

### BANK ELECTIONS HELD; VERY FEW CHANGES MADE

#### Portland Trust Co. Elects New Secretary, and J. D. Farrell's Name Is Added to Directorate; Other Changes.

Bank elections held yesterday in this city resulted in no important changes in the official families of Portland's financial institutions except at the Portland Trust company, where a new secretary was elected and the name of J. D. Farrell, president of the O. W. R. & N. company was added to the directorate.

B. Lee Paret, one of the best known bank men in town, who has been connected with the Portland Trust company since its organization more than 20 years ago, was succeeded as secretary by H. W. Hawkins, formerly trust officer of the Continental National bank of Chicago. The directors of the Portland Trust created the office of cashier and named for the position Edgar Senechich until recently with a Philadelphia national bank.

With the addition of Mr. Farrell the old directorate was re-elected and at a meeting of the directors held immediately following the stockholders' meeting the following officers were named: H. L. Pittcock, president; F. W. Leadbetter, vice president, and Emery Olmstead, vice president and manager.

But one change was made in the list of directors of the Merchants' National bank. J. Frank Watson retiring and his place being filled by Jess R. Lasswell, a local capitalist and formerly cashier of a large bank in Kansas. Mr. Lasswell is at present interested in a number of country banks in Oregon and is a large holder of Oregon timber lands and Portland city property. The old officers of this bank were re-elected as follows: R. L. Durham, president; M. L. Holbrook, vice president, and George W. Hoyt, cashier.

Elliott R. Corbett was added to the directorate of the First National bank. A. L. Mills was re-elected president and J. W. Newkirk, cashier.

At the meeting of the Security Savings & Trust the old directorate was re-elected without change as follows: C. A. Dolph, L. A. Lewis, Joseph Simon, A. L. Mills, C. F. Adams, J. N. Neal, James Failing and E. A. Wyld. The old official family of this bank remains intact.

No change of any kind was made in the directorate or officials of the Lumbermens National.

The old board and official organization of the United States National bank was retained. J. C. Alsworth is president; R. Lea Barnes, vice president, and R. W. Schmeer, cashier.

Because of the fact that the Bank of California, National association, has its head offices in San Francisco, no local meeting was held, but it is not believed that there will be any changes in the official organization of the Portland branch.

The following officers and directors of the Citizens bank, east side, were elected: N. U. Carpenter, president; Joseph Paquet, vice president; O. S. Fulton, cashier; A. W. Livingston, assistant cashier; A. W. Lambert, David E. Johnston and M. E. Thompson. The usual semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent was ordered paid.

The Hartman-Thompson bank elected as directors E. L. Thompson, J. L. Hartman and Lewis L. Thompson, and the board elected E. L. Thompson, president; J. L. Hartman, vice president, and Elliott Ailsaw, cashier. This bank, until recently known as Hartman & Thompson, bankers, has just incorporated with a capital stock of \$100,000.

The Scandinavian-American bank reduced its directorate from nine members to five. The following are the new officers and directors: C. F. Hendricksen, president; G. M. Thorsen, vice president; Knute Ekman, vice president; Anthony Eckern, cashier, and Sylvester Peterson.

George W. Bates & Co., bankers, will hold its annual stockholders' meeting next Tuesday, January 16. It is not expected that any changes will be made either in the board of directors or the officers.

No election of officers was held yesterday at the Ladd & Tilton bank, due to the absence of several of the stockholders and officers. The meeting will be held next week, but it is thought that no changes will be made in the present officers.

The Hibernia Savings bank and the Merchants Savings & Trust Co. retained their present directors and officers.

A smoke mark invented by a New York fireman is supplied with fresh air drawn through a small hose by the rush of water through the main hose, to which it is attached.

### FOUR DANCE HALL LICENSES REVOKED

#### Action Banishes Public Dance Halls From City; Other Important Business.

Four dance hall licenses were revoked by the city council this morning without a murmur of protest from anybody. This completes the recent victory obtained by Mrs. Lois G. Baldwin of the department of public safety for young women. Mrs. Baldwin has waged a relentless war on the public dance hall which she regards as one of the greatest pitfalls that unsophisticated girls have to encounter in threading the perilous mazes of a great city. The action of the council leaves the city without a public dance hall, as the report of the license committee rejecting the application of a dance hall at Seventh and Oak streets was adopted.

The council sustained Mayor Rushlight's veto of an ordinance refunding a fine of \$100 imposed by the municipal court on Ethel Scott for selling liquor without a license.

A resolution was adopted authorizing the mayor to appoint a committee of nine citizens to consider the reports of the various charter commissions and to submit one charter to the people at the coming special election.

