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THE CITY COUNCIL.

Annual Reports of the City Officers Filed.

He Urges Economy in the Administration of City Affairs-Recommends Creating Another Ward.

Special Session.

The special meeting of the city council which was held last Friday evening was called to order by Mayor E. G. Caufield, who stated that the meeting was held to transact general business, but more especially for the election of a recorder as under the provisions of the city charter the term of recorder expired on December 31st, and it was necessary to have a recorder to issue licenses and transact other business pertaining to the

Thos. F. Ryan was elected recorder pro tem.

All the councilmen were present except L. C. Caples.

Councilmen Busch and Roake were appointed tellers and the council proceeded to the election of a recorder. R. Koerner nominated Thos. F. Ryan and H. E. Harris named John G. Pillsbury. Mr. Ryan received 5 votes and Mr. Pillsbury 2; Mr. Ryan declared elected.

J. Trembath was granted a saloon license for six months from January 2nd. A communication from R. and E. B Williams, attorneys for the M. A. Stratton estate, declining to pay the extra expense to be incurred in funding for the improvement of Seventh street and insisting on being allowed the privilege of bonds, was read and laid upon the table. The first Wednesday evening in each month was chosen for the regular meet-

Standing committees were elected for the year as follows;

Finance- Rudolph Koerner, Frank Fire and Water .- Thos. E. Gault, R.

D. Wilson, John Bittner. Streets and Public Property.-John Bittner, H. E. Harris, James Roake.

Health and Police .- L. C. Caples, T. E. Gault, Rudolph Koerner, Adjourned.

Regular Session. Council met in regular session last

Wednesday evening with Mayor Caufield in the chair and Recorder Ryan in charge of the records. There were present Councilmen John Bittner, Rudolph Koerner, Frank Busch and R.D. Wilson, of the First Ward; and James Roake, H. E. Harris and L. C. Caples, of the second ward. Absent, Thos. E. Gault. Chief Burns, Nightwatch Snaw, City Surveyor Kinnaird and Street Superintendent Babcock in attendance,

All the chairs around the room were occupied by citizens, interested spectators upon the proceedings.

Petition for crosswalk on Monroe street read and referred to committee on streets and public property. Communication from Mrs. M.A. Strat-

ton informing the council that she had a right to pay her street assessment in installments was read and referred to committee on streets and property. Recorder Ryan submitted his report

for December as follows:

court during the month. The following licenses have been issued during the

 Wood & Rambo, saloon
 \$200 00

 W. A. McArthur, spindle wheel
 8 60

 Henry M. Jackson, meat peddler
 10 00

 W. B. Shively, show
 6 00
 Total\$224 60 The following receipts for amounts

paid on account of Seventh street improvement have been filed: Mrs. E. Fuchs......\$100 John Welch.........80

Total \$180 to the newly elected city officers on December 10.

Recorder's Report.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 31, 1896. To the Honorable, the Mayor and City Council of Oregon City.

Gentlemen:-In accordance with the ter, I 'erewith submit a brief report of port of the treasurer's office for 1896: the financial transactions of the city during the year 1896 and of the present Window Glass, financial standing of the city; also a resume of the transactions of the office of the city recorder during the said year 1896.

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

C. D. & D. C. Latoutette, att'y fees.
E. F. Driggs.
J. U. Campbell,
L. L. Porter, atty and collection fees
H. E. Straight, salary as treasurer.
R. L. Holman,
Insurance Company of North America, insurance Company of North America, insurance company of North America, insurance con hose house. Work on streets, gravel and cross MAYOR E. G. CAUFIELD'S MESSAGE. Geo. Broughton, lumber. L. A. Nobel and Paul Hemmelgarn, Mrs. T. W. Clarke, rent of ground for pound.
Board of trade, advertising......
Sign for street corners.....
Courier, ordinances, notices, etc.... ENTERPRISE, blanks and ballots. Sarah McCown, rebate on 5th street Emma McDonaid, rebate on 5th T. W. Clarke, rebate on Mait street S. J. Baechier, rebate on saloon ii-Fred Meier, rebate on sale of horse at pound... Expense of city election held in December, 1896... Killing and burial of dogs. Dog tags, brooms, shovels, picks,re-pairs to sewers, etc.

146 95 Total warrants drawn..... \$8094 43 Summary-Police department
Streets and bridges
Salaries of officers
Attorney fees
Buildings 632 50 376 36 784 22 1239 62 121 97 Fire department Printing Rebates for different purposes. Miscellaneous expenses..... \$5004 43 Saloon licenses ... 134 17 45 00 Billiard Auctioneer's licenses... Meat peddier's "
Shooting gallery litense..... Bowling alley Spindle wheel Dog licenses sale of horses. Water commission, per cent of col-lections for Jan., Feb. and Mar. Fred R. Charman, balance account Thomas Charman, interest on note Miscellaneous licenses..... Main street fund Seventh street fund 887 83 213 53 37 20 Fifth " "
Weinhard sewer "

Disbursements-Warrants redeemed Total\$16162-76 Cash in treasury Jan.1,1896 (accord-Receipts for 1896. \$16208.36 Balance in the treasury \$ 45 60 mit the following: Outstanding warrants, Jan. 1, 1896,
(as per report of expert, J. W. Boatman).

