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ELEVATOR WORK IS ORDERED LET

COUNCIL EMPOWERS MAYOR TO SIGN CONTRACT AFTER DEBATE OF MUCH HEAT

TOOZE AND ALBRIGHT HAVE CLASH

Test Wells Referred to as "Muskrat Holes in Swamp," Leading to Charge of "Gag Rule" By Water Chairman

At a special meeting Wednesday afternoon the city council authorized the mayor and city recorder to enter into a contract with the Oregon Bridge & Construction company for the construction of a municipal elevator at Seventh street, the elevator to cost \$11,980, and to be paid out of the bond issue of \$12,500 voted for this purpose. This action was reached only after an hour of some of the most heated and personal debate heard in the city hall since the last blue moon. The council hesitated somewhat about getting down to business, but when once started, action was rapid and intense.

Mayor Jones started the ball rolling by informing the council that the meeting had been called for the purpose of further considering the elevator matter. At this time Councilman Tooze and Horton were absent, but they appeared later.

Mr. Holman was the first man on his feet, and the spectators leaned interestedly forward. "The Mount Hood brewing company desires to replace its present building at Eighth and Main street with a one-story, modern brick," said Mr. Holman, "and further desires to rent the back part of this new structure for a saloon. They want to know if the council will have any objection to permitting one of the at present established saloons to move to this location which will be 75 feet from the corner on the side street."

Elevator Debate Starts. Astonishment was quite general at the sudden change of topics, but in a moment the council got its breath, discussed the matter brought up by Mr. Holman, and voiced its willingness that the rear of the new building be occupied as a saloon. Then came a silence. Finally Councilman Albright moved that the mayor and city recorder be empowered to enter into a contract with the Oregon Bridge & Construction company for an elevator at Seventh street, and that they take the city attorney and city engineer into consultation. Mr. Holman seconded the motion.

Councilman Beard wanted to know what was the estimated capacity of the bridge from the top of the elevator tower to the ground, and that it would be 80 pounds per square foot on the walk, and an additional 30 pounds per square foot on the roof. One hundred and ten pounds per square foot seemed to be regarded as a good margin of safety.

Councilman Beard secured the attention of the meeting. Mr. Tooze said that since the last meeting he had gone over the plans and specifications of the elevator, and would like to make a few remarks thereon.

Mr. Tooze Sees Perils. "We have \$12,500 to invest in an elevator, gentlemen," said, "and it seems that the chances are that the total cost of this enterprise will be \$17,000. That means that we will have to take \$4,000 out of the general fund to complete the work, and I think we ought to consider our rights in this matter. We have talked with well-informed attorneys, and they tell me that we have no right to take this money from the general fund, and that also it will be possible to bring an injunction against the city to exceed the bond issue for this work."

If we let this contract, and as it is started, and we get the material on our hands, and then have to meet a lawsuit, what are we going to do? Also, in going over the plans and specifications I find that there is no provision made for extras. This matter ought to be looked after and referred to somebody, for on all contract work before this city has always had to meet a demand for large sums for extra work and expense. No mention has been made, either, for any person to be responsible for strength tests in the steel to be used, and it seems to me that somebody ought to be appointed to take care of this. Then we ought to find out if the people want us to pay \$4,900 additional for this work. We have declared so many in this matter that I do not think we ought to rush at it now without receiving an expression from the people as to their desires in the matter; and in regard to the extra cost of bringing water to the base of the elevator, and the subject of its location."

