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GRAB SLICE OF CITY'S STREET

OWNERS TAKE FORTY-TWO FEET FOR PARKING WITHOUT ANY AUTHORITY

MEZNER DEMANDS AN EXPLANATION

Wants to Know Who Gave Right to Do So and Why They Improve Highway Without Plans From Engineer

Charges that some property owners on Center street had unlawfully appropriated 42 feet of the street and that they had plowed it up for parking...

Fred Metzner demanded from the street committee whether or not permission had been granted for the parking of the street until only 18 feet was left and what authority the owners had to take that much of the city's property.

Councilman Horton explained that the committee of which he is chairman had granted no such permission and that he would at once investigate the excuses that they might have to offer for improperly appropriating part of the thoroughfare.

The portion to which Councilman Metzner objected was between Second and Center street, where he says some of the property owners have gone 42 feet out into the thoroughfare and that they have left only a little alley of what was a 60-foot street.

The members of the council could not see the authority for such an appropriation and declared that the property owners of the city have no business to attempt street improvement unless they are working under the direction of the city engineer or have plans and specifications from his office. The street committee and the city engineer will investigate the trouble within the week.

At the meeting, Councilmen Horton, Albright, Metzner, Long, Myers and Beard were present, and Toozee, Hall and Holman, absent.

OREGON APPLES FIND MARKET IN KANSAS

Oregon apples are wanted in Sabetha, Kan. O. E. Freytag, secretary of the commercial club, has received a letter from John H. Judy of an electrical company asking for prices on Oregon apples quoted in carload lots.

He notified the secretary that he would probably want several cars before the Christmas holidays and has asked that the quotations be sent to him at once. The request includes Jonathan and other varieties.

BUILDING RUSH ON IN TOWN

TWO CONCRETE STRUCTURES WILL BE BUILT ON MAIN STREET SOON

WOOLEN MILLS HAVE LEASED ONE

Modern in Every Detail and Fireproof in Construction Will Be Part of Requirements for Warehouses

Two new concrete buildings are being planned for Oregon City by James Tracy which will be built during the spring and summer months. Plans are now being arranged.

One building will occupy a space 75 by 100 feet and probably be three stories high with a basement although this has not been definitely decided. The lower floor will be used for store purposes and the upper stories for either a hotel or rooming house. This structure will be situated on Main street between Fourth and Fifth.

The other building will be built on the railroad track between Fourth and Fifth streets. Concrete will be used throughout and every effort will be made to make it fire proof. A side track will probably be laid from the main line of the Southern Pacific track as this building will be used as a warehouse.

Mr. Tracy has already rented the warehouse to the Oregon City Woolen mills and part of the new store building has been assigned to a local firm. The building on Main street will have what is considered by real estate men as a prominent site in the business section, being across from the Electric hotel and near the offices of the woolen and Hawley paper company.

The erection of the two new buildings will complete almost a quarter of a block of new structures on the corner of Main and Fourth streets by Mr. Tracy within a space of six months.

NEW TOWN GETS WAD OF ROAD MONEY TO USE

If the new charter for West Linn is adopted by the voters of that progressive city, the eight-mill general road tax collected within the city's boundaries will be turned over to the city treasurer and the money somewhere near \$25,000 spent on the roads of West Linn. The amount received each year will allow of the building of hard pavement roads 20 feet wide and with the general tax not more than 3 mills, 2 mills for 1914. West Linn should show Clackamas county one of the most beautiful and at the same time economical cities in the state, but none of this can be done unless the city charter passes when it is put to vote on December 29.



VILLA FORMER BANDIT, HAS RISEN TO FAME AND POWER. General Francisco Villa, rebel leader, and his staff resting during their march toward Mexico City. Villa, who a few months ago was unknown, except as a dangerous bandit, has now become one of the most powerful men in Mexico. He has risen in the rebel ranks with startling suddenness and has led the Constitutional forces to victory after victory. Among his most brilliant feats was the capture and defense of Juarez, custom port and port of entry and one of the most important cities of northern Mexico. Practically all of the northern states are now in the hands of the rebels, and in the south the latter are meeting with success almost daily. This photograph was taken after the Federals had been routed south of Juarez. While Villa and his staff obtained a brief respite from the forced marching. Federal artillery, battling with the main body of Villa's army, dropped an occasional shell near the encampment of the rebel general.

FIGHT ON NEW FREAK EXHIBIT

MANAGER APPEARS WITH REQUEST FOR LICENSE ON SUNDAY—DEBATE

HORTON BOOSTS FOR HOME SHOWS

Dislikes Companies Who Drop Into Towns, Take Out Money, and Go to Other Points—Novel Point is Explained

The application for a license to exhibit on Sunday stirred up Councilman Horton Wednesday night to tell what he thought of shows that operate on that day and that he did not approve of visitors who came into the city and take money away from the home amusement houses.

The manager of a man who has a wonderful lung capacity, holds his breath for three and one-half minutes under water, eats, drinks and smokes under water and does other things that you actually see happen before your very eyes," wanted a license to show some of these things to the people of Oregon City. He claimed that the sight was an education and that the women and children of the town ought to see this wonderful man.

