

EAST SIDE WANTS PARKS BUT HITCHES OVER SITES

United Clubs Come Within Ace of Lining Up in Battle Array Over Location of Grounds and Manner of Paying Cost of Beautifying City.

There came near being a lack of harmony at the meeting of the United East Side Push clubs held at Sargent hall last night. Clearly but not quite. Although the representatives of the various individual organizations did not agree in many particulars, it would be putting it a little too strongly to say that they disagreed.

And in one particular they all did agree. They all wanted parks. But they didn't all want them in the same places. As Park Commissioner Lang pointed out, each man was working for his own particular section of the east side without any regard to the city as a whole. "You are all selfish," said Commissioner Lang vigorously. "Each of you gentlemen is working for his own locality."

The entrance of President Whitney L. Boise shortly after the opening of the meeting was rather dramatic. He was not present at the beginning and Joseph Buchtel presided. But a few minutes later Boise entered the room quietly, almost tentatively, as if he were not sure just what the manner of his reception might be, and seated himself on the edge of a chair near the door. He was noticed at once, however, and immediately many of the members commenced to applaud the president who has under the shadow of a serious charge. Buchtel at once called on Boise to take the chair, which he did. He was manifestly nervous. In asking him to assume the chair, Buchtel stated that he had always received the hearty support of the organization and would continue to receive it.

Commends Work.
"I don't know how to express my feelings for your confidence," said Boise. "The work we have undertaken for the development of the east side is a work of patriotism, and every man who has attended these meetings or does attend them, does so because he has at heart the good of the city and especially of the east side."

"I want to say that anyone placed in the position in which I have been placed appreciates your confidence. And when you have heard my side of the story, you will find your confidence not misplaced."

Park Commissioner Lang stated that he had been asked by the mayor to be present on behalf of the park board. He then began a discussion of parks which lasted two hours and a half, nearly everybody present being not only willing but more than anxious to talk, chiefly to point out the needs of his own particular section of the city. Lang pointed out that the only way to start a park system is to have a comprehensive plan and work to it. He cited Kansas City as an example of cities which have followed out this scheme with splendid results.

"All cities nowadays," he said, "lay out parks with an eye to the future, with boulevards and drives connecting them. Portland must recognize this."

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principle if she is ever to have a good park system.

Small Sum Represented.
"We had the Olmstead brothers here last year and they submitted a plan for a well defined park system. This calls for large parks on the east side. Nearly all the large parks will be located on the east side."

Lang then outlined the plan briefly, as they have before been published in the Journal. The east side, he said, would eventually have about seven acres of park to the west side's one acre. The bulk of the people were bound to live on the east side of the river. "Just as much money has been spent for parks on the east side as on the west, but the west side has been fortunate in having philanthropic citizens who donated the bulk of the land for parks. Altogether not \$100,000 has been spent for land for parks on both sides of the river."

"Portland should have 2,000 or 3,000 acres of parks. Referring to the million dollars recently legalized by the supreme court for parks, it is the intention of the park board to see that the east side is well looked after. But I believe we should assess to the districts to be benefited a certain percentage of the cost."

Commissioner Lang described in some detail the park system of Kansas City, which he said he visited about two months ago. That city, he said, now has over 2,000 acres of parks. And the city didn't go in debt to get them. In 1893 it had only two acres. The laying out of the present park system began in 1896, and between that year and 1907 not less than \$7,500,000 was spent on the system. It was paid by the property owners.

"A million dollars," continued Lang, "if we are going to have any park system, is only a drop in the bucket. If you want to make your city beautiful, it will cost a great many millions to lay out a park system. We can't build parks rapidly. It took 12 years to construct the system in Kansas City. We can do it altogether by the issuance of bonds. The people of the city are not going to stand for the issuance of \$100,000,000 of bonds for parks."

"I am very optimistic as to the future of Portland. We are going to have a bigger growth in the next five years than we have had in the past 10. I think that in five years we shall have a population of not less than 350,000 people."

"On the park board we have been discussing the acquisition of Mount Tabor for a park. The Olmstead plans call for a park of 169 acres there. That is too much, we can't afford it. We will probably be able to give the east side about 45 to 60 acres on Mount Tabor. And we have other places in view, but we have not come to any definite conclusions. The Olmstead plans contemplate a great 30-mile drive circling the entire city."

"But you should all make up your minds from the start to pay a certain percentage of the cost of this work, for I don't believe that the people of Portland will stand for it."

First Have a Plan.
Park Superintendent Mische was called on and gave his ideas as to what should constitute a complete park system. "You must know what you are going to do with a park before you get it," he said. "You must have a plan. You must know how you are going to use the land. We can't have all the parks like the city of Portland."

