



Hugh Watt, Former Member of Parliament, and the Wife for Whose Murder and That of Lord Beauchamp He is Accused of Offering Money. He Has Since Married Lady Beauchamp, Who Obtained a Divorce.

**SAYS LADD TRACT WAS NOT UNDULY FAVORED**

**Agent Cate Gives Figures to Show That the District Was Not Shown Favoritism.**

Portland, Or., Nov. 8.—To the Editor of The Journal—In reference to the charges made by a morning paper that the Ladd tract has been favored by the water committee to the exclusion of other localities in the matter of water mains, I deem it my duty, as agent of this tract, to let the public know just what the facts in the case are.

In the first place, I will state that it was nearly a year after I began my efforts to get water into the Ladd tract before I succeeded in securing favorable action, and even then I got but a small portion of what I asked for. During all this time a number of the resi-

dences being completed and occupied, I was supplying the tract with water through small surface pipes at my own expense. When I finally did obtain a favorable hearing from the water board it was only upon the most satisfactory showing that the income from the water service promised would meet the interest charges upon the cost of construction. As is well known, the water board exacts assurances of revenue equal to 6 per cent per annum upon the cost of installation of service as a condition precedent to the extension of mains.

The mains petitioned for by me in the Ladd tract would have cost \$4,430. The committee recommended to the board only the laying of a 4-inch main from Hawthorne avenue to Maple street, thence easterly in the alley through blocks 14 and 19 to Poplar, thence north to Hawthorne avenue. This main, the committee reported, would cost \$1,500 and supply 15 dwellings, which would pay altogether \$28 in water rent per year, a sum ample to pay the interest upon the cost of construction. This recommendation, which appears of record in the minutes of the water board, was adopted, and in pursuance thereof the main now in the Ladd tract was laid.

In the calculations of the water board no notice was taken of the additional water that might be consumed by the residents of the Ladd tract for sprinkling purposes. There are now in the Ladd tract 19 houses, the occupants of which pay to the city for household purposes \$1.50 per month, or \$28 per year. Assuming that they avail themselves of the sprinkling privilege (which all of them did during the past season for at least four months of the year, the annual revenue to the city is increased by \$112, the sprinkling rate being \$1.75 per lot. This makes the total revenue from the tract \$400 per year, which is supposed to meet the six

per cent charge upon the cost of construction. Assuming for the sake of argument, however, that no water is used for sprinkling purposes. The income required by the city from the Ladd tract water service under the rules of the water board, 6 per cent on \$1,500, is \$90. There is thus shown an excess of income of \$198 over the requirements from the service for the household purposes alone. Taking into account the sprinkling service this net income, above the interest requirements, is increased to \$310 or nearly 21 per cent, 12 per cent more than is required. This does not look as though the city was losing very much on account of the alleged favoritism shown the Ladd tract by the water board. If it is favoritism it is the kind that ought to be encouraged for the building up of the city and the retirement of the city's water bonds.

As to the charge that the water main in the Ladd tract was laid in an alley instead of a street I can only say that Portland would be better off if it had more alleys, and all water mains and sewers were laid in them instead of the streets. For the sake of explanation, however, I will state that in the dedication of the Ladd tract it was stipulated that all water mains and sewer pipes be laid in the alleys wherever practicable to the end that connections with houses might be made from the rear. This is not only a great saving to improved streets, but also of much benefit to traffic. The fact that the Ladd tract has alleys is one of its strongest recommendations to those seeking residence property in Portland. R. L. CATE, Agent Ladd Tract.

**BATTLING NELSON WINS POINT AGAINST COFFROTH**

(Journal Special Service.)  
San Francisco, Nov. 10.—Batting Nelson, lightweight champion, this morning won a technical point in his suit against James Coffroth to secure a third interest in the moving pictures of the fight at Colma. Superior Judge Seawell overruled the defendant's demurrer when it was found that Coffroth's attorney was not in court to prosecute the case. Five days are allowed in which to file an answer.

**Many New Cottages.**

The following building permits were granted yesterday: J. Larson, shed on Roosevelt street between East Twenty-third and East Twenty-fourth streets, cost \$60; V. B. Vesley, cottage corner Milwaukee avenue and Wall street, cost \$1,750; J. F. Perry, cottage East Tenth near Falling street, cost \$40; William Bruce, cottage, Gladstone between Simms and Draper streets, cost \$1,000; T. P. Hagen, cottage, Cleveland between Shaver and Mason streets, cost \$380; T. A. Kindred, cottage, Montgomery between Seventh and Park streets, cost \$3,650; H. B. Grantham, cottage, Young between Twelfth and Thirteenth streets, cost \$1,200; B. Plack, cottage, Hamilton avenue between Corbett and Kelly streets, cost \$1,275.

