

THE FACE OF A GREAT ISSUE

Must Prevent the Streets Being Grabbed.

Fiegl Ordinance, of Importance to Taxpayers, to Be Voted on Tomorrow.

THE PEOPLE OF PORTLAND FACE THE MOST STUPID ISSUE THAT EVER CONCERNED IT IN ITS LOCAL GOVERNMENT. STATED SUGGESTIVELY, IF ACTION IS NOT TAKEN TO PREVENT IT, PORTLAND WILL BECOME A CITY OF THE FUTURE. THE CRIME RECORDS WILL BE SECURED BY CERTAIN CORPORATIONS THAT WILL AGGREGATE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN VALUATION, WITHOUT A SHOT OR A SPEAR OF RESISTANCE TO THE MUNICIPALITY.

The Fiegl ordinance is designed to correct this evil, to avert this threatened disaster. A. J. Fiegl, Councilman from the Eleventh Ward, drew the measure, and it should be adopted by the Common Council. DO THE PEOPLE REALIZE WHAT THE FIEGL ORDINANCE MEANS?

It does not in any manner connect with the matter of the street car franchises. Let this be understood. The danger of permanent franchises being secured by certain corporations is not inclusive of the surface railways, for the street car roads' franchises are all limited and are handled by other ordinances. There has been confusion of thought by many careful citizens upon this subject.

The facts are these: IN TIMES PAST, THE COMMON COUNCIL HAS PASSED CERTAIN ORDINANCES GIVING PERPETUAL FRANCHISE RIGHTS TO THE FOLLOWING CORPORATIONS TO USE STREETS NOW OCCUPIED BY THEM WITH TRUCKS AND UNDERGROUND CONDUITS AND WIRES.

The Terminal Company, owning the Union Station and the extensive yards of that concern.

The Northern Pacific Company, which has extensive trackage rights upon many streets.

The Southern Pacific Company, with the same.

The O. R. & N. Company, with the same.

The General Electric Company, with rights on numerous streets to convey wires overhead and underground.

The Pacific States Telephone & Telegraph Company, for its wires and conduits.

The Columbia Telephone & Telegraph Company, for the same.

The Portland Electric Company, for leading pipes through the streets to convey power to numerous buildings.

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THANKS THE JOURNAL.

The December number of the Medical Sentinel, published in the interest of the medical profession of Oregon, says of the Journal's battle for pure food:

Another Crying Need for a State Board of Health.—If anything further were needed to demonstrate the urgent necessity of some state body to protect the public health of Oregon, it has been furnished within the past 10 days.

The condition of a large dairy herd near Portland became so notorious that the State Veterinarian was galvanised into making an inspection and tuberculin test. Four cows were in such an advanced stage that they were killed at once and found riddled with tuberculosis, and no less than 60 others reacted to the test.

The state of affairs was carefully "kept from the papers," as the trustworthy official was said to have informed the first reporter who interviewed him, and the dairymen proceeded to advertise the sale of his entire herd, without a whisper of warning being given to the public.

Unluckily, the matter reached the ears of "Portland's" youngest and most enterprising newspaper, and a complete and dramatic exposure was promptly made. In an evil moment the officials implicated in the rising storm by declaring that such a test was unnecessary, and "two-thirds of the dairies in the state were just as bad," but this didn't seem to reassure the public.

As a result, a vigorous crusade has been set on foot for adequate health, echoed by all the leading papers of the state.

The thanks of the profession and public alike are due to The Oregon Daily Journal for its fearless and vigorous exposure of this serious state of affairs.

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GUINANEY'S NEWS ANGRY

Meeting of the Board of Trade Last Night.

New By-Laws Read--Secretary to Be Appointed by Executive Committee.

Contrary to expectations, no report on the books of the Board of Trade was made by Expert Barnard at the meeting of the board last night. When seen by a Journal representative, the expert stated that he has not quite completed the examination of the ex-secretary's books.

A communication was read from E. L. Corbell, a candidate for the Argentine Republic, with offices in England, Switzerland, and America, who has written to Secretary Shillcock of the Board of Trade, that as requested he will deliver an address on "Portland and the Columbia River" before the board on February 25. The address will be illustrated with stereopticon views, and the expense will all be borne by Mr. Corbell. Messrs. Smith and Shell were appointed a committee to make all arrangements for Mr. Corbell's reception.

A COMMITTEE.

A committee, consisting of Messrs. Beach and Potter, was appointed to represent the Board of Trade at the Kansas City Live Stock Convention, at which the secretary was instructed to communicate with various Eastern manufacturers, who are looking for a location on the Coast, and explain the advantages and facilities of this city. A communication was also read from Maj. Mitchell, stating that he would recommend the appointment of a United States Engineer to superintend the construction of the Portland drydock.

GUINANEY'S RESOLUTION.

