

# Municipal Affairs

## FIGHT FOR GOOD STREETS STILL ON

### REALTY MEN AND HUMPHREYS STILL AT WAR

### BUSINESS MEN MAKE PROTEST AGAINST CHANGE

### So Strong Was the Opposition That Action by City Council Was Delayed for One Week

It was a formidable array of protests that the council had to face yesterday when the matter of changing the street specifications to suit some real estate operators was presented to the city council. So stormy was the opposition that action was delayed one week.

Apparently no one but the petitioners themselves had a good word to say for the amendment, while the strongest city organizations in the city and some of the most prominent business men protested against any letting down of the bars that would tend toward retrogression in the matter of street improvements. The position that W. M. Humphreys, chief inspector of public works, has assumed all through the controversy with the real estate men was most substantially sustained. The first protest presented was a formal resolution from the Municipal League, in which it was declared that the plans of some real estate men to put tracts on the market with only the surface of the streets rounded up and oiled was not to the best interests of the city. The next was from the Los Angeles realty board, in which the same sentiments were expressed. The next was from the chamber of commerce, and then Percy H. Clark presented a protest signed by the heads of all the leading banks in Los Angeles and a number of the trust companies, the institutions which lend money for the development of real estate and have a financial interest in the matter.

It was evident these protests had a marked effect on the council. Several days ago nearly the entire council was in favor of amending the ordinance in spite of the opposition of Mr. Humphreys and the board of public works. Yesterday there were seven members of the council present and three of them—Wren, Clappitt and Pease—were openly opposed to the change suggested. Wallace and Lyon were absent.

W. H. Workman and L. B. Burck presented reasons why the ordinance should be adopted. They called attention to the fact that the lowest specifications for street work would serve equally well on a thoroughfare as on a side street and declared that some distinction should be made between the two in favor of the side streets.

Both gave the impression that they would be willing to compromise on the specifications that would not make a roadway as costly as the required six inches of gravel or three inches of crushed rock, which are the lowest specifications for street work now.

As it was evident that the ordinance could not possibly carry yesterday, it was laid over until next week, and in the meantime the real estate men and Mr. Humphreys may reach some agreement that will be acceptable to all, although Mr. Humphreys will not recede an inch if he can help it.

## FREE LABOR BUREAU DOES NOT RECEIVE SUPPORT

Councilman Blanchard made a futile effort yesterday to "touch" the already exhausted general expense fund for \$150 for the free labor bureau. He declared this amount would run the bureau for the rest of the year. But his attempt proved futile, for Wren, Dromgold and Pease voted against it and only four councilmen voted in its favor. It requires six votes to pass a money measure. Wallace and other members of the council have declared the free labor bureau to be not worth anything at all. They have asserted it is only a place for the unemployed to receive relief employment and would not accept it if it was given them, to congregate and loaf. Efforts have been made to abolish this bureau, but Blanchard has always saved it in time.

## HOLLYWOOD ANNEXATION PETITION IS PRESENTED

A petition asking the city council to call an election for the consolidation of Hollywood with Los Angeles was filed yesterday by George A. Dunlop, mayor of Hollywood, and Philip J. Beveridge. The petition contains about 16,000 signatures. The law only requires that about 800 bona fide electors sign the petition.

The clerk will proceed at once to check up the names, and the council is expected to call the election at the earliest date possible.

**Council Docks Inspectors**

Because City Auditor Musher declared they had spent their time working at the polls, the pay of ten inspectors of the humane animal commission was "docked" one day by the council yesterday.

The Angeles grill has excellent service and better food. Fourth and Spring.

## WELCOME WORDS TO WOMEN

Women who suffer with disorders peculiar to their sex should write to Dr. Pierce and receive the advice of a physician of over 40 years' experience—a skilled and successful specialist in the diseases of women. Every letter of this sort has the most careful consideration and is regarded as sacredly confidential. Many sensitively modest women write fully to Dr. Pierce what they would shrink from telling to their local physician. The plan is pretty sure to say that he cannot do anything without "an examination." Dr. Pierce holds that these distasteful examinations are generally needless, and that no woman, except in rare cases, should submit to them.

