

WATER DEPARTMENT FAILURE

City Water Department in Need of Complete Renovation Declares Chief Executive on Eve of Turning Over Administration.

Deploable, Says Mayor. "It's never too late to mend, and it's better late than never." Unless the whole city system is radically changed and improved upon, municipal ownership, even in the water department, is destined to be a complete failure. I merely call your attention as amicably as I can to the deplorable conditions that exist. It is up to you to make a start by dismissing this pump engineer whom you have pronounced incompetent, negligent and unreliable.

Thus, freely admitting that at least one branch of the executive department has been a failure during his administration and from its ineptness under former Mayor Lane concluded a valdictory to the water board at its last session under the present administration this morning.

G. W. Allen, a member of the water board, listened patiently to the mayor's speech and when he had finished, Mr. Allen rose and said he agreed with the mayor on every point, but that he had only one criticism to make—that the water board had been a failure. He declared that owing to ignorance of details on their part as well as to mismanagement of the department, they had been unable to secure the pumps and other equipment of the department which were kept in repair and ready for use in emergency.

Outcome of Recognoicance. These recriminations came about as the result of a report made by the board to the mayor, on its conclusions to the recent investigation into the causes of the break in the pipe which submerged water main and the subsequent filling of the west side reservoirs with water from the river which Portlanders had to endure for days.

In brief the board reached three main conclusions: That Foreman E. J. Gray and C. Albin used care and diligence in locating the break in the pipe but that they had failed to show the ability to be expected of the face of the extraordinary conditions that confronted them.

That Superintendent Frank T. Dodge was compelled to rely on the reports of W. J. Sharpe, chief pump engineer, and upon other employees for information as to the state of the pumps and other equipment.

That W. J. Sharpe's reports were false and untrue and known to be so by him, and that he was careless, negligent and incompetent in not giving the necessary information to the water department in value and in the service required of it. It is necessary at this time to detail an officer to examine and report as to the condition and needful repairs of the entire water system and have full charge of the maintenance thereof.

In reply Mayor Lane addressed a communication to the board, in which he strongly recommended the immediate dismissal of Engineer Sharpe.

No Second to Motion. As soon as the report of the water board had been read, R. R. Lamson moved that Sharpe be discharged. There was no second to this motion, and Mr. Lamson requested that he be recorded in favor of dismissing the engineer anyway.

It was then that G. W. Allen arose and explained his attitude. He said he thought Sharpe should be discharged, but that it would be no more than fair to give the man a hearing before taking such radical action. He then recounted the history of the Portland water department and the incidents leading up to the present conditions. He said that employees of the department had some palliation for their conduct in that their superiors clear up the line had been in a measure to blame. He said that the mistaken cry of economy and the urgent need of water mains had led former Mayor Lane to the point of view that it was too much time to securing these instead of providing as well for the maintenance of the system. The break in the submerged pipe and the ensuing difficulties that had to be met with, he said, had brought home to him many facts he had not previously been cognizant of.

Too Late With Employees. "We have permitted our employees to drift along," continued Mr. Allen, "and they have as a result grown negligent. For this reason I think we ought to give Mr. Sharpe a hearing. I believe that he is a good engineer, but that he has been negligent and that negligence may have been induced by rebuffs with which some of his suggestions for the betterment of the service have met. Your statements, mayor, that the department has been mismanaged are correct. I agree with you, but I think you are a little too late." Mayor Lane then began the address, the conclusion of which was given at the beginning of this article. He excused himself from blame for not learning of the facts as to the management of the department sooner by suggesting that he and the board had to spend most of their time on routine work and that the only way in which they could be made acquainted with general conditions would be by being informed of them by the superintendent.

DELEGATES WHO WILL TAKE PROMINENT PART IN THE NORTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION



Top row, reading from left to right—Harry Pratt Judson, Charles W. Perkins, treasurer Baptist Missionary union; John S. Stump, secretary for West Virginia; Rev. C. A. Wooddy. Bottom row—Rev. T. S. Barbour, D. D., foreign secretary Baptist Missionary union; Francis W. Parker, Colonel E. H. Haskell, president Baptist Home Mission society; H. L. Morehouse, corresponding secretary Baptist Home Mission society.

LOS ANGELES IS READY FOR ELKS

California City Will Spend \$100,000 to Entertain Visitors.

