

PEOPLE ARE WEARY OF DELAY

Two Weeks Have Passed Since the Structure Over the River at Morrison Street Was to Have Been Finished and Still Its Completion Not in Sight.

SERIOUS INCONVENIENCE TO EAST SIDE RESIDENTS

The Committee Which is Investigating the Condition of the Work Has Not Yet Got Ready to Report, and Hopes Deferred Making Many Hearts Sick.

December placidly glides toward its close, nearly two full weeks having passed since the date when the Morrison street bridge should have been completed, and the entire morning and evening traffic tumultuously pours around the obstruction of a closed highway.

"How long, oh executive board!" is a popular prayer. Winter winds are blowing, and the beautiful structure of patience has fallen, for it was built upon faith that one contract at least would be finished within the time specified. Each morning and evening there is gnashing of teeth and imprecations upon the powers that are enthroned in the city hall. Where the disjointed course of traffic exposes the multitude to the inclemency of the weather at First and Washington streets and Grand avenue and East Burnside streets, the moist air steams with anaesthetics.

But hope has not departed, for a committee is investigating. December 1 the Pacific Construction company asked for a 60-day's extension of time. That was a half month ago, when a committee was appointed, consisting of the bridge committee of the executive board and the city attorney. Backed by the stern conditions of the city's contract, whereas it is specifically and emphatically set forth that time is an essence of the agreement, and instructed by the executive board to listen to the arguments of the contractor for further time, this committee is on duty.

There is comfort in this fact to the woman whose skirts are drenched or who bravely swims to transfer cars. Also the sunny assister of the masculine persuasion who crosses Burnside bridge, and finds comfort in the fact that a committee is investigating. None so captious but says a report will be made. In this connection we would say that, as you are aware, we have been to unusual pains to accommodate the passenger traffic, having allowed the people to use the bridge many times during the progress of the work at the expense of us and delay in the work.

Reasons for Delay. "There was a considerable season of delay when we were stopped by the United States government authorities during the time that the matter of arrangement of width of the opening for navigation was under discussion and consideration.

WILL LEAGUE DROP THE NORTHERN CITIES?

All Sorts of Rumors at Annual Meeting Regarding Re-organization.

(Journal Special Service.) San Francisco, Dec. 15.—The annual meeting of the Pacific Coast league, the first session of which will be held tonight, promises to be a most important historical-making organization. All the magnates are in the city, each primed with propositions of a nature that will demand a thorough thrashing out. The awarding of the pennant will be a fruitful topic of discussion, and may resolve itself into an acrimonious debate. What President Bert's decision in the matter will be he refuses to make known, but it is not doubtedly result in considerable warm talk. The next most important subject is the possible rearrangement of the circuit, the disposition of part of the California clubs to break away from the northern cities being given additional support this morning by the ap-

COURT FEELS THAT HE WAS INSULTED

So Informs Attorney Lord Who Said Hogue Was Prejudiced Against Client.

LAWYER AND JUDGE HAVE A VERY HEATED ARGUMENT

Contumelious Advocate Retorts Warmly, and Smilingly Leaves the Judicial Presence.

Attorney Charles F. Lord insists that it is a farce. Police Judge Hogue refuses to see any but the serious side. The dramatic critic would probably call it a serio-comedy.

Act was witnessed in the police court yesterday, and Act 3 this morning. The third and probably the concluding act will be seen tomorrow morning, the cast remaining the same.

To Hong is the attorney's client. The Mongol is accused of having been in an opium den with Ruth Deland, aged 20 years. Declaring Judge Hogue had expressed an opinion that the Chinese was guilty, and that a trial would be a farce, Attorney Lord was rebuked by the court yesterday and left the court room. He made his appearance again this morning.

"Mr. Lord," sternly said Judge Hogue, "think you offered the court a trial yesterday by the language you used. But as if that were not enough, you walked out of the court room and deserted your client. The statement has been made that his bail of \$100 has not been forfeited. That is an error. His bail has not been forfeited."

