

## COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL PLANS TO CUT DOWN CITY EXPENSE

Presents Report to Body For Reduction of Salaries of Officials.

WOULD SAVE ABOUT \$4,000 PER YEAR

Want to Collect Liquor License From the Millicoma Club.

The Marshfield city council last evening took the preliminary step towards retrenching on city expenses when it accepted a report from a special committee consisting of Councilmen Carl Albrecht, Thomas Coke and A. J. Savage that a majority of the salaries paid by the city be reduced. Mr. Coke said that the adoption of the new schedule would mean a saving of about \$4,000 per year for the city.

The report recommended the following changes:

Reduce salary of marshal from \$100 per month to \$80.

Reduce salary of night watch from \$90 to \$70 per month.

Pay city recorder \$80 per month and allow \$30 per month additional to pay stenographer when needed. Heretofore \$150 per month has been paid for this office.

Reduce city engineer's salary from \$150 to \$125 per month, abolish assistant city engineer and allow one rodman and one chainman for the office.

Abolish engineer in charge of fire engines, turning that department over the firemen to be run at an expense of not more than \$300 per year.

Turn street cleaning over to street committee with instruction that not more than \$2.50 per day be paid for labor.

Allow city attorney and city treasurer salaries to remain as at present.

Mayor Straw referred the report to various committees of the council to investigate and report on it at the meeting next Tuesday night.

**Tilt Over Claim.**

W. P. Murphy last evening presented a claim to the city council for a refund of \$51.22 on Cedar street, claiming that he had been over assessed that much for the recent improvement. Councilman Sacchi said the matter would have to be investigated and he thought the whole Cedar street improvement ought to be investigated. Mr. Murphy said that he did not care about the rest of the work, that he was not objecting to it, that he was willing to pay his share but that he wanted back the amount in excess of his share that had been collected from him. There was a hot cross fire between Messrs. Murphy and Sacchi for a few moments but finally Mr. Murphy's claim was referred to the finance committee.

Upon motion by Councilman Sacchi, Messrs. Albrecht, Coke and Nelson were appointed a committee to investigate the Cedar street improvement and to try and adjust matters with the property owners there so that the deficit assessment will be paid. Mayor Straw said that it would take more than three to satisfy the Cedar street property owners.

**License Millicoma.**

Councilman Albrecht wanted to know if the city should not collect \$600 per year license from the Millicoma Club. He said that he didn't think the club ought to have more rights than anyone else. City Attorney Snover said that he would have to investigate the matter before he could say whether or not the club could be compelled to pay a license. Councilman Sacchi thought the best way to get at it would be to order Marshal Carter to collect the license from the club. Councilman Albrecht said that he had been there once and saw liquor passed over the bar, drank and paid for. Mayor Straw wanted to know if it was good whiskey and Mr. Albrecht said he thought it was. The matter was re-

## BANKS REELECT OLD OFFICERS

Local Financial Institutions Had Prosperous Year Despite Flurry Outside.

The annual meetings of the First National Bank of Coos Bay and the First Trust and Savings Bank just held show that the past year here has been a good one despite the financial flurry that marked the commercial world generally. Both institutions are in excellent condition and the prospects for the ensuing year are most flattering. No changes were made in the officials of either institution.

The annual meeting of stockholders of the First National Bank of Coos Bay was held for election of directors and officers for the ensuing year. The following were elected:

O. B. Hinsdale, President.

John Preuss, Vice-president.

W. S. McFarland, Cashier.

R. T. Kaufman, Assistant Cashier.

Directors—O. B. Hinsdale, John Preuss, W. S. McFarland, W. F. Jewett and E. Mings.

The First Trust and Savings stockholders re-elected the old directors who are John S. Coke, Stephen C. Rogers, Henry Sengstacken, M. C. Horton, William Grimes, Jno. F. Hall, W. S. Chandler, Dr. C. W. Tower and Dorsey Kreitzer. The directors then re-elected the old officers who are as follows:

President—John S. Coke.

Vice-president and Manager—M. C. Horton.

Cashier—Dorsey Kreitzer.

