

SEWER PROJECT IS THREATENED

MAJORITY OF PROPERTY OWNERS ON EAST LANE STREET DECLARE PLAN UNJUST AND THAT THE SYSTEM WAS NEVER WANTED.

DEBATE WAXES HOT AT MEETING

Mayor Forced to Call Discussion to a Halt After Law Suits Were Threatened — Requests Further Investigation.

Discontinuance of the East Lane street sewer project was threatened last night, when practically every large property owner in the district remonstrated to the city council against the plan of assessment and against various amounts levied upon their property as their share in the expense.

Two separate remonstrances and one bearing the signatures of about 15 others precipitated first a spirited debate and then brought on threatened law suits and animosities which waxed steadily warmer between the council and the opposition until the mayor rapped for order. In the end the property owners perhaps obtained a little clearer understanding of the plan recently adopted for the improvement, while the council decided to investigate certain new phases of the controversy as suggested by the remonstrators. The matter was continued until the next meeting of the council, when the debate will doubtless be resumed.

The first objection appeared in the communication read from S. D. Evans, who stated that he should not have been included in the district, and therefore objected to the assessment for the reason that his property was tributary to another sewer extending along Watson street. City Engineer Hicks was asked for an explanation and replied to the effect that the Watson street sewer was of private construction and consequently was not to be tapped by Mr. Evans. This brought forth the decided opinion of Connellman Creason on the whole matter, who stated that the officials had endeavored to be as fair as possible and that in the plan followed no one had been assessed for more than the actual benefits. He believed the assessments were just and concluded with a motion stating that it be the sense of the council that the sewer district remain unchanged and that the assessments stand as originally outlined. The motion passed unanimously.

The second remonstrance was read from George W. Burnett, who was also present and who declared he had been levied an assessment of \$57, whereas he had been led to believe in the beginning that the cost would not be more than \$10 or \$15. Councilman Creason explained a once that the original plan would not have cost any more than that amount but that the later plan adopted had resulted in a new system of computation. Mr. Burnett admitted that he had not connected with the sewer and that he would be benefited. As the remonstrance was practically the same as that signed by the larger number of property owners, the latter was then read. It was signed by E. H. Lenox, S. D. Evans, S. Wardwell, O. C. Brown, E. L. Giles, A. J. Warnock, Edward Var Pess, F. J. Howell, A. J. Geddes, J. R. Poe, N. J. Buick, J. Cordon, Caroline Cordon, Marie Flint, A. J. Lilburn, G. W. Hays and W. A. Sprague.

The spokesmen in defense of the longer remonstrance were J. Cordon and E. L. Giles, although a number of others were present. Each of the speakers showed unfamiliarity with the plan adopted by the council for an ultimate comprehensive sewer system and took the stand that the cost of each individual unit of the sewer as it is constructed should be borne by the property owners immediately affected. They said that they should not be taxed for work that was done in the lower part of the district which in no way would benefit them until the system had been extended to their neighborhood. Councilman Creason and others endeavored to show that in the end the cost of the property owners would pay more than their share and that the present assessment was made on a basis of the ultimate completion of the whole project. Mr. Giles contended, however, that some of his property was situated outside of the district and Mr. Creason replied that the law definitely stated that if the property was more than ten feet distant it was not subject to assessment. Mr. Giles said he believed he had been taxed excessively and if relief was not given he was prepared to take the matter to the Supreme Court. In view of the impossibility of compromise or undersigning until further investigation had been made by both sides, Mayor Hays put the debate to an end and instructed the sewer committee, with Mr. Creason at the head, to give the matter another week's consideration. Both Mr. Giles and Mr. Cordon contended that the sewer had not been desired by the people themselves, but that it was due to other parties who had done all the agitation. All the others who signed the petition also concurred in this view, which astounded the council, in that they could account for no reason the project had been started.

CITY NEWS

Commissioner Here—

W. E. St. John, county commissioner, arrived here last evening to spend a day or two looking after various business matters. Mr. St. John says the people of Sutherlin are much interested in the completion of the new railroad there and are looking ahead to a very prosperous summer.

