

BEAUTIFUL BUT CHEAP

Proposed Improvement for Madison Street in Boulevard Style

NOBODY IS OBJECTING

Property Owners Who Do Not Sign Petition Say They Will Not Remonstrate—To Open Street Full Length.

A petition is being circulated among the residents and property owners of Madison street, asking that the street be improved from Third street to Fifteenth. J. U. Campbell, Fred Hornshuh, W. B. Shively and John Adams are circulating the petition, and are meeting with much success among those interested. Many who do not care to sign state that they will offer no remonstrance if the council grants the petition.

The idea is to improve the street, after the manner of certain city boulevards, with a twenty-five foot roadway and an eleven-foot parking on each side. This, with a six-foot sidewalk will make a street forty-two feet in width, and besides being more attractive, costs much less. There is said to be no more attractive and at the same time inexpensive method known of improving a street than this.

Mr. Campbell, in speaking of the proposed improvement, said:

"It will hit me harder than most of the other property holders, for I shall have to pay \$150 in taxes to the \$50 of some of the others, but at the same time I am willing. This is a measure that is needed for the advance of Oregon City. At present Jackson is the only north and south street on the hill that is improved, and this has been opened from Fifth to Fifteenth. If Madison street is opened the full length, it will make a direct road to the Kansas City part of town, besides giving a good street to the high school. It will make Oregon City more easy of access to the country to the northeast, and will create a new highway for entrance to the town.

"While we are doing this, we want to get the street open all the way through, for some of the streets that have been improved on the hill have been opened a block or two at a time, and they will probably stay that way. Madison street is the main street on the hill and for the sake of Oregon City it ought to be made as good a street and at the same time as attractive as it can.

"By making a wide parking on each side with a twenty-five foot roadway the cost of making the improvement will be materially lessened, while at the same time the street will have the appearance of costing much more than it did. I am glad to say that there is very little objection met with by the committee from the property owners. Some of them would not sign the petition, but they say they will not put in any remonstrance. I don't think there is any doubt but that the improvement will go through, and I think it will mean more to Oregon soon enough.

City than the improvement of any other street."

WILL PRESENT PLAY.

"My Turn Next" will be presented at the Shively, Tuesday, April 2, by the Saturday club of the Congregational church. Following so closely the quiet Lenten season and being of home talent it ought to secure a good house.

The play is under the direction of Mrs. H. L. Clark and the cast is made up as follows:

Traxianum Twitters Will Logus
Lydia, his wife Myrtle Buchanan
Cleely, Lydia's sister Ivah Gordon
Tom Trapp Harry Gordon
Farmer Wheatlar Henry Smith
Peggy, all round servant Ivy Roake
Tim Bolous, Twitters' assistant Earl Latourette

After the play a pantomime, which Mrs. W. A. White has in charge, will be given. The Misses Clara Fields and Florence Grace and Harry McClure are the actors. A male quartette from Portland will sing several selections.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE AT WILLAMETTE

Arrangements have been completed for the teachers' institute to be held at Willamette, Saturday, March 23. T. J. Gary, Fanny G. Porter and J. C. Zinser are the committee in charge, and they have succeeded in securing a list of interesting speakers and helpful subjects. Following is the program:

"Thoroughness in School Work," Mrs. E. E. Watts, Stafford.

"Training for Orderly and Systematic Thought," T. P. Kendall, principal, West Oregon City.

"The Teacher Outside of the School Room," Mildred Ruegg-Eisert, Sellwood.

"History in the Grades," Wilton C. McKee, Supt., City Schools, Oregon City.

"Postal Card Geography," Mary S. Barlow, Portland.

The Gladstone Whist club will meet Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Schooley.

HOME COMPANY HAS LEASED ITS OFFICES

The Oregon City & Farmers' Telephone company has obtained a long lease of the entire upper floor of the Andressen building, corner of Main and Seventh streets. There are six rooms in the quarters to be occupied by the telephone people, and it is their intention to equip them as thoroughly as possible for telephone convenience. The exchange will be located there as well as the general offices of the company.

CRANGE TALKS PARCELS POST.

The question "Do our prominent public men favor the parcels post or postal savings bank?" was discussed at Warner grange No. 117 at its last meeting. The subject was introduced by George Lazelle and Capt. J. T. Apperson followed, both being listened to with interest. Judge Thomas F. Ryan's promised speech on "How does a bill become a law in the legislature or congress?" was postponed until the next meeting, April 27, Judge Ryan giving his time to State Master Buxton.

Silence is a safe refuge if sought soon enough.

RUSHED THROUGH

Ordinance for Underground Wires is Railroaded Through Council

HOME CO. GIVES BOND

Street Improvements Discussed and Infected Trees Ordered Removed From City—Other Council Doings.

