

CHARTER COMMITTEE TO BE NAMED WEDNESDAY

Councilman George H. Baker stated yesterday that he would ask Mayor Lane to call a meeting of a committee composed of representatives from the district and Mayor Lane to appoint a charter revision committee on Wednesday. If this is done the committee will in all probability be appointed before the council meeting Wednesday.

The need of changing the present charter was emphasized more by the supreme court's decision in regard to the amendments than was first thought. The decision in regard to the amendments made public the general impression was gained that all the needed changes to the charter had been made but those who have followed the workings of the charter declare that the amendments are not sufficient and a decision must be made as to whether the things really needed to make the present plan of city government uniform and less free from conflicting sections.

Out Out Red Tape.

Even the amendment approved by the court in regard to the district and assessment is considered primitive and it is very probable that the committee will prepare an amendment to the charter for permanent improvement districts which will eliminate the most objectionable and trying part of any improvement, namely the red tape and tiring delays of the initial movements. While the method of street improvements is considered the most important change necessary in the present charter there are many others needed which are considered equally as important and some are considered absolutely necessary to carry out the present scheme of transacting the city's business.

Along with these changes are others of seemingly minor importance yet which are deemed of sufficient importance that they will not be overlooked. While none of these bear directly upon the constitutionality of the charter they are of great importance and bear directly upon the administration of the city's business.

Police Features.

One of these is the appointment of the city detectives by the chief of police to whom the conduct of these men is to be held responsible. Former City Attorney McNary in speaking of this

feature said that he had advocated it being made a part of one of the meetings of the famous "let-together" club which was composed of city officials during Mayor Lane's first term.

Mr. McNary pointed to the fact that all of the indignation, petty squabbles and neglect of duty which has been done in the police department has been due to the fact that the civil service regulations make it impossible for the chief of police to hold the men responsible to his rules of discipline.

While Mr. McNary favors the elimination of certain city employees from the civil service regulations, he is equally in favor of maintaining it in other cases and said that whatever changes are made should be done so only after the matter had been closely studied by the committee-men.

Mayor Lane favors the appointment of the chief of police by the chief of police and says that by giving the chief control of the branch of officers effective work can be performed. Mayor Lane contends that in this way only can the chief be held responsible for the employment and discharge of the detectives and can secure effective work from this branch of government.

Other Favorable Changes.

Another minor change suggested in the civil service regulations is in regard to the appointment of stenographers in the city attorney's office. Such positions are of confidential nature, and if any matters of importance should be considered through the stenographer the city attorney would be held responsible. Yet he is forced to take as stenographers candidates who have passed civil service examinations without any personal knowledge as to their honesty or integrity.

What will perhaps prove the greatest task to be performed by the revision committee will be the elimination of the phrase "except as hereinafter provided." This apparently innocent collection of four words has caused more trouble and confusion more and greater delays in the administration of business and caused more opinions from the city attorney's office than any other provision of the charter. It seems large and ominous upon nearly every page and whenever it appears the seeker after light upon the subject is compelled to read the rest of the charter to find out what is "hereinafter provided."

FAMOUS FLOAT AT ROSE FESTIVAL REPRODUCED AT NEVADA CITY



Float Reproduced at Nevada City.

"The Rose That Made Portland Famous" float, which took first prize in the Rose Festival, was recently reproduced at Nevada City, Cal., and was again awarded first prize, in this case, \$100.

The way in which it happened is this. Miss Madeline Moore, niece of Mrs. W. C. Moore, of 395 East Couch street, sent the souvenir book to the Rose Festival, to a friend in Nevada City, Cal. When the Fourth of July pageant was planned, Mrs. Frank Kendrick of that city undertook the designing and superintending of the firemen's float for the parade, and selected from the Portland souvenir book this design. She made the gorgeous rose which surmounts the float of red satin, and trimmed the float with red roses, such as the mining town afforded. Mrs. Kendrick's efforts were rewarded by having her float, which bore its true designation, "The Rose That Made Portland Famous," given first prize.

So to little Miss Madeline, who sent the book to Nevada City, to Mrs. Kendrick, who planned the float, and to the committee which arranged that it should give Portland's Rose Festival a boost, thanks are due, and incidentally, the designer of the original float which has been so successful, should feel gratified.

NO JOY FOUND IN WELCOME ARCH

Although considerably more than a month has passed since the arch of welcome at Sixth and Hoyt streets was supposed to have been accepted by the city it has not been accepted, and the laborers and merchants who supplied labor and material for the arch are anxiously waiting for their money. It is probable they will have to wait for a considerable length of time.

