAMOUS PIANOS at UNHEARD-OF PRICES!

"Reliability"—no word has been more used or abused in connection with piano advertising. But Reliability in this sale will mean the personal reputation of a man who stands high in the piano business of Portland.

The closing out of The Kennedy Piano Company is caused by the poor health of G. W. Kennedy. For two years under the doctor's care it is now imperative that he be freed from the cares and responsibilities of business.

A Legitimate Retiring-From-Business Sale! —Every Piano Must Be Sold by June 15!

A sale of this magnitude, with the bona fide reason behind it, has not been known in Portland for many years! Pianos of highest quality and unquestionable value. Not the usual collection of old and shopworn instruments. The object of this sale is to close out every Piano by June 15! Profits are forgotten. Many of the most beautiful and famous Pianos, brand new, will go at less than wholesale. In hundreds of homes there are wives and daughters who yearn for a piano. "Obey that impulse"—you'll never have a greater opportunity than this to save hundreds of dollars on a fine piano.

A Roll Call of Celebrated Names—Uprights, Players, Grands—Prices Never Before Known on Pianos of Such Quality!

- Fischer — Shoninger — Vose — Kohler & Campbell
- Hobart M. Cable — Andrew Kohler — Others Equally Famous

All Superb instruments—famous for their sweetness of tone. Every style and finish, to meet the tastes and desires of the most critical Piano buyers. With the hundreds of other dealers maintaining regular prices, it would hardly be fair to the manufacturers to mention some of the sale prices. For instance, a new \$400 piano will be \$272! New \$375 Pianos are cut to \$258! You need only pay \$243 for the finest new \$350 instrument. \$198 is the price on new \$300 Pianos. \$275 Pianos are cut to \$182. \$250 Pianos \$166, and so on. Other Pianos as good as new ranging at \$125, \$148 and upwards. Newest, latest style Players in the famous makes—standard prices \$550, \$600, \$750 and as high as \$1000, sacrificed at 25 to 50 per cent off. Magnificent Grands at proportionate savings! This was the original "Out-of-the-high-rent" Piano store in Portland. Our regular prices undersold all others. Now, with this tremendous Closing Out Sale, high-class Pianos may be bought at prices that are truly amazing. Come tomorrow—get the first pick of our fine stock. If you can't come, write.



Convenient CREDIT TERMS MAY BE ARRANGED

KENNEDY PIANO COMPANY

226 THIRD STREET NEAR SALMON

LOCAL LODGE IS HOST

B'NAI B'RITH VISITORS GUESTS AT LUNCHEON.

Welcome Given Grand Lodge Delegates in Portland Declared to Surpass That of Elsewhere.

With more than 100 present the luncheon given yesterday at the Imperial Hotel by the local B'nei B'rith organizations proved to be one of the features of the entertainment of the large party of delegates to the recent Constitution Grand Lodge of the order in San Francisco, who are in Portland on their way home. Brief addresses, commenting on the work of the organization and phases of the trip, were made by many of the visitors and by prominent Portland members of the lodge. David N. Mossesohn, second grand vice-president of District No. 4 and chairman of the local entertainment committee, presided.

DELEGATES RETURNING FROM B'NAI B'RITH CONVENTION WHO ARRIVED IN PORTLAND FRIDAY.



SOME OF THE LODGE MEMBERS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTRY AS THEY STEPPED FROM TRAIN.

NAMING WARDENS NEXT

FISH AND GAME COMMISSIONERS TAKE OFFICE MAY 22.

A. H. Lea and Jack Cullison, of Portland, Among Foremost Applicants for Game Warden.

Now that Governor Withycombe has made his appointments on the state fish and game commission, it remains for the new commission to name a fish warden and a game warden under the provisions of the law enacted by the recent Legislature. The appointments of L. N. Fleischer, Frank M. Warren, C. F. Stone and Marion Jack as members of the commission become effective on May 22 when the new law also goes into effect. The Governor is the fifth member of the commission.

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CATTLE DISEASE STUDIED

Foot-and-Mouth Investigation Results Available at Library.

An important addition to the Library's material on animal husbandry is the lecture on the status of the investigations of the foot-and-mouth disease, given to the Economic Society of the Kingdom of Saxony, Dresden, by Professor Loeffler. Professor Loeffler's researches on the subject will be of great value to stockmen. In countries where the disease has obtained a foothold thousands of cattle have perished. It attacks not only cattle, but sheep and hogs, and is especially fatal to young animals. Entire herds have been slaughtered to check the spread of the disease, inoculation with cultures has been tried repeatedly, but the inoculated animal in almost every case immediately has acquired the disease and has spread it farther.

150 in Town of 1000 Are Afflicted.

COLVILLE, Wash., May 15.—(Special.)—Measles has broken out in Colville. Despite a strict quarantine, more than 150 of the 1000 people of the town are afflicted. A number of deaths have occurred within the week. The public schools have been closed. Physicians are perplexed over the situation, which appears to be growing continually more serious. Neighboring towns and communities are becoming alarmed.

Applicants for both the game warden and the fish warden have been numerous, but in the heat of competition the number has been materially reduced.

Among the candidates for the office of game warden are A. H. Lea and Jack Cullison, of Portland. Mr. Lea has been a friend of Governor Withycombe for many years and is being urged by many business men for the place. Mr. Cullison, who has been president of the Portland Gun Club for several terms, also has many supporters.

R. E. Clapton, the present fish warden, is an applicant for reappointment, and is understood to have the backing of at least two members of the new board. Henry O'Malley, ex-superintendent of the Government fish hatchery, at Oregon City, and now in charge of the Government hatchery at Seattle, is an applicant as well as several others.

The new law empowers the commission to create the office of state biologist in charge of fish and game propagation and protection and it is conceded that W. L. Finley, the present game warden, will be appointed to this