

MAYOR MAY ASK CITY COUNCIL TO ABOLISH EFFICIENCY SYSTEM

Incidents of Past Few Days Cause City Executive to Consider Question.

OPPOSITION IS PROBABLE

Other Commissioners Approve of Code, It Is Stated, and Assert Only Needs Following as Intended.

Mayor Albee is considering the advisability of asking the city council to abolish the efficiency system now in effect for city employees which was adopted about six months ago. He says incidents of the last few days occurring at the council meetings and the opinions of the other commissioners started consideration of the question of the abolishment of the code.

It is probable, however, that the other commissioners will oppose the scheme, for some of them contend that there is absolutely nothing wrong with the system if it is followed as intended. They charge that in departments under the mayor instead of following the provisions of the system the department heads are and have been scuffling at them.

It is believed that the recent action of the council allowing raises for employees of some departments and not for others has caused the mayor to take this new action under consideration. Salary raises were allowed in his department and reclassifications were allowed in Commissioner Daly's department, while those in Commissioner Dick's department were refused on the ground that the raises proposed were excessive.

As a result of the council's action some of the employees charge that they were discriminated against and that the whole scheme is unfair. Many of them would have liked to have seen the efficiency system abolished a long time ago and many others were against its original adoption.

All of the commissioners voted for the efficiency system and the ordinance standardizing the employees, but the ordinance fixing salaries by which many received substantial raises and others cuts, was opposed by Commissioner Bigelow at the time of its adoption. He has opposed salary increases, except for the men of the ranks of the police and fire department, where the raises were necessary to allow them to raise until a maximum was reached, ever since. He held this stand throughout the recent meetings when salaries were raised.

The mayor will probably determine Monday whether or not to introduce an ordinance aimed at abolishing the efficiency system. Adoption of the system would have no effect on the salary charges, however, as the efficiency system and the standardization of employees and their salaries are two independent measures. Many employees are promised should the council follow his recommendations.

MANDAMUS IS THREATENED

Wants Examination Held for Commissioner Secretaryship.

Monroe Goldstein, clerk of Judge Clifton's court, threatens to mandamus the Municipal Civil Service board unless it holds an examination for secretaries for the city commissioner. He makes this threat in a letter sent to the board this morning.

Goldstein says the examination was advertised but did not take place as scheduled. Goldstein was one of those who applied to take this examination and he was told to see it held so that he may try and land a secretaryship. The civil service board postponed the examination planned owing to a change being necessary in the change of the scope.

LIQUOR LICENSES NOW DUE

Deputy Auditor Anxious That Payments Be Made Early.

The semi-annual payments on liquor licenses amounting to \$400 and \$500 each, according to class, are due now and become delinquent after June 25. Deputy City Auditor says he is anxious that these payments be made immediately to avoid the rush which always ensues the last few days before payments become delinquent.

Will Become Weed Inspectors.

City inspectors who have been engaged on street paving and sidewalk construction work under the department of public works are to be used in the weed inspection work. The campaign is now well under way and these men are to be used to see that the provisions of the weed and nuisance ordinance are obeyed. They will have the assistance of the police and health bureaus.

Only 25 Per Cent Passed.

Only 13 of the 54 taking the examination for watchmen at the municipal docks passed and will receive certification from the municipal civil service board. There were 73 who applied to take the examination, but 54 were all that put in an appearance.

Longest Day of Year Has Arrived

After Tomorrow the Proportion of Light to Darkness Until Next December.

Today is the longest day of the year.

That is, it shares the honors with tomorrow, for the day after tomorrow, the longest day of the year, will have 15 hours and 48 minutes of possible sunlight.

After tomorrow the proportion of light to darkness will grow smaller until about the middle of next December, when will come the shortest day of the year.

Oregon Again Draws First Choice Space

State Entitled to Make First Selection For Display in Horticultural and Agricultural Divisions.

Oregon is first again according to a telegram received from George M. Hyland yesterday from San Francisco to the effect that the Oregon exposition commission drew the first choice of allotments in the horticultural and agricultural divisions and in the food products building. Mr. Hyland is the exhibition agent and publicity man for the Oregon commission.

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THE CANNING SEASON IS AT HAND!



FLAMES DRIVE OUT RESCUERS FROM MINE WHERE 143 LIE DEAD

Superintendent One of the 195 Who Were Killed in Alberta Mine Horror.

(United Press League Wire.) Lethbridge, Alberta, June 20.—With 143 men still entombed in the explosion wrecked Hillcrest mine near here, rescuers were driven out of the workings by fire at 7 a. m. today.