The council can not accept the arch because it is not completed. The street committee of the city executive board can make no recommendations on the claims that have been filed against the arch because it can not act under the charter until the arch is accepted.

Contractor Gordon is the man to whom the city is looking forward for relief from the embarrassing position. If Gordon should complete the work, and come to the city and ask that the arch be accepted, action could be taken toward settling the pending claims. But it is not expected that the contractor will make such a foolish move, and unless the executive board recalls the claims and payment for the arch from the street committee and refers them back to the council so they can be acted upon, or declares the bonds supplied by

Gordon forfeited, the claimants can expect no relief.

In the meantime the laborers and others who have claims are suffering because of the dilatory tactics of the city officials and are asking that steps be taken to give them their money.

One of the men who worked on the arch is Alexander Noble, a carpenter. Noble put in 18 days on the arch for Contractor Gordon, but has not been paid for his work up to the present time. And he needs money, having borrowed enough to pay his board and room while working on the structure that is intended to bid strangers and new arrivals welcome to the city.

Noble says that so far as he knows only one of the 20 or more mechanics who worked on the arch has been paid, and that this man got only five dollars. This money was secured from Gordon during the early part of the work. Noble has some \$24 coming to him for his work, and he knows where he can put every one, as he went in debt while working on the arch.

"It seems to me that the city should do something toward having this matter settled," said Noble this morning. "Personally, I need my money, and since we have done the work it appears we are entitled to it. The arch, however, Mayor Lane assured me that whenever the arch is accepted he will see that we, the mechanics, will get our money first. But when will the arch be accepted?"

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ASK LUMBERMEN TO STOP OVER HERE

An invitation has been given the National Lumber Manufacturers' association to make Portland a stopping point

MOTHER DECLARES FATHER BEAT CHILD WITH INHUMAN CRUELTY

Charging that J. N. Welter beat his child with a strap so that great blue marks stood out on the flesh for two weeks, and that he threatened to kill her if she interfered, Mrs. Elizabeth Welter has started a suit for divorce in the circuit court. The child alleged to have been thus cruelly beaten is a boy, 6 years of age.

Mrs. Welter says that for a long time she has been in constant dread for herself and the children, because her husband would get drunk and then come home and abuse his family. He has two children by a former marriage and these have also been abused

by Welter, she asserts. She says she has endured this treatment for six years, hoping for improvement in her husband's conduct. She was married in Portland in 1898.

Mrs. Margaret Weidmann has begun suit for freedom from Rudolph Weidmann, whom she married in Salem in 1894. She alleges that he struck her with the rung of a chair in November, 1907, and has since then repeatedly applied bad names, and that in June, 1907, he left her.

On the ground of desertion, James A. Carter has sued for divorce from Roberta M. Carter. They were married in Marysville, Cal., in 1901, and he alleges that she left him on April 13, 1907.

ARCHITECTS COOL OFF ON PLANS EVEN IN HOT WEATHER

None of the architects who submitted plans in the competition for the new Albina high school building has as yet sent the protest to the board of education which all threatened to send Friday. They would not state whether they still intended presenting the petition that the report of Architect Sumnerville on the various plans submitted be made public. Herman Wittenberg, who made the building committee's report, said that the architects had better keep quiet for their own good.

"We suppressed Mr. Sumnerville's report out of consideration for the feelings of the architects who submitted plans," said Mr. Wittenberg. "He disapproved the drawings and designs in a way that I for one thought they would not like to have made public, and for that reason we decided to keep the report to ourselves."

Mr. Wittenberg said he thought the architects had thought better of their original intention to insist on having the Sumnerville report made public and believed there would be no more trouble over the selection of the plans for the building.

NEW YORK MAN TO ENTERTAIN 24 KIDS AT OCEAN PARK

There will be 24 happy kids down at Ocean Park this evening—they will be treated to a delayed Fourth of July celebration.

Joseph A. Oudin of New York is to be the entertainer. Mr. Oudin will furnish the fireworks. He has been at the Portland several days and left last evening for Ocean Park. He is visiting at the cottage of Mrs. Charles P. Oudin in Seattle.

When Mr. Oudin came to Portland several days ago he was presented with a petition. It was signed by 24 Ocean

Park boys. It was to the effect that "every last one of them wanted him to be sure and return. So in appreciation of the boys' thoughtfulness Mr. Oudin is southern manager of the American Lithograph company, that it should give Portland's Rose Festival a boost, thanks are due, and incidentally, the designer of the original float which has been so successful, should feel gratified."

At 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon services are to be held at the Taylor Methodist Episcopal church at which Rev. P. L. Rader will officiate.

