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## Councilman Says Purchase of Fleck Water Plant Would Be "Absolute Steal."

AUDITORIUM PERMIT HIT

Gypsy Smith Structure Will Not Be Built on Kamm Tract-Ordinance for Sale of City Jall

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS YESTER-

Councilman Maguire prevents third reading of ordinance for purchase of Fleck water system in

Woodstock. Gypsy Smith Auditorium permit. revoked.

Ordinance to sell \$20,000 worth of municipal juil bonds November passed. Sale of municipal garbage collection bonds postponed.

Vice Commission ordinance passed. Commission has grand jury powers

without grand jury restrictions as 10 secrecy

\$500 to \$150. Automobile trucks regulated.

Gambling and barricaded door or-

dinance passes. Police Department to have auto mobile patrol: \$2000 appropriation

allowed. Appropriation of \$12,000 for Croaby street approach to Broadway bridge

Despite the fact that at the present

Despite the fact that at the present rate being charged for water in the Woodstock district, the property-own-ers will in two years pay in full for the Fieck plant and pipe system, which the ways and means committee of the City Council has recommended that the city purchase for \$27,508. Councilman Maguire asserted at the Council meet-ing yesterday that the purchase of the plant "is an absolute steal from the city of \$14,000."

He intimated that the Woodstock district is not settled, and said: "If the Water Board can't supply water to the people in the districts that are

committee, but succeeded only in pre-venting the third reading of the ordi-nance, thereby putting over until the next meeting of the Council the question of passage

### Joy Urges Purchase.

Councilman Joy insisted that the city ought to purchase this plant. He said members of that ward have been

mission fix at 4 per cent the interest on the proposed bonds soon to be is-sued, instead of fixing it at 4% per cent

and have a life of from 35 to 30 years. The public dock bonds have a life of

50 years.

eught not to be obliged to wait three or four years more. These people, anny of them, have paid taxes 20 years. There are 6000 persons in that district. There is no cause to censure the Water Board." Councilman Menefee took exception

to Councilman Maguire's remarks, say-ing they were an unjust reflection upon the Water Board. He said the Board would not stoop to rob the pub-lic, and that the 6000 or 7000 citizens in that district are entitled to considratio

The Gypsy Smith auditorium will not be built on the site at the corner of Salmon and Chapman streets, as planned by members of the committee. The City Council, at its meeting yes-Salmon terday, passed an ordinance rescinding its former permit to G. F. Johnson to construct the auditorium on the Kamm tract.

"I understood when I voted to grant this permit," said Councilman Watkins, "that this auditorium was to be built at the head of Main street, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets, where the only building close at hand would be Mr. Kamm's house. But I voted on it under misapprehension, and I think all the other members of the Council did likewise.

"I was up that way the other day, and saw that they have staked out a space 200 by 250 feet, partly on a level and partly on the hill, within 25 feet of taxes days feet of seven dwellings, and within 100 feet of the Multnomah clubbouse.

#### Danger to Club House Seen.

If that auditorium should take fire the blaze would jump across the street and gut the clubhouse. There is also a burch near the site for this building People in the neighborhood, who had experience with the recent Exposition building fire, don't want another large frame building close to dwelling houses. I have no objection to an audi-torium of this character if it is erected on the right location and with a suffi-cient number of exits." The permit was revoked. It will now be necessary

for the Gypsy Smith committee to ap-ply to the Council for a new permit. The ordinance providing that \$300,000 worth of municipal jail bonds be sold. to provide for the building of a jail, police station, Municipal Court and Emergency Hospital, was passed, with the provision that November I be fixed as the time for the sale of the bonds. This, it was thought, would give the ways and means committee time to select a location.

When the question of the issuance \$75,000 worth of municipal garbage collection bonds came up, it was de-cided to defer this matter until the new crematory can be tested. The ordinance was referred to the health

The ordinance was restrict to the math and police committee. The ordinance providing for the Municipal Vice-Commission of 15, which was passed yesterday, provides that this Commission have the power to compel the attendance of witnesses, to examine them under oath, also to examine all decuments which might

examine all documents which might have a bearing on its investigations. It is provided that the chairman of the It is provided that the chairman of the Commission may call it together at any time, or that he may call the other members together upon the re-quest of five. Mayor Rushlight is sutherised to appoint the Commis-sion An ordinance appropriating \$18000 for the use of this Commission was referred to the ways and means com-mittee.

An ordinance was passed reducing | streets

PACIFIC MONTHLY BRIGHT

September Issue Is Replete With **Topical** Articles.

In the September number of the Pa-cific Monthly are articles of special in-terest to Oregon, and one to Portland in particular, "The Problem of Munic-ipal Government and the Commission Plan," by Joseph Dana Miller, editor of The Single Tax Review, a student of modern political problems. He says that the Grand Junction, Colorado, charter is an advance over all other plans of city government by commis-sion.

In an article headed "Did the Indian Protect the Forests" Warren E. Coman disposes of that much exploited fable, at the same time showing how the "annual burning" plan is imprac-

ticable at present. Ez-Governor Geer has an interesting and timely article on Astoria; J. R. Shepard, one of the ploneer orchardists snepard, one of the pioneer orchardists of the Willamette Valley and a "cherry expert," contributes an article valuable to would-be cherry growers, and tells why the Northwest is becoming prewhy the Northwest is becoming pre-eminent as a cherry-growing region. Dr. C. H. Chapman lets fly a quiverful of mighty sharp things, under the title, "Our Sacred Constitution and Its Guar-dian Priesthood." Fleicher S. Brockman, for many years a close observer of affairs in China.

a close observer of affairs in China, discusses with enthusiasm "The Trans-formation of China, and Its Significance to the Pacific Coast.

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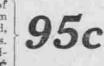


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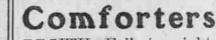
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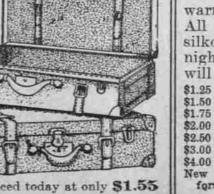






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