

THE OLD RELIABLE



RAISED THE SALARIES

COUNCIL WAS GOOD TO CITY OFFICIALS.

Busy Meeting of the Municipal Guardians Was Held Last Evening.

The salaries of the city attorney, auditor and police judge and chief of police were restored to their former figures at last night's meeting of the council. A few years ago, when the city was pressed for funds, the salaries were reduced, that of the city attorney being cut from \$90 to \$70, that of the auditor from \$125 to \$100 and that of the chief of police from \$90 to \$81. Mr. Brix introduced the ordinance providing for restoration of the salaries of the auditor and attorney, and both bills went through under suspension of the rules. The increase for Chief Hallock was provided for in a measure introduced by Mr. Burns, but the request for unanimous consent for suspension was declined. Messrs. Brix and Svenson voting in the negative. This bill will be enacted at the next meeting of the council, a week hence.

A communication was presented to the council last evening by President Welch and Secretary Gerdes of the Astoria Federation of Labor asking that the city hereafter employ only union men, pay union wages and fix eight hours as the duration of a working day. The matter was referred to the ways and means committee.

The council again placed itself on record as opposed to the payment of living prices for the city printing. The ways and means committee reported that it had rejected all the bids for the work, as they were considered unreasonably high, although the offer of The Astorian was that charged for commercial printing. The committee's report embodied the recommendation that, if lower bids were not submitted, a charter change permitting the posting of notices should be made. The report was adopted.

The ways and means committee and City Attorney Smith reported at some length on the matter of the claim of the county for \$1499 for constructing the road from the reservoir to the city limits. According to the report, it was agreed in 1901 between the council and the county court that the road would be built by the county if the city would turn over to it all the money in the hands of the road supervisor of Astoria district. Later the county asked the city to make an additional payment of \$1125.45, and the amount was accordingly paid. The committee recommended that the further claim for \$1499 be not paid, and the recommendation was adopted.

The committee likewise reported on the proposal to require the road supervisor to make monthly reports to the council. It was found that the law requires the supervisor to make his reports to the county court, and the committee recommended that he be instructed to report every three months to the court, and to turn over road taxes to the city treasurer. The report was adopted.

Councilman Brix reported that he had found \$1440 while on a visit to the city treasury. The money is in the cemetery fund, against which there are no outstanding warrants. Claims for maintenance of the cemetery had been drawn on the general fund. Mr. Brix presented an ordinance transferring the amount in the cemetery fund to the general fund, in order that outstanding warrants might be called in and a saving in interest effected. The ordinance was passed under suspension of the rules.

An ordinance to pay the salaries of the members of the council was passed. The amounts apportioned follow: Mr. Brix, \$100; Mr. Hansen, \$85; Mr. Svenson, \$100; Mr. Wright, \$100; Mr. Jahlstrom, \$85; Mr. Morton, \$85; Mr. Nordstrom, \$100; Mr. Burns, \$67.50; Mr. Trullinger, \$80.84; Mayor Suprenant, \$80. Each member of the council receives \$100 yearly, but \$5 is deducted for every meeting missed.

On motion of Mr. Brix, President

Hansen, who presided in the absence of Mayor Suprenant, appointed the following committee to submit a report of needed charter changes: Messrs. Brix, Nordstrom and Trullinger.

There was considerable discussion over the favorable report of the street committee on the request of the Standard Oil Co. for permission to erect an office building on public property on Sixth street. Some of the members expressed the opinion that the precedent was a bad one to establish, while others thought that the privilege should be granted, as the office could be removed at the pleasure of the council. The request was granted. Messrs. Brix, Svenson and Wright voting in the negative.

The report of the board of assessors, who submitted the assessment for the improvement of Bond street west from the McClure line and of Franklin avenue between Fourth and Fifth and of Fourth from Franklin to Exchange, was received. The board of equalization submitted its report on the assessment for the improvement of Commercial street between Sixth and Third. The assessment totals \$2158.

An ordinance confirming the assessment for the last-named improvement was passed, as was an ordinance to pay W. A. Goodin \$2037.50 for the work. Resolutions were adopted establishing the grades of Fifty-first street from Cedar to Birch, of Cedar street from the east line of block 102 to Fifty-first, and of Birch street from Fifty-first to Fifty-second.

A resolution was also adopted instructing the board of assessors to levy an assessment for the improvement of Thirty-fourth street from Franklin to Harrison avenue. The improvement cost \$3450. Claims were allowed as follows: C. Rogers, \$1.50; Astoria Box Co., \$34.41; Clatsop Mill Co., \$16.06; Ford & Stokes Co., \$8.00; Sherman Transfer Co., \$12.50; W. J. Scully, \$19.50; Budget, \$27.40; Judges and clerks of election, \$96; W. N. Adams, \$10; J. S. Dellinger, \$66.50; Thos. Dealey, \$15.45.

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DEATH LIST INCREASED.
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The Owl train was signalled and that the engineer responded with a whistle and threw on the brakes. The question which remains open is whether or not the signal was given in time to avert the collision.

WANTED AN EDUCATION.
Young Bank Clerk Absconds to Defray Expenses.

OAKLAND, Cal., Dec. 22.—Having been unsuccessful in his fight against extradition, S. I. Grin, the young bank clerk, who two years ago absconded from Russia with about 10,000 roubles and came to this country to get an education, has started east in custody of United States Marshal Rhine. He will be taken to New York by the marshal and there delivered to Russian officers, who will be sent to meet him. Grin is about 22 years of age. He admits his guilt.

MUST'N'T DO THAT.
Polish Girl Punished for Slight On Kaiser Wilhelm.

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