

NO SUIT AGAINST BRIDGE BONDS

Validity of Issue Will Be Tested Through Other Channels.

ACTION AFTER NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL

Friendly Proceedings Will Be Instituted on Other Issue Which Did Not Receive Such Heavy Vote as Madison Street Project.

No suit will be commenced to test the validity of the recent municipal bond issue of some \$5,000,000 until after the next meeting of the city council when that body will be asked by the mayor to take action for the construction of the Madison street bridge. This decision has been reached by Seneca Smith, the attorney who is intending to make the test, because of the fact that the Madison street bonds were passed by such an overwhelming majority at the recent election as to do away with one of the points at law which the prosecutor wishes to raise.

There is a provision in the law requiring all bond issues to receive a two-thirds vote before being authorized. In the case of the Madison street bonds the people cast nearly a four-fifths majority for the issuance of the bonds. There are others of the issue, however, such as the park bonds, which were not carried by such a large vote and it is the desire of the attorneys who will test the legality of the issue to pick upon one of these in order to get all the points before the courts.

In the proposed suit there is no desire on the part of Mr. Smith to defeat the bonds, but only to test their validity in order that no question will arise when they are put upon the market for sale.

After discussing the question with Mayor Lane it was decided by Mr. Smith to delay filing a suit until after the next meeting of the council. The mayor in the meantime will lay the matter before the council and ask that a new issue be taken up and put in such shape that the suit can be brought against it. Once that action is taken it will be possible for the suit to be filed within two or three days after the sale of the bonds has been authorized.

The identity of the man who will bring the suit has not been disclosed by Mr. Smith but it is stated by him that the complainant will be one of the prominent citizens and taxpayers of the city who has consented to appear in the matter in order to test the bonds and their validity.

GRAIN YIELD WILL BE ENORMOUS ONE

A. D. Charlton, assistant general passenger agent of the Northern Pacific, who has returned from an inspection trip into the eastern Washington and Lewiston regions, believes there will be one of the greatest wheat crops in the history of the Pacific northwest. He said the crops are in fine condition, the harvest is under way and every indication favors prosperity for the Inland Empire. Fruit yields are large, irriga-

PORTLAND RAILWAY MEN'S BASEBALL TEAM AT RECENT ROSE CARNIVAL



"As if playing the fool didn't come easily enough by nature without dressing ourselves in motley."

Top row—F. R. Johnson, "Sandy" Brown, E. B. Duffy, Alex Gavin, J. W. Casey, John O'Grady, J. I. Springer. Second row—John Annand, Gordon Craig, Clyde Cumming, G. T. Willet, F. K. Swan, J. O. Thomas. Third row—H. J. O'Neill, G. W. Andrews, Bob Stewart, Daggart, Proprietor Lenox hotel; Harry Smith, M. J. Roche. Bottom row—J. Ross Nagel, E. L. Cardie, B. B. Trumbull, Frank Grienaugh, J. H. O'Neill.

tion projects are doing well, and all lines of industry are in flourishing condition. He is of the opinion that no Wall street folly can have any considerable effect upon the continued prosperity of the Pacific northwest.

PRIZE FOR SLOGAN IS DRAWING REPLIES

Secretary C. A. Bigelow of the East Side Business Men's club is in receipt of several envelopes for the slogan contest started this week by that body. A prize of \$50 has been offered for the catch phrase that will serve best for advertising purposes on the east side. The envelopes so far received have been hotel stationery, one from the St. Charles and another from the Hotel Portland.

The committee consisting of Councilman Frank S. Bennett, H. R. Frouthy and J. S. McKord appointed to investigate the Union Grand theatre, East Burnside street, has decided to report favorable and the theatre will be endorsed as a legitimate enterprise for the east side at the next regular meeting of the East Side Business Men's club.

Dyspepsia is America's curse. Burdock Blood Bitters conquers dyspepsia every time. It drives out impurities, tones the stomach, restores perfect digestion, normal weight and good health.

Gasene is better than the best Naphtha soap and does the work in hot or cold water.

Preferred Stock Canned Goods. Allen & Lewis' Best Brand.

STRIKE DELAYS NEWS OF OHIO RIFLE SHOOT

Daily Reports of Match in Ohio Had Been Arranged but No Word Comes.

Because of the strike of the telegraph operators no reports of the national rifle match at Camp Perry, Ohio, have been received by Captain L. H. Knapp from Adjutant-General William E. Finzer, although General Finzer had made arrangements to make a daily report of the progress of the match before he left Portland in company with the Oregon team.

Much interest is manifested in the outcome of the rifle competition because of the splendid team representing Oregon this year, and members of the National Guard who remained at home are eagerly awaiting news of the shoot. That Oregon will rank with the best teams of the country is confidently expected by the soldiers, who are unanimous in saying that never before has the state sent out a better lot of marksmen than this year.

Building Permits.

