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SINNOTT IS AFTER ROAD WAY GRANT

RIGHT OF WAY FOR SCENIC COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHWAY IS OBJECT OF BILL.

DEPOSITS OF BORUM MINERALS PROTECTED

Bill Has Passed the Senate, Providing That Secretary of War is Hereby Authorized to Grant to State of Oregon, a Permanent Right of Way Over and Across Portion of L. & N.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 3.—Congressman Sinnott has secured the passage through the house of a bill to give deposits of borum minerals the same protection as is given to the mining of coal, phosphate, oil shale, oil gas and sodium in the act approved February 25, 1920. This bill applies to all forms of borum except deposits of potassium borates, and was passed to correct an oversight in the original bill. It now goes to the senate and effort will be made to get it through at this session.

Congressman Sinnott is trying to get through the house a bill just passed by the senate which provides "that secretary of war is hereby authorized to grant to the state of Oregon, for the purpose of construction, maintaining and operating the Columbia River highway, a permanent right of way over and across portions of the land of the United States acquired and held in connection with the improvement of the Dalles-Celilo section of the Columbia river, provided that the exact location and dimensions of the right of way shall be set by the secretary of war, and provided further that the grant shall be subject to the express condition that the right of way shall be used solely and exclusively for the roadway purpose aforesaid and any part thereof, not so used shall revert to the United States. The bill has been unanimously approved by the committee on public lands and will become a law if, under suspension of rules, it is passed on the last days of this session.

CITY OFFICIALS MAKE REPORTS

COMMISSIONER'S MEETING RECEIVES REPORTS.

Police Department Secures Many Convictions—Library Increasing in Popularity.

Monthly reports of various city officials were read at yesterday's meeting of the city commissioners. The report of City Recorder J. E. Stearns showed that he had issued 19 licenses of various kinds during the month of February. The licenses were classified under the following heads: dance, hawk, popcorn, plumber, rooms, dry taxi and building permits.

The police department produced a revenue of \$243.50, according to the report of Ray Flexer, chief of police. Of this amount \$235 was for fines and forfeits and \$8.50 for pound fees. Ninety-four quarantines.

During the month the department made 26 arrests, quarantined 94 houses and secured a majority of convictions in the cases where arrests were made, the report shows. Of the 26 arrested, 22 were convicted, 2 cases continued, and 2 charges dismissed. Three men were paroled and 9 remained in jail.

The report of H. Knapp, water and street superintendent, showed that the department's expenditures during the month of February were \$480.15.

J. F. McDONALD PLEADS GUILTY

PORTLAND, Mar. 3.—J. F. McDonald pleaded guilty to the possession of illicit liquor and was fined \$150 by Federal Judge Bean yesterday. McDonald was tried with several others on a charge of conspiring to violate the prohibition act, the jury discharging. In the meantime, one of the defendants, Frank Heintz, had died and the case was dismissed. McDonald had already paid a penalty of \$150 to the state for the same charge he pleaded guilty to yesterday.

COSTA RICAN TROOPS RUSH INTO FIGHT

FORCES TO BE LANDED WHERE THEY WILL GIVE MUCH AID.

Panaman and Costa Rican Troops Have Been Engaged in Hostilities—Panamans to Be Cut Off.

PANAMA, Mar. 3.—The Costa Rican forces are being rushed to the Colon district where the Panaman and Costa Rican troops have been engaged in hostilities. A steamer is reported to be preparing to land the troops at a point where they can cut the communications of the Panamans, who recently captured the Costa Rican forces.

ACCEPTANCE OF DEEDS DEFERRED

CITY COMMISSIONERS ASK MODIFICATIONS IN DEEDS OFFERED

City Commissioners Thoroughly Discuss Validity of Victory Way Deeds And Ask Minor Changes.

Following the reading of a report by City Attorney J. D. Slater on the deeds to the ten-foot strip of property along the proposed Victory Way which would be in the city limits, the city commissioners last night discussed the feasibility of accepting the deeds, which were presented by the Neighborhood club.

The majority of deeds are so drawn that the city would be in danger of losing title to the land in case the drainage ditches which the city is required to construct would not keep seepage water from getting into the cellars of the houses along the street.

