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COUNCIL TO MAKE AN INVESTIGATION

Committee Will Interview the Merchants in Regard to Parking Ordinance.

WILL RECEIVE INTEREST

Money Which is Kept on Hand Constantly Will Be Placed in Banks on Daily Deposits; City Will Realize 2 Per Cent.

Not wishing to inflict upon the merchants of the city and the farmers of the surrounding districts an unnecessary and useless ordinance, the council last night decided to allow the mayor to appoint a committee to confer with the merchants and determine what was desired in regard to a city law to prohibit parking of automobiles on the main streets. This action followed the reading of a resolution passed by the merchants at a recent meeting in which it was the consensus of opinion that the business would be hindered by such a measure. The mayor appointed W. S. Powell, J. E. McClintock and Robert Kidd as a committee to confer with the merchants and report their findings at the next meeting. A decided difference of opinion seems to exist over the proposed ordinance. Many farmers have complained that they are unable to reach the front doors of the houses where they wish to do business on account of the autos which are left parked in front while the merchants claim that many times autos and wagons are required to stand longer than 20 minutes in front of a place of business while goods are being loaded or unloaded. The ordinance was laid on the table pending the report of the committee.

In order that the city may realize a slight amount of interest on the money which is continually held in the treasury, it was decided last night to collect on it by the daily balance system. The money of the city is divided up into many different funds. Each improvement which is made is listed separately and as fast as the money accumulated from the paying of assessments it is placed in the bank and kept segregated on the books of the city treasurer. This is done in order that the bookkeeping may be kept in order when warrants are paid, and as these are coming in at all times it is necessary that the money subject to the call of the treasurer. At all times there is an average of between ten and twelve thousand dollars lying in the banks subject to call and not drawing interest. It is now proposed, however to obtain interest on this by the daily balance system under which two per cent will be allowed for the money, the amount of interest to be figured each day, payments to be made weekly, monthly, or quarterly as seems best. The city attorney was ordered to draw an ordinance to cover the action and this will be submitted soon.

The current expense and accounts committee recommended the allowance of the bill of Edwin Thornton for the sum of \$66.25 to the amount of \$48.75. Mr. Thornton's bill was for inspecting hydrants and other work, while city fire chief.

The marshal reported that the sidewalk on Commercial avenue which he had ordered constructed had been completed and that the bill was \$99.12. This included all work and it was decided to request the contractor to segregate the different amounts, showing the extent of fill and the prices of materials and the recorder was instructed to issue a warrant on the general fund as soon as the bill was submitted. The city attorney, Carl Wimberly, reported that he had not yet drafted

Daily Weather Report.

Tonight and Wednesday - Generally Fair; Warmer Tonight. Highest temp. yesterday 53. Lowest temp. last night 29.

the ordinance in regard to the enforcement of the prohibition law, as his former measure was upset by the passage of the bone dry amendment. He says that he is now forming an ordinance which will assist in enforcing the later amendment and that the city law will be so strict that "it will be a crime to look at a drink."

A resolution was adopted ordering the recorder to make assessment on the property along East Sixth street and Fleser street or the improvement work which has been done there.

When it came to the passage of the ordinance prohibiting the painting of signs on the sidewalks or streets, it was found that another ordinance had been passed some time ago to this effect and was much more stringent than the one before the council. It was decided to instruct the marshal to enforce the measure contained in the former ordinance and to notify by a public notice in the papers that such a law was in effect and that violators would be punished.

Marshal Williams stated that he had prepared notices of repair of sidewalks which would be served on Hamilton street property owners today.

PURCHASES PHOTO STUDIO IN EUGENE

C. W. Clark Former Roseburg Photographer Purchases Gallery.

RENTS ROSEBURG HOME

Thompson Bros. Studio at Corner of 7th and Willamette Streets Will Be Taken Over by Roseburg Man Next Monday.

