

FINANCIAL BAR TO PURCHASE OF FIRE TRUCK OVERCOME

HAWLEY COMPANY AND WOOLEN MILLS OFFER TO GIVE \$1500 TO CITY.

CITY ALSO OFFERED \$1500 FOR SITE OF CATARACT FIRE HOUSE

Special Election Necessary to Put Through Deal, Says City Attorney Schuebel—Power Cost at the Falls Compiled.

Plans were laid and offers made at a meeting of the Live Wires of the Commercial club Tuesday noon when...

The meeting was attended by W. P. Hawley, Sr., and W. P. Hawley, Jr., of the Hawley Pulp & Paper company...

The city, therefore, would receive \$2000 from the two big companies. The taxpayers last Saturday recom-

ended an increase in the general road levy of one mill. The city receives 70 per cent of the road levy collected within the city limits...

Additional road money could be spent on city streets. In accord with state law and a similar sum from the general city tax levy...

About \$7000 Available. The city already has appropriated almost \$2000 for the maintenance of the fire and water department.

A special city election, however, would be necessary to carry out this plan, according to Main Trunk Schuebel...

Another matter taken up with the Live Wires relative to fire protection was the proposal that an automatic valve be installed on the 10-inch main work.

Other Matters Discussed. George Randall, chairman of the committee of the Live Wires on an armory, reported the defeat of an \$8000 appropriation in the county budget...

Main Trunk Schuebel displayed figures showing the cost of power developed at the falls of the Willamette. The report will be filed with the secretary of the Commercial club...

A letter from H. Leighton Kelly of the Clackamas County Anglers' association was read inviting the members of the Live Wires to attend a meeting of the fishermen in the Commercial club parlors tonight.

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SUIT FILED ON NOTE. Darius C. Fouts has filed a suit in the circuit court to collect \$150, alleged to be due on a note...

OFFICIALS OPPOSED TO ROAD SUPERVISOR PLAN

PLAN OF FEDERAL AID EXPLAINED TO COUNTY JUDGES AND COMMISSIONERS.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 13.—The discussion of the State Association of County Judges and Commissioners today was all about roads and road laws.

What the government proposes to do in the way of cooperation with the states was outlined by L. I. Hewes, district engineer of the office of public roads...

State Engineer Lewis made a plea for a business organization for highway road work, making it standard and uniform all over the state.

District Attorney Evans of Multnomah county detailed his experience in trying to unravel the tangled skein of the Oregon road laws.

At the afternoon session Governor Withycombe spoke on "State Highways," and O. Laurgaard, a member-elect of the legislature from Multnomah county, reported suggestions on the reorganization of the state road laws.

The care of county wards, indigent poor and delinquent juveniles and the administration of county farms and widows' pensions were subjects considered yesterday.

Dealing with juvenile delinquency, there was general agreement that parents should be held to a stricter responsibility for their children.

Judge Springer of Crook county said he would advocate the arrest of some parents on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of their children and would force these parents to work on the roads like other criminals.

The discussion on juvenile delinquency was opened by Charles W. Robinson, deputy district attorney of Multnomah county, who said that the chief trouble is that juvenile courts are run on theories instead of practical common sense.

A great problem, he said, in handling juvenile delinquency was as to where to place the delinquent. He characterized reform schools as training places for crooks.

COMMISSIONER HOFF'S REPORT INDICATES A REVIVAL IN LUMBER

PROSPERITY FOR OPERATORS AND EMPLOYEES IS PREDICTED BY STATE OFFICIAL.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 13.—In a report issued by State Labor Commissioner O. P. Hoff late today, he states that capital has \$23,619,902 invested in plants and equipment in the timber industry of the state...

Commenting on the condition of the timber industry, Mr. Hoff said: "Wages, on the whole, both for skilled and unskilled workers, show a gratifying increase during the past six months, and give indications of going higher."

