

FURNACE DEFECT DELAYS OPENING INCINERATOR

Failure to Work Properly Throws Plans of City for New Collection System Out of Kilter.

Portland's \$100,000 garbage crematory, which was placed in operation last Monday, was closed Friday afternoon for repairs. Workmen are busy with the furnace, as that very important part of the plant did not work satisfactorily. The old plant is still being operated.

Fred F. Smith, supervising engineer, told Mayor Simon and the health board that he would have the new plant ready last Tuesday to incinerate all garbage, and that the old crematory could be closed. The new plant was in operation part of Tuesday, all day Wednesday, Thursday, and part of Friday.

Only half the furnaces are completed, but Mr. Smith represented that the completed half would be able to handle all work now done by the old plant, and upon this representation the health board authorized the workmen to be turned over to Mr. Smith the first part of last week.

When the contractor started the new furnaces, considerable light material was used, but at no time during the few days of operation were the furnaces working to their capacity. The changes now being made are calculated to enable them to handle the garbage as specified in the contract. Whether the changes will place the incinerator in a position to do so remains to be determined. The north half of the furnace room will not be completed for several days, though the contract calls for the completion of the plant November 9.

It was represented by Mr. Smith that he did not wish to begin the official test on the plant until its completion. According to the contract, this test should have started November 10. It probably will not start for three or four weeks. The health board and Mayor Simon are anxious to have the use of the new crematory as soon as possible, as the old one is not able to handle successfully the increasing supply of garbage. It is also planned to arrange for a municipal collection of garbage, which system will begin soon after the first of the year.

When work on the new crematory was started, the board driveway to the old plant was torn up, and garbage collectors drove through mud all week. The weighing device was removed early last week and there is now no way to weigh garbage.

HIS NOMINATION TERRY PRESIDENT

Says the Colonel Will Head a New Party in 1912 and Won't Dodge the Issue.

St. Paul, Nov. 12.—Jacob Kils, in an interesting talk following a lecture at the Minnesota Agricultural college on the "Battle with the Slums," practically lauded Theodore Roosevelt's candidacy for the presidency in 1912.

"He declared there would be a new party growing out of the 'reorganization' of the Republican party, which would bring about a 'government for men and not for money.'"

"There will be a great new party," said Kils. "A reorganized party which will stand for men and not for money alone. Roosevelt has always fought this fight and he will be the leader."

"Will Roosevelt be the party candidate for president in 1912?" Kils was asked.

"He does not seek that. With him it is always method and not men."

"If Mr. Roosevelt sees that the direct demand of the people is for him to lead this party, will he accept the 1912 nomination?"

"He will not dodge such an issue."

WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE'S NOTION OF AN OPPONENT

Emporia, Kan., Nov. 12.—The Emporia Daily Journal has been sold to Holland King, William Allen White, in an editorial, says of Edgar Martindale, the retiring editor:

"In Emporia he has supported the principles of the party of Lincoln and of Grant, the party that has freed the slaves, and has stood ready to succor the country in every hour of need. He has been uncompromisingly against the fads and fashions that are cropping into our modern politics and as a competitor he has always been courteous and fair, even though at times indicated otherwise by his words, and what is more he never cut the advertising rate. The Gazette never cares what he said or if he said it, for the opposition doesn't cut prices and as Mr. Martindale has upheld the banner of our noble profession with great distinction, therefore, even though he may have proved the writer heretofore a bore and a liar, destroyer of public virtue and a deserter of our boasted civilization, it matters not. Old Ed Martindale never cut the rate, and in going from this busy metropolis he has our hand. Goodbye, Editor. Take care of yourself. After all, what's a little sander more or less between old friends?"

COUNTERFEIT JOHN D. BACK FROM HEAVEN

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 12.—Jacques Kraeger, with the "Follies of 1910" company at the Detroit opera house, made an ostentatious ascension to heaven by means of a wire, which broke when he was in the air.

REFORM OF POLICE MAY BE DELAYED

When Parliament Meets This Week, Asquith Will Show His Hand.

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.) London, Nov. 12.—On the eve of the reassembling of parliament there is a good deal of unrest in Irish and Nationalist circles. The optimism so widely prevalent 30 days ago having given away to less rosy views.