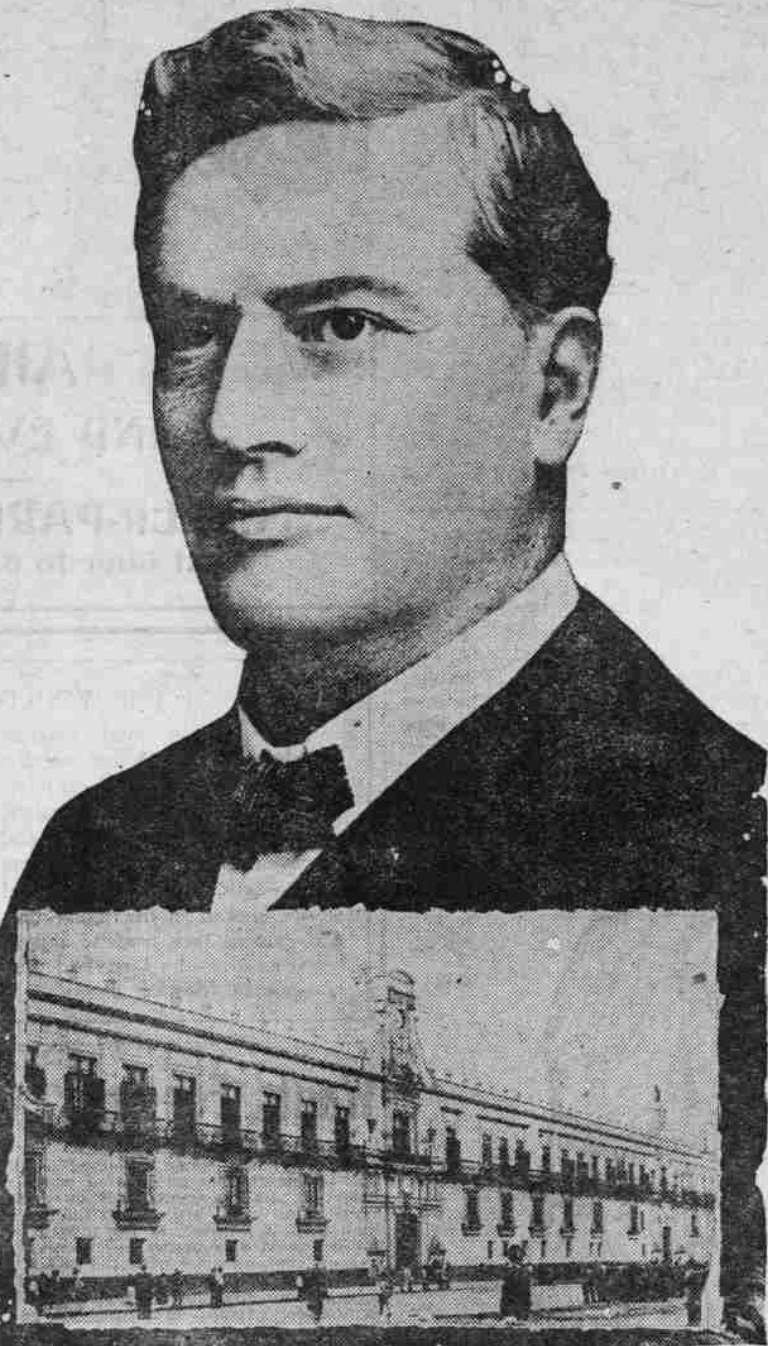
Councilman Albright uncoupled himself from his chair, and cleared his throat.

"Muskrat Holes" Mentioned. "Mr. Mayor," he said, "I would like to have included in my original motion that the mayor request the city engineer or other competent officers to look after the matters of safety tests, and such things. Now as to the rest of this, I think it is just a hold-up. Mr. Tooze spent two weeks last year drawing up contracts, and I didn't notice that there were no extra charges in that work. I do not think he thinks of the wishes of the people when he is digging muskrat holes out here in the swamp, and spending money for that? There have been contracts let for that work while the money to pay for them has not yet been appropriated. The ordinance for that is only on first reading. If the people don't want this elevator, or don't want us to spend the money, let them come to us and tell us so, and not tell it to Mr. Tooze."

At this state of the proceedings George Randall rose to assure the council that the people wanted the elevator and that they would stand for extra expenses, if it was necessary. Mr. Randall also had some things to say about digging test wells. "This is an unwarranted attack on me," said Mr. Tooze, "again getting the floor. I came here to discuss this matter, and to suggest that we use caution. If a man cannot get up in this council and discuss matters I think we had better admit that we are ready for gag rule. I don't intend to obstruct this elevator. I am for it; but nevertheless these things that I have mentioned should be considered. As to the sarcastic comment about the holes in the ground, I want to say that pure water for Oregon City is more important than the elevator matter, and if the council sees fit to vote down the last \$350 appropriated for test wells, I will see to it that the cash to pay for the wells is raised; I'll go out and get it from citizens who have volunteered to give it."