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DEPORTATION OF BELGIANS MEETS U.S. OPPOSITION

AMERICAN STATE DEPARTMENT VIEW GERMAN POLICY WITH CONCERN AND REGRET.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—A note to Germany protesting against the deportation of Belgians for forced labor as contrary to all precedents and humane principles of international practice, was made public tonight by the state department.

A decision to protest formally against the treatment of the Belgians followed unsuccessful efforts by Charles Grew under instructions that he say informally to the Berlin foreign office that the deportations were having a most unfavorable effect upon neutrals, particularly the United States.

The note, with the department's statement making it public, follows: "On November 29, Mr. Grew, our charge at Berlin, was directed to obtain an interview with the German chancellor and read to him the following:

"The government of the United States has learned with the greatest concern and regret of the policy of the German government to deport from Belgium a portion of the civilian population for the purpose of forcing them to labor in Germany, and is constrained to protest in a friendly spirit, but most solemnly, against this action, which is in contravention of all precedents and of those humane principles of international practice which long have been accepted and followed by civilized nations in their treatment of noncombatants."

"Furthermore, the government of the United States is convinced the effect of this policy, if pursued, will in all probability be fatal to the Belgian relief work, so humanely planned and so successfully carried out, a result which would be generally deplored and which, it is assumed, would seriously embarrass the German government."

The interview has taken place.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Edmund E. C. Von Klein, debonaire dandy, whose taking ways with women and their jewels led him to a term in the Oregon penitentiary from which he was released only a year ago last September, has married again, and this time, as in other instances of his motley matrimonial career, he won a woman with diamonds.

Mrs. Cora Emily Crowley, of New York City, daughter of a Canadian judge, is the bride, and the ceremony was performed at the prison city of Jeffersonville, Ind., about 10 days ago.

Junior Lodge in Charge. Oregon City Junior Artisan assembly will have charge of the monthly social evening of the adult lodge. The juniors have decided to give a dance and other entertaining features.

Backache Just Like a Toothache! Dear Mr. Editor—Sometime ago I had backache very bad; it would ache just like a toothache. I tried a new discovery of Doctor Pierce's, called "Anuric." This is for kidneys and backache. I soon felt relieved of all backache and had no more pain, and I hope others troubled in the same way will try this wonderful new remedy.

6000 TROOPS WILL RETURN FROM BORDER. SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 9.—All organizations making up the total of nearly 6000 state troops that General Funston has designated to leave the border will start for home between December 12 and 18, according to information secured at headquarters today.

How's This? We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

TWO COUPLES DIVORCED. Decrees were signed Wednesday divorcing Lula M. McPherson from George McPherson and Marie Hofma from E. B. Hofma.

34 ROAD DISTRICTS HAVE SPECIAL LEVY

OREGON CITY HAS HIGHEST TOWN TAX, ASSESSOR JACK'S FIGURES SHOW.

Thirty-four special district road levies have been made in Clackamas county, according to the list announced Thursday by County Assessor Jack.

Many of the levies are 10 mills, and in districts with this high special levies the property owners will pay a total of about 18 mills for road purposes.

Oregon City, with its city levy of 14.5 mills, has the highest town tax in the county. Sandy and Oswego are next, each with 10 mills and Gladstone has the honor of having the lowest city levy, four mills.

Special road district levies follow: Dist. No. Levy Mills. 3 10.0 4 3.0 5 5.0 6 10.0 7 4.0 8 10.0 9 10.0 10 7.0 11 5.0 12 10.0 13 10.0 14 5.0 15 5.0 16 6.0 17 2.0 18 4.0 19 10.0 20 4.5 21 5.0 22 2.0 23 4.0 24 10.0 25 4.5 26 5.0 27 5.0 28 9.0 29 10.0 30 10.0 31 5.0 32 10.0 33 10.0 34 10.0

Estacada Road 10.0 Sandy Road 10.0

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Richmondite is a Standard Oil company product manufactured in Richmond, Cal. F. H. Welsh, employed by the oil company in its engineering department, discovered the value of a material derived from crude oil for road work and four years ago it was used in repairing water-bound macadam in Richmond.

