

WATER QUESTION TROUBLES EUGENE

Citizens Seek to Enjoin Council From Pumping-Plant Expense.

COUNCIL'S ACTION AROUSES

While Favoring Municipal Ownership, Already Reality, Matter of Procedure Starts Bitter Disputes Among Taxpayers.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Following on the heels of the rebuke administered to the Common Council October 1 by the voters of Eugene in defeating the proposed \$500,000 bond issue with which to finance the proposed Richey Creek municipal gravity system, comes an injunction filed today against that body by representative citizens of Eugene, who seek to enjoin the Council from proceeding with the project to construct a power plant on the McKenzie River and to restrain the defendants, Mayor J. D. Matlock and W. T. Campbell, R. M. Day, W. L. Chesley and F. D. Newell, from proceeding to act as a Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Eugene.

The injunction is filed in the Circuit Court and the plaintiffs in the complaint are S. Smedley, F. M. Wilkins, Ed. Bangs, W. Kuykendall, D. A. Paine, J. W. Shumate, F. L. Chambers, F. W. Osburn and T. G. Hendricks, capitalists and prominent business men of the city. This is a culmination of expressions of dissatisfaction with the city administration over methods pursued on the water question. The city all along has been for municipal ownership of the water system and recently took over the local plant under a \$300,000 bond issue voted previous to proposals for the \$500,000 Richey Creek gravity scheme, which was voted down.

Objection is now raised against securing a \$500,000 power pumping system from the Upper McKenzie without first deciding whether the city should get its water supply from deep wells or other sources. There is also objection to paying Engineer Kelsay \$500 a month for his services.

Recently the Mayor appointed a Water Board, with membership covering a term of one to five years. This was immediately and the citizens invoked a referendum holding up the appointments until the city election in April, when it is proposed to adopt a new charter, the Des Moines plan, to establish a new order of things in municipal government. In the meantime many citizens want all further action concerning the power plant and Water Board deferred until that time.

There is strong talk of organizing a Business Men's League to take an active part in municipal affairs.

SHOTGUN HALTS PRISONER

Deputy Walters Has Exciting Chase After M. Charlevoix.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—M. Charlevoix, a rancher near Felida, charged with assaulting his neighbor, Ed McIrvine, with a deadly weapon, was arrested this afternoon and brought to this city by Deputy Sheriff Walters after an exciting chase. The deputy found his man close to the road near Felida. Charlevoix being on foot, while Walters was driving. When Walters started to get out of the rig Charlevoix started to run.

As chance would have it, a man was passing, carrying a shotgun. Walters ordered the man to give him the shotgun and started the pursuit of Charlevoix, whom he overtook after a short chase through the brush. He secured his prisoner and brought him to this city, where he was arraigned before Judge McCredie.

Charlevoix pleaded not guilty and was bound over to the Superior Court under \$200 bonds, which were furnished by Robert Taylor and Frank Thibodeau.

MONTESSANO PLANS PAVING

Mayor-Elect Ninemire Announces Progressive Policy.

MONTESSANO, Wash., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Mayor-elect, George W. Ninemire, of Montessano, says: "We shall pave Main street macadam or asphalt. We will have 16-foot sidewalks in the business portion of the thoroughfare, the street being 30 feet wide. We also mean to improve other streets and perhaps build a City Hall." In regard to the extension of the electric road from Aberdeen he said: "Electric cars are bound to be running between the two cities in a short time. I would not be surprised to see them running between the Harbor and as far as Olympia, at least, within a year. Montessano, in my opinion, should provide Aberdeen business men with rural homes."

MURDERER GETS NO MERCY

Washington Supreme Court Refuses to Intercede on Technicality.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—The State Supreme Court today affirmed the conviction of Charles Filippot, who was sentenced to be hanged for the murder of N. M. Cole, in Spokane County, March 28, 1906. In its decision, the Supreme Court reaffirms former holdings that it will not approve technical objections to criminal informations.

PRINEVILLE HAS 3 BELOW

Crook County Experiences Some Real Winter Weather.

PRINEVILLE, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Prineville this morning experienced its first cold snap this winter when the mercury dropped this morning to three below zero. The weather moderated during the day, but there are prospects for still lower temperature tonight.

COLD, TOO, AT HOOD RIVER

In Upper Valley Mercury Drops to 3 Above—Snow Covers Ground.

HOOD RIVER, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Hood River today experienced the coldest December day in two years, the

thermometer registering 15 degrees above zero this morning. A temperature down to the freezing point has been maintained during the day and indications are for a still further drop tonight. In the upper valley a temperature of 8 above zero was recorded this morning, and the ground is covered with the first snow of the season.

