

LARGE CONDUIT FOR ALL WIRES

COUNCILMAN DISCUSSES DESIRABILITY OF SUBWAY CONDUITS AND BELIEVES THAT IN THE NEAR FUTURE ALL WIRES MUST GO UNDER THE STREETS.

Certain members of the city council have in mind a system of municipal improvements for Portland that will mean much to the city if they are carried through. The present state of the public funds is the only thing which means delay to the project. As soon as the conditions warrant, however, the plans will be carried out.

The principal feature of these betterments, which have been discussed by the members of the street committee at various sessions, is a general system of underground conduits to carry all the electric and telephone lines, a sewer main through the heart of the city and also the gas mains.

In constructing such a conduit all the wires now strung overhead on poles along the streets would be out of sight, the poles would be removed and the thoroughfares would then be entirely free from the unsightly obstructions. "I do not think the time is far distant when we can expect such results," says Councilman Merrill, "and I think that every resident of the city would be thoroughly pleased at such a condition. Just now it is only a matter for discussion, but when the situation permits, I want to see the scheme carried through. The sooner we do it the better, for some day it will be absolutely necessary."

One argument used in favor of the plan is that it will do away with the continual tearing up of paved streets in the business and principal residence sections of the city. The arrangement will mean a conduit almost large enough to drive through with a horse and buggy, and after it is once in place there will be no further necessity for removing a single brick when the street improvement is down. Wherever gas or water mains or wire connections are desired it will be a simple matter to reach a residence by tunneling beneath the street. This entirely avoids any surface work, which would mar the paving. Another part of the plan is to keep in operation a street repair department, consisting of men whose sole duty will be to care for streets already paved. Instead of waiting for a section to wear away gangs of workmen can go over the streets every day or two and whenever a slight depression shows will round it up and fill in with new material. This, it is represented, would increase the life of a paved street fully one-third over its usual allotted existence. It is said that in other cities where the system has been tried it has worked perfectly.

DISGUISED GIRL FOOLS THE POLICE

Masquerades in Boys' Clothes and Cunningly Conceals Her Identity by False Answers—Will Be Held Until Claimed.

The identity of the girl, disguised as a boy, who was put off a train at Sims, Ore., is still a mystery. Superintendent Gardner of the Portland Boys' and Girls' Aid Society has been investigating the case thinking that the fugitive might be one of the two runaway girls from the home, Elsie Darling and her sister, Elsie. The girl received a telegram which leads him to believe the stranger is not one of the fugitives. When taken into custody the girl gave the name of Frances Merriwell, but according to today's dispatch, her name is now Francine. She is described as 17 years of age, tall, with red cheeks and French features. She now says she is well known in the neighborhood of Albany, Ore., and Mr. Gardner will send to that city for information regarding her. The telegram is sent by Sheriff D. Richardson at Redding. She will be held until her relatives are found and communicated with.

STOLEN SPINACH COSTS CHING MUCH

It cost Ching Gee \$25 for 25 cents worth of spinach which he stole from the wagon of Louis Grunow, a vegetable dealer. Gee was found guilty in the police court this morning, but Roger Sinnott, his attorney, will appeal the case. The complaining witness said the Chinaman pilfered two sacks of spinach while they were parleying over the price of vegetables in the market early yesterday morning. The statement is made that market gardeners have been much troubled by the thefts of Chinese peddlers and the court imposed the fine for the purpose of making an example of the defendant.

ASSAULTS OLD MAN AND PAYS DEARLY

For an unprovoked assault upon W. A. Buchanan, of the Honeyman Hardware company, Harry Thomas, a young messenger boy, was fined \$50 by Municipal Judge Hogue this morning. The evidence showed that the boy ran into Mr. Buchanan, who is advanced in years, knocking him down with his bicycle. Mr. Buchanan in defense struck the lad with his umbrella, after which Thomas hit Mr. Buchanan on the breast. The heavy fine was imposed as a warning to other lads who have displayed undue recklessness.

Tomorrow will be the three hundred and thirty-seventh anniversary of the birthday of the Bard of Avon. "Shakespeare never repeats"—and nature has never repeated on Shakespeare.

