

PROPERTY OWNERS JOIN TO DEVELOP WATER FRONTAGE

More than 200 property owners assembled in the council chamber at the city hall Thursday afternoon at the call of Commissioner Barbur, to consider steps toward the permanent improvement of the waterfront district, from Glisan street to Jefferson and from the bulkhead lines back to Fourth street. The result was the formation of a temporary organization and the empowering of the chairman to appoint a committee of 15 to make a thorough investigation and report its recommendations.

Graham Glass was made temporary chairman and Paul Wessinger temporary secretary. On motion of Leo Friede, the chairman was authorized to appoint the committee within two weeks, and the next meeting is to be at the call of this committee.

PLANS ARE EXPLAINED

"I shall use my very best judgment in selecting this committee," said Chairman Glass, "and I will try to see that all sections are directly represented." The Laurgard plans for the proposed improvement were displayed at this meeting, and City Engineer Laurgard was called in to explain their provisions—the centralizing of suburban transportation terminals in this district, removal of lines of street cars from Fourth street to Front street, erection of warehousing, central passenger station and public market spaces.

Commissioner Barbur, in his preliminary address, reviewed the history of the district, showing how it had receded from the position of being the very center of business activities in Portland to a secondary position, and the consequent depreciation in value. He declared that there is a well-organized movement to draw the business "northward" to the Peninsula district and North Portland, and urged that property owners of the downtown waterfront district must better themselves and provide adequate modern facilities for modern business or their properties would continue to depreciate in value.

PRIVATE ACTION URGED

"The Laurgard plan," said Barbur, "contemplates the city taking over these properties, under a bond issue, and carrying on the proposed development, but I feel certain such a measure would not be approved by the voters of Portland, and that the project—either that of Laurgard or some other on similar lines—must be carried through by private enterprise if this property is to be stabilized in value and made useful."

"This is the age of cooperation. No one individual can carry through this great enterprise, but an organization of the property owners can do it. By pooling your interests, you will be able to finance the project and put it into execution. The city would be glad to lease a portion of the lands for a public market."

MARKET IS SUCCESS
"The public market has proved its usefulness and I feel certain that it will remain a permanent institution in Portland. The railroads have indicated their willingness to make use of the proposed terminal and to move their tracks to Front street. Business concerns are ready to make leases if the proper facilities are provided."

"We cannot afford to say 20 years from now as we look at this district. There's where Portland was—that's old Portland. We can modernize this district and make it a humming center of business. It can be done and you can bring back to the district what justly belongs to it—but it must be a community upbuilding of that particular district and there must be the closest cooperation."

Back to Normalcy In Dress of Girls Result of Essay

Medford, Or., March 25.—There were funny doings in the Medford high school Thursday. Recently Miss Margaret Cottrell left the faculty, who was in charge of the Y. W. C. A. activities among the girl students, asked the boys to write

their opinions of the modern dress and make-up of the girls. Each of the boys wrote caustic comments about the girls' short-skirts, hair over ears, powdered and painted faces and the like.

The answers were read to the girls by Miss Cottrell Wednesday afternoon, with the result that about 50 of the fair ones, in order to rebuke their masculine critics, came to school Thursday dressed their plainest, both as to odd and old-fashioned clothing and facial make-up, hair brushed back from their ears, no powder, paint or lip rouge, long skirts, very long ones.

"Not to be outdone, the boys, who had been tipped off Wednesday to what the girls' plans were to be, also appeared at school Thursday in the plainest and oddest clothing they could find, wearing old-fashioned collars and ranch or hunting boots—in fact some of them were so ridiculously garbed that they were sent home by the superintendent and principal."

It is not known where this "back-to-normalcy" feud will end, but it has convulsed Medford with laughter.

Citizen of Baker in Honduras, Finds Robbers at Large

Baker, Or., March 25.—Jerry Fleetwood of Baker has learned that thieves are at large in Honduras, where he is looking after mining interests. In a letter to his brother, George Fleetwood, he said that while making a transfer across a river he was robbed of \$700 in travelers' checks and what money he had on his person. A half breed had tried to cash two of the checks, he said. Another American advanced him enough to get to the end of his journey, Belize, the capital of Honduras.

Burglars broke into the office of the Tri-State Terminal company Saturday night or Sunday night, getting only \$1 left in the money drawer, but missing \$15 in one of the desks. They failed to open the safe.

A settlement has been made of labor claims against the Buffalo Development company. Attachments were filed against the company last fall and the property sold under execution in January. The property was purchased by the Beaver Gold Mining company. The men received 84 per cent of the amount of their claims.

Board of Health Will Make Charge For Rabies Vaccine

Rabies vaccine will no longer be free, the state board of health has decided. This action has been taken because of the refusal of the hygienic board to furnish the vaccine and the inability of the state board to buy it from commercial sources.

Coupons sending for vaccine will be required to pay for it, which charge will be passed on to the patient, unless he is indigent.

Work being outlined with the bureau of nurses whereby the nurses will be utilized by the state board to a certain extent in the inspection of hospitals, hotels and restaurants in localities where they may be sent out on other duties.

