

TINY SPRING FOR WATER SYSTEM

Montavilla Citizens Examine Source of Supply and Are Discouraged.

TWO SPRINKLERS CAN USE THE ENTIRE FLOW

Fifteen Hundred Gallons an Hour Pumped, Engineer Says, and There are Half a Thousand Families Depending on This Weak Supply.

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Investigation made by taxpayers of Montavilla into the source of the suburb's water supply has convinced them that no amelioration of the present situation can be expected, at least during the summer season, when water is most needed. According to the delegation which last Sunday inspected the pumping plant and spring, there is not enough water available to supply a fifth of the territory at present covered by the company's mains.

But one spring exists on the leased property of the company and four small rivulets can be seen trickling into the spring. The engineer in charge informed the committee that 1,500 gallons an hour was being pumped, but from its survey the committee is inclined to the belief that not more than 200 gallons was being supplied.

On the basis of 1,500 gallons an hour, however, the total inadequacy of the supply is easily seen. A common three-arm lawn sprinkler will use 110 gallons of water in an hour, so two such sprinklers would more than exhaust the entire supply of the Montavilla system.

Instead of two sprinklers the company's mains supply 500 families. Some of the people of the suburb are planning an organization that will raise money to secure legal advice, and either contest the collection of the monthly water bills on the ground of no service, or will start action in the courts against the company, seeking to compel it to furnish an adequate supply of water.

VERNON IS DROWING.

Firewood Suburb and Adjoining District Become Swampy Drawbacks.

The district included in the Vernon tract and East Highland is rapidly emerging from the brush stage and extensive improvements are being made and planned in this, the newest suburb of East Portland. At present an electric line from Union avenue bisects Vernon, but the territory south of Alberta street is not traversed and this district has been largely built up the last few months. Promoters of the Vernon tract, and residents in the more thickly settled region to the south, are working for a connection with the Irvington lines that will make the district accessible and provide for the greater growth that would follow such an extension. Lack of water had delayed the extensive settlement of this big tract, until the announcement was made that the second reservoir at Mount Tabor would be tapped by a large main, which would be carried through the city to the peninsula. Plans that thus many homes have been built and connection made with the city system which, while at present inadequate for the needs of the territory, is able to supply most of the families with water for their most pressing needs. This large increase has, however, drained the water from the Union avenue main until at Highland the pressure is often insufficient for garden purposes, and even the chemical house with its large tap is left without water occasionally.

KEEP GOLDEN WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. Mathews Celebrate Fifteenth Anniversary.

The golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Mathews was celebrated by 100 descendants, relatives and friends at the home of W. E. Stokes, 485 Prescott street, last evening. Mr. and Mrs. Mathews for twenty years have been residents of Portland, and through more than 100 guests were present last

evening, this number represented but a small portion of the host of friends the couple have made. F. W. Goddard was toastmaster, and a musical and literary program was given, consisting of an original poem by Mrs. Ella Donica; concert duet, Messrs. Stokes and Wetmore; original poem recited by Eugene Donica; and composed by Mrs. Donica; piano solo, Inez Donica; vocal solo, Miss Irene Stokes; poem, Mrs. Ella Donica; vocal solo, Eugene Donica. At the close of the program Mr. Goddard, in an apt speech, presented the guests of honor with the numerous gifts which had been brought by the guests. Though Mr. and Mrs. Mathews were married in Covington, Kentucky, 58 years ago, they by no means fall in the category of the golden wedding brides and grooms, for the bride was but a girl of 18 and the groom was not within three years of his majority. There are 18 grandchildren and one great-grandchild living descendants of the couple.

MT. TABOR DIVIDED.

Two Factions Still Quarrel Over Annexation to City.

Those opposing the annexation of Mount Tabor to the city have made no recent move and are waiting until some action is taken by the city council recognizing Mount Tabor as a part of the city. Apparently such action will not be taken, it being considered that the election which resulted in the adoption of the annexation into the city was not a final authorization. Should this prove true, Henry Prettyman and neighboring property holders who are opposed to the annexation and increased taxes will present their side of the case to either the county or state courts in an effort to nullify the election so far as it applies to Mount Tabor. The majority of the citizens of the annexed district, according to data secured by the local push club, are not opposed to the annexation and will present a large petition against any action that may be contemplated annulling the election. Plans have been laid by the push club looking to the speedy securing of a quiet title to the benefits, and the city council will be asked in the near future to take up the Mount Tabor situation and devise some means of relief, especially for the schools of the place that are being maintained by the city because of ancient and inadequate sewers.

