

MAY GET NO MORE CITY CONTRACTS

Harry Howard Accused of Stealing Gravel From Dekum Avenue.

That Harry Howard will be eliminated from performing further street improvement work for the city is probable if the sentiment expressed in yesterday's council meeting is hearkened to by members of the executive board in giving out contracts. The reference to the poor work done by Howard came up in the discussion over the Dekum avenue improvement. Howard was openly accused of stealing gravel from the street and using it to improve Going street, for which he also has a contract. "If there is any way," said Councilman Bennett, "we can eliminate Howard from further work for the city I want to see it done. There must be some way in which this can be done. We have had enough of him in the Eighth ward and from what I have heard from other councilmen they have had enough of him in their wards."

Afterward Mr. Bennett explained that Howard had a policy of securing a large number of contracts which he knew he had neither the money nor the material to complete on specified time. Then said Mr. Bennett, he comes in and asks for extensions of time. These extensions are nothing more than delays and sometimes amount to several years. The people should not be allowed to suffer this imposition, declared the member from the Eighth.

Councilman Williams said that a contractor who is doing grading work for a private corporation at the rate of 22 cents a yard for dirt removed and would rather do it for that price than for 35 cents for the city. Howard charged as much as 55 cents a yard for some of the work on Dekum avenue, knowing that in order to get a proper rate of interest on his money due to the long delay in receiving payment from the city, he would have to charge a high price.

Councilman Vaughn led the opposition to the payment of the work on Dekum avenue and was backed up by a large number of the property owners on the street, who declared in the meeting that Howard deliberately stole gravel from the street and left it in a deplorable condition. City Engineer Taylor accepted the work as done satisfactorily and recommended its acceptance to the executive board, which was done in the usual routine fashion on Taylor's recommendation.

Councilman Vaughn said that he spoke to Mr. Taylor a dozen times regarding the manner in which Howard and his men were working and protested his acts. Vaughn declared that he asked Taylor several times not to accept the street before notifying Vaughn and the property owners so that they might make their objections in proper time. Vaughn's criticism of the methods of the city engineer's office were passed over by the councilmen and Mr. Taylor, who declared the work had been performed in proper manner.

The council voted for the assessment ordinance and the property owners will refuse payment, claiming they will take their case into court before giving up their money for work done fraudulently.

CORVALLIS PLANS GREAT STOCK SHOW

Corvallis Feb. 14.—Corvallis is planning on not only a great All-Benton school fair for the month of February, but a big stock show, to be held in the early spring, probably in the month of May or early in June.

MORE TRAINS ON ELECTRIC LINE

Increased Passenger Service on Portland-Salem Road Effective Sunday.

Train service between Portland and Salem will be increased next Sunday when the Oregon Electric railway will put on two more passenger trains each way, making four trains daily each way. The business men of Salem are organizing an excursion of Portland business men to visit Salem next Tuesday, February 18, to attend a celebration by the Salem board of trade commemorating the opening of the new electric road.

The two new trains will like the former service, make the trip of 50 miles in two hours and 40 minutes. Trains will, after next Sunday, leave Portland at 8 and 11 o'clock a. m. and 2 and 5 o'clock p. m., arriving at Salem at 10:40, 1:40, 4:40 and 7:40. Trains leaving Salem at 8 and 11 a. m. and 2 and 5 p. m. will arrive at Portland at 10:40, 1:40, 4:40 and 7:40.

Three stops are made inside the city limits of Portland, at Corbett street, Fulton Park and Capitol Hill, and at these points the fare is five cents. The distances from the Jefferson street depot are, to Corbett street 2 miles, to Fulton Park 3 miles, to Capitol Hill 4 miles. The first station outside the city limits is Multnomah, 5 miles, to which the fare is 10 cents.

At a meeting of the Willamette valley booster clubs in Salem it was decided by Salem business men to invite business men of the valley to gather in Salem next Tuesday to celebrate the building of the first link in the electric railroad that is expected to ultimately extend lines and inaugurate rates that will develop the valley more extensively.

