



CITY MUST BE GIVEN PROTECTION

Mayor Will Not Sign Ordinance Until Sawmill is Assured.

BONDS MAY BE REQUIRED OF LUMBER CO.

Mayor Calls Meeting of Railroad Committee and Puts Views Before Them So They May Know Why He Didn't Sign Ordinance.

That the city must be assured that a saw mill will be constructed and operated in the event that the railroad is constructed, is the position taken by Mayor Rice in refusing to sign the ordinance passed by the council Monday night. At a meeting of the railroad committee at the office of the mayor last evening, Mr. Rice stated his views and after deliberation received the support of the members of the committee.

It is the mayor's contention that the Kendall Lumber Company must give the city written assurance backed by a bond that in the event the city builds a railroad to the timber in the North Umpqua basin that it will start construction of a mill and will have it completed and ready for operation at the time the railroad is completed, which according to the terms of the specifications, is to be within two years.

In the present status of affairs the city is absolutely unprotected and if the railroad was built and the Kendall Company desired to change their minds about the erection of a saw mill, the city would be left with a white elephant on its hands, which would not only be difficult to dispose of but would be wasting thousands of dollars annually. The ordinance was passed by the city council at the meeting Monday night and by its provisions adopts the plans and specifications and orders the city recorder to advertise for bids. According to the city charter an ordinance must be signed by the mayor or vetoed within ten days after which time in the event the measure is vetoed, the council may pass it without his signature if they so desire.

In order to let the council know the reason he had not signed the terms of the ordinance, Mayor Rice last night called a meeting of the railroad committee and the attorneys. At this meeting the mayor gave them his reasons and asked that they be given careful consideration. The committee discussed the matter for several hours and all of them personally expressed their opinion that the city must be protected before it attempted a construction of as serious a nature as the Roseburg & Eastern railroad.

The council will get into communication with Mr. Kendall as soon as possible and will endeavor to obtain from him such terms as it deems necessary to insure the erection of a mill when the contract for the railroad is let. It has been understood that the Kendall Lumber Company desires to first obtain a lease on the road, before they enter into an agreement to build the saw mill and Mr. Kendall will be asked in regard to this matter.

It is not believed to be to the best interests of the city to go ahead with the contract, but the railroad and equip it for operation under the present plans and specifications if it is not to be used as a logging road and to be leased and operated by a lumber company. Under the specifications and plans as adopted by the ordinance the railroad would prove very costly for maintenance expense and would cost the city many thousands of dollars annually besides the interest on the \$200,000 bond issue.

With the railroad built to supply logs to a saw mill constructed at the same time as the road and ready for operation at the same time and with the road leased to a company which gives a bond to operate it and pay

the maintenance charges it would be a paying investment for the city, according to the belief of the council, and of the citizens who voted for it with such an overwhelming majority.

The mayor stated that he could not conscientiously rush headlong into the matter in order that the railroad might be started at once, but would take things more slowly and give them careful consideration from all angles before binding the city to an investment which will tax it for years to come. Before he will sign the document he says the city must first be protected in every way and then he will gladly sanction the expenditure of money for the purpose of building the railroad.

MOUNT LASSEN ONCE MORE ON RAMPAGE

REDDING, Cal., July 13.—Mount Lassen is again on a rampage. Late yesterday afternoon the volcano burst into activity with a blast of smoke and ashes rising to a height of several thousand feet.

As it rose, the smoke expanded into a huge mushroom, shadowing the earth for miles around. The eruption, the first big one since October 31, 1915, was classified as No. 122 by observers who have kept track of the volcano's outbursts since the series started over a year ago.

NEW LEADERS READY FOR THE FALL CAMPAIGN

Republican Executive Committee is Selected.

E. B. HERMANN OF DOUGLAS IS ONE

Five Are Progressives of the 16 Members—First Meeting to Be July 22—To Start Ball Rolling For November.

To manage the campaign of Hughes and Fairbanks in Oregon the following coalition committee of republicans and progressives has been announced:

S. S. Smith, of Medford, republican.

E. B. Hermann, of Roseburg, republican.

Walter L. Toose, Jr., of Dallas, republican.

T. J. Mahoney, of Heppner, republican.

Thomas H. Tongue, Jr., of Hillsboro, republican.

A. A. Baile, of Portland, republican.

Willard Marks, of Albany, republican.

Clyde Huntley, of Oregon City, republican.

Marion Jack, of Pendleton, republican.

Thomas E. Neuhausen, of Portland, progressive.

Alfred E. Clark, of Portland, progressive.

Arthur I. Moulton, of Portland, progressive.

David L. Povey, of Portland, progressive.

Frank H. Lewis, of Portland, progressive.

Charles L. McNary, republican state chairman and Edwin D. Baldwin, republican secretary, are ex-officio chairman and secretary, respectively, of the campaign committee.

The republican members of the campaign committee are the nine members of the executive committee. The executive committee, by resolution adopted by the republican state central committee, makes it mandatory on the state chairman to appoint on the executive committee only members of the state committee, thus eliminating the appointment of outsiders. The resolution also provides that the executive committee of nine shall be the result-

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VERDUN AGAIN STORMED BY GERMANS

Seventh Assault Upon Famous French Fortress.

