

# WORK ON WATER MAINS BLOCKED

## Mayor Lane Refuses to Sign Contracts Authorized by Board.

Grieved that after four months of hard labor and methodical action at numerous meetings they had actually accomplished nothing toward securing new water mains for Portland, members of the water board turned with surprise to Mayor Lane yesterday when the mayor announced that he would not sign contracts for \$40,000 worth of work.

W. Allen, who has taken a great interest in the development of the water system, was the most disappointed man on the water board. "Have you been dabbling along here for months in mere boys' play?" he asked the mayor.

For answer the mayor pulled a number of unsigned contracts from his pocket and a communication to the water board. This was signed with the mayor's name. In it he tells why he refused to sign the contracts.

"To the Honorable Water Board of the City of Portland—Gentlemen: Accompanying this communication please find the contracts which have been authorized by your honorable body for the construction of water mains in Union avenue, from Hancock street to Killingsworth avenue; East Harrison street, from Marguerite avenue to East Thirtieth street; Eleventh street, from Alder street to Jefferson street; Missouri avenue, from Killingsworth avenue to Alsworth avenue; East Thirtieth street, from East Gilliam street to Sandy road; East Madison street, from East Twenty-third to East Twenty-eighth streets; Gilliam street, from Seventh to Twenty-third streets; and East Twelfth street, from Division street to Clinton street, amounting in all to some \$40,000 worth of improvements, which are to be paid for by the property-owners adjoining them.

"From what information I am able to obtain, the estimates upon which these contracts were ordered entered into were based upon prices for the cost of the work to be done so much at variance with the facts that I feel it my duty to call your attention to them before signing them.

"For your information I would say that the cost of labor has been reckoned at \$2.10 per day, a rate far above the market price, and the excess allowed

in this item will accrue neither to the laboring man nor to the city.

"For the teaming something like \$17 a day has been allowed, which is much more than would have to be paid for such service.

"I am also informed that of the material to be used, some has been estimated below and some above its actual cost, and that nowhere have definitely ascertained facts been stated or are the estimates accurate, although it seems that by some fortuitous chance, the errors made in favor of the contractor balance those made against him so nicely all through the estimates as to make the final results almost ideal in their construction.

"The situation is unfortunate and unpleasant for the reason that if these contracts are entered into with the knowledge upon my part that they were made in this manner, I become responsible for them, while, upon the other hand, if I decline to accept them it will cause delay in the completion of this necessary work. The fact remains, however, that this method of carrying on the work of the city must be stopped, and I, therefore, return them not approved, with the suggestion that they be recast and placed upon a basis of actual and verifiable facts, which may be, Respectfully yours,

"HARRY LANE."

## STATE DISMISSES MAYHEM CHARGE

Following the rulings of the state supreme court in reference to mayhem, which requires that a declaration of intent be made prior to the act, the state cases against M. W. Averill and G. A. Speth, who were fighting last night, were dismissed today and both are now held on city charges of disorderly conduct.

Averill, who is less than 18 years of age, kept a buggy at Speth's livery stable at 328 Jefferson and when trouble arose, a fight ensued in which the boy was first slapped, then knocked down and finally bitten in the nose by Speth. The lad retaliated by taking a sharp rock and cutting Speth around the head and face, inflicting a number of ugly gashes.

The case was continued until next Wednesday. Speth had filed a counter charge of mayhem against Averill, this also being disposed of at the request of Deputy District Attorney Hennessey.

Bull Run water, cement sidewalks, streets graded, and splendid view. Homes easier than rent. East Ankeny-Rose City Park car to end of line. See Gregory Heights salesman. See ad on page 3.

Reed Bros., tailors, removed to 249 Alder street, Medical building.

Get your tickets to Harborton on the United Railways, at 272 Stark street.

# OLDEST DRUMMER'S HOT WEATHER STORY TAKES THE DOG TO DATE

Arizona's burning plains are hot. History makes record of the bones bleaching in the sun and fiction weaves romance about the bones and the magazines pay for it. The sun also has influence in the tropics, it has been stated, and occasionally in Oregon there come days that make the coasts and country of shade appreciated. Certain reverend gentlemen spend much time in suggestive descriptions of the hot weather, yet to come, but the hot weather story of the oldest drummer wins the dog up to this present.

"I was sitting a line of novelties through the southern states," he commenced, while the hat salesman and the shirt salesman lingered in the hotel lobby to hear him. "I was late on my schedule and did not make the smaller towns until August. I woke up one morning in a bum hotel, after dreaming of insects with legs that ate all night; and I sprang gladly out of bed, looked at my schedule and said a bad word. It was a small town, this next town, only to be reached by stage. But it was so or so. I went.

