

## FIXING OF PRICES AT MARKET IS RESTORED

Old Method to Be Put in Use Again Today.

### ORDINANCE IS PASSED

Marketmaster Eastman Will Have List Posted for Both Public and Operators of Stalls.

Maximum prices fixed by the marketmaster will prevail on the public market beginning this morning. The city council yesterday passed an ordinance returning the maximum price which was removed about one year ago at the request of the Housewives' league.

Marketmaster Eastman, anticipating the passage of the ordinance, which encountered no opposition, had prepared a list of maximum prices which will be posted on the market in plain sight of both producer and consumer this morning.

The return of the maximum price was brought about by City Commissioner Bigelow following an exposure of prices prevailing on the market one year ago and present prices published in The Oregonian.

**Price Comparisons Made.** This list demonstrated that although wholesale prices on practically all produce disposed of on the market were lower this year than last, the retail prices this year were invariably higher than the retail prices a year ago.

Marketmaster Eastman held that during the period that the maximum price was removed from the market many stall operators were able to profiteer because of the absence of any restriction.

In presenting his ordinance providing for the return of the maximum price, Commissioner Bigelow informed the council that the operation of the market without restrictions had proved unsatisfactory to the consumers, and the fixed price should be returned without delay.

**No Protest Encountered.** "The market was provided for the benefit of the consumers," he said. "It was intended as a place where the consumers might purchase directly from the producer. It was expected that the produce sold on the market would be lower than the market price, or at least on a par with prevailing prices, because the producer is not burdened with overhead costs which face the merchants who operate in stores."

"However, the removal of the maximum price, instead of tending to lower prices, as was predicted by the advocates of no restrictions, sent the prices shooting to the skies, and this despite the fact that wholesale prices were lower during the present year than they were when the maximum price was in effect."

None of the market vendors appeared before the council, and no price-fixing ordinance was adopted without a murmur of protest.

### Santa Almost Brings Boy's Clothes for Doll.

Little Girl's Letter Puzzle to Jolly Old Saint.

BECAUSE George Graham, deputy district attorney, kept solemn faith with his four-year-old daughter, Sarah, he caused Mrs. Graham a few unhappy and distressed moments at the Graham domicile Tuesday afternoon.

Little Miss Sarah, being a careful and prudent young lady, dictated a letter to Santa Claus which her oldest sister, Jean wrote for her. After the letter had been properly incased with an envelope and addressed to "Santa Claus, North Pole," she exacted a promise from her father that it would be mailed.

True to his promise, Mr. Graham placed a stamp on it and dropped it in a mailbox. Two days later a woman representing one of the charitable organizations of the city called at the Graham domicile and sought information as to the little boy who was in need of clothing.

Mrs. Graham was plainly flustered, and knew not the cause which impelled the visitor. The visitor then drew forth the letter which Miss Sarah had written to Santa Claus, and read the last paragraph:

"And please, Santa Claus, do not forget to bring little Peter some clothes."

Then Mrs. Graham began to laugh. It was then that the visitor began to wonder. Between smiles and tears, Mrs. Graham explained that "Peter" is a little unadorned doll that Sarah's aunt had brought to her from Scotland, and the young lady just wanted to make sure that Mrs. Santa Claus would provide suitable wearing apparel for the new male member of her doll family.

### OUTLOOK FOR HOPS HAZY

Expansion of Industry in Oregon at Present Discouraged.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 22.—(Special).—That the hop market has reached a state of uncertainty that should discourage the expansion of this industry in Oregon at present, was the assertion made here today by Henry E. Bents of Aurora, one of the best known dealers in this commodity on the Pacific coast.

Mr. Bents advises farmers who contemplate engaging in hop growing to turn their fields to other use until such time as the market improves. At present, he said, the market is unsteady and unless something unforeseen happens many growers will be unable to dispose of their 1920 crops before late next year.

Mr. Bents does not advise hop growers to abandon the industry, however, nor reduce the present acreage in the Willamette valley.

