

Noxious smells from the city dump will not annoy residents in its vicinity nor passing motorists much longer. A new dump will be established as soon as possible on 12 acres of land the city will purchase from C.E. Lum south of the road to Terrace Heights providing no one objects to the site.

The new dump site fronts the Yakima river and lies within the east part of section 20. Its north line is 600 feet from the highway and the land is screened from public view by a thick fringe of trees. Although trees cover the property it will not be necessary to cut any of them out for a year at least. Their shade in summer will be a material factor in reducing the odors from the garbage.

As a large portion of the site has already been scooped for gravel it will be a long while before the refuse heap is level with the surrounding ground.

Garbage will be handled (hailed ?) to the southern part of the dump first and it will be several years before the northern portion nearer to the highway will have to be utilized, City Commissioners are unanimous in the belief that the site is ideal.

The old dump may be sold at auction and should bring a good price, the commissioners think. James Perry, chief of police declared this morning that he wouldn't mind buying it himself as the soil eventually will be excellent for farming in his opinion--Yakima Daily Republic, January 26, 1924.

Proposal of the city commission to move the city dump to the C.E. Lum property 600 feet south of Yakima avenue meets with approval of the majority of Terrace Heights residents according to several property owners of the district who telephoned Mayor William B. Dudley today.

Wesley F. Jones, camp ground proprietor, whose property adjoins the new site on the north, is the chief protestant, the mayor said, as claims the new dump will be more obnoxious than the present garbage disposal ground. A mass meeting has been called at the Terrace Heights school tonight where objectors and those favoring the change are scheduled to present their views.

WPrevailing winds are down the river and not up, "Mayor Dudley said" and for that reason alone the new site is much better than the one we have. It is the best site we could have selected within reasonable hauling distance of the city." Yakima Republic, January 27, 1924.

With a municipal garbage collection assured to the city as the result of its first effort at improving the health of North Yakima the citizens' health committee consisting of representatives of the various men's and women's clubs is distinctly encouraged, feeling that public sympathy is with it.

The act of the council Monday night empowering the health committee of that body to let a contract calling for collection from every home, the cost of the collection to be paid from the general city funds, is an essential step forward in the cleaning up of the alleys and in the removal of breeding places for flies.

It gives householders the right to call upon the garbage man to take the refuse from his back door quite as much as to call upon the policeman to arrest the burglar who is making off with the family silver.

The service gets paid for at the time of the annual tax assessment and will occasion merely part of the general groan which always goes up at that time, be the taxes large or small---

Yakima Herald, May 3, 1911.

Drainage

H.J. Shively--I believe our town should have a system of drainage to carry off the surface water. I believe ~~and~~ above all things however that we should have pure, clean water for the residents here and that reports current in the state newspapers should be probed into and if true, something done to remedy matters--
Yakima Herald, August 19, 1902.

Municipal Sewerage

The city election, which was held on Monday for the purpose of voting on the question of bonding the city for sewerage and for the election of a councilman to succeed B.F. Young, was hotly contested.

The question of sewerage was the main issue, a three-fifths vote being necessary for its carriage.

Many citizens failed to register which accounts for the small vote.

In the first ward there were 82 votes in favor of sewerage and 21 against. In the second ward there were 64 votes for and 35 against, resulting in the success of the proposition by 5-4-~~5~~ (copy) votes in excess of the necessary number.

For councilman Fred Parker received 69 votes to 35 for B.F. Young. Yakima Herald, April 2, 1891.

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Sewerage system

Mayor R.K. Nichols, message July 9, 1890, in part:

"On the 24th of March this council of the city received and accepted the report of an engineer on estimates of cost and a plan ...the matters were referred to a committee of three councilmen..with the exception they recommended that the proposed system be extended one block westward to Moxee avenue instead of Wenas avenue.

A ordinance, No. 118 was passed April 3, 1890 which ordains that all that portion of the city, the blocks between E and Spruce streets, between Front street and Natcheez avenue , between West Chestnut and West C streets, between Moxee avenue and the NPRR right of way, shall have sewer lines extending along at least two sides of said blocks."