## ROOT QUITS THE CONTEST

Seattle Jurist Under Fire Decides Not to Attempt to Qualify For Place.

(By Associated Press.) SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 13. — A special from Olympia to The Times says Milo A. Root has notified Gov. Mead he will not attempt to qualify for the second term on the supreme bench to which he was elected.

(By Associated Press.) SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 13. —

Judge Milo A. Root went to Olympia yesterday and intimated he may attempt to qualify for a place upon the supreme bench to which he was elected. In the absence of any action by the court or Bar Association, there is nothing to prevent. The Times has a dispatch from Olympia saying the supreme court or the State Bar Association will recommend proceedings to disbar both former Supreme Judge Root and Judge M. J. Gordon of Spokane.

ferred to the city attorney to investigate.

**Campbell Has Grievance.**

Dan Campbell was at the council meeting last night to protest against his treatment in the ferry slip matter. He blamed Councilman Nelson who has supervision of the construction of the ferry slip for it all and bitterly censured him but President Savage called a halt on his address just as he started in to tell what he thought of Mr. Nelson. It seems that Mr. Campbell had some piling driven along the ferry slip line and the contractors drove them out in the street where they may interfere with the ferry. The council decided to have a committee inspect the piling and if they are in the way, Mr. Campbell will be ordered to have them pulled out.

## NEW ORDINANCE FOR SALOONS

City Council Orders It Drafted—Routine Business Transacted.

The Marshfield city council last evening instructed City Attorney Snover to prepare an ordinance regulating the liquor business in this city so that in case there are any violations, the city police can arrest the offenders and punish them and the fines go to the city. At present, it was declared there is no ordinance and the city would not get the fines if the violators were punished, the money going to the state. It was stated that there were reports of violations of the Sunday closing and the mid-night closing.

The council also decided that at the next meeting the council would take steps to regulate the billiard parlors. It is proposed to make them close at certain hours, to prohibit young boys frequenting them and to impose a license.

**Routine Business.**

The ordinance regulating the fire protection in moving picture shows was laid on the table until next Tuesday night.

F. M. Friedburg, Chas. Doane and Mr. Gulovson were granted extensions of time in which to pay their assessments for their improvement of Broadway.

Lyman Noble was given permission to move a house along 'C' street from the water front to the corner southeast of the Masonic Opera house. He bought a house in North Bend and will move it here. However, the permit to move the house was on condition that he must not damage the paving.

An ordinance regulating the putting in of telephone, telegraph and electric light poles passed its first reading.

A cross walk was ordered constructed at Baines and Nevada streets.

Sidewalk was ordered laid on the Eastside of Main street near Nevada. It will cost \$437.80.

An agreement between Robert Marsden and the city to have the portion of Mr. Marsden's new warehouse removed when the building line is established was referred to the city attorney.

As a result of a long petition protesting against the proposed removal of the arc lights at 'A' and Broadway and 'B' and Front streets, the council decided to leave them in.

F. M. Friedburg entered protest against the braces of the bulkheads on Broadway, being placed on the private property. He also protested against the reported plan to build an elevated roadway on Broadway instead of having the street filled and the plank roadway put on afterwards. The councilmen declared that the reported change had not been ordered.

**Want Better Lumber.**

Councilmen Coke and Albrecht last evening urged that the specifications for city sidewalks and plank streets contain a provision that only red fir or Douglas fir be accepted. It was pointed out that white fir, hemlock and other alleged inferior grades of lumber cannot then be used.

**Special Meeting.**

A special meeting of the city council was ordered to be held this evening to take up street improvement matters and also sewer projects. It is likely that the entire plan for street improvements during the coming year will be discussed.

**INCREASE THE BOUNTY.**

**Clatsop County Will Pay More For Scalps.**

ASTORIA, Ore., Jan. 13.—Just before adjourning last evening the county court announced that for the year 1909 there would be a material increase in the bounties offered for cougars, bears, and bob and wildcats. For cougar scalps a bounty of \$20 each will be given by Clatsop county; for bears \$5 each, and \$1 each for bob and wildcats. This is a much larger bounty than ever granted before, especially for the cougars.