### Water Bonds to Be Issued.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 22.—(Special).—The Grants Pass irrigation district, through Wilford Allen, secretary of the project, today filed application for the certification of \$250,000 of bonds with the state engineer. Certification of these bonds will make a total of \$350,000 authorized for the development of the district. There is under construction at the present time, according to Mr. Allen, a multiple arch concrete dam across Rogue river, while more than 15 miles of pipeline already has been completed and is now carrying water to the lands embraced in the district. The district comprises 12,000 acres of land, all of which will be under water within the next two years.

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## SALVATION ARMY GETS MITE FROM TWO YOUNG ADMIRERS

Children Run Errands and Save Money to Help Out Work of Lassie With Christmas Kettle.

BY ADDISON BENNETT.  
LITTLE GIRL, apparently about 3 years old, was yesterday afternoon walking down First street, near Alder, leading a little boy about 6. As I saw them I realized that they were sister and brother, and I noticed how strong was the motherly instinct in the leader. I noticed that they were in search of something and were strangers to that part of the city. I also perceived at the first glance that they were the children of a poor family, for every visible article of clothing they wore had been patched and patched and patched again.

Their shoes had been worn and worn until they were almost to the limit of usefulness. They had no wraps about them, although the day was chilly. But they were apparently very, very happy and their conversation seemed to be inspiring. As I drew closer to them I heard the little mother say to her brother: "It can't be on this street; I guess we had better turn up here." The little brother answered: "We must not get out of sight of the Montavilla cars or we can't find our way home."

### Holiday Spirit Aroused.

As gently as I could, the holiday spirit inspiring me, I reached out my hand to little mother and said: "Let me help you; I know the streets and perhaps can tell you how to find the place you are looking for." The little mother clasped my hand in a warm, loving, motherly grip, as though she were the elder and I the younger of the party, and a smile overspread her features, a smile of love and confidence, while the little brother took the other hand and laughed outright, a very, very joyful laugh.

I said: "Maybe you are looking for Santa Claus?"

The little shaver was quick to answer. "No, sir," he replied, "but we have got something for Santa Claus."

"We are looking for one of the pots that is hung on three sticks and a lady tending it for the Sai—Sai—I forget it all, but it's an army and they let folks throw money into the big pot until it's full, then they send it to the poor folks, and brother and me have saved and saved for weeks and weeks, and we have here—"

### Savings Are Displayed.

She opened a little paper box, like a spool thread box, and showed me the pennies and nickels. "We wanted to get 50 cents," spoke up the brother, "and we only had eight cents. If father had been well maybe we would have got 50 cents, but father, he can't janitor now, for he fell and got hurt, and mother has to do the janitoring for him and she has to spend a lot of money every day."

### CHAMBER TAKES STAND

PUBLIC UTILITIES' REPORT OF U. S. BODY INDORSED.

Questions on Operations Submitted to Get Opinion Through-out Country.

The report of the committee on public utilities of the United States Chamber of Commerce was indorsed by the Portland Chamber of Commerce yesterday when it voted in the affirmative on a referendum submitted by the national body on various questions involving the conduct of public utilities.

The questions are being submitted to commercial bodies all over the country in order to get a general expression of opinion. The eight declarations of attitude which the Portland chamber approved follow:

"Existing traction facilities should be conserved."  
"The attitude now taken toward street railway problems should be based upon the present and future needs of the community."  
"The attitude which is taken toward street railway problems should contemplate private ownership and operation."

"Regulation should everywhere be instituted that will promptly follow changes in the situation of the companies rendering services of local transportation."  
"Provision should be made against the consequences of unfair competition."

"All burdens unrelated to the service performed should be removed from street railways."

"Official responsibility should be

to ride on the Montavilla car; father used to walk, and—"

But here the little mother interrupted her brother by saying: "But father will be well in a few days and then we will be all right, and maybe by another Christmas we can give a whole dollar to the Sai—Sai—I never could remember that name, but it's the army that helped my Uncle Edmond get well in France, and that watches over the poor people all over the world, poor people that Santa Claus can't find. But 'tain't an army that fights."