Indications multiply, though they may be deceptive, that when Mr. Asquith faces the commons Tuesday he will immediately bring down the gloves to the Unionists on the question of Lord's veto, but will adopt a temporary policy.

He will be supported by all elements in the cabinet with a view to carry over till the February session final decision of the various measures to reform the police. The Unionists on the other hand are for the moment in a state of indecision.

Such tactics would imply that Balfour has given the prime minister assurances of such action or inaction on the part of the Unionists as to render it impossible for Redmond to turn out as a member of the cabinet.

Mr. Asquith, however, has said he would do it definite guarantee of home rule were not forthcoming immediately upon the reassembling of the commons.

BLOODLESS DUEL FOUGHT IN BERLIN

Two Men Engage in Exciting Spat: but No Harm Is Done.

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.) Berlin, Nov. 12.—A real duel if bloodless was fought here recently. The parties to it were a baron, who is something of a fine shop statesman, and a bank clerk, and the cause of the duel was a lady. The affair took the clerk by surprise, as he was reclining in an easy chair in his bedroom in a West End flat, being shaved.

Suddenly the progress of the razor was checked by a vigorous rattling at the handle of the locked door that led to an adjoining apartment, and peremptory demands for admittance, coupled with a threat that the intruder would shoot unless he was instantly complied with. The bank clerk replied coolly that he, too, had a revolver, and if it came to a question of shooting he would probably prove to be the better marksman of the two. To this defiance he added an inquiry as to whom the stranger was and what his business might be.

The intruder then announced himself as Baron von E, ex-cavalry officer, and said that he had come to reclaim a young woman who had formerly acted as his housekeeper and had left his service to enter the bank clerk in a similar capacity.

To this the lady's new employer responded that his interest in hers was not of a nature to justify him in embarking on an affair of honor on her account, and called upon the infuriated baron to leave the premises without delay.

Crack went the baron's bullet through the door, whereupon the clerk also fired. The baron fired again, and the duel continued through the riddled door until both had exhausted all their ammunition.

Meantime the agonized barber, flourishing his soap brush, had been screaming loudly through the window for assistance. A squad of police arrived and arrested the infuriated duelists. They were taken to the police station, where they found the lady who was the object of the quarrel. She was a former favorite of the baron, who suspected her of having transferred her affections to the clerk. The baron said as he was pushed into a cell, "The end of this is a not yet." No blood was shed.

Interesting Marriage Statistics. If Lord Beaconsfield's dictum, "Happy is the nation whose people marry young," be correct, then Germany may claim to be fairly happy.

During 1908 there were 23,000 marriages, 1897 was 20,000, and 1906 was 18,000. As for men the greater number of men who marry are 30 years. This is probably due to the fact that every man is liable to military duty during the best years of his life. Marriage rates are falling in London, but are going up in Berlin. The effect of the war of 1910 is shown in charts, which indicate an abnormal increase in the number of births in Paris and Berlin during the war and a steady fall in both cities ever since.

The women of most continental cities, however, marry at an earlier age than those of England. Of 23,000 London marriages recorded in 1908 24,000 were those of people between the ages of 20 and 25. Of the total number married 270 were girls under 21. One of them was under the age of 16; her husband was 20.

JACKSON PIONEER, '62, DIES AT EAGLE POINT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Medford, Ore., Nov. 12.—George Brown of Eagle Point, one of the few remaining early pioneers of southern Oregon, died at his home in Eagle Point Saturday evening after a long illness, aged about 77 years. Mr. Brown came to Jackson County in 1862, and after reading in Jacksonville for several years he settled at Eagle Point, where he has made his home ever since and reared a large family of sons and daughters. Mr. Brown served two terms as county commissioner, and until a few years ago was prominent in the politics of the county.

BRITISH DINERS WERE NOT TO BE FOOLED

Lisbon, Nov. 12.—There was a curious incident recently in the Cafe Martinho here. The orchestra played the republican anthem, and every one in the crowded cafe rose, except two English residents, who quietly continued their repast.