President Boise summed up the situation, according to his idea. "We as a city should have a plan. We should attempt to formulate a plan. It is best for each body to formulate its plans and present them to the board and let it decide. The east side doesn't want

land will stand for a bond issue for the entire amount."

Ford of the Mount Scott Push club spoke for his section. "We expect in the near future," he said, "to be a part of the city of Portland. I understand that 40 acres of land have been donated to Mount Scott for a park. This is not enough. I want to ask this organization to investigate the possibility of acquiring more land for a park on Mount Scott. Dr. William DeVeny suggested Rocky Butte as a good site for a park. Joseph Buchtel heartily concurred in this suggestion, but said that he wanted to change the name from Rocky Butte to Lookout mountain, in honor of Oregon's great soldier, General Joe Hooker, who fought the battle of Lookout mountain. This was promptly made a motion by Ford and carried unanimously. So it is to be Lookout mountain hereafter."

Try to Save Trees.
J. H. Nolan wanted to get the park board interested out in North Alton. It would be well and proper to purchase land now while it is relatively cheap. Mr. Helms asked Commissioner Lang if there were not some way in which the park board could take control of all the trees in the city. At present, he said, anyone can come along with a franchise and destroy a beautiful tree. Lang stated that he intended to go before the board and ask them to give the park board the right to plant trees, or else turn the work over to a forestry commission. The city has a law regulating the cutting down of trees, but the bulk of them are cut down arbitrarily.

A Brooklyn man wanted Ross island purchased and turned into a park. "What I want to know," interrupted Lang, "is your sentiment as regards paying for all these things. Are you willing to pay for what you want?" "You bet," answered many of the members in chorus—but the chorus was not unanimous.

President Gibson of the Midway Improvement association and did not concur in regard to making Ross island a park. The rise of the water is sometimes 15 to 20 feet. A flood may come along at any time and wash away all the improvements that might be put on the island.

President Boise said that it seems to him the park board is making adequate provisions for the east side. Mr. Perkins of Mount Tabor thought the \$1,000,000 should be used for the purchase of land and not for construction work.

Opposition Breaks Out.
Tom Hyslop was the first to voice opposition to assessing part of the cost of acquiring park land to the districts benefited. He was not going to do this," he stated vigorously. "The only way you can get it is by laying a tax on the whole city. You can't do it piece-meal. It is not just, I don't like the spirit I see here. It is not right to take away a man's property by condemnation and not pay him all it is worth."

Councilman-at-Large Willis thought there ought to be a chain of parks—but he particularly wanted one at Seaside, his own particular district. However, he thought everybody ought to have a little slice of that million. Lang again took the floor. "I find each of you gentlemen is looking after his own interests," he said vigorously. "When you sit in the room and look to the bottom, you are all selfish. You want parks for your own sections, but you're not caring about the rest of the city as a whole. The result is going to be to put this matter up to the park board. We'll do what's right. But I do admire your spirit, your push."

Mayor Is For Peace.
Mayor Lane in the meantime had come in quietly and seated himself near the door, trying to suppress the applause which greeted his entrance. President Boise called on him for his views on the matter in hand. "I am the father of this city," began the mayor, "and I would like to have peace among my children. And we must have peace or we'll never get very far. We can't do anything by pulling against one another."

"There is no reason in the world why Portland, with a proper expenditure of money, can't make herself known all over the world. And nothing will do this better than a beautiful park system. The park board is not the arbiter. It only suggests. The purchase lies with the council. What you men should do is to recommend to and assist the park board. As for me, I am the mayor of the entire city and must look to the entire city's interests. It won't do for me to take any part in your personal interests."

Leaves for East.
C. A. Biglow will leave tonight over the N. P. R. on a business trip to several eastern cities. While absent he will attend the National Shoe and Leather exposition, which convenes in a few days at Chicago.



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FIERCE FIRES RAGE IN CROOK

Inspector Kent Leaves for Scene of Forest Conflagration in Paulinas.

For more than a week a fierce forest fire has been raging on the south slope of the Paulinas mountains about 30 miles from Bend, Or., and the situation has become so serious that W. H. B. Kent, inspector of the forestry service, has been called in from his work in the southern Oregon forest reserves and sent to the scene to take charge of the crew of 100 men engaged in fighting the fire. Already the fire line has a length of 15 miles, and its close proximity to the splendid forest reserve in the Cascade range makes it exceedingly dangerous.

Mr. Kent left Portland this morning, and will reach the fire tomorrow. The latest advice to the Portland office are to the effect that the fire is only about 30 miles from the Cascade reserve. While the forestry officials feel confident of successfully fighting the flames, they do not want to take any chances of the fire spreading to the Cascade reserve.

There are no settlers in the Paulinas, and the hope of the forestry officials lies in his expert knowledge of conducting such work.

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