Method of Building Considered Inadequate Within the Fire Limits.

BAKER FAVORS MEASURE #

Ends Campaign for Lowering Bestrictions Waged by the Local Builders.

By a vote of three to one the city uncil at its meeting this morning voted down the proposed ordinance which would have authorized the use of mill and slow burning construction within the inner fire limits of Port-

Commissioner Baker was the only tember of the council who voted for the ordinance, Commissioner Daly and Dieck and Mayor Albee registering a negative vote. Commissioner Bige-low is on his vacation.

Disposition of the ordinance brings on end a campaign of many months' standing in favor of the lowering of the present restrictions waged by local builders, architects and lumber-

Builders and architects have con tended that the present ordinance is unjust in that it makes mandatory fireproof repairs and alterations to a -fireproof building in the inner fire istrict, and have urged that use of mill construction would stimulate of many lots in the heart of the city. Lumbermen have argued for the adoption of the ordinance on the ground that it would stimulate the use of lumber and help the lumber industry of the state.

Architects in making the campaign Ittle more fire risk than so-called fire proof construction provided sprinkler systems were employed. There was no argument on the ordinance by members of the council this morning.

DELINQUENTS TO BE NOTIFIED Council Authorizes Letter Urging

Settlement of Claims. "I know the election is over, but why has this matter been held over to this time?" demanded Commissioner Baker of the city council when a letter upon citizens delinquent in paying interest and principal of improvement assessments was submitted by City Treasurer Adams for ap-

Pressing his inquiry, Mr. Baker wanted to know if the council had ust discovered the existence of the delinquents, intimating that the press-ing of the city's claims had been de-layed for political reasons. City Attorney La Roche explained

there had been a tacit understanding that the citizen must pay the interest, but that the city would not press for the principal. Mr. Dieck made it clear that the auditor had made several investigations, and that the commissioner of finance had been working with

The council instructed Mr. La Roche to draft a letter calling upon delin-quents to make good what they owe.

WOULD RETAIN OLD EMPLOYES

City Council Asks Advice From Civil Service Board. How to retain in the employ of the Portland city government several em-ployes of the old St. Johns and Linn-

pal civil service board to solve. The matter came up at the meeting of the council this morning, when petitions were read asking for the retention as policemen of Portland two St. ohns policemen. Mayor Albee said he was in favor of

retaining the men through the civil

Paving of East Alder Postponed Paving of East Alder street, from Water to East Twelfth street the contract for which is held by Glebisch & loplin, will be postponed until reconstruction of the Sunnyside sewer, which is to touch East Alder street from Water to Second street, is com-pleted. This was decided by the council this morning, when it was pointed out that it will take at least six months to complete the sewer, a step which logically comes before paving.

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That the troubles of J. W. Bannon, a fireman recently dismissed from the city service for alleged drinking and having a woman with him in his fire attation, originated in the mind of a "stool pigeon" and are untrue, was testimony yesterday by Bannon and firemen employed with him, before the civil service commission. The name of the stool pigeon was not mentioned. The case will be continued this afterpoon.

City's Position to Be Defined.

That the right of the city to sell in the open market wood cut last winter by the unemployed may be determined. City Purchasing Agent Wood, has applied to City Attorney La Roche for an opinion as to whether or not the wood must be sold at auction. Mr. Wood fears that under the charter provision for sale of city property the sale in the open market is illegal. But six cords have been sold as yet.

Needless Requests Made.

If every reasonable wish of every Portlander with regard to parks, playgrounds, swimming pools and the like were granted. Superintendent of Parks Convill estimates that approximately \$1,000,000 would be needed for the improvements. He submitted a list of all recreation features wanted to Commissioner Baker yesterday, and these will be considered as money is available.

Portland Will Pay Interest. Interest on outstanding bonds of the now due will be paid by the city of Portland, according to a decision of the council this morning.

