

SEWER CHIEF SAYS DAMAGED PIPE USED

Inspector Smith Testifies, However, Broken Sections Were Set in Concrete.

CLASHES FEATURE PROBE

Montavilla Resident Accuses City Heads and Engineers of Graft and Inefficiency — Attorney Sinnott and Mr. Daly Row.

It developed yesterday at the City Councils investigation of the Montavilla trunk sewer-fraud charges that damaged sections of pipe were allowed to be used in the sewer. Positive statement that such was the case was made by Charles H. Smith, chief sewer inspector, one of the city officials on the defensive in the investigation.

Mr. Smith testified that nine or 10 damaged sections of the big pipe were allowed to be used, but that their use did not affect the stability of the sewer at all. He said the damage consisted of the flanges of the pipe being broken, and that the method of setting these sections was such that the sewer is now as good as it would have been had the pipe been perfect.

Mr. Smith, who has been looked upon as one of the principal witnesses in the investigation, declared that all the charges made about fraud and collusion either have been because of lack of information on the part of those making them, or have been because of misunderstanding, misinformation or deliberate falsehoods. He enumerated the list of witnesses at the investigation, stating who had been mistaken and who he accused of having falsified.

Clashes Are Many. The hearing was replete with innuendo, with personal clashes between attorneys, members of the Council and witnesses. D. W. Butler, a resident of Montavilla, openly charged the "city engineers and city dads" with graft and inefficiency at the expense of the poor of Montavilla.

"I was over the work twice a day while it was under construction," said Chief Inspector Smith. "I inspected every one of the 2300 sections of pipe used. I can say that the sewer is in perfect condition and was built as well as that type of sewer could be built. There has been testimony from Montavilla residents about damaged pipe being used. This is true, but when the system is explained it is not as bad as these witnesses have said.

"Nine or 10 sections of the pipe were damaged while being rolled from the point of manufacture to the point of laying. One of these had the bell or flange entirely knocked off, exposing the reinforcement. These pipes were so laid that the joints were inserted in concrete and they made as good and solid a joint as the bell or flange would have made. The reason for using them was that it was getting late in the year, and it was a case of using them or delaying completion of the sewer for six or eight weeks in the stormy season.

Falseness Is Charged. "As to the testimony of Engineer Dowling about cracks in the pipe, he was mistaken. He testified that he had falsified in his testimony about my allowing use of pipe he had condemned, and Inspector Needham and John Cook, to tell about cracks in the pipe and made other charges, were mistaken."

"And as regards Inspector Walsh," said City Engineer Smith, "I told him when he was laid off last fall and demanded that he be kept at work. He said if I did not put him to work, something serious would happen to me and Mr. Dieck."

Attorney Roger Sinnott was questioning Inspector Smith about writings of engineers on the subject of making pipe. "Better have an expressman go out and haul your library to Mr. Sinnott's house for his benefit," interposed Commissioner Daly.

"Yes, and you'd better put a meter on them to please Mr. Daly," said Mr. Sinnott. "And you might put a meter on Mr. Sinnott's mouth," snapped back Mr. Daly.

Mr. Daly's Brain Mentioned. "And you might put a meter on Mr. Daly's brain, if you could find it," retorted Mr. Sinnott.

J. F. Clarkson, of the firm of Standifer & Clarkson, testified that he had a great deal of experience with concrete, and has always found that it will crack. He said cracks developed on a recent reservoir he built at West Lynn. The cracks, he said, do not weaken the concrete.

D. W. Butler, of Montavilla, said he had visited every part of the sewer and saw a great deal of the work done. I saw some sections of pipe that, if they were not condemned, they should have been," he said. "I do not know whether they were used or not. I am of the opinion that \$12,000, which was added to the cost of the sewer, is work was under way, was nothing more than graft for the city dads and the engineers. Gentlemen, you have lost your reputation in the sewer. This thing has shown that you've got a very incompetent bunch of engineers."

Mayor Albee Answers. "I guess we lost our reputation long before the Montavilla sewer," said Mayor Albee.

"Yes," replied Mr. Butler. "I'm of the opinion you did. As far as this sewer is concerned, it was a crime and a graft to put it in. The people out there did not want it."

FAIRYLIKE CHILDREN WHO APPEARED IN "EVERYCHILD" LAST NIGHT AT THE LITTLE THEATER.



