

NEWARK GOES AFTER STREET PAVING TRUST

Mayor of New Jersey City Denounces Methods of Bitulithic and Tells of Battle.

'Dummy' Bidders, Fake Improvement Associations Alleged to Be Factors in Big Monopoly.

According to a statement issued yesterday by Chairman Herbert L. Cornish of the Property Owners' Protective League, Newark, N. J., is having the same fight over patented pavements which is agitating Los Angeles.

A statement made by Mayor Gillen of Newark was given out for publication, and reads:

"About fifteen years ago the bitulithic company came into Newark, and from that time, for several years, no sheet asphalt was laid. When I entered the Board of Works I found the paving work was under control of—and that the city was in the grasp of—the 'paving ring.' I investigated and found that most of the pavements laid were bitulithic. Nobody could lay that particular material without buying it from Warren Brothers or paying their royalty. Nobody could bid on bitulithic except some 'dummy,' or a person selected by the bitulithic trust.

"Part of this paving process was to have a politician bid, and the company bid, and one or the other got the contract—no matter which. A promotion cost was allowed against the job, and this money went to the politician or the officials. I know I was offered a contribution by the bitulithic trust when I was running.

HAD NO COMPETITION.

"The bitulithic people have no competition, and can and do charge any price they please, and it is invariably higher than other pavements.

"The company's representative will tell you there is competition, but I will tell you of one case on the Pompton Turnpike. Bitulithic was specified and the bitulithic company was able to do the work for \$1.31 a square yard. Why, we figured it out that the same material would have cost any other contractor \$1.45 or \$1.46 a yard without counting any profit.

"We figured it out in Newark, also, and no contractor except the company or its 'dummy' has a chance in the world. I tried to point this out to our learned engineers at that time, but they were hypnotized, mesmerized and paralyzed by something. We kept up the fight, however, and showed the people that throughout the length and breadth of the United States wherever this company went there was scandal in its wake.

"It is one of the worst influences we have in public life today, because this very influence is the greatest blow to honesty in public life. Every candidate for office must come to it, or the company will support his opponent next time and it knows how to fight. It can play politics and it can lay pavements. It knows how to play the game.

TELLS HOW PLAN WORKS.

"This is one way the company goes about it: It gets a crowd together in a corner saloon and forms a fake improvement association, which raises a cry for street improvements in a certain ward. A representative of the company sits in and buys the drinks and cigars. Then it gets the signatures of property owners to petitions for paving by misrepresentation.

"Sometimes, when signatures for a few hundred feet of street were hard to get, the police force and the firemen were sent out by the boss who owned them and told to get the signatures. They were told: 'Say, how in the h— are we going to run a machine without grease? Go get the signatures.' My colleagues used to listen to me, but that was all they did. I even went to court and spent a couple hundred dollars of my own money to fight the bitulithic trust, but I was thrown out like a feather blown out of a window.

"Finally, our engineers decided to lay some sheet asphalt and I was congratulating myself that the fight was won. Then I looked at the specifications and found they provided that a paving firm bidding must own a plant within two miles of the city and, by George, the bitulithic company, was the only concern that had such a plant. It had me again.

"The specifications were finally rearranged and we had a lot of bidders—four or five, I think. One of them was for \$1.90 a yard, but the bid was too low. Why, when this company got in, it wanted to put down pavements everywhere—in alleys and up back streets where nobody would find them, because it seemed the more were laid the more somebody got.

SYSTEM DECLARED WRONG.

"The system of permitting solicitation of signatures is dishonest and wrong and should not be allowed.

"How are you going to stop it? By refusing to have bitulithic specified. Competition means the end of bitulithic. The two cannot exist together. It could come in and bid if it was honest, but it's not. The company could have come in and bid honestly and laid asphalt, for there is very little difference in the process; but after all these years we're still fighting bitulithic. It is ridiculous to talk about bitulithic when you can get sheet asphalt. It is now being laid in Philadelphia, New York, Trenton and other cities and it is meeting the requirements.

"These petitions should not be allowed to mislead the people. When we, as city officials, elected to protect the people's interests and act as their servants, permit them to be misled by getting a more costly pavement than they need, we are not true to our trust as public servants and we are parties to a dishonest deal.

"It is an outrageous thing to think that for fifteen years we have been the football of this Boston crowd, using every cheap-skate politician and every political scheme to put this paving over. After all these years the taxpayers ought to get a run for their money and a square deal all 'round.'—(Los Angeles Examiner, Sunday, August 31, 1919.

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Manila News

By JESSIE R. WADLEY

Meetings in Manila ward were started again last Sunday. There was a good attendance at all meetings but the officers are always glad to see that attendance raised.

An interesting talk was given in the M. I. A. meeting on the life of Emmeline B. Wells whose birthday was that day.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Swenson were reappointed as program committee for the month of March.

Mrs. Albert Olsen and children of Pl. Grove spent Monday visiting with Mrs. R. D. Wadley.

