

CONTRACT TAKES GAS PIPES HOLD STRANGE NAMES BOTH BOARD

East Twenty-Eighth Street Bridge Only a Dream, Nothing More.

That Backus, Glebsch and Joplin will not secure the contract for the construction of the reinforced concrete bridge across Sullivan's gulch at East Twenty-eighth street seems certain, because of the report of City Engineer Taylor to the bridge committee of the executive board yesterday afternoon, when he stated that the plans and specifications were too indefinite to warrant the city accepting the bid. It is probable that the executive board will order the city auditor to readvertise for bids for the structure.

There are many questions involved in awarding the contract upon which the city authorities excuse their delayed action. Chief of these is the attitude of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, which refuses to pay its share in the cost of the structure.

Because of this fact the officials are afraid to award the contract without being sure of their ground, and they say that the plans and specifications of Backus, Glebsch and Joplin are too indefinite.

In regard to the steel bridge across Sullivan's gulch at Union avenue, the committee took no definite action, and the matter will come up before the executive board this afternoon. The bids on this bridge were close, and the Minneapolis Steel & Machinery company was the lowest bidder. Next above them was the Portland Bridge company, whose bid was \$131 more than the bid of the Minneapolis firm.

Accompanying the bid of the Minneapolis company was a certified check endorsed on the back with the qualification that the contract must be let within 10 days after making the bid. More than 10 days have elapsed, and the city believes that the bid is irregular if not illegal. It is therefore expected the award will go to the Portland firm.

It is said the Minneapolis company will restate the city in the courts if it does not secure the contract. Members of the company claim they made the bid in good faith, and will insist that they receive the bid. City officials, on the other hand, contend that if the company had made an error in its figures and had been awarded the contract it would have taken advantage of the 10 days' clause upon discovery of the error.

FREE CHOCOLATES TO WANT AD PATRONS

25-cent cash want ad gets a half-pound of candy.

The offer of free chocolates with want ads inserted in The Journal next Sunday has already attracted much attention. Such an exceptional offer in the advertising field will prove a pleasant surprise to thousands. An order for a box of Coffman's Society Chocolates will be the reward of every one who inserts a cash want ad in next Sunday's Journal to the amount of 25 cents. The ads must be brought to the Journal office and be paid for in advance. Every bearer of such an ad will be given an order for a half pound of Coffman's famous chocolates, and this order will be redeemable at Coffman's mammoth confectionery establishment at 248 and 350 Washington street, near the Grand theatre.

Officers Installed.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Monroe, Or., Jan. 31.—Deputy Grand Master S. Oscar Starr, of Junction City, came down last night and installed the newly elected officers of Alpine lodge No. 19, I. O. O. F.
After the ritualistic ceremonies had been performed the Rebekah's gave an excellent supper. The officers installed were: Noble grand, L. A. Peck; vice grand, H. L. Horton; secretary, W. H. Dean; treasurer, Nola Hanshaw.

January Special!

We are offering special prices throughout January on picture framing, artists' material and wall paper. E. H. Moorehouse & Co., 312 Alder street.

Welch's Clearance Sale!

IS NOW IN FULL SWING
Do your trading now. This is your most profitable time.

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- All \$30.00 Clothes cut to . . . \$19.75
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 - All \$2.00 Underwear cut to . . . \$1.55
 - All \$1.50 Underwear cut to . . . \$1.15
 - All \$1.35 Underwear cut to . . . 95c
 - All 50c Hosiery now selling at . . . 35c
- 3 pair for \$1. Every one new this season.
- All \$1.00 Neckwear now . . . 65c

Take advantage of these specials now while you have the opportunity.

283 & 285 WASHINGTON NEAR FOURTH ST.

THE AMERICAN CLOTHIER

Broken Main Stops Repairs to Burnside Street Structure.

Repairs which were contemplated on the draw of the Burnside street bridge will not be made at this time, because this would require the draw to be kept open, and to do this would cut off the supply of gas for the east side. The gas company has another main on the bottom of the river, but this was broken during the recent high water, and the only way the east side can now be supplied is through the Burnside bridge main.

Employees of the gas company are stationed on each end of the draw to shut off the gas each time the draw swings out and to turn it on again as soon as the draw is in place. When this situation was explained the county commissioners decided to indefinitely postpone the repairing of the draw.

The gas company will repair its river bottom main when the water in the river falls so as to make the work practicable. When that is done the county will be able to complete the work on the draw without depriving the east side of gas.

PERFECT HEATING SYSTEM.

Masonic Temple Kept at Any Desired Temperature By Automatic Regulators.

The heating system installed in the new Masonic temple is attracting considerable attention by those interested in building. The system is pronounced perfect by Secretary Knapp and those who attended meetings in the new building recently.

