

RUSH STREET WORK BEFORE RAIN BEGINS

Thoroughfare in Commission District Chaos of Congestion—Front Street Merchants, However, Good-Natured and Only Ask Completion by Winter.

City Engineer Taylor, Contractor Wiles, the Portland General Electric company and practically all of the commission houses along the Front street improvement district are combining to get the street work finished before the rainy season sets in. The torn-up condition of the streets has given great inconvenience to the commission people, but for the most part they have taken the enforced condition good naturedly.

Everything possible is being done to alleviate the congestion of teams and produce along the street, and by Friday evening the busiest portion of the street will be cleared for the present. Contractor Wiles is establishing a record for the rapidity with which he is carrying out his contract.

Work Being Hastened.

From Main street to Taylor the Belgian blocks have been laid on the west side of the track of the United Railways company, and they will be ready for traffic by the end of the week. The east side of the street is now torn up and the stone blocks will be laid as rapidly as possible. On the west side again from Taylor to Yamhill the contractors have torn up the street preparatory to tripping and re-laying the Belgian blocks and it is expected that this portion of the street also will be completed by the end of the week and ready to open up next week to the heavy produce wagons. The wires of the Portland General Electric company on Front street between Alder and Washington will all be in and the trench filled by tonight or early tomorrow morning. Practically all the work south of Washington street will be completed by Friday.

Block of Congestion.

The section of street which is causing the commission merchants the greatest inconvenience at this time is between Morrison and Alder. Here the contractors are running down one side of the street while the electric company is going up the other. In front of those places where the greatest business is done plank crossings have been laid to permit the crossing of wagons. The narrowness of the street accentuates the inconvenience to merchants.

A number of the merchants when seen this morning said they were willing to put up with torn-up streets, even though the ripe fruit season was at its height, if they could escape the disagreeableness which is bound to come with the first rain. Those who have cause to fear up the streets have asked the commission men that they will do everything in their power to rush the work along.

Several of the people along the street have filed protests with the city officials, but it is impossible to give them the relief asked for. City Engineer Taylor and others believe it is far better to proceed under present conditions than to have to declare the street closed to traffic and thus shut out the commission people from carrying on their business. The city engineer is given this power under the charter.

ANOTHER BREAD-MAKING CONTEST TO BE HELD AT PURE FOOD SHOW

Everybody in Portland is a believer in the provisions of the pure food law, according to Manager J. W. Dean of the Grocers' Pure Food show at Exposition rink. Visitors to the show, he declares, are showing a particular interest in the constituent parts of the various foodstuffs on exhibition and are insisting that only the unadulterated articles be furnished them.

But if the pure foods are the main attraction there are enough side-shows to keep everyone interested. The baby shows are proving successful. There will be a colored baby show this afternoon and a Chinese baby show tomorrow afternoon. The Rounds ladies' orchestra is playing every afternoon and evening as are Gusso, Lensehaw and Kate Colburn. Flora Sprague Rounds is manipulating the golden chimera. The bread-making contest of last week was so successful that another will be held this week.

The voting contests are resulting as follows: Policeman, H. C. Bales 219, M. P. Murphy 188; demonstrator, Miss Clara Kringle 1,900, Miss Catherine Tallman 1,688; grocer, C. A. Williams 251, Anderson & Johnson City, salesman, W. H. Zobe, 50; C. W. Hohl, stenographer, Miss Myrtle Long, 500, Troy, 478.

MAYOR SHARPENS HIS TONGUE ON WILLS' CONTRARY REMARKS

More than one person has felt the sting of Mayor Lane's ready wit during that official's public life and members of the council, with whom he is working almost daily, have learned to steer shy of repartee with his honor.

Councilman Wills is the latest victim, and thereby hands a tale. When the new administration assumed office the first of July it was announced and generally held that there would be harmony between the mayor and members of the council. Practically all of the councilmen except Wills have smoked the pipe of peace. Wills has been nagging the mayor for months and upon the occasion of his election to the presidency referred slightly to the head of the city government.

When the garbage crematorium discussion was at its most torrid point yesterday immediately after the mayor had spoken in favor of a waterfront site and recalled that all of the ward councilmen had opposed the location in their ward, Wills arose and facetiously announced: "I am a councilman at large from Sellwood and I have no constituents to fear. Bring the garbage incinerator up to Sellwood, we won't object. We already have a crematorium there and it doesn't hurt. The great mayor of the great city of Portland has assured you that he is not afraid of a crematorium. I have a choice location to suggest in Sellwood. A choice location owned by the great Mayor Lane, and I am sure he cannot object to it."

"Have you finished?" quietly asked the mayor, a glitter in his eye, when Wills prepared to sit down. Then he began:

"Ladies and gentlemen, I do not object to the site Wills has selected. I think the location is rather far from the center of the city, but place it there if you want. I have lived around filth, and rotteness and garbage for years. This man (pointing to Wills) is my neighbor. A little more filth or garbage will not hurt me now."

Even Wills joined in the unsurpressible laughter, but the burning shot had its effect, for he immediately got up and sauntered away from the council table.

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