A Portuguese naval officer, indignantly at the supposed insult ordered the music to be stopped. The British anthem, again all present, but the two English heads, the Englishmen this time included.

BERLIN'S POLICE REFORMS SHOW MARKED CHANGE

Bullheaded Methods of Police Administration in Berlin Is Destined for Reform in Accordance With Others.

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.) Berlin, Nov. 12.—Reform in police methods is the next thing in order here. And this reform will be the result of the recent attack made by local policemen on American and English correspondents. Many policemen have been recently acting as if they were without brains. And the men are not to blame so much as are their officers who are in the habit of giving contradictory orders. Berlin policemen know nothing but orders, and they will try to carry out such as they receive, although the enforcement of one makes another impossible.

Her von Jagow, chief of police, went to London to study police methods of handling traffic. He is the official who laughed at the correspondents when they complained of the murderous assault made upon them by the police a few weeks ago.

German Women Rebuke Kaiser. The League of Associations of German Women, which held its annual conference at Heidelberg discussing the Koenigsberg speech, in which the emperor admonished German women "to devote themselves to the work of the house" rather than "to the attainment of supposed rights." A strongly worded resolution adopted, expressed pain and regret at the emperor's misunderstanding of the women's movement, and concluded:

"We do not fail to appreciate the importance of woman's domestic duties, but we see that in the modern conditions of life, which drive 9,500,000 women into struggle for a living outside the home, it is absolutely necessary to go beyond the bounds of domestic duty. We regret therefore most deeply that our efforts to fit women better than heretofore for modern conditions of life have by this imperial criticism been brought into discredit among unthinking people."

The Kaiser has not been unusually quiet since. He has not come out with any of the utterances which he has been talking. He is not so active as people would expect. The only thing that appears to interest him now is the building of the navy.

Are Whims of Maniac. Within three days of the fourth anniversary of the immortal exploit of the spurious captain, Koenigek has been once more shaken out of its suburban repose by a strange drama of misused authority. In this case it was not crime, but the acting forerunner of it.

For 45 years Wilhelm Doerdel, station master of Koenigek, had performed faithful services on the state railways, but a few weeks ago his health broke down, and his doctor ordered him to rest, but he reappeared at the station and resumed control. His subordinates remember that his conduct was strange and his orders a little perplexing.

Towards midnight, however, Doerdel, who had retired to rest, emerged from his residence, imperfectly attired, and wandered restlessly about the station till he found a ticket collector, whom he once set to abusing with great vehemence. One by one he kicked all his subordinates and told them that as soon as he had taken the steps necessary to counteract their treachery, he intended to commit his complaint to paper and forward it to the emperor.

The staff was at first nonplussed, but it gradually dawned upon them that the chief had taken leave of his senses, and they made efforts to induce him to retire to bed.

Their persuasions, however, only heightened his mania, and the situation became really grave when he began to rush about the lines, shouting crazy orders, which he delivered in the traffic occasioned by the strike.

Fortunately a police sergeant who happened to be at hand possessed not only presence of mind, but also ingenuity. Procuring a sheet of foolscap paper, he approached the demented station master, and urged upon him the necessity of signing a report on the strike for the emperor's information, and had spread further. At the same time, he pointed out that the place where he would be least likely to be disturbed in his work by the molestations of the strikers would undoubtedly be the town jail. The station master fell into this trap, and allowed himself to be conducted thither. Though he calmed down, it has been found necessary to consign him to an asylum.

Otto Cyriacus, a partner in a long established firm of booksellers, shot himself, following the discovery of a shortage in his accounts amounting to \$60,000.

Cyriacus was only 34 years of age. He belonged to an old family. One of the partners came across Cyriacus irregularly by accident. The firm decided to denounce him to the police.

Herr Cyriacus in the meantime left his home at Zehlendorf and wandered aimlessly in the neighboring countryside.

He applied for lodgings at a tavern in Klein Machow. At 2 next morning the landlord's family were alarmed by the report of a revolver. The stranger's room was entered, and Cyriacus was found dead. The cause of his ruin is believed to have been speculation.