Los Angeles people have made great preparations for the reception of the several thousand Elks and their families who are expected to visit the California city this week to attend the national convention of the antlered herd. A sum totaling close to \$100,000 has been raised with which to give the main entertaining events, while a number of special plans have been made outside of the original ones and which are being paid for independently. As a starter, a big five story building, the Phillips block, at Spring and Franklin streets, has been leased for the week as headquarters while there will be something doing every minute of the time during the convention. Not a cent of money nor an atom of labor will be spared to make the convention and its attendant pleasures a success.

Charles L. Schieffelin, formerly a resident of Los Angeles but now a resident of this city, in telling of the plans being made for the reception of the Elks, said: "When I left Los Angeles four weeks ago United States Senator Flint, who had charge of the job of raising funds for the entertainment, showed me his subscription list containing several thousand names and subscriptions amounting up to \$20,000. He assured me that several of the biggest subscribers to such ventures had not yet subscribed their share and that they would be the full \$100,000 needed raised long before the time it was needed. This should set rest all reports sent out to the contrary that only \$7000 had been raised for the entertainment."

The Phillips block, formerly a big department store, but to be used during the convention as the Elks' headquarters, is in the hands of decorators now and is to be transformed into a veritable palace. It is to be one of the most modern headquarters ever established.

On the upper floor are to be placed hospital, nurses and doctors' quarters and a rest room. Six doctors are to be in attendance all the time so that in the event of a catastrophe of any kind coming as they often do at such a large gathering of people, every emergency can be attended to without delay.

On the lower floor will be the headquarters for every road coming into Los Angeles. Here tickets can be secured, baggage checked, berths secured, and all other railroad arrangements made. Each hotel will have representatives in the building and as soon as the delegates have registered and had their certificate of membership approved they will be assigned to rooms. Then there will be information bureaus and other offices in the same building.

This building was secured outside of the regular appropriation and through the efforts of the merchants of the city. They made the arrangements and subscribed the money themselves, making it possible for every bit of the \$100,000 to be expended for entertainment.

DRUGGIST MOORE IS PUT ON TRIAL

The trial of Jess C. Moore, charged with assault and battery on his wife, Elsie, began yesterday morning in progress before Judge Gutenberg and a jury in the circuit court today. Twelve men for the defense were called in short order, there being no challenges on either side.

John Manning, attorney for the defendant, intimated that he might call Judge Gutenberg from the bench to testify as a witness in regard to the condition of Mrs. Moore on the day following the assault. Mrs. Moore having gone to the courthouse to see him, John P. Leary, who is assisting District Attorney Fitzgerald in prosecuting the case, declared that if this were done he would insist on prosecuting Moore on the charge of assaulting Mrs. Moore, as well as his wife. It had previously been announced that this charge, on which Moore was also indicted, would not be pressed to trial.

Moore is a druggist and the testimony shows that his married life had been unhappy for some time before the exciting affair on the night of April 1, when Moore was shot by his mother-in-law, Mrs. Wood. He spent some time in the hospital recovering from his wound. The story of the affair to the jury.

MAY ENCOUNTER FURTHER DELAYS

Deschutes Railroad Prospects Not as Bright as Painted.

Roseate reports of the settlement of all difficulties in the way of the building of the Deschutes railroad, which passed from Washington early this week are shown to have been entirely incorrect in the official statement of Secretary Ballinger's decision that has been received by General Manager J. P. O'Brien and Attorney W. W. Cotton of the O. R. & N. According to the information at Harrison headquarters, the first 40 miles of the route through the canyon of the Deschutes has been approved. The rest is being held up by the department of the interior and may result in a further delay of several months.

According to our reports from Washington, the section of the route from the mouth of the Deschutes to Sherar's bridge only has been approved. The rest of the route, a stretch of 22 miles is left in the same shape as before Secretary Ballinger's decision. Between mile post 61 and 86, our right of way crosses that of the Oregon Trunk line and the Oregon Trunk has been given 30 days from June 19 in which to file objections with the department, and to show why both rights of way should not be approved. If the Oregon Trunk files these objections no one knows when we will receive official permission to go ahead. On the other sections, however, we have Secretary Ballinger's promise that early action will be taken. This includes the part of the canyon between mile posts 86 and 130.

The further delay has been a disappointment to us, but we have done everything within our power to secure speedy action in Washington and are confident that the remainder of the maps through the canyon will be approved in the near future.

Secretary Ballinger approves the maps of both the Deschutes railroad and the Oregon Trunk line, the former road will begin at once to condemn that part of the Oregon Trunk line's right of way, which they need for their own use. This can be done under the law compelling one railroad to condemn a bridge across a navigable river or a narrow pass through mountains, to allow the use of its property by another upon the payment of reasonable damages.