All Poor Improvements. The commissioners, while all favor the city's making the improvement along the line suggested in the deeds and maintaining them perpetually, believe that the clause stating that in case at any time damage was done by seepage water the title revert to the original owner, should be modified.

During the discussion it was pointed out that if damage were done because of faulty construction on the drainage ditches or other reasons through failure of the city to carry out its agreement to construct and maintain the ditches, sidewalks, etc., the property owners would have redress without the property reverting to the original owners.

Referred Deeds to Club. A motion was unanimously passed referring the deeds back to the committee from the Neighborhood Club with requests that the deeds be so modified as to conform with the suggestions outlined by City Attorney J. D. Slater.

CITY MANAGER MAKES REPORT

The weekly report presented to the city commissioners by George Garrett, city manager, shows that the receipts of the treasurer's office during the week ending February 28, 1921, were \$1,712.59, while the disbursements were \$99.57.

The largest item in the total of 11 receipts is from the water department, \$969.76 having been received from that source. The balance is distributed among the following items: improvement district installments, improvement district interest, building permits, licenses and miscellaneous matters and rents.

The police department returned \$20 in fines during the week, arrested 5 persons, and quarantined 29 houses, 23 being released. Three convictions were secured in municipal court, one was paroled and 22 meals were served in jail.

Considerable time was spent by the water, street and sewer departments in various kinds of work connected with the upkeep of the property under the department's care.

BLAINE HALLOCK ACCEPTS POST ON GAME COMMISSION

BAKER, Mar. 3.—Blaine Hallock Tuesday filed his acceptance of the appointment of Governor Olcott as a member of the new state fish and game commission. While Mr. Hallock has had unofficial notice of his appointment to the commission for several days it was not until his return Monday from a business trip to Weiser, Idaho, that he received official notice of the appointment.

PORTLAND MARKETS. PORTLAND, Mar. 3.—Livestock, eggs and butter were steady at the local market today.

BILL TO AID SOLDIERS IS PUSHED BY

SENATE AND HOUSE FINALLY AGREE AND BILL IS NOW IN HANDS OF PRESIDENT.

ANOTHER BENEFIT BILL FOR SOLDIERS IS PASSED

Hope of Passing the Appropriation Bill at This Session is Abandoned By Senator Poindeux, Who Has Had Charge of the Matter—Army Appropriation Bill is Completed.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 3.—The house and senate have finally passed the bill providing \$15,000,000 for additional hospital facilities for disabled soldiers. The bill designed to improve the service given the soldiers by the war risk bureau, also went to the president. This bill provides for the establishment of fourteen regional offices throughout the country where soldiers can make compensation and insure claims for direct adjustment.

The president has vetoed the Fordney emergency tariff bill.

Hope is Abandoned. Hope of passing the naval appropriation bill at this session of Congress, was abandoned today by Senator Miles Poindeux, who has been in charge of it. The senate proceeded to other business.

The army appropriation bill was completed today and sent to the President. The house accepted the compromise agreed to by the senate for an army of 156,000 during the next fiscal year.

Government Sues Lumber Company, Frauds Alleged

PORTLAND, Mar. 3.—Another alleged timber fraud deal has been unearthed by government agents, according to complaint filed Monday by Assistant Attorney John Veach against the Stoddard Lumber company. Joseph Stoddard, Henry H. Stoddard and Ellen I. Stoddard, as administratrix of the estate of George Stoddard, deceased.

The government alleges that the defendants, through the dummy entry process, fraudulently secured possession of 3240 acres of valuable timber land in Union county. Damages totaling \$46,917.60 and costs of the case are asked by the government. The complaint was filed upon order of the attorney general.

20 Persons Named. The government named 20 persons in its complaint who are named as the alleged dummy entrymen. Prominent among these is Franklin Bramwell, who was recently appointed state bank examiner. The government alleges these people entered upon the land after a distinct understanding with the Stoddard interests that the land would be deeded to the lumber company as soon as the patent was secured. In return, each entryman

INAUGURATION OATH OF OFFICE IS MOST SIMPLE

WASHINGTON, Mar. 3.—The oath of office of President as administered here tomorrow by the chief justice of the United States, Edward Douglas White, follows:

"I, Warren Gamaliel Harding, do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the office of President of the United States, and will, to the best of my ability, preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States."