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JOINS HIS CHILD AFTER MANY YEARS



MISS LILLIAN M. EISEN.

Dr. William Eisen, the royal Danish vice-consul, is an extremely happy man. Sunday afternoon he was reunited with his daughter, Lillian, now a young woman, from whom he has been parted since she was an infant of 16 months. In 1882 Dr. Eisen's first wife died in Chicago, leaving Lillian. She was placed in the family of his wife's sister and was educated in the schools of Chicago. Dr. Eisen went to Fergus Falls, Minn., after his bereavement, but removed from there to Portland 18 years ago. During all the intervening years father and daughter have never seen each other, but have been in constant correspondence. About a year ago Miss Eisen decided to make her home with her father, and last week she started for Portland. Her train was due at 4:30 p. m. Saturday

but was delayed. Sunday afternoon Dr. Eisen's telephone rang. He asked, "Who is it?" and then came the reply: "This is Lillian—at the union depot." In speaking of the matter, Dr. Eisen said: "I found her seated with a woman who was waiting a daughter from whom she had long been parted. Lillian knew me at once, by intuition, I suppose. We both shed tears. When we started to go, we found that the other woman was softly crying, out of sympathy." There is no happier family in Portland than that of the Eisen home. Miss Eisen has received an excellent musical education and has a rich soprano voice, which will be heard in Portland musical circles.

EVIDENCE OF WRECKS AT SLAUGHTER'S BAR

Several interesting relics have been brought to light at Slaughter's bar since the government snagboat Methra began clearing the channel there, a few days ago. The vessel is engaged in the work of dynamiting rocks in order to reduce them in size for easy handling. The pieces are then removed to the river bank. After an unusually heavy explosion yesterday morning for the purpose of crushing a large boulder, there were six different pieces of copper sheathing and steel blown ashore. Examination of them revealed the fact that they came from the hulls of ships which had struck the rock. One of them weighed 12 pounds, and still firmly riveted to it was a piece of timber. As near as the United States engineers, who have charge of the work, can judge, the copper fragment must have been in the river for almost half a century. They

are of the opinion that the ship it came from was badly damaged by the collision. The smaller pieces of steel and copper, which were secured showed many heavy dents as evidence of the force with which they struck. When the bottom of the river is thoroughly searched in that vicinity it is believed that many other relics which bear mute testimony of Columbia river collisions will be found. In the neighborhood of 500 pounds of dynamite were discharged down there yesterday, and the snagboat is making good progress in freeing the channel of all dangerous obstructions. Engineer O'Brien reports that work for the season has been abandoned at Candian bar, 45 miles up the Willamette from Portland. The dam has been completed and a good depth of water secured.

CHARGES JUDGE WITH FELONY

A CHRONIC PAUPER WRITES THE COUNTY JUDGE THAT HE WANTS MORE FUEL AND THREATENS PROSECUTION BECAUSE CHILD IS HELD AT BOYS' AND GIRLS' HOME.

Superintendent Gardner and Officer Hawley of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society today investigated the condition of the Humphrey family, which has been attracting attention. The family consists of the husband, wife and six children. They have long been county charges and some months ago were sent to Kansas, where they sold their land relatives, at the expense of the county. The authorities in the San Francisco state sent them back and on the way they lost one of their boys in Denver and another in this city. The latter was found by the police and is now at the Boys' and Girls' home. The family has since been living near the poor farm in a section known as Ziontown. The county has been providing them with provisions and fuel.

A day or two ago the father wrote a letter to the county judge stating that he wanted more fuel and food for his family, saying that he was kept busy getting them fuel and at that could not provide enough. Mr. Humphrey, in his unique letter, told the judge that he was laying himself liable to a felony charge, in kidnapping the Humphrey boy, by keeping him at the home. Humphrey informed the court that he had studied law in several states and knew what he was talking about. The communication caused much amusement to the officials. Mr. Gardner and Mr. Hawley will, after investigation, determine what is to be done with the family, who they say are chronic paupers. They are reported to be living in dire destitution and all their children may be taken to the home.