Horton's Idea Different. Horton didn't think the man at all wonderful, but he denied that the issue had anything to do with the case. He did not believe that the strangers should be allowed to operate in the city on Sunday or that they should come here and take money from the town, leaving little in it. He believed that, regardless of the Sunday question, the picture shows and other amusement houses of the town ought to receive preference and that the strangers who dropped in for a day with a new freak show of some kind ought to be kept out.

Beard, however, thought that a show that was good enough to run on the other days of the week ought to be allowed on Sunday and he objected to that part of Horton's fight. The council instructed the manager to get the license for next Saturday and Sunday.

Constitution "Explained." One of the features of the conference was the explanation by the manager that he was a citizen of the United States and that "one of the provisions in the charter and constitution of the United States is that a man shall be allowed to earn his bread and butter wherever he goes." None of the members of the council seem to have read that particular paragraph in the constitution but they took his word for it and ordered the license granted.

The man who knows the least generally thinks he knows the most.

There is bound to be some disagreement where there is more than one commissioner in a city government.

Everybody Invited Free

Bring your tarnished silverware and have it cleaned. Demonstrations today only. Come and bring your friends. Opposite Masonic Hall.

In The Social Whirl

Current Happenings of Interest in and About Oregon City

GRABS ROPE IN TIME TO CHECK FALL OF WORKER ON CLUB HOME

Deep Gashes and Broken Bones Add to Internal Injuries that May Prove to be More or Less Serious Later

DROPS TWENTY SIX FEET TO WALK

George Anderson, a bricklayer at work on the new Commercial club building, was knocked to the pavement by a falling derrick and received several serious injuries.

Only the presence of mind of Michael Long, fire chief, saved the man from death as he fell fully 26 feet to the cement sidewalk. As he came down, the derrick dropped with him and fell but a short distance away, narrowly missing the head of the fire chief as he made strenuous efforts to break the fall.

While Anderson was pulling up a pall of mortar that Long was sending to the top of the building, the derrick came loose from its fastenings and dropped toward him. The blow surprised him and he was knocked off the top of the building, hitting one corner of it as he came down.

In falling, however, he grabbed the rope. Long saw him lose his balance and grabbed the cable at the same time, checking the man's fall and probably being largely responsible for the fact he was not killed when he hit the pavement.

An examination by Dr. Guy Mount revealed deep gashes over the right eye, a broken right wrist, and probably internal injuries that may prove more or less serious. He was taken to the Oregon City hospital.

Delta Alpha Class.

Miss Gladys Cannon, vice-president of the Delta Alpha class of the Baptist church entertained for their pleasure Saturday afternoon at her home on Fifth street. The afternoon was pleasantly spent in playing games and making plans for the Christmas holidays.

The hostess assisted by her mother, Mrs. William Cannon, Mrs. Charles Oglesby and Mrs. Louis Krummel served refreshments to the members of the class present.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Miss Betta Hamm in Gladstone, December 20.

FIRE CHIEF SAVES WORKMAN'S LIFE

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BROTHER IS BOUND OVER TO GRAND JURY

H. E. Holdren was bound over to await the action of the county grand jury by John N. Seivers, justice of the peace.

Holdren is charged with attempting to shoot his brother, E. H. Holdren, as the latter stood in his home at Fern Ridge. The brothers had been together in Duluth, Minn., but had not seen each other for more than a year.

Friends of E. H. Holdren declare they had seen a strange man around the place there for several days before he fired the shot through the window at his brother.

By a strange freak of chance, Fred Mallette, a Portland detective happened to be on the car as it passed the house just when the shot was fired. He stopped the train, made the arrest, and turned his man over to Chief of Police Percy Cross, of Gladstone, who lodged him in the county jail.

Isn't there a soul on that water wagon yet?

WOOD FOR SALE

ABOUT 50 CORD AT \$4.00 PER CORD DELIVERED TO ANY PART OF OREGON CITY. ADDRESS BOX 184, ROUTE NO. 3, OREGON CITY, OREGON.

SOON COMPLETE SITE FOR SHOPS

SEVERAL DEEP FILLS MUST BE MADE GANG OF MEN BUSILY AT WORK ON GROUND WHERE ROAD IS BUILDING TRACKS

FORCE BEGAN TO CLEAR LAND IN LATE OCTOBER AND JOB IS ALMOST DONE, THOUGH GULLIES INTERFERE WITH PLANS

Within the next three days the clearing of the land on the site of the new P. E. & E. car shops will be completed and probably by the middle of next week the leveling of the land will be started.

Work began on October 24, when the first gang of men started slashing the brush and small timber. Then there was a dense growth of brush and young firs on the land and the tract was full of large stumps. Now the land is clear, excepting a small part of the eastern end.

There are several gullies which run across the site and it will be necessary to level off this ground before work can be started on the foundations and any track can be laid.

The right-of-way will run along the northeastern edge of the tract instead of following the present route of the Willamette Falls line, as is popularly supposed. The future road has been surveyed and all is ready for the grading to be started.

The date for actual construction on the new shops has now been determined although it is thought that they will be started sometime in the spring.

