

## COMMISSION CAN SAY LITTLE AS TO BROADWAY BRIDGE

Major McIndoe Asserts Port of Portland Has No More Authority to Object Than Others Interested.

With all respect to Major James F. McIndoe, chief of the United States engineer corps in Portland, Mayor Simon says leave to differ with the officer in any opinion he possesses that might seem to belittle the usefulness of a Portland commission whose mission it would be to appear before the war department in behalf of the Broadway bridge.

"True," said the mayor, commenting on the situation yesterday afternoon, "the public hearing must be held, and it is not unbelievable that the Port of Portland commission will be given its only opportunity to speak at that time; but this, nor any other circumstance, influences in my mind that such an expression of interest as the sending of the commission to Washington would be of results—that is to say, indirect results."

### Effect Would Be Beneficial.

"But I believe the effect would be extremely beneficial, nevertheless. I do not desire, however, to appear to say anything detrimental to Major McIndoe, for I want it to be possible for us to treat together harmoniously. He has an important place in the work which is proposed."

While the city's chief executive was decidedly in favor of sending representative citizens to Washington to confer with the heads of the war department, and said that such a plan had the support of his best judgment, he had nothing whatever to say about some slight reported hesitancy in supplying funds to pay the traveling expenses of the Portland representatives. It has been practically decided that ex-Senator Charles W. Fulton, Judge M. G. Munly and Councilman Menefee will constitute the commission, which will plead with the war department for the Broadway bridge.

**Commission's Voice Weak.**  
The major stated that the Port of Portland commission would have no more voice in pleading for or opposing the construction of the bridge than any other interest or organization. All will be given opportunity for a hearing at the public meeting which Major McIndoe will call subsequent to the filing of the bridge plans. A report of the meeting's proceedings, together with evidence supplied by the government officer and completed with his recommendation, will have decisive influence with the war department in permitting or refusing the spanning of the Willamette at Broadway.

Major McIndoe also stated yesterday that the Port of Portland has no right whatsoever to dictate the closing or opening of drawbridges already in operation, and that the only function which the commission can perform is to enforce the rules and regulations issued some time ago by the secretary of war. It is in the secretary of war's hands alone, said Major McIndoe, to prescribe any changes or modifications in existing regulations. In any event, if Portland people are to experience the benefits and conveniences of closed draws during traffic crush hours, the secretary of war will have to make the arrangements, not the Port of Portland.

## HOO HOO ORDER GETS READY FOR ME-OWFEST

Hoo Hoo members will meet next Friday evening at the Commercial club to talk over arrangements for the big catenation, to be held on February 15, during the annual meeting of the Western Retail Lumbermen in this city. Vice-president Snark G. A. Griswold, for the northern district of Oregon, has issued an announcement for the Friday night meeting, which will be in form of a banquet, and it is expected that every Hoo Hoo within reach will attend.

In view of the fact that from 200 to 400 visiting lumbermen will be in the city on the evening of the catenation, it is intended to make this affair the biggest of its kind ever pulled off in the northwest of the Rocky mountains. Vice-president Griswold has already rounded up a lot of kittens who are willing to have their eyes opened to the mysteries of the order, which is composed of men engaged in lumbering and closely allied industries.

A 10-year-old clove tree will produce about 20 pounds of cloves a year.

## G. G. GAMMANS' DEATH BRINGS SORROW TO HIS MANY FRIENDS



G. G. Gammans.

News of Attorney G. G. Gammans' death in California yesterday brought sorrow to many Portland people, especially to his partner, Dan J. Malarky, and his friend and pastor, Dr. T. L. Elliot, of the First Unitarian church. Mr. Gammans passed away at 8:40 yesterday morning at Burke sanatorium, near San Francisco, from cerebral hemorrhage. He left Portland Christmas day.

Speaking of his late partner yesterday afternoon, Mr. Malarky paid an unusual tribute to the personality of the man, when he said: "In my lifetime acquaintance with Mr. Gammans I never heard anyone say an unkind word of him. There never was a member of the bar in Portland but had the highest opinion of his scrupulous and self-exacting honesty. This was not a lawyer in the city, who would have felt safe to have all his affairs under Mr. Gammans' control or all his property in his possession."