Horton Outlines Vote. Mr. Horton rose to say that he was going to vote on the matter as he believed was right, and that he thought the people wanted the elevator, but wanted it built within the cost of the bond issue; and that only if it seemed that it would be so built would he vote for it. "I think this matter of spending this \$16,000 ought to be put up to the people," he said. "Who told you it was going to cost \$16,000," flashed Mr. Albright. Mr. Tooze answered for Mr. Horton, saying that the city engineer had told him it would take \$3,000 to blast and dig out a street for the elevator matter, and that to bring water to the base of the elevator would cost \$2,000. "It appears that Mr. Tooze is pick-

John E. Lamb, of Indiana, Slated For New Ambassador to Mexico.



John E. Lamb of Terre Haute, Ind., was said to be slated for new ambassador to Mexico. The fact that he has been a personal friend of William J. Bryan for over twenty years lent color to the report. It was stated in Washington that owing to the peculiar state of the relations between the United States and Mexico Mr. Lamb's appointment might not be sent to the senate till after the presidential election in Mexico next October. The appointment of a new ambassador implies the recognition by our government of the Huerta regime. The U.S. administration is said to be opposed to Huerta. A late picture of Mr. Lamb is here shown, with the national palace in Mexico City, where he will be stationed if he is appointed.

ing up herself on the streets," said Mr. Albright. "Nobody expects to build streets out of the elevator fund. The trouble with Mr. Tooze is that it depends with him what committee he is on. If he'd been on the elevator committee, this would have been all right; but as he is on the water committee, he thinks it is alright for his committee to go and spend money, but that it is wrong for us to do it."

Metzler Sheds Light. Mr. Tooze replied to Mr. Albright, but was interrupted by Councilman Metzler, who wanted to know why condemnation proceedings for the upper landing of the elevator hadn't been started months ago. He was told by various members of the committee and by City Attorney Stone that they had, and that progress had been made as rapidly as the somewhat irregular appearance of a quorum at council meetings had made possible. At the outside Mr. Stone estimated that the right-of-way to the upper landing could be secured in two months.

Just about the stage of the argument Mayor Jones, who had been industriously sharpening a pencil, ran the blade of his knife into his finger. The sight of red blood cooled the debate somewhat, and after Councilman Long had arisen to say that he was a member of the elevator committee

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Auditorium Dedicated. ANN ARBOR, Mich., June 25.—The magnificent auditorium presented to the University of Michigan as a memorial to the late Arthur Hill was formally dedicated today in connection with the alumni day celebration at the university. Bishop William opened the dedication exercises with an invocation, following which addresses were delivered by Governor Ferris, Senator Townsend, President-electius Angell and Regent W. L. Clements.

THE NEW PHYSICAL VALUATION COMMITTEE OF THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

These men have just been appointed by the commission to ascertain the real value of the railroads. They are all experts in this sort of work, and will each have charge of the work in one district. More than \$10,000,000 will be sent by congress to get the facts in respect to railroad property, and it is estimated that it will take ten years to complete the work. Left to right: Howard M. Jones, J. S. Worley, Edwin F. Wendt, W. D. Pence and R. A. Thompson.

COUNTY GAINS \$2,487 IN TAX

REVISED FIGURES UPON WEYERHAUSER TIMBER HOLDINGS SHOW PROFIT

INCREASED ASSESSMENT PAYS COST

Probable Addition to Funds From Land of Single Concern Will Exceed \$6,000—Justifies Commissioners

Revised figures upon the county cruise of a part of the Weyerhaeuser timber holdings in Clackamas county show that the assessed valuation will be increased \$192,415, and that under the 16-mill levy this will net the county an increase of \$3,078.84 in taxation. Of the total of 19,854 acres owned by the Weyerhaeusers in Clackamas county, but 7,355 acres have so far been cruised and reported to Assessor Jack. The cruise is being made at the rate of 8 cents a acre, so the cost of the work so far done is \$593.80. Deducting this from the increased taxation that will result, there remains a clear profit of \$2,487.84 that the county will receive from less than two-fifths of the timber owned by one corporation.

