

# MUD IS TOO DEEP FOR MAYOR

Dr. Lane and City Engineer Find Lower Albina as Patrolman Said.

## FORCED TO LEAVE BUGGY AND WALK IN THE MIRE

City Executive, on Inspection Tour, Comes to Place Where Wheels Sink Deep and Horse Cannot Pull Rig Out of Rut.

Patrolman J. J. Murphy was right. Mayor Lane and City Engineer Taylor got stuck in the mud in Lower Albina and had to leave their buggy and walk.

And thereby hangs a tale. The policeman handed in a report to Chief of Police Gitzmacher last week, in which he drew attention to the bad condition of the thoroughfares in the Lower Albina district.

"If the mayor and members of the executive board will go through that part of the city with me on a rainy day," he asserted, "I will show them a condition of affairs that will amaze them. But they should not undertake the trip without a guardian, because planks have disappeared from some of the roads and they might meet with injury."

When the report was handed Mayor Lane he is said to have determined to make a personal investigation. He went to Lower Albina in a buggy with City Engineer Taylor. They got along all right until they reached a point in front of a planning mill on Lorain street when the wheels of their vehicle sank deep in the mud and mire and the horse was unable to pull the buggy out.

After that Mayor Lane walked and the city engineer drove alone until they reached a part of the roadway where the buggy could progress without great difficulty.

It is said that there will be changes in Lower Albina before long.

## VALUABLE EXPERIMENTS MAY SOON BE DISCONTINUED

No Money to Pursue Investigation as to Saving Magnetic Gold in Black Sand.

Experiments with black sands in saving magnetite, gold and rare minerals which have been carried on by Dr. D. T. Day in Portland for the United States Geological survey, are about to be discontinued and the plant dismantled for lack of funds.

The Portland chamber of commerce is trying to arrange for a continuation of the experiments. At the last session of congress an appropriation of \$25,000 was made to enable the geological survey to examine the black sands of the west and determine what useful minerals they contain and how they can be economically extracted. These investigations have been carried on in Portland during the last summer, and the experiments have been beneficial to the states of South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming, California, Colorado, Washington, Idaho and Oregon. About 88 carload lots and 400 small samples from all parts of the country, especially Montana, remain to be tested.

These facts are set out in a letter the chamber is sending to the commercial bodies of Butte, Spokane, Lewiston, Tacoma, Denver, Boise, Seattle, Bellingham, Everett and other cities, asking them to exert their influence to secure, by joint resolution of congress, before the Christmas holidays, a further appropriation of \$25,000 to keep the work going until the matter can be reached by congress in the regular way. The Portland chamber volunteers to assume all expense thus far incurred by congress for equipment and furnish free quarters and electricity.

**Disenchantments.**  
From the Washington Star.  
"Be studious, my son," said the habitual adwiler, "and you may have a tablet in the Hall of Fame."  
"Yes," answered the capacious youth, "and be pointed out as an example of what ordinary people get in while real genius is excluded."

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## SALOON FIGHT TO START SOON



W. C. T. U. Will Organize at St. Johns Next Tuesday With Big Rally Meeting.

## NO MORE LICENSES WILL BE MOTTO OF THE WOMEN

If Possible the One Already Granted Will Be Rescinded but This Course Does Not Appeal to the Business Men.

Forces working for the cause of temperance and against the saloon at St. Johns are combining, adding new recruits to the ranks and preparing to make it interesting for the St. Johns Hotel company, that was recently given a liquor license by the council. One of the most significant announcements in this relation is that of the organization of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, which will form a local branch in the town at a mass meeting in the Methodist church next Tuesday evening at which state and county temperance workers will be present and the women of St. Johns enrolled in the cause. For some time the organization of a local union has been under consideration by the county officers. The news of the granting of a saloon license decided them and already more than 30 St. Johns women are pledged to the fight against the saloon.

In this work they will be supported by the ministers of the local church and if necessary Portland ministers and reformers will help. The intention of the temperance people is to do nothing hastily but to if possible secure evidence that will result in the license already granted being thrown out and the money paid to the city refunded. Should this not prove possible a determined fight will be made against allowing other saloons admission, in which campaign the temperance forces and the St. Johns Hotel company will be a unit, a monopoly being what the corporation was desirous of securing.

Though one member of the council has come into the open with the charge that all was not above board in the granting of the license, the charges have not been substantiated. Representatives of the hotel company assert that they expect to comply with all the conditions imposed and to conduct a legitimate business as authorized. The site for the \$15,000 hotel building has been secured and work will start at once so that the license may be taken advantage of as soon as possible.

