

SIX SITES OFFERED FOR CITY PARK

Council Committee Has Received.
Bids on Various Tracts and Will
Report at Meeting Friday Night.
Willamette Valley Company's
Ground Back of Butte Not Offered

The committee recently appointed by the city council to secure a site for a public park are ready to report at the special meeting to be held Friday evening. They have secured bids on the following pieces of property.

The Fairmount hill slope, owned by three different persons.

The Gordon park, owned by H. Gordon.

A tract on the Sladden farm, just below the city, owned by S. P. Sladden.

A tract owned by S. Meriau, adjoining the Gordon park.

A tract owned by S. D. McGuire on the river bank adjoining the Sladden farm.

The wooded tract on the right hand side of the river road immediately north of the Southern Pacific railroad track.

The amount of the bids is not made public by request of some of the bidders.

One of the most desirable sites for a park, the tract of land between the butte and the river, owned by the Willamette Valley Co., is not offered. As before stated by the board, it is the intention of the company some time in the future, when the city is large enough to justify it, to establish an amusement park of their own there, similar in nature to the Oaks at Portland.

City News in Brief

Free lecture by Judge Ewing at the Christian Science church tonight at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. C. F. Smith, who recently removed from Eugene to Portland, underwent a serious surgical operation a few days ago and is now getting along very well.

The cement walk on Oak street along the east side of the west park, was completed today and work has commenced on the one along the west side of the west park.

Romeo M. Gilbert has resigned his position as window dresser and advertiser at Hampton Bros.' stores and on October 15 will enter the employ of Allen Eaton's book and art store.

Salem public schools have an attendance of 1441 and Eugene 1142. Salem claims a population of 15,000 and Eugene 7000.

The "Fireman's Mascot," a thrilling spectacular play, will hold the boards at the Eugene theatre tonight. The company's band, in firemen's uniform, gave a street concert and parade at noon today.

The Merchants' Protective Association is still receiving many letters of inquiry concerning Eugene and vicinity in answer to the advertisements placed in the Pacific Monthly. Today about a dozen were received and yesterday nearly as many.

The sewer extending north and south in the alley between Pearl and High streets has become clogged in the vicinity of George Midgley's residence on East Eighth street. Street Commissioner Turner and Assistant Baker have been working a couple of days trying to remove the obstruction.

The committees of the board of education, recently appointed, are as follows: Teachers, Cheshire, Yoran, McMurphy; building, Yoran, McMurphy, Hull; finance, McMurphy, Hull, Cheshire.

After the first week's hunting the China pheasants are now very wild, and experienced hunters have considerable trouble in bagging the limit. The birds keep in cover most of the time now, and it takes good, well-trained dogs to start them up. The number killed this year has been very great, and this has led to the oft-expressed opinion that the birds are being exterminated, but in past seasons, in spite of the slaughter, there were always plenty of birds when another open season began.

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Prominent People

Public Printer Stillings—Adee of the State Department—Frank Morrison—Rathbone and His Fight—Professor Brander Matthews.



C. A. STILLINGS.

THE federal official who is perhaps most affected by the president's simplified spelling order is Charles A. Stillings, head of Uncle Sam's big print-shop. As public printer it became his duty to carry into effect the order, so far as documents from executive departments are concerned. Realizing that his position might have some embarrassment, the public printer, as soon as he had explained Mr. Roosevelt's order to his subordinates, withdrew to the cyclone cellar, so to speak, and shut himself off from all perplexing inquiries by disconnecting his telephone.

The president's order does not contemplate the adoption of any such radical change in orthography as the complete phonetic method of spelling. It only adopts the list of 300 simplified words recommended by the simplified spelling board. But in order to have a little fun over the incident clerks in the bureau of engraving and printing amused themselves by sending to the printing office drafts of bills spelled phonetically throughout. Some of them read thus:

Silver Sirtifikit.
This sirtifikit that there hav bin deposited in the Treasury of the United States of America by silver dollars, payable on demand.
Washington, D. C.

Silver sirtifikit—Fiv—Silver sirtifikit.

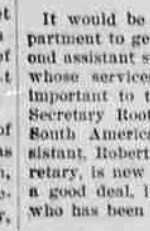
Nashunal Kurency.
Secured by United States bonds deposited with the Treasurer of the United States of America.

The Unyon Nashunal Bank
of Westminster
will pa to the bearer on demand
Twenty Dollars.
Westminster, Md., June 11, 1906.
Kashear, President.

