EUGENE MAY TRY NEW GOVERNMENT

Commission Prepares Charter Under Commission Plan; Election in April.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Eugene, Jan. 30.—The charter commission recently appointed at a mass meeting of citizens of Eugene to prepare a charter under the commission form of government, to be submitted to the voters at the annual municipal election in April, has completed its work and will submit the proposed charter to the city council tonight. The commission consists of 18 people, all prominent in the affairs of the city and including several lawyers who have had experience in drafting charters for various cities in the middle west.

It is the design by the new charter so to change the government of the city that the duties heretofore performed by the mayor and eight councilmen shall be performed by three councilmen, one of whom shall also be called mayor, but whose powers are practically no greater than those of the other councilmen. Those officers are usually called commissioners in the commission form of government, and would be so called in this charter did it not require the amendment of a large number of sections of the present charter, whereas this new charter requires the amendment to only 26 out of 237 sections. The sections of the present city charter not changed are believed to contain provisions equally as well suited to enforcement by three councilmen as by the present council of a mayor and eight councilmen.

The new charter will provide for five elective officers, viz., three councilmen, one city recorder and one city treasurer. The term of office of each of the councilmen shall be three years and of the other officers one year. There are a number of appointive offices, that of chief of police, other police officers, chief of the fire department, city engineer and other minor city employes. The salary of the mayor shall be $1200 per annum, and that of the other two members of the council $1000 each. That of the treasurer $1000 and city recorder $1200.

The executive and administrative powers of the council shall be distributed into three departments, as follows:

Department No. 1—Finance, police, pounds, municipal courts, public buildings, parks, libraries, fire.

Department No. 2—Highways, streets, sewers and general public improvements.

Department No. 3—Water, light and sanitation.

The mayor shall have supervision over Department No. 1 and the other departments shall, by the council, be designated to the other two councilmen. Under the proposed new charter the council shall grant no franchise at any time for a period exceeding 25 years, nor upon such terms that would prevent the regulation of the service and rates by the municipality.

There seems to be a general sentiment in favor of the commission form of government for this city and the opinion of those who have kept in touch with municipal affairs during the past few years is that the charter as presented will carry at the election.

MORE AMERICAN TROOPS TO BORDER

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when an armed body attempts to cross the border.

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 30.—It was reported today from Tia Juana, across the Mexican line, and from Ensenada, lower California, that all the government's armed men that could be spared from ordinary police duty had been sent to Mexacali.

MEXACALI TO BE USED AS RECRUITING STATION

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Los Angeles, Jan. 30.—The Mexican revolutionists seized Mexacali as a part of a carefully laid plan to recruit large numbers of their countrymen from southern California, according to John Kenneth Turner, the writer, who has been keeping in touch with the leaders among the rebel element in Los Angeles.

"There are thousands of Mexicans in California," said Turner, "who are anxious to join in the fight against Diaz. They have been deterred by the fact that in crossing the line in an armed body they risk arrest by the American authorities for violating the neutrality laws, while if they attempt to cross singly they are likely to fall into the hands of the Diaz forces on the other side. With a border point held by their friends they are neither violating any American laws nor running much risk of arrest on either side by crossing, armed or not, to enlist themselves under the banner of the revolution.

"The men who took Mexacali, according to statements made to me by some of their number within the past few days, had assurances that, once in the field, they would be joined by not less than 300 small farmers on the Mexican side. They also counted on large numbers of recruits from this side.

"The sheriff of Imperial county is using his office to prevent this. He has sworn in a large number of deputies and has forbidden anyone to cross the line into Mexico. This is clearly an illegal misuse of his office to serve the interests of Mexican despotism."

CAVALRY TO RELIEVE TEXAS INFANTRY PATROL

(United Press Leased Wire.)

El Paso, Texas, Jan. 30.—American cavalry arrived at Marfa, Texas, today to relieve the United States infantry force that has been patrolling the Mexican border in an effort to maintain neutrality. The cavalry is under orders to resort to the most stringent action to prevent the passage of Mexican insurgents.

Reports from Naco, in the state of Sonora, today say that revolution there is imminent and that a company of Mexican federal troops have arrived there to overthrow the Maderists.

The report that Colonel Kosterlitsky, commanding the Sonora rurales, was killed in action with the rebels, is denied by the officials of the Diaz government.

