

COUNCIL'S DEFEAT OF MARQUAM PARK IDEA STIRS UP A PROTEST

Budget Item of \$60,000 Is Killed and Bond Issue Plan Proposed in Stead.

BAKER IS VOTED DOWN

Amounts Eliminated From the Budget Estimates of Commissioner Baker Will Reach the \$73,000 Mark.

As result of the city council's action yesterday afternoon in ordering that a bond issue of \$100,000 be placed before the people in June to provide for the establishment of a park and playground in Marquam's gulch, South Portland, residents of South Portland and representatives of many organizations are to stage a monster protest meeting at this city hall this afternoon.

By a four to one vote the city council rejected Commissioner Baker's plan for a cash appropriation of \$60,000 to buy ground for the proposed park and instructed the city attorney to draft a measure to go before the people authorizing \$100,000 in bonds to cover the cost of purchase and improvement.

As soon as news of the council's action reached South Portland residents and others interested in the establishment of the park, they were determined to stage the demonstration. Mrs. J. F. Kelly, one of the leaders for the park movement, says that the big demonstration will be on hand at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Baker Voted Down.

Mayor Albee and Commissioners Bigelow, Dick and Daly, who rejected the \$60,000 cash appropriation plan, said that they were in favor of the bond issue, but that it was better to spread the cost over a period of years rather than put the tax burden on the people in a single year. Commissioner Baker, who was voted down for the cash appropriation, said that the people would oppose a bond issue and that the people of South Portland would not get their playground next year.

The vote was taken after the council in a body had gone over the proposed site in Marquam's gulch and discussed the subject at length.

Commissioner Baker made the motion for a bond authorization being placed before the voters, and it was seconded by Commissioner Dick.

"This motion will get the people of South Portland nowhere," said Commissioner Baker. "People are tired of bond issues and will turn this down." "Don't you think the people will turn this playground?" asked Commissioner Daly. "If they do, and it appears there is an overwhelming sentiment in favor of it, the people will certainly vote for the bond issue. I am not willing to leave the people vote on the bond authorization, and feel confident that it will carry."

"We can get all the property needed for \$60,000," said Commissioner Baker. "I disagree." The money should be provided for the purchase of the ground and improvements. The purchase of property should include the row of old buildings along Sheridan street, which would be a disfigurement to the playground if it should be established as proposed.

"I think this is the biggest thing the city can do," interrupted Baker. "By this bond issue plan you are not meeting the issue."

"I don't understand the application," said Daly. "We are proposing to put the issue before the people—the ones who pay the bills."

A. Rosenstein, president of the South Portland Improvement association, made a plea for the cash appropriation. After the vote was taken Mayor Albee declared that if he had held the deciding vote, he would have hesitated before rejecting the cash appropriation; but, as the motion would have carried without his vote, he voted in favor of the bond issue.

With the council eliminating the \$60,000 from Commissioner Baker's budget estimates for 1917, and small cuts made during the afternoon, the eliminations in Commissioner Baker's estimates total approximately \$73,000.

AMENDMENTS ARE HELD UP

Daily Objects to Restrictions Placed on "For Hire" Machines.

Owing to Commissioner Daly's objections to a plan of prohibiting "for-hire" machines standing longer than 15 minutes in the downtown district, amendments to the traffic ordinance could not be passed by the city council this morning. As result the amendments cannot become effective for at least 30 days. Until they do become effective vehicles will operate under the provisions of the new traffic ordinance which correspond to the provisions of the old traffic ordinance.

Commissioner Daly contended that the machines for hire should be allowed to stand in the streets of the inner district when accompanied by the driver for at least a half hour period. He said that these for-hire machines

CERTIFICATE ENABLES ELECTORS TO VOTE AT ANY POINT IN STATE

Document Testifying to Registry Will Be of Great Advantage to Travelers.

NO DOUBLING IS POSSIBLE

Paper Will Be Returned to County Where Issued to Prevent Anyone Voting "Early and Often."

CITY'S MAIL IS BIG ONE

More Than 200,000 Letters Sent Out During Year.

More than 200,000 letters a year are sent out from the city treasurer's office. To send these letters the city has to spend \$4000 a year in postage stamps. The council Wednesday afternoon allowed this amount for stamps for the year.

The 200,000 letters are not all which go out from the city hall each year, however, as each office sends out dozens of letters weekly for which stamps are paid out of general departmental expense.

Veteran Mazama Dies; Ill One Year

Heart K. Smith, Ardent Collector and Student of Indian Relics; Funeral Arrangements Not Completed.

Following an illness of almost a year, Hart K. Smith, a veteran member of the Mazamas and a lover of the out of doors, died at the home of his friend, G. S. Allen, 485 East Forty-second street, yesterday morning. Funeral services will probably be held at the Allen home tomorrow, although arrangements have not been completed.

Smith was an ardent collector and student of Indian relics, and his collection of arrow heads said to have been the largest on the Pacific coast. He had more than 2000 of these, most of them collected in Oregon, and the major portion gathered from the beach of the lower peninsula near St. Johns.

