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WILL SUBMIT AMENDMENTS ON AUGUST 9

IMPORTANT CHANGES IN BONDING PROVISIONS PROPOSED
ELECTORS OF CITY WILL VOTE ON MANY CHANGES

Increase of Bonding Limit of City From Ten to Fifteen Per Cent Is Asked—Improvement Bonds as a Direct Lien Against City Instead of Property Owners Proposed

A special city election has been called for Tuesday, August 9, at which important amendments to the city charter will be presented to the voters of La Grande for their approval or disapproval. The ordinance providing for this special election passed its third reading at the regular meeting of the commission last evening.

Among the important proposed amendments is that which would change the bonding limit of the city from ten per cent of its assessed valuation to fifteen per cent of its assessed valuation. This amendment is necessary if the proposed new water works system for the city is to be built. Under the present limit it will be impossible to issue bonds for the new waterworks.

Another amendment proposes to change the term of city commissioners to four years. This is to conform to the state laws. The amendment as drafted proposed to change the term of Commissioner J. I. Stoddard four years from May 1, 1921, and at the expiration of the other commissioners' terms have successors elected for four-year terms.

Another highly important amendment is that relating to the issue of city improvement bonds, putting the city directly behind the bonds instead of being a lien against the property as now. This change is expected to make bonds more salable and the proposed changes would make the city laws conform with the Danforth state bonding act.

Another amendment proposes to change the rate of interest from five per cent to six per cent. A large part of the amendments relate to the conducting of the business affairs of the city, the object of several being to simplify methods that have become cumbersome. One amendment proposes to make the election provisions of the charter conform to the provisions of the state election laws.

C. A. REXROAD SPEAKS TONIGHT

C. A. Rexroad, who was a recent speaker in this city at the Y. M. C. A. Father and Son banquet, is a visitor in the city today, and this evening will speak at 8 o'clock at the South Methodist church. Mr. Rexroad is pastor of the M. E. church at Milton, and is also teacher of physics and coach at the Columbia University at that place. Mr. Rexroad is in the city mainly in the interest of the college which is putting on a \$100,000 drive in the states of Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana. Mr. Rexroad was senior chaplain in the 91st Division and also was division burial officer and division school instructor. Later, he was promoted to captaincy. He will tell of his experiences overseas this evening, and also of the work at Columbia college.

EXPRESSES HOPE FOR NO WARS

ANNAPOLIS, Md., June 2.—The nation would never be given time to fire the gun again as we have experienced by President Harding in his speech at the annual academy.

PORTLAND, June 2.—All of the local markets remained steady today.

Anti-Bolsheviki Revolt Is Spreading

After Capture of Vladivostok and Nearby Towns, Revolt Spreads to Blagovestchansk

PEKING, June 2.—The anti-Bolshevik revolt in East Siberia, which began with the capture of Vladivostok and the nearby towns, has spread to Blagovestchansk, the capitol of the Amur province. The new socialist government at Vladivostok still continues to function.

SLACKER LIST READ TO LEGION

NO KNOWLEDGE OF ALLEGED SLACKERS GLEANED

American Legion Is Preparing For Final Legislative Work For Soldier Aid Measure

A very enthusiastic meeting of American Legion Post No. 43 was held last evening in Eagles' Hall. At the meeting the slacker list of Union county was read. Nine names are on the official list. Although a large attendance of former service men, including representatives of the Union, Cove and Timber posts, was at the meeting none of the boys there were acquainted with any of the nine men listed as slackers by the war department.

A communication from the Elks was read regarding flag day. The Legion voted to attend the Flag Day ceremonies to be put on by the Elks on June 14. The Legion members will meet in Eagles' Hall at 7:45 on that evening and go to the Elks club, where the program is to be rendered, in a body.

The soldier aid bill was discussed and final plans made for placing the measure before the public eye during the few days remaining before the special election next Tuesday. A publicity committee is at work today on the final plans for publicity.