The adjourned meeting of the city council was held Wednesday night. There were present besides Mayor Caulfield, Recorder Dimick, and Chief of Police Burns, councilmen Williams, Rands, Andressen, Pope, Knapp, Meyer and Logus. After the roll call, the business for which the meeting had been called was taken up and the business lying on the table at the close of last meeting was cleaned up.

The ordinance compelling all electric wires with the exception of those specified as exempt to be placed underground was read for the second time and placed on its final passage. It was railroaded through in short order, and no objections were made to its passage. This ordinance provides for the construction of conduits in the down town streets through which all wires must be run.

A petition was read from Carlson and Block asking that the saloon license owned by F. E. Ring, who conducted the Hub saloon, be transferred to them. Jerome Stewart and son made the same request with regard to the license held by W. E. Wilson, who recently sold out his saloon business at Fourth and Main streets, and a petition of like nature was filed by John Gohra, who purchased the saloon of Griessen and Cassens at Sixth and Main streets. All these were ordered granted as soon as the necessary bonds should be filed.

Councilman Knapp mounted his hobby of city parks and their improvement, and spoke at some length recommending that the committee on parks be authorized to improve the looks of Oregon City's parks by setting out trees and shrubbery. The council thought the same way, and a motion was passed authorizing the enthusiastic councilman to be empowered to look after the work himself, although a limit of \$50 was set on the expenditures he should make.

Councilman Logus then introduced the subject of the new military company that is being formed here, and spoke in favor of the council giving any aid that it might to the project. Major Loomis, who was present, was called on to explain the movement, and he spoke briefly, telling of the appropriation that the legislature had made for the purpose of establishing military companies in the state, and of the share of this that would come to Oregon City. He said he knew from conversation with Adjutant General Finzer and Colonel Jackson, Inspector general, that they both were strongly in favor of having a company established at Oregon City, and had their promise that the first of the four companies to be formed should come to Oregon City if the people wanted it. In regard to the share of the appropriation that would be given to a local company, he stated that it would amount to about \$10,000, and hinted that Oregon City might as well have this money spent here as to have some other city get it.

Dr. W. E. Carl followed him, also advocating that the council take some action with regard to the company. He said that if the state were going to spend that amount of money here he thought it was up to the city at least to donate a lot for the armory. Councilman Knapp moved that the matter be referred to a committee, but it was pointed out to him that by the time the committee could report, it would be too late for the city to take any action, and Councilman Logus introduced a resolution to the effect that it was the sense of the council that the location of a military company here is desirable, and pledging the council to extend all the encouragement and what aid might be in its power toward the establishment of such a company. On motion of Councilman Logus this was adopted.

A. J. Lewis, the county fruit inspector, spoke in regard to the infected trees of the city, and urging the council to do something towards re-

HURLED BY DYNAMITE

Ole Anderson Returned To See If Fuse Was Lighted

ACCIDENT AT NEW ERA

Swede Workman Suffers Severe Injuries While Blasting Stumps on George H. Brown Farm—Crippled for Life.

Ole Anderson, a Swede, was hurled twenty feet into the air, by an accident that happened Wednesday afternoon while blasting stumps on the farm of George H. Brown, two and a half miles south of New Era. Anderson sustained the loss of both eyes, a broken nose, a fractured rib and an ugly gash over one eye.

It seems that Anderson had lit the fuses of two sticks of dynamite, one of which appeared not to have been lit, and when Anderson went back to light it, both charges exploded at once with the above mentioned result. Anderson regained consciousness in the evening. It is thought he will recover, but he is sure to be a cripple for life.

moving them from where they could contaminate the other trees. He said that the duty naturally rested with the fruit inspector, but that there was more than one man could possibly do to cover the city and the country also. He said that it would take at least four weeks to go all over the city notifying those who had infected trees to dispose of them, and as much longer to go over it again to see that the notices had been complied with. He advocated the council's aiding in this work, either by passing an ordinance, or making it the special duty of the committee on parks.

He was followed by C. W. Swallow, who backed up Mr. Lewis in his plea for good trees, and Councilman Rands moved that the matter be referred to the proper committee. This motion was amended to read that notice of the council's action be published in the papers, and that all publicity possible be given the matter.

The council then adjourned to be called together again immediately in special session.

Robert Tucker of the Home Telephone company presented plans and specifications of his company for placing their wires in underground conduits to comply with the terms of the ordinance. He also filed a bond for \$5000 as required by law, which was approved by the mayor. His application to be allowed to do business here on the streets was also granted by the council.

