

THEY DID NOT MATERIALIZE

Master Builders Declined to Meet Union.

Offered, However, to Confer With Committee to Regulate Wage Scale.

For about 15 minutes last night the carpenters' union held an open meeting, but its object was not attained. The individual contractors and members of the Builders' Association had been invited to attend to talk over the proposition of revising the wage scale, to go into effect April 1, but they failed to materialize.

The Builders' Association sent a communication to the union declining to confer with the labor organization as a body, but expressed willingness to meet and discuss the matter with any committee that the union might appoint for that purpose. The outside contractors were not heard from, and after waiting for what was considered a reasonable length of time the open meeting was adjourned, and the regular session called to order.

When it was learned that the contractors were not going to respond to the invitation the union men manifested considerable dissatisfaction.

POINTED REMARKS.

"If they should come," said one of the members in an indignant tone, "I do not see what is to be gained by the conference. We have already decided at a previous meeting to make \$15.00 minimum scale, and I fail to see that any good would be accomplished by having the contractors here."

"Yes," asserted another, "it looks too much as though we are showing cold feet by the course we are now pursuing, and it looks to me as though we would be exhibiting much better judgment to adjourn this meeting and proceed to our regular line of business."

"I believe that there is a contractor within four miles of here," shouted a third, "and see no reason for waiting longer. I move we adjourn and hold a closed session."

TO MEET CONTRACTORS.

The motion was quickly seconded, and was carried unanimously. At the regular meeting a committee was appointed to confer with the master builders at an early date relative to the wage question, and the matter was quickly disposed of. A committee was also appointed to secure a new hall for the union. Fourteen new members were initiated, and the meeting was adjourned until the first Wednesday in January on account of the holidays.

COUNCIL HAS ROCKY TIMES

City Fathers Divided on Many Issues—Oil Franchise Considered.

The application by the City & Suburban Railway Company for a blanket franchise was withdrawn yesterday afternoon, and will be considered by a committee of the whole Council at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

The question came up and there were stormy things done in the City Council. Mr. Flegel made strenuous remarks, and said that he believed a franchise of 30 years should be granted. Exception was taken by Councilman Bentley. He said that he would never consent to a franchise for more than 25 years. Flegel replied and said that he knew there were six members of the Council who would vote for a 30-year franchise.

Mr. Bentley grew excited. "I suppose you think that I am one of the hold-up parties, but I am not. I am doing just the same by this company as I did by the Portland Railroad Company. I suppose the franchise of this company because it does not give equal rights, and as Manager Swigert says he does not care if the ordinance is passed or not passed, I believe this body should consider it carefully."

DO NOT WISH IT.

Mr. Swigert interrupted Mr. Bentley, by saying that he did not wish any blanket franchise, and that it was a matter of the Councilmen's own solicitation.

Councilman Zimmerman said that he believed that the city would be benefited by a blanket franchise of the City & Suburban. It was moved that the matter would be taken up by the committee at their regular meeting a week from next Friday.

Councilman Flegel made a motion that the ordinance granting the Standard Oil Company the right to erect a storage plant of crude oil at East First and East Morrison streets be withdrawn from the street committee and laid before the Council for action. There was much discussion of the subject, Councilman Zimmerman saying that the Standard Oil Company was very anxious to have something done. The matter was laid over on a motion to adjourn by Mr. Sharkey.

PRIZES ARE READY.

Col. H. E. Dosh has received word from the South Carolina Exposition Company that the medals and diplomas awarded by the exposition are now ready for distribution. The exhibitors at the Charleston exposition who were successful in receiving prizes received them in name only, as the medals, diplomas, etc., were not ready at that time to be distributed. Instead, they were given certificates of award. These certificates can now be exchanged for the prizes by the payment of the cost of manufacture of these awards. An Oregon was awarded 253 medals and diplomas at this exposition, the sum total for these will amount to quite a sum.

TROUBLE OVER BOAT.

Judge George of the Circuit Court has been engaged all day in hearing argument of counsel in the case of Paquet against Spencer, the action being to collect \$7000 alleged to be due the plaintiff on a contract for the construction of a stern-wheel river steamboat.

The plaintiff alleges that he entered into an agreement with the defendant on May 20, 1902, to construct the river boat, the material and labor for the same to be furnished by himself, for the stipulation of \$7500. He alleges that he carried out his contract, but that he has been paid only \$3224. He asks judgment for the balance.

BURGLARS BREAK INTO STORES

The thieves and house breakers of this city had a busy session last night. Three places of business were entered, but very little booty being secured. As the intruders were evidently frightened away before they accomplished the object of their mission.

The places entered were the cigar store of E. B. Rich, Fifth and Morrison streets, New York Loan office, on Third street, and the dry goods store of Mrs. Deshon, next door to the loan office.

From the appearance of the entrances effected, it would seem that the same person or persons entered all three places. The principal object of booty at Rich's cigar store was the jar of money that has been on exhibition as a prize for the person guessing nearest to the amount contained in it. Fortunately, however, for Mr. Rich, the jar of money was removed to his stand at Sixth and Morrison streets earlier in the day. The lock of the door was broken at the cigar store.

