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SHANDA DENIED SEAT COUNCILMANIC BODY

Old Timber Contract Is Again
Subject at Lively Meet
of City Dads.

For the first time probably in the history of the city a seat has been refused to one elected a member of the city council. Grounds for the action were ineligibility because Charles Shanda, chosen by voters in the first ward, is a signatory to a contract which is in dispute before the council.

The contract is one with John Cameron and Shanda for removal of timber from the city's west side watershed. An amount of about \$500 is in dispute and following the action of the council the city attorney was instructed to proceed with the collection.

This contract is rather badly mixed up in city affairs and has been the main subject of several council meetings. Councilman E. R. Lemley and J. H. Chambers, father of Mayor Victor Chambers, are two of the sureties on the bond given the city by Cameron and Shanda.

Another interesting sidelight on the Shanda election is that he was reported to the city council by statement of the counting board as having been defeated, but canvass by the county clerk, whose issues certificates of election, showed Shanda to have been elected by four votes.

At the council meeting this week a lengthy opinion by City Attorney Lombard was read in which the ineligibility of Shanda was shown. When attention was called to the fact that Councilman Lemley was a surety on the contract which made Shanda ineligible, the attorney said that the situation was different in that Lemley does not dispute his responsibility and stands ready to pay.

Councilman Brund moved that Shanda be seated despite the opinion of the city attorney and called attention to the fact that he and all other councilmen had always acquiesced in sales to the city by members of the council. He said that all members of the council were therefore as ineligible as Shanda. No sale to the city by a councilman has been the subject of dispute, but the city attorney ruled that Councilman Brund was correct, although the law on that point may be unwise.

Brund's motion was seconded by Helliwell, who later voted against the motion after Shanda, called upon for a statement, said he denied any responsibility for the amount in dispute. His explanation was that, although his name appeared on the contract, he really had no interest in it.

The city attorney ruled that, as the law says a councilman serves "until his successor is elected and qualified," E. R. Wier will remain as councilman from the first ward until regularly displaced.

Membership on the council remains as before, Mayor Chambers, Councilman Helliwell and Councilman Lansing, whose terms expired, having been reelected. Recorder Breese was also reelected. The only change will be in the office of city treasurer, Herbert Eakin having retired. Worth Harvey, elected to that position by the write-in method, did not appear to qualify. Later he said he had not been notified of his election.

All city employees were reappointed, all at the reduced salaries that have prevailed for several years. No advantage was taken of increased budget allowances.

The chief of police was instructed to survey sidewalks of city, give property owners notice to repair defective walks and serve notice upon such property owners that the city will not be responsible for damage to person or property caused by such defective walks.

An ordinance was adopted for construction of 410 feet of main sewer on south Seventh street.

Mrs. O. E. Crowe Dies.

Mrs. Verona Crowe, wife of O. E. Crowe, who retired Monday as county commissioner, died Tuesday in Eugene following a major operation Sunday.

Mrs. Crowe was born in Minnesota May 14, 1891, and came to Oregon in 1908, marrying Mr. Crowe July 4, 1911. She had been a resident of Eugene since 1924, when Mr. Crowe was elected commissioner while a resident of Lorne. There are three surviving children, all at home.

Wandering Roosters Bring Home Gold

There is an old saying about a rolling stone gathering no moss and something has been said about chickens coming home to roost, as if that were undesirable, but the fact that Almer Hunt of Delight Valley had some wandering roosters that came home to roost has proved that gold is found almost everywhere in the Cottage Grove country.

The wandering habits of the roosters were completely cured by preparing them, the roosters, for the dinner table, during which process distinct traces of gold dust were found in the gizzards of each.

This is the first time that gold has been reported from the Delight Valley country, but it has been reported from nearly everywhere else in this section. Recently ducks that fed at the city limits were found to have a large number of tiny nuggets in their craws.

LUMBER OUTLOOK BEST AT SEASON FOR YEARS

Pine Mills, Way Under Orders,
Get Business at Advanced Prices.

Taken as a whole the outlook for the lumber industry is the best that it has been at this season for several years, according to Crow's Lumber Digest.

The mental attitude of every branch of the industry is right for an improvement. The dealers see definite results in sight from the President's housing act and are willing to anticipate their requirements, something they have not done for four years. The manufacturers have confidence in their position and there actually is more business. Such a set up could not help but bring improvement. The extent to which it will go is the only question, but spring business appears to be on a very sound foundation.

The outstanding feature of the past two weeks has been the response to slight advances in price by the Ponderosa pine mills. When price fixing went by the board, Ponderosa mills issued new lists which upped quotations from \$1 to \$2 the thousand and have been booking business at the advanced prices. The mills made it clear that they do not expect a slash in prices and that they believe the market is improving. For the week ended December 29 these mills booked business that was 302 per cent over production.

There is a gratifying demand for fir side cut, which has been steady if not large. Dry No. 1 common dimension stocks are becoming depleted and many mills report a shortage in V. G. flooring. It is believed that shoppers are going to have a difficult time in picking up bargains.

