

DOINGS OF CITY COUNCIL

THERE ONLY 2 DAYS

HERMAN TELLS COUNCIL HE DID NOT REMAIN IN NORTH BEND

Man Who Rented Room for Month and Tried to Rent Fixtures Tries to Escape Paying License

A man named Hermann who recently opened an alleged tailor shop on North Front street and who was hauled on the carpet by Marshal Carter to ascertain whether he came under the city ordinance requiring license and peddlers to pay \$25 a day license, appeared before the city council last night to try and escape the requirements of the ordinance.

Hermann's talk and stunt was one of the best bits of vaudeville that the council chamber has known in many a day. In a tear stained voice he told of Marshal Carter swooping down on him; how, in place of business rushing him, scarcely a man had entered his place since last Wednesday and how he was out about \$110 on his venture here so far.

He worked himself into a frenzy as he told how his feelings had been hurt when The Times printed a news item about Marshal Carter investigating him. However when the item was read to the council, Mayor Allen and members of the council stated that it was plain statement of the facts and was true.

Only Stayed Two Days
The only matter in that item in The Times that Hermann finally claimed incorrect was where it was stated that he was in North Bend "a few weeks last year." Hermann said it was incorrect as he was "only there two days."

However the parties in whose store he had space said he had been in North Bend a week or so but they only allowed him to remain in the store two days.

Suits Were Faulty
Today it was stated that Hermann did not do a rushing business in North Bend during his brief stay there last year. Of the few made-to-order suits that he contracted, it is stated that at least two were returned as defective in fit or something else.

One of these suits was ordered by Dr. H. E. Burmester, the North Bend dentist, whom Herman measured. The suit had to be returned to the Steuberg Company as defective, it is stated.

Thirty-day Lease
The investigation of Hermann by Marshal Carter was started by Sec. Powell of the Coos Bay Business Men's Association when it was stated that Hermann had rented the room for one month, paying the rent for that time, and because he was trying to rent fixtures to fit it up, these indicating that it was only a temporary place.

Ordinance Not Enforced
Assistant City Attorney Kendall said that Hermann plainly came under the ordinance which provided that itinerants and peddlers pay \$25 per day license. Mr. Kendall said that the council might make this lighter or agree to remit the license if Hermann stayed thirty days if he did not furnish a bond to remain that long.

Herman shied at the bond guaranteeing his remaining here six months and also at the license fee.

When he told about not getting any business, Councilman Copley said that they might as well let him alone.

Hermann's Statement
"I am not a peddler; I am a merchant, and I expect to stay here," declared Mr. Hermann, owner of a faltering establishment on Front street, newly opened when he appeared before the Council last evening asking that he not be charged a peddler's license. A complaint had been filed against him by the Business Men's Association asking that he pay a license or put up a bond guaranteeing to remain here the six-months' time.

That he had been chagrined and his business made to suffer when an officer of the law escorted him up the street to the city recorder was the man's complaint. "It was on my opening day," he said dramatically. "People saw me go along the streets as though I was a criminal. It has hurt me considerably."

Hermann then declared he has a family and that he expects to make this his home, after many years on the road as a traveling man. "I am no fly-by-night merchant," he protested.

Oppose Fly-by-Nights
"My only purpose of making the

complaint was as a protection to the merchants of the city," explained Mr. Powell. "If Mr. Hermann expects to stay here we will welcome him. We're glad to have new business in the city, but if he is here for a little time he certainly ought to pay the license according to the ordinance. There have been many schemes worked on us in the past by 'fly-by-nights,' such as the unloading of bankrupt stocks and the like."

Clean-up Artist
"I have no stock on hand to sell. I take orders for and clean and press clothes," declares Mr. Hermann. "I am here as an American citizen. I demand my rights. I am going to stay and you can't force me out."

