

GENTLEMAN'S AGREEMENT IRVINGTON PAVING

Attorney Duniway Says It Is All Right, but Mayor Lane
Suspects Collusion and Declares the City Is Not
Getting a Square Deal.

Irvington street improvements, which caused a breach of peace between Mayor Lane and Ralph R. Duniway at a meeting of the executive board, presents a difficult problem between the two men. In one sense the mayor is justifying his action as protection of the public interest from the rapacity of contractors. On the other side, the Irvington property owners and the contractor with whom, it is stated, a "gentleman's agreement" was made, by which he was to do the work even though he was underbid on portions of the work.

The history of the affair reaches back to 1907, when the improvement of the Irvington tract was taken up on a large scale. The tract referred to reaches from East Fourteenth street to East Twenty-fourth, and from Tillamook to Fremont. Between Tillamook and Knott the improvements were finished, and the contractors in controversy cover the improvements between Knott and Siskiyou.

The Irvington Investment company, headed by J. C. Costello and Ellis G. Hughes, were the owners of this property, and are the ones most affected, as they own the lots unimproved, and all the lots sold, according to the statements of Mr. Duniway, were conveyed under an agreement with purchasers that they would ratify and carry out the plan of improvement determined on.

This plan in brief was that all the improvements should be put in at the same time, including grading, paving, sidewalks, water mains and connections, sewer pipes, gas pipes and leveling. If the usual method were pursued the streets would be torn up from time to time to put in pipes and the grading and filling would result in inequalities and controversies.

Agreement With Contractor.
In pursuance of this object all the property owners signed waivers of their rights under the ordinary proceedings, and an agreement was made with Edward Wiles, a contractor, whereby he was to put in all the improvements and agreed that he would not charge over a specified figure. The work was later to be carried through the formal proceedings of the city law, subject to the usual inspection and approval by the city.

It is stated by Mr. Duniway that Mr. Wiles was selected because of the satisfactory work he had done under a like agreement in the race track property adjoining, and because he agreed to do it at a lower figure than others.

One thing that was not waived was the proceeding for competitive bids for street improvement. No difficulty was presented for some time, for in the earlier stages Wiles was the only or the lowest bidder. But when the district between Knott and Siskiyou streets came up, under 11 separate contracts, Wiles was the lowest bidder on only two of them.

Mayor Suspects Collusion.
In view of the desire of the property owners to hasten the work, and their unanimous desire that the contractor should go to Wiles, they had anticipated no trouble for their plans, expecting that the city would award the contract to Wiles. But the mayor took the view that their unanimity spelled collusion, and that Wiles was about to receive contracts at excessive figures for a "bum" quality of work.

Wiles asserts that although his figures in all instances were not the lowest, he is in reality the lowest, because he has agreed to do things that the other contractors are not required to do under the specifications of the city. For

**EVERYBODY HAPPY
IN NORTH ALBINA**
Improvement Work Is Progressing Nicely in All Directions.

North Albina boosters are jubilant today over the large amount of building, improvement work and the unusual spirit of boom which has recently struck that neighborhood. North Albina has always been a great place for doing things in the right way, but the way in which the people are awakening to the advantage of a progressive neighborhood is especially pleasing to those in charge of the various clubs and societies.

Several houses are being moved off lots near Albina and Killingsworth to make way for stores. In one place a whole block of business places is being planned and for this several houses had to be removed.

Yesterday the first block of track of the new Swift extension, over which so much trouble has arisen and which may yet be defeated through the medium of the referendum, was laid and accordingly great rejoicing is the rule in Albina. The people feel that it is to be the turning point in Albina's affairs when that extension is completed as they expect a most phenomenal run of property once the Swift plant is put in operation.

The last story has been started on the new Albina high school, and it will be but a short time before the interior work is started. The new school building is being built there and cleaners are at work so that by the fourth of July everything should be in readiness. The entertainment is to be under the direction of the Peninsula Brass band, which organization is doing a great deal of work on the Peninsula. Speeches, music and a general good time are the things planned.

EPICURES
Sargent's Perkins Grille and Colonial Dining Room.

Nicholas F. Sargent, well known caterer and connoisseur of gastronomic viands, announces an elaborate spread today at the old Perkins grille. Mr. Sargent has installed his own system of catering to the public; a system unsurpassed for good, efficient service.

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Notes for charter amendment requiring competition on street paving.

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that they have some sort of agreement with the contractor privately. I say that this is collusion, and should be viewed with suspicion. The city should not be made a party to it. If they want to do this work privately, let them go ahead under a private permit.

Oil Well Machinery Arrives.
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Dufur, Or., May 22.—The new drilling machinery for the Dufur Oil company has arrived and is being placed in position and as soon as possible the work of drilling will be commenced. The machinery is of the heaviest and largest ever used in the northwest. Two expert drillers from the California oil fields are here and have charge of the work of erecting the derricks and will superintend the drilling.

When this matter came before the executive board and we proposed to award the work to the lowest bidder they threatened to block any other contractor because they have already been awarded the contract on Stanton and Sixteenth. In preparing the estimates the engineer followed the usual method and included the whole street. In cases like this the contractors on cross streets divide the work at street intersections by mutual agreement, but Wiles will not do this. Stanton street crosses the whole district and this leaves him in position to block all the other bidders. The city attorney tells us that this is the all the bids and ending the question back to the city council.

It does not seem what else I can do in the matter. With proper preparation in asking to improve under the bonding act, and at the same time ask for an award to the highest bidder, announcing

ASYLUM PHYSICIAN ABSORBS INSANITY

Elgin, Ill., May 22.—Dr. J. H. Daugherty, for many years a physician in the Elgin insane asylum, has been declared insane by Superintendent Padstata and his medical staff, after an examination made at Daugherty's request.

Daugherty began acting queerly two months ago and feared he was becoming insane through sympathetic suggestion. He obtained a vacation on request, and apparently was sound in mind when he returned to work a few days ago. On resuming his duties he felt that he was becoming insane

overtook him again and he requested an examination.

Three years ago a superintendent of the Kankakee insane asylum became violently insane through sympathetic suggestion.

Drill for Oil Near Oakland.
(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Oakland, Or., May 22.—Col. J. F. Mundy, a well known oil and coal operator from the Kansas, Texas and Oklahoma oil fields, has secured leases on several thousand acres of land adjacent to Oakland, and will commence drilling for oil and coal early next week. The first drilling outfit reached here last night and it will be transported to a point a few miles from Oakland, where the first well will be driven.

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