

DOINGS OF CITY COUNCIL

DEPOSITS ATTACKED TO OPEN ANDERSON JUGGLED FINANCES

COUNCIL SAYS WATER COMPANY EXCEEDS AUTHORITY

Send Note to Railroad Commission for Information—Want Ferry Street Opened

Deposits claimed to be charged now by the water company of all its patrons to insure a prompt payment of bills. In many cases despite the fact the consumers are old customers of years standing, is now under council investigation. A letter has been sent by City Attorney John D. Goss to the State Railroad Commission asking the authority of the water company.

"There have been many complaints coming in to me lately," said Mr. Goss. "I find that the water company asks this deposit. It promises to pay the money back with six per cent interest. I can't see that it amounts to anything more than the company's use of the money at six per cent." He explained that the company requires all users to pay in advance for their service.

Want Ferry Street Right
That the southern Pacific should at once give the city right of way across its tracks at Ferry street is the belief of the council. Mr. Goss explained that there is a suit now in the courts which will clear the matter up as far as the C. A. Smith company is concerned and that with this out of the way the right of way will probably be granted. The matter is being taken up with Mr. Bloss, head of the committee handling the mill affairs at present.

Straighten Commercial
The log in Commercial avenue at the intersection of Seventh street is a menace to traffic and to lives, say the city fathers. A. J. McClelland who owns several lots affected is now here and the matter will be taken up with him. The move is to cut Commercial avenue off on a slant between Seventh and Eighth streets.

Not to be thwarted in his move to have good looking parkings in front the council that a change be made in of his property. A. B. Campbell asked the specifications for a sidewalk on 12th Court that comes out close to the curbing. To make the change would be an added expense to himself, says Mr. Campbell, along his 200 foot strip but he believed it best for the reason that he could beautify his lots to better advantage.

It was agreed that he shall seek the consent of other property owners on the Court and with their consent the change in the specifications will be made by the city engineer.

Viewers Appointed
Viewers were appointed to view the intended sewer improvement on 12th Court and make a report on the property benefited by it. They are Ben Ostlund, D. L. Rood and Dr. George W. Leslie. Ten o'clock Thursday is the time set for the viewing.

At the next meeting of the council June 1, the assessment will be adopted for the replanking of Central avenue between Fourth and Eighth streets and also for the raising of the bridge. The cost is between 15 and 57 cents a front foot for the improvement.

Tidegate Completed
The tidegate between Eighth and Ninth streets on the Mill Slough fill has been completed, said A. B. Gidley, city engineer. The cost was \$38,600, one half to be borne by the Port.

A transfer of the skating rink license from the first lessee to the new purchaser was allowed by the council.

PLAYS SUBMARINE

Bent on a week-end outing, away from toil and care, H. J. McKeown gathered about him a few friends at Beal Lake. There was not enough room in the one boat for the entire party to cross the lake to the McKeown cabin and Kenneth Hauser volunteered to try the canoe.

Mr. McKeown says that it was growing late on Saturday afternoon when he missed one of the party and hearing a noise stepped outside and there detected the canoe floating bottom up, and the former occupant with his head out of the water like a porpoise.

A boat pulled out from shore, but Kenneth Hauser scored the idea of crawling in, and swam ashore. Before the final splash he had fired his six-shooter at a "filloog" bird and he mourned the loss of the gun until it was found caught underneath the craft.

Those in the week-end party were C. H. Beattie, V. G. Hindmarsh, William Kaiser, Swan Benson, Kenneth Hauser, H. J. McKeown and son Raymond.

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AVENUE BETWEEN THIRD AND FOURTH AUTHORIZED

Street Improvements Mark Session of City Dads—First Street to be Planked and Graded

Bids for the planking and improvement of Anderson Avenue between Third and Fourth streets will be opened at the meeting of the Council June 1, according to a decision made last evening. Adjustment of the assessments for the work has been arranged by the City Attorney and there is nothing now to delay the opening. Notices have already been posted.

Interest amounting to \$1350 on the \$54,000 funding bond of the city was allowed and a warrant will be in the Chicago office of the bonding company by June 1.

Now that the city has in operation a five-eighths of a mill tax for the library all money, at the rate of \$105 a month, that has been advanced them since January 1 of this year, is being transferred from the library fund back into the general fund. This amounts to \$525 and leaves the library fund now with a balance of \$410.35.

Improve Eighth Street
Eighth street from Central to Terrace, with the exception of the one block, Commercial to Seventh Terrace, is to be planked according to a Council decision and the plans and specifications of A. B. Gidley were approved.