Before the news of his suicide became known the motive for it was in everybody's mouth. While the man was wearing himself out in his wandering, an audit of his firm's books has revealed defalcations on his part. Herr Cyriacus was generally liked and trusted, did not, as far as is known, indulge in extravagances of any kind, and the object of his speculations has not been discovered. It is hinted that he had speculated unwisely.

H. F. EDGAR, DISCOVERER OF ALDER GULCH, DIES

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Butte, Mont., Nov. 12.—Henry F. Edgar, one of the most famous of the early day Montana argonauts, and who discovered the Alder Gulch placers, the most noted and richest of the world has ever known, died today at his ranch near Helena. May 27, 1852, Edgar, a member of the Fairwater party, panned the first gold from a deposit that, for a distance of 15 miles, yielded a hundred and fifty millions. Edgar realized practically nothing from his discovery. He contracted a cold, following a long and a election day vote, and pneumonia developed.

HOW S. P. GOT OIL LANDS; ALSO HOW IT DID WITH THEM

From Its Grant in California It Sold Cheap to Settlers and Also to Its Own Subsidiaries—Uncle Sam In It.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) San Francisco, Nov. 12.—The oil lands sold to be held illegally by the Southern Pacific company, and which are to form the subject of inquiry by Attorney General Wickersham, were acquired under the original congressional grant to the Central Pacific company, which gave to the railroad every odd numbered section along the line of the railroad within 20 miles on either side. This grant was made as a bonus to the railroad when they received, although the enforcement of one makes another impossible.

Since the acquisition of this land from the federal government by the Southern Pacific, the railroad has sold thousands of acres of it to purchasers as grazing and farming land at prices averaging \$150 an acre.

Corporations as Grantees. Much of the land, it is stated, has been conveyed to corporations in which the Southern Pacific owns a controlling interest, such as the Associated Oil company and the Kern Trading and Land company, which is popularly termed the "K. T. company." In the Associated Oil company the Southern Pacific controls 55 per cent of the stock according to statements published in the California Oil World, of Bakersfield. William F. Herrin, chief counsel for the Southern Pacific company, is president of the Associated Oil company.

Portland is anxious to see the convention brought to the coast as it will mean a large number of visitors here as well as at the convention city and Tacoma and Seattle, it is understood, have fallen in line in support of Spokane.

Acting Governor Bowerman's telegram to President Batchelder reads: "On behalf of the people of the state of Oregon I extend a most hearty invitation to the National Grange Patron of Husbandry to visit our great northwestern city for your convention of 1911. We have a big country, with broad men who do large things. We want you to see the country, know the men and teach us to do better things. We bespeak your earnest consideration and hearty acceptance of the cordial invitation of our sister states of Washington to meet in Spokane. When you come forget the state line and permit us to extend a western welcome."

"JAY BOWERMAN," Mayor Simon's Telegram. "On behalf of the city of Portland I desire to second the invitation of our neighboring city of Spokane for the National Grange to visit the northwestern city for your national convention in 1911. The keys of this city will be placed in the hands of such of your members as shall favor us with a visit should you make Spokane your choice."

"JOSEPH SIMON," Mayor. "The Portland Commercial club, with 1600 business men as members, and the Oregon Development league, including 110 commercial organizations, covering the entire state, earnestly endorse Spokane as your 1911 convention city. To this we add most cordial invitation for your members to visit the Rose City and the Beaver state."

"H. BECKWITH," Pres. Portland Commercial Club. "Portland, Oregon, enthusiastically endorses Spokane's invitation for National Grange to meet there in 1911. Portland promotion committee work has been unique. For years it has sought the farmer and the farmer only. The great west is in line. Give Spokane the opportunity to show you what a western welcome means."

"C. C. CHAPMAN," Manager Promotion Committee. "Wires have this day gone to President Batchelder from Governor Bowerman, Mayor Simon, Portland Chamber of Commerce, Portland Commercial club and Portland Convention bureau. Be sure to see that President Batchelder has these and if not wire me that duplicates may be sent."

"PORTLAND COMMERCIAL CLUB." It is reported that since the beginning of the present year the Brotherhood of Painters and Decorators has added 11,500 members to its roll, the total now being more than 75,000.

