

TO PAY PARK TRACTS ARE AUTHORIZED

The city council has authorized City Auditor Funk to issue warrants for the payment of \$13,145 for four tracts of land comprising about one and one third acres, that will be about one third of the area required for the central east side playgrounds. These tracts are located between the other parcels that will be required, and for which condemnation suits will be started immediately because of the high prices asked by the owners.

City Commissioner Pier was able to reach an agreement with the owners of these first sections, so that the price paid is one-third above the assessed valuation. The payment is apportioned as follows: To Stratton \$1110, Torgler \$1470, Sommers \$1255, Clevin \$6300.

The tracts lie between East Seventeenth and East Twentieth, Taylor and Belmont streets. The lands to be condemned are under seven different ownerships.

CITY IMPROVEMENT BONDS

TOTALING \$171,997, SIGNED Mayor Baker and City Auditor Funk did some rapid work this morning when within a few minutes they attached their signatures to 206 municipal improvement bonds in the sum of \$171,997. These are the bonds which were allotted to local purchasers a few days ago when the best offerings for several months were received. The bonds are now in the city treasurer's hands ready for delivery to the purchasers. Of the total amount, \$47,000 goes to the city treasurer for investment in several municipal funds accounts.

City Hall Briefs

H. Smith, manager of the Congress hotel, has protested to the city council against granting a permit for the erection of a public garage adjacent to his hotel, declaring it would be a serious detriment to the property.

The city council has authorized the purchase of 20 riot shotguns for the use of the Portland police department.

One hundred and fifteen property owners are within the tentative lines of the proposed assessment district for the drainage work on a section of Willamette heights planned for the pur-

pose of preventing further landslides or serious settlement of the filled-in areas, and on which a public hearing has been set by the city council for 3:30 o'clock next Tuesday afternoon.

The city council has overruled remonstrances against the proposed Sixty-fourth avenue southeast sewer district, and the city engineer is instructed to proceed with the project.

The Holman Fuel company has been awarded a contract to furnish sawdust to the city for the next six months. The city council has revoked the restaurant and soft drink licenses held by Vld Cullack at 103 1/2 North Third street.

OVERSEAS VETS COMPLAIN

OF DISMISSALS TO MAYOR M. Murano and S. Isacola, overseas veterans, have made complaint to Mayor Baker, charging unfair treatment in having been released from service as teamster-laborers in the city's street cleaning department because of failure to pass the civil service examination. They lacked experience based on seven years as the standard, although their foreman said they have given satisfactory service.

It is possible that as a result of these complaints the basis for grading laborers and teamsters may be reduced to three years by the civil service commission, a recommendation made by John P. Logan, chairman of the board. He believes these two men should receive consideration from the city because of their satisfactory service.

CAPTAIN RILEY SUSPENDED

BY FIRE CHIEF JOHN YOUNG Captain L. N. Riley of engine company No. 5, Front and Gibbs streets, has been suspended pending a hearing before City Commissioner Bigelow. Charges have been preferred against Riley by Fire Chief Young on the grounds of insubordination, failure to enforce rules and falsifying of records. It is said that other suspensions may be made in this connection.

Unsatisfactory conditions at this company's headquarters culminated, says Chief Young, when there was a theft of the company journal at a time when a member of the company was presumed to be on duty in the room.

Drops Dead When His Son-in-Law Is Killed

Sikeston, Mo., April 29.—(I. N. S.)—W. A. Daugherty and his father-in-law, Jap Mayes, are dead here today, the former from being crushed by a fast train and the latter from heart failure after witnessing the accident.

Of English invention is a micrometer for measuring the inside, outside and effective diameters of screws and the distances between threads to one-thousandth of an inch.

CAR ENTERS RIVER; DRIVER SWIMS OUT

Oregon City, April 29.—An automobile, driven by Dr. G. F. Anderson of Oregon City, plunged over the bank of the Clackamas river near the Tufts place and, turning twice over, landed in 10 feet of water in the river below. Wednesday evening, without injuring Anderson, the sole occupant of the car.

Anderson clung to the steering wheel as the machine went over the bank, and after it hit the water managed to extricate himself and swim to shore, none the worse for the experience. The machine was recovered Thursday, and only minor damage was found.

Anderson was driving toward his home in Gladstone when the accident occurred. As he neared the Tufts place his machine skidded, and, due to defective steering gear, he was unable to straighten it out as it headed for the river. The bank is 25 feet high where Anderson went over.

JOHN B. YEON QUILTS HIS HIGHWAY POST

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under my supervision. In this connection I regret to note the changes in the organization of the road department of Multnomah county, including the dismissal of George Lynott, who had charge under my supervision of the maintenance force for the past six years.

WORK WELL PERFORMED "It is a source of regret that any circumstances should arise that would necessitate that action as Mr. Lynott has performed his task efficiently, competently and intelligently. He was familiar with every detail, every foot of its entire length and every condition to which it was subject.