WILL URGE TEACHERS TO VISIT PORTLAND

Portland desires the National Educational association to convene in this city next year and, if possible, a local representative will attend the meeting of the committee to select the next meeting place, that will be in session at Chicago November 9. A. L. Craig, general passenger agent for the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company, who is in Chicago, has wired President Henry W. Goode of the Lewis and Clark fair association at St. Louis to attend the meeting if possible and place Portland's name on the list of those desiring the convention.

AN ORDINANCE BY THE ARCHITECTS

PORTLAND ASSOCIATION APPOINTS A COMMITTEE TO DRAFT A NEW LAW REGULATING THE ERECTION OF BUILDINGS—ALL WOULD BE SAFER.

The committee recently appointed by the Architects' Association of Portland to draft a new building ordinance has about completed its labors and the entire matter will be referred to the general committee of the association on Saturday. The committee having in charge the proposed ordinance is composed of Henry J. Hefty, E. Schacht and W. C. Knighton. The architects are in favor of the creating of the office of building inspector, as they say that such an official is badly needed and would be a big benefit to the community.

The newly-proposed ordinance is not yet ready for the public, but it contains among its provisions the following: In all warehouses an automatic safety device will have to be constructed to cut off the shaft at each floor. This will prevent in a large measure the quick spreading of flames. No chimneys smaller than 8x12 are to be allowed and no joists are to touch the brick. It is proposed to allow four inches of air space on all sides of the chimney with only enough supports to strengthen the brick. Thick asbestos must cover all steam pipes.

The association proposes to draft such an ordinance that will make all theatres, public halls and factories more substantial and easier to escape from in case of a fire. The revised ordinance will be presented to the city council with the recommendation that it be passed. The architects say that with such an ordinance in force fire losses would be less and insurance rates considerably lowered.

GET READY FOR WINTER'S FIRST NIP

November is usually the first of the rainy fall months in Portland. In the last 32 years the rainfall has averaged 6.11 inches and it usually rains 17 days in the 30. In 1875 there was a fall of 15.77 inches, but in 1890 only half an inch. November 19, 1897, three inches of snow fell. However, snow is unusual. The mean temperature is 46, but it has been as high as 73, and as low as 11 degrees above zero. The first killing frost of the year usually occurs November 15. From figures prepared by Edward A. Beals, district forecaster, it is safe to say that the first nip of winter will be felt in the next month.

STATE MILITIA BURNS POWDER

OREGON'S FIRST COMPETITIVE TARGET SHOOT OF GRACK TRAMS FROM COMPANIES ALL OVER THE STATE BEGINS TODAY ON PORTLAND RANGE.

The annual rifle, revolver and carbine competition of the state militia begins today at the rifle range on the canyon road near the old city reservoir. The shooting will be of the grack type. Today will be devoted to practice, while tomorrow will be the competition for the state trophy, a silver cup, to become the property of the officer or enlisted man winning it three times. The distance is to be a range of 200, 300 and 400 yards with the regulation army rifle, with seven shots per man. On Saturday the shoot will be for the state medal, which will be of gold.

A medal and trophy will also be awarded to the state infantry competition and in a battalion contest. Teams from all of the militia companies in the state with the exception of those from Albany and The Dalles are in the city. The number in each team is four with one reserve.

Teams from Baker City, La Grande, Woodburn, Salem, Eugene, Roseburg, Grants Pass and six from Portland will contest. The members from out of town are quartered at the army. The first competitive shoot that has been held in Oregon. Other states have adopted this plan and have been holding contests for years, with the result that they have attained a high standard of efficiency in target shooting. The expense of the meeting will be charged to the state appropriation for the militia. Before the prizes are awarded one more contest will be held at the time of the next annual encampment.

32 FONTS OF TYPE GROWN FROM ONE

A Most Remarkable Improvement in the Wonderful Linotype Machine That Does the Work of Seven Printers.

The Big Printing House of F. W. Baltes & Co. Makes Surprising Additions to Its Magnificent Plant.