## COAL SUPPLY SHORT HERE

Dealers Will Only Deliver Half-ton Lots to Customers For Present.

The recent cool snap—twenty-four above zero, the lowest it has been in Marshfield, isn't cold in comparison with the below zero weather at Portland, the 21 below at Pendleton, Ore.—has created a big demand for fuel on Coos Bay. The local fuel dealers have hardly been able to supply the demand and have curtailed the amount to be delivered to anyone customer to a half ton lest they run short.

The heavy streets in many sections of the city also operate a hardship on the fuel dealers making it difficult for them to haul large loads to many places and making the delivery much slower than it would be if the streets were all in proper condition.

Old residents say that the cool snap will not last long and they are glad of it as the cold is not conducive to good health here. However, the excellent showing of health conditions in the city last year in the annual report of Dr. E. Mings published a few days ago, is ample evidence that a few colds and sore throats that may result from the cool weather will not be serious.

**FULTON DENIES IT.**

**Declares He Has Not Withdrawn From the Race.**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 13. — Senator Chas. W. Fulton, of Oregon, denied the story printed in Portland, Ore., newspapers, to the effect that he had sent a letter to a certain member of the Oregon legislature declaring himself out of the senatorial race against Governor George E. Chamberlain. Fulton said that he is convinced if he makes a fight in the Oregon legislature he can succeed in having a republican elected senator.

"It is a betting proposition of 10 to 1 in my favor," declared Senator Fulton. "I know nothing about Mr. Hitchcock having sent letters to Oregon legislators asking them to elect a republican senator. I never conferred with him on the subject. If he is doing anything at all it is without my knowledge."

**TO BE HOMEY IS A SIN, SAYS PASTOR.**

**Advises Young Women to Make Free Use of Powder and Paint.**

ST. LOUIS Mo., Jan. 13.—Young women of the First Methodist Episcopal church may now use the powder puff, likewise the paint brush and brow pencil without any compunctions of conscience. Their pastor, Rev. P. C. Fletcher, says it is all right. Lecturing on "Love, Courtship and Marriage," he told them that beauty was a duty and that if they were not born that way it was incumbent on them to powder and paint and pencil themselves beautiful.

"If I were a young woman I would try to be winsome," he said. "Beauty is a duty. A young woman ought to strive to appear to the very best advantage, mentally, physically and morally. If by the use of the powder puff, paint brush and brow pencil you can make yourself more winsome, you have my consent to use them freely."

"It is right to supplement the works of God. To be ugly in an age like this is but little short of a sin against God and self."

**ALCOHOL FIRE IN SHOES.**

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 13. — Where a bartender pours alcohol in the shoes of a drunken customer, sets fire to it and burns the victim, the latter may recover for his damages against the owner of the saloon. This is the decision of the state supreme court. The court follows a Minnesota decision and decides contrary to a decision of the supreme court of Arkansas. This decision was the case of Otto Belke against John Carroll, a saloon keeper of Raymond. The lower court decided in favor of the saloon man and a new trial was ordered.

## FORAKER RENEWS OLD ATTACK ON PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

### PROSPECT GOOD SAYS CLARKE

Writes That Everything Is In Readiness to Secure Passage of Bill.

G. W. Carleton yesterday received a letter from Francis H. Clarke stating that everything was progressing nicely in the campaign to secure legislation that will permit the organization of the Port of Coos Bay to develop and improve the harbor and bar. Mr. Clarke wrote from Portland just prior to leaving for Salem. His letter is in part as follows:

Have everything in exceedingly fine shape as far as the port law is concerned. Mr. Flanders, Mr. Cushman, Mr. Loggie and myself composing the commission, have agreed on a law. The Portland delegation is not opposed and will support it. Mr. Chase of Coquille, will be chairman of the judiciary in the Senate and will introduce the bill and Mr. Bean will take charge of it in the House. The bill as accepted by the commission is all right. The right to organize is given and we can organize a port to cover the north half of the county if we want to, but can't encroach on the Coquille basin. I shall advise the people of Coos Bay to keep within a reasonable district and I have no doubt the courts will sustain them. We will try and get the bill through to the governor among the very first ones to be signed so as to be able to organize by June at the latest. Loggie is a pretty good man to work with and can understand the situation fully and quickly.