Charles W. Clark, former partner in the Clark Brothers photographic studio and the republican candidate for county clerk in the recent election has practically completed arrangements whereby he will purchase the Thompson Brothers studio at Eugene. Mr. Clark does not expect to locate permanently at Eugene but will remain there during the winter and is taking the gallery chiefly as an investment. He is retaining his property in this city and his fine residence on the north side will be rented out during the winter months.

The Thompson Brothers studio is situated on the corner of Seventh and Willamette streets and is one of the best in Eugene. It is fitted for both day and night work and is well equipped with modern photographic paraphernalia. Mr. Clark expects to take possession next Monday and will immediately begin preparations for the holiday season. He is known as one of the finest photographers in the northwest and his ability is known along the entire coast. His wife is at the present time conducting a millinery store in Eugene and has been decidedly successful in this line.

It is planned to obtain a number of new fixtures for the Eugene studio which is already well supplied and make it one of the most complete and efficient studios in Oregon. As a photographer Mr. Clark is unsurpassed and will undoubtedly make a success of the business which he is undertaking. He will leave here Friday to complete arrangements, the final papers not being signed on account of the absence of one of the brothers, who is expected to return Saturday.

CANADIAN PRIMER GIVES TALK

Declares Country Will Not Consider Peace Until Aims Are Gained.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—In an address before the Canadian club of this city Premier Borden declared that Canada will not consider peace until every aim of the allies has been gained. Canada, he said has sacrificed men and money and intends to fight until England and her allies are victorious.

OFFICERS BELIEVE MAN TO BE INSANE

Donnelly Who Was Arrested at Sutherlin Thought to be Monomaniac.

WAS BUYING CATTLE

Had Induced Sutherlin Residents to Believe That He Was a Wealthy Cattle Buyer and Had Secured Several Head of Stock.

That Frank Donnelly, who was arrested last night at Sutherlin for passing worthless checks is insane was the statement made this morning by Sheriff Quine. Donnelly arrived in this city Wednesday of last week with a party of friends from Portland whom he enticed to go with him on the promise of work in California. He passed a number of worthless checks in Portland before leaving, one of them being given to the driver of the automobile which brought them to Roseburg.

It was discovered Thursday that he had spent a portion of the night in the barn belonging to Mr. Dillard, but evidence tends to show that he became cold and went to the barn on Al Kent, on Stephen's street where he took down a tent which was hanging from the rafters and wrapped himself up in its folds. In the morning he went to the back porch of the house where he took several jars of preserves and fruits out of which he made a meal and then proceeded to look through the papers stored in the shed. He appropriated several bank books and old checks signed and bearing the name of C. J. Denning, formerly a business man in this city, the checks being made out on the Douglas County Bank.

The man evidently then went to Sutherlin where he gave out the statement that he was a cattle buyer and intended to purchase a quantity of stock at that place. In order to cause the belief that he had plenty of money he went to the telephone in the presence of others and called up a bank in this city and ordered a draft for \$1500 sent to him at once. Under this influence several men began scouring the country and within a short time had brought in six head of cattle. A man who had attempted to cash one of the checks became suspicious and telephoned to Sheriff Quine, who went immediately and placed him under arrest. Donnelly kept up his bluff after being arrested and threatened the sheriff with heavy damages if he persisted in the arrest.

As far as can be learned he has secured no money in the various episodes with which he has been concerned and seemingly has no motive for passing the checks. This fact has led the officers to believe that he has the insane desire to play wealthy and that his mind is deranged upon that subject.

A telephone message was sent last night to Andy Wiesenberger, the constable of the Portland precinct and a deputy was sent to Roseburg at once. Donnelly will be returned to Multnomah county to stand trial for the charges against him. He had a great many bank books and American Express Company receipts for foreign money orders. Among other bank books in his possession was one belonging to D. Martin, of Days Creek, only one check ever having been torn from it, that being made out in the year 1910. How he came to be in possession of this book is a mystery to the officials.

MONEY ORDER PAID AFTER 3 YEARS

Many Details Necessary to Redeem Lost Money Orders.