THE DALLES SHIVERING, TOO

Mercury Gets to 12 Above—Weather Cloudy and Threatens Snow.

THE DALLES, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Winter descended upon this section last night, the mercury sinking to 12 degrees above zero. Today has been very cold, the maximum temperature being 28 degrees. Tonight the sky is cloudy, with a forecast of snow.

Down to 26 at Albany.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Twenty-six degrees above zero was the mark recorded by the Government thermometer at Albany last night, after a still further drop tonight. The record of the night before, and in two degrees higher than the lowest mark recorded here thus far this winter.

DAIRYMEN ELECT, ADJOURN

MEETING AT CHEHALIS BEST YET, SAY DELEGATES.

Various Phases of Dairy Farming Are Discussed in Addresses and Impromptu Debates.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Today closed the most successful convention of the Washington State Dairymen's Association yet held. The high percentage of attendance and interest aroused it was pronounced such by all who have been regularly present.

At the morning session I. H. Nosovitch read a paper on "The Production and Care of Milk for Condensing Purposes." W. J. Langdon, of Sumner, had a paper on "The Dairymen's Use in Dairy Farming." H. P. Rau, of Tacoma, interested all with a paper on "Poultry on the Dairy Farm."

The officers elected are as follows: President, E. J. Ross, of Bothell; vice-president, J. L. Anderson, Stanwood; secretary and treasurer, Ira P. Whitney, Fullman; directors, T. M. Bennett, of Monroe, H. O. Fishback of Adna, D. S. Troy of Chemacum, B. F. Reed of Ellensburg.

Interesting discussions followed the reports of the committees and the papers read. There was but one entry of dairy butter, that of F. H. Hanke, of Chehalis, which scored 94.

Prizes were awarded as follows: Best plant, W. J. Langdon, of Sumner, first; Kable & Kable, Portland, second; Andrew L. Anderson, Stanwood, third.

Professor S. B. Nelson, of the State College, had a paper at the afternoon session on dairy sanitation. State Dairy Commissioner Davis addressed the meeting on the work of his department and Professor W. H. Lawrence, of Pullman, on the work laid out for the expert station at Puyallup. There were interesting impromptu addresses, one by N. B. Coffman, of Chehalis, being especially well received.

ARRESTED TWICE IN JAIL

Italian Prisoner Is "Booked" Three Times in Eight Hours.

Charles Setiviere, an Italian laborer, living at First and Jefferson streets, was the star prisoner at the City Jail yesterday. He was the object of three different complaints within eight hours, which established a new record for the City Jail for one transgressor in one day. Setiviere was arrested near his home for being drunk at about 2:30 P. M. He was placed in the cell with another man charged with the same offense. An altercation ensuing between these two resulted in an effort on Setiviere's part to bite one of the cellmate's fingers. The men fought viciously until separated by the police.

Setiviere was then placed in a cell by himself, and the charge against him changed. A few hours later G. Galucci, another Italian laborer living in the same neighborhood with Setiviere, appeared at the station demanding his release for attempting to kill him. He swore to a formal complaint, and a warrant was issued for the already twice-arrested man, on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon. He was then rearrested in the jail and his name recorded on the docket.

GIVES HIS JAILERS SLIP

Australian Prisoner Escapes Just Before His Ship Sails.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—Elding, a special detective and a watchman, Hector Jewell, alias Harry Johnson, steward of the British steamer Lord Selkirk, a fugitive from Australian justice, who had been refused a landing by the immigration officials, a hideout in the hold of the ship ever since her arrival from Australia a month ago, escaped last night before the steamer sailed today and is still at liberty in this city.

Jewell is wanted in Australia in connection with the disappearance of certain jewels which were discovered in the coal bunkers of the Lord Selkirk. Today, shortly before the Selkirk was to sail, Jewell was brought on deck by his guards. Suddenly slipping his hands out of the irons, he dashed to the ship's side and leaped to the dock, making off with such speed that his jailers soon lost all track of him.

APPROPRIATION FOR VANCOUVER.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 18.—Quartermaster-General Ashbire has submitted an estimate to the House military committee and recommended the appropriation of \$15,000 for the following buildings: Vancouver Barracks—Four double officers' quarters, three Captains' quarters, six noncommissioned staff officers' quarters, stable, gunshed, shop, two stable guard buildings and bandstand. Also an appropriation of \$30,000 for bachelor officers' quarters at Fort Lawton.