GRAIN DEALER ASPHYXIATED

E. ROTHSCCHILD, FORMER MILLIONAIRE, ENDS OWN LIFE. Has Lost Heavily in Grain Speculation During the Past Eight Months—Died in Home.

OMAHA, Neb., Mar. 3.—Emil Rothschild, former millionaire grain dealer, who lost heavily in grain speculation during the past eight months, was found asphyxiated in his kitchen, gas pouring from the stove burners.

EIGHT-YEAR-OLD LAD MENINGITIS VICTIM

Michel Duncan, eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Duncan, passed away at the Grande Ronde hospital this morning, a victim of meningitis. Funeral services will be held at Henry's chapel tomorrow. The body will be shipped to Salt Lake for interment, Friday evening, services being held in Salt Lake on Saturday.

GERMANY IS GIVEN TILL MONDAY 12M

TIME LIMIT SET FOR ACCEPTING FUNDAMENTAL CONDITIONS LAID DOWN BY COUNCIL.

GERMAN DELEGATES SAY THEY ARE MISUNDERSTOOD

If Germany Does Not Accept, Allies Will Take Immediate Steps, for Which the Plans Are Already Mapped Out, According to Announcement.

LONDON, Mar. 3.—Germany has been given until Monday noon to accept the fundamental conditions laid down by the supreme allied council at Paris. The German delegates were informed by the allied representatives that if Germany does not accept, the allies will take immediate steps.

First—The occupation by the allied troops of Duisburg, Dueseldorf and Ruhrport.

Second—Each allied country will place a tax on German merchandise.

Third—The customs boundary along the Rhine under the allies' control will be established.

Repeating, Dr. Simons, for the Germans, said that Germany's intentions had been quite misunderstood. The German reply, he said, would be delivered Monday. "In our opinion," he added, "no occasion will arise for the sanctions set forth by the allied powers."

SAFETY FIRST, IS THEME OF PICTURES TO BE SHOWN TODAY

This afternoon and evening and tomorrow afternoon and evening moving pictures will be shown at the O. W. R. & N. club house, showing unsafe practices in train operation. The pictures, which will be shown by D. S. Glodski, general safety agent of the O. W. R. were originally taken for the New York Central railroad and no money was spared in making them comprehensive. The pictures, while of special interest to railroad men, are of much general interest, and the general public is at liberty to attend either in the afternoon or evening.

INCREASE IN RATES GRANTED

SALEM, Mar. 3.—The public service commission yesterday granted an increase in the rates of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company, averaging 28 per cent, against the average of 45 per cent petitioned for.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Tonight and Friday, fair.

WILSON WILL RESUME HIS LAW PRACTICE

PRESIDENT WILL FORM PARTNERSHIP WITH COLBY.

Firm of Two Former Executives Will Maintain Offices in New York And Washington.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 3.—President Woodrow Wilson has formally announced that he would "resume the practice of law" in a partnership with Bainbridge Colby, the retiring secretary of state. The firm will maintain offices at New York and Washington.

JUDGE BEAN HAS PASSED ON CASE

HOOVERIZED STORE TO BE DISPOSED OF, IS BELIEF.

Developments have been coming fast in the Hooverized store matter, when once the courts become active in disposing of it. Judge Bean, of the Federal court in Portland, according to a telegram from William B. Layton, head of the Credit Adjusting Bureau, has rendered a decision in the La Grande Hooverized store controversy in which bankruptcy has been established. According to Mr. Layton, the capital stock of the Walla Walla Hooverized grocery store goes to the creditors which will augment the amount to be recovered. A representative of the Credit Bureau expected to reach La Grande shortly and take charge of the store which has been closed for several months.

Just what disposition will be made of the goods remains to be seen, but he fact that bankruptcy has been established, it is probable the stock will be sold and the money thus received will be applied upon accounts of creditors. No one attempts to guess as to what the percentage will be.

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LARRY O'BRIEN DROPS DEAD

DEATH COMES WHILE WRITING LETTER TO AGED MOTHER.

Had Been Conductor Here For Nearly Ten Years, and Was Well Known—Burial at Spokane.