Hermann took offense at a printed article containing the information of his coming here. The article was read before the Council and declared to be true and absolutely proper. "I can't see that any injury has been done this man," exclaimed Mayor Allen. The Councilman assented and the speaker ceased to speak. He was told that no disturbance of his business will be made.

THRESH OUT STRIFE
FIREMEN DECLARE HAS BEEN NO THOUGHT OF GRAFT
Salary Arrangement Between Engineers Said To Have Been Voluntary—Council Investigates

"The agreement whereby I turned over each month \$10 of my salary to Gordon Smith was entirely a voluntary one. I was a beginner and during my time of apprenticeship Smith stayed at the engine house 24 hours of the day, took the machine out for every call and kept the three engines in repair." So testified Charles Jensen before the council last evening in the investigation of charges made by one of the members who declared "it looks like graft."

Fire Chief Keating testified to the same thing. So did Gordon Smith. It was shown that for three months Charles Jensen had been an apprentice. Smith stated he taught him how to use the machines and attend to the duties of a paid fireman.

"The understanding was that it should be only a temporary arrangement at best," said Mr. Smith. "My family was then in the south. I spent practically every hour of the day at the hall. I told the Chief that I surely ought to receive extra pay for this extra work. He said so too and this plan was suggested. It was agreeable to Jensen. Members of the fire department knew about it. There was nothing at all secret in the arrangement."

L. W. Traver, of the Standing Committee of the Fire Department, said that he had known nothing of the agreement. He understood Jensen was to be there only until a competent man could be secured," he said.

Smith, a Competent Man
He was questioned as to Smith's ability. "I believe him to be a competent man and worth the \$100 a month, but I do not believe that Jensen was. He was only learning. It was shown that Jensen had not had enough experience with engines and so at the end of the three months his resignation was asked for. Duncan Ferguson was then secured and has been a month in the department. He is receiving his \$90 equal with that of Gordon Smith."

"Why was the old arrangement given up?" asked J. C. Kendall of Mr. Smith.
"Because he is a more competent man. He had run gasoline engines before. My family has come home and I no longer stay 24 hours at the station," said Mr. Smith, "and there was a howl raised about the old payment and I didn't think the \$10 worth the kick."

Blamed Chief
"I don't blame Gordon Smith," said Councilman Copley, "but I do blame the chief. I think that he acted unwisely. This money payment is a matter that should have been brought before the council. We pay the warrants. The money should go where we direct and expect its going. It's just such little divergencies as this that lead to the troubles of the 'Abe Ruef type.'"

Councilman Albrecht exclaimed it still looked like graft to him. "Gentlemen," declared Chief Dan Keating, "There was no thought of graft. I have tried my best to get you competent men. You can't find them on the open market at every beck and call. There has been no graft, absolutely none and you gentlemen are

very well aware of it. The idea all the way through was to keep at least the one competent man we did have and to let him train up another. I have made mistakes. I expect you have done the same thing. Apologize but I don't think you will ever have to worry long about the resignation of the chief."

At this juncture the matter was considered thoroughly threshed out and an agreement was made whereby every change in the fire department shall hereafter be brought before the council for ratification.

WANT NEW LIGHTS

NEW STREETS SAID TO BE IN NEED OF ILLUMINATION

Oregon Power Company Decries Substitution of Mazdas in Lieu of Arcs on Streets

That they fear the removal of a few arc lights over the city and putting in their place the incandescent lamps will lead to a wholesale change both in this city and in North Bend was the statement of R. M. Jennings, of the Oregon Power Company before the Council last evening. The light committee had asked for the change of several of these arcs and the installation of 15 Mazda lights on new streets. "We put in these arcs two years ago" said Mr. Jennings, "and there was a heavy expense attached. To take them out now means in the first place our throwing away about \$100 in equipment. The cost of these lights is based on the cost of installing them plus the expense to run them."

"Our contract with the light company names us," declared Councilman Copley. "It is to the interest of both the city and the light company that these concessions be made. Perhaps if we can't get them now we can when the present franchise has run its limit, three years yet."

