

## STREET CLEANING BUREAU IS GIVEN HIGH COMPLIMENT

Alex Donaldson, the veteran Scot, who for so many years that man may not remember otherwise, has been the superintendent of Portland's "White Wing" squad—the street cleaning bureau—seems to have won the cut glass dolly. Yesterday afternoon, after he had spent an hour or more telling the tax supervising and conservation commission about the workings of his department, he drew from Chairman Fred W. Mulkey an unsolicited compliment and congratulation, the first of its kind so far as the records of that commission go.

"I can only say for you," Mr. Donaldson said, "Chairman Mulkey said, after due and dignified deliberation, 'if you can clean 1000 square yards of hard surface pavement, as you say you do, for 20 cents a square yard, and if that figure covers all charges, direct and indirect, as you say it does, you are to be congratulated, sir, and I have nothing further to say concerning your department.'"

At this, Donaldson, who is a modest man as well as an economic cleansing agent for the city, blushed and bowed and returned brief thanks.

### HORSE TRADER BACKED OFF

It also was brought to light during Donaldson's exposition of the costs and the conduct of his department, that the old adage about the oldtime horse trader being the biggest skinner on earth is all wrong. The auto truck salesman has that mythical romance backed clean off the city dump, the candy Scotsman testified.

"I've heard about horse traders," he told Chairman Mulkey and the commission, "and I've met up with a few of them, but they can't be put in the same class with the auto truck salesman."

While Donaldson was telling his story a few flakes of snow filtered past the courthouse windows and the vigilant eye of the chairman noted them.

"What about blizzard money?" he asked apprehensively.

"I haven't any," Donaldson answered with a wry smile, "I put it in and they cut it out."

It developed, however, that he has a plan mapped out for handling storm conditions which he can put into working order as soon as the necessity arises and the funds are provided. Mulkey suggested that the emergency fund in the general city budget would include blizzard money.

### PROMISED COOPERATION

"I never got a cent out of that fund as long as I've been in the department," Donaldson said sadly, and then smiling across the table at the commission he suggested, "Maybe you gentleman can help me get some if I need it?" He was promised cooperation.

Market Master Eastman is making money down on the public market, officially, of course, and for the general fund. The public market costs in operation expense approximately \$5000 a year, he told the commission, while its income is \$9000. He also is a thrifty landlord, sometimes renting the same stall four and five times a day, so that there have been days when as high as 400 farmers did business over the 225 stalls on Yamhill street.

About 1400 service men are without work in the city, according to the public employment bureau, while, including service men, some 7500 idle men are listed in that office. This is 50 per cent more than is normal. Superintendent Jones of the bureau told the commission.

### GARBAGE INCREASES

The commission also discussed the budget of the garbage incinerator. That bureau is having a difficult time handling changing conditions of garbage disposal. Where the hotels of the city formerly refused to send their garbage to the city plant because they received

goodly profit from its sale to hog feeders, this source of absorption has dwindled until the hotel garbage is now being shipped to the city plant in large quantities. Commissioner Bigelow told the commission that a man who is in the hog feeding business is due in Portland during the coming week and may establish a hog feeding plant here large enough to handle the hotel garbage, and thus ease up the situation at the city plant, which is now handling 150 tons of garbage a day.

The present plant is worn out, or nearly so, and a bond issue of \$200,000 may be sold to build a new incinerator, Bigelow told the commission.

## Preacher of Early Washington Days Passes at Albion

Colefax, Wash., Nov. 17.—The Rev. Henry O. Kerns, aged 87, an early day minister of the Northwest, died Tuesday at Albion of appendicitis. He entered the ministry 45 years ago with the United Brethren church. He came to Washington in 1882, locating first near Huntsville, in Walla Walla county, and was one of the founders of the U. B. college at Huntsville, later founding a college under the denomination at Albany. He resided for a while at Steptoe, and then returned to Albion, where his last years have been spent.

It is said of Rev. Mr. Kerns that he never failed to keep an appointment during his long service as a minister, often meeting and overcoming the greatest difficulties as he traveled about the pioneer communities he served. Once when he was conducting a meeting on Hangman creek some cowboys of the neighborhood, in a spirit of fun, decided to break up the meeting by lassoing the preacher. Repeatedly the lasso was thrown, but the preacher was himself familiar with cowboy accomplishments and knew how, with a simple motion of the arms, to turn the rope aside. He continued preaching and the

cowboys gave up, departing. He married a second time at the age of 77 and is survived by his wife and five children, L. C. Kerns of Tekoa, A. M. Kerns of Thornton, Mrs. W. H. Gurnsey of Power, Mont., G. R. Kerns of Tekoa and W. W. Kerns of Kinsella, Ala. The four sons, all singers, when together comprise a quartet. Three sang at the pioneer reunion at Pullman last summer.

## Legion Veterans to Feature Gay Paree In The Auditorium

"Gay Paree" in all its glory will be featured at the big show to be given by the American Legion in The Auditorium, explained Claude M. Bristol, auditor of Portland post, Wednesday when he conferred with the city council concerning details of the program.

The show is "A Night in Paris With the American Legion" and will include a series of booths reminding the vets of the cafes on the boulevard as well as a spectacular vaudeville show, Bristol stated. He requested that the council give permission for some special freak advertising. The permission was granted.

## Restaurants Merge On Open Shop Plan

Klamath Falls, Nov. 17.—Three proprietors of restaurants which were closed by a recent strike of culinary workers have formed a corporation with a capital stock of \$33,000 for the purpose of conducting a restaurant under the present open shop plan and will continue in the present quarters, the largest in the city. The combining of three restaurants under one management will result in reducing labor costs \$3500 a month, the proprietors say.

## Fruit Growers to Maintain Control Of Seattle Show

Seattle, Nov. 17.—When the fruit-growers of the Pacific Northwest came to the Pacific Northwest Fruit exposition, to be held at the Bell street terminal, Seattle, November 21 to 26, whether they come as exhibitors or interested spectators, they will find the way open to them, one and all, to become personally and permanently identified with the exposition corporation and to take control of it into their own hands.

The fruitgrowers themselves originated the idea of the exposition. They brought it to Seattle, where they found the Chamber of Commerce, after careful consideration of the plan, willing to guarantee the preliminary costs of the undertaking. By agreement of all the early conferees the exposition was incorporated under the laws of the state of Washington, which permit incorporation for agricultural show purposes. There are no stockholders nor any shares of stock. It is a voluntary association with an open membership.

On the last day of the exposition, at 10 a. m., all the Pacific Northwest growers in attendance will be called together and invited into membership. The membership then will elect its new board of trustees and assume full control of the management and of any plans that may be made for perpetuation. This is not in any sense a "Seattle show," and no one in Seattle has any desire to "run" it or to dictate how it shall be run.

### BOYS CHORUS FORMED

Newberg, Nov. 17.—One hundred and thirty-four boys were organized here Wednesday night into a Whitney boys' chorus. First practice, under direction of H. E. K. Whitney, will be held Tuesday. More boys, it is expected, will join the chorus at that time.

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