The cost will approximate \$2605 and includes the excavating, the filling, the curbs and the sidewalks, Flank First Street.

Marking the end of a discussion that has been waged a dozen times in the Council chambers the city dads last night authorized the posting of notices for the planking and grading of First street from Market avenue to a point 55 feet south of Alder avenue.

Plans and specifications for a roadway 12 and 22 feet wide are called for, the width to be later determined. The estimated cost of the first is \$862 and of the latter \$260.

Improvement of Birch avenue between Second and Third streets will be pushed through at once, the total cost being approximately \$918, according to A. B. Gidley. Birch avenue at the intersection of Third will be graded down and a hydrant put in, thus affording better fire protection to the residents of that section.

COOS RATES WELL

ONE OF FEW SECTIONS OF STATE FOR INVESTORS

Representative of New York Financial Publication Here for Data on County

Coos County as a section of profitable investment stands alone and unique in southern Oregon according to the statement of Alfred Jesselson, representative of the "International Investor," a magazine published in New York for the purpose of supplying information to investors.

Hitherto the entire state of Oregon, he said, has not been considered the best, from the investors standpoint, because of what he terms inflated values.

That a change has and is now being made is the belief of Mr. Jesselson. The last issue of the magazine carried an article on Portland, the surrounding country. The next issue will carry one on Coos County. Mr. Jesselson is here now for the purpose of gathering his information and data as well as to check up on the last report to investors.

At the present time his publication is backing no lands, south of Eugene, with the one exception of Coos County.

COAL FREIGHT RATES

Mistake in First Statement of Change Recently Made

It is stated at the office of the Coos Bay Roseburg and Eastern railroad that there was a mistake in stating that the rates on coal from Henryville, Coaledo and Beaver Hill Junction was \$1.50 a ton.

The charge formerly was 50 cents for a long ton, consisting of 2,240 pounds. The charge now is 50 cents for a short ton, 2,000 pounds. The change is that 240 pounds less coal is carried for 50 cents than formerly.

COUNCILMAN ALBRECHT SAYS FUNDS MISAPPROPRIATED

Strong Denial Made—Say Difference in Firemen's Salaries Occasioned by Having Experienced Men.

Declaring there has been a juggling of the city's finances so that though two \$90 warrants are drawn for the monthly salaries of the paid fire engineers one man gets \$80 and the other \$100, Councilman Carl Albrecht last night asked for an investigation. The matter was referred to the fire and water committee.

Though he denounced the method, there were others who considered that nothing has been done that is wrong. It was explained that at the present time, and in fact for months, there has been but one thoroughly competent engineer in the fire station. This is Gordon Smith, who has been in the service for three years. Since Hal Stutsman left there have been two men on the job, both learning.

During this time, it was explained, Gordon Smith has been on duty, has attended completely to all repair work on the big and little engines and has been constantly subject to the duty call, both day and night.

It was stated that inasmuch as he does the repairing and the greater share of the day work, is teaching a new man and is thoroughly experienced, he should receive a monthly salary a trifle higher than that of a beginner.

"The arrangement is a new one to me," said Mr. Albrecht. "It doesn't look right. The men should have come to us to make this change. A man has been dismissed from the department some time ago. I think the Council should have entire charge of these matters."

The matter will be brought up at the next meeting of the Council June 1.

Mayor Allen stated that he has been informed of the change and that it was thoroughly explained to him at the time it was made.

A new location for the horse-cart shed now on Central avenue in West Marshfield is necessary, said Councilman Evertsen, because it now stands, an unsightly building in a sightly spot. It will be moved onto a side street.

A hydrant near the corner of Twelfth court and Flanagan avenue was left to the fire and water committee for decision.

Put in New Lights
Incandescent lights are cheaper than arc lights. Several of them will take the place of one arc light. Carl Evertsen reported changes being made in the lighting system of the city.

Incandescents are to be put in at the corners of Eighth and Commercial, Eighth and Eighth Terrace, Tenth and Eighth Terrace, Tenth and Date, Ninth and Date, Ninth and Fir.

The arc light will be removed from Eighth and Fir to make place for an incandescent and also between Ninth and Tenth on Commercial and Tenth and Ingersoll and in their places incandescents will be placed and more of them.

On motion of R. A. Copple the light committee was authorized to go over the lighting system and wherever possible put in incandescents in place of the arcs, the purpose being not to reduce the light bill of the city, but rather to get in more lights.

AT THE HOTELS

MONDAY'S ARRIVALS
Chandler Hotel.