Whereupon Mr. Jennings denied his company meant to be unfair. "You say you are facing the loss of one-third your revenue next year and so must cut expenses," rejoined the manager. "It's no different with individuals or the city than it is with our company. Our expenses are going up. We pay four times as much in taxes now as we did two years ago."

Two Mazdas for One Arc
It was explained that arc lights cost \$5.75 each per month, while the 60-watt Mazdas but \$1.85. The light committee figured that two Mazdas could do the duty of one arc and distribute the light to better advantage.

New sections of the city must be lighted. There is Eighth street and Eighth court and Tenth street now opened. "I suppose the service must be extended there," said Mr. Jennings, and he explained that would be no profit on those streets for the company for the reason there are no other customers to use the poles.

One day this week Mr. Jennings, together with the light committee, will make a tour of the sections in question with a view of reaching an amicable settlement.

Tanks Bother Sidewalk
Gasoline tanks under the sidewalk in front of the Goodrum Garage hinder the laying of a concrete sidewalk there, stated C. R. Peck, appearing on behalf of Mrs. Nancy Noble.

He stated Mr. Goodrum's claim to be that he has permission from the city to store oil there. It was said the removal of the tanks to another part of the lot would be expensive. The question involved then became one of who should pay the expense. "I move that the fire chief request," said Mr. Ferguson. "This will be done unless an amicable agreement is reached between the tenant and the owner. Mr. Gidley declined the tanks could also be placed under a concrete sidewalk at a little additional cost."

Want Rest Room Money
Saying that the Coos Bay Women's Club has established a rest room on Central avenue at a cost of \$65 a month and asking that the Council donate a share of the expense, Mrs. M. A. Sweetman, Dr. Mattie B. Shaw and Mrs. A. Owen, Mayor Allen stated that the funds of the city are at a low state and that any advance would simply mean the borrowing of the money. The matter was referred to the finance committee.

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TO PLANK AVENUE

CONTRACT LET FOR PLANKING OF ANDERSON AVENUE

Petition Also Up For Straightening of Anderson—Is Referred to City Attorney

The contract for the planking and laying of sidewalk that will open Anderson avenue between Third and Fourth streets was last night awarded by the city fathers to Johnson and Larson. There was a second bid received, \$10 lower, but without a price for the excavation work which must be done. The council was of the opinion that to let a separate contract would result in more expense to the city.

The second bid was from Inman and Bjorqvist. The figures of the two contractors for the 494 feet of 12 foot plank sidewalk was the same, 43 cents a foot. Johnson and Larson bid \$1.85 a foot for the 247 feet of 38 foot planking; Inman and Bjorqvist \$1.56. The bid of the former for the embankment work was 21 cents a cubic yard.

As a board of equalization the council assessed the property bordering on Broadway for the new sidewalk between Market and Commercial avenues at \$327.49, and for the improvement of Central avenue between Fourth and Eighth streets, \$737.82.

To Straighten Avenue
A petition signed by property owners concerned asking for the straightening out of Anderson avenue between Fifth and Ninth streets was shown to the councilmen and referred without comment to the city attorney for his sanction.

BASEBALL SCORES

BUT ONE GAME YESTERDAY IN THE COAST LEAGUE

Eastern Leagues Settle Down to the Small Scores Showing Steadiness of Middle Season

| PERCENTAGES OF COAST LEAGUE | |
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| [By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.] | |
| W. | L. |
| San Francisco | .30 21 .588 |
| Los Angeles | .25 26 .544 |
| Salt Lake | .30 25 .545 |
| Venice | .27 29 .482 |
| Portland | .22 26 .458 |
| Oakland | .25 34 .428 |

VENICE, June 2.—But one game was registered in the Coast League yesterday on account of rain. Venice brought home a much needed victory when she defeated the Bees in a 3 to 2 game.

