to take loto its ownership because of unpaid assessments and taxes were discussed at a conference half in Commissioner Pier's office today between the delinquent tax committee of the city council, composed of Commissioners Pier and Bluelow and City Auditor Punk, and a committee representing the Postland Realty boars. This was composed of H. Beckwith, Paul C. Murphy. Coe A. McKenna and Albert R. Ritter.

After the proposed plans were fully discussed the city's committee took the matter under consideration, but declared that it intends to make its report to the city council within a com-

port to the city council within a com-TO FORM CORPORATION

The general proposition of the Realty board is to form a corporation for the express purpose of handling the sales of city properties. This it is proposed to capitalize at \$25,000, making the shares at \$25 each, so that no member of the board need stay out of the corporation. It will take in the leading realty firms of Portland, but an invitation will be extended to all other members to take shares. It is proposed to establish a sep-arate office for this corporation and to carry on an extensive advertising campaign, parceling out the lots in various sections of the city to firms specializing in lots in those territails of making the collections and the corporation would devote itself to taking the initiative and making the

The Realty beard committee stated that the purpose is to use methods that will not upset the resily market of Portland, yet to push these sales until the city-held properties are gotten back on the tax rolls as speedily cs possible.

CITY HESITATES

The matter of compensation was one on which there was the most discuson which there was the most discussion. The Realty board committee declared that 20 per cent commission would be required to justify the proposed campaign, while the city's committee stated that it has received offers to handle the sales at a considerably less figure by reputable real considerably less figure by reputable real estate firms of Portland, and it questions as to whether it would be justifled in making a contract for payment of 30 per cent commission in

face of such a condition.

The Realty board committee urged that the proposed organization would put practically the entire realty selling force of Portland back of the project, and that this of itself would worth the difference in the proposed commission, as well as the proposed corporation's intention of sticking to the campaign until city's list of lots is cleaned up.

ABMINISTRATOR OF PELTON

ESTATE PAYS \$4014 TAXES The extended litigation of a tax levy against property under control of William Reid, administrator of the Davis C. Pelton estate, was settled Tuesday when Reid paid \$4014.81 in fines and delinquent taxes, thereby accepting a \$600 rebate allowed by Commissioners Rudeen and Holman. Reid was acc raturn of the total value of the estate

when he took control. The estate had been distributed when the discovery was made. The addi-tional tax was assessed against Reid's property. He fought the assessment in court and at first way, but later. could not obtain a clear title, and could not obtain a clear title, and commissionally made an offer to the commissionally made an offer to the commissional to commissional title, and commissional to commis sioners to compromise which, after many hearings, was fiftily accepted

CONSIDERED BY COUNCIL Four completed pieces of public work are to be considered for acceptance by the city council at its meating next Wednesday. They include the improvement of Haight avenue from Biandena to Alberta street, Hahn from Blandena to Alberta street, Hahn & Rebman contractors, improvement of East 73 street from East Climan to Hassalo street, Hahn & Rebman contractors; improvement of East Salmon street from East 415 to East 44th street, Oregon Construction company contractors, and improvement of portions of East 66th and Silkiyon streets, C. G. Randles contractor. Notification was issued today to the preparty ownwas issued today to the preparty owners in the respective districts of the proposed consideration of these matters by the city council.

ASSESSMENTS APPORTIONED,
PROPERTY OWNERS ARE TOLD
City Auditor Funk today issued nolification to the property owners directly interested that the proposed assessments have been apportioned and
the rolls are now subject to inspection
on the following public work:

For the improvement of Cottage
Court from Stanton to Morris street,
\$1265.85; for improvement of East

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SATURDAY



28th street from Frances avenue to Rhone street, \$7429.71; for improvement of Maryland avenue from Killingsworth to Ainsworth avenue, \$6846.98; for improvement of Woodstock avenue from 52d to 62d street southeast, \$17.423.50; for the district improvement of portions of East 60th and Siskiyou streets, \$5596.28.