The old F. W. Baltes & Co. printing house, for years at the corner of Second and Oak streets, has removed to the new building adjoining the old one on the east and is now at First and Oak. In that office is seen one of the most remarkable machines that ever had to do with the business of printing. When the Mergenthaler linotype was first invented it represented but one face, or font, of type, and in printing circles was an actual seven days' wonder. It was thought that it would be impossible to improve upon the marvelous invention, but that one installed in Baltes' office is as far in advance of the original as possible as that machine was in the lead of hand composition. This one, in fact, represents the capacity of 32 of the original Mergenthalers. In that it is equipped with that number of faces of type, additions at first thought to be absolutely impossible. The first cost of the machine is, therefore, by these appliances, within a few dollars of doubled, but its capacity is so great that the extra investment is a dozen times justified.

It is not likely that the general public quite understands the importance to a modern printing plant that attaches to the installation of one of these latest styles of Mergenthaler linotypes. Forgetting its convenience in expediting the printing of books, catalogues and other work requiring considerable composition, it should be understood that it takes the place of seven swift compositors, and affords the additional advantage of new type for every job and consequent clearness and distinctness in the printed pages. And aside from this, the machine is adapted to any class of work that may be required of it.

But it should not be thought that this most ingenious linotype is the "whole show" in the Baltes institution. There are thousands of faces of job types that are not susceptible to the delicate touch of the machine, in letters smaller than any that appear in The Journal, and others that are each larger than whole pages of this newspaper. These facts are mentioned that the business world may understand that there is no job too small nor none so large that it may not be printed in Portland and at the celebrated printing house now in its elegant new quarters, built and arranged especially for itself. The place now has every convenience and every appliance possible to supply, and although removed for its accomplishments in the printing line in days gone by, its splendid equipment today makes it impossible for a call to be made upon its management that it cannot gratify, or work in the printing class to be offered that it cannot accept and perform the service with a degree of excellence difficult to parallel. Indeed, the F. W. Baltes & Co. printing plant is all that is comprised in the expression, "A paragon of excellence," as there is not a thing or implement originated for the betterment of the printing business or for printing purposes that Mr. Baltes has not procured.

OREGON IS AHEAD AT ST. LOUIS FAIR

Oregon is to be the first state to have a complete assignment for its St. Louis exhibits, in the information received this morning by E. C. Giltner, secretary of the Lewis and Clark state commission, from President Jefferson Myers at St. Louis. "Space has been allotted," says Mr. Myers, "and we have the best of locations."

LATE CLOSING IS COSTLY.

A. DeMartini, a First street saloon keeper, was found guilty this morning of keeping his place open after hours, and Judge Hogue imposed a fine of \$25. Officer Carlson made the complaint.

TAKES WORK IN SOUTH AFRICA.

C. V. Simpson, entomologist for the United States government, and well known in Portland, has received appointment as entomologist to Transvaal at a salary of \$5,000 a year.

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SCHOOLS FOR SETTLERS' CHILDREN

NEED OF AN EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT AT ST. LOUIS EMPHASIZED BY H. S. LYMAN OF THE STATE COMMISSION IN VIEW OF INCREASED IMMIGRATION.

H. S. Lyman of the state commission of the Lewis and Clark fair, who has just completed a tour of the state in view of securing exhibits, has submitted the following report to Secretary E. C. Giltner:

"On completing, with but two or three exceptions, my visit of the railroad counties of Western Oregon, in the interest of the educational exhibit from this state to the world's fair at St. Louis in 1904, I can submit something in the nature of a report, as follows: "I found a very generally intelligent sentiment upon this feature, as well as others, of the Oregon exhibit, and met with encouragement and every attention on the part of educators and the press. The idea is already well matured that an educational exhibit will be of great advantage to Oregon. The immigration to this state which we desire and expect at the present time is not so much that of government land seekers, or an influx of laborers, but of investors—particularly of those who have families, and are bringing a few thousand dollars in order to locate farms and homes in the more favorable conditions of the older communities of the state. This class will be attracted by the very fine display that can and will be made of our fruits, grains, timber, live stock and minerals. But such are not seeking localities where they must build roads and schoolhouses. They are looking for places where this pioneer work has already been done. Hence their need is apparent of a tolerably full and entirely creditable showing at the world's fair of our school facilities. I state in the above the feeling that I find. This is a sentiment also easily taken up by the teachers, and by the pupils in the schools, and intelligent direction as to what is wanted is all that is needed to obtain as complete an exhibit as will be required.