Packing Company to Build.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—J. F. Mcham, representing Carstens Packing Company, has recommended that his company erect here a concrete building 50x100 feet and two stories high to displace the frame buildings now occupied.

Marked for Death.

"Three years ago I was marked for death. A grave-yard cough was tearing my lungs to pieces. Doctors failed to help me, and hope had fled, when my husband got Dr. King's New Discovery," says Mrs. A. C. Williams, of Bae, Ky. "The first dose helped me and improvement kept on until I had gained 25 pounds in weight and my health was fully restored." This medicine holds the world's healing record for coughs and colds and lung and throat diseases. It prevents pneumonia, whooping cough, croup, and all lung troubles. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

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COLLEGE CLOSE?

Pullman Will Shut Doors Unless It Gets Money.

PRES. BRYAN THREATENS

Proposes to Compel State Treasurer to Honor Regents' Orders for Funds in Excess of Appropriations—Old Fight Resumed.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 18.—(Special.)—Declaring that unless their plea is granted the State College at Pullman will have to close down and dismiss its 1200 pupils, attorneys for the regents today presented to the Supreme Court a petition for mandamus to compel the State Treasurer and the college auditor to honor orders of the regents for money in excess of the amount appropriated by the last Legislature for the support of the college.

The court took the decision under advisement. This is a new move in an old fight. President Bryan has ever contended it is no business of the State Auditor, State Treasurer or in fact of any state officer, other than the college regents, what the college does with its private income, such as proceeds from sales of livestock from the college farm, and the like. Bryan has said these receipts are derived chiefly from the use of the Federal appropriations.

Last session legislators who objected to Bryan's attitude were behind the passage of the law which requires "each state officer or other person who is authorized by law to collect or receive moneys belonging to the state or to any department or institution thereof, to transmit to the Treasurer of the state each day all moneys collected by him." George Reid and other legislators stated openly this was aimed particularly at the college authorities.

After the law went into effect both university and college authorities refused to turn over collections. They had numerous conferences with the Attorney-General. State Treasurer Mills addressed a sharp letter to Governor Mead asking in effect how long the Governor would permit his appointive regents to disobey the law. Finally the regents did make remittances. To October of this year, colleges turned over \$31825 and the university \$165246.

Recently the college regents wrote to the Treasurer and Auditor demanding that some of this money be paid by the state on account of debts of the college. The Treasurer and Auditor relied upon the constitutional provision that no money shall be paid out of the State Treasury except on appropriation made by the Legislature. The petitioners for writs of mandamus to act.

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Witness Tells of Conversation in Which Chang Accused Victim.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—The trial of In Whan Chang, charged with the murder of Durlian White Stevens, adviser of the Korean government, was resumed this afternoon.

Police Officer Owens testified regarding a brief conversation between the accused Korean and Stevens at the Central Emergency Hospital soon after the shooting occurred. He said that when Chang was brought in by the police, Stevens said: "I forgive you, you poor ignorant fellow. You did not know what you were doing."

To this the witness said Chang replied: "You took money from my country and turned it over to Japan."

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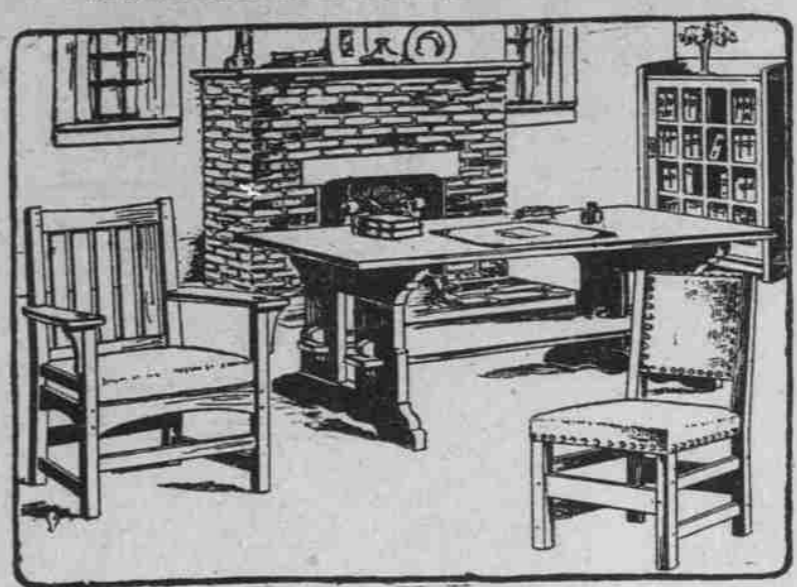
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