A committee including Mayor George F. Rodgers, J. H. Albert, E. Hoff, J. E. Stockton, P. W. Power, C. H. Hines, Clarence Bishop and Gideon Stolz came to Portland yesterday to stir up interest in the event, and a large number of local business men signed the list of junketers. Among them are:

Mayor Lane, Walter F. Burrell, Jefferson Myers, Gerlinger, L. M. Scott, W. B. Glafke, Jay Smith, C. W. Hodson, Tom Richardson, W. B. Aver, H. Wittenberg, C. F. Swigart, F. W. Leadbetter, C. C. Campbell, H. Pittcock, W. D. Wheelwright, J. M. Scott, Frank T. Griffiths, R. W. Schmeer, B. Neustadter, J. N. Seal, S. B. Vincent, E. L. Thompson, L. Allen Lewis, T. W. B. London, F. H. Fogarty, W. J. Burns, R. B. Miller, I. N. Fieschner, G. W. Talbot, I. Lang, W. W. Cotton, William M. Ladd, W. S. Turner, C. F. Coolidge, C. S. Jackson, E. F. Tucker, J. F. Carroll, G. F. Nevins, J. P. O'Brien, H. M. Beckwith, E. Lea Barnes, C. H. Carey, P. V. Holman, H. M. Adams, F. I. Fuller, E. C. Giltner, B. S. Josselyn, F. B. Clark, T. S. Townsend, Robert Livingston.

Notice of Dissolution of Partnership.

Notice is hereby given to all concerned that on February 11, 1908, the firm of J. C. Schaefer & Co., consisting of J. C. Schaefer and M. Fallay, heretofore conducting the merchant tailoring business at rooms 10 and 11 in the Raleigh building, in Portland, Oregon, was dissolved by mutual consent. The business will be continued by Mr. Schaefer under the same firm name. J. C. SCHAEFER, M. FALLAY.

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RELIEF ORDINANCE FAILS OF PASSAGE

Measure to Aid Laborers, Believed Not to Be Necessary Now.

As expected by those following the trend of opinion among the councilmen, the ordinance appropriating \$10,000 for furnishing employment for the unemployed laborers in Portland, was voted down. The vote stood six to six and Mayor Lane added his vote in favor of the measure, but a two thirds vote of the council was necessary and the ordinance was declared lost.

Although City Attorney Kavanaugh declared the act legal, members of the council could not see how the civil service provisions of the city charter could be overcome and voted against the measure. While these were the excuses offered it is believed that members of the council do not believe such relief is necessary at this time.

T. N. Strong, president of the Associated Charities, spoke against the measure and said that if it passed it would serve to attract thousands of idle men from all parts of the northwest to Portland. The ordinance prohibiting women from entering saloons is slated for defeat it is believed, despite the strong assertions made by various members of the council when the measure was first broached. When it came up before the council yesterday it was referred back to the Mayor's office, where it is expected to stay for some time to come.

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MIRACULOUS ESCAPE FROM SUFFOCATION

Portlander Tells of Experience With Broken Glass in Train Wreck.

Thomas C. Finnegan, one of the passengers of the ill-fated west side train which went into the ditch Monday night near Forest Grove, and who is now confined to his bed in a hotel at McMinnville, has so far recovered that he is able to write and tell of his experience in an interesting letter written to a friend in Portland. In part the letter of Mr. Finnegan is as follows:

"While I am badly bruised, especially in the right hip, I am in an optimistic mood as I feel so grateful that I was not instantly killed. The doctor marvels that I did not crush my limb and hip into a jelly. "I was seated in the smoker on the left hand side and as the coaches were turned over and down the embankment to the right side I was thrown into space. But at the time I had the presence of mind to grab the arm rest of the seat, which prevented me from being dashed across the car and through the window. When the coach landed in the ditch with the top of the car down my hold was broken and I fell among the debris with glass falling about me like a snowstorm."

"I attempted to rise but found that I was out of commission. Mr. Grant, a traveling man who was lying on the knocked senseless. At this juncture a man attempted to walk over us, stating that he wanted to get his baggage out. I called him a cur and demanded that he assist in extricating Mr. Grant. At this he woke up and went to work in earnest."

"At this time gas began to escape and we were in danger of being suffocated and momentarily expected fire to break out and create those who could not move. I expected the car to take fire every second and there was only one exit at the end of the coach which some one at this time had unlocked. We were carried out in a fainting condition and were compelled to remain in the rain until arrangements for our transportation were complete."

"I shall never forget the weird scene of the broken glass falling about me. The little tot of a girl whose mother and baby brother were killed was in the arms of a man standing near me, crying pitifully to be taken to her grandma. She was carried to a nearby farmhouse. When I was being taken from the express car I fainting and was carried to my hotel on a stretcher, where I swoop revived."

MAKE READY FOR CHICAGO CONVENTION

Harry New and Elmer Dover in Windy City Preparing for the Republicans.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Chicago, Feb. 14.—Members of the subcommittee of the Republican national committee, with Chairman Harry New and Secretary Elmer Dover, have gathered in Chicago and will spend the remainder of the week looking into the details of the arrangements for the national convention here in June. Their

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