BOWERMAN PLAN GETS SEVERE JOLT; STEINER TO TALK

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him before the investigating committee made its report, but are now willing to have him come afterward, and I think it should be done."

"I do not wish to be understood as being unwilling to have Dr. Steiner come here," answered Thompson.

"I believe he should be given an opportunity to reply to his accusers. I am in favor of taking this matter out of politics. I say we should try it out here and then there will be no charge that the committee has whitewashed or has put a prod into Dr. Steiner."

Fouts replied that if witnesses were summoned and an investigation conducted before the house, it would mean that the testimony would have to include numerous bookkeeping items and subjects relating to expenditures which would keep the house in Salem for many days after the session is supposed to close.

Not a Trial.

"I do not believe we want a state trial," he said. "We simply wish to give Dr. Steiner the same right that we would give to any American citizen—the chance to refute certain allegations which have been made. I believe we should give the under dog a square deal."

McKinney of Baker also spoke in favor of adopting the report.

The motion to re-refer the resolution back to the committee to add a provision for witnesses was defeated, and the report was then adopted.

Speaker Rusk, shortly after the session opened this morning, named Jones of Clackamas, Derby of Hood River, Clemens of Multnomah, Beals of Tillamook and Buckley of Gilliam as the members of the committee which will investigate the asylum and other state institutions. They must report on the asylum at least 10 days before the end of the session, and on the others at the 1913 assembly. House members in general declared that the speaker had selected fair and capable men.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Jan. 30.—The Bowerman attack upon Dr. R. E. L. Steiner, superintendent of the Oregon Insane asylum, has become a desperate campaign of mud-slinging. Any sort of story which will discredit Steiner is eagerly seized and circulated.

The latest tale related by some of the Bowerman men is intended to cast reflection upon both Governor West and Dr. Steiner. It is to the effect that the governor, shortly after his election, was entertained with a champagne banquet at Dr. Steiner's residence, and that the state paid for it.

As a matter of fact, the banquet was paid for by contributions of $1 from every member of a Salem club, of which the governor and Dr. Steiner are members. The banquet was served at the Steiner residence on the asylum grounds, but every article of food, down to 35 cents' worth of cream, was paid for from the funds contributed by the members. In deference to Governor West, who is a total abstainer, and to women members of the club who were present, not a drop of liquor was served.

STATE BACKWARD IN WAGON ROAD BUILDING, PLAINT

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roads, and want the highway bills passed. We have been hindered in development by bad roads long enough. We have been boosting for the good roads measures all along, and any other report is false."

Boosters to Salem.

Dr. Andrew C. Smith, president, Judge Lionel Webster, Frank C. Riggs and Phil S. Bates came to Salem today to induce the house to go into a committee of the whole for the purpose of hearing the merits of the good roads measures presented.

It is insisted that legislators and people alike are making a great mistake in thinking the highway bills purpose an unbearable burden of taxation for counties. No county needs build roads unless its people so vote. Money is to be raised by bonding, not direct taxation. The proposed highway commissioner gives his services in no county unless desired.

The people by vote at election authorize the spending of the money. The commissioner deals only with construction of scientifically built highways. Multnomah county is ready to bear one-third the expense for each county that votes to avail itself of this help.

A. I. Mason, granger, said today that his organization does not oppose good roads but seeks a compromise of forces that a general satisfactory plan may be adopted.

The San Francisco Bakers' union has a singing club of 85 members.

BIG POWER LINE SOON COMPLETED

Vale to Be Connected With Huge Electric Plant Within Two Months.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Vale, Or., Jan. 30.—That the city of Vale will within the next two months be connected with the big Malad river, Idaho, electric power plant of the Telluride Power association with 150 miles of transmission lines was confirmed today by Superintendent E. A. Boyd of the local plant. Mr. Boyd had just returned from a consultation with Manager Nunn who was on his way to Portland after having met with his fellow officials of the Telluride company in Salt Lake City. The Telluride people purchased the Vale steam electric plant two months ago in order to gain a foothold against the Ox Bow electric system in eastern Oregon.

While in Portland Mr. Nunn will purchase all of the material for the building of the 150 miles of transmission lines, which will thus connect Vale with the big plant. As the Malad river power plant is to be completed in March, a large crew of 200 men will be started within a few days to build the transmission line. The change will give Vale night and day power and will make possible the irrigation of the rich bench lands in this vicinity.

