

COUNCIL IN SESSION

Application for Street Railway Franchise is Made.

ASTORIA TO FORT STEVENS

Oil Tank Measure Now Favorably Considered Calls For Retaining Walls Four Feet High. Others Items of Interest.

The common council met in regular session last night. After the roll call the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The petitions of C. F. Wise and Wirkala and Lindbeck for retail liquor licenses were read and referred to the Committee on Health and Police.

The petition of the Astoria Savings Bank for permission to construct a cement sidewalk on the corner of Duane and Eleventh streets was granted.

The remonstrance of the Acme Grocery and Dairy Company against assessment roll No. 145 was ordered filed.

A communication from the owners of a scow house on the foot of 21st street, who had been ordered by the Street Committee to change their location, asking for permission to remain in the present situation during the coming fishing season, was referred to the Committee Wharves and Water Frontage. This is the first measure that has been referred to that committee.

The petition of Siles Carruthers for the removal of penalties for nonpayment of assessments on property owned by him, was, upon the recommendation of the committee to which it had been referred, granted.

The communication of C. J. Curtis in regard to the city printing was ordered placed on file.

The bill of Henry Humbolt was allowed. The report of the Committee on Streets and Public Ways in regard to the communication of the Superintendent of Streets concerning need of crushed rock for street repairs, authorizing the Superintendent to procure the crushed rock, was adopted.

The remonstrance against the acceptance of the improvement of the street from Franklin Avenue to Harrison Avenue was placed on file.

The following claims were allowed: Henry Humbel, \$17.50; Astoria Crushed Rock Co. \$102.00; F. & S. Hardware Co., \$3.15; City Lumber & Box Co., \$1.85; Dill & Young, \$8.70; Dill & Young, \$18.00; Street Assessor's Board, \$20.00; J. C. Clinton, \$8.00; Astoria Electric Co., \$387.26; Leo Gramms, \$1.00; City Surveyors Dept., \$7.00; St. Dept. Pay Roll, \$29.95; J. H. Hansen, 2.00; Leo Gramms, 2.00; E. Hauke & Co., \$6.60; L. A. Carter, \$12.00; City Lumber and Box Co., \$2.94; Birch & Jacobson, 47.55; Chas. Gammal, \$6.00; Astoria Electric Co., \$29.50.

The report of the Street Committee was read, saying that but one bid, that of Birch and Jacobsen for \$1982.50, had been received and this was \$201.58 more than the estimate of the city surveyor, but as the survey was made some time ago and the cost of piling and lumber had since risen, and the repair work was badly needed, the committee recommended that the bid be accepted. The report was adopted.

The report of City Physician F. V. Mohn regarding the removal of quarantine at 1827 Franklin on February 19 and other matters were received and placed on file.

An ordinance granting a franchise to construct and operate a street railway in Astoria, to E. B. McFarland was read.

The line is to be constructed as follows: Commencing at the corner of Commercial and 18th streets, at the south side of Commercial, thence south to Duane street, along Duane to Eleventh street, thence on Eleventh street to Grand Avenue, along Niagara to 7th along 7th to Olney, along Olney to Fifth street to the County bridge across Youngs Bay.

Cars are to run every 15 minutes. Fares are to be: 5 cents within the city; 10 cents to Warrenton; 15 cents to Flavel and Hammond; 20 cents to Fort Stevens.

The construction is to be completed within 2 years.

It was pointed out that there was no substantial guarantee that the work would be completed, and the matter was referred to the Committee on Streets and Public Ways and the City Attorney for correction in this regard.

An ordinance providing that petroleum shall not be stored in quantities of more than 5000 gallons within a retaining wall, of reinforced concrete, 18 inches at the base and 12 inches at the top, being placed around the storage tank at a distance of not less than 10 feet, with other precaution was presented.

The council went into secret session to consider the measure. They amended the measure to a considerable degree. Provision was made for a wall four feet high, 24 inches at the base and 17 inches at the top, to be constructed on the plan submitted by the Standard Oil company, which places wall along the boundary lines of the property and in some places close to the tank. A motion was made to place the ordinance on final passage but Councilman Kaboth objected and the matter will come up on final passage next meeting. Its supporters have eight votes and can pass it over the mayor's veto, which will probably be necessary.

A resolution for the letting of bids to construct a sewer on 14th street and Irving Avenue was adopted.

The Mayor returned with his veto the wall along the boundary lines of the hbiting oil tanks of more than 5000 gallons within the city limits. He delivered a message on the subject which has already been published in the Astorian, setting forth the reasons for the veto.

Upon vote being taken, the only vote sustaining the Mayor's veto was that of Councilman Kaboth.

The ordinance raising the salary of the chief of the fire department to \$90 per month and of the firemen and drivers to \$80 per month was passed, and amended to raise the extra men to \$10 a month each.

An ordinance appropriating certain sums for the yearly regular expenses was present.

The improvement of 11th street from Franklin to Harrison was accepted. Ordinances appropriating the sums of \$1730.37 and \$47.50 for the fir mof Dill & Young for street improvements was passed.

