COMPETITION IN CITY'S LIGHT BIDS

Mount Hood Company and City Itself Will Be in Field.

That the Portland Railway, Light & Power company will have competition in bidding for the city lighting after this year was brought out at the special meeting of the lighting committee of the council yesterday afternoon when Mayor Lane explained that the Mount Hood Power company would be ready to furnish light to the city January 1, 1909. Inasmuch as the city's contract with the Portland Railway, Light & Power company expires December 31, 1908, it is assured that the two companies will be competitors for the city's business.

City Engineer Taylor spoke at the meeting in regard to municipal lighting, but owing to the brief time which he has had to prepare data upon the subject only gave an outline of the probable cost of the installation of a municipal plant. This he reported would be about $550,000 to equip and place in operation. Mr. Taylor estimates that it will cost about $30 a lamp to maintain the service and figures the depreciation at 5 per cent. Mr. Cellars estimated the depreciation at 10 per cent.

Inasmuch as it will be impossible for the city to install its own plant before its present contract expires, Chairman Cellars proposed that the city erect its own wires and lamps and simply hire the current. This brought up the question where the city is to secure its source of supply when it has a plant of its own in operation.

Bull Run river has been generally conceded as the source but objection is raised to this proposition because of the fear that might be created in the public mind that the stream would be polluted. While there would be no danger of this it is probable that the city will investigate other streams before deciding.

In addition to the two electric companies, the Portland Gas company may be a bidder for street lighting. The gas company proposes to install 3,500 lamps on the west side and 4,500 on the east side to see if the city will not consider gas lighting. Oskar Huber, consulting engineer of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, stated that his company is furnishing Portland with cheaper lights than any other city on the coast, save Spokane. This company has 1,401 arc lights in service in Portland and owns about 200 miles of wire.

NOTEWORTHY FEATURE.

Interesting Program for Recital at St. Helen's Hall.

The Chickering piano which will be heard for the first time in public in Portland, at St. Helen's hall, marks another step forward in the field of grand piano building. It is an entirely new type of instrument, incorporating several radical changes in construction, which result in producing a tone never before equaled in any piano.

This instrument is the largest and costliest concert grand piano ever brought to the state of Oregon, and is pronounced thus far the finest example of the pianomaker's art. The deep, rich bass, the marvelous treble tones, the wonderful singing qualities, the reponsive action, and the splendid exterior and interior finish of this most unusual instrument have excited the wonder and admiration of the artists and critics of Portland, during the short time it has been on exhibition at Eilers Piano house.

The supremacy of the Chickering piano over any other make in the world is firmly established. It enjoys the preference of the greatest musical authorities and artists everywhere, and when the fact is considered that Chickering & Sons have never paid for a testimonial, it can be well appreciated that its preeminence is based strictly on its incomparable merit and absolute superiority.

RAISE LARGE SUM TO SPEND ON SAILORS

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 30.—The finance committee for the reception of the fleet has decided to issue a call for subscriptions to aggregate $250,000 in order to have a sufficient fund for the entertainment of the visitors from the interior and the 16,000 men and officers, aboard the battleship squadrons. Members of each particular vocation in the city are to be called on to go among their trade or professional brethren and take subscriptions. It was suggested that as there are 35,000 school children in the city it might be proper to ask them to subscribe in amounts not exceeding 25 cents. In this way it might be possible to raise $5,000 or $6,000.

TO PREVENT THE GRIP.

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For National Forest Reserves.

Washington, Jan. 30.—Delegations representing New England and the south Atlantic states appeared today before the agricultural committee of the house and strongly urged that some definite action be taken at the present session in relation to national forest reserves. The passage was particularly urged of the measure now before congress, providing $5,000,000 for a 5,000,000-acre national forest in the southern Appalachians and a 500,000-acre national forest in the White mountains of New England.

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Sometime ago we announced in the columns of this paper that she would send free treatment to every woman who suffered from female diseases or piles.

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Every woman sufferer, unable to find relief, who will write Mrs. Miller now, without delay, will receive by mail free of charge, a 50-cent box of this simple home remedy, also a book with explanatory illustrations showing why women suffer and how they can easily cure themselves at home without the aid of a physician.

Don't suffer another day, but write at once to Mrs. Cora B. Miller, Box 9754, Kokomo, Indiana.

HODSON OPPOSES PEOPLE'S WISHES

Probable Candidate for State Senate Has No Use for Statement No. 1.

A vigorous clash of political opinion marked the celebration of McKinley's birthday by the Union Republican club last night, when H. M. Cake, candidate for the United States senate, delivered a strong address in support of Statement No. 1, and C. W. Hodson, probably a candidate for the state senate from Multnomah county, arraigned the principle and declared he would not support any man who favored the statement.

The occasion of the addresses was the fourth monthly smoker of the Union club. The meeting was held in honor of McKinley's birthday and the principal speaker of the evening was Judge M. C. George, who delivered a patriotic and stirring address in commemoration of the martyred president.