H. W. Bounds, St. Paul; C. G. Spinning, St. Louis; E. R. Thompson, San Francisco; A. Teselson, Myrtle Point; F. R. Graft, San Francisco; E. B. Fryer, San Francisco; Leonard Underwood, Portland; Mrs. L. D. Browne, Gardiner; C. B. Beattie, Eugene; V. G. Hindmarsh, North Inlet; A. F. Medina, Boston; E. N. Smith, Bandon; W. G. Eggleston, San Francisco; W. E. Peterson, Portland; George P. Laird, Bandon; R. C. Danford, Portland; Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Biggs, Bandon; G. Willard, Spokane; J. S. Freeling, San Francisco; J. R. Wetherbee, Langlois.

St. Lawrence Hotel.
Bruce Johnson, Coquille; C. P. Coleman, Ten Mile; H. Bremer, Allegany; Harry Preston, Camp 1; M. Broyles, Powers; P. W. E. Puckett, Berkeley; R. N. Ray, Portland.

Lloyd Hotel.
B. Anderson, Coquille; Henry Willis, Grants Pass; J. Hanson, Portland; C. F. Gerkins, Portland; C. J. Chambers, Portland; Clarence Wallace, Coquille; E. Oit, Allegany; E. D. Sponon, Coos River; J. Anderson Coos River; G. Grant, Powers; R. McLain, Lakeside.

St. Lawrence Hotel.
Tom Hayden, Empire; Frank E. Ryan, Portland; O. E. Hill, Bridge; F. W. Lang, Coquille; W. J. Carmichael, Portland; A. N. Christenson, Haynes Inlet.

TODAY'S ARRIVALS
Chandler Hotel.
M. J. O'Connor, Portland; James Lynch, Portland; Charles O'Malley, Portland; Milo M. Pierson, Lakeside; George Stephenson, North Bend; E. R. Hickey, San Francisco; Paul M. Dinnick, San Francisco; M. D. Sherrard, Bandon; J. E. Paulson, Coquille; C. L. Hoag, San Francisco; F. G. Leslie, Coquille; P. H. Chamberlain, San Francisco; U. S. Booth, San Francisco; W. R. Hunt, San Francisco; W. R. Fontaine, Eugene; E. R. Thompson, San Francisco.

Lloyd Hotel.
Arthur Clark, Bandon; G. McGuire, Bandon; S. Sanderhoff, Port-

TO MEET SKERRETT POWERS DRY TOWN

HAD APPOINTMENT TO MEET INSURANCE MEN HERE

E. R. Thompson, of Underwriter's Bureau, Comes on Errand That Proves Unavailing

On an appointment to meet Charles Skerrett here E. R. Thompson, of the Fire Insurance Underwriter's Bureau, came here from San Francisco only to find that his coming was in vain. No further word has been heard from Skerrett and Mr. Thompson expects to leave again tomorrow.

At the time of the Bunker Hill fire Skerrett had \$500 insurance on property lost with the building. His claim to this was disputed and once before Mr. Thompson came here and refused to settle the matter until an adjustment had been made. It is known, through Skerrett's attorneys, that the money, if received, would go to pay on the heavy debts he left behind when he went away early one morning after officers had been placed on the dock a few days previous to see he did not leave on the Nann Smith. Mr. Thompson claims that he had an appointment here with Skerrett. He believes now that he will not put in an appearance. The last heard of him was in San Francisco.

RECEIVE BAD NEWS

MRS. B. A. DOREMUS LEARNS BROTHER IS DROWNED

Was Conductor on Southern Pacific and Has Visited Here—No Particulars Given

Mrs. Burt A. Doremus received yesterday the sad news of the sudden death of her brother, Charles Ruprecht, in California. Mr. Ruprecht visited Coos Bay about two years ago and is known to many here. He was a conductor of the Southern Pacific and had been running out of Sparks, Nevada. It is supposed that his run had been recently changed or that he had gone on a special run as the telegram came from Weston, Cal. The first message to Mrs. Doremus simply said, "Your brother was drowned." As Mrs. Doremus has two brothers in California she did not at first know which one it was. Another telegram came and told the full name and said that particulars would be wired later.

The messages were from the Red River Lumber company and it is supposed that there was a washout and probably a bridge accident to the train on which Mr. Ruprecht was running.

A sad feature of the death is the fact that only three months ago Mr. Ruprecht was married to Miss Mary Miller of California and with his bride had been making his home at Hazen, Nevada. The news was a shock to Mrs. Doremus as it has only been four months since her mother died in Michigan.

Nothing has been learned yet as to the plans of the funeral. It is possible that the body will be taken back to the old home in Michigan for burial. Mrs. Doremus cannot make any plans for leaving until she has heard further details.

