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\$32,000 SHORT YET

City Facing Deficit Despite Two Mills Extra.

TWO LEVIES WILL BE MADE

The Regular 8-Mill and the Special 2-Mill Tax—Each Department Must Keep Within the Appropriation.

The ways and means committee of the City Council, presided over by Mayor H. S. Rowe, was in session yesterday afternoon wrestling with the deficit of \$32,739.30 that faces the city administration for the year. The committee was breaking the ground for tomorrow's council meeting, and decided to authorize City Auditor Devin to prepare two ordinances: one providing for the annual 8-mill levy authorized by the city charter, and the other for the special 2-mill levy, authorized by the Legislature, provided that the measure has by that time become a law.

City Auditor Devin placed the financial situation of the city clearly before the committee. He said: "If we conduct the city administration on exactly the same basis as last year, expending the same amount of money in every department, and adding on last year's deficiency on the basis of the 8-mill levy, we would have a deficit of \$32,739.30. The 2-mill special levy authorized by the Legislature would give us about \$56,000, which would reduce our deficit to \$22,739.30."

The committee then took up the work of assigning to each department its appropriation for the year, which will be embodied in the ordinances to be passed Wednesday. It was agreed that the different departments should be assigned fixed sums, and they be requested not to exceed during the year the amounts set aside for their use. Mayor Rowe said that he had interviewed the members of each commission personally and that they had agreed to assist him in carrying out this policy.

The following statement shows the amounts assigned to each department. These are in most cases greater than would have been received under the fixed millage of the city charter, the legislature having given the City Council the power to transfer money to the departments from the general fund. The statement also shows the actual expenses of each department during 1900, the estimates of appropriations needed for 1901, and the amounts assigned by the ways and means committee at yesterday's session.

INDORSED LEGISLATIVE BILLS

Central W. C. T. U. Favors Several Measures Now Before Legislature.

The usual Monday afternoon meeting of the Central W. C. T. U. yesterday was one of marked interest. President Mary Blackwell is a most efficient presiding officer. Promptly at 2:30 P. M. the meeting was opened. After the usual preliminary exercises, the subject of the need of an industrial school for girls was opened up. The president reported an interview with Chief McClanahan, in which the need of it as it has been forcibly brought to him was emphasized. The discussion led to the appointment of a committee to take such steps as seem practical in adding the movement.

Several bills now before the Legislature were discussed, especially those relating to labor. Mrs. Addison, who has just returned from an extended trip East, and who is associate superintendent of the labor department of the National Union, spoke earnestly and with much interest.

ing data, on labor laws, and their just claims. She warmly endorsed the child labor law proposed by the federal trades. The need of the country is intelligence, the boy and girl of today is the citizen of tomorrow, she said, and urged the union to use its hearty endorsement its approval of this law. The unanimous voice of those present that the measure should become a law. They endorsed the barbers' Sunday closing move, together with the bill prohibiting payment of laborers by time check. The importance of pure food laws and the relation of food to temperance also received attention, and the following resolution was passed:

"Whereas, The health department of the W. C. T. U., in the branch of domestic science, teaches emphatically that health and temperance are most related subjects, and that pure food is absolutely necessary for health; therefore,

"Resolved, That the Central W. C. T. U. heartily endorses the pure food bill now before our Legislature, and hopes it will become a law."

TWO GIFTED CHILDREN.

Paloma and Karla Schramm's Concert at the Marquam.

It is somewhere near two years since Paloma Schramm and her sister, Karla, first visited Portland and won so warm a place in the hearts of our musicians and music-lovers. The friends made then have by no means forgotten the two gifted children, but have watched their career with lively interest. Last night's concert at the Marquam proved that the two child-artists have lost none of the charm that enthralled their audiences on their previous visit. They are not spoiled a whit by their extensive touring, and the audience here have received, but are the same naive, fresh-souled, happy little persons they were then. Paloma's love for her art has increased and deepened. She has developed a taste for Bach, and devotes much time to him. The first number on the programme was Bach's "Chromatic Fantasia," which she played with unusual intelligence for one so immature. A Scotti number followed, and the Chopin's nocturne, Op. 27, and a Saint-Saens transcription of a Bach gavotte, besides numbers by Liszt, Grieg, Mendelssohn and Schumann. The two children are a remarkable power to grasp the ideas of the composer and reproduce them with sympathetic comprehension. There is nothing forced or exaggerated in her interpretation. She is quick to detect and reproduce what is mawkish or insincere in sentiment, and has the fine conscience for her art that she gave indications of possessing two years ago. Several of her own compositions were played, among which were some inspired by her late visit to the Yosemite. In these and in the improvisation upon a theme given by some one in the audience she showed great facility of expression; but beyond this there is no very unusual advance to be observed in color, richness of modulation or of melodic invention. There is no certain indication that she possesses the creative instinct in any very high degree of originality. Her talents are for reproductive rather than creative art. As an interpreter she is a sure and winning artist in a high place in the world of music. Karla's personality is one that takes irresistible hold of an audience. Her winning smile captivated every heart. She has, in a lower degree of development as yet, the same sure taste for art; but in temperament the two are very different. Technically, both show wise and careful training, resulting in unusual proficiency on the part of Paloma.