J. U. Campbell presented a petition from the property owners on Madison street asking for the improvement of that street from Third to Fifteenth. The recorder was instructed to publish the notice of the establishment of the grade.

S. M. Ramsby also presented a petition signed by residents of J. Q. Adams street asking that it be improved between Seventh and Eighth. The recorder was instructed to publish notice of the grade.

The matter of the crossing at Fourteenth street which is rendered dangerous by the O. W. P. wires making a short circuit was brought up, and instructions were given to notify the company of the danger.

An ordinance relating to the building of wooden sidewalks was read for the first time and ordered published.

After this various matters relating to the establishment or change of grades in the down town streets were taken up, and an order was issued to the Pacific Telephone company not to place any more poles in the city without first securing the permit required by law, and to show permits for such work already done.

The council adjourned to meet again in two weeks.

BOARD COMBINES WORK AND FUN

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Warner entertained the members of the Mt. Pleasant school board and their wives Wednesday night. The evening combined business and pleasure, for the board held a session in the pleasant sur-

roundings of the Warner home, and decided on measures that will greatly improve the appearance of the Mount Pleasant school.

It was decided to paint the school house, and to beautify the grounds by setting out trees and shrubbery. The Mt. Pleasant school enjoys the distinction of being one of the most progressive and best conducted schools in the district, and the members of the board are bent on keeping up this reputation. R. H. Taber, one of the members, leaves shortly for a trip to the east, where he will look over other country schools and the way they are conducted with a view to obtaining suggestions for use in his own school. The other members of the board are C. T. Andrews and A. C. Warner.

After the business was concluded, Mrs. Warner served delicious refreshments.

GLADSTONE MAN IS QUIETLY MARRIED

James Wilkinson of Gladstone and Mamie Baxter of this city slipped away quietly to Portland Wednesday afternoon and were married. The news of the marriage came as a surprise to their friends, for no one knew that they were contemplating anything of the sort. After the ceremony they came back to Gladstone on the car, and hoped to get into their home without the fact being known that they were married, but some one on the car recognized Mr. Wilkinson, and thought the lady was his sister. It happened however, that his sister was on the car herself, and then it was known that Wilkinson was bringing home a bride.

Both of the young people are well known here; the groom being one of the most prominent florists of the northwest, and the bride having lived in Oregon City all her life. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. A. J. Montgomery, who was at one time pastor of the Presbyterian church here.

CLACKAMAS BRIDGE MENDED.

The first car to cross the Clackamas since the high water rendered the bridge unsafe passed over Wednesday afternoon.

It has been a great inconvenience both to the transportation company and to the public to have to transfer at this point, and during the last week work has been going on night and day to fix the approaches. There has been no freight shipped over the O. W. P. to Oregon City since the flood, owing to the bridge being out of commission, but with cars running through without transfer, freight traffic will be resumed at once.

Miss Mona E. King of Ilwaco, Wash., is a guest of Mrs. Harry Moody. Miss King will enter the St. Vincent training school for nurses at Portland next week.

NARROW ESCAPE

Dr. Norris Barely Misses Being Run Down by Run-away Team

IS SAVED BY JOHNSON

Team Becomes Frightened and Dashes up Seventh Street—Controlled by Driver After Run of Several Blocks.

A team belonging to M. G. McInister of Molalla became frightened and ran away Thursday noon on Seventh street.

Mr. McInister had just finished unloading a wagon load of hogs at Brown & Welsh's meat market near Seventh and Center streets and was settling his bill preparatory to leaving when the team started. He managed to climb to the rear end of the wagon and grasping the lines succeeded in calming the runaways by the time they reached Madison street.

Dr. Norris was driving up Seventh street in a light buggy unconscious of the runaway behind him and undoubtedly would have been killed had it not been for the remarkable presence of mind shown by Edward Johnson, who grasped the bridle of the doctor's horse and pulled it out of the path of the runaways. It is said that the doctor had a very narrow escape from death, the runaway missing his buggy by a very narrow margin.

FUNERAL OF FRISSELL TO BE HELD SUNDAY

The funeral of Charles B. Frissell will be held Sunday at the Crematorium at Portland under the auspices of the Masonic order. Special cars will leave Seventh and Main streets at 2 o'clock. Word has been received that Mrs. Walker, a sister of Mr. Frissell, will arrive here Sunday morning from Chicago to attend the services, which will be conducted by the Rev. P. K. Hammond. Friends of the deceased who wish may call at the house on Water street any time to view the remains.

Hon. W. S. U'Ren of Oregon City, addressed the students of the university this (Wednesday) morning on "Movements of Government," and for actual worth the talk was easily better than any assembly address this year.—Eugene Guard.



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