Mr. Doremus is at Powers at the time the messages came and when telephoned returned to the city.

RAINS WERE GENERAL

Coos Bay Not Alone Today in Having Wet Weather

The rain today was general in this section of the state. As well as rain here there was reported a rainfall at both Roseburg and Bandon. The farmers say that there has been about enough rain now for the good of crops and gardens and they would rather see a little sunshine.

CIRCUS STRUCK RAIN

The Sells-Floto circus was in Roseburg today but got there at a bad time as there was much rain.

YOUNG COUPLE WED

Allen McCready and Miss Mary Wadman Are Married

Allen McCready and Miss Mary Wadman were married yesterday by Justice Stanley at Coquille. The couple came to this city last evening and today went to Tarheel camp where the groom will be employed the logging camp. He formerly worked at the Tarheel camp before it was closed and since then has been in Washington visiting his father. He has many relatives and friends in the county. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Wadman of Bridge.

BUILDING BIG DITCH

The Coquille Sentinel says: "The work of digging the long ditch for the new city water main from up in the hills to the reservoir here, is progressing finely. This ditch will be 18,600 feet, or about three and three-fifths miles in length. A force of nearly forty men has been at work under Councilman Kime, and in the first week over a third of the distance was completed, so that it is expected to have that part of the work done about the first of June. Only about 20 of the men have been at work on the ditch, the rest being engaged in building bridges and other work."

WILL BUY HORSES

(Special to The Times)
ROSEBURG, Or., May 18.—S. T. Smith, formerly engaged in the livery business, has been awarded a contract to purchase 150 horses for the French government. The horses must be delivered at Roseburg, May 22.

land; Mr. and Mrs. A. Wagnott, Portland; Miss Kelley, Portland; C. J. Chambers, Portland; C. F. Gerkins, Portland.

Blanco Hotel
Phil North, Powers; Al Smith, Coos River; E. N. Shell, Powers; Ernest Phipps, Powers; F. S. Warren, Bandon; T. Harms, Bandon; W. C. Pope, Coquille; Charles Swanson, Pouy Inlet.

ORDERS ISSUED THAT ANYONE INDULGING BE DISCHARGED

"Lushing" is Absolutely Tabooed by A. H. Powers—Several Families to Move There Soon

Powers is to be a real "dry town" according to an edict issued by A. H. Powers, head of the Smith-Powers Logging company, for whom the new city was named. He said yesterday that he had issued instructions that anyone found indulging there should be immediately discharged and told to move on.

Mr. Powers took prompt action on the "dry rules" there last Monday and a week ago Monday personally discharged a few men who had violated his instructions taboos booze. Some of those let out were old employees. Yesterday, it was stated, there were no violations, of the "dry order" at Powers.

The "dry order" has long been enforced in the Smith-Powers camps. Mr. Powers left today for the new town to start work on the company's new office building which will be about 30x70 feet, two stories high. A car shop is to be built soon. He said that about a dozen buildings were in course of erection.

It is probable that a bank will be opened at the new town before long. Last week, about \$27,000 in checks were issued for the monthly pay day of the company employees there, after deduction had been made for the bills incurred in the company's commissary.

Several families will soon move from Marshfield to Powers to be near the new place where the men are employed. F. W. Powers and wife and son will move there. Among the others who plan to move their families to the new town are W. J. Hill, W. H. Perkins, Mr. Davis and probably H. E. Coffin.

BASEBALL SCORES

RAIN AND COLD DISRUPTS EASTERN BALL GAMES

Storms Delay Season's Series—Coast League Teams Spend Yesterday on Move to New Fields

(By Associated Press in Coos Bay Times.)

New York, May 18.—Wet grounds and cold snaps through the east proved a general rout to baseball games yesterday. At Detroit, Boston New York, Cleveland and at Pittsburgh the rain and winter gods had conspired against the national pastime.

The scores of yesterday follow:

American League.
At Chicago—Philadelphia 2, Chicago 6.
At Cleveland—Boston-Cleveland wet grounds.
At St. Louis—Washington 3, St. Louis 2.
At Detroit—New York-Detroit, cold.

National League.
At New York—Chicago-New York, wet grounds.
At Cincinnati—Cincinnati-Brooklyn, wet grounds.
At Philadelphia—St. Louis 3, Philadelphia 5.
At Pittsburg—Pittsburg-Boaton, wet grounds.

STRAWBERRY CARNIVAL

(Special to The Times)
ROSEBURG, Or., May 18.—The Strawberry Carnival, an annual event in Roseburg, was held Friday and Saturday and was largely attended. There was a fine display of strawberries and entertainment was provided for the visitors.

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