The report of the ways and means committee in the matter of the claims on account of the construction of the Hawthorne bridge was filed. The contractors will have to sue the city for the money.

Bids for the improvement of Kerby street from Prescott street to Fremont street, were opened and referred to the street committee. Proposals for Hasam, asphalt and bitulithic were made. The lowest bid was that of the Barber Asphalt company for \$22,140. The bid includes a tender of \$195 for asphalt.

An ordinance providing for the time and manner of constructing sewers to be known as the "Eastmoreland sewer system" was passed unanimously.

Remonstrances against the ordinance amending the charter of the city on the various streets were overruled and the ordinance was passed.

An ordinance authorizing the city auditor to deliver to Farson, Son & Co., a certified check for \$25,000, was passed. The check was held by the city when the Farsons failed to take a block of the Broadway bridge bonds for which it had bid. The company brought suit in the federal court to recover the amount and the court decided in favor of the plaintiff.

The council gave E. S. Marr, a cripple, a special permit to sell popcorn on the streets without a license until April 1. A similar permit was given to Joseph Smith to sell shoestrings and lead pencils.

An ordinance granting a pardon to James Morris failed to receive the required 12 votes to make it effective as an emergency measure and Morris will have to stay in jail 30 days longer.

Members of Chamber of Commerce to dine at 6:30 o'clock this evening members of the Chamber of Commerce will meet in the large dining room of the Commercial club for the annual banquet and meeting. It is expected that the seating capacity of the room will be taxed to the limit.

President H. M. Haller will read his report for the year, going into the various features of the chamber's work exhaustively, and it will be the only report of officers or committees to be presented at the meeting. The others will be printed in the next issue of the chamber's monthly bulletin.

The speakers this evening will be C. S. Jackson, Rev. John H. Boyd, Edgar R. Piper, F. W. Mulkey and C. E. S. Wood. Mr. Mulkey will speak on the public docks. The other speakers have been assigned no special subjects.

The nominating committee, consisting of William MacMaster, R. R. Hoge and S. G. Reed will present its report and immediately thereafter will follow the election. The names of the nominees are withheld, as customary, until this evening.

The entertainment and program will be managed by General Charles F. Beebe, chairman of the entertainment committee.

Insane Negro Kills Father, Deputy (Halted Press Leased Wire.) Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 10.—Telephone messages from Scottsville, a mill town near here, say that William Pymann, a negro, ran amuck there today, killed his father and Deputy Sheriff Birmingham and seriously wounded three other persons. Then he fled with posess in pursuit.

### VICE COMMISSION IN REPORT SEES BAD CONDITIONS

#### But One Phase of Vice Question Taken Up in First Report; Loathsome Disease Needs Attention.

After an investigation extending over a period of three months, the vice commission appointed by Mayor Rushlight filed a report yesterday on venereal diseases in the city, and report that conditions are deplorable. In fact, according to the information gathered by the commission, 21 per cent of all the diseases treated in Portland are of this nature. The report calls attention to the lack of facilities for protecting the public from these loathsome diseases.

This first report touches on but one phase of the vice question in Portland. While on the various phases of vice are interwoven, information concerning venereal diseases was the most readily secured and the report dispenses of the part of the vice question so far as the commission is concerned.

Other phases of the vice question being investigated deal with the commercial aspect of vice, the economic aspect as to the relation of wages and the high cost of living to vice, the juvenile aspect, which has to do with the entertainment and amusements of children.

Information gleaned everywhere. Information in regard to venereal diseases was secured by consulting with specialists in that line, by sending questions to all the regularly licensed and practicing physicians and surgeons in the city, and to the principals of schools, school doctors and school nurses; by sending questions to the juvenile court and other institutions dealing with children; an examination of the conditions and methods which obtain in the public institutions and hospitals in the city; by questioning 1000 parents of the city, and an examination of conditions in other cities.

The question was asked the physicians if they favored making venereal diseases reportable, and 70 replied yes and 30 no. Eighty-four physicians said they favored medical examination of women of the underworld, and 60 said they did not. On this question many of the answers were qualified. Some of the physicians said they favored the examination if it could be done without graft. Others said such examination would not be reliable.

The report points out deplorable conditions among young men in some of the charity organizations of the city.

Portion of Report. In regard to conditions in public institutions and hospitals, the report says:

"Although a very considerable number of the inmates of the city and county jails and those who pass under the hands of the city and county health officers are infected, no record is kept of such cases, and no provision is made for their treatment. The venereal services of the city or county physician.

"No attempt is made to segregate them, although a number of prisoners were observed in an acutely infected condition.

"There is no law which takes cognizance in any way of this disease, which is both contagious and infectious, nor are such cases obliged to receive treatment, even when they are a source of danger to others.