REVIEW OF THE WEEK'S EVENTS AT CITY HALL

Charter Amendments, Broadway Bridge Bond Sale, Liquor License Troubles, Another Bridge Promise.

Two amendments to the Portland charter were voted Tuesday. The most important ones was that of public docks. The voters unmistakably voted their sentiment and gave the question a heavy majority. The amendment provides for the issuance of \$2,500,000 worth of bonds, and a commission of five men to handle the docks. This is considered one of the biggest things Portland has done in years, to encourage and encourage the city to build the new bridge across the Columbia canal is opened.

The second amendment voted by the people was that changing the system of installing water mains. Heretofore a work has been done by contract, and the residents have to pay the bills according to the benefit derived. The new amendment changes this so that the water department has the power to install mains wherever needed, the cost to come out of the water fund. A bond issue and the receipts of the department will create this water fund.

Broadway Bridge Bonds. Six bidders on the Broadway bridge bonds were before the ways and means committee of the city council Monday. Three Chicago bond companies offered a combination bid, and got the second bid, at \$44.80 per cent. The city is to issue \$500,000. Ralph McDowell, architect and supervising engineer for the proposed bridge, is expected in Portland next Friday. Preliminary plans will then be taken up.

St. Johns voted Tuesday to become a part of Portland. Those opposed to this union are planning steps to carry the matter into court. The Portland city council has signified its willingness to have the suburb annexed.

The Oregon Electric company secured a franchise Wednesday from the council granting to the company the Scion and Tenth streets. This franchise connects the Oregon Electric and United Railways, gives the Hill interests a direct electric line from the Willamette valley to the sea, and opens up a vast territory to railway promotion. The city is to receive \$500,000 a year, and no more than two-car passenger trains will be operated.

Liquor License Argument. The liquor license committee of the city council Monday afternoon listened to a long controversy between Paul Wessinger, representing Weinhard's brewery, and A. L. Smith, proprietor of the Edgewater cafe at 149 Seventh street. The latter wanted to transfer his license, and Wessinger said the man to whom he wished to transfer it was an unfit person to be in the saloon business. The committee held the question open until November 21.

The city council Wednesday voted to appropriate \$2000 each for fire buildings at Anabel and Woodlawn. The residents of each place will organize a volunteer company. The city engineer's contract for sewer systems in the southwest and northwest sections of Laurelhurst were let Thursday by the sewer committee of the executive board.

A temporary committee composed of J. D. Chambers, Miss Valentine Priehard and Mrs. E. E. Taylor, representing several women's organizations, has taken up the question of having a censorship placed on the vaudeville stage. They called upon Mayor Simon Friday afternoon, and secured his support for the movement. The United Engineering & Construction company, stated Saturday morning that the Madison street bridge would be ready for use November 23. This is not taken very seriously by most people.

City Attorney Grant filed an opinion in which he holds the local concerns handling foreign liquors in a wholesale manner are liable to a license of that nature. Heretofore such concerns have not paid a license, claiming their exemption under the idea that they had paid import tax.

"NO KISSING" DRIVES GIRLS TO CIGARETTES

Sharon, Pa., Nov. 12.—The "No-Kissing club," composed of the young daughters of some of Sharon's first families is likely to be organized.

The fearful strain of refraining from kissing or being kissed by the young men of their acquaintance is said to have driven the fair club members to wine and cigarettes.

There was a special meeting of the club at the residence of one of the members in Buil avenue. It is reported that the girls arrived clad in masculine attire. Each had with her a supply of cigarettes, and some brought bottles which were labeled "tea."

Everybody set to work to be as like men as possible. One of the more daring girls produced her father's pipe and, filling it serenely, puffed away until it gave her ill.

Later in the evening, the "tea" was produced, and it is said it was really champagne and old wine.

Nothing happened until the party was over and the girls reached their homes. Several fond mothers compared notes next morning on the peculiar actions of their daughters and the strange accents of tobacco and champagne which had not brought with them. The result is that most of the club members are being kept strictly in their rooms.

President Jennie Davis said she hadn't tasted the "tea" and didn't know that it was anything else. She admitted that several of the girls had come to the meeting in "parly" masculine garb. Secretary Gertrude Byers said there had been a "nice, genial, social time" and nothing more.