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## GARBAGE RIDDLE IS UP TO HEWITT

### COUNCIL TAKES SUGGESTIONS OF HUMPHREYS

### SAN PEDRO AND TERMINAL ISLAND TO BE CARED FOR

### Would Let Contract for Five Years for Collection of Incombustible Material and Lease Incinerator

Without a word of discussion yesterday the council referred all the recommendations of the board of public works concerning rubbish disposal to W. M. Humphreys, inspector of public works, to the city attorney to be drafted into ordinances.

Mr. Humphreys, although much elated that the plans he has so carefully thought out for the disposal of the city's rubbish will be incorporated into ordinances, was also astonished that the council did not demand some further information on the subject. He was prepared for them if they had, for these plans are among his pet projects for such civic improvement as comes under his jurisdiction.

It may have been that the council was tired after a hard political battle Tuesday, and knowing that recommendations from the inspector of public works were pretty sure to be all right, took a chance; or it may have been that they realized the ordinance would not likely be prepared until their successors are in office, and they preferred to let the next council wrestle with the matter.

The recommendations presented by Mr. Humphreys are as follows:

**Recommendations Submitted**

"I beg to submit for your consideration the following subjects:

"First—Incombustible waste from residences, i. e., ashes, broken crockery, glassware, cans, etc.

"Second—Incombustible waste, ashes, broken crockery, glassware, cans, etc., from hotels, apartment houses, restaurants and other places of business.

"Third—Lease of the incinerator.

"Fourth—Combustible merchants' and office waste, i. e., paper, straw, packing, books, barrels, boxes, carpets, rags and furniture.

"Fifth—Merchants' waste containing a perceptible percentage of water or that cannot easily be consumed by fire, i. e., decayed vegetables, spoiled merchandise, fish, game, meats, etc.

"Sixth—Collection and disposal of garbage and incombustible residence waste at San Pedro.

"Seventh—Collection and disposal of garbage and incombustible residence waste at Terminal Island.

"Eighth—Incombustible waste from residences, i. e., ashes, broken crockery, glassware, cans, etc.

**Contract for Five Years**

"I respectfully recommend that a contract be let for the collection of such material for a period of five years, the contractor to furnish suitable equipment to collect in all territory within the present corporate limits north of Manchester avenue once every two weeks under proper and regular supervision. The contractor to furnish his own land on which to deposit the material either inside or outside of the corporate limits.

"Second—Incombustible waste, i. e., ashes, broken crockery, cans, etc., from hotels, apartment houses, restaurants and other places of business.

"This material is waste from lines of business conducted for profit and therefore it would seem should be disposed of by the parties creating same, just as many other lines of business are required to dispose of their waste. The sanitary reasons are not sufficient to justify the city to collect or dispose of same. However, that an extortionate charge may not be made for a place to deposit this material, I respectfully recommend that the city purchase lands for this purpose and charge a fair fee for depositing material thereon.

"Third—Lease of the incinerator.

"I respectfully recommend that the incinerator be leased for a period which shall expire at the same time as the contract for the collection and disposal of garbage recently awarded to Charles Alexander, with the further provision that should the said garbage contract terminate sooner than the time mentioned therein for any reason whatsoever, then the lease of the incinerator shall immediately terminate. Further, that the lessee shall keep the incinerator in first-class condition, making all repairs or additions at his own expense, and that the lessee shall install on the property suitable wagon scales, at his own expense. That proper ordinances be passed requiring the delivery of all materials mentioned in paragraphs 4 and 5 at the incinerator. That the lessee be permitted to charge and retain the following fees for material delivered:

**Charge for Waste Suggested**

"For material as mentioned in paragraph 4, combustible merchants' and office waste—i. e., paper, straw, packing, boxes, barrels, boxes, carpets, rags and furniture—25 cents for each one-horse wagon load and 25 cents for each two-horse wagon load.

"For material as mentioned in paragraph 5, merchants' waste containing a perceptible percentage of water or that cannot be easily consumed by fire—i. e., decayed vegetables, spoiled merchandise, fish, game, meats, etc.—5 cents for each 100 pounds, with a minimum charge of 25 cents; that such restrictions be imposed upon the lessee as will insure fair treatment to the patrons of the incinerator.