## ELECTION OF HAY CONTESTED

New Lieutenant Governor of Washington Said to Have Disqualified Himself.

(By Associated Press.)

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 13.—Harry Ballinger, attorney for Lieutenant Governor Coon, said that proceedings to test the qualification of Lieutenant Governor-elect Hay will be instituted in the Supreme Court after Hay has taken the oath of office today. Coon's contention is that Hay disqualified himself for the office in the primary election by purchasing newspaper advertising space of character alleged to be prohibited by the primary law.

Lieutenant Governor Coon called the Senate to order and will preside until his term expires. Senator Ruth of Olympia, was chosen speaker pro tem and W. T. Laube secretary. As a result of a coincidence, the calling of the House to order fell upon L. O. Meigs, a candidate for the speakership. Meigs was chief clerk of the last House, and because of that fact was requested to preside at the opening session. Later, he was chosen speaker.

**HEYBURN IS WINNER.**

**Is Re-elected United States Senator In Idaho.**

(By Associated Press.)

BOISE, Ida., Jan. 13. — United States Senator Heyburn was re-elected by the legislature in separate session. A joint session will ratify the action. The vote stood: Senate—Heyburn 11; French 1; Stocklager 8; Woods 2. House—Heyburn 44; Stocklager 5; Woods 4.

German cough syrup for colds and coughs at the RED CROSS.

Ohio Senator Tries to Dig Up New Phase of Brownsville Affair.

CONGRESS MEN ARE STILL AFTER HIM

Continues to Devote Time to Attacking President Instead of Business.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 13.—Illegal diversion of public funds by President Roosevelt and W. H. Taft while the latter was secretary of war to pay for the investigation by private detectives into the Brownsville affair was charged by Senator Foraker in the Senate in a speech replying to the statements of Herbert J. Browne of this city, and William G. Baldwin of Roanoke, Va., who employed by the Secretary of War to secure evidence of the guilt of the negro soldiers of the shooting up of Brownsville on the night of August 13 and 14, 1906. The government's use of private detectives was characterized by Foraker as "atrocious, shocking and revolting." Foraker charged that \$15,000 had been diverted from \$3,000,000 war fund appropriated March 3, 1902, at the close of the Spanish-American war to meet unforeseen contingencies and expended at the discretion of the President, but that no detailed or itemized reports to congress of the expenditures from this fund had been made.

Foraker reviewed the statements of the President in his several messages that all the evidence pointed to the guilt of the soldiers, but said that the actions of the President in employing detectives which, he asserted, was a violation of the statutory provision "that no employe of a Pinkerton detective agency or similar agencies shall be employed for the government service or by any office of the district of Columbia" showed that the President was forced to strengthen his case "as though conscious, notwithstanding all his assertions and declarations as to the sufficiency of the testimony, it was in fact unreliable and insufficient to justify his order of the discharge. We were favored with the further message of December 14, 1908, in which we were informed that the detectives had been employed by the War Department and that they have been at work for months." Speaking of the reply of the President and of the Secretary of War to the Senate resolution calling for information on the detective's investigations, Foraker said, "This message of the President with its exhibition, his report of the Secretary of War is the most serious feature of this unhappy business." Foraker declared they disclose determined efforts on the part of the President to again bolster up the case against soldiers, that the President employed methods which cannot be fittingly described without employing language which might appear disrespectful to the chief executive. Foraker declared the methods of the detectives in securing the evidence and confessions were such that "the facts would make all such testimony utterly incompetent and worthless."

**LANDO TO CHANGE.**

**Will Become Manager of the Pioneer Grocery Company Soon.**

Israel Lando has resigned as manager of the Finnish Cooperative store to take the management of the Pioneer Grocery Company which Ivy Condron recently gave up. Mr. Lando has been identified with the Finnish Cooperative store for some time but he believes that the new position affords him a better opportunity for personal advancement and in the change he will carry with him the best wishes of his many friends.

The Finnish Cooperative Company will meet Friday to elect his successor.