Brander Matthews, who is a professor of literature at Columbia university, as well as novelist, essayist, dramatist and critic, finds himself with plenty of work on his hands now that the president's order on the subject of spelling reform has directed public attention to the work of the simplified spelling board. Professor Matthews is chairman of the board, and everybody is wanting to know what changes the committee expects to make in the spelling of the words of the English language. Professor Matthews explains that it is evolution rather than revolution for which the movement stands. He thinks one great advantage to accrue from the use of simplified words will be in the saving of time effected in teaching children in the schools how to spell. Speaking of this, he says:

"People must be made to see that there is nothing sacred about our accepted orthography and that the spelling of our language has never been fixed finally, but has always been slowly simplifying itself by the casting out of useless letters. They must be educated in the history of spelling, and the many changes that have taken place from Chaucer to Shakespeare, from Dryden to Johnson, and even in the nineteenth century, must be made familiar. They must be encouraged to understand that a steady movement toward simplification has always been evident, and they must be made to recognize that the time has now come when this slow progress toward the remote goal can be accelerated. When the people at large are once convinced that our present spelling does harm to the children, that it wastes time and money, improvement will follow at once."

It would be hard for the state department to get along without the second assistant secretary, Alvey A. Adee, whose services have been especially important to the administration since Secretary Root started on his tour of South America. Mr. Root's first assistant, Robert Bacon, now acting secretary, is new to diplomacy and leans a good deal, it is said, on Mr. Adee, who has been in the department since 1877. Previous to that Mr. Adee was secretary of legation at Madrid. He has been steadily advanced and has held his post whatever the politics of the administration. He was born in Astoria, N. Y., in 1842 and holds a degree from Yale. No higher authority on the etiquette of diplomacy exists in this country than Mr. Adee. A little while before Secretary John Hay's death a lady who proposed to give a most elaborate function called at the office of the secretary of state and asked for advice. Mr. Hay was quite nonplussed by her relation of the conditions which confronted her. In making up her dinner invitation list she found that she had invited two naval officers who were deadly enemies. Two titled foreigners were bid-



A. A. ADEE.

den between whose families there had been a feud for two generations. A matron, now acknowledged as a social leader, was invited, but in the same mail the woman who had contributed most to the hard task she found in securing social recognition in Washington was also asked to be a guest. Mr. Hay sent for Mr. Adee and asked him to help his caller out of her dilemma. Mr. Adee listened to the recital of the facts, and when the lady had quite exhausted her list of woes turned his head to one side, and, glancing at the lady out of the corner of his eye, decided, "Well, Mr. Secretary, under the circumstances, if I were the lady I should become desperately ill and indefinitely postpone that dinner."



FRANK MORRISON.

Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, is a member of the special committee appointed by the executive council of the order to carry into effect the recent declaration in regard to election of congressmen in sympathy with the aims of organized labor. He is busy helping President Samuel Gompers carry war into the districts of such legislators as have incurred the opposition of the federation. He is thirty-nine years of age and was for years one of the most active members of Chicago Typographical union No. 16. He represented the printers in the Chicago Federation of Labor, and in 1896 was a delegate to the annual convention of the International Typographical union at Colorado Springs. This convention chose him as one of its delegates to the American Federation of Labor, and he was elected secretary at the succeeding meeting.

Swallows Three Dozen Eggs on Bet.

Thomas O'Brien of Blackstone, Mass., swallowed three dozen eggs in a saloon in that town one night on a bet and is alive. The bet was for a nominal sum and the time was five minutes. O'Brien and his friend had been discussing the digestive qualities of eggs. O'Brien contended that he could do away with three dozen in five minutes. A wager was then made and a man was sent out to get the eggs. O'Brien placed four in a glass of lager and drained the mess. This operation was repeated nine times. Then, to show that he could stand a little more, O'Brien drank three extra eggs in a milk shake.

Enid Yandell.

The Kentuckians who arranged the programme for "home coming week" at Louisville set apart one day, June 17, as Boone day and made conspicuous in the ceremonies arranged for the



occasion the unveiling of a statue of Daniel Boone, the work of Miss Enid Yandell. Miss Yandell is a daughter of the Blue Grass State herself and has given much study to the life and character of Boone. One of the first important things she did was a statue of him for the Kentucky building at the Columbian exposition of 1893. It was Miss Yandell also who executed the caryatides of the Woman's building at the same fair. At the Tennessee centennial her interpretation of a Hindoo at prayer was much admired and awarded a medal. One of her best known works is the Carris Brown memorial fountain at Providence, entitled "The Struggle of Life." She was the first woman to enjoy the honor of an election to the National Sculpture society.

Lincoln Beachey, the Aeronaut.

Lincoln Beachey, who recently sailed around the national capital and the Washington monument in his airship,



is a San Francisco youth of nineteen. He first came into special notice last year at the Lewis and Clark exposition, where he sailed Baldwin's City of Portland.

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