

EASTERN CITIES WIDENING STREETS, SAYS C. H. CHENEY

Returning from attendance at the national conference on city planning in Pittsburgh, and from visits to numerous large cities of the East, Charles H. Cheney, consultant of the Portland planning commission, reports great activity in enlarging street systems built for horse traffic into thoroughfares wide enough for the new motor traffic.

"The rapid increase in street accidents due to the greatly increased number of automobiles was noted in each city visited and a comparative table for the principal cities of the country will shortly be ready," he said.

CITIES PLAN CAREFULLY

Portland's 8600 street accidents in 1920 were prominently as bad as Los Angeles' 17,700. The 1000 accidents reported in Portland in January and 950 in May may be compared with Los Angeles' report of 2320 for March and more than 2000 for every month since last August. On the other hand, Washington, D. C., with its wide streets, reports only 420 street accidents in April and only 4700 for the year 1920.

"Every city visited seemed very cautious about establishing one-way traffic, except on very narrow streets or on those of less importance.

"No turning to the left" at the main intersections down town, was the regulation quoted by most traffic officers as having produced the greatest relief of congestion.

COAST CITIES BEHIND

The city planning expert expressed dissatisfaction with the appearance of many of Portland's fire stations after seeing buildings constructed for firemen and their apparatus in the East.

"New York, Philadelphia, Los Angeles and other cities with art juries," he said, "are getting more for their money in new fire houses, bridges, cross streets, and in this way becoming more attractive as places in which to live, than many of our coast cities. These places have established art juries with absolute veto power over all new public structures, statues and works of art, bridges over streets and so forth. It is only by having a competent committee such as this that control in the public interest can be established."

ADOPT ZONE RULES

Sixty-seven cities of the country were reported to have some kind of zoning regulations now in effect, and 20 cities have complete comprehensive zone ordinance limiting the use of property, heights of buildings, and area of lot that may be covered in every block within the city limits, including Alameda and Palo Alto on the Pacific coast.

Among cities adopting zoning during the past year are Milwaukee, Berkeley, Washington, D. C., Evanston, Omaha,

Cleveland, and a number of smaller East Orange, Yonkers, Brockton, East cities.

Berkeley's ordinance is the first comprehensive one to be indorsed by a vote of the people, all the others having been enacted by city councils by ordinance without popular vote.

FOR SINGLE FAMILIES

A resolution was unanimously adopted by the national conference, declaring that every city should provide in its zoning ordinance, as a matter of public policy, for the establishment of some districts at least in which only single family homes would be permitted.

This indicates an interesting change in viewpoint on the part of some Eastern delegates, including the New Yorkers in particular, who only a few years ago rather disparaged this important provision, although it has for some years been in effect in the ordinances of a number of Western cities, Berkeley having established zones permitting single-family dwelling only, as early as March, 1918, being followed by Palo Alto, Alameda, St. Louis, etc.

PIAN WIDER STREET

St. Louis is rapidly opening major traffic streets and thoroughfares in accordance with the major traffic street plan adopted in 1917, as shown by the report of Harland Bartholomew, consultant to the St. Louis city planning commission.

"We are widening Twelfth street north for 12 miles to a width of 100 feet, to furnish a most needed cross town thoroughfare. Five miles of this widening is through solid buildings which will have to be cut off," he said.

"On the first block north of Washington street at the center of the city, where there are now two high office buildings, the ordinance passed by the city council merely takes an easement for the necessary widening of the block, leaving the owners the right to use their buildings for 40 years, above the first story, provided a sidewalk arcade is left on the ground floor. If the buildings are torn down or destroyed in the meantime the new structure must set back to the widening line." This method of arcading is somewhat similar to that proposed for the widening of Alder street in Portland.

PLANS EXTENSIONS

Cleveland and St. Louis each have a total of approximately 950 miles of streets, and about one fourth of this mileage has been included in the major street plan, for widening or extension.

Cleveland proposes to widen 98 thoroughfares, totaling 120 miles in length, and St. Louis 50 streets, totaling about 69 miles.

Cleveland intends 37 street extensions, aggregating 23 miles in length, and St. Louis 21 street extensions, aggregating 17 miles.

St. Louis already has widenings ordered by ordinance, under construction or completed, totaling 22.49 miles and extensions amounting to 6.22 miles.

A comparison of the openings, widenings and extensions proposed in the Portland major street plans is now being prepared, and will be issued shortly. Although only one third the size of St. Louis or Cleveland in population, Portland already has some 1500 miles of platted streets.

KANSAS CITY BEST

The Kansas City boulevard system remains the most completely developed and linked up of any in the country, with Chicago a close second. These

PROMINENT BUSINESS MAN WHO DIED SUNDAY



Charles H. Dodd, well known business man and philanthropist, who died at his home Sunday night.

boulevards are from 150 to 300 feet wide in most cases. The few 80-foot boulevards (so-called) in Chicago appeared inadequate and a very poor substitute for the splendid 300-foot to 500-foot parkways which connect most of Chicago's finest parks, in continuous drives through park lined roadways.

Many cities were observed organizing park systems far beyond their boundaries, in order to tie up wild parks, mountains and streams, with easy and attractive approaches, to the congested city centers.

Snake Quits Fight; Is Named Bergdoll

Moscow, Idaho, June 13.—Residents of Kendrick tried to stage a snake fight. A ring was built and a three foot rattlesnake and a six foot bullsnake were groomed for mortal combat. Bets were placed and the bell sounded. The rattler took the center of the ring and sunk his fangs twice in the fat neck of the bullsnake, which ambled peacefully but determinedly into the brush. The disgusted fans named him Grover Cleveland Bergdoll and sought excitement elsewhere.