### Contribution Is Declined.

By this time we're well up to Sixth street and we went over to Washington. Here I stopped a moment and said to them:

"I want to put 3 cents into your little box so to make up the 50." "No, no," replied the little mother, while her brother shook his head. "No, no; we thank you, oh so much, but brother and I want to give this our very selves. We run errands and did lots of things to earn it, and we want to give it as our very own; but you can put yours into the pot, too."

"Yes," said the brother, "you can put in lots and lots, but me and sister want Santa to have our'n all by itself." By this time we were at the pot, the watcher with a joyous countenance was ringing her bell, passerby were dropping in their gifts, and the little mother and little brother dropped in their little box. They did not open it, they did not tell the laughing lassie what was in it. But she gave them a heavenly smile, she thanked them, she kissed them, she shed tears over them, joyful tears, and I feel sure that never before did a gift of 42 cents have as much importance as that, and never, no, never, will 42 cents do as much good as that will.

### Children Escorted Home.

I piloted my little friends down to Third street and over to Morrison where we awaited the Montavilla car, and, despite objections, I took them out near their home.

On the trip I learned from the little brother that they were going to have a great Christmas dinner, a great feast of good things. They were to have all the corned beef and cabbage they could eat—and—could I really and truly believe it—pumpkin pie—two large pumpkin pies!

"I never tasted pie, but I know it must be just lovely. Sister has eaten it and she says it is so good that nobody can know what it is like until they have tasted it. A little boy that lives near us, a rich boy, says he has pie most every day. If he wants to, I told mother and mother said that father and her sister and me always had plenty to eat and to wear up the brother, and we only lack being so good to us. And mother knows."

"Yes, 'mother knows.' Mothers like that always know. It is mothers like that and children like hers who are the salt of the earth!"

### definitely fixed for the application of regulation.

"Each company should seek to have available for the public at all times the facts as to the results of operations and should have responsible executives wholly conversant with local requirements."

### CHILD DIES FROM BURNS

Mother Seriously Injured Also When Gasoline Ignites.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 22.—(Special).—Little Roland Spratt, four-year-old son of Mrs. Mildred Spratt, died in a Salem hospital today as the result of burns sustained when some gasoline near which he was standing ignited.

The child's mother attempted to rescue her son from the flames and also received serious burns.

### Boardman to Be Represented.

BOARDMAN, Or., Dec. 22.—(Special).—M. B. Signs, secretary of the Boardman club, will represent Boardman at the meeting of commercial secretaries in Portland December 27 and will also be a delegate to the state chamber of commerce December 28-29. Officers for 1921 for the Boardman farm bureau are C. H. Dillabaugh, president; A. L. Larsen, vice-president; M. B. Signs, secretary-treasurer.

### Eight Grade Crossings Planned.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 22.—(Special).—The state highway commission today filed with the Oregon public service commission application to establish eight grade crossings over the tracks of the Oregon-Washington Railroad & Navigation company in Union county. Hearing of the application will be set for some time next month.

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## STREET WORK DEMANDED

CITY INSISTS RAILROADS REPAIR INTERSECTIONS.

Electric and Steam Roads Are to Present Programme of Permanent Improvement Shortly.

City Commissioner Barbur, in charge of the department of public works, will demand that street intersections traversed by street car and railway lines be put in proper condition. Commissioner Barbur will call a conference of street railway and railroad heads within a few days and request that a programme of reconstruction work appertaining to intersections within the city be submitted to him.

Unless some definite promise is made that the street intersections will be repaired permanently, Mr. Barbur will appeal to the public service commission for relief.

The commissioner said that for more than two years he has urged executives of the street railway company to repair the street intersections, and although temporary repairs have been made, the permanent repairs sought were not installed because of shortage of funds.

"The street railway is now obtaining a high fare and it seems to me can accomplish some of the permanent improvements required," he said. "However, the present deplorable conditions of some of the street intersections cannot be charged solely to the traction company. The railroads in the Cascade national forest are also to blame and I shall request that the officials of such company make a report of the plans outlined for permanent improvements for the next year."