"Sixth—I respectfully recommend

## YONKIN OBJECTS TO PAVING SOUTH PARK

Says That Failure to Vote Franchise to Railway Will Call for Too Much Expense for Property Owners

"No franchise; no asphaltum pavement on South Park avenue," was the way Councilman Yonkin, who, under the ward system represented the South Park avenue district, sized up the situation when the city engineer asked instructions of the council yesterday.

The property owners have asked that an asphaltum surface be laid on South Park avenue, but City Engineer Hamlin did not agree to this proposal. He considers asphaltum inferior to the regulation asphalt surface, and because of a royalty of 25 cents a square yard demanded by the patentees of the former mixture, he declared asphalt would be nearly as cheap. He so notified the board of public works, and the board referred his communication to the council yesterday.

But Yonkin believes that as the city at large by ballot Tuesday refused to grant the Los Angeles railway a franchise on South Park avenue, the property owners will not be willing to go ahead with the improvement. If the railway had a franchise on this street it would be compelled to pave between its tracks and for two feet on each side, which would be about half the cost. Without the help of the railway the entire burden of the expense will fall on the property owners, and Yonkin does not believe they will stand this. Also, Yonkin is convinced that the railway, which has been operating on a lease from the city, anticipating the granting of a franchise, will tear up its tracks on South Park avenue, and property owners affected may consider their property has depreciated in value to some extent.

## INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS PLAN MEETS OPPOSITION

W. M. Bowen Informs Council That It Will Result in a Lumber Yard Near Agricultural Park

A vigorous protest by W. M. Bowen induced the council to delay action on its plan to pass an ordinance creating industrial districts in different parts of the city yesterday. After working on the question for several weeks a special committee of the council reported in favor of drawing irregular lines along the Los Angeles river bed and the railroads and setting the territory within these boundaries aside for industrial purposes, where factories of every sort would be free to locate without further molestation. But one part of the district stretches across the north end of Agricultural park, and Mr. Bowen declared a lumber yard would be directly opposite the new \$250,000 building the state will erect in the park. He said that he expected to have to ask the state for another \$250,000 to build a mill for the beautification of the park are con-

## DROMGOLD WANTS ACTION OUT OF VOTING MACHINES

Council Decides That They Should Be Used When Number of Candidates and Questions Permit

The council yesterday passed a resolution introduced by Councilman Dromgold rescinding its action in asking proposals for the sale of the fifty-two voting machines owned by the city, and declaring it the sense of the council that the machines should be used at every election when the number of candidates and questions on the ticket will permit.

This is the opening gun in a warm campaign Dromgold expects to wage to get the worth of the money out of the machines and save the election expenses, which are growing to be a serious factor, as Los Angeles has recently held an election nearly every month, and several more elections on

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that a contract be let for the collection and disposal of garbage and incombustible waste from residences at San Pedro, the contract to be similar to the contract recently awarded Chas. Alexander, excepting that the material may be deposited at a point immediately beyond the corporate limits.

"Seventh—I respectfully recommend that a contract be let for the collection and disposal of garbage and incombustible waste from residences at Terminal Island, the contract to be similar in its provisions as the one recently awarded to Charles Alexander, excepting that the material may be deposited at some remote point within the old corporate limits of Terminal Island, and that the contract be made for a period of one year.

## Terminal Island Cared For

"The board of public works has endorsed the recommendations made in the foregoing report, except the following amendments, to-wit: A minimum charge of 20 cents instead of 25 cents to be made for material delivered to the incinerator as suggested under the portion of the inspector of public works' report relating to the lease of the incinerator, for material mentioned in paragraph 5, and that there be added to the recommendation made by the inspector of public works in section 7 of his report, a clause providing for the depositing of the material mentioned therein at some point within the old corporate limits of Terminal Island to be designated by the inspector of public works.

"We respectfully recommend that with these amendments the said report be approved by some honorable body and that we be authorized to draw specifications for the various services referred to therein upon that basis.