CHARLES H. DODD DIES; CAREER OF ACTIVITY CLOSED

Funeral service for Charles H. Dodd, prominent business man and philanthropist of Portland, will be conducted by the Rev. A. A. Morrison Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in Trinity church. Interment will be made at Riverview cemetery.

Dodd, who was well known in the city, died at his home, 550 First street, at the age of 83, Sunday night after an illness of several months.

He was born in New York City, February 26, 1838. After completing preparatory school work he entered Yale in 1857.

Two years later he answered a call made by Colonel Totten for "red-blooded" Americans to build the trans-isthmian railroad in Panama. While in San Francisco he was commissioned by a New York shipping firm to find a ship that had been stolen by her captain.

STOLEN SHIP RECOVERED

Sailing from San Francisco in the latter part of 1855 the search took him to the ports of the west coast of South America. The ship was found in Montevideo.

Returning to Nevada in 1856 he took up mining in the Grass Valley and Virginia City districts. This he followed until 1861 when he started a hardware store at Esmeralda. He was made a lieutenant in the Esmeralda Mounted Rifles and took a part in putting down the insurrection of the Mojaves and Plutes.

Resigning in 1865 he returned to the East and was married a year later to Miss Lucy A. Sproat of Middleboro, Mass.

LOCATED AT PORTLAND

In 1865 he established the Hawley Hardware branch at Salem. In 1870 he came to Portland and established the concern.

He was a member of the Board of Trade and one of the backers of the state board of immigration.

He helped organize St. Stephens Pro-Cathedral under Bishop Thomas Fielding Scott. For several years he acted as superintendent of the Sunday schools of both St. Stephens and Trinity churches. He was one of the founders and directors of the Baby Home.

While touring Europe Mrs. Dodd died at Florence, Italy, in 1903. Later he married Miss Calista M. Fraser.

He is survived by three children, one daughter, Mrs. Walter Hamberg of Florence, Italy; and two sons, Walter H. and Edward A. Dodd of New York city.

Applicants Examined

Medford, June 13.—Under the supervision of County School Superintendent Holmes, 27 applicants for state teachers' certificates from all sections of Jackson county took the examinations held at Jacksonville.

1925 Fair Indorsed At Chicago Electric Light Convention

Portland's 1925 world's fair received the official indorsement of the National Electric Light association at a convention of the organization at Chicago last week, according to Guy W. Talbot, president of the Portland Gas & Coke company, who attended the convention and presented the resolution indorsing the exposition. The indorsement was carried in the papers of the country the next day and gave Oregon a substantial boost in its early publicity, according to Talbot.

"The Portland fair will provide a brilliant objective for the Eastern tourist and with the linking up of transcontinental highways preceding the event, thousands of people from the East and Middle West will make the trip to Oregon by automobile in 1925," Talbot stated. "The 3000 miles of travel will not prove a handicap to the exposition, as the auto tourist measures distance only by the amount of pleasure he can find."

Franklin T. Griffith, president of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, was re-elected vice president of the National Electric Light association.

Thief Goes Through Screen; Takes Watch

Mrs. Maud E. Bradbury, 4719 Sixty-third street southeast, reported to the police that a prowler entered her home about 11 o'clock Saturday night and stole a gold watch and other jewelry. The thief made his entry by breaking through a screen in one of the rear windows.

TEN INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENTS DURING SUNDAY

Six persons were injured when a milk truck struck a touring car on East Burnside street Sunday night. The truck was driven by L. V. Brown, 543 1/2 Kirby street, of the Steigerwald dairy. Brown was arrested on a charge of failing to give right of way, and was released on his own recognizance.

Those injured were: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Frey, 1673 Herbert street; their two nieces, Julia Frey and Josephine Frey; Mrs. S. A. Monroe, 187 1/2 Union avenue north, and Nellie Monroe. Mrs. Frey sustained a fractured rib, and Mrs. Monroe lost a tooth. The others were severely bruised.

A. G. Olson, who lives at 23 Grand avenue north, was run down by an automobile at Broadway and Union avenue Sunday. He was taken to St. Vincent's hospital. No report of the accident was made at police headquarters and the driver of the machine was not identified.

Olson is a janitor at the Union station. Three people received minor injuries in an automobile accident Sunday afternoon at Yukon and Milwaukie, when a truck driven by H. Ripkind, 427 1/2 Welder street, rammed an auto driven by John Schneider, 1734 East Thirteenth street. Mary M. Schneider, Elizabeth Schneider and Eva Schneider received bruises and cuts about the body. They were taken to their home. No complaint has been made against Ripkind.

Hotel Kitchen Fire Attracts Passersby

A blaze that originated in a broiler in the kitchen of the Benson hotel attracted a fire engine and a small crowd to the hotel, after the fire had filled the lobby with smoke. No damage was done.

Officers Get More Room

Medford, June 13.—Congestion in the Jackson county courthouse will be somewhat relieved this week, when the county assessor will move into the small

concrete building opposite the courthouse recently purchased from Louis Ryan by the county court, and the space vacated by the assessor will be divided between the sheriff's and treasurer's offices.

Hot Lake Arrivals
Hot Lake, June 13.—Arrivals at Hot Lake sanatorium Friday were: Mrs. Joe Casey, Portland; Bedna Houry, Boise, Idaho; Mrs. H. C. Mills, Coeur; Alta Hart, Higgins, Idaho; Mrs. F. Wagner and daughter, Elgin; Mrs. S. J. Kelly, Prairie City; Mrs. M. A. Stearns and son, Huron; J. C. Kuratll, Hillsboro.

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