On August 25, 1914, the office of The News received a letter from W. J. McKinn, of Outlook, Wash., in reply to a letter sent him some time previously, calling his attention to his arrears on the paper. The letter stated that on September 27, 1913, he had sent a money order

in the sum of \$5.00 in settlement of his account and had ordered the paper discontinued. Diligent search of the records of the office was made but nothing was found to show the receipt of the order by The News. After considerable correspondence, the number of the original order was secured, and it was revealed that this order had never been presented at the postoffice in Roseburg, or redeemed at the postoffice in Outlook. Steps were then taken through the local and issuing office to have a new one issued, with the result that after a great deal of signing up and writing, The News yesterday received a special warrant drawn on the United States treasury for \$5.00 in settlement of the claim, three years and nearly two months from the date of its original issue. In this connection, The News desires to extend its thanks to the local postoffice officials for the attention given to the mass of details and red tape necessary to bring the transaction to an end.

Henry Trailer, Jr., of Elkton, today underwent an operation for the removal of tonsils and adenoids at Mercy hospital. Dr. Seely was the attending surgeon.

WILSON PREPARES HIS MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

Trade Conditions After War Must be Met by American Business.

DEPLORES CLASS FEELING

Will Urge Congress to Carefully Consider Legislation to Enable Transportation Companies to Expand.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—(By Robert Bender.)—The message of President Wilson to congress on December 5 will ask American business to prepare to meet the unprecedented trade conditions after the war, Wilson is now completing his message, and in it he will appeal to capital and labor for more co-operation, more confidence in each other, and for a less tendency to class feelings. In this connection, Wilson has formulated plans rendering all strikes practically impossible. He will urge the completion of a program for handling such situations as the railroad trouble is now being handled. He will further urge congress to consider any possible legislation that will aid transportation systems to expand and improve so as to meet the additional stress after the war. He will also ask action upon the conservation laws, corrupt practices act, federal aid to vocational education and laws giving federal agents more power against neutrality violators. He wants a continuance of the program of the program for national defense, including material naval additions.

JOSEF KUNSTANSKI FOUND NOT GUILTY

Jury Reaches Decision Quickly at Conclusion of Trial For Non-support.

SUIT FOR WAGES STARTED

D. Phelan Brings Suit Against Geo. Rapp, Asking \$1500 for Wages as Clerk in the Defendant's Grocery Store.

After a deliberation of only a few minutes the jury in the case of the state against Joseph Kunstanski returned a verdict of not guilty. The decision marks the end of a series of cases, one of which has led to the next, culminating in the indictment returned by the grand jury.

The case which followed today was that of Dan Phelan against Geo. Rapp, in which the plaintiff is at-

WILL TALK PLAIN TO MEXICANS

American Commissioners are Prepared to Define Terms of Troops Withdrawal.

MORE CONFIDENCE FELT

Method of Border Control to Be Chief Question Settled by the Commission; Will Not Consent to Restriction.

ATLANTIC CITY, Nov. 21.—Luis Cabrera and his colleagues on the Mexican-American joint commission will be formally told today by Secretary of the Interior Lane, chairman of the American commission, on just what terms an agreement providing for the withdrawal of the American punitive expedition and the protection of life and property along the international border may be reached.

Fortified by the assurance of President Wilson that he will back the American representatives in their efforts to reach a settlement of the question at issue between Mexico and the United States, Secretary Lane returned here late yesterday. He immediately went into conference with Dr. J. E. Mott and Judge George Gray, the other American commissioners, informing them in detail of the conference he had at Washington Saturday with the president. The formal meeting with the Mexicans will take place today.

Americans Are Confident.
The atmosphere of uncertainty and even hopelessness which has been apparent for many weeks was entirely lacking last night. The Americans appeared confident that the end of the conference is in sight. Their propositions have been reduced to writing, and it is understood will admit of little debate.

The Mexicans appeared not to take a pessimistic attitude of the situation. Mr. Cabrera again assuring newspaper men that he was hopeful of an amicable adjustment. There was no evidence that he was prepared to recede from his position so long maintained that agreement to the plan of the Americans was out of the question.

