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A MUNICIPAL NEWSPAPER.

The Los Angeles "Municipal News" is demonstrating the feasibility of "a newspaper owned by the people." This paper is owned by the City of Los Angeles, it is published by the City of Los Angeles, it is edited officially by public servants of the City of Los Angeles, it sells for one cent a copy, and it is not a mere city record, but is a genuine city newspaper. Taking for its motto, "City business is your business," it keeps the public informed, in interesting journalistic style, of what they need to know and want to know. There is no suppression or discoloration, nor yet any editorial one-sidedness. So far as news is concerned, the facts are presented intelligently and fairly; so far as opinions are concerned, every side of a question is given its hearing, and every local political party has accorded it editorial space for its own authorized editorial writer. The policy of this paper was well illustrated in the issue of May 22nd, in connection with a pending election on six initiative and referendum questions to be voted upon the following week. Under large and lucid headlines, each was succinctly stated and explained in good newspaper type after this manner:

"The fourth question is on the ballot because the Los Angeles Railway and the Pacific Electric Railway procured a referendum on it. They oppose it because it seeks to investigate their books and accounts, appraise their physical property and fix and regulate rates. The ordinance was proposed by the Municipal League, but the only argument on the question sent out with the sample ballots is one against the measure, in red ink, by the traction companies and bearing their signatures."

This measure by the way, was overwhelmingly carried on the 28th. Whether or not the Los Angeles News justifies Professor Ross' ideal of an endowed general newspaper, it justifies the municipal experiment in Los Angeles sufficiently to make it the duty of other municipalities to take the question of "following suit" into early and serious consideration.

BUILD DOCKS NOW.

Preliminary stages in acquisition of public docks for the City of Portland have reached a definite stage at last, if perfecting title does not develop a prolonged legal battle. Members of the Commission have proceeded deliberately, far more so than some enthusiastic advocates of public docks desired. A construction period should be near now, that the docks planned may be available for the heavy water traffic requirements expected soon to be a feature of Portland's commerce.

Steamship men have commented in the past that we had no facilities for handling the largest craft. Because of the inadequacy in this line, the managers of one large Portland business house says that for years he had in-bound Oriental cargo landed at Tacoma and shipped here by rail, finding that cheaper than trying to dock for the unloading of miscellaneous cargo in Portland. Such criticism as this hurts the port. Vigilant public spirit should have learned this fact long ago and taken steps to remedy it before the present public dock movement began.

Shipping men must commend the effort being made by the engineers of the Dock Commission to adopt the most modern loading and unloading apparatus. In the handling of wheat, Portland has no doubt been fairly abreast competitive improvements. But for general cargo it is clear that the privately-owned docks have given little heed to labor-saving appliances which other great ports of the world use. Pacific Coast wages are high, and if we fall behind in use of mechanical equipment here the result will be against the business of the port.

Let us hope the condemnation proceedings will bring no cause for material delay in construction work. We need modern docks for large craft and we need a system which will study interchange of traffic at the minimum cost rather than a condition which studies only embarrassment of a competitor. Public docks should be the first step in the new navigation period, when it should be impossible for the American-Hawaiian, Waterhouse or other interests to declare that they could not handle their largest crafts here.

An all-inclusive bill, to be denominated, "The Ocean Safety Act of 1912," designed to cover all the navigation lessons drawn from the Titanic disaster, was introduced in the Senate on the 3rd by Senator Knute Nelson, of Minnesota, chairman of the Commerce Committee. This bill includes stringent regulations for better wireless equipment, continuously operated, on ocean and great lakes vessels carrying fifty or more persons, as provided in a bill which passed the House on the 3rd, and almost identical with a bill already passed by the Senate. This wireless section vests control of the apparatus in the master of the vessel, and, to avoid the wireless communication being shut off by failure of the vessel's engines, requires a powerful auxiliary power supply that can communicate 100 miles at all times. The Nelson bill would recognize foreign steamship laws whenever they are as effective as American laws and regulations. The bill also would equip every passenger craft leaving an American port with sufficient lifeboats to accommodate everybody aboard together with other safety equipment, and would create a commission of five persons to investigate here and abroad merchant marine construction. It would require rigid port examination and boat drills, define qualifications of seamen, penalize failure to assist any person in distress at sea, and make criminally liable any master, managing owner, steamship director or principal resident agent of a foreign steamship for sending from an American port a vessel so unseaworthy as to endanger life.

As no one could be found to risk his money in a moving picture show in the small town of Haven, in Reno County, Kansas, and as nevertheless every one in the place enjoyed moving pictures, a "show" has been started on the municipal ownership plan, which has proved a great success. When the receipts are larger than the expenses, free shows are given.

OREGON NEWS NOTES OF GENERAL INTEREST

Events Occurring Throughout the State During the Past Week.

Contractors Are Blamed.
Medford.—The coroner's jury, on the dynamite explosion which resulted in the death of five men at the Jacksonville stone quarry brought in a verdict after 30 minutes' deliberation of criminal negligence on the part of the contractors, Twoby Brothers, of Spokane. It was found that the cause of the explosion was tamping powder with an iron drill.

Lightning Hits 6 at Klamath Falls.
Klamath Falls.—Six persons were struck by lightning here in a storm which preceded the most severe downpour of hail ever recorded in Klamath county. None of those struck will die, it is thought, although one, a baby in arms, is in a critical condition. Three inches of hail fell in less than half an hour.

New Temple is Dedicated.
Corvallis.—Over 400 visiting members of the order assisted in the dedication of the new Masonic Temple here. The new building was recently completed, at a cost of \$50,000, and occupies 100 feet square in the business section.

GREAT PROJECT PLANNED

Coos County Water Power May Cost \$1,000,000.