HIGHER WATERS ARE PREDICTED

PORTLAND, June 2.—A new rise in the Willamette on Sunday is predicted the stage then to be 22.4 feet, forecast. The Upper Columbia and the Snake is again rising. Weathermen reported .6 feet rise, Lewiston half a foot, and the Willamette here today was 21.1 feet.

BOUND OVER TO THE GRAND JURY

Margarita, a Porto Rican, was bound over to the grand jury by Justice of the Peace Arthur C. Williams on a charge of grand larceny. Margarita, who says he has no other name as that is the only name he has ever answered to, found a roll of blankets belonging to Jack Stone, a shepherd, lying in the railroad yards several days ago. He took possession of them and walked off. Later, after a chase of over an hour, the police took him into custody. The stolen goods are valued at \$48.

TREES TO BE PLANTED BY NEXT OCTOBER

A committee from the Neighborhood club, composed of Mrs. W. B. Bohnenkamp, Mrs. T. J. Seronius and Mrs. M. B. Douglas, called on the city commission last evening and asked the commission regarding whether or not the Victory Way would be completed immediately.

The ladies stated that they had the money to buy the trees for planting along the route and that they could not order the trees for fall planting unless they knew that the grading and other work to be done by the city was to be completed by that time.

After considerable discussion, President O. B. Grady informed the committee that all possible work would be done to have everything ready by October 1.

MEASURE TO AID FARMERS INTRODUCED

BILL IS INTRODUCED BY SENATOR CURTIS, REPUBLICAN OF KANSAS

FEDERAL FARM LOAN BANKS ARE DISTRIBUTORS

A Bill Giving the President Authority to Invoke the Federal Courts and Use the Army and Navy to Enforce the Court Ruling to Maintain Treaty Rights, Introduced.

WASHINGTON, June 2.—Another farmers' relief measure bill of Senator Curtis, Republican of Kansas, to loan up to \$50,000,000, the federal farm loan banks to distribute among the farmers at not over five and a half per cent, passed the senate with assurances of the early approval of the house.

The Haugen-Hacker control bill passed the house and was sent to the senate. A bill giving the President the authority to invoke the federal courts and use the army and navy to enforce the court ruling to maintain the treaty rights of aliens, irrespective of any state law, was introduced by Senator Kellogg of Minnesota. The president would be authorized to instruct the Attorney General to assume the defense of aliens.

BANKERS MEET AT SEASIDE

ASTORIA, June 2.—Between 150 and 200 prominent bankers from all the leading Oregon cities and towns, including a number from adjacent states and from the financial centers of the middle west and east, will come to Astoria next Saturday, June 4, having accepted the invitation of the Astoria bankers to spend a portion of the final day of their state convention which will be held in Seaside next Friday and Saturday, in Astoria.

The entertainment plans for the day in Astoria include a luncheon at the port docks, a motor trip, golf games, and a banquet.

Booze Brings Fine And Jail Sentence For Leniga

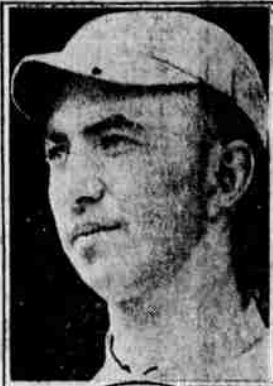
Julian Leniga was fined \$350 and sentenced to ten days in the county jail by Justice of the Peace Arthur C. Williams for having liquor in his possession.

Leniga was taken into custody Tuesday morning below Hilgard, twenty cases of bonded liquor being found in the Cadillac roadster he was driving.

Jack Arrata, who was with Leniga at the time, was also charged with violation of the liquor laws but charges against him were dismissed on motion of District Attorney Ed Wright. An investigation by the prosecutor failed to reveal sufficient evidence to hold Arrata.

Arrata claimed that he had gone over to Pendleton with Leniga to look for work and was coming back with him, merely riding with him as a friend.

Star Fielding



These hands made only 116 errors out of 175 chances in the field. They belong to Everett Scott, shortstop for the Boston Red Sox. In the last five years Scott, in 700 consecutive games, has made a fielding average of .976.