The other two stores were entered through the doors, the glass having been broken.

BRINGS DEAD TO LIFE AGAIN

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Dr. Hamilton Forline, formerly professor in the Northwestern University, who resigned in order to make experiments for restoring life in cases of suspended animation, today announced his success. He claims that he has discovered a process of practically restoring life to human beings who are technically dead.

His method is to insert a hollow needle in the spinal column, draining the cerebro-spinal fluid which is the first cause of death. Another fluid made of living cells from animals is then injected, acting as an elixir of life.

Dr. Forline has notified The Journal of the American Society of Animal Therapeutics that he is ready to demonstrate his theory. He will ask permission to experiment on papers and organisms. He names two assistants as witnesses to the fact that he restored life to a dead cat, which had previously been poisoned, and in a goat that had been strangled.

PHILIPPINE TARIFF BILL PASSED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The House this afternoon passed the bill reducing the tariff on goods from the Philippines to 25 per cent. of the Dingley rates. The Democrats voted for the bill after it had been lost by a vote of 11 to 122, in the effort to have the bill amended to provide for free trade.

The house committee on foreign affairs decided that it was unnecessary to enter into the case of the killing of Fitzgerald by Hunter, as the Customhouse Courts have taken up the case. A favorable report on the bill to create a general staff for the army was authorized by the house military committee this afternoon. The bill being amended so that the inspection details remain in the army bureau. Root's proposal to have the bill become effective in two days after Miles' retirement was rejected.

TWO BOYS MISSING

The whereabouts of Ben Guinn and Francis Graham, who disappeared from the receiving home of the boys' and girls' aid society yesterday morning, have not yet been ascertained, and the greatest apprehension is felt for the safety of the little fellows. Supt. Gardner of the home, is exercising every means to seek some information concerning their whereabouts. On account of several scarlet fever cases, the home has been quarantined for some time, and it is feared that the boys may have contracted the disease and may be stricken with it at some point of their journey.

Guinn is 13 years of age, has blue eyes and brown hair and wore a soft black hat, blue overalls, blue sweater and high-top boots. Graham is 12 years old, has blue eyes and brown hair and wore blue overalls, red sweater and checked coat and cap.

BASKET BALL.

Dallas College to Play a certain. The Dallas College basketball team will play the All-Stars at the Y. M. C. A. tomorrow night, December 19, at 8:15 p. m. The college boys have one of the best teams in the state and a good game is expected. Captain Freeman will give the lineup of his team tomorrow. Tickets will be 25 cents; members, 15 cents.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Shirley E. Bennett and Gladys M. Board, George W. Landen and Mary J. Martin, William T. Phillips and Nellie J. Parker, Charles G. B. Smalley and Lizale Keyser, Carl R. Lounsbury and Helen B. Stowell.

BIRTHS.

Deeny.—At 522 Clay street, December 2, 1902, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Deeny, a girl.

Frainey.—At 292 Williams avenue, to Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Frainey, a son.

Hugh.—At 24 North Tenth street, December 11, 1902, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hugh, a boy.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.

James Smith, diphtheria, at St. Vincent's hospital.

Mrs. E. J. Kiss, typhoid fever, at foot of Couch street, near Burnside street.

Laura Oleson, scarlet fever, at 614 East Main street.

DEATHS.

Nymithao.—At St. Vincent's Hospital, December 16, 1902, N. Nymithao, aged 60 years.

The Edward Wolman Undertaking Co., funeral directors and embalmers, 280 Yamhill. Phone 509.

J. P. Finley & Co., funeral directors and embalmers, have removed their new establishment, corner Third and Madison streets. Both phones No. 9.

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NASH SLOWLY RECOVERING

Victim of Thug's Dastardly Blow Gaining.

Police Take No Action—Know Nothing Save From The Journal's Story.

The exclusive story of the dastardly assault on Mr. T. C. Nash, of the East Side, which appeared in The Journal last night, created much comment, and thoroughly demonstrated that there is some one in Portland who ought not to be at large. The assault was entirely unprovoked, and the thug who committed it could have avoided it as well as to have done what he did, and still procure any valuables the young man had.

A Journal reporter was informed this morning from the residence of Dr. Rosier, the attending physician, that Mr. Nash will recover from his awful experience, but that he will not be able to get out for quite a while. That he was able to recover from the exposure and the wounds inflicted upon him is surprising. Only the most wonderful physical endurance brought him through.

REMEMBERS NOTHING.

The most remarkable thing about the matter, and the most regrettable, is that Mr. Nash cannot recall anything that happened after he was struck, until he woke up Tuesday, when he is therefore unable to give any description of his assailant, or how they acted after having felled him to the ground.

The matter was promptly reported to the police, but they have not even taken the trouble to inquire into the case, and have not been near Mr. Nash to ascertain whether or not he knows anything that would aid them in bringing the guilty party to justice. In fact the police deny any knowledge of the affair, and state that the first they knew of it was when they read The Journal's exclusive story last night. They have taken no action today.

TENDER IS LAUNCHED.