"The contention that the cost of maintenance was excessive is unjust when it is considered that the highway is in a class by itself, in fact, it is not a highway but a park and the maintenance cannot be compared with the ordinary roads of the county. After every Sunday and holiday when the public uses the highway for picnics and recreation it requires from two to three days for the maintenance crew to clean up the refuse left by the people along the highway, and repairing all damage that has been done. It will be agreed that this

work has been splendidly performed and received merited appreciation.

ASSERTS SAVING POSSIBLE "Since the completion of the highway to Hood River plans were being made for a superintendent of maintenance from Portland to Hood River, to care for this entire section, the cost of superintendency to be divided between state and Multnomah county. With this arrangement a decided saving could have been made by both the state and county. If this arrangement could have been consummated the state and county would have had the services of a superintendent fully qualified to perform the work.

"It goes without saying that the greatest single asset not in Oregon but in the West is the Columbia river highway. In a recent issue of the Western Highways Builder, published in Los Angeles, and the people of California are both to concede superiority in road matters to any place, Phil Townsend Hanna, the editor, in a personal article, said:

"The hardy and honest people of Oregon have built the greatest highway in the world—the Columbia river highway—and it is the greatest highway in the world, no matter from what angle you look at it, as a transportation artery, as a scenic boulevard or as an engineering feat."

RULES POINTED OUT

"Many of the following suggestions and recommendations have been made to your honorable body in the past both verbally and in various communications, and regarding them as essential to the proper development of the attractiveness of the highway, I wish to emphasize again their importance by directing your attention to them in the hope that some definite action will be taken.

"First—Keep all signs off, as I have in the past.

"Second—To condemn property at Crown Point which I have been urging your board to do for two years, to avoid construction of unsightly shacks, some of which are already in evidence and others, I understand, are in contemplation. Also, to provide for new parking grounds by grading the north side of the highway and dumping the earth on the south side—making additional parking ground on both sides and giving a continuous view of the Columbia river past Crown Point. This work should be done as soon as possible, as it would be undesirable to do it in the summer owing to the dusty condition which would exist around the Vista house.

PROPOSES PARK GROUND

"Third—Acquire the ground through the figure eight for park purposes. This tract is particularly attractive, densely wooded and luxuriantly verdant and would be a decided acquisition as a park. If trees and shrubbery in this ground should be cut down for commercial purposes it would be a constant source of regret.

"Fourth—Acquire a small tract for parking on the east side of the highway north of Shepherd's dell.

"Fifth—Construct a roof over the lunch tables at Multnomah falls to make it

possible for people taking their lunches on picnic trips not to be caught in any showers. This roof could be neatly designed at very little expense.

"Sixth—Acquire three or four acres north of Horse Tail falls on the west side of the road. This would be desirable for parking ground, having nice shade trees and a fine spring.

"Seventh—Acquire a tract of three or five acres at Warrendale on the west side of the highway which has fine shade trees and good running water.

"Eighth—Secure a small tract to co-operate with the government's property on the west side of the highway, about 1500 feet east of Moffett creek. This also has fine timber for shade and good cool water.

"Ninth—Acquire the tract at Eagle creek which was offered to your body by the fish commission at a more than reasonable figure and improve the same for parking purposes, as the congestion at Eagle creek is getting such that not half the machines can be accommodated.

"Tenth—Repair small sections of the pavement from Chanticleer to our county line to avoid further damage to the highway. As it now stands the pavement is cracked in a few places and allows the water to get into the subgrade which will result in further settlement."

WOULD MAINTAIN STANDARD

In conclusion the letter read: "It would be regrettable indeed, if not only the highway proper, but anything connected with it should be permitted to deteriorate or fall into decay. No one is more insistent for economy in public affairs than myself, but parsimony in an enterprise, so fine, splendid and conceded in advantage as the Columbia river highway seems shortsighted, particularly when the amount saved is so ridiculously small as given by the published reports. To jeopardize this enterprise is reprehensible and it is hoped that provision will always be made to maintain it to the standard that has ever been the aim of those associated with its inception, construction, development and maintenance."

College Romances Numerous Among O. A. C. Graduates

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, April 29.—Marriage records of the alumni of the Oregon Agricultural college show that more than one third of all the married men graduates of the school of agriculture have chosen O. A. C. co-eds for their brides. A survey was made of 357 of the 700 graduates of this school. Of the 234 who are married, 74 wedded O. A. C. girls. Of the graduates canvassed, 88 own their own farms, 11 are part owners, 39 are doing agricultural promotion work in colleges, 26 are working under the Smith-Hughes act, 16 are teaching and

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seven are taking post-graduate work. Thirty of the graduates rent farms, 24 are managers, 35 are fruit growers, 10 are grain farmers, three poultry raisers, 15 stockmen and three landscape gardeners.

Mrs. Pike Seeks Divorce Oregon City, April 29.—Marjorie A. Pike filed suit for divorce from Albert L. Pike Thursday, charging desertion. They have been married since 1901.

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