



# The Evening News

**Daily Weather Report**  
 Unsettled, Occasional Threatening Tonight and Friday Cooler.  
 Lowest temp. last night ... 49  
 Highest temp. yesterday ... 83

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ROSEBURG, DOUGLAS COUNTY, OREGON, THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 1916.

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## MUCH BUSINESS DISPOSE OF BY COUNCIL

### Residents of Hamilton Street File Cross Petitions.

### ORDINANCE REGULATING FIRE DEPT. READ

### Fines and Imprisonment is Penalty for Violating Ordinance Which Regulates Vehicles On Way to and at Fires in City.

With all but Councilmen Kidd and Hamilton in attendance the city council met in a busy and stormy session last night.

The first matter considered was a petition from Alexander Schindler that he be permitted to use the fire hose which has been vacated on Lane street directly across the track. The petition was denied.

A petition was then read which asked that the council pave Hamilton street from Orcutt to Waite street with concrete pavement. It was signed by property owners representing 600 feet of property. A cross petition was entered by Mr. Parklow asking that the street be not paved and this was signed by property owners representing 350 feet. A tie resulted on the vote to leave the matters in the hands of the streets committee, the mayor casting the deciding vote for further investigation.

Harry Hildeburn, the contractor who is improving East Third street asked for an extension of time for 30 days. His time for this work expired the last of the month, but on account of the rainy weather, he has been unable to work the street properly. With the further extension, he stated last night that he could probably finish the paving in two weeks. The extension was granted.

Councilman McClintock reported that he had given permission for the fire house in West Roseburg to be moved to Bogards' addition, as the west side was adequately protected by the new truck while the north side addition was much harder to reach.

Councilman Giles stated that in allowing the bills for the recent special election that \$4.00 had been allowed each member of the election board. He considered this an excessive sum in view of the fact that only \$3.00 was allowed by the county for a longer working period. He advised that an ordinance regulating the payment of election bills be drawn by the city attorney before the next election.

Some time ago Councilman Powell was ordered to see that a tree in Miller's addition was removed. He stated that he had sent the members of the street cleaning department to do the work but as the tree was hollow they were afraid to attempt it. He promised to have it removed at once.

The health and police committee reported that they had granted permission to the school board to construct the drain from the chemical laboratory to the main sewer of tile instead of metal as provided in the plumbing ordinance, as the latter material would be injured by the action of the chemicals used.

The reports of the electrical committee, street cleaning department, city marshal and electrical inspector were read and approved.

The council requested that the city recorder prepare a monthly report to be read in open meeting.

The engineer's final estimate for the improvement of the city hall was read and allowed in the sum of \$432.25.

An ordinance regulating the fire department was read for the first and second time. The ordinance provides that any person driving a vehicle of any nature over the fire hose shall be fined upon conviction in a sum of not more than \$50 or 20 days in jail. It also prohibits driving or leaving a vehicle in any street or road in such a manner as to

interfere with the fire truck on its way to the fire, the penalty in each instance being the same as in the first provision.

In the case of fire the fire department shall have the right-of-way over all vehicles and the chief shall have the right to impress into service any able-bodied man over the age of 18 years.

No person other than firemen, councilmen, or men who have been impressed into service, shall be allowed to ride on the truck on its way to a fire.

It was decided to leave the ordinance until next meeting before its final passage, as it is desired to give the firemen police power during a conflagration and this was not included in the original ordinance.

Al Creason called attention to a place in Second Avenue South where a water main had been laid across the street and the ground allowed to settle, leaving the road almost impassable.

The mayor called attention to the fact that some of the improvement fund warrants of the year 1913 were still outstanding on account of delinquent assessments and stated that some action should be taken. The matter was left in the hands of the finance committee.

The mayor also stated that the Mersey hospital officials had made a complaint about grass and weeds being allowed to grow on the abutting property. The marshal was instructed to serve notice on the property owners to clean up.

