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WATER STILL BIG PROBLEM FOR MEDFORD

Mayor Reddy's Annual Message Reviews Work of Council During Year.

At Tuesday night's meeting of the city council Mayor Reddy submitted his annual report for the first year of his term as follows: Mayor's Report. MEDFORD, Or., Jan. 7. To the City Council of the City of Medford: Pursuant to the provisions of the city charter, I beg to submit herewith a report of the condition of affairs of the city.

It is unnecessary for me to go into details as to the receipts and expenditures of the city during the past year, as the reports of the treasurer and recorder show those details fully; from those reports, however, it can be seen that there is now on hand in the various funds the following amounts, after deducting sufficient to pay all outstanding warrants against the respective funds:

Table with financial data: General fund, Contingent fund, Park fund, Sewer District No. 5 fund, General sewer fund, Lateral sewer, etc.

During the ensuing year there should be realized from taxes and all other sources, outside of bond sales, approximately the following amounts: City tax, 1/2 mill, 7,500.00; Park tax, 1/2 mill, 950.00; General sewer tax, 2 mills, 3,750.00; Street lighting tax, 1/2 mill, 950.00; Street and road tax, 3 mills, 5,700.00; Debt fund (only to be expended in paying interest on bonds), 4 mills, 7,500.00; Saloon licenses, 5,000.00; Miscellaneous, fines, etc., 1,000.00.

HARMONY REIGNS O'ER CITY DADS

Council Passes Monthly Budget of Bills--Finances Revealed by Annual Reports.

The city council held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday night, approved the monthly budget, heard annual reports of the mayor and city treasurer and the monthly report of the city recorder, ordered several ordinances drawn and passed a preliminary resolution for the grading of a street to be known as Riverside avenue.

All was harmonious. The meeting, one of the last of the present council, was the most peaceful on record, and devoid of the exciting clashes that have enlivened many of the sessions. The officials' messages reviewed the work of the past year, the condition of the finances and the prospects for the coming year.

Mayor Reddy presided. Councilmen Hafer and Ottwell were absent. The recorder's report showed receipts for the month of December as follows: General fund, \$1105.88; light and water, \$315.44; street and road, \$234.18; contingent, \$27; park, \$40.30; lateral No. 2 sewer district No. 3, \$53.55. Disbursements were as follows: General fund, \$1378.16; light and water, \$2935.80; street and road, \$1210; contingent, \$168.89; park fund, \$63.85.

The following bills were ordered paid: Street and Road Funds. T. W. Osgood, \$165.17; F. N. Cummings, \$90; Woods Lumber Co., \$80.34; Iowa Lumber Co., \$72.30; J. A. Robbins, \$54; S. A. D. Higgins, \$52; R. E. O'Brien, \$50; J. W. Boskduff, \$50; Merkle Gault, \$49; Clarence Bousson, \$46.50; Thomas Turpin, \$32; William Fletcher, \$28; Iowa Lumber Co., \$22.65; Earl Scott, \$21; W. S. King, \$17; Wood Lumber Co., \$18.18; Nicholson Hardware Co., \$10.45; H. E. Boyden, \$10; James G. Smith, \$9; J. Mosher, \$8; W. S. King, \$6; F. A. Wine, \$5.70; F. A. Wine, \$5.65; W. S. King, \$5.65; C. S. Balcum, \$5; W. S. King, \$4.56; Charles Bousson, \$4; L. L. Jacobs, \$3.90; I. J. Phillips, \$3.50; George Merriman, \$2.85; O. F. Merriman, \$2.45.

CANDIDATES FILE THEIR PETITIONS

Barkdull Withdraws From Race for Council--Who Aspirants For Office are.

All chance for aspirants for city offices closed last night and only those who filed petitions have a chance to get into trouble. Harry Angle has evidently abandoned his efforts to elect a new mayor, so that he may again be chief of police, for no effort has been made to invoke the aid of courts to mandamus council or recorder, and Medford has missed some more advertising by not having two mayors to fight over the office.

The Socialists have a full ticket nominated, but no other political organization has. The fight for place in the city council is principally a personal affair between the various contestants, the personality and popularity of the candidates being the determining factors.

Benjamin M. Collins, incumbent, has only one opponent for the job of recorder--Perry Stewart, Socialist, and the chances favor Collins' election. For city treasurer, there is not much doubt that Lee L. Jacobs will again count the city's cash. John A. Smith, Socialist, is his opponent.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.--The house sub-committee on banking and currency today agreed on the bill to increase the elasticity of the currency and will report it to the full committee.

"THERE WITH THE GOODS."



Ed R. Van Dyke, the contentious and able manager of J. G. Van Dyke & Co.'s Dry Goods Store, one of the oldest and most favorably known business firms in this section of the state.

\$2500. IN PRIZES GIVEN AWAY TO THE LADIES OF SOUTHERN OREGON

Greatest of Voting Contests Inaugurated by Southern Oregonian and Tribune--Enter Your Name or That of a Friend as a Candidate to Win the Beautiful Automobile.

Today's formal announcement is made of the Medford Tribune and Southern Oregonian's grand prize contest, the most extraordinary offer ever made by a newspaper in Medford. Prizes to the amount of \$2500.00 will be awarded to 17 ambitious and energetic ladies of Jackson county by this paper. This contest promises to eclipse anything of the kind ever held in Southern Oregon.