By this vacuum system any room in the large building can be kept at a desired temperature, whether the room has only ten or one thousand people in it, and regardless of zero weather outside. The air is first forced into a cold air chamber, which is the remotest corners of the building, at the outside temperature or at a degree of 100 degrees, as desired. From the cold air chamber the air is forced through a spray chamber, which, when an operation puts a regular Oregon mist in second place. The air passing through this dense steam-like vapor is thoroughly washed and purified, and then forced over a series of steam pipes to dehumidify it, after which it is distributed automatically through cold air or heated chambers by a huge fan. There is an automatic regulator in every room which can be set to the desired temperature. If set for, say from 55 degrees to 70 degrees, it matters not how cold it is outside, or how hot the arguments are in the meeting-room, when either the low or high figure is reached the regulator does its work and sends hot or cold air into the room instantly through the ventilators. The engine being a low pressure one—running with as low as five pounds of steam—the hot or cold air can be sent to the room gradually or quickly as desired. This fan system was established by the W. G. McPherson company, which has received many compliments from the Masonic fraternity. In Secretary Knapp's own words: "The system works perfectly and gives entire satisfaction."

An Early Showing of New Spring Suits.

An interesting exhibit of the new spring styles in our large Morrison street windows. Quality considered, we challenge you to match these values. See them today. McAllen & McDonnell, Third and Morrison.

Scientists Struggle With Queer Appellations for Out of Way Places.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.)
Washington, Jan. 31.—The United States board of geographic names is a sedate body of scientists in Washington, which periodically wrestles with difficult problems of nomenclature and at intervals makes known to an anxious world its momentous decisions. The board has just issued a bulletin of its judicial determinations, from which it is learned that Dippy is an island south-east of Port Island, Ogdan passage, Chicago island. Why Dippy should be the name of the island in question is not explained. Perhaps the researchers of the board do not go into the propriety of the names applied to geographical features. The dippy people of Alaska are cared for by the government by contract, and at present a Portland institution has the contract, so that one obvious reason for the name does not exist; but let that pass.

Pookookapok is not the name of a pond in Sturbridge town, Worcester county, Massachusetts. This will, doubtless, come as a severe jolt to the antiquarian folk who cherished the name Pookookapok. There is something about the simple name Pookookapok, something suggestive of the simple aborigine who once, mayhap, toasted his prisoner of war before a hardwood fire on the banks of the historic and romantic pond which, black-day, the board on geographic names says is to be called Podunk.

Podunk is a historic name which every schoolboy is familiar with. A pond in Sturbridge town, Worcester county, Massachusetts, as well as a town somewhere or other, bore the name Podunk. The pond was also known as North Pond, but the board of government savants has decided that its name is not North nor Podunk, but Quaboag. This is doubtless a blow aimed direct at the mouth of the land, for they will find it harder to spell when studying their lessons.

COMMISSION IMPOSES STRICT SHIPPING RULES

Board Seeks Adherence of Business Methods Between the Roads and Shippers.

Stricter adherence to business principles is being enforced between railroad companies and shippers by the rulings of the interstate commerce commission. In the case of a railroad furnishing a stock car where a box car is not available for a machinery shipment, the shipper goes to the expense of lining the stock car with tarred paper, the railroad has been refused permission to reimburse the shipper.

In a case where a shipment is routed contrary to the expressed directions of the shipper, and the consignee is compelled to move the shipment by dray from the station to destination to which it would have been delivered if properly routed, the railroad company may, under particular circumstances of the case, be authorized by the commission to refund to the shipper the cost of drayage.

In the absence of a through rate from point of origin to the point of destination of the shipment, the lowest combination of rates applicable to the shipment via the route over which it moves is the lawful rate for that shipment, except that proportional rates applicable to through shipments or to shipments from or to, must be used in preference to local or other rates that may be higher or lower.

A specific for pain—Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, strongest, cheapest liniment ever devised. A household remedy in America for 25 years.

Half-pound box of chocolates free. See announcement on the "Want Ad" page.

Music

Pours out of the horn of the COLUMBIA GRAPHOPHONE exactly as it went into the record.
Band, orchestra, violin, flute, piccolo, piano, banjo, bells, cornet, clarinet, trombone, cello, speech or singing voice, solo or ensemble—every note and tone is clear and smooth. Good reason why—the machine is perfect. Let us play the "BN"

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Between Park and West Park.

STARS TO PLAY SHORT ENGAGEMENT AT BAKER

System of Exchange of Leading Women Arranged Between Coast Theatres.

It is probable that in the future the Baker theatre of this city will have no permanent leading woman. A telegram received from George W. Baker announces that a system of exchange for stars playing in the stock houses of the Pacific coast had been arranged and that in the future the houses would exchange stars, no one leading woman remaining longer than two weeks in place.

According to the program arranged for the Baker, Ietta George of Bishop's Ye Liberty theatre of Oakland will follow Bianca Sioddard of Los Angeles in "Charley's Aunt" with "In the Bishop's Carriage." Miss George has been leading woman at the Liberty and is a favorably known actress. Marion Barney of the Baker theatre takes her place in Oakland.