ARTILLERY PAVES WAY FOR THE ATTACK

Second Phase of the British Offensive Approaching a Crisis Near the City of Albert.

PARIS, July 13.—Dense masses of Germans are storming the approaches of Fort Souville. This is the seventh great assault at Verdun since the battle started 146 days ago. The violence of the attacks yesterday furnished unmistakable evidence that Germany is determined to continue the Verdun attack regardless of the critical position of the other fronts. The Germans bombarded violently during the night but made no infantry attacks. The Germans have spent eighteen days of artillery preparation for the present efforts.

Second British Offensive Begins.

LONDON, July 13.—Heavy artillery battling occurred in several sectors of the British front last night, but the general situation is unchanged, General Haig reported this afternoon. West of Wythemetz, the Germans attempted a raid but were repulsed. The second phase of the British offensive is approaching a crisis northeast of Albert, where the English are striving to advance two miles to the heights of Martinpuich. The Germans have thrown two army corps into action there, counter attacking savagely, particularly southeast of Contalmaison, where a German success would halt the entire British advance. The British correspondents report the English losses severe only where there was close fighting for the possession of villages. The German correspondents, admitting the powerful offensive, declared the losses of the attackers were only comparable with Verdun. No Canadian or Australian troops participated in the Somme offensive, the New Foundlanders, however, distinguished themselves. On the eastern front, operations east of Kovel, have reached a temporary lull.

FRANK LANDERS ILL

Frank Landers, of North Deer Creek, is reported to be seriously ill at his home today. Mr. Landers has

been in poor health for some time and yesterday while driving the cultivator in the hot sun met with an accident which aggravated his case considerably. He was riding in the seat of the machine when one of the reins broke, allowing him to fall to the ground, striking his head on a large stone. He was taken to the house in an unconscious condition, and has been in a very serious condition since that time.

HUGHES DOES NOT YET KNOW HE RECEIVED NOMINATION

NEW YORK, July 13.—Charles Evans Hughes, the republican standard bearer for the coming election, will be formally notified of his nomination on July 31, at Carnegie hall in this city. Senator Harding made this announcement following a conference with Chairman Wilcox and Mr. Hughes.

LIGHTNING STRIKES CHEMICAL TANK; THREE MEN ARE KILLED

BUFFALO, July 13.—Three men were blown to pieces today and five others fatally injured by an explosion which partially wrecked the plant of the Semet-Solway company. A bolt of lightning which struck a shed filled with chemicals was responsible for the explosion.

MR. STRANGE IS FORMER RESIDENT

Mr. A. C. Strange, superintendent and morning lecturer of the Roseburg chautauqua, is a former resident of Douglas county and is greatly enjoying his visit to Douglas county, as it is affording him an opportunity to again meet with the many friends of his early life here.

He was born at Wilbur where the first few years of his life were spent. He is the youngest brother of the family of which Dr. Strange, a well known resident of Roseburg until his death a few years ago, was also a member. During the past few years Mr. Strange has been located at Baker, Oregon, where he holds the position of city superintendent of the public schools. In this line of work he has proven very successful, and has introduced many new systems of school government and instruction, which have placed the public schools of Baker among the foremost of the state.

For many years he has been actively associated with chautauqua work and is considered one of the most able superintendents and morning lecturers in the system.

PLOTS AGAINST CARRANZA THICKEN

Villa Furnished Munitions by Treacherous Leader.

HOPED TO RESTORE BANDIT LEADER

Attack Upon American Troops At Carrizal Intended to Cause War Between the Two Nations.

EL PASO, July 13.—The information that General Trevino, who has had the confidence of Carranza in many important missions, furnished the army of Villa with munitions of war, has cast a doubt on his reports of his attacks upon the bandits operating in the province of Parral. Confirmation of these reports are not obtainable on account of the fact that telegraphic communications are cut south of Chihuahua.

The agents of Carranza furnished the American officials of this city with the detailed charges of the Trevino plot which was to assist the rebel movement in northern Mexico, and having in mind the ultimate purpose of replacing Villa at the head of the government.

This with the Carrizal attack upon the American troops nearly precipitated war between the two nations. It is reported that it caused General Obregon to replace Trevino with Enriquez, who was known to be absolutely loyal to the de facto head of the government. Rumors to the effect that Enriquez has been jailed or executed are lacking confirmation.

Carranza agents suspect the significance of Trevino's concentration of all of his loyal troops at Chihuahua City, since he received word of his transfer to Monterey. Even portions of the army which are now mobilized at this city were troops which were sent into the field to check the movements of General Pershing, which shows that their movements were very rapid. Two nephews of Carranza left El Paso today to make a personal report of the movements of Trevino. Arrivals from Chihuahua City declare that Trevino imprisoned Generals Salazar and Craved, who were former Huertistas, and who were granted amnesty by Carranza.