Warrants issued during year.

8094 43

Warrants issued during year.

8094 43 Outstanding warrants (expert)... \$ Decrease in amount of outstanding

warrants during year..... 3190 51 there is outstanding warrants to the

of \$2758 72. There have been no cases of violation Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1896\$128 79 dition of the city's financial affairs.

Cemetery fund—
Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1896\$128 79
of city ordinances in the recorder's Receipts from graves and lots 74 00 The growth of the present burde Balance, Dec. 31, 1896...... \$130 07 Seventh street improvement fund— Amount received for assessments . \$180 66 Note of Methodist church trustees . 326 00 Total.....\$506 66 Warrants redeemed......\$102 85 RECORDER'S COURT.

During the year 1896, there were 25 cases heard for violation of city ordi-The oath of office was administered to nances, and fines amounting to \$265 were imposed, of which sum \$46 was paid in cash and the balance was worked out by imprisonment or by suspension of sen-tence during good behavior. Thos. F. Ryan, Recorder.

Treasurer's Report.

To the Honorable, the Mayor and City Council of Oregon City. provision of section 48 of the city char- Gentlemen :- I submit herewith a re-

GENERAL FUND. Receipts-Saloon licenses.
Other "Main street assessment.
Seventh" (old).... Total.....\$16208 36 5 00 Warrants paid \$11884 94 to the postoffice. School shoes that will 25 00 Interest on redeemed warrants 1477 82 107 50 "coupons 2800 00 Balance on hand 45 60 Name on every piece. Lowney's choose Disbursements-

Belle Harding...... Interest due on notes Due on percentage from water fund 1996 24 29.00 WATER FUND. Balance as per Holman, report ... \$3118 03 Received from T. L. Charman ... 6554 13 24 00 Balance on hand \$ 475 52 MAIN STREET FUND. Assessments..... Total \$2197 02 Disbursements-Total \$2197 02 113 86 CEMETERY FUND. Beceipts.... 10 00 Warrants paid 32 20 SEVENTH STREET FUND. Received on assessments\$180 68 Warrants paid, with interest 103 43 RECAPITULATION. Cash Outstanding on hand warrants General fund \$ 45 60 Water " 675 52 Main street fund 77 23 Cemetery " 130 07 General fund..... 500 00 Bonded indebtedness-Respectfully submitted, H. E. STRAIGHT, Treasurer.

Treasurer Straight's quarterly report for October, November and December, 1896, shows the receipts to be \$3,928.12 in the general fund, of which \$2380,05 were brought forward from the last report. The disbursements were \$3882.52, leaving a balance in the treasury of 46 00 \$45 60. In the water fund warrants were redeemed to the amount of \$1,777-17; receipts of the cemetery fund were \$24.50; Seventh street fund receipts were \$180.66 and disbursements \$103 43. Recorder instructed to inform the board of water commission that interest will be charged on amount due the city

The Mayor's Message.

In obedience to that section of the city charter, requiring the mayor to communicate by message annually to the city council a general statement of the condition of affairs of this municipal corporation, and to recommend the adoption of such measures as he may deem expedient and proper, I respectfully sub-

\$18750 40 past, present and the future prospects of the same.

In making up the following statement Total \$21940 91 I have not deemed it necessary to give The treasurer states however that anything but approximate figures on all amounts. Exact figures and amounts in amount of \$21,509 12, making a difference detail will be given here this evening in between reports of treasurer and expert the annual reports of the different city officials. My object will be to show in as simple a manner as possible the con-

The growth of the present burden of when the city's debt was only about

This increased rapidly in a few years until in 1890 it had grown to over \$15000. since then the debt has continued to make progress at an increasing ratio Interest on same. 58 (with the exception of the past year)
Balance in treasury 77 23 until now it amounts to about \$65,000, an annual increase since 1890 of over \$8000. This is certainly a very serious state of affairs, and were it not for the fact that the past year has shown some improvement the outlook for the taxpayers would indeed be very gloomy.

During the past year the revenue has been about \$12,230 and the expenses \$12957, an excess of expenditures over revenue of \$727. In making this estimate I have taken into account the amount of interest accrued during the past year on outstanding warrants, less the interest due the city on unpaid claims, held on account of street improvements. Although this interest does not appear as an actual expenditure during the year, I believe it should be taken into account when an estimate

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