"The city has no facilities for the treatment of this disease, which is a source of menace to the public health, with the exception of a small venereal ward in the county hospital."

Wester Quoted. In calling attention to the way in which this subject has been neglected and avoided by the public in the past, the report quotes the following from a letter from the acting health commissioner of Buffalo: "This question has been too long studiously avoided, and I rejoice that in various sections of the country there are people with the courage of their convictions, ready to attack the monstrous evil. The agitation now going on, I am sure will eventually leave the whole lump until education, creating public sentiment, will produce the desired result."

"Out of the information collected certain features need to be emphasized," says the report, which continues:

"The serious and insidious nature of a disease which is on the increase; many authorities estimating it as high as 85 per cent of all disease. It is a disease which is the source of many other ailments, more dangerous in its direct and indirect effects than the dread tuberculosis, because not content to break down the health of the present it strikes at the future generation; a disease which is not necessarily contracted by direct contact (a fact which has become so established that countries like Sweden and Norway treat it as any other contagious disease) and one which—instead of being a private matter is becoming a public menace—one which, instead of being ashamed of and not fearing the public should not be ashamed of but fear.

"Prevalence of the disease in Portland being 21 per cent, or almost a quarter of the disease treated by physicians.

"While the apparent condition of children in the public schools appears to be healthy, the sources of information therein are limited. Information drawn from the juvenile courts and institutions which minister to juveniles would seem to indicate a condition which would at least raise a question.

No Facilities for Handling Cases. "The city has no facilities to handle the disease—one small ward in the county hospital and the occasional ministrations of two physicians is all that the public is doing to protect itself or afford relief to its diseased parts.

"There are no ordinances to protect the public, nor can any person so infected be compelled to be isolated, or even treated as in the case of other infectious diseases. Cases could be cited where waiters in restaurants, cooks, discharged prisoners and others are working at large hotels, afflicted, not only a burden to themselves, but a source of infection, oftentimes innocently, but none the less dangerous to the public health. With the single exception of a state law prohibiting public drinking cups, there appears to be no legislation looking to the regulation of this matter—and yet the roller towel and soap in public places continue to flourish among other sources of contagion."

"America First" Scares Paris. Paris, Jan. 10.—The "See America First" in the United States is causing grave alarm through Europe and Paris, in particular, is worried over the possible loss of rich American tourists' patronage. The French newspapers have started comment on the probabilities of a reaction declaring it would prove a grave thing for French commerce.

### WOULD BRING PHONE CONCERNS TO TIME

#### Councilman Jay's ordinance forbidding public service corporations exacting deposits in advance for service was referred by the council this morning to a special committee appointed by Mayor Rushlight to draft an ordinance regulating these concerns.

Many complaints have been made by residents against the telephone companies and these will be given consideration by the special committee at a meeting to be held in the near future. An example of the complaints being made is that contained in a letter sent to Mayor Rushlight today by John Ingham of 788 East Main street.

Mr. Ingham says he made a request for a telephone six weeks ago from the Pacific Telephone company, and although he deposited the customary \$5, he has not obtained the phone.

"After waiting all these weeks," reads the complaint, "I have been tendered my \$5, but I believe I am entitled to a telephone in a reasonable time. Is there no redress for me?"

"I now feel as a taxpayer, it is your duty to see that the Pacific Telephone company is brought to time, as the thousands of dollars collected from citizens each month in advance for telephones and the discontinuance of cer-

### PLATS FOR NEW TOWN IN CENTRAL OR. FILED

#### L. E. Wakefield, manager of a Seattle company having quite extensive realty holdings in central Oregon, is in the city en route from Klamath Falls, where he appeared before the county court to file plats for the Corral Springs townsite. Mr. Wakefield was informed by the court and the county commissioners that appropriations have been made and work will begin early in the spring on a new road from Crescent east to intersect the stage road about 20 miles from Silver Lake. The cutoff will save about 30 miles extra travel for Klamath

### Tax Levy Lower.

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# To the Policy-Holders of the Equitable Life Assurance Society

The burning of the home office building at 120 Broadway will cause but temporary inconvenience in the transaction of our business. The loss of the building itself will make no reduction in the society's assets, for it has not been carried as an asset on account of its small size, its age and high value of the land on which it rests. The securities and important records are protected by fireproof vaults, which are intact. Most of the office force and records were removed sometime ago to the society's new building, No. 2, Albany street. The executive offices of the society and the cashier's department have been established in the City Investing building, No. 165 Broadway. The society will occupy the 2d, 3d and 4th floors of that building. This will, for the time being, be the home office of the society, where all business with the public will be transacted, including the receipt of premiums and the payment of claims.

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