The question at issue is not the withdrawal of General Pershing's troops. They will be called back when the American government is convinced that it can be done without placing the safety of the border in jeopardy. The more debatable question is the method of controlling the border after they have been taken out.

Mexicans Want Restrictions.
These Mexicans have objected seriously to acknowledging the right of the United States to send troops across the international boundary in pursuit of bandits, but have been more insistent that in case troops are sent they be moved subject to certain restrictions. When the Mexican commissioners leave here it will be with realization that American forces will be used to run down any

tempting to collect \$1500 which he claims is due him for wages. Mr. Phelan claims that during the past few years he has been about the store and that he was employed by Mr. Rapp to wait upon customers during the proprietor's absence which was very frequently, as he was the agent for several stage routes and was compelled to attend to his patrons.

Mr. Rapp claims that he did not in any manner engage Mr. Phelan and that the man is not competent, owing to his age and strength, to act as a clerk in the shop. Many men spend their time in the place he says, and that during the absence of himself and wife any one of them waits upon the customers.

Many witnesses were called by both sides to testify as to occurrences which had come under their observation and to assist the jury in arriving at a conclusion. This is the last of the jury cases the rest of the jurymen having been dismissed this morning.

raiding band that crosses the border into the United States, regardless of where they may have to go or of how long they may have to stay in Mexico.

It was regarded here as not improbable that a delay might be caused by the desire of the Mexicans to communicate further with General Carranza.

CALL FOR BANK STATEMENTS.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—The comptroller of the currency has issued a call for the condition of all national banks at the close of business on November 17.

GREECE REFUSES FRENCH DEMANDS

Ministers of Central Nations Will Not Be Asked to Leave.

ATHENS, Nov. 21.—The Greek cabinet refused the demand of the French admiral, Pournes, that the German, Austrian, Turkish and Bulgarian ministers depart immediately. Another cabinet meeting is scheduled before the matter is definitely settled.

GERMANY CONTINUES TO DEPORT BELGIANS

Swiss and Luxemburg Residents Will be the Next to be Sent.

BRITISH RAID TRENCHES

Teuton Forces Again Take the Offensive Against Roumanians—Important Heights Are Taken.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—The London office of the Belgian department of justice charged that Germany was preparing to deport all the Swiss and Luxemburg residents of Belgium. The statement asserted that "the deportation of Belgians continues. In Brussels alderman and counsel were arrested because of the charge that they refused to give the German authorities the lists of the unemployed. One group of Luxemburgers has already been deported."

British Raid Trenches.

LONDON, Nov. 21.—General Haig reported that the British raided the trenches at Grandcourt, Roolincourt and east of Ypres. The German heavily shelled the British southwest of Grandcourt. British captured the German night patrol. The war office described the advance over a 3500 yard front on Saturday. They gained from 200 to 1000 yards and captured 619 prisoners.

Advance Against Roumanians.

BERLIN, Nov. 21.—(via Salville)—It is announced that the Germans have reached the vicinity of Craiova and are advancing against the Roumanians. They have captured important towns and entrenched on the heights along the Alt. German aeroplanes shelled the transportation establishment near Bucharest. Mackensen reported that the allies shelled Constantza, and Cernaveda, in Dobruja.

Fred Sharpe, subscription agent for the Oregonian, who has been here for the past month, left today for Ashland where he will make his headquarters for some time.

M. L. Bushnell, one of the well known residents of Olalla passed the night here in Roseburg and returned home this morning.

HUGHES WITHHOLDS TELEGRAM

Secretary Denies Report That One Is Being Prepared.

LAKEWOOD, N. J., Nov. 21.—The private secretary of Charles E. Hughes today denied the report that the candidate had prepared a congratulatory telegram. It is stated that Hughes is giving no thought of such a telegram.

Humphrey Rankin leaves tomorrow for a visit at Cincinnati and at his old home in Kentucky.