Shortly before 11 o'clock this morning, Larry O'Brien, well known railroad man, dropped dead in Bert Hughes' pool hall. He was sitting at a table writing a letter to his mother in Vancouver, B. C., when he fell over, his face striking the floor. Just before the fatal moment he had written to his mother that he was very much improved in health but was still weak from his recent illness. Death is believed to have been caused by heart failure.

Larry O'Brien has been a conductor on the O. W. R. & N. since June, 1911, and on the 10th of June of this year he would have rounded out a decade of service for that company.

He was a native of Wisconsin and was 48 years of age on May 29 of last year. His aged mother lives in Vancouver, B. C. Besides his widow his relatives here are Dan O'Brien, stepson, and Agnes McIntyre, a little niece who had been making her home with the Larry O'Brien family. A sister, Mrs. Mollie Coupp, lives in Vancouver, B. C. He had been married 20 years.

Funeral services will be held in the Bohnenkamp chapel tomorrow afternoon at 2:30. Tomorrow evening the body will be shipped to Spokane, Wn., where burial will take place Saturday.

STRIKE IS SANCTIONED

CHICAGO, Mar. 3.—Two sixteen railroad brotherhoods have sanctioned a strike on the Atlanta, Birmingham and Atlantic railway.

PORTLAND MAN IS LAD TO REST IN LA GRANDE

George Gardner, formerly a resident of La Grande, who died in Portland several days ago, was buried there yesterday afternoon. Services were held at the Henry chapel and burial was in the Maunick cemetery.

HARDING HAS ARRIVED IN WASHINGTON

IMMEDIATELY AFTER ARRIVAL PRESIDENT-ELECT CONFERS WITH OFFICIALS.

JAMES J. DAVIS WILL BE SECRETARY OF STATE

Thousands of People are Already in Washington For the Ceremonies; Immediately Following the Inauguration, President Wilson Will Drive to His Own Home.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 3.—President-elect Harding arrived here this afternoon and went into a conference with inaugural officials on the details of tomorrow's ceremonies. A large crowd greeted him at the station. Harding and his wife late today will visit the White House and will call on Mrs. Champ Clark.

Harding has definitely announced the selection of James J. Davis, of Pittsburgh, as secretary of labor.

Vice-president-elect Coolidge and several members of the new cabinet already are here, including Charles E. Hughes, to be secretary of state; Will H. Hays, to be postmaster-general; Edwin Denby, to be secretary of the navy; John W. Weeks, to be

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STREET WORK CONTEMPLATED

COMMISSIONERS WORK OUT A PLAN TO DO GRADING.

City Will Do Work if Property Owners Guarantee Payment in Cash at Cost—Labor Cheaper.

It is not at all unlikely that a number of thickly settled residence streets will be graded and graveled this spring and summer, according to a decision reached last night by the city commissioners. Many accidents have been caused by the condition of the streets, which makes it impossible to use some streets during a portion of the winter. These people have expressed a willingness to pay in cash for their street work if it can be done at an early date, rather than waiting for the time to come when hard-surfaced streets will be put in.

Must Petition City.

After discussion of the question from many angles the commissioners decided that if the majority of residents in any particular portion of a street properly petition the city and assume the responsibility for meeting all of the expenses, arrangements will be made for the city to shape the streets with its grader and haul gravel on the street, the actual cost of the work to be met by the property owners.

In all probability the work can be

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REVOLT IS SUPPRESSED

LONDON, Mar. 3.—The latest official reports indicate that the Russian soviet troops suppressed the revolt at Petrograd and Moscow.

J'ever Hear This?

By STRICKLAND GILLILAN

WANTED TO KNOW. The spindling young man who kept books was called into the main office, and was surprised to find himself confronted by all the big wigs and brass-collars of the concern that paid his wages.

"We understand," began the president, pompously, after he had cleared his throat a time or two, "that your wife has just given birth to triplets—all boys. Is this report true?"

"Yes, sir," beamed the spindling young man. "I'm proud to say it is."

"Then," said the president, "speaking for myself and my associates in the management of this firm, I have present you this beautiful loving cup in token of our appreciation of your service to our country."

"Let me understand this," said the young man anxiously, as he arose. "Is this cup mine, right now, or do I have to win it three years in succession?"