Thousand Autos Will Be Needed On Shriner Days

The automobile committee for the reception of visiting Shriners has issued an appeal to the automobile owners of Portland for the services of one thousand automobiles for the purpose of conveying visitors on a series of one hour trips around the city of Portland, on Friday and Saturday. People who are representing different sections of the country will pass through the city, and it is important to Portand it is important to Portland that they should carry away and retain a lasting and favorable impression of the city. The automobile committee can be reached by calling A-6661, or Main 6212. Main \$407, Main 4645, Marshall 3743.

Shrapnel May Be Manufactured Here

spondence With Local Chamber of

he big steel shells which the Russian government needs to help demolish its nemies, Portland may become one of the cities to profit by the manufacture of munitions of war.

The manufactures bureau of the Portland Chamber of Commerce has sian government on the subject and has found that the Willamette Iron & Steel Works and the Northwest Steel company are in position to manufac-ture shrapnel in large quantities. The powder factories now located on the Columbia river, however, are not equipped to turn out the qualities of powder necessary for war and the chamber has asked the Dupont Powder company to consider the proposition of furnishing this essential.

Chemists have informed the cham-ber that the manufacture of the explo-sive necessary for shrapnel would require practically a new plant, which the apparent volumne of demand from Russia would not of itself justify.

Boys Arrested; Confession Claimed

With the arrest yesterday of Law-ence Bessett and Elmer Green, 189 East Ninth street, by Juvenile Officer Thresher, the police believe that a stop has been put to the petty thefts re-ported to them for the past two

months. The boys have confessed to stealing a large number of articles from various homes and yards.

As result of their arrest, B. Lakfish, a tailor of 7 North Third street, was fined \$20 by Municipal Judge Stegenson this morning for having received goods "which were stolen and failing to report the purchase to the police. It was charged that the boys sold him clothing which they had stolen.

Portland Woman

breakfast to be given tomorrow morning at the Portland hotel to the members of the party accompanying the Liberty Bell on its western journey.

of Portland under the regular procedure. The civil service bureau decided yesterday that special examinations cannot be given because the city charter provides that residence of a year in Portland is necessary for eligibility. The firemen and police of the two places, it was ruled, may retain their places temporarily until new th

Clark Would Quit Board. A. E. Clark has announced to Mayor Albee his wish to retire at once as a member of the municipal civil service board because of lack of time to fulfill the duties required. Mr. Clark's term expired July 1 and he had been urged to accept a second term. Mayor Albee said this morning that he had a successor in mind, but was not ready

to make public the appointment at this

City's Position to Be Defined.

Paving Plant Is Suggested. Paving Plant Is Suggested.

A municipal paving plant costing approximately \$10,000 may be a possibility, for Commissioner Dieck is planning to include an appropriation for such a plant in the budget of his department for next year. It is proposed that the plant be fitted especially for repair work on all classes and kinds of pavements, that holes may be repaired before they threaten damages to the base of the pavements. Commissioner Dieck hopes in this way to be able to make pavements last longer and to save on repair bills.

Will Extend East Taylor. Proceedings have been started for tion at the Panan extension of East Taylor street that at San Francisco. Regular Procedure Needed.

Municipal employes of Linnton and ity. A county read is to be taken over that this extension and improvemently unless they become employes

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LETTERS INTRODUCED TO SHOW PLAN WAS TO DRIVE DODGE OUT

Kribs, Author of Communications, Denies Unpleasant Relations.

DEAL SEEMED PROMISING

Creek Given Much Importance by Attorney for Dodge.

"I have come to the conclusion that our deal is that large and that good that it is to our best interest to get someone to take the place of Dodge." wrote Frederick A. Kribs to F. A. Brewer, Chicago banker and bond broker, in speaking of the big timber contract which is the basis of the \$614,006 suit now being tried before Judge Kavanaush.

letter written January 27, 1914, and Attorney Thomas Mannix, representing Parker Stennick, trustee in bankruptcy for the E. H. Dodge properties, who is plaintiff in the suit against F. A. Kribs, Williars N. Jones and the J. K. Lumber company, emphasized it to show that Kribs had in mind getting rid of Dodge as far back as the first

lsewhere in the letter Mr. Kribs said he was figuring with an outfit that had a large mill and a steamship, "We will try and work a deal and have them step into Dodge's shoes, which will make us one of the best going concerns on the Pacific coast, so far as success is concerned," wrote