Section seven of the ordinances provides that there shall be a suitable outflow into the Yakima river about 47,800 feet.

Section three provides that the system shall be sufficient to accommodate a city of 15,000 persons, and that it cost not more than \$40,000. The election was duly held and our citizens almost unanimously voted in favor.

The question now for us to consider as guardians of this municipality is this: "Is the proposed system for which the city willing to pay \$40000 principal with interest, adequate and sufficient to the wants and requirements.

The plat calls for a sewerage system of 89,260 feet in length, according to the saale. The engineer has given the city an estimate for only 31,000 feet at a total cost of \$28,865. This discrepancy I am unable to explain. ...which if added to the report will bring his se arage system to \$36,865 upon reaching the Yakima river for an outlet.

The system called for by ordinance No. 118 will cost

City progress

Water mains are now being extended down Spruce street to "atcheez avenue to supply the large number of houses being built in the southeastern part of the city--Yakima Herald, April 4, 1895.

Sewerage system

A petition was circulated this week and numerous signed asking the council to provide for the construction of a system of sewers throughout the city. It would be well to have this matter attended to at once as it is bound to come up within a brief time anyhow and the sooner the better.

A strong argument in favor of immediate action is that now the water mains are about to be laid one tearing up of the street will answer both purposes and the expense in consequence at that time would probably be less than another--Yakima Herald, February 20, 1890.

Sewerage

After some discussion of sewerage matters an adjournment was taken by the city council until next evening when the contract was let to R. Schmidt for \$36,000.

This was not the lowest bid, there being one in for \$250 less, but for some unexplainable reason this was not accepted although it was regular and the required certified check accompanied it.

The lowest bidders, Messrs Burke and O'Conner of Butte, Montana, have been in this line of business for eighteen years and Mr. O'Conner who was here, carried handsome letters of recommendation as to his ability and responsibility--Yakima Herald, July 23, 1891.

Miscellany

The city election on Tuesday resulted in the following:

Chambers 90, Stanton 87, Reynolds 83, Shardlow 57, legalizing the fundin g
city indebtedness, 150 for and 11 against. 8-28-90

The city has sent off for registration books and will have to vote hereafter under the Australian system adopted by the legislature. It is the impression that the bonding of the city for the building of sewers will have to be revoted upon.

Yakima Herald, June 19, 1890.

Miscellany

S.J. Lowe, the newly elected councilman, has resigned and his resignation accepted. The vacancy will be filled at the special election for voting on bonding the city.

The lectric light wires are being placed throughout the city and the poles distributed along the street. G-1 2 42

The council last Monday evening raised the city clerk's salary to \$450 and appointed Oscar A. Fechter to fill that position for the ensuing year. H.D. Cock was reelected marshal and J.D. Cornett treasurer. Capt. J.T. Kingsbury was appointed surveyor and O.F. Weed justice.

Herald. June 20, 1889

The city council has fixed the salary of the street commissioner at \$60 per month and instructed the city attorney to prepare an ordinance appropriating \$750 for the improvement of the city park in accordance with the contract entered into with Cant. Thomas when the land was purchased.

Yakima Herald, July 17, 1890 .

....After instructing the marshal to watch campers along the ditches in the city to see that the trees are not injured by camp fires the council adjourned. Yakima Herald, Oct. 4, 1894.

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Miscellany

The council on Monday appointed Syd W. Arnold city engineer. 6-19-90

Miss Laura DeForce Gordon of California will lecture on Woman Suffrage at the Opera House in this city May 2n at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Gordon is a lawyer and is one of the three women to be admitted to the supreme court of the United States. She is called the Webster of woman suffrage movement. *Herald, April 25, 1889*

A democratic club was organized in the courthouse on Saturday last. Dr. B.M. Savage was elected president, C.W. Liggett secretary and J.B. Reavis, E.M. Reed, Matt Bartholet, B. Wilkinson and F.D. Eshelman members of the executive committee. Herald, August 28, 1890.

Miscellany

The cityroad poll tax has been reduced from \$4 to \$3. 6-18-81