LOSES \$800 DIAMOND City Commissioner S. C. Pier is sorrowing over the loss of an \$800 diamond setting in a ring which was presented to him by the employes of the Marshall Wells company just previous to his entering the city's service. The setting was lost from the ring between 5 and 6 o'clock last Tuesday evening somewhere between the city hall and the old postoffice or the latter place and his home. No. 187 Elast 31st street.

CITY HALL BRIEFS
A petition has been filed at the city hall asking for the construction of a sewer in 62d street southeast from 170 feet south of 29th avenue southwest to the proposed extension of the north branch of the Rhine street trunk sewer.

branch of the Rhine street trunk sewer.

A petition is to be presented to the city council at its meeting next Wednesday asking for the vacation of all that portion of East Everett street which lies between the east line of East 15th and the west line of East 17th street, except 80 feet at the intersection of East 16th street. This is asked for by W. E. Watson and others. City Treasurer Adams today issued a call for the presentation for redemption of Portland improvement bonds numbered consecutively from 30373 to 30442, inclusive, and for St. Johns-improvement bonds numbered from 653 to 686 inclusive.

#### State of Oregon Leads in Sending Students to College

"The state of Oregon sends more students to college in proportion to its rivals. population than any other state in the WILL OFFER PLAN Union," declared W. J. Kerr, president of the Oregon Agricultural college, to-day in discussing American Education "With the exception of Callweek. "With the exception of Cali-foria, the state of Orngan educates more of these students in the higher institutions within her own borders than any other state in the Union."

These striking facts are brought out,

President Kerr explains, in a recent report of Dr. George F. Zook, specialist in higher education of the United States bureau of education, who make a survey of the higher educational institutions of Oregon along with those of the rest of the restate. of the rest of the states, One out of every 112 persons in the state attended a college or university last year, according to Dr. Zook's re-

MUNICIPAL CONCERT DATE Because of the use of The Auditorium all this week and until late Saturday night by the Shrine circus, Hal M. White, manager of The Auditorium, announced today that it will be imslible to get the place cleared up in time for the regular Sunday afternoon concert, and this will have to be mitted next Sunday. The next municipal concert will be held on the afternoon of December 17.

## Portland's Paving Plant Inspected by

"Portland has a most valuable asset in its municipal paving plant, and Ta-coma will profit by the experience here of Tscoms, today, after he and H. J. Hoffman, Washington state examiner, and J. M. Roberts, city controller of Tacoma, had spent a day in studying the municipal paving plant and its methods of cest accounting, etc. The statement of Burrows was acquiesced in by the other two visitors.

They also highly commended the personnel of the city departments of Portland with which they came in contact. "We have found a most noticeable spirit of cooperation here," said the visitors, "and found every city employe we have met desirous of giving us every possible aid. It seems to us you have a very happy family in the city hall employes."

# TO STRAITS PLAN

(Continued From Page One)

threatening Turkey's existence. Today Turkey is running the same danger of being crushed between the two

"We do not want Russia or Great Britain to control the straits. We want a regime which will guarantee Turkish integrity and permit commerce. We injus that fortification of the straits think that fortification of the straits will be the surest way, but if the powers guarantee the inviolability of the straits and if sid will come promptly to protect the straits then we are willing to adopt demilitarization. Would the United States send a fleet to protect the straits and Constantinople if another power attacks? Friday we shall offer our plan, but we are affaid the United States is against us." the United States is against us."

Foreign Commissar Tchitcherin had much less to say regarding Ambassador Child's statement.

"The declaration," he said, "requires explanation. I am disposed to exclude

varships from all international waters, It is true that warships can pursue pacific aims but since no guaranty can be given that a fleet will not be devoted to war purposes one must believe that Mr. Child means only to permit warships to enter the Black Sea singly, itist as the American relief adminis-Later M. Tchitcherin said that Lord dent of the Portland Realty board, will Curson's plan was macceptable to Rus- deliver Friday noon at the semisia, but that she is prepared to discuss other propositions. Throughout the dis-

Tacoma Officials

Wednesday's session seems to have split the Turks from the Russians, for lismet Pasha and Lord Curzon had a long conversation, resulting in the Turks stating that the Curson proposition will profit by the experience here tinuing the discussion.