Result of Corruption.

Following Judge George, Mr. Cake was called upon to speak and he at once entered into a discussion of the policies of the party and the outlook politically. He treated the condition of the Republican party and took issue with the argument being made that the decline of its power was the result of the direct primary law or of Statement No. 1. He contended that the primary law was the result of old conditions which had sickened the voters of the state of the men who controlled politics and of the officials whom these men put into power. Because of these corrupt policies and conditions the people of the state had arisen and adopted the primary law.

The speaker contended that while there were imperfections in the primary law the party should correct these faults through the legislature and live up to the letter and spirit of the statute which had been called for and was supported by the great masses of the people. The voters of the state had demanded Statement No. 1, and had done so in order to give as near as possible the direct election of United States senators. Since the people desired direct election and primary nomination, it was the duty of the leaders to rally to the support of the principle which had been adopted by the votes of the party.

Hodson Against People's Wishes.

Mr. Hodson picked up the gauntlet as soon as it was thrown down by Mr. Cake and proceeded at once to flay the primary law and Statement No. 1. The speaker said the reason the Republican party was in distress was because it had been following false gods, and that one of the idols was Statement No. 1. He further said that he would not support any man who stood for Statement No. 1, because he did not believe in electing Democrats to office. Neither did he think any other Republicans in the state would support the statement, for he believed all of them had the same idea that the way to support Republican principles was to vote for Republicans.

Mr. Hodson said the legislature had attempted to change the primary law during the time he was a member, but had been warned away. He intimated that Statement No. 1 was a joker in the primary law anyway; that it had not been intended by the framers of the law, but had been slipped in while no one was looking.

The attendance at the meeting was large and enthusiastic, especially during the address by Judge George.

Will End Saturday.

The sale of used pianos, organs, pianolas and kindred instruments that was inaugurated by Eilers Piano House nine days ago is rapidly drawing to a close.

A number of the remaining instruments, among them some of the most desirable in the entire sale, are advertised on page 6, this paper. Never have prices on dependable instruments been made so low as during this clearance sale, and with such a list of unusually desirable instruments to choose from, it is not to be wondered at that buyers are being found quickly, not only in this city, but throughout the entire state of Washington.

Terms of payment are made to suit any reasonable buyer.

Lincoln-Douglas Debates.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 30.—The ninth annual meeting of the Illinois State Historical society, which began here today, promises to be the most interesting meeting ever held by that organization. The principal feature of the two days' program will be notable addresses dealing with the Lincoln-Douglass debates. Horace White, the veteran New York editor, who reported the debates half a century ago, speaks before the society tonight on the subject of "Abraham Lincoln in 1854." The address on "Stephen A. Douglas" will be delivered by Adlai E. Stevenson, former vice-president of the United States.

Advance Showing of New Spring Suits.

The new coats, suits, waists, skirts, hosiery and neckwear for spring are now on display. Also showing new wash goods, silks and dress goods. We would be glad to have you inspect them. McAllen & McDonnell, the store noted for best goods at lowest prices.

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An interesting recital will be given this evening at St. Helen's hall, introducing two artists who have not before been heard in public here. Mrs. Jane Scotfield Thacher, pianiste, has recently come here to make her home. She was considered to have a promising career before her when she left her eastern home. Her piano work is said by those who have heard her to be brilliant in execution and dainty in interpretation.

Miss Marjorie Miller, violiniste, has just come here from the sound cities, where her work attracted favorable comment. She has just completed a four years' term of study with Caesar Thomson of Brussels, and is said to be a very finished player. The proceeds from the concert will be devoted to the purchase of apparatus for the gymnasium.

Free Admission to Ladies.

At the Oaks rink tonight ladies will be admitted free. This will be ladies' night, and a special number of couples on skates will be the feature. Music every afternoon and evening, and instruction free to beginners at the Oaks rink. Learn to skate now. Don't fail to see Portland's greatest six day race at the Oaks rink next Monday night. Four of Portland's fastest racers will endeavor to defend Portland honors against a number of racers from all over the United States. Race begins 9 p. m. Skating before, as usual, accompanied by a double band.

Coffman's Society Chocolates given away. See announcement on the "Want Ad" page.

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3¢ for for 10c card Hooks and Eyes.
2¢ for 5c Red Cotton Spool.
1¢ for 5c Skirt Braid.
3¢ for 10c Pattern Tracers.
1¢ for Laces worth to 15c yard.
2¢ for black, tinsel and white to 20c Lace.
5¢ for Lace and Embroideries, worth to 25c.
10¢ for Lace and Embroideries, worth to 50c.
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10¢ pair for any pair of infants' soft sole Shoes; worth up to 50c.

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$1.29 pair for women's leather Juliets Comfort Shoes, plain or cap toe, all sizes; worth up to $2.50.

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