On cross examination by Attorney Guy Corliss, representing the defend-ants, Mr. Kribs said all that was meant by these statements was his opinion hat Dodge was unable to carry on the deal and he wanted to get new people "My relations with Dodge at that

time were very pleasant, indeed," he the suit, was called to the witness stand by the attorney for the plaintiff to identify a stack of leters that had passed between Mr. Kribs and Brewer, who was endeavoring to disto identify a stack of letters that had been issued in connection with the big

Letters Befor to Railroad. In one or two places the letters re-fer to the railroad built by Dodge up Hamilton creek as being in good condition, Attorney Mannix pointing out that the letters largely confirm Dodge's testimony that he had per-formed his part of the contract. In other letters, Mr. Kribs called Dodge's management extravagant and inbusinesslike

Mr. Kribs testified that an effort made, when Dodge became swamped with financial difficulties to organize a new company and get all the unsecured creditors to "come in

Distinguished Guest work together to get their mount but nothing ever came of it.

Percy Allen, a Portland lumber man, was called to the witness stand yes-Miss Ruth Plummer, daughter of O.
M. Plummer, is a direct descendant, five generations removed, of Roger Sherman, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, and as a mark of honor and distinction has been asked to be one of the guests at been asked to be one of the guests at the state and not testify at all.

Says Mash Talked of \$25,000 Offer. Mr. Allen testified that Nash had called him over the telephone and asked him what he thought Dodge would think if Nash offered him \$25,000 worth of the J. K. Lumber company bonds to use his influence to set-

fendants.
"I understood it was to help settle the case," answered the witness.
Mr. Allen testified that Nash had been to see him about his testimony, and urged him to be careful, as his testimony might ruin Nash forever.

"He wanted me to be sure to tell everything—all the facts," said Allen. Defense Seems Satisfied.

The witness' testimony was received with satisfaction by the attorneys for the defense, as showing that Nash's offer to Dodge was not in the nature of a bribe, but rather was an offer to induce Dodge to endeavor to bring about a settlement of the case out of

Highway Scenes to Be Shown on Screen

Special Exhibits Will Be Made at Multnomah Hotel for Entertainment of Visiting Shriners.

Visiting Shriners.

Visiting Shriners who are unable to make the trip over the Columbia river highway will be shown stereopticon views of the scenic road at the ball room of the Multnomah hotel tomorrow at 8:15 p. m. and at 8 s'clock p. m. Friday and Saturday.

The color views were perfected by Henry Berger Jr., of this city, and they are said to be exceptionally fine specimens of photography. The pictures were made by the new English color process which reflects all the delicate lights and shadows in a strikingly realistic manner.

Mr. Berger has already won medals for his work at Budapest and Dresden and selected views are now on exhibition at the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco.

The highway illustrations will be explained by Samuel Lancaster, highway engineer.

Sheriff Asks for Six Deputies to Do Extra Work

A request by Sheriff Hurlburt that he be allowed six additional deputies to take care of extra work due to changes in the tax laws making two delinquent dates instead of the one under the old law was taken under consideration this morning by the county commissioners. He asked for the deputies for next month when the rush to pay second half taxes will occur.

Liquor Fumes Too Much, Jitney Men Denied Licenses

That men on whose breath liquor fumes are noticeable are not proper persons to drive jitneys was the decision of Jitney Inspector Gallup this morning and he reported to Commissioner Daly that he had refused two men licenses here. Commissioner Daly that he had refused two men licenses because he could easily distinguish the presence of the odor. One of the two loudly proclaimed that it was a violation of personal rights of citizens to deprive him of a permit to operate his jitney but Gallup answered that he believed the incident one in which the rights of the comwhich the rights of the com-munity are above the rights of