"Over hills and through valleys we creaked, the crazy old stage lurching first one way then another. The driver was a peach; he hit every stone in the road, wallowed through every hole—we prayed that he might have been a driver instead of a peach. The day was intensely hot. The little brooks were dried up and springs seem to be located once in 100 miles—we were not inside the 100 miles. I was wondering if future promotional blisters wouldn't be blas compared to this, when the driver suddenly swerved to the right, cracked his whip over the heads of his dejected horses and sang out: 'Thirty minutes for dinner; water free of charge.'

"About that time we saw a fatherly looking old farmer coming down to meet us. He allowed he was right smart glad to see us—that the old woman had been frying chicken and making drop biscuits that day, and would wrap 'em and come up on the porch to set 'em till she rung the bell? Somewhere the old fellow must have had a spring hidden, for he brought us water that was cool and made life worth living again.

"Dinner was fine. Then the farmer said he wanted to show us something. We followed him to the barn, and there, still standing on its feet, was the body of a mule, dead as a door nail—the only dead mule I ever saw.

"Gentlemen," said the old farmer, "you-all ain't goin' to believe what I'm about to tell you, but I'm goin' to tell it anyhow. Last season me and the old woman raised some popcorn, and we stored it away in the loft over this mule's stall. Long 'bout 10 o'clock this morning I heard an awful poppin down in the barn, and I thought it was the

old mule. I ought to have told you in the beginning that this here mule when alive was the most imaginative old cuss that ever kicked at me. He saw a picture of a bay stack one day and ate it up as contented as though it was the real article. Paint a stick yellow and he'd eat it for corn every time and keep fat on it.

"Well, as I was tellin' you, I heard an awful poppin, and when it kept up for a long spell I went down to the barn and I found it wasn't the old mule, after all. The sun shined down on the roof of this here barn started the corn to poppin', it was that dry. It alluded down through the rafters, striking this old mule's back. He lookin' round and smell' the ground all white, thinks it's snow; and—boom! to back, mister—that old fool mawl just stood there and frass to death, he was that imaginative."

It can't tell a story that will beat that one forty ways from Christmas, broke in the hat salesman, squaring himself as for a combat. Then, while the oldest drummer smiled incredulously and the crowd gathered closer, he related the tale concerning the mysterious adoption of the straw work basket.

Save your money and buy a home at Gregory Heights. See ad on page 3.

## THE UNITED RAILWAYS

### Announce the opening of the new interurban line between Portland and Burlington

Regular schedule commencing SUNDAY, APRIL 18. Cars leave CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING 6:15, 7:15, 8:15, 9:15, 10:15, 11:15 a. m.; 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, 6:00 p. m.


A fourteen-mile ride, overlooking the Columbia and Willamette rivers and the mountains. Special Sunday rates. New cars. Good service.

STOPS: Cliff Inn, Whitwood Court, Glen Harbor, Linnton, Harborton, Millers, Burlington.

# Oregon Life

THE POLICYHOLDERS' COMPANY

## Built on a Commonsense Foundation



### KEEP THE MONEY IN OREGON

#### BEST FOR OREGONIANS

HOME OFFICE: Corbett Building, 5th and Morrison, Portland

A. L. MILLS, President. L. SAMUEL, General Manager. CLARENCE S. SAMUEL, Assistant Manager.

# TRY "SWEETHEART" SOAP

On page 2, First Section, of tomorrow's Journal, you'll find the "SWEETHEART" coupon we have been telling you about all week. It represents actual purchasing power.

It's good for a full-sized cake of the best toilet soap ever made—to our knowledge—and we've made soap for twenty years.

So don't let the coupon escape you—don't forget to cut it out of tomorrow's Journal. See if "SWEETHEART" isn't the best soap—the soap you want to use.

We pay the dealer for the cake you get. You don't have to buy anything. Simply present this coupon to any grocer in any town where this paper circulates.

Then he'll hand you a full sized cake of "SWEETHEART" Soap—a cake that will last a long time. So you'll have plenty of time to judge and to compare it with other soaps.

As we told you last week, we'll buy the cake for you rather than that you should go without knowing this soap. You'd miss the best soap made today—You'd continue with merely ordinary soap. Don't miss trying "SWEETHEART," Madam. Let us convince you of its merits at our expense.

We publish a list below of a few of the grocers who would be pleased to have you visit their stores and redeem your coupon.