One legal question that might be raised against the validity of the license is being talked of by the temperance people and may be brought to court. At the June election the majority of the people at the request of the council voted against the admission of saloons, but it is asserted by the city officials that this was merely a straw vote taken to discover what the people desired and was not binding except as an expression of public opinion. The later action of the majority of the business men in petitioning for a saloon is held by the council to be as valid and binding as the so-called straw vote, and apparently there will be little opposition from the chief taxpayers, especially as the \$1,000 received has been expended in the purchase of a city hall site and if the license was remanded and the money returned the taxpayers would have to make up the amount.

## FORTUNES EASILY ACCOUNTED FOR

Big Acreage and Vast Yield of Wheat Make Walla Walla Valley Men Wealthy.

(Special Dispatch to the Journal).  
Walla Walla, Wash., Nov. 29.—Vast fortunes made by farming in the Walla Walla valley are easily accounted for by a glance over the records of the acreage seeded down to winter wheat in Walla Walla county alone this year. A list of the acreage that big farmers will farm next year, compiled by a Journal representative, shows that 23 farmers of Walla Walla county will harvest crops next season off of 33,170 acres of land, the most of which has already been seeded down. If 1906 is as good a crop year as 1905 was, these 23 farmers will harvest in the neighborhood of 1,500,000 bushels of wheat, counting the average yield at 25 bushels to the acre, or more than four times as much as the county's entire yield this year. Twenty-five bushels to the acre is a very conservative estimate. In only a very few sections of Europe's flat did the yield fall below 25 bushels and in many instances the yield was as high as 40 bushels. In the foothill districts the average yield seldom falls below 35 and as high as 60 bushels to the acre.

George Drumheller, who sold his 1905 crop for \$23,000, heads the list of these big wheat raisers with 4,500 acres, one half of which he has just finished seeding. Drumheller is a very conservative farmer and it is to this that he owes his success. He generally seeds one half of his lands to winter wheat and the other half to spring wheat. By fall, owing to this method, his average yield is lower than other farmers, but he lessens the chances of losing a whole crop through a hard winter. Last spring he was compelled to reseed several thousand acres of winter wheat at a cost of nearly \$10,000.

Next to Drumheller comes John Hoffman and Grote brothers, who will farm between them 3,600 acres. The Grote brothers are farming the Pickard ranch. Hoffman owns 2,500 acres and has the balance of the 4,000 acres he has already seeded to winter wheat. The list of farmers and the acreage they are farming are as follows:  
Alex. Drysdale, 2,000; C. E. Upton, \$2,500; Abbot & Harvey, 2,000; H. F. Clodius, 1,250; Minnick brothers, 2,500; E. V. Penoe, 1,000; W. P. Reser, 1,500; Oliver Cornwall, 500; A. J. Evans, 500; John Hoffman, 4,000; George Drumheller, 4,500; William Jones, 2,000; John Kydd, 1,250; Jap Scott, 1,250; Johnson brothers, 2,500; Grote brothers, 4,000; Lemuel Hall, 2,000; George Struthers, 2,000; William Hector, 1,500; Gross & Sons, 2,500; Dr. J. J. Gross, 2,000; W. F. Marsh, 700; Warren Marsh, 1,200; Mrs. P. Martin, 500; Pentacost rothers, 1,500; Patrick Lyons, 500; Bruce Ferrel, 1,000; T. F. Tomsett, 1,000; Gus Ferguson, 2,000; Paxton & Stine, 2,000; Harry Collins, 1,000; Daniel Donovan, 500; A. M. Robinson, 1,500.

**As to His Nerve.**  
From the Chicago Tribune.  
Mr. Lingerlong (looking at the clock)—I dare say it's time for me to go.  
Miss Tartum—Still, it oughtn't to take much courage to say that, ought it?

## WORK ON CAR BARN.

President Fuller Denies Reported Enlargement of Headquarters.

Rumors have been current among employes of the Portland Consolidated company concerning the immediate enlargement of the new car barn on Michigan avenue. Should such reports have proved true it would mean the doing away with the barns at Woodlawn and the housing of all Burnside and steel bridge line cars at the Michigan avenue barn. President Fuller of the company, however, says that no immediate enlargement is planned, but that the company has under consideration the building of another track the length of the barn for the storing of cars; this work has not as yet been authorized. For the present there will be no change made as to the housing of east side cars.

## LOW BEACH RATES.

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