M'CURDY ALIGHTS ON WATER; ARISES; REACHES HAVANA

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but I hope for the best. Much depends on the condition of the sea. If forced to drop I think I can pull through, but I fear I will lose the aeroplane if the water is rough. I will fly at a speed of about 60 miles an hour at an altitude of about 1000 feet. Unless my motor fails I am confident that I shall make the passage."

Between Key West and Havana was stationed the destroyer Paulding, equipped with a platform from which if McCurdy should fall he would be able to start anew. The Paulding was in constant touch with both Key West and Havana by wireless, and ready if any accident were reported to steam full speed to the spot.

McCurdy was equipped with a pneumatic life preserver jacket.

On board the Paulding was Mary P. Darhall, a correspondent of the United Press, who observed the aviator's flight.

LANE COUNTY FAIR DIRECTORS IN SESSION

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Eugene, Or., Jan. 30.—At a meeting of the Lane County Fair association held in Eugene, Saturday afternoon, a committee was named to interview the county court to ask for $1000 appropriation from the county court to assist in conducting the annual fair to be held in this city the first week in September of this year. The fair association recently withdrew from the Second Southern Oregon association and hereafter the local fair will be held each year independent of any other association. Superintendents of the various departments were appointed at the meeting Saturday as follows:

Pavilion, Y. D. Hensill; stock, S. M. Douglas; floral exhibits, R. Rae; school exhibit, W. B. Dillard; horticulture, J. Beebe; races, H. F. Hollenbeck; granges, C. J. Hurd; agriculture, E. M. Warren; manufactures an machinery, M. Svarverud; art, Mrs. Emmons; mining, F. J. Hard; poultry, B. F. Keeney; gate keeper, J. E. Martin. The matter of selecting a superintendent of the ladies' department was left to President Jack Rodman.

The following additional directors were added: From Irving grange, E. A. Bond; Mohawk grange, A. N. Lapham; Pleasant Hill grange, D. G. Linton; Eugene Fruit Growers' association, George A. Dorris; Springfield, H. E. Phetteplace.

Match a Draw.

Great Falls, Mont., Jan. 30.—"Draw" was the decision given in the wrestling match between Henry Gehring of Cleveland, Ohio, and Pearl T. Beeman of Chicago. They contested for the middleweight championship of the world. The men wrestled for an hour and 45 minutes. Beeman seemed to have a slight advantage.

Morris Seeks Proof.

Muskogee, Okla., Jan. 30.—Carl Morris, "the hope of the white race," has replied to Jack Johnson's charge that his rapid rise in the fight world was due to fake fights. Morris issued a statement saying he would give Johnson $10,000 if he would prove his charge. To others Morris offered $1000 for such proof.

About $185,000 will be raised by taxation in Washington county for road work.

BARRETT GOES TO AID OF HIS SON

Washington County Boy Held on Charge of Stealing Diamonds in Bay City.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Jan. 30.—Senator W. N. Barrett, of Washington county has gone south following news of the arrest of his son, W. N. Barrett Jr., charged with grand larceny of diamonds by two San Francisco jewelry firms. Young Barrett is an undergraduate of Pacific University. He gained admittance to the United States naval academy at Annapolis, but resigned last December.

Dispatches from San Francisco say: "December 29 Barrett secured from Shreve & Co. a ring with three diamonds valued at $2000, saying that he wished to show it to a young lady to whom he was engaged. On the following day he secured in the same manner a ring valued at $1200, from Radke & Co. Later he paid Shreve $500 on account, but the suspicions of the jewelers were aroused. Police detectives were put on the case and discovered that both rings had been pawned with Sam Raphael, whose place of business is near the Central police station, at Powell and Eddy streets, and that Barrett had got from Raphael $800 on the $2000 ring and $500 on the $1200 ring, returning a few days later and selling Raphael the pawn tickets for $100."

Barrett's attorney, says the young man has probably been living pretty high and expected a draft that did not come. He declares the jewelry was purchased for an estimable San Francisco young woman.

ALL-RAIL ROUTE TO CANAL PROJECTED

Washington, Jan. 30.—If plans under way do not miscarry, it will soon be possible to enter a train at San Francisco, New York or Washington and travel all rail to Panama via El Paso and Vera Cruz.