YEOMEN ORGANIZE.

Fraternity Body Establishes a Branch Lodge in St. Johns.

A new fraternal order was added to the St. Johns list last evening when the Brotherhood of American Yeomen was organized at the office of Dr. H. H. Hill. The meeting last night was to form a temporary lodge and at a session soon to be held in Hickner's hall permanent organization will be completed. The following were elected officers: Foreman, W. W. Raser; correspondent, Adam Knicker; physician, L. M. Hensel; master of accounts, J. S. Davison; overseer, C. H. Davison; Lady Rowena, Mrs. Alice F. Davison; Lady Rebekah, Mrs. Rebekah Wilcox; warden, Roy Wilcox; outside sentinel, George Simms; guard, Alexander Warner; courier, Ella E. Raser; musician, Marjorie Hensel.

TESTING BUTTER.

East Side Housewives Hunt Down Better That Old in Bold as Pure.

Some east side housewives who pride themselves on always purchasing pure food believe they have a case for the investigation of Food Commissioner Bailey. These women have been annoyed recently by the rapid degeneration of the butter which, after being removed from its wrapper, became lumpy with a peculiar odor that turned like rancid and looked like lard. A sample of the compound was submitted to Mrs. Ellen E. Miller, domestic expert, who pronounced the substance oleomargarine. In every case the original packages have been sold for the best grade of Willamette valley dairy butter and the women are saving samples for the analysis of the state food inspector. It is the opinion of the food experts the butter is not Oregon butter mixed with oleo, but is an eastern process butter masquerading behind the Oregon wrapper.

SEAFRONT HOT SPRINGS.

The Canadian Pacific has placed on sale excursion tickets to the Canadian National park at a rate of \$35 for the round trip. Tickets are good for stopovers both on the going and return journey with a limit of 30 days. For descriptive matter and full particulars call on or address F. R. Johnson, F. & P. A., 143 Third street, Portland, Oregon.

PYTHIAN KNIGHTS AMALGAMATING

Grand Merger Will Be Perfected at Meeting of Three Lodges Tonight.

THIS IS CONSUMMATION OF SEVERAL YEARS' EFFORT

Hope of Leaders Is to See Entire Membership Brought Into One Great Organization Under Roof of Fine Temple.

At a general meeting of members of what were formerly known as Oregon, Ivanhoe and Orpheus lodges, Knights of Pythias, in this city, tonight, the grand merger will be perfected, officers for the consolidated lodges will be installed and a most enthusiastic Pythian jubilation will be held.

This evening marks the culmination of a consolidation movement which has been "under way" for several years. There was a time when Portland had eight to nine Pythian lodges, four of which met on the east side. The first grand merger was when Oregon was formed more than a year ago. Recently Ivanhoe, for years the banner lodge of the state, and Oregon, the merged lodge, voted to consolidate, leaving only about three lodges in the city outside the merger. The next strongest in numbers, Orpheus, which has always met on the east side, has just voted to merge with the large organization, and Portland lodge is the principal one remaining independent. It is the hope of many Knights of Pythias to see the entire membership of the city brought into one great, energetic organization, as it is believed that strength is imparted by this method, rather than maintaining small lodges.

At the meeting this evening most of the grand lodge officers of the Oregon domain will be in attendance and aid in the institution of the new lodge, which is to be known as Ivanhoe No. 1. The name is that of the old Ivanhoe lodge while the number of the charter is to be that of the old American lodge, which was in the Oregon merger. Arrangements are being perfected rapidly for the Pythian temple, a lot for which has been purchased. This structure will cost about \$25,000, possibly more. Building will probably be commenced early this summer, and completed in time for the great lodge to make its permanent home there before winter sets in.

FINDS CHANGE FROM FLAT COUNTRY OF MIDDLE WEST

J. W. Dewees, general attorney for the Burlington & Missouri River railroad at Lincoln, Nebraska, accompanied by C. A. Warner, postmaster of Lincoln, Nebr., returned to the city yesterday. The pair, accompanied by John Jensen, clerk of the district court at Enid, Oklahoma, are seeing the fair and the Willamette valley. "This beautiful country of yours is a delightful change for men from the flat, monotonous regions of the middle west," said Mr. Dewees. "We have looked about Portland, visited Astoria and the beach, and seen parts of the Willamette valley. We think the fair is fine and that it will do this country much good by attracting immigration. We already find many Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas people in Oregon."