## TEDDY MAY ADDRESS THE REPUBLICANS

### Will Speak if it is the Desire of the Convention.

### CONVENTION WILD TO NOMINATE COL.

### Radical Leaders Are With Difficulty Kept From Presenting The Name Of Their Favorite.

OYSTER BAY, June 8.—Responding to an invitation from William P. Jackson to address the republicans, Roosevelt telegraphed that he would be glad to address the convention, if the convention desires. He urged the republicans and progressives to realize the gravity of the crisis, and not aim to merely nominate a man who can be elected, but a man of proved ability. He criticized the Wilson administration and emphasized the need of unified Americanism and preparedness. He denounced the German-Americans, asserting they were exerting a strong influence upon the convention.

Not Authorized to Invite Teddy. The United Press handed Harding a copy of the Roosevelt telegram. Harding said "Roosevelt is always interesting and a leading American, but the chairman has no authority to invite him and recognize him as a speaker, except on the order of the convention."

Adjourns Until 4 P. M. After listening to the three speeches, the convention recessed at 1:30 until 4 o'clock, when the platform will be adopted.

Insist on Roosevelt. AUDITORIUM, Chicago, June 8.—Despite the statement from Roosevelt, offering to address the republicans, and making another plea for harmony, the radical bull moose announced this afternoon that they were going ahead with their plans to nominate the colonel, before the close of the afternoon's session of the progressive convention.

Postpone Roosevelt Nomination. AUDITORIUM, Chicago, June 8.—Perkins prevailed upon Parker and the other radical leaders, to postpone the nomination of Roosevelt until tomorrow if possible in order to control the delegates. It had been planned to nominate him at five this afternoon. Parker or Johnson will speak to the delegates, saying that Perkins earnestly desires postponement of the nomination, which might ruin Roosevelt's chances for receiving the nomination by the republicans. The delega-

## USE HOT WORDS AT MEETING OF COUNCIL

### Former Contract Ridiculed by John Hunter.

### PERSONAL DEMONSTRATION RESENTED

### Statement that Mayor Bode at Head of Procession Which Stopped in Front of Hunter Home Brand-ed as Damnable Lie.

For the first time since the conception of the Roseburg & Eastern Railroad project the city council and John Hunter, leader of the opposition forces came to words in an open meeting. The city council met last night in a meeting postponed from the regular gathering of Monday night, when out of respect to mayor whose father had just died, council adjourned to meet at 7:30 Wednesday evening. Early in the session last evening Hunter came upon the scene evidently with some matter which he desired to present before the council.

The regular business was disposed of and council seemed on the act of adjourning when the fireworks were started by Councilman Shambrook, who rose and addressed the chair and asked for the opinion of the city attorney as to whether or not the city had the right to pay for the plans and specifications from the general fund. According to the opinion of Mr. Shambrook the city council has no right to pay money from the general fund of the city for this work and as the bond issue is to go to the contractor there would be no money on hand with which to pay the engineer for his labor. Mr. Shambrook asked that the city attorney be instructed to give an opinion on this matter as soon as possible.

Engineer Hicks then stated that he had hired a stenographer to be ready to work Thursday morning and unless he was certain that the money was to be paid for her work he would not like to have her put

tion hooted when it was moved to appoint a conference committee to meet the republicans.

in her time, although for himself he was willing to take a chance on the matter.

Mr. Shambrook stated that as the council had authorized the engineer to go ahead with the work that the money would have to be furnished and that it would be made up individually in case it could not be taken from the general fund; but that for himself he desired to make a protest against the payment from this fund and to be relieved from payment to see it was necessary to raise the amount among the body of the council.

Mr. McClintock expressed his surprise that such an argument should come from a member of the council. He said that it was a strange argument to him that when the people had voted with such a majority for a proposition that there should be any question as to whether or not the city could expend money to protect itself. He held that the general fund was open to any such expense and that the vote of the people gave the council the perfect right to protect itself in every way.

### Hunter Favors Hicks.

Mr. Hunter then rose and addressing the mayor asked for permission to speak to the council. When the permission was given he stated that he had learned from authentic sources that there was a movement on foot among the Kendall supporters to discredit City Engineer Hicks. He stated that the action of the engineer in preparing a contract which would be to the advantage of the city and cause the company to expend more money than would have been done under their former agreement had brought them to a position where they were opposed to allowing the engineer to prepare further plans. He stated that in his opinion Mr. Hicks was entirely competent to prepare a contract which would protect the city, and should be given the support of the entire council in his work.

