

LIFT BRIDGE IS PROPOSED

New Morrison-Street Structure May Be a Type Not Now Used in Portland—It Will Cost \$400,000.

Plans of This Type Shown Today at the Meeting of the Committee in Charge of Construction.

In all probability a lift bridge will replace the present draw-bridge structure crossing the Willamette river at Morrison-street. Plans of such a bridge, which are coming into quite general use in the East, were introduced at a session of the bridge committee this morning and all the members were unanimously in favor of the idea.

The session was originally called to meet representatives of the City & Suburban Railway Company, regarding its franchise on the new structure, and Manager Swigert of that corporation presented a set of lift bridge plans, which he recently secured in Chicago. The new bridge, as provided in an act of the last Legislature, will cost in the neighborhood of \$400,000.

The Lift Bridge.
The lift bridges are slowly but surely replacing the span bridge in the East," said Mr. Swigert. "I recently made a special trip to look into the matter, and it is surprising to find advantages that the lift bridge possesses over the old style. The new class of structure works by a gravity system from two piers, one at each side of the channel. This eliminates the center span and gives that much more room for the navigable channel."

"The bridge, I might say, represents two golf clubs, with the small ends joined together. The large ends are so arranged that they slide in a groove. The channel span can be lifted, allowing a free passage way for vessels. The mechanism is so delicately adjusted that the exertion of a few horse-power is sufficient to overcome the weight of the span and raise it upright. Then when the power is released the weight of the span is sufficient to carry it back to its level."

No Chance for Accident.
"One special feature of the bridge is that it absolutely precludes any accident from the land approaches. The bridge span, raised as an impassable barrier and it is impossible for anything to go off into the river."

Several members of the committee here suggested that a span bridge offered a large area of water, even with the rest of the bridge raised. It was explained that a 165 foot waterway with a lift bridge would offer greater advantages than a 250-foot draw span.

"Comparing the two styles of bridges," continued Mr. Swigert, "it is claimed that a lift bridge can be raised in 38 seconds, and I have actually timed the lift in the ordinary run of business where the waterway was cleared in 48 seconds."

City Engineer Has Plans.
City Engineer Elliott stated that he had already secured plans and specifications of lift bridges in use on the Chicago River in that city. He apparently favored that style of structure, and there does not seem to be any material differences in the cost. The advantages are claimed to be manifold by authorities who have tested the structures. On such bridge provided with eight steam railroad tracks is now successfully operated in the East.

The present Morrison-street bridge allows a waterway of 120 feet on each side of the swing span, and the lift bridge would give a waterway of from 160 to 165 feet. It is claimed that with the central rest span eliminated a lift bridge would possess a distinct superiority over the old-style elevated passageway.

Another important point regarding the proposed new bridge was brought out by Mr. Swigert, and that is the waterway should be located closer to the east side of the river than it is now. It was explained that the canal was much better there for navigable purposes than the present location.

Street Railway Franchise.
Departing from the question of style of bridge, the committee took up the franchise matter. The only points about the city's proposition which the street car corporation objected against was that provision touching payment for the use of the bridge and also as to the length of time allowed during which traffic could be interrupted.

"I think the city should provide that traffic should not be stopped for a period longer than 20 days," said this committee's representative, and this was considered too short by the committee, which suggested 30 days. This Mr. Swigert could not agree to, but he promised to lay the matter before his Board of Directors.

President Paxton of the Portland Railway Company was present to protest against the differentials in the sums which it was arranged should be charged for any other company using the bridge. The rate to the City & Suburban is 3 cents a car, a trip, with a minimum of not less than \$12,000 a year, and to all other companies 5 cents a car, a trip, and a minimum of not less than \$5,000 a year. This Mr. Paxton declared was practically giving a monopoly on the bridge to the City & Suburban, but the committee explained that the differential was thought equitable for the reason that that corporation surrendered a very valuable franchise. They also contended that it was far from implying a monopoly.

It was finally suggested that the City & Suburban pay the present tolls upon the existing bridge so long as traffic was not interfered with, and then to pay tolls upon the new basis as soon as the improved structure could be used.

In conclusion, the committee referred the question of a time limit on the bridge construction to the city engineer's Board of Directors, and turned over the matter of a lift bridge to City Engineer Elliott for further investigation.