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Gilkey and Kershaw Who Lacked Grubstakes Four Months Ago Are Millionaires.

WHAT MINES ARE DOING IN THAT FAVORED SECTION

Splendid Exhibit Made at the Fair by a Community That Is Wealthy in All the Things That Make States Great.

Gilkey and Kershaw, who four months ago were scarcely able to buy a "grubstake," but who are now counted among the rich men of Baker county, are held up as a recent living advertisement of the mineral wealth of that region.

Two years they toiled and searched in the Baker county hills, with all the vicissitudes of the prospector, yet faithfully pursuing the object of getting a mine. They found plenty of prospects, but none developed pay rock, until they found the Belmont, and today are working in ore that pays them well for all of their hardships.

"Such a strike as Gilkey and Kershaw made," said W. J. Patterson of Baker City, "would send a thousand men to the locality if it had been in Tonopah, Nevada, or some other instance of that kind. Yet, although a few prospectors went to the spot, there has been no excitement and the strike has been heard of nowhere outside of Baker county."

Another new find is the Morris mine, in the Granite district, where a 22-inch ledge has developed ore assaying \$192 a ton. This property, owned by the Iowa-Oregon Gold Mining company, composed mostly of Webster City (Iowa) people, is seven miles from the Red Boy. This latter mine is to be operated in spite of the apparently poor prospects of a few months ago. August 1, 40 to 50 men are to be put to work. A power company has been incorporated to work in conjunction with the Red Boy Mining company.

Baker County's Claims.
"The United States mint credits Baker county with only a modicum of its annual output," said Mr. Patterson. "The North Pole alone took out \$79,000 last year, and there are big payers up there each one of which cleans up almost as much."
"The Bonanza mine, which some persons believed to be no longer worth working, and which formerly was milling ore at an expense of \$11 to \$13 a ton, is separating the gold at a cost of not more than \$2. Al Geiser is opening the mine again and it is proving better than ever. This is one of the properties that was considered by eastern experts as worthless. It apparently had been gutted by former operators, but is now regarded as one of the best in eastern Oregon. Ore running \$400 to \$500 to the ton is taken out, and there is a large body of moderately rich ore which will supply material for the mill for a long time. The cleanups are constantly increasing in value."

Baker county people say that new properties are being opened all over the district, and the future of the mining industry of that section is assured.

F. R. Mellis, in charge of the Oregon mining exhibit, comes from Baker county, and today was busy showing visitors from that region through the Mines building. He has arranged the displays attractively, and points the visitor to a bowlder from Bridgeport, in that county, as big as a bushel basket and worth \$2400. Another from the Mayflower mine weighs 150 pounds, and is worth at the rate of \$10,000 to the ton. Still another exhibit is from the North Pole, the ore in which contains 50 per cent of gold.

KILGORE'S STAR SUFFERS TOTAL ECLIPSE

Patrolman Discharged for Lewd Conduct, While Nelson Is Exonerated by Commission.

Patrolman F. Kilgore was discharged from the police department yesterday by the police commission on a charge of consorting with a woman of bad repute at the Forestry inn near the exposition. The charges were preferred by Rev. G. V. Hyder of Bourne, North Dakota, who was a guest at the inn for several days.

Kilgore admitted that while off duty he had gone to the room of the woman who had had trouble with a man who had struck her and threatened to kill her, and that the purpose of his visit was to offer her protection. He failed to report the complaints of the woman to police headquarters, stating that he thought making them public would be useless.

Patrolman O. Nelson was exonerated of the charge of conduct unbecoming a police officer which were preferred by N. Bunton, a Sixteenth street car conductor. Bunton testified that Nelson had used violent language in the presence of women in attempting to stop the car at Sixth and Washington streets.

Nelson and other witnesses testified that several elderly women signaled for the car, which did not stop at the corner. The women, thinking it would stop, attempted to get on and were dragged several feet. Nelson said he called very loudly for the motorman to stop the car, and said he might have used harsh language. Detective Vaughn testified to the same facts. The commission concluded that the patrolman was justified in his actions.

Patrol Driver Price was suspended on complaint of Sergeant Taylor and Jailer Liddle for needless delay in responding to a call.

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