HARNEY COUNTY TRACT SOON TO BE SETTLED

According to a letter received by the chamber of commerce this morning a Chicago firm, Thomas & Walter, is preparing to begin suit against the settlement of 11,000 acres of Oregon land owned by them and located in southern Harney county.

MONTIE B. GWINN



President of the Oregon Bankers' association and a prominent figure in the tri-state bankers' convention in session at Seattle.

STUDENTS' WORK PROVES FEATURE

Interesting Exhibit at St. Mary's Academy Celebration.

One of the most interesting features of the golden jubilee celebration of St. Mary's academy is the exhibition of the students' work, together with that of other Oregon and Washington academies conducted under the supervision of the Sisters of St. Mary. The needlework, embroidery, ceramic art, designing, painting, modeling and sewing as well as the usual academic work have been made special features in the course of study at the various convents and the skill and art shown in the exhibits are convincing proofs of their success.

Of special interest is the exhibit from the Sacred Heart academy in Salem. A large chifforon full of the work of the Salem pupils, dresses and clothes of all sorts, have been donated to the St. Mary's home for orphans at Oswego. Thus the unusual industry of the students will have been charitable in aim.

The reception at St. Mary's yesterday afternoon was attended by delegates from similar institutions in Oregon and Washington, who are the guests of the Sisters of St. Mary. Three of the twelve founders of the academy were present.

From 2 o'clock until 9, alumnae, former students and their friends held a reception at the academy, which had been beautifully and effectively decorated for the occasion. Among the prominent ecclesiastical officials who were present at the celebration were the Right Rev. Edward J. McManus, Bishop of Seattle, and Archbishop Alexander Christie, D. D., who officiated at the solemn pontifical mass.

Many beautiful gifts in the form of golden candlesticks, altar clothes and other objects of sacred nature were presented to the Sisters of St. Mary in honor of the anniversary.

Among the schools exhibiting work of the past year are: St. Mary's of Holy Names, Spokane, St. Mary's of the Dalles, Sacred Heart in Salem, the Holy Family of Portland, St. Francis in Seattle and St. Patrick's in North Portland.

At the solemn pontifical mass in St. Mary's cathedral this morning at 10 o'clock the following program was rendered: Organ prelude—"The Memorial of the Departed."

At the Vesting of the Bishop—"Miserere," "Gloria," "Sanctus," "Agnus Dei," "Kyrie," "Sanctus," "Benedictus" and "Agnus Dei."

Organ postlude—"Liber No. 27," Mendelssohn.

GOES TO JAIL AS SOON AS RELEASED

Arrested yesterday on a warrant sworn out by his wife charging assault and battery and released on \$1500 bail, H. S. Reynolds, a grocer with a store at 824 Alberta street, was taken into custody again today on a second charge of the same nature registered against him by the woman. He is held in \$750 bail.

Reynolds alleges that after being released yesterday by Constable Lou Wagner, after putting up bail money, he hurried to his home and was met and choked both himself and his stepdaughter, Miss Clara Delaney, 16 years of age.

When Mrs. Reynolds appeared at the office of the constable last night her face was scratched and bleeding. She asserted that her husband had beaten her severely. The stepdaughter has complained against the man for an assault which she says occurred February 1. Two warrants were issued for his arrest yesterday and one on the third charge by the wife today.

COMMITTEE MEETS GENEROUS SUPPORT

Subscriptions for the trip of the Rose Festival chorus to the A-Y-P. exposition are now increasing, and the canvassing committee are hoping that the desired \$2000 will soon be in their hands. Meanwhile, they are still hard at work collecting contributions for the trip of the chorus, and are rehearsing frequently the songs which they are planning to give at the Seattle concert on Oregon day. By next Tuesday, if the work of collecting the money is as successful as it has been, the entire amount will have been collected. While the trip will cost \$3000, the members of the chorus will themselves supply the remaining \$1000.

Lebanon People Attend Picnic.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Lebanon, Or., June 25.—A large number of people from Lebanon and vicinity left by special train Thursday morning for Brownsville, to attend the picnic at that place. Reports state that the annual affair is a grand success this year.

WARRANTS FOR ARREST OF 25

Small Army of Autoists Will Be Haled Before Authorities.

Autoists and motorcycleists, beware! The police will get you if you don't watch out.