The good breeding which usually characterizes a Portland musical audience was not in evidence last night, conversation marring the enjoyment of many of the numbers.

The two children will present an entirely different programme tonight at the Marquam.

Way Erect a Brick Building.

One of the propositions which will be submitted to the stockholders of the Odd Fellows' Hall Association, of Albina, at the meeting next Tuesday, is whether the association will proceed with the erection of a two-story brick on its quarter block, corner Vancouver avenue and Russell street, this year. Circular letters have been addressed to each of the 21 stockholders, asking them to express their views at this meeting. Industrial Lodge is the largest shareholder, owning one-fifth of the \$10,000 stock issued, and a number of the members think it would be a good business proposition to put up the building this year. It was the intention of the association to build 30 years ago, but the project had to be abandoned on account of the financial slump.

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TO PLEAD THEIR CAUSE

INDIAN WAR VETERANS START FOR WASHINGTON.

They Will Try to Influence the Lower House to Pass the Proposed Pension Bill.

Six aged Indian War Veterans will leave Portland this evening for Washington City, where they will render the Oregon delegation whatever assistance they can, in securing relief legislation for those who defended the Northwest against the murderous savages, between 1856 and 1857. Governor Geer last week appointed T. A. Wood, of Portland, Jacob Wheeler, of Albany; H. D. Mount, of Silverton; G. W. Riddle, of Astoria; W. D. Stillwell, of Tillamook; J. C. Cooper, of McMinnville and O. Summers, of Portland, on this committee, and the sum of \$200 has been set apart to defray the expenses of the trip. At the meeting yesterday in the office of T. A. Wood, General Summers stated that he had not acted and tendered his resignation. The General feared that little could be accomplished in behalf of the Indian War Veterans, at this time, as this Congress will expire March 4, and so what work was done by the Oregon delegation and friends of the Veterans in the meantime would all have to be done over again. The General, however, volunteered his hearty services in whatever he could assist the delegation and he wished them godspeed on their errand. His successor will probably be appointed today from Eastern Oregon and he will join the party tomorrow.

For many years the men who fought the Indians in early days have sought recognition for their services at the hands of Congress, but the effort has thus far borne little fruit. One or two small pensions have been secured by the efforts of ex-representative Hermann, but these were special cases and did not accord the general recognition desired by the Veterans, as an organization.

The bill now pending for the relief of these old heroes has passed the Senate on three different occasions, but has met with poor success in the House, as both Speaker Reed and Speaker Henderson used their influence to turn them down. It was therefore, thought wise to send a committee of the aged men to assist by their presence the efforts of Messrs. Tongue and Moody in their behalf. Those selected are all well able to state their case to the individual representatives, and, although the session is pretty well along they all hope to create an impression that will be of benefit to their fellow veterans at home.

"If we can obtain the same footing as the Veterans of the Black Hawk Wars," one of the committee said yesterday, "we will be satisfied. This will give each living Veteran a pension of \$8 a month and the widows of those men who have dropped from the ranks will also be entitled to the same amount. In all, those proposed beneficiaries number about 1900. No children are to be benefited by the act."

The aged men think they have a real grievance against the Government on account of its ingratitude to them. "Our ages range now from 65 to 75," another committee man said, "and some of us belonged to a little band of 250, which in March, 1857, fought 30,000 armed Indians in the Palouse and Tucuman. In what is now Eastern Washington. This battle lasted three days and our little band of 250 fought too much for the savages, who may have a return on their minds. They were 20,000 Indian women and children with the outfit and the women would climb to the breaks of the river overhanging our little refuge to observe the progress of the fray. They saw so many redskins bite the dust, that they began chanting their death song, which was a signal that the fight was costing them too heavily to be prolonged. That was long before any United States troops were sent to the relief of the people of the Northwest."