The scores of yesterday follow:
Coast League

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| At Venice | R. H. E. |
| Salt Lake | 2 7 1 |
| Venice | 3 9 0 |

American League

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| At Washington | Washington 5, Philadelphia 3. |
| At Cleveland | St. Louis 2, Cleveland 1. |
| At Boston | Boston 4, New York 3. |
| At Chicago | Detroit 1, Chicago 4. |
| National League | |
| At Philadelphia | Philadelphia 4, Brooklyn 5. |
| At Pittsburg | Chicago 2, Pittsburg 0. |
| At Cincinnati | Cincinnati 2, St. Louis 4. |
| At New York | New York 0, Boston 7. |

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IT WILL PAY

COTTON GOODS HAVE NOT BEEN SO CHEAP FOR YEARS AS THEY ARE THIS SEASON. JUST HOW LONG THIS WILL CONTINUE NO ONE KNOWS. ALREADY THERE HAS BEEN AN ADVANCE IN SOME LINES. IT WILL PAY YOU TO BUY YOUR NEEDS FOR THIS SUMMER AT THIS TIME.

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| 15c Percal, 36 inches wide | 12 1/2c |
| Best 32-in. Percal | 10c |
| Standard Calico | 4c |
| 20c Mercerized Plisse, figured | 15c |
| Kenton Cheviots | 8 1-3c |
| Red Seal Gingham | 8 1-3c |
| 72-inch Sheets, special value | 48c |
| Bungalow Apron Gingham and Percal, extra val. | 45c |
| House Dresses, Gingham and Percal | .85c and up |
| Mule-skin Gloves, 50c kind | 38c |
| Calf-skin Gloves, 50c kind | 38c |
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TAKEN INTO HERD

MOOSE LODGE ADDS NEW MEMBERS TO GROWING ORDER

Soon Ready For Installing Lodge At Coquille Where Will Start With 50 Members

Ten more members were added to the Moose herd last night at the initiation in the lodge hall, following which the members enjoyed a social time and a banquet. Enthusiasm is now centering around the institution of a new lodge in Coquille.

Already the paraphernalia for the five men actively engaged in forming the order and it is expected that in two weeks the required 50 men for the opening of a lodge will have been secured.

The lodges from Bandon and Marshfield, including many North Bend members and men from all parts of the county, will have charge of the installation there.

The members who were initiated last evening were: Ben Wright, George Van Leo, H. B. Ferguson, F. E. Wilson, Julius Kruse, Frank E. Lea, W. F. Hodson, J. E. Drillet, James L. Ferrey and Charles Hall. Others who were admitted to membership were James Howard, C. W. Cumbers, E. Tacha, Ray E. Camoran, J. C. Kendall, and B. R. Keller.

Track Meet Friday, June 4th.

ASK YOUR NEIGHBOR JUNE 5th.

TAKES WRONG BOAT

"All aboard," shouted the mate of the Santa Clara yesterday and the lines were cast off and the ship had already started on her way to Eureka when an excited little old man came rushing down the dock. His arms were full of suit cases and the wheezing of his lungs indicated full well that he had come a long ways in a very short time.

Stevadores bundled his baggage aboard and the old man was pulled over the rail as the boat brushed down the dock.

Catching his breath the old gentleman looked about the decks. They looked familiar. The fact dawned on him that he was on the wrong boat. Both the Santa Clara and the Kilburn were in port at the same time yesterday.

"Let me off," he yelled and stalked the deck with his bundles in his arms. The good ship continued on her way serenely and at North Bend the old man was put ashore. He hurried back to Marshfield and caught the Kilburn for Portland.

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\$.50 TIE
\$.15 COLLAR
\$.35 SOX
\$30.50

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\$ 5.00 SHOES
\$ 3.50 HAT
\$.75 TIE
\$.50 SOX
\$.15 COLLAR
\$34.90

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