J. F. Marion, one-story dwelling, East Eighteenth, between Mildred and Surman, \$1,200; Wells, Fargo & Co. one-story brick warehouse, Fifth and Irving, \$9,000; J. Johnson, two-story

dwelling, Albina avenue and Mason, \$1,800; Emma S. Drew, two-story dwelling, East Thirty-ninth, between Clinton and Taggart, \$2,000; W. E. Hartman, two-story dwelling, East Yamhill, between East Twenty-eighth and East Twenty-ninth, \$2,800; Mrs. B. Sinnott, two-story dwelling, Weidler, between East Twenty-fifth and East Twenty-sixth, \$2,800; Mrs. Dalley, repairs dwelling, Fourth, between Madison and Jefferson, \$50; J. A. Williams, one-story greenhouse, Grand View and Kinsey, \$500; Merchants' Investment & Trust company, repairs brick Washington, between Sixth and Seventh, \$1,000; T. J. Maupin Jr., one-story dwelling, East Eighth, between Tillamook and Hancock, \$1,500; Portland Lumber company, one-story office, Water, between Lincoln and Harrison, \$60,000; H. Bromberger, two-story dwelling, East Yamhill, between East Thirteenth and East Fourteenth, \$8,500; Lewis Head, two-story dwelling, Aldston and Tillamook, \$2,000; B. J. Lewis, two-story dwelling, Vista, avenue and Montgomery drive, \$6,000.

Oriental Excursion

Personally conducted, will leave Seattle September 1, for a 70-days' tour through Japan and China. A month will be spent in Japan visiting en route the Tokio Industrial exposition. Rate \$600, which will cover all expenses. For particulars call or address W. W. King, Oriental Tours, 14 Downs building, or agent Canadian Pacific Railway.

Edward D. Shurtleff, speaker of the lower house of the Illinois general assembly, has announced himself a candidate for the Republican gubernatorial nomination.

SEMI-ANNUAL SALE

Clearance of Men's and Boys' Clothing

Men's Three-Piece Suits

\$25.00 Three-Piece Suits..... **\$15.00**
 \$20.00 Three-Piece Suits..... **\$13.50**
 \$15.00 Three-Piece Suits..... **\$10.00**

Men's Outing Trousers

\$2.50 Outing Trousers..... **\$1.75**
 \$3.50 Outing Trousers..... **\$2.25**
 \$5.00 Outing Trousers..... **\$3.35**

Men's Outing Suits
 Boys' Wash Suits
 Men's and Boys' Straw Hats
 All Panama Hats

One-Half Off Regular Price

When You See It in Our Ad, It's So

MOYER TWO STORES Third and Oak

There'll Be an End

To Our Closing-Out Sale of

GAS

AND

COMBINATION FIXTURES

Of All Designs and Grades at

One-Half the Regular Cost

This Is Not One of the Instances of "Won by Waiting"

The Gas Company

OPPORTUNITY

STARES YOU IN THE FACE

2,000,000

TONS OF COAL—EVERY TON SOLD AT A PROFIT—NETS \$3,000,000 IN SIX YEARS
 FIFTEEN DOLLARS EARNS - - - - \$120.00

The Kellogg will leave foot of Salmon street Sunday morning at 7 o'clock instead of 8 as previously announced

THIS IS OPPORTUNITY—THIS IS THE KIND OF WHICH IT IS SAID
 "I knock unbidden once at every gate;
 If sleeping, awake; if feasting, rise before
 I turn away, it is the hour of fate."

Many a man has invested conservatively and been carried to affluence by virtue of the fact that he has placed his money in a product that the people must have. One of the greatest necessities of modern civilization is COAL. Especially of the northwest a TRUER WORD COULD NOT BE SPOKEN. The nearest coal mine to Portland is that of the CONSUMERS COAL COMPANY. MILLIONS AND MILLIONS OF tons of first class commercial coal have been lying there for ages. For the first time it is now ABOUT TO BE MARKETED. IT HAS BEEN SOLD. THE PRICE HAS BEEN SET BY CONTRACT. THE PROFITS ARE ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN. THE INVESTMENT IS GILT EDGED. There's no time to dilly dally. The lazy investor's greatest fortune is his accumulation of debt.

THIS STOCK IS FIFTEEN DOLLARS A SHARE

if bought right now. Tuesday it will be \$16.00, and a week from Tuesday \$17.00. It will be raised \$1.00 a week as long as it is on the market. Do you think for one moment that we would make such amazing statements about this proposition if we could not back them up by taking you to the property, showing you the coal and demonstrating to your entire satisfaction the exact truthfulness of our claims?

FREE EXCURSION FOR STOCKHOLDERS ONLY

On August 25 every stockholder in the CONSUMERS COAL COMPANY will be taken to the properties of the company on the steamer Kellogg. The mines will be carefully inspected. Those who are not stockholders may accompany the excursion by depositing with the cashier of the Commonwealth Trust Company the amount they would care to invest if they can be convinced of the truthfulness of our claims. This money will be refunded if our statements are found to be untrue.

Consumers Coal Company

Commonwealth Trust Co. Fiscal Agents COMMONWEALTH BUILDING Sixth and Ankeny.