There was no question that those still in the mine were all dead, but the rescue parties had striven desperately to recover their corpses. The fire spread rapidly, and soon seemed completely beyond control, so it seemed likely the bodies would be incinerated where they lay. The only way of stopping the fire, experts said, was by sealing up the mine.

Mine officials revised their figures today. There were 238 men in the mine at the time of the explosion, they stated, and of these 41 escaped alive. The fatalities numbered 195, including Superintendent J. S. Quigley. The bodies of 52 of the dead had been recovered when the fire broke out.

The mine wash house has been transformed into a morgue and 200 coffins were ordered from Winnipeg. The inquests were scheduled to begin this afternoon.

Thousands of women and children, relatives of the victims, waited all night and were still waiting today at the mine entrance.

Effective rescue work did not begin until last night. Directly following the explosion, flames made it impossible to enter the shaft. The residents of Hillcrest, too, were poorly equipped for the task before them and though they did their best, their efforts were feeble.

Two trainloads of expert mine workers finally arrived, however, and systematic and scientific rescue attempts began. The party was accompanied by doctors and nurses, who cared for the survivors, many of whom were badly injured, as fast as they were brought to the surface.

Trade Bodies Oppose Anti-Trust Measure

Congress Deluged With Petitions; Chamber of Commerce Is Among the Signers.

Washington, D. C., June 20.—Congress was deluged today with petitions from California trade organizations against the enactment of trust legislation at the municipal docks. Two pages were kept busy carrying the petitions to the clerk's desk. Among the signers of the petitions were the chamber of commerce, the board of trade, the California Fruit Growers' association and the Ship Owners' association, all of San Francisco, and the Merchants' association of Fresno.

Treadwell Mine Discoverer Sued

Receiver Sykes of California Seeks \$20,000 Said to Have Been Borrowed From Trust Concern.

New York, June 20.—Receiver F. J. Sykes of the California Safe Deposit & Trust company of San Francisco today filed suit for \$20,000 against John Treadwell, discoverer of the enormously valuable Alaskan Treadwell mine, asserting that Treadwell, as director of the trust company, borrowed the money from it.

Denial Is Made.

June 20.—Constitutionalists here said this afternoon that General Villa had stated General Angeles was his choice for provisional president of Mexico. They denied, however, that he had proclaimed him president. He still recognized General Carranza as the supreme constitutional authority, they asserted.

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Williams Funeral Set for Tomorrow

Eight Old Friends Honorary Pallbearers, Former Law Students, Will Bear Coffin to Last Rest.

Eight men, active in the early political and legal history of Oregon will act as honorary pallbearers at the funeral of Richard Williams, the pioneer lawyer and politician, who passed away at his home at Fourteenth and Jefferson streets yesterday morning, while six younger men, each of whom received the greater part of his legal education in the office of Williams & Williams will be the active pallbearers.

The funeral will be held from the family home tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock and interment will be at Riverview cemetery.

The active pallbearers will be L. A. McNary, Judge J. P. Kavanaugh, Dan J. Malarkey, R. R. Giltner and Raleigh Trimble and Edward Wilson, of Corvallis. The honorary members of the funeral party will be P. L. Willis, for many years a law partner of Mr. Williams; Judge H. H. Northrup, Federal Judge Charles E. Wolverton, Judge Charles H. Carey, Thomas Jordan, Joseph Simon, C. W. Fulton, and Judge Henry E. McGinn.

The funeral services at the house and cemetery are to be conducted by the Rev. T. L. Elliot of the Unitarian church, while eulogies are to be delivered by Justice Thomas A. McBride of the Oregon supreme court and Justice Charles E. Wolverton of the United States district court.

Funeral of Railroad Man Is Tomorrow

Last Ceremony Will Be Held in Memory of Late William Harder, From First Presbyterian Church.

Funeral services for the late William Harder, general agent for the Great Northern railway, will be held tomorrow afternoon from the First Presbyterian church at 2:30 o'clock, officers of Clan Macleay officiating.

At the Portland crematorium following services at the church will come a private service, the Rev. John H. Boyd officiating.

The honorary pallbearers will be: Harry Clark, H. W. Mitchell, John M. Scott, W. G. McPherson, George H. Smith, Harry Gibson, A. G. Brown, W. C. Wilkes, J. O. Gibson, A. H. Averill, Robert Livingstone, P. Lowengarth and John Bowie.

Serving as active pallbearers will be: J. Sherman Taylor, H. J. Houghton, Joseph A. Boyce, W. O. Roberts, Alex. Donaldson and D. A. Milne. The music will be furnished by the orchestra of the church.