CAPLES FUNERAL IN CHARGE OF MASONS

The body of Judge John E. Caples, who died at his home Friday morning, will be laid in its final resting place in Riverview cemetery Monday afternoon, the services at the grave to be conducted by the Masonic order.

The pallbearers selected by the family are to be Colonel S. R. Harrington, Ellis G. Hughes, Judge M. C. George, Henry E. McGinn, Fred W. Mulkey and G. W. Allen.

Other pallbearers selected from among the Masons are to serve during the last services at the cemetery. P. C. Wasserman is to officiate at the Masonic rites at the final services at the grave.

Funeral services are to be held at the late priest's home, 1701 East Bluff street, Sellwood, tomorrow morning, to which only the relatives and a few intimate friends of the family have

been invited. Rev. Lester C. Poor of the Sellwood Methodist Episcopal church, will have charge of the services at the home.

At 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon services are to be held at the Taylor Methodist Episcopal church at which Rev. P. L. Rader will officiate.

CONCERT TODAY IN CITY PARK

Following program will be rendered in the city park this afternoon by Sig. De Capria's band, the concert to begin at 2:30 p. m.:

Grand march—"Coronation"; St. George "Caprice Pasquimade"; Gottschalk "Overture—Eimon"; Beethoven "Paraphrase on the 'Arie'"; Wagner "Finale—From opera 'Ariele'"; Burk G. W. Allen.

"Frankelanz," in B flat; Meyerboer Sextette—"From 'Dieci'"; Bonizetti Prologue—"Pagliacci"; Leoncavallo "Alfano Leaf"; Wagner "March—President Roosevelt's Reception"—"De Caprio."

Tomorrow (Monday) will be positively the last day for discount on East Side gas bills. Portland Gas Co.

NEW YORKERS LIKE CHINESE ANTIQUITIES FROM PORTLAND

An immense piece of antique Chinese embroidery valued at \$2,000 and owned in Portland has been loaned to the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, one of the best known institutions of the kind in the country, for display purposes for six months or a year.

The temple hanging has the seals and signatures of many old Chinese rulers and high commissioners who are dead and gone worked in gold all over the front side. The piece is thought to be considerably more than 100 years old.

It is said to have been stolen from Peking, taken to Mexico, where it was kept many years and then taken back to China. A Portland dealer purchased the antique hanging in Canton during a recent visit to the orient.

The embroidered piece measures 15 feet in length and nine feet wide. One of the late rulers, dead many years, is said to have owned and highly prized the ornament which is now on exhibition in New York city. The owner had had several offers for the hanging already, although it has only been in New York less than three months.

BIG EXCITEMENT IN LITTLE ITALY CAUSED BY INJURY TO SMALL BOY

Little Italy out near Fifth and Sheridan streets, at the 2000 ft. range of hills which are the city's background and which are the city's most valuable assets, was in a great commotion yesterday. It takes a good deal to excite the citizens and the citizens of Little Italy but every man, woman and child had the feeling of great excitement. Little Italy had been taken over by a wagon.

News of the accident spread like wildfire through the neighborhood. Women in the neighborhood gathered on Sherman streets as fast as they could to see what was going on. The crowd against him that it was a woman who had been hit by the wagon. It seemed a very serious matter.

As the wagon was being driven down the hill it struck a small boy who was playing with a few minutes before. Many men were seen to be talking about the accident. Some were talking about the boy's injuries. Some were talking about the wagon's driver. Some were talking about the accident's cause. Some were talking about the accident's result.

It was little Mike who was injured. He is a very nice boy. His father works for a shoe company and lives at 566 Sixth street.

While the women talked of the accident in groups, a wondering crowd of men were doing a very different thing. They were talking about the accident's cause. They were talking about the accident's result. They were talking about the accident's cause. They were talking about the accident's result.

OTHER WOMEN CAN'T TELL

What is Why One Face Wash is Becoming So Popular?

Paint and powder are not the things which were a few years ago, and are being given up in the use of these cosmetics that women themselves often criticize. The use of powder in quantities that would attract notice, and few indeed are the women who can apply powder of any kind so that it will escape detection. The reason is to be an almost universal return to the use of harmless home preparations. A recipe highly recommended and often used is the following: Rose water, 1 ounce; cologne spirits, 1 ounce; Kipitone, 4 ounces. Every day wash face with these ingredients for sale in bottles. One reason given for the change is that the use of these cosmetics attracts notice, and few indeed are the women who can apply powder of any kind so that it will escape detection. The reason is to be an almost universal return to the use of harmless home preparations. A recipe highly recommended and often used is the following: Rose water, 1 ounce; cologne spirits, 1 ounce; Kipitone, 4 ounces. Every day wash face with these ingredients for sale in bottles.

Notaries Commissioned.

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