Officers Were Elected—

At the regular meeting of the local lodge of Moose held here last evening, officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: B. H. Fritsch, dictator; W. R. Bowman, vice dictator; C. A. Wilber, prelate; J. M. Throne, treasurer; George McIver, inside guard; B. C. Carr, outside guard; and J. R. Chapman, trustee. Following the election of officers and transaction of other routine business the members of the lodge enjoyed a chicken banquet. This was followed by a social hour.

Employed in Portland—

Neal McCall, a former resident of Roseburg, but for the past several months employed as cartoonist on the Sacramento Union, at Sacramento, Calif., is now located at Portland, where he has accepted a similar position on the Telegram of that city. Mr. McCall's work proved very satisfactory in California and it is understood that he accepted the Portland position at a substantial increase in salary. During his residence in this vicinity Mr. McCall lived on a small fruit ranch in the vicinity of Edenbowser.

George Armstrong Here—

George Armstrong, who left here about 10 years ago and located in Montana, arrived in Roseburg last night to spend a few days with friends. He says business has been very good in Montana during the past few years and he is well satisfied with his location there.

Work Nearly Completed—

The work of remodeling the interior of the Hoover building which is to be occupied by the local Cafeteria is nearly completed. The walls have been re-tinted and other equally as important improvements have been made. Mr. Dole, proprietor of the Cafeteria, will install a short order lunch counter, increase the capacity of his steam tables and add other features to his present excellent service. He expects to move into his new quarters within the next few weeks.

Sheriff Quine Returns—

Sheriff George Quine, who spent the past couple of days at Riddle visiting with his son Kenneth, returned here last evening. Kenneth Quine recently purchased a cigar store in Riddle and is now living here. He formerly conducted his father's farm, which is located between Riddle and Canyonville.

At Grand Hotel—

Following were Monday's registrations at the Grand Hotel: G. Edlund, J. H. Garvin, E. Sanders, J. E. Hearn, R. E. Mullaney, J. H. Johnson, Geo. Poebler, L. B. Hendricks, Jno. Franzen, S. P. Thompson, L. G. Hillock, Miss A. Sharp, W. Meesner, Portland; J. E. Fleming, St. Louis, Mo.; T. T. Griffin, A. Herrick, W. Williams, Oakland; C. Edwards, S. P. M. Diersey, Powers, Geo. Menger, Oakland; W. E. Kurtz, W. L. Speck, Grants Pass; Rodney Knott, Round Bay, E. N. Camp, Corvallis.

Going to Portland—

S. C. Hartman, superintendent of the Roseburg Forestry office, will leave here early next week for Portland, where he will attend the annual meeting of the foresters of the Pacific Northwest. Employees of the forestry department from all sections of Oregon will be present and it is predicted that the sessions will far surpass in interest those held in previous years. Mr. Hartman, who is the oldest forest supervisor in Oregon, will deliver two addresses during the meeting. In addition to the business meetings, there will be banquets and other entertainment features. Mr. Hartman expects to spend practically all of next week in Portland.

Back From Milwaukee—

George R. Godfrey, of Portland, arrived here this morning and will probably make his permanent home in this vicinity. Mr. Godfrey came here a few weeks ago in search of a ranch, and it is understood that he found a place to his liking. He stated his morning that he was now negotiating for the purchase of the ranch in question and the final papers will probably be executed tomorrow. In the event the deal is closed as anticipated, Mr. Godfrey will be joined by his wife and two children some time next week.

Left For Coos Bay—

Hon. Binger Hermann left this morning for Coos Bay, where he will just (or several days). He will look after business matters at Marshfield and Tumble and also visit many of his relatives and numerous acquaintances. Mr. Hermann is one of the staunch advocates for the Roseburg-Coos Bay highway and has done much to improve the present highway between the two points.

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MELROSE COUPLE WERE SURPRISED

MR. AND MRS. JULIUS SINDT ENJOYED A VISIT FROM THEIR FRIENDS ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES.

DANCING ONE OF FEATURES

Mr. and Mrs. Sindt Have Resided in the Vicinity of Melrose for Several Years and Are Well Known Here.