Today the campaign against autoists and owners of motorcycles began in earnest with the issuing of warrants sworn out against 25 autoists by City Attorney Kavanaugh through his deputy, R. A. Sullivan.

In the future autoists and riders of power bikes will be watched more closely by the officers than ever before, and even any minor violation of the ordinances affecting them will be punished severely.

Not only will the question of speed be considered, but it will be made necessary that all persons operating machines owned by others be regularly licensed drivers. The matter of numbering machines will also be an important issue.

The ordinance relating to the operation of automobiles provides strictly that all persons driving machines must either be fully licensed, or own a machine being driven. All chauffeurs must be more than 18 years of age. Not more than two members of each family owning a machine will be allowed to drive without a regular chauffeur's license.

Hereafter all licensed chauffeurs will be compelled to wear the badge, with the words "Licensed Chauffeur" thereon, when driving a machine. The police will see that this provision of the ordinance is strictly obeyed.

In regard to numbering machines the ordinance provides that the painted numbers be not less than five inches in height and not less than five eighths of an inch wide at every point. On motorcycles the numbers need be more than three inches high.

The police have issued notice on all autoists and motorcycleists that every infraction of the law will be punished. Aiding the police department in its campaign against automobile speeders, Judge Van Zante in municipal court today fined F. J. Knight, Fred Ackerswick and R. McKay, all charged with exceeding the speed limit in autos, the sum of \$25 each. Knight pleaded guilty although the other two entered pleas of not guilty.

McKay's trial caused the court to sound a warning to the drivers of taxicabs. McKay is employed by the Portland Taxicab company.

It is a fact, said the court, "that many drivers of taxicabs speed and seem to have no fear of molestation by the police. Lately three taxicab drivers have been arrested and although a charge of assault to murder, His preliminary hearing was set for July 5.

Conboy refused today to discuss the shooting, and made no reply to many expressions of sympathy extended by friends who had gathered in the court room. He is apparently crushed by realization of the crime he committed while under the influence of liquor.

Conboy still lies in a stupor at the hospital. It is impossible, the surgeons said, to extract the bullet. He is unable to discuss the case.

Conboy was released last night on bail of \$1250.

MRS. KUYATH, FOR ATTACK, ASKS \$2000

(By Journal Leased Wire.) Salem, Or., June 25.—Anna Pauline Kuyath, a resident of Polk county, has brought suit to the circuit court for \$2000 damages in a circuit court for this district for injuries received from an attack of a vicious bear belonging to a neighboring farmer, W. Polker and John Schindler are made defendants.

Mrs. Kuyath alleges that the bear attacked her on the day she was cutting potatoes and that had it not been for her husband and two big dogs that came to her assistance, she would have been very seriously injured. She alleges that her nervous system was so upset that she should be remunerated in the sum named by the company's officers.

TESTIMONY AGAINST ARTHUR P. HEINZE

(United Press Leased Wire.) New York, June 25.—Tracey Buckingham was called as a witness today in the trial of Arthur P. Heinze, indicted in connection with the disappearance of the books of the United Fruit company. Buckingham testified that on May 19 he saw some books packed into a trunk which was removed from the company's office the night after. He had given the janitor a pass to remove it from the office after the closing hours.

Cloudburst at West Point, Neb.

(United Press Leased Wire.) West Point, Neb., June 25.—Followed by a cloudburst, the flooded streets and many buildings, a destructive tornado swept this place early today. St. Joseph's church, Catholic, and several residences were demolished. No deaths were reported.

INCOME TAX TO COME UP MONDAY

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, June 25.—Senator Aldrich announced this afternoon that he expected the senate to finish with the schedule of the tariff bill by tomorrow night and be ready to consider the income tax proposition Monday.

PERSONAL

Will G. Steel, president of the Crater Lake company, left this morning for San Francisco on a short business trip, expecting to be gone for several days.

H. W. Wallace, who won fame through his connection with the Panama canal, the New York Central railway and the Illinois Central, and who with associates from New York, is in Oregon investigating water power proposition by automobile, and will travel through Central Oregon southeast to Burns, and thence to Lakeview in Lake county.

Von Bulow Not Resigning.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Berlin, June 25.—Chancellor Von Bulow announced today that he would not resign because of the defeat sustained yesterday by the succession duties bill of the government's financial reform program in the Reichstag. The veteran statesman is undismayed by the failure of the bill to pass and will make a determined stand for the success of the remaining measures of the program.

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