PAUL DE HAAS WINS A ST. PAUL BRIDE

(Journal Special Service.)
ST. PAUL, Aug. 14.—Paul de Haas, manager of the Portland wholesale branch maintained by C. G. Galt & Co. of this city, has arrived from his Western home and will marry Miss Margaret Louise Mitheson on the afternoon of August 19.



Paul de Haas.



Mrs. Margaret Louise Mitheson.

The wedding will be at the home of the bride's parents, 899 Burr street, at 2 o'clock. Immediately thereafter they will board the train for Portland, Or., arriving on August 22. They will be at home at 266 Seventh street, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Custer. Later they expect to go to housekeeping.

FRESH EVIDENCE OF FRAUD.

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the notation, in Stimpson's handwriting, "Canceled, order Board Co. Com."

What the Records Show.
The order to which reference is made appears in the Commissioners' journal, volume II, page 41, under date of May 2, 1906, and is as follows:

"At this time it is ordered by the board that the assessment of Fisher, Thorsen & Co. for 1897 be canceled."

No petition for the cancellation of the tax is on file, nor is any reason for the board's action given. The date of the order is almost one year prior to the settlement made with Stimpson on April 18, 1901, and if the order had actually been made by the board, it is hardly possible to suppose that Fisher, Thorsen & Co. should know nothing about it. It would be equally strange that the board should have canceled the whole tax when the firm was ready to pay a substantial part of it.

A Telltale Typewriter.
As a matter of fact, the order was never made by the board, but was fraudulently interpolated into the record, in order to give the basis for the certificate issued by Swetland and prevent any future attempt to collect the tax. The entries on the Commissioners' journal are made in typewriter. This particular order occupies the last two lines of the page on which it appears, and close examination of the lettering indicates that it was not written at the same time as the entries that immediately precede and follow it. Another significant fact is that, although the items preceding and following the spurious order are indexed, the order itself is not indexed. As the indexing is done by handwriting, and not by typewriter, any attempt to index the order would have given a clue to the identity of the person who interpolated it into the journal.

The evidence in this case, therefore, shows the falsification of the Commissioners' journal, the false entry on the Sheriff's roll in the handwriting of Stimpson, the issuance of a certificate by Swetland that the tax had been satisfied (this certificate being issued prior to any payment by Fisher, Thorsen & Co.), the collection of \$250 from the firm by Stimpson, and the failure to pay any part of the money into the county treasury.

Portland Cracker Company's Case.
Similar in many respects to the foregoing case is that of the Portland Cracker Company. A disputed tax was again the subject of a pretended compromise, a forged order was entered in the Commissioners' journal, a certificate of satisfaction of the tax was issued by a deputy in the County Clerk's office, and money was collected from the taxpayer and pocketed by the bootleggers.

In this transaction, however, Swetland's name does not appear, the certificate being issued by Cord Sengstacke and the money collected by Stimpson. Sengstacke, before he entered the service of Multnomah County, was the confidential clerk of Paul Schultz, who had charge of the land department of the Northern Pacific, and whose gigantic embezzlements are said to have aggregated \$1,000,000. Schultz' suicide is still remembered as one of the great sensations in the criminal history of the Northwest.

In the case of the Portland Cracker Company the amount of tax due was \$884. In the Commissioners' journal, Vol. XXII, Page 76, under the date June 13, 1900, appears an order canceling this tax. No petition is on file and no explanation of the cancellation is given in the order. As in the case of the Fisher-Thorsen order, this entry occupies the last two lines of the page, and close scrutiny indicates that it was not made at the same time as the entries that immediately precede and follow it. The rest of the page is indexed, but this order is not.

Had to Use Carbon Forms.

Ten months after the date of the forged order a settlement was effected by the bootleggers with the Portland Cracker Company. It was agreed that \$250 should be paid in full settlement of the tax of \$884, and a certificate, dated April 16, 1901, was issued by Cord Sengstacke, reciting that the tax "appears satisfied." The certificate is similar to that given by Swetland to Fisher, Thorsen & Co., but with one noteworthy difference. While the Swetland certificate is an original typewritten document, the Sengstacke certificate is a carbon copy of the same form, with blanks for the name of the taxpayer and the date, these blanks being filled in with ink. The existence of this carbon copy indicates that the operations of the bootleggers were frequently employed. It is significant of their confidence that their swindles would not be detected.