(1) THE "HOURS" AT PLAY WITH "DAWN" (2) ALMOST ALL THE CAST IN THE FINAL ACT INCLUDING "NATURE" THE "CLOCK" AND THE "HOURS."

and testified later that there was not at any time during construction any sign at the point mentioned by Mr. Hayworth.

The investigation was adjourned yesterday afternoon until 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. It is the expectation that the taking of testimony will be completed tomorrow and that the Council and the committee of engineers representing the American Society of Engineers and the people of Montavilla will go through the pipe Tuesday afternoon.

Library Notes

THE technical department of the Central Library has on exhibition for the week a collection of material on the Panama Canal.

44 AUTOS GET PERMITS

Spring Weather Brings Flood of Temporary Tag Demands.

FOUR GENERATIONS REPRESENTED AT FAMILY REUNION.



Mrs. Mary E. Hoxter, Aged 81; Mrs. John T. Whalley, Her Daughter; F. W. Whalley, Grandson, and Mildred Elizabeth Whalley, Great-Granddaughter.

Mrs. Mary E. Hoxter, pioneer in temperance educational work, will celebrate her 81st birthday this week. Mrs. Hoxter is known as a mother of temperance work in Oregon. She was the first to work for temperance education and textbooks. At a recent family reunion there were present many relatives of Mrs. Hoxter. Among those present were representatives of four generations. Mrs. John T. Whalley, a daughter; F. W. Whalley, a grandson, and Mildred Elizabeth Whalley, a great-granddaughter, were among those who attended.

CHILD PLAY PLEASURES

Two Performances Are Given at Little Theater.

"EVERY CHILD" IS STAGED

Fantasy From Pen of Mrs. Paul Lebenbaum Is Presented Before Members of Council of Jewish Women.

A child fantasy with a fairylike atmosphere and lovely theme is "Everychild," written by Mrs. Paul Lebenbaum, and given at the Little Theater Wednesday afternoon and last night by the children of the members of the Council of Jewish Women. Both performances were attended by several hundred people. Mrs. Lebenbaum has written the child drama in happy, inspiring vein, that is as pleasing to the child performers as to the grown-up contingent of the audience.

BRIDE BRAVES LONG TRIP

Minne-Strewn Sea and Submarines Encountered on Way to Altar.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 2.—A chase by a submarine and four brushes with British warships—not to say anything of mine-strewn seas and the ordinary perils of trans-Atlantic voyage in wartime, taken alone—were braved by Miss Novise Valboe to reach the side of Eric Solberg, 1075 Twenty-fourth avenue S. E., whose bride she is to be. She reached Minneapolis from Orskog, Norway, and will be married some day this week.

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AMERICANS MANY IN ALLES' LINES

Fighters Are of French, Belgian or English Parentage, Says Decker.

ONE KNOWS NO ENGLISH

Soldier From Rochester, N. Y., Falls to Acquire Language, Though He Has Been Resident in America Fully Ten Years.

BY A. R. DECKER.

Special Correspondence of the Chicago Daily News. PARIS, France, March 30.—One meets Americans, soldiers in the allies' armies, all along the front in France and Belgium. Some of these enlisted men, who have come across the Atlantic, are Americans of several generations descent, but most of them are of French, Belgian or English parentage.

In a French infantry regiment in the Bois de Petre I met a New Yorker. His parents were French, but the New Yorker had a hard time conversing with his adopted comrades in arms. At Dieulouard a French soldier, seeing my American introduced today in the trenches on the narrow strip of Belgium not occupied by the Germans.

"But how could you stay in America 10 years and not learn English?" I asked. "He replied, 'all the workmen being German, I happened to stay with German people. I could have learned to talk English if I had tried.'"

War Terrible, No Monotonous. In Paris the other day I met an American Belgian. From his home in West Flanders the Belgian father had emigrated to Chicago with his family and had made American citizens of all his children. But after 10 years of absence from his native land, the son had not forgotten his patriotism. He enlisted and is fighting today in the trenches on the narrow strip of Belgium not occupied by the Germans.