******* Rubber Stamp Men Here in Convention

turers from all over the United States in knowing why Portland is being began this morning the fourth annual convention of the International Stamp given comes in a railroad dispatch from Manufacturers' association at the Mult-Manufacturers' association at the Multnomah hotel. The gathering will last party had changed its plans and three days, closing Saturday with a would go east direct through Ogden steamboat ride up the Columbia on the

the invocation was pronounced by Dr. E. H. Hinseley of Chicago. In the absence of President B. G. Volger of Passaic, N. J., W. H. Willard of Chicago presided. Business occupied the first session. After reports this afternoon, G. A. Meyer Jr. read a paper with an address afterward by William Jenkins. Officers will be elected and the 1916 convention city selected Fri-day morning, and the annual banquet

will be field at night.

The first day's attendance was light because many of the delegates are attending the Shriners' convention at Seattle. The gathering was brought here by the Portland Stamp Convention club, of which F. H. Bronder is president, Walter White, secretary, and Julius Krebs, treasurer.

Many of the delegates are accompanied by their wives, and some special entertainment features are being

Woman Found Not. Eligible for Pension

planned for them.

Failure to learn the provisions of the Oregon widows' pension law put one family on the hands of the county this morning. A woman appealed for a pension for two children but questions brought out the fact that she had just arrived from Salt Salt City, Utah, and she was informed she was not eligible. As she had used her last money to pay her way to Portland she will be cared for until it can be determined what action shall be taken in the motter.

Shriners Will Begin To Arrive Tomorrow

Although the forty-first annual convention of the Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, will not be officially concluded at Seattle until be officially concluded at Seattle until Saturday night, the first of the return-ing army of fez wearers will pass through Portland tomorrow. This con-tingent will comprise Medinah temple of Chicago, with nearly 300 nobles and ladies, in the special train that arrives at 6:15 p. m. and goes south at 11:15. A big feast at the Multnomah hotel has been arranged. Aladdin temple of Columbus, Ohio, and Yeldes temple of Aberdeen, S. D., will pass through the same night.

The big rush of special trainloads of Shriners will come Friday, when 14 specials are scheduled.

Railroad Man Coming. T. Stotesbury, chairman of the board of directors of the Philadelphia & Reading railway, will arrive from San Francisco at 7:20 tomorrow morning in the private car "Reading,"

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Royal Party Decided to Alter Plans and Go Direct From Sacramento to Ogden.

LOCAL HOPES ARE DASHED

the Travelers With Unpro-

Once more has Portland been passed by on the other side. Jagatijt Singh Bahadur, Maharakah of Kapurthala, is not to radiate reyally upon the Portland populace. Neither will his delightful consort, the Rance Prem Kaur, allow her own oriental charms to dazzle mere Americans of the Columbia.

Amid the regret which this an here, one may find no consolation even

Undine.

Today's session was opened with an address of welcome by Will H. Warren, representing Mayor H. R. Albes, and the invocation was pronounced by Dr. sylvanis, "Jim" Miller of the O-W. R. & N. and other dignitaries of the same relative rank as the Indian potentate.
All these American potentates were creatfallen, humble looks today when they were informed of the borrible truth. The prince was also to have im-

pressed himself upon the royal suite of the Benson hotel and Al T. Lund-borg, assistant manager of that hostelry, had already arranged to have a special gold carpet laid and have the "welcome" mat dusted. The maharajah has a weird domestic life, according to advices from Calcutta. Mrs. Kapurthalah is one of its participants. There are said to be



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others—all graced with those personal charms that feature the fables of the far east. The prince's youngest son.
Also Prince Karamjit Singh, is in the royal party and is said to be devoted to his step-mother.

To Address Bure Charles Coolidge Parlin, head of the

to his step-mother.

But all hope of viewing royalty at close range is now dead in Portland and those heart-interest news writers who had looked forward to a Sunday story on the home life of a maharajan are, consequently, foiled. epartment of commerce of the Curtis retail merchants' bureau of the Portland Chamber of Commerce at a noon luncheon on August 3. Mr. Parlin has

Divorce Decree Granted.
Ella Robertson was granted a di-orce yesterday by Circuit Judge Mor-w from W. H. Robertson on grounds

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