On the same date that the certificate was issued the Portland Cracker Company drew its check for \$250, payable to A. Neppach, a stockholder in the company. Neppach indorsed the check in blank and turned it over to Stimpson, who also indorsed it and cashed it. Not a cent of the \$250 reached the County Treasury.

This case is another instance of fraudulent entries on the Commissioners' journal, the issuance of a certificate that the

THUGS FLED FROM A READY REVOLVER

A bold attempted holdup occurred at Fifth and Hall streets shortly after 1 o'clock this morning, and but for the presence of mind of the intended victim, E. H. Amaden, the thugs would have carried out their plans successfully.

Mr. Amaden, who lives at 285 Lincoln street, was on his way home. Since the outbreak of the epidemic of crime he has anticipated facing highwaymen and has been in the habit of carrying a loaded revolver in his hand.

As he approached a vacant lot at Fifth and Hall streets he noticed a strange shadow behind a tree. Instantly two men, the tall and the short, stepped out on the walk about 20 feet ahead of him and started to approach. The tall man carried a gun in his hand and wore a short mask over his eyes.

Without waiting an instant Mr. Amaden leveled his weapon as the tall man ordered "Halt!"

"Don't you make a move, or I'll bore you!" was the pedestrian's reply as he pulled the trigger.

To Mr. Amaden's regret, his pistol failed to work, but the bluff was good, for the thugs were frightened, and away they ran at full speed toward Fourth street. "You fellows get!" was his parting command.

The tall man wore a slouch hat, the shorter one a soft hat. Both wore dark clothes. The tall man alone was masked and had a gun.

Following the incident Mr. Amaden reported it to police headquarters, but this morning it was carefully concealed from the newspapers.

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As Boothe's payment was by check, payable to H. H. Holmes, the County Clerk, the bootleggers had no chance to appropriate the money directly, as they had done in other instances. But apparently they had secured \$100 from some other source, and in order to cover the theft it was necessary to falsify the books. For anything that appears to be the contrary, the \$100 may have been taken from the cash drawer, the shortage being covered by a corresponding subtraction from the credit given Boothe on the delinquent tax books.

The foregoing cases are but a few of many. In numerous instances now under investigation taxpayers were induced to pay money to the bootleggers under the impression that they were making legitimate settlement of their taxes, and the money went to swell the profits of the ring. How far the records of the County Board have been falsified can never be known, but it is certain that thousands of dollars of taxes have been wiped off the books without the knowledge of the board and without any payment to the county.

A REPLY SENT TO EAGLES.
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nor was Mr. McDewitt forcibly removed from office. Finding that he was not the unanimous choice of the lodge after irregularities had been found in his books, McDewitt resigned and R. C. Wright was elected in his place. No change has been made since that time, and Mr. Wright was still the secretary when the charter was withdrawn by order of the president.

The letter from President Smith says further that he has not as yet made up his mind whether the charter of the Portland lodge will be returned, but adds that it most certainly will not be under the management and conditions understood to have existed prior to the revocation.

Both reports to me and the articles in the newspapers," the letter reads, "show things to be in far from a satisfactory state."

A slight disposition to criticize the action of State Deputy President Flynn for his peremptory expulsion of members is shown by the president, who says that he is not yet prepared to state whether Mr. Flynn acted wisely in this matter.

Will Act Tonight.
This letter will be read before the Eagles at the special meeting to be held in the hall at Second and Taylor streets this evening, and at the same time action will be taken to secure a legal representative for the Portland lodge to go before the Grand Area at its coming session in New York City and demand reinstatement. It is practically the unanimous opinion of former Eagles today that Otis Patterson of The Dalles will be named for this important mission.

The letter which was received from President Smith has rather intensified the feeling against him. It is claimed that he has deliberately avoided the point at issue regarding his constitutional right to cancel the charter of the Portland lodge and expel members without an investigation. Further than this, it is openly stated that the letter displays a lack of information concerning the true condition of affairs here which is most deplorable in one holding such an exalted position and who was called upon to act decisively in a matter of grave importance.