"That is what I am here for," answered the lawyer. "I understood the bail had been forfeited. The court is a farce. I don't intend to give this Chinese the 'worst of it' because of the sins of his counsel," emphatically stated the court. "We will set tomorrow for trial."

"I have instructed my client not to appear for trial," would be useless," coolly volunteered the attorney. Judge Hogue set for a moment speechless. Then he turned to Bailiff Goits. "Mr. Goits, have a warrant issued for the arrest of this Chinese and bring him into court."

"This court cannot declare the bail forfeited, and it cannot have the Chinese brought in on a bench warrant," intimated the lawyer. "The court must remember this is a misdemeanor offense."

"Well, I will set tomorrow for trial. If neither your client nor yourself is present I will find some way to depend on that," replied the court, getting his jaw hard. "Very well," smilingly retorted Mr. Lord, as he walked out of the court room.

It may be seen, therefore, that whether it is comedy or pure farce, the final act, as alleged, appears billed for the police court boards tomorrow morning. Pedestrians could easily be accommodated during the same period. The long period of medium high water is regarded as a condition that should have been computed in bidding. Brief delay is thought legitimately possible, and the width of the steamboat channel was under discussion. All additions are not thought by engineers to involve materially greater time for completion, as they supplant other work in two instances, to entirely close all the work covered by the original contract and the additions thereto. We will have the work so far along within a few days now that we will be able to allow street car traffic to be resumed, and will rush with all possible haste, so that team and foot passengers can use the bridge within a very short time thereafter.

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SUPPLEMENT TO MAIN ADV. ON THE OPPOSITE PAGE

The Useful and Sensible for Christmas Giving

Suggestions of Savings from the Fourth Floor "Home-Finding Shops."

COMFORTS AND BLANKETS. BIG VALUES AT LITTLE PRICES. COMFORTERS WORTH \$2.50 FOR \$1.49—Real downy Comforters, covered with best quality silks, very light, fluffy and warm. \$1.50 value; Economy price is, each, \$1.49.

Wool Blankets WORTH \$15.00—Very fine and best strictly all wool blankets, in white, extra large size, regular \$18.00 value; special at the pair, \$10.75.

Wool and Cotton Blankets WORTH \$1.50—Plain gray wool and cotton mixed blankets, full size, regular \$1.50 value; for the pair, \$1.69.

Cotton Blankets WORTH \$1.75 FOR \$1.15—Extra large size cotton fleecy blankets, plain gray with pink or blue borders, our \$1.75 value for pair, \$1.15.

AN ECONOMY SPECIAL IN RUGS. RUGS WORTH \$2.50 FOR \$1.15. All wool double faced Smyrna Rugs, 30x18 inches in size, fringed ends, our \$2.50 value, for each, \$1.65.

An Attractive Art Special For Friday's "Economy Sale"—Second-Floor Annex Art Shop. Hungarian and Slovak Hand-Embroidered Pieces, red and green. Dollies, Centerpieces, Lunch Cloths and Scarfs, materials old blue and cream linen—

Prices from \$25c to \$7.00. Special \$1.75 to \$4.97.

DAINTY FANS. An attractive array of Black and Colored Fancy Fans, some of gauze, some of satin, with painted floral designs—

Our \$1.00 value for, each, \$0.75. Our \$2.00 value for, each, \$1.00. Our \$2.50 value for, each, \$1.25. Our \$3.00 value for, each, \$1.50.

BRIGADIER WHITSIDE DIES AT WASHINGTON. Prominent in Frontier Indian Wars and Campaign in Cuba.

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, Dec. 15.—Brigadier-General Samuel M. Whitside, retired, who commanded the 1888 with the Sixth United States cavalry, with which he served until the close of the civil war. For more than 25 years after this he was a conspicuous figure in the frontier and Indian wars.