By this way of advertising, ladies residing in Southern Oregon will be benefited to the extent of \$2500.00 in prizes, and these are just what any lady would be glad and willing to put forth great efforts to secure. Care has been taken by the management in securing these prizes that they may not only be valuable and useful, but appropriate as well.

The first list of the candidates who will take active part in this great offer will appear in this paper on Saturday, January 11, and every issue thereafter till the close of the contest, with the number of votes recorded by the lady for whom they have been polled, so that those who have taken an interest in the contest will have a full idea of how their favorite is progressing from day to day.

As it is not too early to let your friends know that you are going to be an entrant the minutes the contest starts, it would not be a bad idea to get all the promises of subscriptions possible before the opening day. There are so many liberal prizes offered that nearly every one who enters the race will be sure of a splendid reward. See your friends, announce your candidacy among them and fill out a nomination blank at once. The contest will extend only over the period of six short weeks. A good start will work wonders. If you are not eligible to enter yourself, enter the name of your wife, sister, mother, friend or sweetheart, as the case may be, in this contest. She may win the automobile.

REDMEN GO ON EXCURSION

Wentonka tribe of Red Men go on a special excursion to Jacksonville this (Wednesday) evening, to help install new officers in Oregon Pochontas tribe No. 1. The train leaves at 7:30 P. M. sharp. Judge Hanna is Dist. Dep. G. S. of the Pochontas tribe.

JAPAN IS TOO BUSY TO THINK OF FIGHTING

PARIS, Jan. 8.--The Echo de Paris today prints an interview emanating from an "authorized Japanese source" with the object of showing that Japan has so absorbed the maintenance of Asia that war with America is impossible. The entire attention of Japan is occupied with China and Korean developments. China has just dismissed a number of Japanese instructors and replaced them with Germans. The Manchurian situation is full of complications, China demanding the immediate integral application of the treaty of Portsmouth, which would deprive Japan of the possibility of exercising an efficacious influence in Manchuria.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD INSTALL NEW OFFICERS

Installation of officers of the Woodmen of the World took place last night at the new lodge hall in the Anglo block. The installation was preceded by a business meeting, which was largely attended. Following the ceremonies came refreshments, consisting of coffee, doughnuts and cake, which were much enjoyed by all present.

BANKERS RIDICULE STORY OF CONFESSION

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.--James Dalzell Brown, general manager, and Walter J. Barnett, vice-president, and James Treadwell, director of the California Safe Deposit & Trust company, were arraigned before Judge Dunne on indictments charging embezzlement in connection with making loans to themselves while officials of the wrecked bank. The judge declared he would not permit further delay in the trial of the accused bankers. The story published that Brown and Barnett would plead guilty and throw themselves on the mercy of the court was emphatically denied by both. Brown ridiculed the report and Barnett declared his innocence of wrongdoing.

ROBBERS CRACK SAFE GETTING SEVEN THOUSAND

OTTAWA, Kan., Jan. 8.--Robbers wrecked the safe in the state bank of Quinetta at that place, and secured over \$7000. Of the robbers, believed to be four men, escaped.

EXPERTS MUST AGAIN TESTIFY

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.--The defense in the case of Harry K. Thaw sprung its first surprise of the second trial today in announcing that it had issued subpoenas for several of the expert witnesses who testified for the prosecution at the first trial a year ago, when District Attorney Jerome applied for a lunacy commission and made affidavit that in their opinion Thaw at the time of the inquiry was suffering from an incurable form of insanity. These same doctors, however, had previously testified on the witness stand, in response to Jerome's famous hypothetical question, that they believed that Thaw knew what he was about when he killed White. This move is intended by the defense as a check to the prosecution in putting these same doctors on the stand, and is taken by some as showing the determination that Thaw shall not be convicted even with the danger of staying in the asylum for the criminal insane at Mattawan, as the alternative. If successful in this, the defense would force the trial of the case strictly on Thaw's mental condition in the summer of 1906, and this would force Jerome to apply for a lunacy commission, and Thaw's lawyers are confident of his ability to make good his claim of present sanity before a lunacy board. Only two tentative jurors were secured this morning.

PUTNAM LIBEL TRIAL SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY

The trial of G. Putnam, editor of the Tribune, for libel, is scheduled to begin at 9 o'clock Thursday morning at Jacksonville. On account of the delay in concluding the Simons manslaughter trial on account of the illness of one of the juror's family, the trial may be delayed until later in the day or Friday. The state had rested in the Simons case on Tuesday afternoon, when illness summoned one of the jurors, and court was adjourned until Wednesday afternoon.

BASKETBALL GAME IS WON BY MEDFORD

The basketball game played here last night between Medford high school team and the Young Men's Improvement club of Ashland, resulted in a score of 20 to 7 in favor of the locals. The visitors were rather unfortunate at times, but the result was never in doubt, as our boys outclassed the Y. M. I. C.'s from start to finish.

GOVERNOR DENOUNCES TOBACCO RAIDERS

FRANKFORT, Ky., Jan. 8.--The first message of Governor Wilson to the general assembly was read today. It was devoted largely to denouncing the evil of the tobacco war, which had developed since the tobacco war, accompanied by vigorous denunciation of the malfeasors and two specific recommendations having for the object of breaking up the trouble.

HEINZE PLEADS NOT GUILTY TO CHARGES

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.--P. August Heitzen, who was arrested yesterday charged with over-certification of checks while president of the Mercantile National Bank, today entered a plea of not guilty, reserving the right to demand to the indictment any time before January 15.

The Sign of Safety WHAT IS IT? Watch the Daily Tribune