Letters received during this week from Elders Milten D. Radmall and Merrill N. Warnick state that they are enjoying their labors in the mission field.

Elder Radmall states that they are laying a great amount of rain in the south, while Elder Warnick reports zero weather in the north.

They are both enthusiastic in their work and making the most of their time.

The following celebrated Friday evening in honor of the birthdays of Will Ashman and Mrs. Willard Hol-

man at the home of Mrs. Luella Holman: Mr. and Mrs. Martin Monson, Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Swenson, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Monson, Mrs. Luella Holman, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Holman and Will Ashman.

Miss Beth Kampbell of Salt Lake was a visitor at D. E. Adams' home Sunday.

Milton Adams was a Salt Lake visitor Sunday. There must be some attraction there for Milton, as he quite often spends the day there.

Three new members entered school Monday morning, children of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Monson. They have been attending school at Garland. Three other members who have been out over a month also entered today, so that the attendance is up again to nearly normal.

Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Wadley spent Sunday in Garfield with relatives.

Miss Jessie Iverson is spending the week with her sister Eltha Monson in Salt Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Monson have a new baby in their home.

Ruell Paul spent Sunday and Monday in Salt Lake.

Peter Jeppeson purchased a new Ghevrolet car Monday. He will be able now to keep up with the fast drivers.

Messrs. Irving Johnson, Dan Adams, Ezra Swenson, Willard Holman and Ted McGuire motored to Salt Lake Thursday.

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B. L. Allyn

PHONE 67-W PLEASANT GROVE

Lyeon Johnson has been able this week to be about the house with the aid of his crutches and expects soon to be outside and up to school. Dr. Worlton has been over to see him recently and reports that he is doing fine.

Mrs. H. V. Swenson entertained Monday in honor of her birthday. Ice cream and cake were served. The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Atwood, Jr. and Mrs. H. B. Warnick, Mrs. Nettie Warnick, Mrs. C. P. Warnick and Miss Edna Warnick.

Fred Warnick and family of Provo were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Warnick Sunday.

Fred Ludwison expects to leave soon for Iowa to visit his mother.

Zoologist's Paradise. Messina, Sicily, is known as the paradise of zoologists. Unusual facilities are offered there for the study of the deep sea fauna.

Has Had Stomach Trouble for Seven Years.

Theodore Sanford of Fenmore, Mich. has had stomach trouble for seven years and could not eat vegetables or fruit without pain in the stomach and restless nights. By taking Chamberlain's Tablets he is now able to eat vegetables or fruit without causing pain or sleeplessness. If troubled with indigestion or constipation give these tablets a trial. They are certain to prove beneficial.

Woman's Wonderful Love. There is in the heart of woman such a deep well of love that no age can freeze it.—Bulwer-Lytton.

Marked End of Spanish Rule. In 1900, on December 21, the United States Philippine commission ordered that all the laws of the Philippine islands be printed in English and that English should be the official language of the islands. For 330 years the official language of the Philippines had been Spanish.

Gold Bricks. A gold brick, of the kind sold by clever swindlers to "easy marks," is a product of highly skilled workmanship. It is made of copper, alloyed with a little zinc, and is painted with real gold to which some mercury has been added. This gives a very smooth and satisfactory effect; and the mercury being evaporated by heat, a final varnish of "gilding wax" lends an attractive luster.

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Automobiles are something not every one can buy, to obtain one free without paying money for it is something that seldom occurs. Possession means pleasure, pleasure that only big money can buy—except in this campaign. The opportunity is open to men and women, whether residing in city or country. More prizes will be awarded to those residing in the outside districts than in the Salt Lake City districts.

Every man or woman, either married or single, over the age of sixteen years, has an equal chance to become the winner of an automobile. The ambition to succeed is the principal requisite.

Already many aspirants are beginning to participate in the campaign, but the long list of splendid prizes offers an enticing opportunity to many more. The **SALT LAKE HERALD** exercised much thought and care in selecting for these prizes automobiles that the ultimate winners will be proud to own. The \$2310 Oldsmobile Eight is a classy seven-passenger model. The Mitchell Six, costing \$1975 is another one of the luxurious prize cars. The \$1895 Liberty Six, \$1765 Buick Six, the \$1430 Oakland Six and the \$1225 Maxwell are among the beautiful awards. Every car is a 1920 model containing all the improvements and equipment that this year's cars will have.

The automobiles and other prizes can be won by the simple expedient of gathering votes. Free votes are published each day in the **SALT LAKE HERALD**, while thousands of additional votes can be secured by assisting in extending the circulation of the **SALT LAKE HERALD** among friends. Not only are the awards worth every effort, but the gathering of votes will prove a fascinating pursuit. Full details of the **HERALD'S** campaign with illustrated description of the six automobiles and everything necessary to start in the campaign will be mailed free by addressing the **SALESMANSHIP MANAGER, SALT LAKE HERALD, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.**

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