"Do you mean to intimate," asked Councilman Shambrook, "that I am supporting the Kendall company because of my previous statement?"

Mr. Hunter responded in words to the effect that he did not think that such was the case. Continuing he dressed the council, and drawing from his pocket the original document which was signed by the council, he shouted: "This contract, gentlemen, which you signed, is a disgrace and will go down in history as such. It is a disgrace not only to the city of Roseburg, but a disgrace to everyone of you who signed it and because I opposed it you hung effigy on the main corner of the town, you stormed my house and

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## HARDING MADE PERMANENT CHAIRMAN

### Republicans Adopt Suffrage By Close Margin.

### NATIONAL PROHIBITION PLANK DEFEATED

### Justice Hughes Refuses to Make Statement When Shown Copy of Speech Denouncing His Candidacy.

COLISEUM, Chicago, June 8.—The first spontaneous outbreak of the republican convention came when it was announced that Harding had been made permanent chairman. The cheering lasted for five minutes, despite the attempts of Harding with his gavel to stop it.

### Suffrage May Lose Out.

COLISEUM, Chicago, June 8.—Although the republican platform committee endorsed woman suffrage with a vote of 26 to 21 after a lively fight, the opponents immediately threatened to demand a re-consideration because seven members were absent. It is expected that the fight against suffrage will be renewed on the floor of the convention, as Borah announced it would not be reconsidered in the committee. The committee defeated the universal military training plank 33 to 19, and adopted a plank denouncing the democratic foreign policy.

### Adopt Suffrage Plank.

The committee on resolutions adopted a suffrage plank by a close margin after a long fight. A plank endorsing national prohibition was defeated, and one for rural credits was adopted unanimously.

### Committee to Report at 3 P. M.

After the adoption of the rules for the permanent organization, the convention marked time until the resolutions committee is ready to report. It was expected to reach the resolutions by three o'clock, when the convention expected to proceed to the nominating of candidates immediately thereafter. While loafing, the convention listened to speeches by Chauncey Depew, Joe Cannon and Senator Borah. Depew sprung two Ford jokes which were greeted

with great applause.

Hughes is Still Silent. WASHINGTON, June 8.—Unless Hughes is nominated at Chicago, he will make no announcement, the United Press learned this afternoon from a source of unquestioned authenticity. Hughes was shown a copy of the speech of Representative Murray, denouncing his candidacy, but he declined to make any comment.

### WILSEY TO CONFER WITH PERKINS ON DEVELOPMENT

### Plans Include Expenditure of About \$10,000,000 in Coos Bay and Douglas County Territories.

PORTLAND, June 8.—W. J. Wilsey, original promoter of the railroad from Eugene to Coos Bay, who announced a few days ago at Marshfield that the English capitalists whom he represents were planning to spend in the neighborhood of \$10,000,000 developing the Coos Bay and Douglas county territories, is expected to come to Portland today for a conference with J. W. Perkins, president of the railroad commission of Roseburg, and other parties who are interested with him in the big enterprise.

Included in the proposed development is a plan to build a railroad from Roseburg to Coos Bay pursuant to a program launched about two years ago, when the residents of Roseburg voted bonds in the sum of \$500,000 to help finance the road. Mr. Perkins, who is now at the Hotel Portland awaiting the arrival of Mr. Wilsey, is the president of the commission which controls this fund.

Mr. Wilsey is a Portland man who had offices here until called east two years ago to buy supplies, it is understood, for the British government.

Sir Robert Perks, of the English firm of McArthur Perks Company, is said to be back of Mr. Wilsey.

## KEY TO VERDUN IS IN GERMAN HANDS

### The French Admit Important Position Has Fallen.

### HAS BEEN SCENE OF TERRIFIC FIGHTING

### Russian Successes Against The Austrians Are Confirmed in The Official Dispatches From Petrograd.

PARIS, June 8.—The French today officially admitted that the Germans occupied Fort Vaux. The communique said: "After seven days of the fiercest fighting, the garrison at Vaux is completely exhausted, and could no longer prevent the occupation of the ruined fort by the Germans. The French still hold their positions on the outskirts of the fort, and trenches to the right and left, and all German attacks against these positions have been repulsed."