Samuel Marmaduke Whitside was born January 5, 1829, in Ontario, Canada. His early school days were passed in the normal school of the town of his birth, and he graduated from Coreville academy, New York.

He entered the service of the United States army in 1848 with the Sixth United States cavalry, with which he served until the close of the civil war. For more than 25 years after this he was a conspicuous figure in the frontier and Indian wars.

He was captured by Big Foot and his band of 400 warriors, and the day following this capture participated in the battle of Wounded Knee, in which one officer and 19 men were killed and two officers and 37 men wounded. In this affray nearly 200 of the Indians were killed and the others captured or wounded.

TO HELP BOYS' AND GIRLS' AID SOCIETY. Christmas exercises under the auspices of the Boys' and Girls' Aid society will be held at the home Tuesday evening, December 27. A musical program under the direction of Prof. Goodrich of St. David's Episcopal church will be given, and gifts from a Christmas tree will be distributed among the children.

There are now 48 children at the home. At a monthly meeting of the society Saturday afternoon, attended by Mrs. Levi White, Mrs. C. R. Templeton, L. L. Hawkins, F. E. Beach, Mayor Williams, Judge Gilbert, Dr. T. L. Elliot and Superintendent Gavett, it was resolved that generous donations have been received by the home from school children, especially from schools throughout the state.

A club of high school students at Astoria, who had commenced entertainment for the home, to be given tomorrow evening at Arion hall.

FINED FOR KEEPING OPEN AFTER HOURS. On the testimony of Police Captain Bailey and Cecile Brabon a conviction in the case of W. Close, proprietor of the Totem and Waldorf saloons, was obtained in the police court this morning by Deputy City Attorney Fitzgerald, on the charge of keeping his place of business open after 1 o'clock in the morning. Judge Hogue imposed a fine sentence of \$15 on one charge and postponed sentence on the other, because of a number of extenuating circumstances.

A. Shapiro, one of the proprietors of the Maxa, pleaded guilty to a similar charge this morning and paid a fine of \$25. Fred Fritz entered a plea of guilty yesterday for keeping open after hours and was fined \$25.

SUSPECTED OF ROBBERY. (Journal Special Service.) San Bernardino, Cal., Dec. 15.—Sidney Jarvis and Arthur Swindell, believed to be the men who robbed the express car near Daguer and killed Messenger Roberts, were brought here yesterday from San Francisco, where they were arrested. The two men were in a horse car ahead of the express car on the train which was robbed.

FLAMES TAKE TOLL. (Journal Special Service.) Cincinnati, Dec. 15.—Fire this morning destroyed the plants of the Ohio West company and the Anchor Tannery. Loss \$105,000.

Booklover's Column

"Booklover's Lane" is strewn with thousands of splendid Christmas books waiting for all eyes from the prattler who mistook her big "B" with the big "R's," along through the stages of life up to the gray and austere professor who craves the deeper "ologies" and "isms." Tomorrow's book news smacks of bargains.

Artistic Booklets, suitable for Christmas remembrances, including those of a religious nature and selections from the poets—Regular 6c, 10c, 12c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c and 40c values; for Economy Sale only, at exactly HALF PRICE.

THE GREEN LIBRARY BOOKS WORTH 25c AND 35c FOR 15c—These books are well bound in green cloth, good paper printed in large, clear type. The list includes the standard works of the best authors. Our 25c and 35c values; special for Friday only at each, \$1.50.

CHILDREN'S TOY BOOKS WORTH 25c FOR 14c—Children's books, bound, four colored pictures and many others in black and white, all the leading children's classics in the lot, such as "Little Bo-Peep" and "Little Boy Blue," "Old Mother Hubbard," "Jack and the Beanstalk," "There Was an Old Lady Who Lived in a Shoe," "The Three Little Pigs," "The Boy Who Cried Wolf" and "The Boy Who Said 'No' to the Devil," our 25c value for each, \$1.49.