**Man of Great Honesty.**  
"It is the usual thing to speak of a man's honesty, but his was the kind of honesty that persists in plain statements even when such statements hurt his own cause. He was a man of very fine qualities. Being more of an office lawyer than a maker of speeches, he did not become so well known to the general public as some others, but at the same time he was a man of strong convictions and of great loyalty to his principles and his friends. He never had any hesitancy about showing his colors."

"Never a politician, he was yet a great advocate of civic reform. He often remarked to me that politics seemed pretty rotten, and for this, as well as personal inclination, he was always enlisted for reform and was always found in the ranks of the people who fought for reform in governmental affairs."

"I am all broken up over the news," said Dr. Elliot. "For more than a quarter of a century Mr. Gammans and myself were the closest of friends. I have not words to describe my admiration for his integrity, manliness and ability, or to express my sorrow because of his passing from us."

"I knew him first as a student in Harvard law school, and later in Harvard law school. Later he was connected with a prominent law firm in Boston. In 1879 he came to Portland, and has been a dear friend to all who were fortunate enough to know him well ever since. A good deal of the time during the past 25 years he has been a trustee in the First Unitarian church."

**Born in Maine.**  
Mr. Gammans was born in Maine 53 years ago. He was graduated from Harvard in 1875 and from the law school in 1877. He came to Portland in 1879. For a time he was assistant clerk in the United States district court, and at one time was prominently spoken of for

federal judge. He was at different times associated with the late Judge Alfred Sears and Attorney R. B. Lamson in the practice of law. For the past ten years he has been senior partner in the law firm of Gammans & Malarky. This firm was general counsel for the Lewis and Clark exposition, and was so successful that no lawsuit was ever brought against the exposition management. During a number of years Mr. Gammans engaged in the practice of law independently in Portland.

He is survived by his wife, who left two days ago to join her husband at Burke sanatorium, Sonoma, Cal., and two sons, Nelson, who is a student in Harvard, and Gordon, who has been attending a military school in California. Mr. Malarky has been in constant telegraphic communication with Mrs. Gammans since learning of Mr. Gammans' death yesterday, but has not learned yesterday evening her wishes in regard to funeral arrangements. The funeral, which will probably be held in Portland, will be deferred until the arrival of Mr. Gammans' sons.

## 32ND DEGREE MASONS GATHER AT BANQUET

Twenty-four members of the 1907 eighth cathedral 32d degree Masonic class met in reunion at a banquet at the Commercial club last evening before going to the cathedral to see the new class of 1910 put through the work.

The banquet began at 5:30 o'clock, and President J. C. Roberts acted as toastmaster. Orator Lark Blyden, of Eugene, was unavoidably absent, but short addresses were made by E. G. Jones, honorary member; Judge Grant B. Dimmick, of Oregon City; Judge W. R. King, of Salem; A. P. Sprague and Dr. C. S. Hosmer.

This class is the only permanent one that has continued to hold annual meetings since its organization. Among other business transacted, last night was the election of Judge W. R. King as assistant orator. President Roberts and Secretary Charles A. Wonnacott were re-elected to serve until successors have been selected.

The following were present at the banquet: John Annand, J. W. Brown, Grant B. Dimmick, W. F. D. Dillon, R. L. Donald, J. N. Davis, Herbert Gordon, Dr. C. S. Hosmer, A. C. Jackson, Will R. King, W. R. McKenzie, A. J. MacDaniel, C. Minninger, W. F. Osborne, Harry P. Palmer, J. A. Pettit, J. C. Roberts, A. P. Sprague, Isaac Swett, William H. See, D. G. Tomasini, Charles N. Wonnacott, A. Thurlow and E. G. Jones.

## OPTION ONLY ON ONE HALF OF QUARTER BLOCK

W. F. White, administrator of the W. M. Ayres estate, and James D. Hennessy, who, with George W. Simpson, was given an option by White for the purchase of the interest of the estate in two lots on the east side, say that the objections filed by the Merchants' National bank and Ralph W. Hoyt to the approval of the option does Mr. White an injustice because the objections fall to make it clear that the option for \$10,500 to Hennessy and Simpson was on only one half of the quarter block described.