A resolution to repair 42nd st., from Bond street to the alley between lots 5 and 6 was adopted.

The bid of Birch and Jacobsen for the improvement of 11st from Bond to Commercial for \$1987.50 was accepted.

The matter of electing a city physician was taken up and Dr. F. V. Mohn, was re-elected to the position.

The broken steps on 14th street of the City Hall were ordered repaired. It was noticed in this connection that the worth wall of the City Hall will have to be rebuilt to have a leak in the balcony repaired.

The committee on Fire and Water were given power to accept a bid of \$100 for the removal of the fire bell of Engine House No. 3 and the building of a tower for it.

A motion was made and passed that the Committee on Fire and Water have plans made and bids considered for the construction of the new engine house.

The council adjourned at a late hour.

NO IDLERS IN CALIFORNIA

Thousands of Men and Women Needed at Good Wages.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 4.—The development and reconstruction work that is going on in San Francisco has resulted in a most appreciable shortage of labor all over California and from all parts of the State there is urgent call for men and women, and for teams. It is estimated that 17,000 teams are at work in San Francisco and to supply this extraordinary demand, all the towns and cities and even the farmers themselves throughout the state have been depleted to such an extent that the shortage is a serious one. From estimates by the California Promotion Committee, outside of San Francisco will require several thousand teams with drivers to supply it at present, and as the season opens for spring and summer work this demand will be greatly increased. From \$2.50 to 4.50 is the average wage paid in the interior of the state for teams with drivers and the demand seems most insistent just at present.

Labor shortage is also noted in all agricultural districts and it is estimated that employment will be ready for many thousands of men beginning with the early fruit season. All the interior towns and cities where are located small factories there is constant and increasing demand for female help.

In the lumber districts there is a marked shortage and it is estimated that between 10,000 and 15,000 men will be needed to supply the demand. Railroad building that is going on in all parts of the state is another source of great demand for labor and both men and teams are competing with each other to such an extent that they are bidding against each other for men in all lines of work.

BAR, BAY AND RIVER

Armeria Light-House Tender, Due Here Today.

SKOGSTAD AND AYMERIC IN

Antelope Arrives From San Francisco After Long Voyage—Lurline Again On River Run—Columbia Out—Costa Rica Due Today.

The steamship Columbia came down from Portland on Sunday and went out over the bar at 4:30 o'clock with plenty of people in her cabins and all the freight she could handle. She took from this city the following passengers: Mrs. Captain Jack Darragh and Miss Darragh; E. T. Stephenson, and S. Thompson. Messrs: John Anderson and John Henderson were to go out on her but did not make the gangplank in time by half an hour or more.

The new and handsome light-house tender Armeria, due at this port today from San Francisco, will be the flagship of the Pacific squadron in that service and will be commanded by Captain W. F. Gregory of the Heather. He may figure as the "Sweet William" which her name is supposed to signify; at all events he is the lucky William and no one on earth begrudges him the new honor.

For the first time since the night of November 21st, last, the Kamm steam-ship long while past, her owners having used the occasion of her recent accident to put her in first class condition. Flavel pier in this city last evening. She came down on good time and is in finer shape than she has been for a er Lurline occupied her berth at the

A two masted schooner was headed in oer the bar last evening at sundown on the lines of the "Tat." and it is supposed that it was the Antelope, from the Umpqua River, consigned to S. Elmore and Company. Later: The Antelope is in. 127 days from San Francisco, having met with accidents en route.

The steamship Geo. W. Elder arrived in port yesterday morning at 7 o'clock with several people and a good bunch of freight, and after taking on a lot of south-bound stuff at the Callender pier, went on to the metropolis.

The loss of the magnificent Hill liner Dakota, bulletined to this office on Sunday afternoon, caused a ripple of shocked regret throughout the community, and the hope is abroad she may be gotten safely off the rocks that fringe Sagami Bay.

The fine Norwegian steamship Skogstad arrived in yesterday from Guaymas, Mexico, and proceeded on to Portland, where she will load lumber out for the Orient. She brought a cargo of English rails from Liverpool to Guaymas and is an immense carrier.

The British steamship Aymeric, from San Francisco, entered port yesterday afternoon and went directly on to the metropolis. She will load lumber there for the Orient.

The four masted schooner A. B. Johnson, from San Francisco, came in yesterday and went to an anchorage in the city channel. She goes to Rainier for a load of lumber.

The schooner W. R. Hume, from San Francisco, arrived in yesterday on the hawsers of the Tatoosh, and will go to the Tongue Point mills for a load of lumber for the return trip.

The steamer Sue H. Elmore arrived in from Tillamook City and Garibaldi, on Sunday afternoon, with passengers and freight.

The Harvest Queen went up the river yesterday morning with the schooner W. S. Redfield and the Russian ship Fennia, on her hawsers.

The oil steamer Asuncion, which has been in this port for the past few days, went to sea on Sunday afternoon last with the oil barge No. 91 in tow.

The steamer Harvest Queen came down yesterday morning with the schooner Alpena on her hawsers.

The steamship Costa Rica is due in today from the Bay City with passengers and freight.

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