SUES SISTERS FOR BALANCE ON NOTE

Robert Rossall brought suit in the circuit court of the county Wednesday against the Sisters of Mercy, a corporation, and Thomas C. Anderson and Augustus F. Butler on a \$500 note given to him, with others, in May 1896.

Part of the note has since been paid but the plaintiff asks the foreclosure on land given as security for the note and for such costs and attorney fees as he believes are proper. He alleges that with the interest the amount now due is \$386.25.

Sympathy is more often misplaced than lost.

TOWN'S CHARTER HELD ILLEGAL

WILLAMETTE COUNCIL ADMITS MISTAKE WAS MADE—CALLS ANOTHER ELECTION

TECHNICALLY IS HELD RESPONSIBLE

Measure Submitted by Resolution Instead of by an Ordinance as Required by Statute—To Make No Fight

Willamette has apparently conceded the point that the last election for the city charter was illegal and may not even attempt to fight its way through the courts.

At a recent meeting of the city council, the suit brought by James Downey to restrain the county assessor from collecting the taxes that had been levied by the council under the charter was discussed. The council decided to ignore the past election and to call another at once. The date has been fixed for December 22.

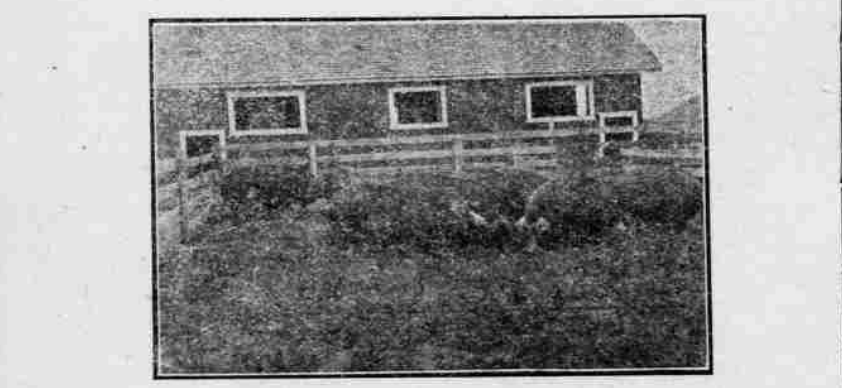
A few days ago, Downey brought the action in the circuit court of the county against the city council and the county assessor. The charter that the people adopted at the election November 17 was declared void because it had not been submitted by an ordinance. The city council had simply passed a resolution authorizing its submission and the law requires that such matters must be submitted by ordinance of the council.

As the easiest way out of the difficulties, the council decided to pass the last election as though it had never been held and to call another one for the people to approve the charter. The issues were brought out by the attempt of the city fathers to levy a tax authorized by the charter and the assessor to estimate the value of the taxable property in the city.

The suit brought by Downey, one of the largest property owners in the city, called the attention of the council to the mistake and the action in setting the date for another election appears to be conceding the point that a mistake was made and that the charter then adopted is void. At the polls this month, the people will vote on the charter in identical the same form as they did the last time as any change would take 60 days of publicity before an election could be held.

It seems somehow not entirely inappropriate for members of a cat club to fall out and wrangle.

Some Of Dimick's Prize Hogs



Several Clackamas county animals took prizes in the Portland Stock show this week. Among these were the prize hogs of Judge Grant B. Dimick from his farm. In the Poland China awards, he took second, third and fifth.

In the Chester White awards, C. W. West carried everything before him in the hog division and took several prizes in this breed of animal.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hughes of this county took several prizes in the Guernsey cattle division. Some of the finest stock in the state was produced in this county and the several awards that were given by expert judges of stock showed the examination through which they passed.

Marriage is apt to be a failure if the female of the species spends more money at the millinery shop than the butcher shop.

A Merry Christmas For All

This includes the poor. St. Paul's Brotherhood is undertaking to make this Christmas merry for the poor in and about Oregon City. It is for ALL the poor, regardless of religion. Send names of needy families to Rev. C. W. Robinson. Send money and gifts to Wm. Hammond, treasurer, or any member of the Brotherhood.

ROYAL BREAD!

The best that money can produce. Always Fresh At HARRIS' GROCERY

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Bell Theatre Today Thursday and Friday "The Portland Trio" High-class Musical Act NEW PICTURES...

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What to Give for Christmas No Gift is quite so complimentary as one that is a luxury and intended for the personal adornment of the receiver—such as a piece of jewelry. Fortunately such gifts are not expensive if you choose them in our "Little Paris Shop." HERE ARE A FEW SUGGESTIONS Bracelets—Gold Filled 50c to 5.50 Lockets and Chains 1.00 to 5.00 French Novelties 25c to 6.50 Aluminum Jewelry Novelties 75c to 2.50 Pendants and Chains 50c to 3.50 Scarf Pins 25c to 1.00 Cuff Links 25c to 1.00 Gifts That Are Different Thousands to Choose From Let us place before you several thousand gifts—ranging in price from twenty-five cents to five thousand dollars. Choose from our great catalogue showing a million dollars' worth of gifts which makes Christmas shopping a delight. BANNON & CO.