POULTRYMEN ARE TO MEET

MEETING ON SATURDAY OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Speakers Are Coming From Outside Points; Prof. Brewster of Portland Will Give Talk

An interesting meeting which will be open to the public, will be held Saturday at 5 p. m. at the city hall, by the Eastern Oregon Poultry Producers' Association.

Topics of interest to all poultrymen will be discussed by various speakers, most of them out-of-town. Prof. Brewster of Portland will be present and will address the members. The public is cordially invited to the meeting, as the poultrymen's association is for the benefit of all Eastern Oregon. Plans are being made to have the organization even a greater benefit next year.

WANT GRAVEL ON STREET

A petition for grading and graveling about three and a half blocks on Pennsylvania avenue and two and a half block on Cherry street was presented to the city commission at its meeting last night. The property owners there request that a strip 24 feet in width be gravelled. The matter was referred to the city manager for investigation and report.

ABOUT THIS TIME O' YEAR



TULSA AGAIN QUIET AFTER RACE RIOTS

FIVE NATIONAL GUARDSMEN STATIONED IN CITY TO MAINTAIN ORDER

ESTIMATED \$150,000,000 IS LOST IN THE FIRES

Estimates of the Dead Have Diminished; Late Reports Say Nine White Dead Have Been Identified and Fifteen Negroes Accounted For; 5,000 Negroes Under Guard

TULSA, Okla., June 2.—Tulsa resumed a normal atmosphere today, except for the presence of 500 national guardsmen, sent here yesterday after rioting between the negroes and the white men the night before, including also a night of incendiarism in which virtually the entire negro quarters were destroyed with a loss of about \$1,500,000.

The estimates of the dead have been identified and fifteen negroes accounted for. The wounded are estimated to number 240. Some are still estimating the negro dead as high as forty, but a casual search failed to disclose the additional bodies or bones.

Many of the 5,000 negroes under guard at the fair grounds had lost their entire possessions in the fire. The trouble was supposed to have originated in connection with the arrest of Dick Rowland, negro, who was alleged to have attacked an orphan girl.

After crowds of negroes had marched by the county jail Tuesday night, where Rowland was confined, authorities spirited him out of the town early Wednesday.

Following the firing of the first shot about 10 o'clock Tuesday night at Sixth and Boulder streets, the fighting spread. At one time 2000 armed white men were reported to have engaged the negroes.

A revised list of the white dead included: Homer Cline, 17, Tulsa. Cleo Shumate, 24, Tulsa. Carl D. Lotpesch, Randall, Kan. Emmet Buckley, 35, Leffroy, N. Y. E. M. Baker, Haveland, Kan. Thirteen white men have been arrested by the guardsmen, and are accused of looting the negro quarter.

Rather Than Face Arrest, Drowns Self

Unidentified Man Is Caught Breaking Into Box Car at Portland Railroad Yards

PORTLAND, June 2.—Caught breaking into a box car in the railroad yards early today, a man drew a knife and threatened to shoot Patrolman Armstrong, who leveled his revolver. The man declared, "You will never take me alive," and was followed by the officer, who fired into the air. The man jumped from the dock into the river, and Patrolman Armstrong says he sank.

STOCK SHOW SIX DAYS OFF

RACES WILL PROVIDE GOOD SPORT FOR VISITORS

Best of Stock in Northwest To Be Exhibited at Thirteenth Annual Show at Union

The opening of the thirteenth annual livestock show at Union is only six days off. The three-day show, which is to be held June 8, 9 and 10 this year, promises to outstrip the shows of the past in many respects, and La Grande will turn out in force to see Union's great exhibition of livestock this year, as usual.

The usual daily excursions advertising the show in various parts of the county are under way now and yesterday afternoon a large number of automobiles carrying stock show boosters came over to La Grande from Union.

Besides the best livestock in the northwest being on exhibition there has been arranged a program of races that will give lovers of horse races some enjoyable afternoons of their favorite sport.

STRIKERS WILL RETURN TO WORK

NEW YORK, June 2.—Approximately 65,000 clothing workers today began a gradual return to work, following the general strike which started last September.

