

CITIZENS' COMMITTEE IS NAMED TO INVESTIGATE CITY'S BOOKS

Auditor Devlin Asks That His Accounts Be Thoroughly Examined.

DEPOSITS MONEY FOR EXPENSE OF THE WORK

Declares He Will Pay Bill Himself If It Is Necessary—A. L. Mills, J. C. Ainsworth and Robert Livingston Selected to Investigate Accounts.

Three prominent citizens have been asked by the council to take charge of the examination of the books of the city auditor and treasurer and to employ such experts as they think best.

These men are A. L. Mills, president of the First National bank, J. C. Ainsworth, president of the United States National bank, and Robert Livingston, manager of the Oregon Mortgage company.

City Auditor Devlin yesterday afternoon sent a letter to the council, asking that a complete investigation of his accounts be made.

Mr. Devlin told the council he had deposited \$1,000 with Treasurer Warren to defray the cost of the auditing if necessary.

Later, the council included the treasurer's office in the scope of the investigation, so that practically all the city's accounts may be thoroughly checked over.

Committee Is Named. As soon as the auditor's letter was read, Mr. Wallace moved that Messrs. Mills, Ainsworth and Livingston be named as the citizens' committee.

MUCH TALK BUT LITTLE WORK. Council Expends Oratory to Cover Its Work of Passing Bad Ordinance.

PLAYS INTO HANDS OF THE ELECTRIC COMPANY

Bennett Makes Inefficient Attempts to Include Clause Protecting Linemen, and Ordinance Is Finally Passed as Returned.

After talking an hour and a half over the appointment of a citizens' committee to supervise an examination of the city auditor's and treasurer's books, the council spent just 10 minutes yesterday afternoon on the overhead wire ordinance, one of the most important measures before it for a long time.

The ordinance as passed is a very different thing from the measure introduced by the linemen for whose protection it was drawn up.

crookedness by the mayor should be made before any more expense was incurred.

Sells of Investigation. Gray told of the exhaustive investigation made by the ways and means committee before it submitted its report criticizing the findings of Clark & Buchanan.

Rushlight threw the searchlight on the ways and means committee, or at least on Mr. Gray.

"I don't know where he put in all that time," he declared.

Bennett Makes Reply. "I got nearly all my information personally from the auditor and only after several interviews," said Bennett.

At the suggestion of Mr. Wallace, Mr. Devlin took the floor in his own behalf.

The books are right, and I know it. If you who perhaps have had as much experience as his honor employ experts they will know what he is doing, and my money is up to pay for it," he cried.

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The two-act musical cocktail introduced Mother Goose people and comic picture supplement people and mixed them deliciously through the medium of fun-making and good musical numbers.

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Nothing Up Their Sleeves. "Oh, yes, Uncle Joe makes 'em all show their hands."

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SIMPSON'S REMEDY FOR RAIL PEST. C. I. Brown Believes That the State Legislature Should Take Action.

WOULD HAVE TESTS OF SPRAYING MADE FIRST

Suggests Bill Providing for Compulsory Care of Orchards and Imposing Penalty on All Owners Who Do Not Obey the Law.

C. I. Brown, who is much interested in the annihilation of fruit pests in the state of Oregon, has evolved some pertinent suggestions regarding legislation intended to overcome the plague of fruit pests which is now afflicting the orchards of the state.

"First—Let the state satisfy herself that by spraying and other treatment fruit trees can be enabled to bear sound, healthy fruit.

Second—Then let the legislature pass a law requiring the county courts to district the counties of the state as shall be deemed necessary and furnish each district, township, voting precinct, or whatever constitutes a district, with the best machinery and material for spraying, etc.; further, let it be the duty of the county court to employ a competent person to take charge of and use said machinery and material, and employ being amenable to the court employing him.

Third—Let each owner of an orchard pay for the spraying of his trees and pruning, cultivating, etc., as directed by the person having charge of the spraying; let the amount paid be the minimum for work done by sprayer and cost of material.

Fourth—If any person who is the owner of an orchard fails or refuses to have his trees cared for as above described, let the trees composing such orchard be destroyed except so many as shall be reasonable for the owner and those immediately dependent upon him for the necessities of life, such necessary trees to be sprayed at public expense for a limited number of years.

Let nothing be done to prevent private spraying, provided it is done after the most approved methods.

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