Marshfield.—What it is believed will be one of the greatest water powers in Oregon is to be developed in Coos county by Oregon capital at the cost of about \$1,000,000. The plan is to build an enormous electric plant, the electricity to be generated by water power and to supply all of the towns of the county and rural and logging districts. The matter has been under consideration for some time and the men interested before leaving this city announced that they were going ahead with the big project at once.

M. J. Anderson, of Grants Pass, promoted the plan. The water power in question is on the south fork of the Coquille river, south of Myrtle Point. The water right would develop 30,000 horsepower and under certain conditions of improvements possibly as high as 50,000 horsepower. The plan is to develop 20,000 horsepower, first making two units of 5000 horsepower each.

Big Contract Secured.
Hood River.—L. G. Westfall has secured a contract from the Northwestern Electric company, which has begun the construction of a huge dam on the White Salmon river, just opposite this city, to saw the 3,000,000 feet of timbers to be used in the building of the dam.

Crown Mills Burn, Loss is \$100,000.
Portland.—As a climax to a series of fires, in which one ended fatally, the three upper floors of the Crown mills, foot of Pettigrove street, and owned by Balfour, Guthrie & Co., were gutted by fire. The damage is estimated at \$75,000 to \$100,000.

CURTIS SUCCEEDS JAMES

Governor Appoints Him Superintendent of State Prison.

Salem.—Confronted with a refusal by the members of the state purchasing board to approve certain bills with relation to the penitentiary unless certified by the superintendent as required by law, Governor West appointed Warden F. H. Curtis to the superintendency of the state prison, and scarce had his appointment been made out before he elevated John J. Bengen, assistant warden, to the wardenship. He announced that there would be no further changes.

The move of placing Curtis at the head of the institution came following disagreement on the board as to whether certain vouchers should be paid because they lacked the signature of an actual superintendent, Warden Curtis holding both positions, being superintendent under the title of acting superintendent.

Lightning Strikes Grants Pass.
Grants Pass.—The transformer house of the local light and power company was struck by lightning and the city is without electric light or power. Three of the six main transformers were burned out and the building and switchboards wrecked.

Fine Stock is Exhibited at Union.
Union.—The fourth annual livestock show closed here with a good attendance and a large entry list. Stockmen from a radius of many miles had their best animals entered.

Pender Jury Dismissed.
St. Helens.—The jury in the case of John Arthur Pender, charged with the murder of Mrs. Daisy Wehrman, was dismissed by Judge Campbell without reaching a verdict.

FLAG DAY JUNE 14



June 14, 1912, is the one hundred and thirty-fifth anniversary of the adoption by congress of the Stars and Stripes as the national emblem.

OLYMPIC TEAM SELECTED

Western Men Prominent Among Athletes to go to Stockholm.
New York.—The American Olympic selection committee spent the entire day in picking the athletes who will represent the United States in the Olympic games at Stockholm.

From the 1099 entries in each event only those who had shown the best performances were selected. In addition there was a supplementary list arranged, but the men mentioned will have to pay their own expenses.

Western athletes, headed by Horine, the sensational high jumper, and Rose, champion shot putter, play a prominent part in the Olympic nominations. The westerners consist of Horine, Bellah, Courtney, Gerhardt, Edmundson, McClure, Beeson, Hawkins, Kelley, Allen, Donahue and Rose.

Blue Sky Law in Oregon.
Salem, Or.—Complete and corrected drafts of the proposed "blue sky law" have been completed by Secretary Olcott, the bill has gone into the hands of the printer and circulation of petitions will start soon for the purpose of placing the measure in the ballot to go before the people in November.

Great Tacoma Lumber Plant Burned.
Tacoma.—Mill "A" of the St. Paul & Tacoma Lumber company on the tide flats, built in 1888, and four lumber sheds containing several million feet of lumber, was destroyed by fire with an estimated loss of \$500,000.

TOWNS ARE BURIED UNDER FOOT OF ASH

Kodiak, Alaska.—Kodiak and Woody Island villages are buried under a foot of ashes as a result of the eruption of Katmai volcano beginning Thursday afternoon and lasting 48 hours.

No lives were lost here, but many other settlements nearer the volcano must have suffered indescribably. On some parts of the island the ashes are 20 feet deep. Vegetation and animal life have been killed and the wireless station at Kodiak destroyed.

Governor Clark has cabled to Washington asking \$100,000 from congress for relief purposes in the stricken district.

Mount Hayes May be Active.
Fairbanks, Alaska.—Persons arriving from the south bring reports of heavy cannonading in the foothills of the Alaska range, and it is supposed that volcanoes are in action. The sounds come from the vicinity of Mt. Hayes. Ashes are falling here, and the sun is obscured.

Convicts' Strike Results Fatally.
San Quentin, Cal.—Live steam was turned into the kitchen of San Quentin penitentiary before a malignant prisoners' "grub strike" that was started in the dining-room was quelled.

One rioter was shot dead in a doorway of the dining-room by an outside guard on the prison wall, and one was wounded.

Chinese Hardly in Daily Peril.
Peking.—Hardly a day passes without the discovery of some plot to assassinate President Yuan Shi Kai, who is equally hated by the supporters of the fallen Manchus and by the republicans who believe that he contemplates establishing a monarchy or dictatorship of his own.

THE MARKETS.

Portland.
Wheat—Track prices: Club, 94c; bluestem, 98c; red Russian, 94c.
Oats—No. 1 White, \$40 per ton.
Hay—Timothy, \$17; alfalfa, \$12.
Butter—Creamery, 27c.
Eggs—Ranch, 20c.
Hops—1911 crop, 38c; contracts, 25c.
Wool—Eastern Oregon, 18c; Willamette valley, 22c.
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Hay—Timothy, \$17 per ton.

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