## CHAS. M'ILRATH DIES IN BERKELEY, CALIF.

Word has been received of the death of Charles M'Ilrath, well known in Portland as the former manager of the Perkins hotel in Berkeley, Cal., last week. Mr. M'Ilrath was 83 years of age.

Mr. M'Ilrath was a brother-in-law of Colonel Z. S. Spalding, owner of the Perkins hotel building, and acted as manager of the hotel for more than seven years. He left Portland about two years ago. He has been ill for about a year.

More than one fifth of England's coal is consumed by its factories.

## SUNNYSIDE CLUB WANTS NEW HOME

Boys and Girls Organize to Raise Money to Buy Brigade Building.

Articles of incorporation of the Sunnyside Boys' and Girls' association, formed for the purpose of raising money with which to purchase the Old Boys' Brigade building, East Thirty-fourth and Yamhill streets, will be filed Monday. The incorporators will be E. W. Ring, H. McCormick, S. C. Pier, Frank A. Rowe, T. S. McDaniel, James N. Davis, Isaac Staples, J. C. Roberts, Frank W. Walden, J. T. Wilson, Dr. J. A. Pettit, J. Allen Harrison, I. M. Walker, H. Gordon and J. P. Newell.

The property at the present time is valued at about \$6000, according to the incorporators, but can be purchased before March 1 for \$3500. For some time the old Sunnyside Boys' and Girls' association has used the frame building on the property for a gymnasium for more than 150 boys and girls, who are members of the organization. An option on the building and property has been secured. It expires March 1.

Incorporators of the association plan to renovate the old gymnasium building and equip it with modern apparatus. To purchase the property and properly renovate and equip the building, a sum in the neighborhood of \$2500 will be required. At the present time the association has \$700. This week committees will be sent out in Sunnyside to solicit subscriptions. Incorporators believe they will have no trouble in raising the amount necessary.

The primary object of the association is to provide boys and girls of Sunnyside with an opportunity to develop themselves physically, and allow them a place for healthful recreation. The association is a non-sectarian institution and will throw open the clubhouse, if purchased, to all boys' and girls' clubs in the suburb.

## PRESSMEN'S STRIKE IN DENVER SETTLED

Denver, Jan. 15.—The strike which the Pressmen union has been waging against the Denver newspapers was called off tonight. The strikers accepted the employers' own proposition and returned to work at a 20 per cent increase in wages, but without the back pay which they had demanded.

## HARDWARE MEN WILL TALK SHOP

Nearly 300, Implement Dealers Included, Hold Big Convention Here This Week.

Between 200 and 300 retail hardware and implement dealers from different parts of the state of Oregon will assemble in Portland next week to attend the annual convention of the Oregon Hardware & Implement Dealers' association. The executive board goes into session Monday morning. The convention will be called to order by President H. C. Garnett of Medford.

The convention will be held in the rooms of the Commercial club, and a great deal of business will come up for discussion. The hardware and implement trades have shown remarkable increase in the Pacific northwest during the past few years, but the new year is said to have rolled in with prospects brighter than ever. The building of railroads into new districts, it is reported, has opened many new avenues of trade for the hardware and implement dealers, and the year 1910 is therefore expected to establish a record for business in those lines.

Secretary H. J. Altow, who makes his home at Woodburn, was in the city a few days ago looking after preliminary arrangements for the convention, and the program as then outlined included addresses by President George H. Smith of the California association, W. A. Barrett of Albany and Harlow Howitt of Palo Alto, Cal. President Garnett has promised to deliver a few trade nuts to crack. It is expected that that feature will be one of the most interesting of the whole convention.

Tuesday evening the retail men will be guests of the wholesalers at a banquet at the Commercial club, for which arrangements have already been made by a committee of implement dealers.