While no official announcement has been made, it is known that President Taft's Central American policy is about to bear fruit in the realization of the all-rail route.

It is believed that coincident with the opening of the canal it will be possible to enter a train in any part of the United States and travel through Mexico and Central America to the waterway connecting the two oceans.

STOLEN PORTRAIT MAY BE ORIGINAL VAN DYCK

Boston, Jan. 30.—The belief that a painting purchased in Europe, consigned to a Boston art dealer and held by the customs officers at this port, is a genuine Van Dyck and was stolen from the Berlin Art gallery, has been partly confirmed by the arrival here of an engraved copy of the picture. The art dealer to whom the painting was consigned believes the canvas purchased for him is the Van Dyck in question.

The dealer said his brother purchased the painting in France last summer, paying $40 for it. When the picture, which is the portrait of a boy, reached the Boston customs house it was held by the officers because it resembled a portrait stolen from Berlin two years ago, of which the customs officers had been advised to keep watch. The portrait that arrived here—if it be the stolen one—has been reduced in size, the thief having cut the canvas from the frame in the Berlin Art gallery and later trimmed the portrait so that a greyhound that appeared in the original does not appear in the canvas held up at the customs house.

The picture stolen from Berlin was catalogued as "portrait of William II of Orange by Anthony Van Dyck." The description of the portrait and an engraved copy agree in every respect, it is said, with the canvas at the customs house.

Trouble Is Brewing.

New York, Jan. 30.—Whether there shall be peace or war on the trotting turf next season is believed to depend upon the outcome of the special meeting begun in this city today by the stewards of the grand circuit. The meeting is the direct result of the action of the Columbus Driving association in withdrawing from the grand circuit on account of dissatisfaction over the allotted dates and the steps taken to form the "great central" circuit. It is believed every effort will be made to patch up a truce, as the formation of a rival circuit under conditions as they exist at present would, according to the opinion of nearly all of those well informed as to the situation, prove disastrous, especially to the eastern tracks of the grand circuit.

KLINE WILL CONTEST POSTPONED TO MARCH

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Coryallis, Or., Jan. 30.—The contest over the will of the late Simon L. Kline has been postponed to the March term of court so that the testimony of Mrs. Emma L. Kline may be by deposition. Mrs. Kline is at San Francisco.

The proceedings in the case wherein Mrs. Hazel-Kline Taylor is attempting to break the will of her father, who cut her off with but a pittance because, it is alleged, she married a gentile, her brother is fighting desperately to defend the conditions of the will and every possible bit of testimony to aid his cause is being introduced.

Testimony was introduced showing that Simon Kline, learning that his daughter had married out of her faith, went to San Francisco and endeavored to have the marriage annulled, without success.

It was also brought out that a marriage broker was brought into play for the purpose of introducing the young woman to eligible young men of the Jewish faith. This man was also unsuccessful in bringing about the desired end.

Among the letters introduced was one showing that Mr. Kline had gubernatorial ambitions.

MT. ANGEL WINS OVER Y. M. C. A. OF PORTLAND

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Mount Angel College, Mount Angel, Or., Jan. 30.—A game of basketball in which all of the playing was done within the last 10 minutes was won by Mount Angel college Saturday night by the score of 13 to 12, the C. Y. M. C. of Portland being the losers. The game was not so close as the score would indicate, for in the first half the collegians had things their own way, and the period ended with a score of 13 to 4 in their favor.

The entire game was uninteresting until within 10 minutes of the final whistle, when the visitors rallied and scored several baskets in rapid succession. Then followed some exceedingly interesting work, and Mount Angel came off without a single point to spare. The collegians excelled in passing and team work, and although they guarded very well, they were, in the last half, guarded equally well by the Portland lads. The following was the lineup:

C. Y. M. C.	Position.	M. A. C.
Schockley	R. F.	Van Hoomisen
Nelson	L. F.	Furney
Johnson	C.	Van Loo
Miebus	R. G.	Melchior
Murphy, Williams	L. G.	Sander

Umpire—H. Melchior, M. A. C.

Player Is Crippled.

University of Washington, Seattle, Jan. 30.—Melville Mucklestone, captain of the 1909 football team, must be operated upon before he can reenter football. Injuries which he received in the game with the Oregon Agricultural college in 1909, have crippled him.

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