By leaving Portland this evening the delegation hope to reach Washington City by Sunday next, and they will begin operations in behalf of their organization Monday morning next. They will call on President McKinley in person, and make their errand known and then hunt up Speaker Henderson. The Oregon delegation in Congress will make matters easy for the old men, by showing them around and talking their errand up where it will do the most good. "The committee will not try to cut a swell, by traveling in Pullman cars, and stopping in high-toned hotels," they said, "as we don't think this will help our cause any. We go to Washington as supplicants, and therefore will not pretend to be millionaires."

AT THE SCHOOL BOARD.

Work on the Central Building Will Commence at Once.

At the regular meeting of the Portland Board of Education last evening the resignation of Miss Blanche Sorenson, music teacher, was accepted, and Miss Anna Rankin was appointed to fill the place. Several teachers had applied for leave of absence for extended periods, but these were not granted. The board thought teachers who desired leave of absence for an entire term might just as well resign

and take chances on obtaining their positions back, should they decide to resume them.

Additional rooms were reported necessary in South Portland and at Sellwood, and the matter was referred to the finance committee, with power to act.

The building committee was instructed to proceed with the erection of the new Central School, on the East Side, and two rooms of the old building are to be removed forthwith in order to permit the construction of the new building. The present term of school will close tomorrow and the new term will begin next Monday. The pupils will therefore have two days' vacation this week.

LADIES' NIGHT AT MULTNOMAH

Athletic Exhibition That Drew a Large Crowd.

Ladies' night at the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club was the occasion of a large assemblage of the friends of the members last evening. The entertainment was held in the gymnasium, the gallery of which was filled with spectators, as well as the tiers of bleachers surrounding the main floor. For the delectation of the visitors, an attractive programme of gymnastic, athletic and musical events had been arranged, which was enthusiastically received and applauded by the assembly, to many of whom the sight of the graceful athletes going through the gymnastic evolutions was a decided novelty.

COMING ATTRACTIONS.

"The Christian" for Three Nights Only.

Owing to the great success "The Christian" has been having in the West, it has been found necessary to shorten all dates of more than three days' duration, thus enabling a few of the many Coast cities a chance of seeing this grand production. As a consequence, the Marquam Grand management makes the announcement that the engagement here will be for but three nights, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, January 30, 31 and February 1, cancelling both the matinee Saturday and the performance Saturday evening. All seats sold for Saturday evening may be exchanged for either of the three matinees at the box-office.

TO SPOKANE WHILE YOU SLEEP

The "Spokane Flyer," the O. R. & N.'s Fast Train to Spokane, Leaves the Union Depot at 4 in the evening and arrives at Spokane at 9 the next morning.

Both first-class and ordinary sleepers are provided, also upholstered chair cars. Through sleeper for Walla Walla is also attached to this train.

BUSINESS ITEMS.

If Baby Is Cutting Teeth.

Be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy, "Baby's Own Teething Syrup." It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and diarrhoea.

When you feel bad, take Hood's Sarsaparilla. It will make you decidedly better.

IMPROVED FLAX MARKET.

Oregon Needs a Mill at Home to Work Its Product.

Lester H. Dewy, assistant botanist, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., has written a letter to Mrs. H. L. Pittcock, president of the Oregon Women's Flax Fiber Association, telling of the improved prospects for the establishment of a flax mill in this state. The letter is as follows:

"Washington, D. C., Jan. 23—Dear Madam: Your letter of January 15, giving the addresses of people in Oregon interested in flax cultivation, has been received. I will mail to each of these addresses a copy of advance sheets of Consular Report No. 288, containing notes in regard to the flax market in Germany. The scarcity of flax during the past year, resulting in marked advance in the price of raw flax, ought to improve the conditions for cultivation and market for flax in your region. Under Murphy's cleared bar at 5 feet 11 inches, and Warren at 5 feet 10 inches, Gamble, however, easily excelled in grace. The evening closed with a torchlight drill by junior members, all armed with flaming torches, which they swung in the darkened room as Indian clubs, presenting a pretty spectacle of flashing lights.

Interpersed in the programme were numbers by Parsons orchestra, mandolin and xylophone duets by H. A. Webber and W. J. Elliott, and a reading by W. M. Rasmus.

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