INJURED MAN NOT IMPROVED

J. H. McLachlin, veteran law enforcement officer of Eastern Oregon who was shot in the back just above the kidneys early Tuesday morning while waiting to capture a loose-jawed machine, was reported to be resting not so well this afternoon as yesterday. He is suffering severe pains in the back. No complications have set in.

SERGT. NEUMAN GETS SIX MONTHS

LEIPRIC, June 2.—Sergeant Neuman, accused of mistreating the British prisoners, was today sentenced to six months imprisonment.

REFERENDUM MEASURES TO BE EXPLAINED

At eight o'clock tomorrow evening, in the Star theatre, a mass meeting will be held under the auspices of the Central Labor Council and the American Legion for the purpose of explaining the measures to be voted on at the special election next Tuesday. Speakers will be on hand for each of the five measures referred to the people of the state. Each measure will be explained in detail.

The American Legion will have charge of that part of the program dealing with the soldier aid bill.

NO FIRE DAMAGE IN MAY. The monthly report of C. O. Morrison, fire chief, presented to the city commission last evening, shows that during May only one fire call was turned in. In this case no loss was occasioned and no equipment was used in extinguishing the blaze.

ATTACK OF GERMANS IS PLANNED FOR

FRENCH SOLDIERS AT BEUTHEN NEAR OLD POLISH FRONTIER ARE ATTACKED

GERMANS CUT THE WIRES; DRIVE SENTRIES BACK

French Rush Tanks to the Scene and the Germans, Armed With Pistols Attempt to Capture the Tanks But Are Driven Into Houses Where Firing Takes Place

OPPELN, Silesia, June 2.—The French soldiers stationed near Beuthen near the old Polish frontier, have been attacked by organized German inhabitants numbering 3,000.

The attack of the Germans was well planned, the wires between the French headquarters and the barracks were cut, sentries were driven on back and the headquarters detachments surrounded.

The French rushed tanks to the scene and the Germans, armed with pistols, attempted to capture the machines but were driven into the buildings from the windows of which a hot fire was opened.

The tanks charged the buildings, firing volleys through the doors and windows. There were many German casualties.

The Polish insurgents aided the French when the Germans attacked the French. The Germans and Poles engaged in a battle near Gross-Strehlitz and the Germans forced the Polish insurgents to withdraw from the strong positions, the women volunteering for service. Many women are wearing men's clothing and driving wagons and automobiles.

In heavy fighting yesterday afternoon in the Pannowitz woods, near Gross-Strehlitz, the Poles were compelled to fall back before the onslaught of the Germans.

The Germans reported their casualties as 12 dead and 31 wounded, who were taken to Krappitz. The Poles left 130 dead on the field. Their wounded were removed.

Polish Insurgents Defeated. ANNABERG, Silesia, June 2.—Polish insurgents who attacked German defense organizations in this little village, which is located about 17 miles southeast of Oppeln and east of the Oder river, have been defeated and were retreating northeastward during the night.

LAD KILLED BY ELECTRIC SHOCK

While Playing in Tree Top Fell, Striking Live Wire—Efforts To Save Life Fail

While playing with other children near his home this afternoon, Edwin W. Holscher, ten year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Holscher was electrocuted at 2:45 this afternoon. Mrs. A. L. Richardson and Harry M. Bouvy rushed to the scene of the accident and attempted to revive the boy with a pulmotor and oxygen but life was extinct when they began their efforts at resuscitation.

The boy was in a cottonwood tree and a limb broke, according to his playmates. He dropped onto a live wire going through the branches of the tree and hung there for a moment when he dropped to a lower limb. The accident happened at the sugar factory addition. The wires were those of the Eastern Oregon Light and Power company.

MARK MCCOY CONFESSES GUILT

WALLA WALLA, Wash., June 2.—Mark McCoy, convict, has confessed to robbing the life at Centralia and murdering a confederate near Gilliam, Lewis county, the prison warden has announced.

WEATHER FORECAST. Tonight and Friday, fair.