ALL-OVER LACES. At the Lace Counter—First Floor. Pretty All-Over Laces, in black, cream and white, priced as follows: Our \$1.75 value at the yard, \$1.13. Our \$2.25 value for, yard, \$1.25. Our \$2.50 value for, yard, \$1.50. Our \$3.00 value for, yard, \$1.75. Our \$4.00 value for, yard, \$2.00. Our \$5.00 value for, yard, \$2.50. Our \$7.00 value for, yard, \$3.75. Our \$10.00 value for, yard, \$5.00.

SO FOR TURNOVERS WORTH 25c—A lot of Lace Top Turnovers, manufactured to sell at 25c each, bought at a special figure, and tomorrow during the Economy Sale we will sell them at, each, \$1.99.

SMART LACE TURNOVERS. A lot of New Fancy Turnover Collars, in Point Venise, with front band. You have paid 50c for the 75c turnover no better than these. We sell them regularly at 85c each—For Friday Economy Sale they are, each, \$1.99.

SWANDSOME NEW VEILINGS. Hand Sewn Veilings by the Yard. Black, White, Plain or Dotted Brussels Net, Plain or Dotted Chiffon Net, some black, some white, brown, blue, black and white combined—An assortment so varied that almost any one should be suited. Specially priced as follows for the Economy Sale—regular 25c 30c 40c 50c 60c 75c \$1.00 \$1.25 \$1.50 \$1.75 \$2.00 and \$2.50 value for, the yard—

15c 18c 20c 25c 30c 35c 50c 65c 75c 85c \$1.00 \$1.25

LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS. 19c FOR HANDKERCHIEFS WORTH 25c AND 35c—A lot of Fancy Embroidered Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, made in Swiss and Linen Cambric, best 25c and 35c value—For Friday Economy Sale special at, each, \$1.99.

CHILDREN DROPPED INTO ICE WATERS. Collapse of Suspension Bridge Over West Virginia River Attended by Death.

(Journal Special Service.) Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 15.—With a crash that was heard for blocks, the suspension bridge that spans the Elk river at this place collapsed this morning, precipitating 30 school children and three teachers in the freezing water 60 feet below. All were rescued alive but two.

Mamie Higginbotham, aged 11, and Ray Humphreys, aged 12 years, were the children taken from the water. William Woods, a driver, is missing. It is not known whether he escaped or whether his body is under the ice.

The structure was regarded as being of sufficient strength to withstand many times the strain to which it was subjected when the accident occurred. The three teams were close together, while near by, in the act of crossing the bridge, a heavy load of lumber, happy school children, all intent on their discussion of the coming holidays.

Suddenly without warning the huge pile of iron and wood plunged downward, breaking the ice beneath. The laughter of the light-hearted children was changed in a twinkling to screams of terror, and they fought frantically as they struggled in the freezing water.

The alarm caused by the crash as the pile of debris struck the ice 60 feet below brought rescuers to the scene, and the work of taking the unfortunates out of the chilling water was hastily commenced. In short time all were on their way to their homes.

Several were injured, but it is not thought any more fatalities will result.

CORVALLIS MACCABEES HOLD THEIR ELECTION. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Corvallis, Ore., Dec. 15.—Sheriff Burnett is seriously ill at his home with neuralgia. Some anxiety is felt by his friends.

Frank Hurt has just returned from the asylum at Salem suffering with appendicitis.

The Knights of the Maccabees elected officers last night as follows: Commander, J. F. Irwin; lieutenant commander, H. C. Mangas; sergeant, R. N. Adams; record keeper, W. L. Sharp; finance keeper, H. C. Mangas; chaplain, Vance Taylor; master at arms, Arly Starr; first master guard, Bert Newton; second master guard, John Ellis; sentinel, N. R. Adams; picket, Fred Davis; musician, Victor Moses.

Raymond Chipman, an old resident of Corvallis and a prominent Mystic Shriner, is critically ill at his home in this city.