### Fort is Key to Verdun.

Vaux is called the key to Verdun, and is one of the circle of forts four miles from the citadel. Beyond are forts Thiaumont, Souville, Tavannes and Mt. Mithel. Vaux stands on a hill three hundred feet high with sharply inclined slopes. For several weeks it has been the scene of the fiercest fighting, and has alternately been ripped with artillery and infantry attacks.

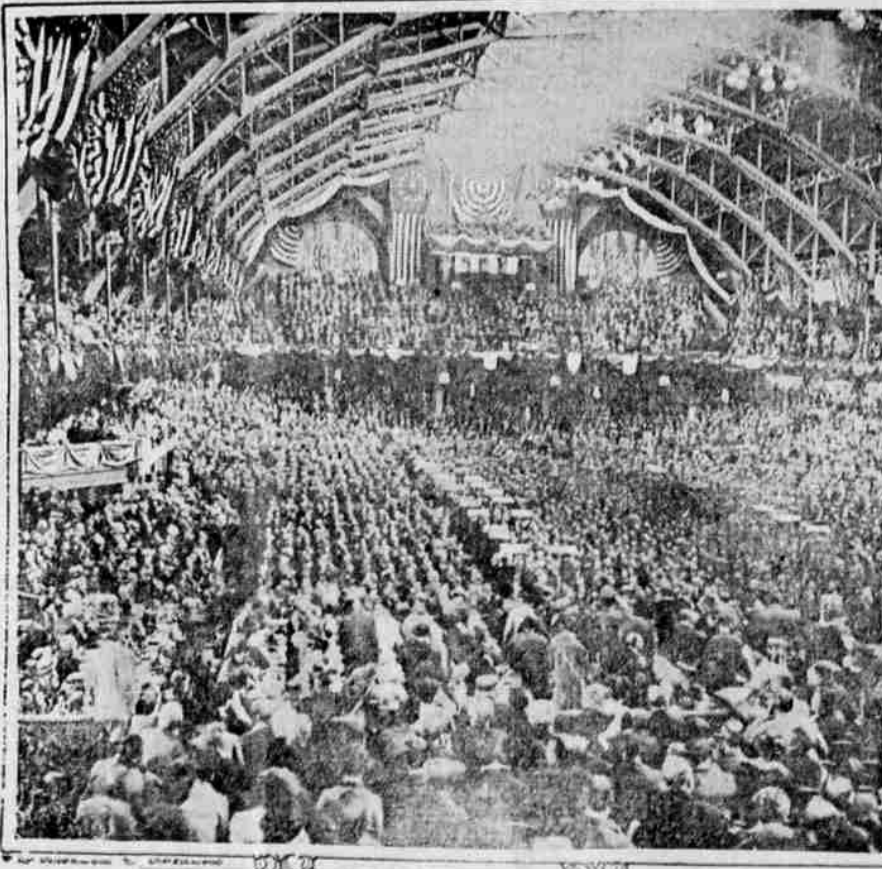
### Admit Loss of More Cruisers.

LONDON, June 8.—The German official statement received at Amsterdam admits the sinking of the battle cruiser Lutzow, and the small cruiser Rostock, at the battle of Skagerak. The boats sank while enroute to their harbor after the battle.

### Russian Successes Confirmed.

LONDON, June 8.—Confirmation of the Russian successes are contained in the Austrian headquarters report, admitting their retreat five kilometers near Okna, in north-eastern Bukovina. The artillery attacks of the Russians are described as being tremendous. The greatest Russian concentration is between Brody and Pruth. The Austrians say the Russians are using an unbelievably large number of shells.

## G. O. P. NATIONAL CONVENTION IN SESSION AT CHICAGO IN 1912



In the same big hall in Chicago where they held their national convention four years ago the Republicans will assemble on June 7 next. This picture shows the G. O. P. national convention in session at the Coliseum in 1912.