Senator Mitchell's communication was followed by a motion from Maj. Guiney to the effect that the board adopt the resolutions that he was about to bring before the meeting. The Major introduced his motion with a statement that the Port of Portland Commission were incompetent, whereupon the president suggested that the resolutions be read. They were as follows:

Whereas, We, the members of the Board of Trade of Portland, Or., fully realize the necessity of the navigation of the largest safe vessel from Portland to the open sea.

Resolved, That the Board of Trade recommend that the Multnomah delegation to the National Convention at Salem this month take this vital matter in hand and investigate the manner in which said commission has performed, or attempted to perform its duties.

Resolved, That the Legislature abolish the commission known and designated as the Commission of the Port of Portland, and in its stead said Legislature appoint a competent engineer to superintend the construction of the drydock, to make open rivers from Portland to the ocean. Said engineer to consult with and act in harmony with the Government engineers.

A motion to refer followed the reading of the resolutions, which Maj. Guiney moved. Finally the resolutions were voted down, and the Major waxed hot and exclaimed:

OF LITTLE VALUE.

"I think we are of little value as a board, and of very little value to the City of Portland. I motion you, Mr. President, that a copy of these resolutions be published in The Journal and the Oregonian, and that the Mayor waxed hot and exclaimed:

FISKE'S RESOLUTION.

Mr. Fiske's resolution providing for a request to Congress for the Multnomah delegation to introduce into the next session of the Legislature a bill providing for the establishment of a State Bureau of Mining, for the further development of the mining resources of Oregon, was passed.

MITCHELL'S RESOLUTION.

Col. Mitchell's resolution, in regard to having the Navy Department furnish submarine torpedo boats for the defense of cities on the Columbia River, was also passed. The resolution reads as follows:

"Resolved, That the secretary of the Board of Trade be directed to communicate with the Secretary of the Navy, praying that he will have a suitable number of submarine torpedo boats regularly assigned to the defense of the City of Portland and other cities located between the mouth of the Columbia River and Portland.

"That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to our Senators and Representatives in Congress, with a request that they will support this petition in Congress and personally urge the proper authorities in the Navy Department of the necessity of future protection of property and the commercial interests belonging to the Columbia River basin from Portland to the sea."

CHANGE IN BY-LAWS.

Judge Seneca Smith, chairman of the by-laws committee, then brought in a copy of the revised laws, which, in the main, remain the same. The principal changes are as follows: In the future the secretary is not to be elected by the board, but appointed by the executive committee, who shall make a contract with him for a stipulated period, at a salary to be agreed upon between the committee and the secretary.

The assistant secretary shall be appointed in the same manner as the secretary.

Another provision changed is that providing for the admission of new members. According to the new method, an applicant must present his application to the secretary, accompanying the same with dues for the current quarter. The secretary is to refer the application to the committee, who shall either elect or reject the applicant. In event of rejection the money accompanying the application must be returned.

Delinquency for six months, after twice being notified of same, shall be followed by the dropping of the delinquent from the roll of membership, without further notice.

If a Portlander should desire to send an "inexpensive" source of information" of Oregon to the Eastern States, The Journal would all the bill. Daily \$4 a year by mail. Semi-weekly, \$1.50; weekly, \$1. All the news. Phone Main 900; Columbia, 705.

LITIGATION IS FAST PICKING UP

Coming Term of Circuit Court.

One Murder Case and Many Civil Suits--The Gamblers--New District Attorney.

Next Monday the New Year's session of the State Circuit Court will convene, and from information obtained by The Journal it is entirely reasonable to believe that the state will be represented by John Manning as District Attorney. District Attorney Chamberlain will become the chief executive of the state Monday, and with his induction into the gubernatorial chair his present office becomes vacant, and can be filled only by himself as governor.

Notwithstanding rumors of his resignation, District Attorney Chamberlain seems not to have any such intention, and from unofficial sources The Journal has obtained information that he will not resign, and that he will not relinquish the office until he becomes governor.

THE COMING TERM OF THE STATE CIRCUIT COURT.

The coming term of the State Circuit Court will be a busy one, at least for a while, as litigation has piled high in the office of the clerk of the court, until the calendar has grown lengthy. Almost every form of complaint has been lodged in the clerk's office, and the session of the court will be busy and varied.

ONE MURDERER.

There was one murder trial, that of G. Castronovo, who stabbed G. Guglielmo to death in the latter's saloon two weeks ago. The murderer has engaged counsel, and will put up a stubborn fight for his life. He will plead self-defense, claiming that the murdered man and his son attacked him first, and that he feared for his life. A further fact which will be brought out will be that the defendant was intoxicated at the time of the murder, and was not accountable for the rash deed.

GAMBLERS' TURN.

The case upon which centers much interest is that wherein Councilman Fred T. Merrill and several other well-known men are charged with gambling. The District Attorney will bring the matter up at the earliest possible moment, and will vigorously prosecute the offenders. Defendants, it will be remembered, were "peached" on by Municipal Judge Hogue, who, in the course of a tour of the gambling dens, found the said defendants busily engaged in bucking the tiger. Judge Hogue's testimony will probably be quite interesting, and the trial will doubtless create a sensation when it begins.