CORPSE SCURRIED HAND OVER HAND

HAYWARDS, Cal., Aug. 14.—Great excitement was caused here last night, when a party of belated citizens were going home and discovered a body swinging from the limb of a tree, hanging over the sidewalk. They alarmed the neighborhood, and a crowd quickly gathered. Dr. Reynolds climbed the tree to cut down the supposed suicide, but just as he was about to reach him everybody was amazed to see the supposed dead man scurry up the rope hand over hand and sit astride of a limb. The alleged suicide said it was a prank gotten up by himself and some friends who were concealed in bushes near by.

Many in the crowd knew the man, who is prominent in social circles. After addressing the crowd below he came from his perch and invited all hands to a good time.

REGGIE BARLOW HAS MANY WIVES

CHICAGO, Aug. 14.—Reggie Barlow, who has been claimed by three women as their husband, last week wooed a Milwaukee heiress as a fourth while on a train to Los Angeles and were married on arrival.

Last February an announcement was made from the stage of the People's Theatre that an addition to the company had come in the shape of a baby born to Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Barlow. Before that, it was said, Reggie married a girl in Missouri and another girl somewhere else.

Where Mr. Barlow intends to land is not made clear by himself, but the third Mrs. Barlow threatens to make things warm for him.

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JETT AND WHITE ARE FOUND GUILTY
End of the Famous Kentucky Feud Murder Trial—Punishment Life Imprisonment.

(Journal Special Service.)
CYNTHIANA, Ky., Aug. 14.—The famous trial of Jett and White for the murder at Jackson, Ky., of Attorney Marcum, ended at 9 o'clock this morning, when the jury brought in a verdict of guilty. The reading of the findings was called for by the court, and the foreman arose and said: "We, the jury, find the defendants, Courtney Jett and Thomas White, guilty, and fix the punishment at confinement in the State Penitentiary for life in each case."

While the verdict was being read, the stillness in the courtroom was oppressive. When finished, there was a sigh of relief. All eyes were turned toward the prisoners, but not an outward look gave any indication that the verdict affected them.

The findings of the jury were arrived at after an all-night session. At 8:40 o'clock this morning Judge Osborn asked the jury if they had arrived at a verdict. The answer came back in the negative, and great was the surprise when a half hour afterward an agreement was announced.

But few people were in the court room. Jett received the verdict calmly, but White burst into tears. News that the verdict had been returned caused the court room to fill. Ewen was present. The answer came back in the negative, and great was the surprise when a half hour afterward an agreement was announced.

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CANADIAN MONEY RECEIVED AT PAR

FEARFUL ACT OF A MADMAN.

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revolver on himself and fired two bullets into his own body.

Firebells Ringing.
By this time the whole town was aroused. Firebells were ringing and 50 men had assembled, armed and ready for any trouble.

Not a score of people at this time knew the cause of the horror, but quickly the news spread that "Crazy" Twigg had done the deadly work. A thousand angry men gathered about his dead body, and it was with difficulty that it was carried to the police station. Even there it was feared that a mob would take the body and burn it, as a hundred threats to that effect were made.

Finally the crowd dispersed and its attention was directed to caring for the dead and wounded.

Twigg was a miller by trade, and had served a short enlistment in the Philippine War. Prior to that time he spent several years in Mexico. After his army service he returned to this city. He was 30 years of age, and had long been regarded as partially demented.

SCHOONER DISABLED

(Journal Special Service.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 14.—The schooner Mary Eta which sailed on August 12 struck a gale at the Farallones, carrying away the top rigging. The vessel put back this morning for repairs in ballast for Suislaw.

Very heavy play is being made on the American ship Helen Brewer, 161 days out from Java. The rate is now 90 per cent.

ALLIANCE SAILS

The steamer Alliance sailed last night for San Francisco and way ports, loaded with freight to her full capacity. Among the shipment were 300 tons of flour, 60 tons of rolled barley and about 500 tons of general cargo. She also carried 83 passengers, most of whom were bound for Coos Bay points.

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PARDEE'S DAUGHTER HURT

(Journal Special Service.)
SANTA CRUZ, Cal., Aug. 14.—The young daughter of Governor Pardee met with an accident at Big Basin, where she was riding horseback with a party of friends today. She fell and dislocated her shoulder. The Governor says she is suffering great pain, but no bad complications are feared.

UNION SMOKER

The Amalgamated Meatcutters' Union will give a big smoker tonight in the Trades Union Hall, to which all members of organized labor have been invited. Solid and liquid refreshments will be served.