## Try It at Our Expense

This is a very unusual offer, because "Sweetheart" is an unusual soap. There are hundreds of toilet soaps today, yet not one other like this. Get a full-sized cake free, then judge if "Sweetheart" isn't unique—decide if you don't like it better.

You cannot know, madam, until you've tried this soap, what you miss when you use other soaps.

We've studied those soaps and know.

Many are good soaps—they please lots of women. But we've studied the good soaps most. We learned how, in this way, to make "Sweetheart" better than all the rest.

## We Are Sure of This

Otherwise we couldn't afford to buy a cake of our soap for so many women. For unless all who try our soap buy it again, we lose a large amount of money on this offer.

We can't afford to buy every woman a cake of this soap, so these coupons must be limited. But all readers of Sunday's Journal can get the free gift. Simply cut out the coupon from page 2, first section, of Sunday's Journal and present it to your grocer.

## Absolute Purity

"Sweetheart" Soap is, first of all, a pure soap. It is made from edible products—the very best the market affords—but it is more than a merely pure or neutral soap, as it also contains benzoic, cold cream and glycerine in correct scientific proportions. These last named ingredients are well known for their beneficial effect on the skin—softening, purifying and helping to keep it in a natural condition.

The cream white color of "Sweetheart" is the best proof of its purity. Nothing is added to color it.

## Exquisite Perfume

"Sweetheart" Soap is scented with an exquisite rose perfume made from a secret formula of pure essential oils. It is milled fine times, making it as smooth and fine as the most expensive French soaps.

Any of the following Portland jobbers will be pleased to supply the retailers in this territory with Sweetheart Soap:

**ALLEN & LEWIS LANG & CO. MASON-EHRMAN CO. WADHAMS & CO. WADHAMS & KERR BROS.**

### RETAIL GROCERS

Addison C. .... 160 Porter  
Antich, F. .... 411 Gilliam  
Anderson C. G. & Co. .... 855 Mississippi  
Adams, J. C. .... 857 Sandy Road

Baker, C. A. .... Grand and Pine  
Blake, F. T. .... 27 Union ave.  
Bocht, W. .... 500 Washington  
Bohman & Currier .... 343 Front  
Bohman & Currier .... St. Johns  
Bohman, J. M. .... 495 Jefferson  
Brown, J. M. .... 30 N. Union  
Brown, Chas. E. .... 31 Grand ave.  
Brubaker & Normandin .... Mt. Taber  
Bullman's Grocery .... 461 Jefferson  
Butts, W. H. .... 325 Market  
Brumberg, H. .... 423 East Morrison  
Butt Bros. .... 554 Stark

Caldwell, J. W. .... 1895 E. 12th  
Carney, W. H. .... 236 and Savier  
Casson, J. C. .... 193 Grand ave.  
Chebak Bros. .... 243 Front  
Cohen's Grocery .... Shaver and Union  
Concannon, T. J. & Son. .... 399 Thurman  
Cooke, J. H. .... 212 and Jefferson  
Cooper, E. H. .... 571 Washington  
Cosia Grocery Co. .... 333 1st  
Couch & Co. .... St. Johns  
Cowan, T. M. .... 30 N. Union  
Cowan, T. H. .... 318 Williams  
Crawford, E. .... 288 N. 16th  
Crescent C. O. .... 1519 Union  
Cutler, W. R. & Co. .... 1600 N. Union  
Cuswa, R. D. .... Crescent Station

Davis, J. N. .... 324 17th  
Davis & Gains. .... St. Johns

De Young, A. & Co. .... 949 N. Union  
Dickson, G. W. .... 130 Belmont  
Dye, Geo. E. .... 544 Sellwood  
Dresser-Malley Co. .... 480 Washington

Eddy & Loder. .... 33rd and Thurman  
Estes & Hill. .... 436 N. Union

Fellows Groc. Co. .... 349 Oak  
Pink & Lewis. .... 514 Mississippi  
Fischer, B. .... 676 Dawson  
Fisher, F. & Co. .... 534 24th  
Florschutz & Nelson. .... 171 Killingsworth  
Foot, J. & Sons. .... 1561 E. 16th  
Ford, Bros. .... 945 Belmont  
Prakes, J. A. .... 175 N. 21st  
Fullham, J. P. .... 413 Everett  
Green, J. F. & Co. .... 581 Washington  
Farris, W. H. .... 778 N. Union  
Flat Iron Grocery Co. .... 649 N. Union