In applying Richmondite to a work-out rock road, the surface of the highway is first made smooth, and then one coat of Richmondite is applied. Then comes a thin coat of fine rock chips, which is rolled in, then another layer of Richmondite and a final coat of rock chips. A final rolling, and the road is completed.

Mr. Olds says that this kind of road can be laid for from 25 to 30 cents a yard, according to local conditions. The Steel avenue road cost 30 cents a yard.

AUTHENTIC RUMOR HAS IT BLANCHARD IS NOT TO BE CHIEF IN 1917

HENRY COOKE, GEORGE WOODWARD, LEE FRENCH AND F. C. BURK SEEK PLUM.

From sources not official, but considered authentic, comes the assurance that Lowell E. Blanchard will not serve another year as chief of police. The power of appointment lies with the mayor, but his selection must be confirmed by the council.

On the other hand, there are several applicants for the post, which is the best paid of all municipal jobs. Henry Cooke, the veteran of the police department, and Night Patrolman George Woodward, both would like to have the plum and friends of each are active in urging their selection.

The change will take place either on January 1 or immediately thereafter. In the past informal council meetings attended by the new members have been held to make the selection and the formal appointments made at the first regular meeting in the new year.

Besides the change in the chief of police, new committees will be appointed on the council, new patrolmen selected or the present officers reappointed and a street commissioner selected. Any attempt to remove Commissioner C. C. Babcock will probably be met with strong opposition.

A year ago Mayor Hackett endeavored to appoint F. C. Burk to the post, but only one councilman voted for his confirmation.

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ALL OF CABINET, EXCEPT GREGORY, WILL HOLD OVER

BAKER MAY BECOME ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND M'CORMICK SLATED FOR WAR.

FIRST DEFINITE INFORMATION IS OBTAINED IN WASHINGTON

Place on Supreme Bench Once Offered Mr. Gregory and in Event of Another Vacancy He Is Likely to Be Named.

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STUDENTS VOTE TO ABOLISH VACATIONS

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Dec. 8.—The academic council voted today in favor of college the year around, with the work divided into four semesters, which will eliminate the summer vacation. A normal course, however, will require only three semesters' attendance each year, although a student may apply himself continuously throughout the year, thus becoming a candidate for graduation at the end of three years.

WIFE CHARGES DESERTION

Nora Stanton filed a suit for divorce against Charles Stanton in the circuit court Tuesday, alleging desertion. They were married January 21, 1915, in Moro. John N. Slovora appears as attorney for Mrs. Stanton.

A Clogged System Must Be Cleared.

You will find Dr. King's New Life Pills a gentle yet effective laxative for removing impurities from the system. Accumulated waste poisons the blood; dizziness, biliousness and pimples, muddy complexion are the distressing effects. A dose of Dr. King's New Life Pills to-night will assure you a free, full bowel movement in the morning. At your druggist, 25c. Adv.

WILSON WILL PARDON BOMB PLOT WITNESS

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 8.—A filibuster by the defense successfully postponed testimony today of Louis J. Smith, the government's chief witness in the trial of Franz Bopp, German consul-general here, and six other defendants, who are charged with violating the neutrality of the United States by conspiring to destroy munitions of war and property of the entente allies.

That Smith will receive presidential pardon to insure introduction of his testimony was declared tonight by John W. Preston, the United States district attorney.

FARMERS AT MEETING NAME OFFICIAL CUPID

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—So many Chicago girls want to go back to North Dakota as the wives of the bachelor farmers who came here in special trains for the stock show and horse fair and who promptly advertised their desire not to remain bachelors, that an official cupid committee was named today.

Advertisement for Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills. "That miserable pain—don't you want relief?" Close attention to work is the cause of much Pain and many Headaches. Obtain relief by taking one or two DR. MILES' ANTI-PAIN PILLS Then tone up the Nervous System by using Dr. Miles' Restorative Nervine IF FIRST BOTTLE OR BOX, FAILS TO HELP YOU, YOUR MONEY WILL BE REFUNDED.