The larger allotments of hours for the fir mills still leaves the mills under capacity, which has a steadying influence upon prices.

The only fly in the ointment seems to be the need of timber business which is necessary to fir operators, and there may be some cutting in prices to get this class of business.

Old and New Mills Go On Exhibition

The old and the new in gold mining machinery is to be illustrated in two stamp mills being shipped to Portland this week for exhibition purposes.

One, a miniature replica of the old-time stamp mill, was constructed by Andy Nelson and has been exhibited here several times. It is an exact duplicate of machinery that is still being used in the Bohemia mining district.

The other, a miniature of the modern ball mill that is replacing the old-time stamp mill for reducing ore, was constructed by Joe Landess. It is a duplicate of machinery now going into the mining district.

Both Mr. Nelson and Mr. Landess have had much experience with mining machinery.

L. O. O. F. Have Homecoming.

The Rebekah and Odd fellow lodges will hold joint homecoming Friday evening. A program will be given and refreshments will be served. There will be no 6:30 dinner as previously announced.

CONSERVATION GAME IS ASKED AT C. C. MEET

Earl Ballew New President of
Civic Group, O. V. Breese
Named as Secretary.

Chamber of Commerce Officers.

Earl Ballew, president.
Elbert Bede, first vice president.
Damon Scott, second vice president.

O. V. Breese, secretary.

T. C. Wheeler, treasurer.

R. P. Boyce, R. E. Short, trustees for two years.

Holdover directors are L. W. Coiner, K. K. Mills and H. C. Wells.

Civilization has brought many new and wonderful things, many valuable and beneficial things, but it has also taken away a very vital and necessary thing, love for and reverence of nature, R. S. Drenner, former field representative in California of the Isaac Walton League of America, now a Row river rancher, told the chamber of commerce at its monthly meeting Tuesday night. He spoke for the South Lane Game Protective league. He appealed for conservation and restoration of our natural resources and said that it is a job for the nation.

Mr. Drenner told of the wild game of the middle west, the prairie chicken, the waterfowl, the quail, the goose, the antelope, the wild pigeon, which abounded when he was a boy but are now almost decimated. He spoke of the great supply of fish that has been depleted by selfish and unwise fishing and by city sewage. He mentioned the depletion of forests, mines and the soil, all things that mean our physical and financial welfare. He made the statement that a recent crime survey showed that in 25 years no major crime had been committed by one who liked to fish, smoke and own a dog.

Preceding the talk by Mr. Drenner officers were elected.

Mrs. Eva Williams Dies.

Funeral services were held here Sunday for Mrs. Eva Williams of Culp Creek, who died Thursday night. Rev. I. G. Shaw officiated and interment was in the A. F. & A. M.-I. O. O. F. cemetery.

Mrs. Williams was born May 1, 1867, at Canyonville, and was aged 67 years. She was a member of the Christian church and came here from Rogue River in 1912. She is survived by seven children: Mrs. Agnes Patterson, Grants Pass; Ernest Smith, Monroe; Alfred Williams, Culp Creek; Mrs. Lillie James, Dorena; David Williams, Cottage Grove; Ray Williams and Mrs. Helen Satterfield, Junction City. Mrs. Lillie McBride, Portland; Mrs. Sarah Chase, Oakland, Cal., and Cale Corder, Grants Pass, are surviving sisters and brother.

Willamette Council Is To Meet Here

An open meeting of Willamette council American Legion, will be held at the armory Wednesday evening. Department and district officers will be present and will explain points in the Legion's national program, particularly its attitude toward payment of adjusted service certificates. The public will be welcomed.

A covered dish dinner for Legion and auxiliary members and out-of-city guests will precede the meeting.

C. G. Defeats Lowell

Cottage Grove high school defeated Lowell in a basketball game played Tuesday night at Lowell, the score being 40-15.

Game summary:
Cottage Grove
Tracy, 13, f, 2, Grube
Minney, 13, f, 2, Kollias
Shortridge, 6, c, 2, Pelzel
Mackin, 2, g, 7, Lawson
Kem, 14, g, 4, Graham
Thoreson, 3, s, 4, Gray
Lilja, 2, s, 1
Kelly, 2, s, 1

Mrs. Dave Markley Dies.

Mrs. Dave Markley, old-time resident of Cottage Grove, died December 17 in Los Angeles. Funeral services were held there. She was a sister-in-law of Mrs. S. E. Markley of this city.

Advertisers Make a Newspaper.

Ag Class Boy Nets \$490 for Year

A profit of \$490.03 on agricultural projects while at the same time taking a full high school course and holding down a job that gets him up at 4:30 a. m. is the record of Norris W. King, 19, outstanding student in the agricultural course. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. King, who operate a truck garden place a short distance from the city on Row river. Norris resumed school three years ago after having been out four years.

Young King's projects were as follows: Four hives of bees, from which he netted \$31.19; three-fourths of an acre of raspberries, from which he netted \$129.65; three acres of potatoes, from which he netted \$199.20; half an acre of loganberries, from which he netted \$175.49. His total income was \$858.30 and expenses were \$368.27. He did not charge his own labor, but other labor was included in expenses. All but \$150 of the profits was placed in a capital account and reinvested.