Col. John McCracken, one of the Portland commissioners, is in Seattle, witnessing the trial of the new dredge tender, John McCracken, which has been in the course of construction there for the past few months. The tender was launched this morning at 8 o'clock. When completed, it will cost \$24,000.

LESS THAN THREE DAYS.

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HORROR AT COURT HOUSE

Creeping Population From Jail Crawling Upward.

The recent cleansing process at the county jail has proved a good thing for that institution, but it has fair to drive the clerks and others who labor in the upper stories of the courthouse to distraction. It was discovered today that the entire creeping population, consisting of cockroaches and other creeping things, has been driven from the county jail below, to the upper floors.

Several of the clerks discovered cockroaches about their places of work and closer examination disclosed the fact that bed bugs were also invading the sacred precincts of the offices on the second floor of the building.

One of the ladies employed on the second floor came up into the Circuit Court clerk's office and while telling of what had been discovered downstairs, felt something crawling along her face. With a cry of horror she grasped the creeping thing, and held it up for scrutiny. It was pronounced a genuine live bed bug, and was consigned to death at once.

The situation seems desperate, and if the invasion from below continues it will be necessary for desperate measures to quell the enemy. There is talk of driving the pests up and up until they crawl out on the roof, where they would be swept into a heap and slaughtered.

Every one connected with the courthouse admires the management of the jail in driving out the pests from its quarters, but no one desires things to remain as they are now.

FRAUD CHARGED

Dr. David Mitchell, a Prominent Olympia Citizen, Arrested.

TACOMA, Dec. 18.—Dr. David Mitchell, a prominent citizen of Olympia, was arrested today for alleged embezzlement. The charge was preferred by Dr. Oliver Leconte of Kootenai, Mich., who paid Mitchell \$10,000 for timber lands. He claims the lands were worth much less.

STOLE THIRTY-FIVE DOLLARS

L. W. Dealahay, a colored man, was arrested yesterday afternoon for tapping the "cash register" in the saloon of E. Byrne, 33 Gleason street. Dealahay entered the place and having his scheme well planned, ordered a drink that compelled the bartender to make a trip to the cellar. While the unsuspecting conductor of cordials was in the basement Dealahay opened the till and took \$35 therefrom. He was captured later in the day and will be given a hearing tomorrow morning, today's trial having been postponed.

UTAH'S SUGAR OUTPUT.

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 18.—The closing run of the Utah sugar-beet factories shows an output for the season of 42,000,000 pounds. Fifty per cent of the output was shipped to points east of Chicago.

WILL COMMENCE WORK ON SITE

Agricultural Committee in Action.

Lewis and Clark Fair Sub-Committee Preparing Agricultural Exhibit.

Active work in preparing the site of the Lewis and Clark Fair for the exposition will be begun tomorrow morning when the agricultural committee of the company will select a portion of the land of about 30 acres for the agricultural exhibit. When this has been done the ground will be tilled and crops planted so that they should be matured at the time of the exposition in 1903.

This committee, which consists of F. L. Mills and John F. O'Shea, of Portland; J. C. Cooper, of McMinnville; George W. Riddle, of Riddle, and A. Bush, of Salem, met this morning, and will meet again this evening, so that no time should be lost in arranging for a growing exhibit of Oregon's products.

COLLEGE WILL HELP.

Benton Killin, regent of the State Agricultural College, of Corvallis, appeared before the committee and stated that the regents of the college had appointed E. G. Leedy, of Taggardville, and himself, a special committee to consult with the Lewis and Clark Fair board of directors regarding the agricultural exhibit at the exposition. He stated that the Agricultural College would be willing to take charge and make up a growing agricultural exhibit free of charge, but would need financial aid for manual labor and rough work.

This evening there will probably be a meeting of the agricultural committee of the Lewis and Clark Fair, the committee appointed by the college and George W. Weeks, of Salem; Thomas Froman, of Albany, and Harry West, of Scappoose, the committee appointed by the Farmers' Congress.

KNAPP ON DECK.

Special Commissioner Knapp has sent the following message to Secretary Reed, of the Fair Company:

"LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 18.—Wyoming is all right. Am on my way to Lincoln.

"JOHN F. KNAPP."

"DENVER, Colo., Dec. 18.—Governor Orman of Colorado volunteers recommendation in regular or special message.

"JOHN F. KNAPP."

The probability is that Mr. Knapp has already left Lincoln and will go to Jefferson City, Mo. Mr. Knapp is meeting with unvarying success in his efforts in behalf of the Lewis and Clark Fair.

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OREGON BELLE MINE SOLD.

GRANTS PASS, Dec. 18.—The New York & Western Mines Company on Wednesday purchased the Oregon Belle mine, of the Forest Creek district near this city, of Grants Pass mining men. The price paid for the property was \$30,000. The mine was formerly owned by William Ireland, John Broad, J. W. Coffman, and Thomas Reed, all of this city. These men have been developing and working the Oregon Belle since 1894.

They have not had the capital to thoroughly develop and equip the mine. The new owners are men of enterprise and will thoroughly open up the Oregon Belle and put it in shape for work on a large scale. The ore body of this mine is a vast one, the ledge being wide and carrying good values in free gold and sulphurets.

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20.00 Coat	13.50
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