### THOUSANDS USE FOREST

Campers, Fishers, and Hikers Travel in Cascade Reserve.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 22.—(Special).—In a review of the past season's activities in the Cascade national forest, N. F. McDuff, supervisor, stated that the forest had been utilized to a great extent by the general public in the course of the year. Estimating from the number of names on the camp registers at Oakridge and McKenzie Bridge stations, and what has been observed on camp life, he stated that from 20,000 to 30,000 persons had traveled in the forest in the course of the season. He said they had gone there on fishing, hiking and camping expeditions.

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### ARKANSAS SENDS REQUEST

Information About Public Service Commission Sought.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 22.—(Special).—Charles H. Brough, governor of Arkansas, has telegraphed Governor Olcott for information regarding the operation of the Oregon public service commission. In his telegram Governor Brough stated there was created in Arkansas three years ago a commission to regulate public utilities, but that a move was on foot at the present time to return to the old system there. The governor made it plain that he favored retention of the Arkansas commission and was desirous of obtaining at first hand information regarding the accomplishments of public service bodies in other states.

### Mortgage Foreclosure Sought.

ASTORIA, Or., Dec. 22.—(Special).—To foreclose a mortgage for \$100,000 on the tract known as DeLaura Beach, a suit has been filed in the circuit court by the Commerce Trust & Savings Bank of Portland against the DeLaura Beach company and others. The mortgage was given as security for bonds, \$99,000 of which are alleged to have been issued.

### New State Road Being Built.

WHITE SALMON, Wash., Dec. 22.—(Special).—The state road being built on the west side of the White Salmon river to connect the new iron bridge that spans that river between Klickitat and Skamania counties and the Trout Lake road, is progressing satisfactorily. John A. Miller, representative of Klickitat county, surveyed the new road.

### Poor Farm Cottage Burned.

WHITE SALMON, Wash., Dec. 22.—(Special).—Fire destroyed one of the cottages at the county poor farm at Chitts. The building was insured, so the loss was small.



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\$42.00—Hampden, solid gold, engraved case ..... \$31.50  
\$42.00—Square design, 25-year case, 15-jewel movement. Now ..... \$31.50  
\$35.00—Very small Swiss, 15-jewel movement, in 20-year case. ..... \$26.25  
\$32.50—Elgin, 20-year engraved case ..... \$24.38  
\$28.50—Fine Elgin, guaranteed 20-year case ..... \$18.75

### RINGS 25% to 50% Off

\$335.00—Fine White Diamond in fancy white gold Tiffany mounting. Now ..... \$243.65  
\$100.00—Diamond Rings, perfect white diamonds, Tiffany mountings. Now cut to ..... \$75.00  
\$50.00—Perfect White Diamond Tiffany Rings. Now cut ..... \$33.75  
\$35.00—Fine White Diamonds in fancy mountings. Now..... \$26.25  
\$7.50—Reconstructed Ruby Rings, Tiffany mountings, now ..... \$3.75  
\$12.50—Finest Cameo, heavy solid gold hand-made mountings ..... \$6.25  
\$1.50—Solid Gold Baby Rings ..... 75c  
\$3.50—Solid Gold Children's Rings now ..... \$1.75  
\$18.50—Gent's Genuine Blood-stone Ring now ..... \$9.25  
\$25.00—Gent's Heavy Solid Gold Ring, Genuine Sardonyx Ring, now ..... \$12.50

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\$15.00 Hammered Silver Vanity and Coin Purse ..... \$7.50  
Cameo Brooches, a very choice few left. Solid 14-K. gold mountings, hand-carved cameos. Priced at \$1.48. Now ..... \$1.48  
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\$37.50 Highest Grade Coral Cameo, pear-shaped solid gold ..... \$18.75  
\$4.75 Solid Gold Lavalieres, fine stones, now at ..... \$2.38  
\$2.95 Best Gold-filled Children's Bracelets, now at ..... \$1.48

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