"Oh! It is bad up there," he said to me. I had visions of continuous attacks and never-ending slaughter. "Bad?" questioned. "Are the Germans ugly?" Is there much fighting? "Oh, no! There isn't much fighting, but it is so absolutely monotonous. When I enlisted I thought the war would soon be over. But it doesn't look like it now. The rain, the mud and the everlasting monotony are terrible. I have plenty of ammunition and take my coat off it stands up alone, it is so crusted with mud.

"Our lines are dangerously situated. If by hazard the German artillery bombards the dike locks and lets the North Sea in on us the Belgian army will be in a bad fix. The sea would sweep in along the Yser River and in 24 hours a huge lake would be formed, extending for six or seven miles on each side of the river and as far east as Fumes.

"Of course, if this happened the Germans would have to abandon their trenches also. "Little Change in the Line. "Our line at present remains about stationary. If the Germans by a surprise attack take one of our advance posts, we soon take it back, and they do the same to us. Sometimes a small patrol of the Germans will work their way through our barbed wire up to our trenches. They never get back. "I don't have plenty of ammunition and enough machine guns well placed to mow down anything that might appear on the plain in front of our lines.

"But it is terribly trying doing the same thing day in and day out. You don't know what a relief it is to come on leave to Paris. And to talk English again. That is a real pleasure. "The civilians remaining in Belgium are wonderful. Occasionally, through roundabout channels, we get news from them. They are all optimistic as to the outcome of the war. That cheers us up a lot. "And after the war, are you going back to Chicago?" I asked. "You bet I am," came the decided reply.

SLEEP ON, WALT, SLEEP ON!

Villa Bullets Can't Annoy Mr. Murphy in "Bullet-Proof Rooms."

MINNEAPOLIS, April 2.—Hot and cold water, artesian mineral water in the rooms, electric elevators, nightly breakfasts and the service of the hotel in short, all the ultra-advertised extra attractions of the highest priced hotels of the United States pale into insignificance before that advertised in the Hotel Naco of Naco, Ariz.

"That is the red lettered legend which literally jumps from the stationery of the Naco to the eye of the prospective guest. "Walter Murphy, proprietor, had an eye to business when he put in rooms of that kind and advertised 'em, because Naco is right on the boundary line between Arizona and the state of Sonora, Mexico.

Walter Murphy, Minneapolis theatrical man, wrote a letter home on some of the Naco's stationery. "When friends got it it took a load off their minds, for now they know Walter is safe.

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The DOCTOR'S ADVICE By Dr. Lewis Baker

The questions answered below are general in character, the symptoms or diseases are given and the answers will apply in any case of similar nature. Those wishing further advice, free, may address Dr. Lewis Baker, College Building, College-Elliwood Street, Dayton, O., enclosing self-addressed stamped envelope for reply. Full name and address must be given. No return initials or fictitious name will be used in my answers. The prescriptions can be filled at any well-stocked drug store. Any druggist can order of wholesaler.

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"Run!" says: "I'm tired of being called 'run' just because I'm so thin. I want to weigh more. How may I add about 25 pounds to my weight?"

Answer: There is the use of three-grain hypo-nucleate tablets to increase your weight. They are the surest, easiest and best health, strength and flesh producers I could suggest. You should easily gain twenty-five pounds in weight in a relatively short time.

"Anna L" writes: "I have kidney trouble and have had for sometime. I have a baby three months old and since she was born I have been bothered. I have been taking medicine, but it doesn't seem to act on my kidneys."

Answer: What you need is a good laxative and blood purifier. Clean your system thoroughly with three-grain sulphur tablets (not sulphur). These tablets act on the bowels, aid digestion and purify your blood. Their use will drive away the tired feeling and other symptoms.

"Froud" says: "I have always been proud of my hair until lately, when it has acquired an ugly, greasy, stringy appearance, and my scalp is covered with scales and itches terribly. What may I do?"

Answer: You should use plain yellow liniment to relieve the scalp of dandruff and itching. It acts as a tonic to the scalp and hair strands and promotes a beautiful, luxuriant growth of hair. Clip the ends of the hair about half an inch to get rid of broken ends.

"Nervous" writes: "I am a brain worker but I am so nervous as to be unable to apply myself to my tasks. I cannot concentrate my mind. Have a constant feeling of fatigue and drowsiness. Seem to have lost all buoyancy. In other words, I don't seem able to draw myself together somehow. What will renew my strength, brace me up, and make me feel like a man?"