County Judge Watters is attending the good roads convention in Salem this week.

BERT OAKMAN IS PLACED ON TRIAL FOR MURDER. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Hillsboro, Or., Dec. 15.—The Bert Oakman trial was begun today at 10 o'clock. Six jurors were selected, before the regular panel was exhausted and the court

Fifth, Sixth and Washington Streets

Holiday Footwear

At Bargain Day Prices THE "SHOE STORE ON THE FAIRWAY"—FIRST FLOOR.

What pleased you more, as a child, than to receive a pair of new boots for Christmas? Do you remember the little copper toe tips that added to their loveliness (7) and wear? No toe tips these—Christmas—but shoes are sturdier. There's children, too—and grown-ups. Nothing but "GOOD SHOES" here, though the prices hint of cheaper sort. These values special for Friday—

MEN'S SHOES—Here in box calf, enamel kid, patent oiled and velour calf, either Bal or Blucher, with either extra heavy or medium soles and full round toes, 26 choice styles from which to select—

Our \$2.50 value for, pair, \$2.37. \$1.15 INSTEAD OF \$1.25. WOMEN'S JULIETTES—Women's Juliettes, with rubber heels, hand-turned soles and patent tips, regular \$3.00 value—

Economy Sale price, pair, \$1.25. WOMEN'S \$1.25 JULIETTES FOR 65c—Juliettes in red or black felt or velvet, fur-trimmed, our \$1.25 value, for Economy Sale price, pair \$1.25 FOR 87c—Boys' Leather Opera Slippers, with patent collar, hand-turned soles, our \$1.50 value—

For the pair, \$1.50. BOYS' SHOES OF BOX CALF—Good style ones—

Size 11 to 12, our \$1.50. Size 13 to 14, our \$1.75. Size 15 to 16, our \$2.00. Size 17 to 18, our \$2.25. 25c FOR RUBBERS WORTH 50c—Women's Storm Rubbers, best quality, our regular \$50 value—

Economy Sale price, pair, \$2.50. THAT SERVE A DOUBLE PURPOSE. First Floor—"Togery Shops" for Women.

Dainty "fixins" that might brighten the Christmas trees without losing any of their loveliness or utility as garniture to women's dress. We open a treasure box tomorrow—better get your share.

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The Old Book Store

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1003 Chatterbox \$0.60. Wizard of Oz \$1.00. Denslow's Paper Book 25c. Ella Wheeler Wilcox. Poems 75c. James Whitcomb Riley. An Old Sweetheart of Mine \$1.55. James Whitcomb Riley. Out to Old Aunt Mary's \$1.55. Bridge of the Gods, in cloth 75c. Century Dictionary, 4 volumes \$50.00. Gray's History of Oregon \$4.50. Encyclopaedia Britannica, 11 vols. \$20.00. Encyclopaedia Britannica, 11 vols. \$35.00. Our 50c counter contains many \$1.50 books. Our 15c and 25c counters have values hard to beat.

Hyland Bros.

was compelled to issue a special venire. Oakman's sister, Mrs. Minnie Fygie, of Macomb, Ill., is with him. Mr. and Mrs. Bennett, the father and mother of the dead man are also present. Oakman shot Bennett, his former friend, last summer, having accused him of telling girl friends of his (Oakman's) being married.

After the shooting he escaped to Portland and was later arrested at a Columbia river cannery, where he had secured employment.

SEAT SALE TOMORROW. The first comers will get the best seats for the Gadsdi song recital on Monday night. The box office opens at the Marquam at 10 o'clock tomorrow and the usual line of music lovers will be on hand promptly. The coming of the great artist, Gadsdi, has been eagerly watched for, and Portland people are expecting something they are sure to get—a rare delight. Madame Gadsdi is one of the most charming of all concert singers and has not only her beautiful voice but her gracious presence with which to enchant her audience.

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