On this basis the county will gain some \$6,215 in taxation alone on the Weyerhaeuser holdings, after the cost of the cruise has been paid. This is regarded as confirmation of the strongest kind of the sound business judgment of the county court when it determined to make a cruise of its own, and no longer rely upon the estimates furnished by the big timber holders. Estimates as to the value of the timber in that part of the Weyerhaeuser holdings already cruised show how the county has been the loser steadily when the old basis was used. Comparative figures, as furnished the county by the Weyerhaeusers and as procured by the county cruise, are given below, and show plainly where the county has gained by the cruise. The figures refer to various sections and units of area that have been cruised so far, making a total of 7,355 acres.

Weyerhaeuser Figures	County Figures
\$6,000	\$18,293
2,000	1,550
8,500	13,515
2,000	7,155
1,500	5,275
3,000	5,845
3,000	56,235
6,000	23,285
3,000	26,720
4,000	29,360
2,000	2,375
1,800	6,460
5,000	28,030
2,000	7,170
5,900	6,385

\$48,900 \$241,315

CONFERENCE PLANS PRACTICALLY READY

Preparations are being made for the opening of the "Second World's Christian Citizenship Conference" in Portland Sunday, and the first regular session will be held Monday morning, when addresses of welcome and responses will be delivered.

Mr. Engdon, who has charge of the general organization work, has reached the seat of the conference and says that from his observation on his trip from Pittsburg to Portland he believes the interest in this meeting is greater than in any convention that has been held on the Pacific coast. Mr. Engdon is now in close touch with C. C. Chapman, R. W. Raymond and G. F. Johnson, who have been active members of the committee of 100 in promoting local interest in the conference.

The meeting for men, to be held next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the W. O. W. hall, when Dr. Dodds, one of the ablest and most widely-known men on the program of the conference will speak, will probably be largely attended. Like the conference in Portland the meeting is inter-denominational.

BEAVERS WIN IN ELEVENTH. Portland 4, Oakland 1 (11 innings). San Francisco 6, Venice 4. Los Angeles 4, Sacramento 3. (10 innings).



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IMPERATOR, GREATEST OF LINERS, CROSSES ATLANTIC



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The Emperor's length is 913 feet, beam 98 feet, height of bridge above water 90 feet, gross tonnage 50,000. She is commanded by five captains. Her chief commander is Hans Ruser. She has three wireless operators, and the apparatus is so strong that it is never out of touch of land on one side of the ocean or the other. She has nine decks, elevators which are kept constantly busy. Her life boats accommodate 4,000 persons. It has a complete telephone system and an imperial suite of twelve rooms. She has a garden growing flowers and shrubbery, and a theatre and ballroom. She carries a crew of 1180, and made her first trip in six days, five hours and fourteen minutes.

OREGON SOLONS TEST WELL WATER SPLIT ON TARIFF PROBED FOR GERMS

WASHINGTON, June 25.—Oregon's senators divided in caucus this afternoon when the vote was taken on wool and sugar schedules. Senator Lane voting to sustain President Wilson in his advocacy of free wool and free sugar while Senator Chamberlain voted for a duty on wool as well as for a duty on sugar. Prior to registering his vote, Senator Lane addressed the caucus briefly, urging industry to show no favoritism to any industry and urging them to make the greatest reductions on the products of manufacturers or producers who have been watering their stock, who have been employing foreigners to force down the price of labor and who have fixed arbitrary and exorbitant prices for consumers.

BEAUTIFUL MEMBER JOINS DIPLOMATIC SOCIAL CLUB



Mme. Constantin Dumba, wife of the new ambassador from Austria-Hungary.

HISTORIC CHURCH CRUMBLING AWAY

NEW ORLEANS, La., June 25.—Letters were mailed to 100,000 Catholics in the parish of New Orleans today calling on members of the church for contributions to repair the historic St. Louis Cathedral in this city. One hundred thousand dollars is needed to save the old structure which threatens to collapse.