Juvenile Officers To Check Rowdies

Albina Boys Appear Before Judge Gates in Response to Numerous Complaints.

Two juvenile court officers were ordered this morning to break up the crowd of boys in Albina and they will be on duty in that section of the city until the youth of the neighborhood discover that law and order must prevail. Judge Gates gave orders to that effect this morning during court session.

The court was crowded with Albina residents each seeming bent on adding to the list of offenses charged to six boys between the ages of 14 and 15 who were before the court.

Judge Gates sent one boy to the Fraser Home for a time, sentenced two others to the reform school and paroled them during good behavior and permitted two who had not been in trouble before to go on probation.

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THOMPSON SCHOOL WINS ANNUAL TRACK MEETING; 21 POINTS

Spirited Contests Held Today By Pupils at Multnomah Field.

The annual grammar school track meet held today on the Multnomah Field was won by the Thompson school, with a credit of 21 points in its favor. Brookline came second with 19 and Shattuck third with 18. The quarter mile relay race, in which 14 teams were entered was won by the Holladay school team consisting of John Logan, Will Duane, Jack Grant and Robert Bishop.

One grammar school record, the pole vault, was broken by Corliss Fairbanks of the Brookline school who cleared the bar at nine feet nine inches. The previous record which was equalled by C. W. Johnson, was nine feet six.

The contests included 60, 80 and 100 yard dashes; 120 yard low hurdles; 220, 440 and 880 yard runs; shot put, high and broad jumps and the relay. Scores were given for first four places, counting 5, 3, 2, and 1 respectively and medals were awarded all firsts and seconds.

Enthusiasm Runs High.

The meet which was attended by all the enthusiasm that characterizes contests of skill among older athletes was directed by Robert Krohn, supervisor of physical instruction in the public schools.

Among the point winning schools that had representatives participating in the meet were Thompson, 21; Brookline, 19; Shattuck, 18; Couch, 12; Holladay, 11; Holman, 4; Elliot, 3; Richmond, 4; Chapman, 2; Ladd, 6; Falling, Creston, Buckman and Irvington, 3 each; Woodlawn and Woodstock, 1 each.

The relay race, the most exciting contest of the day, was run in 42.3 seconds. Owing to the number of teams entered, it was run in three eliminating heats and three tenths. Holladay, Shattuck and Buckman, qualifying.

About 50 Boys Entered.

There were about 50 boys entered in the various contests. The results: 100 yard dash—Ralph Bishop (Thompson), first; Roy Hill (Shattuck), second; Edward Leach (Chapman), third; Robert Bishop (Holladay), fourth. Time, 17.2.

120 yard shot put—Carney (Elliot), first; Wirtz (Thompson), second; Shattuck (Ladd), third; Wood (Fall), fourth. Distance 31 ft. 1 1/2 inches.

880 yard run—Simon Getteman (Shattuck), first; Porter Randall (Irvington), second; Earl Clark (Couch), third; Roswell Peake (Richmond), fourth. Time, 17.2.

50 yard dash (boys under 15 pounds)—Lewis Coulter (Couch), first; Walter Dewar (Holladay), second; Ted Barton (Davis), third; Doyle Smith (Kerps), fourth. Time, 6.3 seconds.

60 yards dash (boys under 100 pounds)—Lewis Coulter (Couch), first; Oscar Seitzer (Shattuck), second; George Schiewe (Falling), third; Clifford Johnson (Creston), fourth. Time, 8 seconds.

75 yard dash (boys under 115 pounds)—Roy Hill (Shattuck), first; Harold Mann (Buckman), second; Harold Waldron (Ladd), third; Jackie Sax (Falling), fourth. Time, 8.24 seconds.

High jump—Noonan (Chapman), first; Collins (Brooklyn), second; Stanley (Creston), third; Kurta (Holman), fourth. Height, 4 feet 9 inches.

Broad jump—Corliss Fairbanks (Brooklyn), first; Thayer (Thompson), second; Miller (Shattuck), third; Leach (Chapman), fourth. Distance, 15 feet 7 1/2 inches.

Pole vault—Fairbanks (Brooklyn), first; Johnson (Richmond), second; Reed (Thompson), third; May (Woodstock), fourth. Height, 9 feet 9 inches.

220 yards—Thayer (Thompson), first; Kurta (Holman), second; Bishop (Holladay), third; May (Woodstock), fourth. Time, 26 seconds.

The meet last year was won by the Ladd school. No cup was awarded the winning school this year.

Fined for Speeding.

A. L. Marsh was fined \$20 by District Judge Bell yesterday for speeding his automobile on the Sandy road. He was permitted to pay \$10 this morning and the other \$10 next week.

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