Treble Trio Sings Over Radio.

The Treble Trio, consisting of Miss Helen Ostrander, Miss Esther Wicks and Miss Myrtle Kem, under the direction of Mrs. Edna V. Pearson, sang several numbers over KORE in Eugene Thursday evening. Mrs. C. E. Caldwell was accompanist. The program was sponsored by Eugene alumnae chapter, Mu Phi Epsilon, honorary musical sorority.

Vital Statistics for December.

There were eight births and four deaths during December, according to the report of Dr. A. W. Kime, city health officer. Of the births, three were females and five were males. Of the deaths, all were males. Two cases of chicken pox were reported.

Editorial Adversary

Compliments Sentinel

The community may have been somewhat startled by the first issue in tabloid form of Cottage Grove's Little Home Newspaper, but compliments have been about 9 to 1.

Readers in particular have expressed their appreciation of the greater convenience in handling the smaller pages and there isn't the least doubt that typographical appearance has been greatly improved.

Many comments have come from those outside the community. The one The Sentinel appreciates most is from one The Sentinel often has met in cordial editorial combat, Claudius Eclair Ingalls, Corvallis Gazette-Times, recognized as one of the keenest editorial writers of the state. It is here reprinted in part:

"I was really shocked at the size of The Sentinel this week. And yet, I can easily understand the reason for it. We doubt if anyone would give the town as good a paper as you have been giving it. Maybe that's the trouble. There is such a thing as a paper being ahead of the town and I have always thought The Sentinel such a paper. However, your new make up is very attractive and shows keen newspaper understanding and experience. I hope you find it more profitable and that the time will soon come when its old size can be restored. In any event, do not cut out the newspaper's soul—its interesting and sane editorials. Regards."

Comes from a Portland reader expression of doubt as to wisdom of the change, of which the following is part:

"Enclosed find P. O. order to pay for Sentinel for another year. Be it large or small, I'll not go back on a Cottage Grove paper. It's a newsy little sheet. The same amount of home news and of the surrounding districts. Good editorials and the frequent letter from Mr. Kem."

"In looking the paper over I am wondering whether eastern people or those from elsewhere who had decided to go to Oregon and to locate at Cottage Grove would change their minds when they looked this little sheet over."

"I hope we may soon see a larger newspaper."

"MRS. JOSEPH BEST."

PAYMENT BONUS WOULD BRING LANE A MILLION

Commander of Legion Post
Outlines Organization's
Patriotic Program.

Lane county would benefit to the amount of \$1,181,462.74 by payment of veterans' adjusted service certificates (commonly referred to as the bonus), according to Charles Hall, commander of Calvin T. Funk post who said that the plan not only assures an equitable distribution throughout the country but would not add a dollar to the nation's debt. The total distribution in Oregon would be nearly 21 millions and the plan to which the American Legion nationally is pledged is declared to be an effective relief and recovery measure.

Commander Hall calls attention to the following outstanding features of the Legion's national program:

In no event shall widows or dependent children of deceased veterans be without government protection.

Universal service law for capital, industry and man power, with special privileges and profits to none. Strong national defense, not to foment war but to assure peace.

Make Americanism the first thought of all citizens and the primary duty of the American Legion.

Promotion of child welfare, abolition of child labor, encouragement of healthful youthful activities.

Individual and collective community service.

Withdrawal of recognition of soviet Russia and abolishment of all un-American doctrines from our land.

Protection of our educational system.

Elimination of discrimination against world war veterans.

Aliens enjoying benefits of our government shall also bear arms in the national defense.

Deportation of all aliens who do not become good American citizens.

Payment of war debts without further postponement or reduction.

Elimination of subversive influences from our institutions of learning.

Partisan politics to be kept out of veterans' affairs.

Elimination of traffic hazards on public highways.

PRESIDENT'S BIRTHDAY PARTY IS ARRANGED

Arrangements have been completed for holding here one of the president's birthday parties that will be held again this year in thousands of communities of the country. The date is Wednesday, January 30.

This year 70 per cent of the net receipts will be left in the hands of a local committee for disbursement in combating infantile paralysis.

Tickets for the party, to be held at the armory, will be 50 cents for men and 15 cents for women. A president's party radio program will be received.

Repeating the plans that worked so well last year, no smoking or drinking will be permitted on the main floor of the armory and no men will be permitted to enter the hallway leading to the women's rest room. A committee of a dozen will be in charge of the hall and see that the rules are observed.

Four-H Club House Is In Prospect Here

Cottage Grove may get a \$5,000 Four-H club house as the result of a national contest in which Lane county seems likely to be the winner for being the best organized Four-H county of the nation.

County Club Agent Kuehner favors splitting the prize money, if won, between Cottage Grove and Junction City. Before the award will be made, interested communities must have pledged sites for the club houses. A special meeting of the city council was held Wednesday night at which a site was pledged.

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