Plans are being made, as a measure of economy, to consolidate the laboratories of the state and city officers, the University of Oregon Medical school and the food and dairy commissioner.

Speaks in Behalf of Bill

The Dalles, March 25.—Dr. Owens-Adair, who is touring Eastern Oregon in support of her measure providing for the sterilization of physical and mental defectives before they are granted marriage licenses, up for referendum before the people, spoke in The Dalles under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. Thursday.

Alleged Fugitive Taken

The Dalles, March 25.—Glenn Brown, alias D. E. Stogsdell, was arrested here late Wednesday by Sheriff Levi Christman on a fugitive warrant from North Port, Neb., where he is wanted on a charge of embezzlement and arson, according to Christman. He has agreed to waive extradition.

Wife of ex-Pastor Dies

Ridgefield, Wash., March 25.—Mrs. Vern A. Spicker, formerly of Ridgefield, died Monday in Seattle following an operation. She is the wife of Rev. Vern A. Spicker, pastor here several years ago of the Methodist Episcopal church, and is survived by her husband and one son.

New Institution Is Urged for Children With Social Disease

With the exception of the Louise home, which is already full, no institution in Portland is prepared to treat juvenile cases of social disease, declared State Health Officer Stricker Thursday. He said the only solution is the creation of a state, city or county institution, which might be run in connection with the Cedars, where patients could be taken care of separately. Stricker was discussing a conference held earlier in the week with public welfare organization representatives, recently appointed by Judge Jacob Kamaler.

Dr. Stricker's report to the conference committee was based upon investigation of all the institutions in the city, none of which he found prepared to take care of active cases. He believes it is a matter for the government to consider, and not for charitable or semi-charitable institutions. He recommended that a full time physician be employed to treat these cases.

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Campaign Started To Keep Woodcraft Office in Portland

An active campaign and movement is on foot, according to Mrs. C. C. Van Orsdahl, who has just returned from a visit to the California Home of the Neighbors of Woodcraft, to remove the general headquarters of the organization from Portland to Riverside, Cal. "As an Oregonian and a resident of Portland," states Mrs. Van Orsdahl, "I am not in favor of the move, but there is some sound sense in the arguments advanced for such a plan."

"The location of the organization headquarters here in 1905 has brought a very valuable business asset to Portland, according to a report made of its business activities. The banking business alone brings to the city annually close to a million dollars. In the safety deposit boxes of the organization over \$3,000,000 worth of municipal securities are stored."

"I have been warning the membership of the order for several months of this situation," she said, "but have had no intention or wish to make this a public matter. I would appreciate all the moral and friendly support of the public of Portland in my efforts to hold the headquarters here."

Million Available For Construction At Power Company

Salem, Or., March 25.—Approximately \$1,000,000 is available for new construction work and improvements on the property of the California-Oregon Power company in Southern Oregon, according to word received by the public service commission from W. M. Shepard, general manager of the company. Constructive work is in progress on the company's property in the vicinity of Klamath Falls, several hundred men being employed.

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Pastor Dies From Erysipelas Attack

McMinnville, March 25.—The Rev. E. M. Smith, pastor of the Methodist church, died Thursday from erysipelas, which developed from picking of a facial pimple.

Wage, Hours Increased
Salem, Or., March 25.—Under a readjustment of working hours put into effect at the plant of the Spaulding Logging company in this city this week employees will hereafter receive \$3 a day for eight hours' work. For some time the plant has been operating on a six hour shift with a wage of \$2.60 for the short day.

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Army Record Fails to Elect
Newport, Or., March 25.—Despite the service record of J. H. Price, overseas veteran, the Newport city council elected C. J. Emery night marshal by secret ballot, the vote being 4 to 2. Price is a

member of Company 3, Coast artillery. Emery announced a campaign against night bootlegging. To his recaller it is Governor Hartless of Washington.

FOREMOST IN THE FIELD

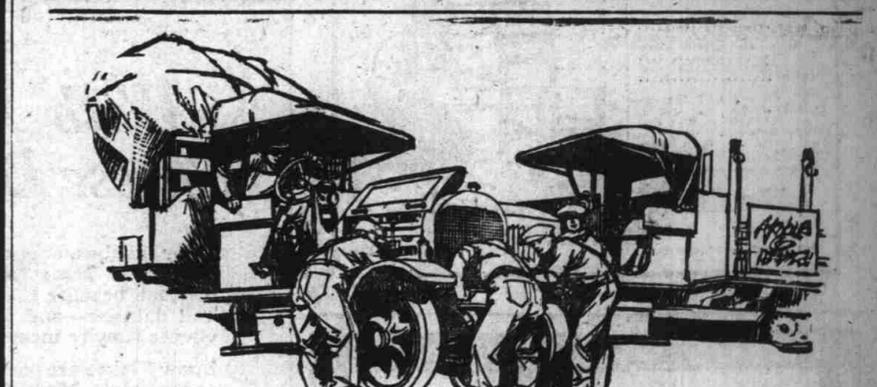
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