DISINCTION FOR HOBBS' DAUGHTER

Russian Consul General Honored by Czar—Wife Was San Francisco Girl.

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.) Berlin, Nov. 12.—Mrs. Valdimir Artimovitch, who is the daughter of the late Captain Hiram H. Hobbs of San Francisco, is being cordially congratulated on an unusual distinction just conferred on her husband, the Russian consul general here, by his sovereign.

When the czar was a guest of Emperor William at Potsdam on Friday, the consul general was invited to dine at his palace. After dinner the czar turned suddenly to Mr. Artimovitch and informed him that he would be appointed a court chamberlain and under secretary of foreign affairs.

Mrs. Artimovitch, one of San Francisco's most beautiful women, married first Webster Jones of California. She obtained a divorce in 1897, and was wedded to her present husband in the Russian church in New York, being given away by her uncle, Pay Inspector Goodwin Hobbs, of the United States navy. Miss Webster Jones, Mrs. Artimovitch's daughter, is one of the prettiest girls in Berlin. Her father has been given the compliment of selecting her for a partner in the cotillon at the American embassy ball last spring.

WOULD INCREASE POLICE PENSIONS

Propose to Amend City Charter to Allow Retired Policemen Half Former Salaries.

An amendment to the city charter proposing that the pensions for retired and disabled policemen be raised from \$10 a month to about half of their salaries will be submitted to the voters at the next city election by Police Commissioner Sig. Sichel. He declared yesterday that Portland should fall in line with other metropolitan cities, which properly care for their officers when they are rendered helpless by injuries or old age.

Under the present system 50 cents is taken out of the pay roll of each officer every month and placed in the relief fund. The funds are used to assist officers who are pressed for funds during illness and also to provide a pension in case of disability or retirement after service of 15 years or more.

The injustice of the present system was brought to the attention of the police commission last week in a particularly striking manner. Richard Sawyer, who served on the force for over 15 years, was attacked by varicose veins because of the long hours spent on his feet and after months of suffering was compelled to go to the hospital and have one of his legs amputated. He has the police commission could do for him under the existing provisions was to grant him pay for three months, amounting to \$300, and place him on the \$10 a month pension list.

There are a number of men in the department who have served 20 years or more, and are still remaining on the force because of the small pension they would receive, whereas in most other large cities they could retire with an income of \$40 a month or more. The oldest member in point of service is Deputy Ben Branch, who has been in the department for 30 years, and he expects to remain in harness for some time yet.

ARREST PREACHER IN NEW YORK RAID

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.) New York, Nov. 12.—The Police Inspector Kincaid and Deputy Taylor, raided the sumptuous offices of the El Progresso Banana company and its fiscal agents, the International Finance company, in the Tribune building. Five men were arrested and arraigned before United States Commissioner Shields, charged with using the mails to defraud.

The prisoners were Frank G. Walrus, Oliver W. Simmons, secretary and treasurer, and H. H. Harvey, vice president; William L. Sanders, secretary of the El Progresso company; and the Rev. Claudio Severance, a director. Walrus' residence was fixed at \$10,000. Commissioner Shields fixed the bail of Simmons, Harvey and Sanders at \$2500, and that of Severance at \$3000.

Harvey and Sanders obtained bail. The other three looked up in the Tombs. They will have a hearing on Friday.

WANT BEST SEAMEN FOR YALE AND HARVARD

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Seattle, Wash., Nov. 12.—That the owners of the swift Atlantic liners Yale and Harvard, now on route to the Pacific coast, are endeavoring to obtain the services of the best officers of the Pacific Coast Steamship company's service to man the speedy craft is the information brought to Seattle by the steaming agent, United States Pacific Coast. Among those who have been approached on the matter are Captains R. Jepson of the Governor, N. E. Cousins of the President, Thomas Kelly of the Umatic, First Officer Dahlgren of the President, First Officer Hall and Second Officer Glynn of the Governor. Pursuer Frank J. O'Connor of the Governor, and Pursuer William B. Duff of the President.