Pershing Thinks Trouble Over. WASHINGTON, July 13.—General Pershing believes the trouble between

the United States and Mexico are settled. His report to the war department said: "Mexicans in this vicinity and along the Mexican railway have been very friendly toward the Americans in the last few days."

SEN. GOETHALS WOULD QUIT PANAMA CANAL

WASHINGTON, July 13.—General W. Goethals, constructor of the Panama canal, is expected to resign his post as governor of the zone today.

The White House following a conference between the president and Goethals authorized the following statement:

"General Goethals has been pressing his desire to be relieved, because he feels the work he was sent to do in Panama has been finished. "The president expressed a willingness to leave it in Goethals' hands."

Goethals informed the president all danger of further slides has passed and he desires to tender his resignation.

BROTHER AND SISTER HURT

An accident which came near resulting fatally for two people occurred about a quarter mile this side of Oakland yesterday afternoon. Phil Starr and his sister were going to Oakland from the Starr ranch between Oakland and Sutherland when they were overtaken by an auto containing a party of tourists. The auto was travelling at a high rate of speed and in attempting to pass the buggy, struck one of the wheels, completely upsetting the vehicle and threw the occupants alongside of the road. The horses, becoming frightened, started down the road and ran for a considerable distance before they were caught.

The tourists not stopping to see what damage they had done or to offer their assistance, continued on their way without even slackening their pace. Mr. Starr received a fracture of the right leg, the bone being broken in two places above the knee. His sister's right arm was broken and she also received internal injuries, the seriousness of which has not yet been ascertained. They were found in an unconscious condition, lying in the road, when the men who had stopped the horses returned. The buggy was completely wrecked and the horses slightly injured.

The officers were immediately notified of the occurrence and are trying to apprehend the tourists who are going north. On account of the fact that they have very little data on which to work, it is not thought that they will be able to find the drivers of the machine as neither the make nor number of the machine are known.

HOOPER GIVEN TEN YEARS FOR MURDER

CARTHAGE, Mo., July 13.—John Austin Hooper, alias Wilbur Mason, was convicted of second degree murder and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary shortly before midnight, for the killing of a policeman at Joplin. Hooper was known throughout the northwest as the most sensational highwarman of years.

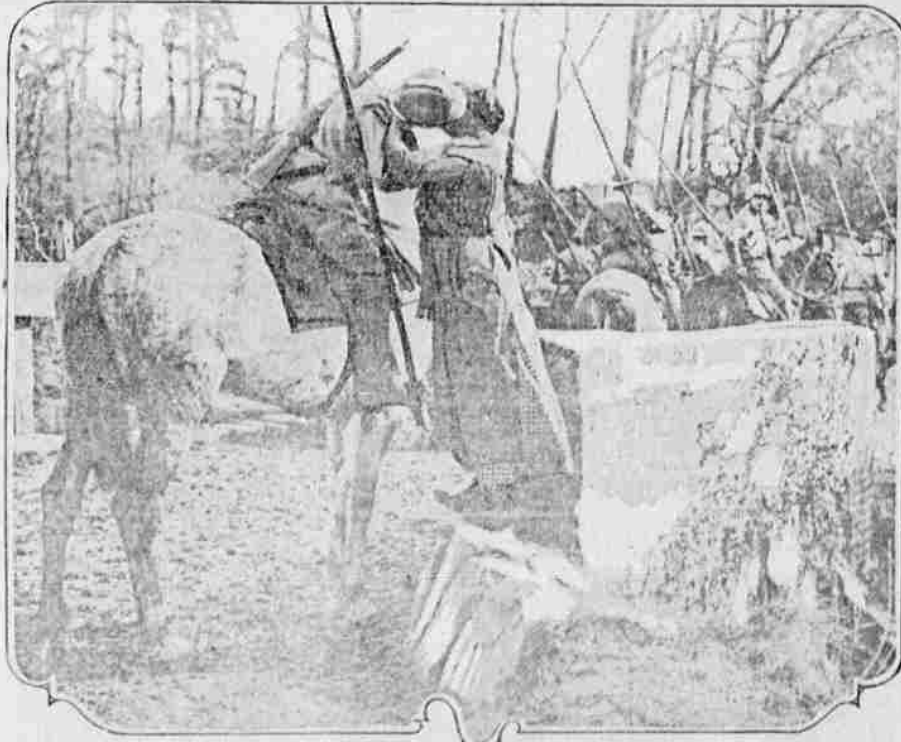
EIGHTY TRANS-ATLANTIC SUBMARINES BUILDING

COPENHAGEN, July 13.—German newspapers assert that 80 submarines of the Deutschland class are under construction, and 29 will be completed by August.

SUSPENDS THE BANK HOLIDAYS IN AUGUST

LONDON, July 13.—Lord Asquith, in announcing the suspension of the August bank holidays, revealed the determination of the allies to continue on the offensive for months, in order to achieve final victory.

AS THE TROOPS GO FORTH TO BATTLE; MAY BE WIFE'S LAST KISS



A patrol of French cavalry has halted in a village which happens to be the native place of one of the troopers. His wife has accompanied him to the edge of the wood and wishes to see with him what may be the last kiss.