Gerke, H. W. .... 1596 Peninsular  
Gerritsen, W. H. .... 1945 Harrison  
Gias Bros. .... Portsmouth Brick Block  
Godel, Theo. A. Co. .... 327 Belmont  
Godefsky, Bros. & Palmer. .... 255 Russell  
Gottacker Bros. .... 154 Grand  
Graf & Fargo. .... 328 Russell  
Green, J. F. & Co. .... 530 Williams  
Green, John. .... 75 N. Union  
GeBott & Hutchins. .... 1974 E. Stark

Hedley, C. P. .... 570 Williams  
Haffner, Chas. .... 1082 Corbett  
Hall, Ed. .... 498 First  
Hansen, J. C. .... 714 N. Union  
Hickman, G. W. .... 1000 Belmont  
Hawkins & Nibels. .... 655 E. Morrison  
Healy, M. .... Base Line Road  
Helmer, E. .... 490 Gilliam  
Holtman, G. .... 874 Hood  
Holmes, R. L. .... St. Johns  
Holmes, T. F. .... 1195 Milwaukee  
Horn, G. I. .... 154 N. 14th  
Hoock & Burg. .... 1041 N. Union  
Hawthorne Avenue Grocery Co. .... 50th and Hawthorne  
Hawthorne, J. & Son. .... 215 Sixth  
Harvey, Win. .... R. 10th and Mason  
Hochstetler, G. W. .... 489 E. Burnside  
Hoffman, Fred. .... 785 Mississippi  
Hohlbrook, H. .... 757 Alberta  
Holmes, W. H. .... 757 Park Place

Inglis, F. A. .... 413 N. 23rd  
Italian Del. & Groc. Co. .... 418 E. Clay

Jensen, M. .... 555 Morrison  
Johnson, H. F. & Son. .... 451 Mason

Kelly, M. A. .... 325 Grand  
Kilgus, E. J. .... 245 Stark  
Kripe, H. .... Bellwood  
Knustson, A. Co. .... 1145 Belmont  
Kryeger, F. .... 151 N. 16th  
Krocker, A. .... 434 E. Grand

Keller, A. .... Stewart's Station  
Knopp. .... 418 Falling  
Koshn & Bann. .... 123 Killingsworth

Le Barre, M. .... 665 Hood  
Lind & Swanson. .... 215 N. Union  
Lyster, W. L. .... 155 N. 17th  
Lundy, J. W. .... 610 Alberta  
Lang, M. .... 203 Montavilla  
Loydgreen, L. & Co. .... 720 Mississippi av.  
Loshler, H. .... 1445 E. Gilliam

Marquies, S. .... 223 First  
Mason, F. .... 735 Williams  
Masonic Temple Grocery. .... 148 Third  
Mayer, L. & Co. .... 171 N. Sixth  
Mathison, H. W. .... 715 Powell  
Mattoon, M. .... 649 Alberta  
Metropolitan Groc. .... 425 Washington  
Miller, E. G. .... 249 Holladay  
Miller & Kahrs. .... 192 Grand ave.  
Moore, A. L. .... 127 Macadam  
Muelier, J. .... 144 Russell  
McCawlin, J. E. .... Montavilla  
Malley, W. J. .... Third and Ash  
Mayer, L. & Co. .... 148 Third  
Mergens & Stehnik. .... 421 Falling  
Miller, P. .... 431 Falling  
Moer & Frank (groc. dept.) .... City  
Mount Scott Groc. & Bky. .... Lentz

Nelson, S. .... 513 Gilliam  
Nelson's Walter Co. .... 513 Williams  
Newton, M. D. .... St. Johns  
N. Y. Grocery .... 11th and Morrison  
Nichols & Co. .... 521 Malden ave.  
Nome Cash Groc. .... 226 Grand ave.  
Noif, Theo. .... 1275 E. 13th  
Norden Grocery Co. .... 522 Mississippi av.

Oiliver, M. C. .... 414 Flinders  
Olson Bros. .... 417 N. Union  
Oelner, W. .... 739 N. Union  
Ott & Co. .... 425 Sixth

Palma, C. G. .... 515 Jefferson  
Palmer, Charles. .... 221 E. 24th  
Pander, C. .... 574 First  
Passe, J. K. .... 316 N. Union  
Peedles Groc. Co. .... 223 Larabee  
People's Market & Groc. Co. .... 251 First  
Peterson, F. J. .... 1076 Macadam  
Phillips, W. S. .... 261 E. 24th  
Portland Grocery Co. .... 483 E. Burnside  
Pugh, J. N. .... 457 Falling

Rever, J. W. .... 184 Killingsworth  
Richards, E. J. .... 235 N. 19th  
Robertson, F. J. .... Bellwood  
Robinson, E. M. .... 521 Malden ave.  
Rathbone, E. J. .... 734 N. Sixth  
Reed, W. C. .... 345 Morrison  
Rayburn & Son. .... Lentz