## BULLET REMAINS BUT CRUMP MENDS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)  
Grants Pass, Or., Jan. 15.—Harvey Crump has survived the operation of Friday afternoon fairly well, and although his condition is reported critical, he has rallied and is much better. The bullet was not extracted from his head but a drainage was formed from the wound which has relieved his suffering. There are no new developments as to who shot him.

## TONGUES OF FIRE DEVOTEE INSANE

Prayed So Lustily That Neighbors Had Him Arrested and Examined.

Another devotee of the apostolic faith, better known as "Tongues of Fire," was pronounced insane yesterday afternoon when a young man named Negratt was examined by Dr. W. T. Williamson. The youth has been living at Seventh and East Everett street, and prayed so lustily that residents of the neighborhood appealed to the officers.

Yesterday his aunt and a young man, members of the same faith, came to the county court with an insistent demand for the immediate examination of the youth. When told that Judge Webster was not in at the time they insisted that his clerk should proceed with the affair, intimating that divine wrath would fall if he did not. They were finally calmed down and waited quietly. While thus detained the young man expressed regret that he did not have his Bible with him to improve his time.

Young Negratt was allowed to go until Monday in care of his relatives. They promised to return him tomorrow, and he will then be taken to the asylum.

## HARPER DENIES HE HELD AN AX OVER WIFE

Denying the allegations of Annie Harper that he threatened to shoot her, that he struck her while he held an ax in his hand, insulted her and called her a great number of impolite things, John Harper has filed an answer to his wife's suit for divorce almost before the ink was dry on his wife's complaint.

Harper lets it be known that he considers himself the one that should have the divorce. He says his wife was guilty of cruelty to him and that she has been too gay with other men. He mentions Mike Watnee as correspondent. Harper says his wife left him on January 11 without any good reason for so doing. He wants the custody of their four children. They were married in Pawtucket, R. I., in 1907.

A new electric water heater heats its contents in 15 seconds and boils it in 45.

## FRANK J. GOULD TO QUIT AMERICA FOR SOME YEARS

Humiliated at Results of Recent Divorce Case, Shunned by Old Friends, He Will Seek New Country.

(United Press Special Wire.)  
New York, Jan. 15.—Frank J. Gould, whose divorces troubles and more recent difficulties with Beasts De Voe, the dancer, have interested society, is to quit America, for some years, at least, according to statement by a friend who has just returned from Europe.

Only Mr. Gould's intimate friends understand what plans he has been making, but today it was learned that for the next ten years this country is likely to see very little of him.

Whether Mr. Gould intends to expatriate himself permanently could not be learned. Nor was any information obtainable that would indicate whether he purposes sacrificing his American residence.

The principal reason for his action is said to be disappointment at the manner in which many of his former friends are treating him since the courts unwound his matrimonial knot with the former Helen Kelley. He is said to feel bitterly the humiliation of his position since the publication of his letters to Miss De Voe and intends to stay abroad at least long enough to let these things be forgotten.

France is to be his new home. The most elaborate arrangements are now practically completed for Mr. Gould to maintain not only a Paris home, but also a country estate at Chantilly.

Mr. Gould already has leased a luxurious suite in the Rue Victor Hugo. His agents have been engaged for some weeks scouring the best shops in Paris to make the new apartment one of the finest bachelor quarters in the French capital.

## STORE IS ROBBED; MAN IS ARRESTED

Victor Damm was arrested last night on a charge of larceny. He is accused of taking men's furnishings from the store of W. H. Markell, Union avenue and Morrison streets.



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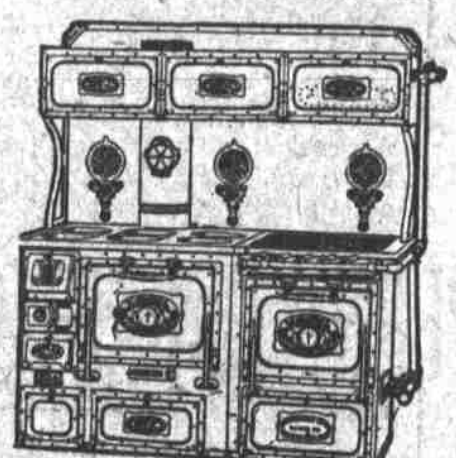
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