The cathedral was completed in 1794. It was a gift to the city from Andres Almonaster y Roxas. His only request in return for his generosity was that a mass be said each Sunday afternoon for the repose of his soul. During the 119 years that have intervened there has been no omission of this service. Owing to the present dangerous condition of the cathedral the priests say this mass each Sunday at the risk of their lives. No other persons are allowed to enter the building.

As were all the old buildings in New Orleans, the foundations of the cathedral were laid on cypress sleepers. So long as these sleepers lay below the permanent water level that did not rot but with the improved drainage of recent years the permanent water level has been carried far below the old logs, which have rotted and allowed the walls to settle.

RECORD CROWDS FOR CHAUTAUQUA

OUTLOOK FOR ANNUAL ASSEMBLY NEVER SO PROMISING AS IN PRESENT YEAR

MANY FEATURES ON BIG PROGRAM

Remarkable List of Lectures and Studies Secured Proves Drawing Card to Hundreds—Tents in Demand

Attendance records of former years will be shattered at the coming session of the Willamette Valley Chautauqua if early predictions count for anything. The assembly opens at Gladstone park July 5th for a twelve day session, closing the 20th. Tent reservations are coming in by the score, and the Chautauqua "fans" bids fair to run way up into the hundreds. This is an unusually good omen of a record attendance. The season ticket sale begins in earnest Monday next, but already a large number of patrons are taking advantage of the "book" plan, whereby they can secure their season admissions, which are good for all classes, lectures, main platform attractions and in fact everything—for the sum of \$2.00, thus cutting off 50 cents from the regular price. These book tickets may be secured from E. P. E. Co. office, first and Alder, Portland, or from Mr. Caulfield, at the Bank of Oregon City, beginning next Monday, on payment of the \$2.00, accompanied by the list of the ten desiring tickets.

The office of the secretary, Mr. H. E. Cross in the Beaver building, has been a mighty busy place the past two weeks. Fifteen thousand booklets of the Chautauqua have been sent to all parts of the surrounding country, and in addition hundreds of letters of information have been written to Chautauqua enquirers. Window cards by the score have been sent to nearby towns, and the county is being billed most thoroughly.

The railroads are making preparations for handling the big annual crowd that throngs Gladstone park. The Southern Pacific will stop its local trains at night on the grounds, while the P. R. L. & P. Co. will run cars every half hour to and from Oregon City directly into the park. From Portland patrons should take the "Oregon City" car at first and Alder streets, and the car service continues until late at night on each day. Baggage may be shipped on either line. The P. R. L. & P. Co. as a courtesy to the Chautauqua, will double the lighting capacity in the auditorium, and in addition will increase the number of electric lights on the grounds.

The summer school classes which occupy the morning hours each day will cover a wide range of practical subjects that will appeal especially to the women. The college work this year is to be a feature, as practically every educational institution in the state will have classes of least a four-hour hour, from 11 to 12:00 each day. The twenty-six big afternoon and evening programs will include such noted attractions as Prof. Baumgardt, lecturer; Frances Carter, reader; N. Poon, Chinese statesman; Walt Holcomb, lecturer; Silent Mixed Quartet; Colonel Bain, lecturer; Maude Willis, interpreter of the drama; Frederick Vining Fisher, lecturer; Tyrolean Alpine Singers; Grace Lamkin, "Supervisor Play," a distance feature for all the children; Dr. W. B. Hibson, the Women's club; Temple; Mr. E. G. Lewis, lecturer; the Portland Ladies' band of the Artisan Lodge, in daily programs; Dr. Matt S. Hughes of Pasadena, Calif., lecturer; Panamashika and his pets.

Portland will be well represented in the Chautauqua music. Prof. F. T. Chapman has general supervision of the 1913 musical program, and Prof. J. H. Cowen will direct the special chorus work, which will consist of over 100 choir singers from Portland and Oregon City. The Shakespeare club of Portland, the Women's club, the W. C. T. U., and the State Sunday school association will maintain headquarters on the grounds.

Michigan Normal Term Ends. YPSILANTI, Mich., June 25.—Commencement week at the Michigan State Normal college ended with the graduation exercises this morning. The address to the graduating class was delivered by Prof. Albion W. Small, of the University of Chicago.

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