Scates & Curtz. .... 626 Fessenden  
Schiffer, A. .... 128 Grand ave.  
Schneiderman, M. .... 354 First  
Scott, I. B. .... 351 Williams  
Schoenfeldt, L. C. .... 323 Williams  
Shanks, E. .... 262 First  
Sheets, W. E. .... 262 First  
Shelton, J. .... Killingsworth  
Shives, J. .... 631 N. Union  
Shofner, J. C. .... 353 Yamhill  
Sivonius Groc. & Bk. Co. .... 482 Gilliam  
Skog Bros. .... 681 Thurman  
Smith, W. H. .... 240 Fifth  
South Portland Cash Groc. .... 675 First  
Spaska, A. Van Schoonhoven. .... Macadam  
Steln, S. .... 645 First  
Steel Bridge Meat & Groc. .... 301 Crosby  
Stephenson, J. Co. .... 374 Front  
Stevens Hall Co. .... 765 Vaughn  
Story, A. .... 469 Williams  
Stout, F. L. .... 351 Alsworth  
Schwind, C. .... 125 Grand ave.  
Simola & Davis. .... Laurelwood  
Storm Bros. The. .... 422 Washington  
Storm Bros. .... Flriend and Millard

Tabke, C. H. .... 1200 Milwaukee  
Thompson, R. C. .... 15th and Wash.  
Tinkham, A. E. .... 567 Williams  
Tonnet & Boys. .... 635 E. Morrison  
Townsend & Van Schoonhoven. .... 415 Fifth  
Turteltaub, M. .... 147 First  
Tyron, J. J. .... 553 First  
Troutman, D. E. .... 294 Larrabee  
Lantavilla

Universal Delicatessen. .... 369 E. Burnside  
Urfel, F. G. .... 629 Milwaukee

Van Deussen, W. J. .... 809 N. Union  
Van Seyoch, D. J. .... 355 Pippin  
Voelcker, C. J. & Son. .... 702 Mississippi av.

Wagner, N. .... 840 Thurman  
Ward, W. C. .... 134 Russell  
Ward M. & Co. .... 675 Williams  
Weed, F. E. .... 482 Rockwell  
Wicks, A. & Co. .... 245 First  
Wideman, E. B. .... 422 First  
Welch Grocery Co. .... Tacoma and E. 29th  
Wimbles, F. C. .... 732 Alberta  
Woodard, E. B. .... E. Morrison  
Woodack, J. .... 571 First  
Westways Grocery. .... 369 Williams  
Wirk, A. D. .... 1649 Williams  
Witteman & Krilshewsky. .... 415 Fifth  
Wiseman & Foster. .... Lentz  
Woolster, J. E. .... 488 Washington  
Wright, J. M. .... Union and Morrison

Yale Market and Groc. .... 285 Grand ave.  
Yates & Raymond. .... 1014 Belmont  
Young Grocery Co. .... 145 First

Zellinger, George. .... 709 Division

**ALBANY.**  
Beam Owen Co.  
Gilbert Bros.  
Rowell, A. S.  
Tomlinson & Holman.

**CORVALLIS.**  
Bamler, C. C.  
Cunningham, E. A.  
Hodes, A.  
Thatches & Johnson.

**OREGON CITY.**  
Aldright, J. H.  
Barlow, F. T.  
Brightbill, H. P.  
Kly, G. V.  
Harris, V.  
Larson & Co.  
Robertson, A.  
Seely, J. E.

**SALEM.**  
Gilbert, R. S. & Co.  
Harrist, J. W.  
Harvey, A. L.  
Hair Grocery Co.  
Sunset Grocery Co.

**VANCOUVER.**  
Anderson Cash Store.  
Harros & Martinson.  
Carter, J. E.  
Collings, A. J.  
Higgins & Henrichsen.  
Johnson Mercantile Co.  
Johnson & Page.  
Ricketts & Cook.  
Steinberg & Sons.  
Swank Co.

**ASTORIA**  
Allen, A. V.

**DALLAS**  
Castle, J. L.  
Crider, C. L.  
Schulze, E. H.  
Simonton & Scott.

**MINNIVILLE**  
McCready & Son.

**ROSEBURG**  
Easton, Mrs. Henry  
Harris & Johnson.  
Kidd, A. C. & Son.  
Milledge & Picketts.

**THE DALLES**  
Woolsey, J. H.

**WOODBURN**  
Love, C. M. & Co.