Following Miss Jewel's engagement in Walla, Walla, another Los Angeles play here, and after her Adele Block, now leading woman at the Baker theatre in Denver will play the Portland house.

Mr. Baker, John Cort, Oliver Morosco of Los Angeles, John H. Blackwood of Los Angeles, Dick Ferris of Los Angeles and William Fox of Los Angeles are included in the new association of theatrical managers which has just been organized in California, and it is probable that some arrangement whereby stars will be exchanged with all the theatres will be made.

ARRANGE TRIPS FOR WALLA WALLA PARTY

At a Commercial club meeting last evening plans were adopted for entertainment of the inland empire excursion party that will arrive from Spokane, Walla, Walla and other points on the morning of February 8, en route to the southern California. Their visit in the early days of the trip, the most interesting incidents of the trip, a committee was appointed to arrange for taking the visitors about the business district, to enjoy a ride will also be given to show them various points of interest. They will be met at Bonneville by a reception committee composed of 20 men and 20 women. Luncheon and dinner will be given at the Portland hotel. The dinner at 6 o'clock will be followed with addresses by Governor Chamberlain, Mayor Lane and other prominent citizens.

OBJECTED TO HER HUBBY WHO SPONGED

Lizzie C. Davidson has begun suit for divorce from John C. Davidson, whom she charges with cruelty and desertion. The defendant is in South Dakota, where he is said to have gone less than one year ago under the pretense that he was going to visit relatives in Missouri. They were married in 1895 and Mrs. Davidson says they were happy until one year ago, when her husband began to cast jealous eyes on property she had purchased and quarreled with her about it. She also states that he collected rents from her and "sponged" off her in other ways. Davidson, from his retreat in South Dakota, is also seeking a divorce from his wife. He alleges that she has nagged him until his health has been impaired and he has been "witted" for business.

Columbus, Ohio, is trying to secure the headquarters of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. For the last 10 years the headquarters have been at Cleveland.

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EVERY PAIR OF PANTS IN THE STORE MARKED DOWN

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HAD REASON FOR SEVERE SENTENCE

It develops that James Welder, a young man sentenced to serve four years in the penitentiary by Judge Gantenbein, had as many as 14 charges pending against him, and had only recently been released from the penitentiary at Walla Walla. The existence of these other charges was what made his sentence so severe, and the same is true of Edward Lee, who was sentenced the same day to four years for stealing tools from a shop on the east side. He had served time in jail and there were other charges that might have been brought against him.

MINES' SUPPLY MEN ARE BUSY AT BAKER

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Baker City, Or., Jan. 31.—Both the Baker City Iron & Supply company and the Blue Mountain Iron works are now crowded with orders and unable to handle all the work offered them. Their heaviest orders are from mine and mill machinery, which is the best possible indication of an active and progressive year in the mines tributary to Baker City.

Attend Rosenthal's great clearance sale for fine shoe bargains.

The antiseptic qualities of Mexican Mustang Liniment

insure its being the best for use in all cases of Burns, Scalds, Cuts and all Open Sores. It expels all dangerous and foreign matter before beginning to heal the wound. Inflammation is kept down and the injured parts rendered painless. It soothes and relieves promptly and positively. Insist on getting what you ask for—substitutes disappoint. For sale by all Druggists, 25c, 50c and \$1. per bottle.

SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Liver Pills. They also relieve Discomfort from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Costed Torpid Liver, They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

SMALL PILL. SMALL DOSE. SMALL PRICE. Genuine Must Bear Fac-Simile Signature. REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

SATURDAY NIGHT SPECIALS

OFFERED BY OUR LOWER FLOOR FROM 6 TO 9 P. M.

7 Pc. Cake Set

200 Cake Sets of a fine grade of German China, handsome rose decoration edges, finished in gold—a regular \$1.75 set, on sale Saturday night between 6 and 9—special. No telephone or C. O. D. orders filled—a set . . . 75c

Limoges Art Plates

300 10-inch genuine Limoges French China Plates, beautiful animal decorations of bears, cats, foxes, elk, deer, etc.—good value at \$1.25, on sale Saturday night between 6 and 9—special. No telephone or C. O. D. orders filled—each . . . 45c

7 Pc. Berry Set

200 embossed leaf pattern, beautiful center flower decoration, scalloped edge, finished in a dainty underglaze pink tint—regular \$2.00 value, on sale Saturday night between 6 and 9 p. m. No telephone or C. O. D. orders filled—set . . . 85c

During this week we received 76 advance spring styles of ladies' and misses' Suits. We are enthusiastic about the styles we're showing—they're so smart, stylish and altogether different from what you have seen before.

We have also received by Wells-Fargo express our first shipment of early spring creations in strictly tailored linen waists. Our prices on everything are extremely moderate, and Credit if desired.

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