Praise for the State.

"The beautiful and attractive appearance of Oregon at the present time merits more than passing notice. But from the point of view of the promoter of immigration—as we all now should be—we would only say that hardly too much can be claimed for this country. Each locality has its praise and fame. Southern Oregon, meaning that is, Douglas, Josephine and Jackson counties, could scarcely be painted in too brilliant colors; the coloring is already there by the gift of nature. There are the orchards, apple, peach, pear and prune trees, and the vineyards, along with the alfalfa fields, to bear out almost any representation that might be made for the country. But the people of the Willamette valley counties are equally well satisfied, and no less enthusiastic. While the Willamette valley country is of a very different cast, it cannot be said that the more spacious horizon, the broader grain fields, the bluer mountains in the distance and the somewhat denser oak or fir tree timbering of the landscape, is any less handsome.

Prosperity Apparent Everywhere.

"The prosperity of the state is apparent. The towns are growing, prunes, wheat, hops and wool and dairying are all helping the farmers out this year. One crop of hops on a certain piece of ground in Yamhill county this year is said to have paid for the entire farm. Near Dallas 1 was shown the prune orchard of eight acres, owned and cultivated entirely by three young German girls—scarcely a girl called more than girls, as the eldest is but little past her legal age. Out of that orchard they have paid off the mortgage bequeathed by their father, who did not live to see the trees come into bearing, and have built a new house. The piece of ground is, moreover, a marvel of good cultivation and neat care.

"These items, which might be indefinitely extended, are not inserted as information, but to illustrate how much we have to say for our state, and can say without distorting the facts. As the better sort of agriculture is introduced, Oregon responds with a new life. The diversified and extensive culture that we are now taking on is most favorable to the educational spirit, and this must be shown in order to exhibit Oregon truthfully."

MARINE NOTES.

(Journal Special Service.) Astoria, Oct. 28.—Arrived down at 2 p. m. schooner Mabel Gale.

Left up at 4:35 p. m. German ship Arthur Fitzger.

Arrived at 5:35 p. m. French bark Germaine, from Newcastle.

Outside at 8 a. m., a three-masted bark in ballast.

Arrived at 8 and left up at 9:30 a. m. steamer Aurelia, from San Francisco.

Condition of the bar at 8 a. m., rough; light east wind; weather cloudy.

St. Helens, Oct. 28.—Passed at 3:30 p. m. German ship Christel; at 5:10 p. m. steamer Aberdeen.

San Francisco, Oct. 28.—Sailed at 6 p. m. steamer Navarro, for Portland.

San Francisco, Oct. 28.—Sailed, schooner Novity, for Columbia river.

A small sternwheeler known as the Stranger is being repaired at Supple's boatyard.

The launch Rover, which has been remodeled at Supple's yards, made a trial trip yesterday. She is owned by a Stella logger.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

(By C. G. Calkins, Lighthouse Inspector.) Notice is given of the following changes in the aids to navigation in this district which affect the list of beacons and buoys, Pacific coast, 1903:

Oregon and Washington. Columbia river entrance, page 63.—South side of Middle River, buoy No. 7, a first-class can, was discontinued October 20, owing to the establishment of a post light in the immediate vicinity.

Washington. Willapa bay, pages 70 to 72.—Cedar River flats buoy No. 3 1/2, a second-class can, was established October 24 in 22 feet of water to mark the southern edge of Cedar river flats, and as a guide in the channel to the wharf at North Cove. Vessels should not pass to the northward of the buoy.

Hawk's Point, N. N. E. & E. House on outer end of wharf at North Cove, W. & E. House on outer end of wharf at Toke Point, N. by W. & W.

Sealand Channel buoy No. 9 was changed from a third to a second-class can October 23. Strait of Juan De Fuca, page 76.—Sand Spit, New Duwamish buoy No. 2, a first-class nun, heretofore reported adrift, was replaced October 24.

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