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M. Tchitcherin seems to be trying to throw a bolt in the conference machinery, for every time he speaks he utters a stronger threat. Now he says, "Walt until tomorrow and I will say something," Hefore M. Tchitcherin came to Lausanns the other delegates moved in an atmosphere of peace and sentleness. It was only the calm before the storm. The first thing he did was to threaten abnormal conditions if the Russians were kept apart from the entire conference. At the first session on the straits question he acted in a cantankerous manner and accused the inviting powers of withholding their plans.

Monday night in the Crystal room of the eBhson hotel, Peter B. Kyne; famous author, will be one of the speakers. White eBhson hotel, Peter B. Kyne; famous author, will be one of the speakers. Mr. Kyne is coming to Portland expressly in response to an urgent invitation of the club. It so flappened that ence upon a time Mr. Kyne was a Columbia. River district lumberman, having been in the employ of the Bridal Veil Lumbering company prior to budding as an author. Other speakers will be a Jck Dionne, publisher of the Guif Coast Lumberman of Houston, Texas, and A. J. Russell, whole-sale lumberman of San Francisco, formerly of Portland. F. W. Robbins of the L. B. Menetee Lumber company, has been appointed toastmaster. Invitations are now being mailed.

Multnomah Group

The Multnomah delegations of the senate and house will be called to meet for organisation at the Chamber of Commerce next Monday evening by Representative K. K. Kubil, chairman enough to have her capital and wealthiest city with its schools and arsenals on the highway to the Black sea. For centuries Great Britain and Russia have struggled to control the highway, thus endangering Constantinople and the rectangle of the meeting and it, on Monday evening, will elect a chairman and secretary for the coming session, and determine whether it desires to hold intermal hearings on prospective hold informal hearings on prospective legislation prior to the convention of the legislature.

Inasmuch as the chairmanship was held by a house member last time, it is expected, provided the custom be followed, that a member of the senate delegation will be given the position

#### Woman, Auto Driver 'Drunk,' Police Say

For the first time in the memory of police officials and court attaches at handquarters, a woman has been arrested on a charge of driving while inpolecated. Mrs. William Gregor, No. 881 East 12th street north, was arrested early today on Union avenue driving a small automobile. Officer Geil, who made the arrest, reported she had been driving the madhine with limit. She was released later on ball

WILL ADDRESS WOMEN "Salesmanship Methods for Realty which J. Logie Richardson, vice president of the Portland Realty board, will monthly Realty board in the Oregon Grill.

### Peter B. Kyne to Be One of Speakers

To Legislature Is
Called for Meeting

An optum part of the persons, three of whom were negroes, were arrested by the police in a raid early today. U. G. Smith, a negro, was charged with maintaining a nar-

FENNEL HONEY is best for children's coughs and coids. \$10 as first prize will be given for best answers why this cough syrup is superior. Contest closes Dec. 22. Multnemah Hetel Pharmacy 45 Third St. Multnemah Hetel

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#### At Club Banquet Dental Association Of Oregon Meets In Annual Session

pendulum has swung to the other ex-treme and the whole tendency is to fill the bad teeth wherever possible, according to Dr. John E. Gurley, di-rector of the department of children's dentistry, Pacific Dental college, who addressed the Oregon State Dental as-sociation when that body assembled in the green room of the Chamber of At noon 124 dentists had registered,

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231 1/2 Morrison, Cor. 2nd Look for the Big Union Sign Dr. Whetstone, Mgr. Portland, Ore. Eugene, Ore. Dr. Gurley spoke after a short address of welcome by Dr. Clyde Mount of Oregon City, president.

To Pay Informants

to Linville and his legal advi-Frank Mitchell, liquor prosecuti will hereafter be brought under tariff law as well as the Volstead

To Pay Informants
In Dry Law Cases

Informants for federal prohibition agents will hereafter get more than a second of the first second of the fir mere "thank you," provided the de-fendant is convicted and fined, ac-cording to information given out by Dr. Joseph A. Linville, federal prohi-

## Who's your Stoker?

At present gas rates, bills for 5 homes heated by 8-Section GASCO Furnaces would run for the entire past season:

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