R. A. Beech was granted a permit to repair his residence at 1073 Mahel street, cost \$0 and a permit was granted to the Albina Livery company to repair a barn at 461 Goldsmith avenue, cost \$200.

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**RATES ARE UNJUST TO GRAIN MEN**

**Cancellation of Joint Rates on Hay, Grain and Mill Feed Forces Prices Down.**

**GROWERS CANNOT SHIP TO PUGET SOUND PORTS**

**Farmers Forced to Pay Local Rate to Spokane Which Increases Cost of Shipments Materially on These Articles.**

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Colfax, Wash., Nov. 10.—That the cancellation of the joint rate on hay, grain and millfeed formerly existing between the O. R. & N. and the Great Northern has put points on the former road in eastern Washington out of the Puget sound market, was shown at the forenoon session of the state railroad commission today.

C. D. Francis, grain and hay dealer, of Spokane, testified that under the present rates all shipments from O. R. & N. points for Seattle and sound points must pay the local rate to Spokane and

the local rate from there to Seattle. This rate is 29 1/2 cents per 100 pounds as against 19 1/2 cents under the former joint rate. As a result he cannot ship from O. R. & N. points, where the bulk of these products are produced, to sound points. For this reason oats and barley are worth \$2 per ton more at Pullman and Palouse than at Colfax and Guy.

Frederick L. Kellogg of the Stillson Kellogg Shoe company, at Tacoma, testified that all his firm's shipments for eastern Washington points on the O. R. & N. are routed via Portland and that it takes an average of nine days to ship goods from Tacoma to Colfax, via Portland, and that he has lost customers because they can get goods quicker from Portland.

**RIVAL RAILWAY FORCES ARE IN BATTLE ARRAY**

**Right of Way in British Columbia Cause of Heated Dispute at Midway.**

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Vancouver, B. C., Nov. 10.—Nearly 600 men employed by the Canadian Pacific railway and Vancouver, Victoria & Eastern railway are engaged in fighting for supremacy and right of way over a disputed section of land in the vicinity of Midway, British Columbia, along the route these roads propose to follow into the Similkameen.

Picks and shovels are the favorite weapons. Provincial police are on the scene to prevent the use of firearms. Both the Canadian Pacific and the opposing company's engineers are determined to command the situation and a hand-to-hand conflict may ensue.

V. V. & E. men commenced laying rails and the Canadian Pacific men forcibly tore them up. The V. V. & E. has 200 men and the Canadian Pacific 200. The Great Northern, or V. V. & E. as known on this branch, is calling all of its men off the grades for miles around and rushing them to Midway.

Chief Engineer Kennedy is in charge of the Great Northern employees and Fred W. McLain is at the head of the Canadian Pacific forces.

**MISCREANTS ATTEMPT TO WRECK INTERURBAN**

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Seattle, Wash., Nov. 10.—Shortly before 10 o'clock last night a railroad tie and a pile of stones were placed on the interurban car track, near Atlantic street, and the inbound Tacoma train, traveling slowly owing to a dense fog, hit the obstructions, but was not damaged. It is believed that a deliberate attempt was made to wreck the train, which would have been accomplished if it had been moving at its ordinary speed.

The matter was reported to police headquarters and every effort is being made to find some clue to the fiends. The train was crowded at the point where the wreck would have occurred, and the cars would have been precipitated down an embankment into the bay.

**LOUVRE SUFFERS BY WHOLESALE THEFTS**

The proprietors of the Louvre cafe have recently been selected by thieves as easy prey. The larceny of 17 cut glass salt cellars, with silver covers,



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each valued at \$1.25, and a silver sugar bowl costing \$15 was reported to the police yesterday. It was only a short time ago that seven waiters and check-men were arrested and charged with the larceny of coin paid by customers for meals. Silver knives, forks and spoons were stolen from the cafe by August Rinty, who pleaded guilty to larceny yesterday and was sentenced to serve nine months in the county jail.

Martin Johnson reported to the police last night the theft of a suit of clothing, a hat and a pair of shoes from his room at the Terminus lodging house.

A gold watch was stolen from W. Merriam, employed on the steamer F. A. Kilburn.

Real Estate.  
From the Columbus Dispatch Critic—A wonderful artist, indeed! He painted a London fog. Visitor—And was it realistic? Critic—Was it? Why every one was looked at it had to cough.

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