There are petty larceny and larceny from the person cases, and numerous civil suits.

COURT NOTES.

The Dixie Queen Mining Company has filed an attachment suit in the State Circuit Court against A. A. Pope to collect \$2,500 on a contract entered into with the defendant, who lives in Toledo, Wash. The defendant, according to the complaint, was to mine for the plaintiff company a certain mine in Skamania County if the company would do the assessment work. They did as per agreement, but the defendant did not perform his part of the contract. The assessment work cost the company the sum stated in the complaint, which they now desire to collect.

Moses L. Tiehner, as guardian of Honorable Tiehner, petitioned the County Court yesterday for permission to lease the old Levi White residence at the corner of Twentieth and Division streets to the North Pacific Sanitarium.

The company wants the lease for five years, and will pay \$250 per month rent. The institution is to have the right to make improvements, and it is stated that the old residence, which they now desire to collect, improved at the termination of the lease than at the present time.

COUNTY COURT NOTES.

County Judge Webster heard the petition for the resignation of Joseph Reilly as administrator of the estate of B. S. Reilly, deceased, yesterday. The resignation was accepted, yesterday. The judge then heard the petition for the resignation of Mr. Reilly, who was that his business was too pressing at this time.

The appraisers of the estate of Geo. G. Mahara have filed a report to the County Court, stating the value of the estate at \$105.

On petition of counsel for Ed Osterlander, who is a means appointed guardian of his four children, a writ was done in order that a loan of \$200 might be negotiated on a life insurance policy, in which the children hold an interest.

GIVE SPACE FREE.

The Musical Courier to Meet Its Obligation Will Give Steinway & Sons a Year's Advertising.

In a recent issue of the Musical Courier, was a statement to the effect that no piano manufacturer would be willing to put himself on record that he would not give any department store in the United States the representation of his piano.

So sanguine was the Courier that no piano maker would come forward with a contrary statement, that they offered to publish a denial on front page free for one year. The issue of the Courier had been out but a few days, when Steinway & Sons, the makers of the celebrated instrument which bears their name, notified the publisher that under no consideration would they allow any department store to have their piano. They gave as the reason for this stand that their instrument could be shown to the best advantage only in the musical atmosphere of a regular piano-forte business.

Late issue of the Musical Courier publishes Steinway & Sons letter in full on the front page, as agreed, and it is to be continued free for one year. It will be a costly affair to the publication.

The large department stores of the East each handle one or more of the standard pianos, and indeed some of them can date their "start in life" from the time they were put on sale in the department stores.

Steinway & Sons have confidence in their instrument and they feel that the public has also. Route 1100, are the Portland agents for this piano.

No Jewels So Precious

As your eyes, right once lost can never be brought back. A little care today may save your sight. Next week may be too late. Our list of patients who have received good vision by the use of glasses that we have fitted and made for them show, convince all who need optical attention that our optical department is the place to get just what you need. We fill oculist prescriptions promptly.

A. & C. Feldenheimer

Manufacturing Jewelers and Opticians, Corner Third and Washington Streets.

ALL ARE COLD BUT PORTLAND

Prominent Railroad Man Tells of Other Cities He Has Visited.

"I hear people complaining that winter is upon them. They even talk this way in Portland, where there is less reason for it than anywhere else in the Pacific Northwest. All over the coast and Middle West snow is many feet deep and the thermometer is registering so far down the scale that it gives one the horrors to think about it."

E. F. Baird, traveling passenger agent for the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad, has returned from a three-week business trip to New York, Washington, Chattanooga, Nashville and other important points. He made the above statement to a reporter for The Journal, adding that the weather is better in Portland than any other place he visited during his journey.

"I was gone three weeks," he said, "and went pretty well down into the Southern States, but Portland is the only city that has shown immunity from snow and ice. In some of the sections of the East and in the Middle States the suffering was very great from cold. Everywhere the train ran between banks of the alleged snow and ice, and I hardly got thawed out until I began to enter the Oregon mists."

"Business is rushing in all parts of the country and is far better than usually follows the holidays."

WANT EXHIBIT OF OREGON WOODS

The Harriman Immigration Board Writes Manufacturers.

Secretary G. H. McIsaac of the Manufacturers' Association is in receipt of a communication from G. H. Aydelotte of the Harriman Immigration Bureau, at Chicago, asking the association to provide the bureau with an exhibit of Oregon woods. The bureau is already in possession of an Oregon exhibit consisting of fruits, grains and cereals, and wishes to add the woods to the exhibit.

Mr. Aydelotte is one of the many clerks who has charge of "talking nothing but Oregon" to intending immigrants and home-seekers, and has spent several months in Oregon during the past year, looking into conditions existing in