One of the most pleasant and up-to-date social gatherings took place at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Sindt, who reside in the suburbs of Melrose. The many friends of this pioneer couple had planned a complete surprise and carried the same into execution. It appeared to all that a surprise party would be appropriate to celebrate the birthday anniversary of both Mr. and Mrs. Sindt, and the dates of their birthdays were not easily obtained without letting the cat out of the bag. However, it was learned from some record that Mr. Sindt's birthday anniversary was March 9, and the plan was soon completed by the community to show this valuable citizen that during his many years of residence here that they, each and all, hold him in their highest esteem; that his efforts in behalf of schools, roads, etc., were not overlooked. When the charge was made the surprise was a double one. The honored couple were surprised, as was evidenced by their expressions, but the surprise that was a real surprise was when the fact was learned that it was the birthday anniversary of both Mr. and Mrs. Sindt. At this juncture the joy of the guests was at its zenith, and if a pioneer couple was ever entertained, this was the time.

The time was spent by the relating of pioneer incidents; the prospect of our coming conflict with the foreign nations; the changes in our state, county and district, caused by deaths, marriages, etc., and amusing up-to-date stories. Games of cards were in progress, and music was furnished by the Keyes orchestra. The crowd appeared to be under perfect control until Mr. Keyes caused the violin to begin singing "Whistling Rufus," then it was time for small boys to get out of the way, for the couples were soon upon the parlor floor tripping the light fantastic, and if anyone there ever had a care, it was sure forgotten for the night at least. The stamper was not complete until the square dances had prevailed for some time and some cool head suggested an old time quadrille. Charles Criteser could no longer keep his seat, but at the top of his voice he was singing: "Address your partner," "Grand right and left" and "Promenade down the hall," and it really was, as some believed, that the swaying pines and other native saplings gave back the echo, and the dancers would, unconsciously, apparently doubly perform the stunt assigned them.

At the hour of midnight a bounteous feast was spread and the table legs groaned under the weight of the many goodies, sweetmeats, cakes and drinkables of various kinds. Those who were fortunate enough to attend were: Mr. and Mrs. Julius Sindt, Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Daniels, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stubbs, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Criteser, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brothers, Mr. and Mrs. John Tolackson, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Seely, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Keyes, George Anderson, Emerick Bursick, Antonio Bursick, Frank Bursick, Jr., Joseph Petrequin, Henry Crane, George A. Crane, Edward Sindt, Arthur Nelson, Ralph Brisbin, Oliver Becker, George Bowlen, Charles Ballard, Charles Stubbs, the Misses Julia Bursick, Mary Bursick, Flora

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Stubbs, Maudie Stubbs, Hazel Tolackson and Mildred Criteser. At the hour of 3 a. m. all departed to their several homes, with many thanks and backward bows, wishing Mr. and Mrs. Sindt many more happy anniversaries in the years to come.

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George G. Carle and W. P. Reed have exchanged their pure-bred Ayrshire bulls. These are as fine blood as there is in the state. There are eight such bulls in this section of the country; the owners are W. P. Reed, G. G. Carle, J. R. Dalley, Wm. Kouppe, R. D. Duckett and J. R. Maben, who owns three of them, and he owns the only herd of registered Ayrshire cows in this section. Mr. Maben's herd bull is Willowmoor Sentinel 16, from Willowmoor farm at Redmond, Wash., the cows are as follows: Bernice Sebastian 29528, bred by J. F. Butterfield Co., South Montrose, Pa.; Raganetta 25030, bred by Brown & Brondson, Petaluma, Cal.; Oak Blossom 31995, bred by J. A. Harrold, Woodland, Cal.; Mercedes 27912, bred by Brown & Brondson. These four cows are heavy producers. In one year they have made in milk and cream \$966, five calves \$650, of which three have been sold for \$400 to R. D. Duckett, of Scottsburg, Oregon, which is one year's work for four cows. The herd is a credit to any county. Does it pay to raise pure bred stock, or does it pay to raise scrubs? Any man can see that the best is none too good. We have one of the best dairy counties in Oregon and we need more breeders of

purebred stock here. We have other breeders who have other breeds of cattle and who are shipping up the ladder with purebred sires. We welcome all such farmers. We have a new railroad and you watch us grow. The sale of calves that Mr. Maben made last Monday has broken all records here; \$400 for three head (one of them a five-week-old calf) is very good. (Reedspoor is in the western part of Douglas County, Oregon.)

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