"Eleventh—You have referred to us the proposed draft of an amendment to section 19 of ordinance No. 18375 (new series), entitled 'An ordinance regulating the making and refilling of excavations in streets, alleys, sidewalks and other public places,' which draft proposes to amend the said ordinance by changing the prescribed depth in public alleys at which oil tanks may be installed from twenty feet below the surface to a depth of only four and a half feet below the surface of the ground. The original ordinance was passed for the express purpose of keeping the alleys clear of tanks and other obstructions, in order that sewers and conduits may be given a clear right of way. If this amendment is passed it will defeat the purpose of the original ordinance by some honorable body and that we be authorized to draw specifications for the various services referred to therein upon that basis.

## SAN PEDRO MAY PAY FOR ITS OWN STORM DRAINS

Council Partially Abandons Its Former Attitude and Refers Petition to City Engineer

The city council yesterday partially abandoned the policy it has adopted of building no storm drains at the cost of an assessment district, when it referred the petition of San Pedro business men to the city engineer with instructions to begin proceedings to place a storm drain through the business section of that place.

When the San Pedro citizens petitioned for the storm drains they expected the property owners would have to bear the burden of the cost, but they are very anxious for some means of caring for the excess of storm water in the rainy seasons, and have expressed a willingness to pay for it.

The petition was first sent to the board of public works, but the board refused to take action in view of the policy adopted by the council to construct all future storm drains from the general tax fund or by bonds. The board asked the council for a recommendation, and the reference to the city engineer to begin proceedings was the result.

## WELCOMED TO THE FUTURE

"SERPENT'S TONGUE" TO BE OMITTED IN THE FUTURE

Publisher Will Leave Out Watson's Much Talked Of Poem Hereafter

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Poet William Watson was disappointed because he could not get a better title position, according to Miss Violet Asquith, daughter of the British premier. To this she attributed his astounding statements in America that she and her step-mother figured in his poem as "The Woman with the Serpent's Tongue."

She declared he had made her father's life miserable with his persistent demands and had failed.

The poet, according to Miss Asquith, asked for a large literary position and expected that the announcement of his knighthood would be made on the king's birthday a year ago.

When it did not come out he became peevish and blamed his mother and herself for not appreciating his greatness, she said.

The correspondent requested that Miss Asquith make a full statement of her side of the controversy, but she firmly declined.

John Tane, who published the volume of William Watson's poems which has had a big sale recently, announced last night that in all subsequent editions "The Woman with the Serpent's Tongue" will be omitted. On account of the notoriety of the poem, Watson's latest book was in strong demand. So long as the identity of "The Woman" remained a matter of guess work the

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## CANOPIES A MENACE, SAYS INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

The council yesterday sustained the board of public works in its position that no amendment be made to the building ordinance that will permit the building of canvas canopies from the entrances to cafes, apartment houses and other places of business to the edge of the sidewalk.

This action of the council means that a number of business men who have constructed these canopies in the last three months will have to take them down. The building inspector declares they are a fire menace, and the municipal art commission says they are unsightly. Under such an arrangement the canvas canopy will have to go.

## AURORA WOMEN PREPARE FOR "JACK THE SLASHER"

Small Revolvers Are Tucked Away in Muffs as Protection Against Mysterious Character

CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Aurora women who find it necessary to be on the streets after nightfall without escorts are carrying small revolvers tucked in their muffs as a means of protection against the mysterious "Jack the

## NEGRO GETS LIFE IMPRISONMENT

STOCKTON, Cal., Dec. 8.—Edward Pannington, a negro, convicted of the murder of Jacob Sleeper in a cell of the county jail several weeks ago, this afternoon was sentenced to life imprisonment.

## SLASHER WHO HAS MADE FIVE ATTACKS ON WOMEN IN THAT CITY IN THE LAST MONTH

In addition to the women who have armed themselves, fifty business men are on the lookout for the slasher. They threaten to shoot him down on sight.

They travel the streets at a distance of about a block behind women pedestrians or hide themselves in the shadow of buildings and shrubbery near where an attack might occur.

Chief of Police Michaels said last night that he had a line on the identity of the man and that his arrest might occur at any moment.

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