BELGIAN GIRLS TO SEE PROPER PLAYS

Brussels, Nov. 12.—In view of the risqué style in the general run of French plays, to which in young persons are not to be taken, a group of Belgian women, headed by Miss Marguerite van de Wiele, an author of renown, are organizing a theatre for girls in Brussels, to be called "Le Theatre de L'adolescence."

The performances are at first to be composed of short pieces, diversified with recitations, etc.

DR. J. J. SMITH OF WASHINGTON DEAD; ONCE UNITED STATES PRESIDENT OF SENATE IN 1903

and Once Might Easily Have Been Governor—Death Sudden; Due to Typhoid.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Seattle, Nov. 12.—Dr. J. J. Smith, president of the state senate in 1903, and one of the most influential figures in state politics for 30 years, died at 2 o'clock today at his home in Tacoma, of typhoid fever. He was 60 years of age. He was a former governor of the state, and the death of Dr. Smith today is the most notable in this state and came as an even greater shock to the public than the demise of the former governor, for while he was never a candidate for weeks between life and death, no one outside of his immediate family knew until today that Dr. Smith was in danger.

The funeral of Dr. Smith, who was a potent member of the house and senate from 1897 to 1906, will be held from his former home in Enumclaw, Monday morning, and will return to take place at Tacoma, Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock. A special train will run from Enumclaw to Tacoma to accommodate those who wish to attend both the funeral and the burial service.

When he was attacked by typhoid fever two weeks ago Dr. Smith was not constitutionally able to withstand the attack, and his death is not surprising. Dr. Smith narrowly missed a gubernatorial nomination in 1904, withdrawing from that fight because of a desire to aid in the election of United States Senator S. H. Piles and later return to the state senate when nominations were offered in 1908, and has been out of politics for several years.

As physician in the Pacific Coast company's mines, representative in 1899, senator from 1901 to 1906, president of the senate in 1903, and a noted politician, business man and political leader, Dr. Smith was one of the best known men in this state.

REALTY COMPANY SELLS BLOCK FOR \$10,000

R. F. Bryan, representing the Oregon Realty company, has sold to W. A. Cleland the block bounded by East Eighteenth, East Nineteenth, Pacific and Holladay avenues for a consideration of \$10,000. The block lies immediately south of Sullivan's gulch and is admirably located for a factory or warehouse site.

Mr. Bryan submitted a number of offers for the block, but the owner last week expects to close several important deals in a short time.

HAMMERSTEIN HAS 4TH LARGEST HOUSE

Architectural Details of His London Venture Are at Last Made Public.

(By the International News Service.) London, Nov. 12.—Some details of Oscar Hammerstein's new opera house in London are now available. It will be the fourth largest playhouse in London, the three exceeding it in size being Covent Garden, the Coliseum and the new Palladium. The plans and designs are the work of Bertie Crewe, who is responsible for many of the largest theatres in Europe.

Its exterior will be in the classic style, in stone, while the interior will be of the French renaissance order. The seating capacity will be 2650. No fewer than 1000 will be accommodated in the stalls and boxes, 750 in the circle and 900 in the balcony.

The auditorium will be 85 feet wide, while the stalls and grand circle will have a depth of 100 feet, with an additional 40 feet to the back of the gallery. The width of the stage will be 90 feet, and the depth 60 feet.

The seats for the artists are to be the best word of comfort. Each will be fitted with hot and cold water, with bathrooms behind. The scenery store room and the property and wardrobe rooms will be among the largest of any theatre in London.

The details of the new opera house, as already announced, will be on Kingsway, a fine new thoroughfare in the center of the city. It will be opened on November 1, 1910, with a production of "Hans the Husk Player," by the Manhattan theatre company.

PAVING CONCERNS BIT OFF TOO MUCH TO CHEW

Paving companies are hurrying to get their work in shape for the rainy season. More work was taken by each company than it could do this year, which has resulted in several impassable streets, because the rain of the past few days. Considerable work will have to go over that could have been done, if sewers, water mains and streetcar tracks had been installed ahead of the hard surfacing.

The Warren Construction company has built about 15 miles of hard surface streets this year, and has contracts for about five miles. Retaining walls and preliminary work to hard surfacing will be carried on, however, throughout the winter by this concern as well as by others.