Some of his collection is kept in the museum at the city hall. He took much interest in the Mazamas and last year was a member of the educational committee.

For the past 10 years he was connected with the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company as a storekeeper. He was 41 years old, and was born in Iowa. His father, a brother and a sister are still living. His wife, Mrs. M. A. Smith, is a sister of the late Mazama. Another sister resides in Nebraska and a second brother resides in Seattle. The latter brother is now in Portland.

"Alexander" Figures In a Kidnaping

Vandeville Performer Finds in Spokane Child He Claims as His Own and Action Follows.

Spokane, Wash., Oct. 27.—Claude Alexander Conlin, known as Alexander the Great, magician, who played Portland recently, staged a kidnaping here Thursday. He and a police detective took 10-year-old Wilfred Parkes, known as the son of Probation Officer Parkes of this city, from his home on South Spokane street. Alexander claims the child is his and was taken from him in San Francisco two years ago when he was overpowered by three thugs.

The child was taken to the jail yesterday and thence to the juvenile jail, where Parkes stole him away again, and rode off on a motorcycle. Parkes says the child's mother, Alexander's former wife, was a niece. She died three years ago, he says, and left the child to him.

Alexander got his clew from a message sent him by a woman in his audience at the theatre where he is appearing. He says he has searched over the United States for the child for two years.

Alexander's home is in Los Angeles. His brother is an attorney there. Alexander says he will fight for the child, if it takes all his money.

Many Bombs Are Dropped by French

Railroad Stations and Other Positions Are Attacked by Aviators, Two Fires Starting and Buildings Being Hit.

Paris, Oct. 27.—(U. N. S.)—Extensive aerial operations are reported today in the French official statement. The communiqué says:

"During the night of October 26, our aviators threw 40 bombs on the railroad station at Grandpre and eight on the station at Challonges. Thirty bombs were dropped on the enemy at Avricourt, where later two fires were observed."

"On the same night 10 flyers threw 240 bombs on the railroad station at Conflans and 30 on the station at Courcelles. Numerous projectiles reached their aims."

"Another aviator threw six bombs on the railroad at Pakny-Rur-Moselle."

Examination to Be Held for Carrier

The United States civil service commission has announced an examination for the county of Multnomah, Oregon, to be held at Portland on November 25, 1916, to fill the position of rural carrier at Hillsdale and vacancies that may later occur on rural routes from other postoffices in the above mentioned county. The examination will be open only to male citizens who are actually domiciled in the territory of a postoffice in the county and who meet the other requirements set forth in form 1977. This form and application blanks may be obtained from the nearest postoffice mentioned above or from the United States civil service commission at Washington, D. C.

Applications should be forwarded to the commission at Washington at the earliest practicable date.

PORTLAND MAN IS AWARDED A MEDAL

Sam C. Bratton, Commercial Manager of the Portland Gas Company, Has Received from the Pacific Coast Gas Association, a Richly Jeweled Gold Medal and with it a Letter from C. D. Babcock of San Francisco, President of the Association: "There will not be many to receive these medals."

Tonight's Meetings.

Washington high school—Judge A. S. Bennett, Colonel Emmett Callahan, John A. Jeffrey.

Armory—Judge A. S. Bennett, Colonel Robert A. Miller, John A. Jeffrey.

Thomas Hall, Multnomah station—William Hanley, Thomas C. Burke, Marshall N. Dana, Judge W. N. Gatens.

Shattuck school—T. H. Boyd, Marshall N. Dana and others.

New Felling school—Hughes' all-star basketball team.

Library hall—Lincoln Republican club, Charles H. Dodd, Mrs. Clara B. French.

Albee's hall—Oregon Protective League, Congressman MacArthur.

Saturday Night.

Baker's hall—Woman's party, Mrs. Sara Field, Mrs. Party, Mrs. Sara Field, Mrs. William Kent, Mrs. Ida Finney.

Armory—"Wilson Day Celebration," Colonel C. E. R. Wood, speaker.

St. Johns City hall—Milton A. Miller.

Albee Branch library—Marshall N. Dana.

Registered voters who will be away from home on election day may vote without trouble in any precinct in the state by obtaining a certificate of registration from the county clerk.

This will be of particular advantage to railroad men and traveling salesmen who will find it impossible to be in their home precinct on election day.

When this certificate is obtained, it may be presented to the election judges in the precinct where the voter happens to be on election day and will be recognized as if the voter was registered in that precinct.

After the election all such certificates that are used will be returned by the election officials to the county clerk who issued them and in that way a check will be made on no abuse can be made of the privilege.

These certificates of registration, of course, are not good outside of the state of Oregon.

For a certificate a voter must sign and the certificate itself, with the blanks filled in:

To the County Clerk of Multnomah County, State of Oregon: I, the undersigned, a registered elector of Multnomah county, Or., hereby request you to issue to me a certificate of my registration as provided for by chapter 325, section 17, of the 1915 Session Laws.

JOHN DOE, Elector.

State of Oregon County of Multnomah, ss.—I, John B. Coffey, county clerk and ex officio clerk of the county of Multnomah, state of Oregon, do hereby certify that John Doe, residing at 329 Sixth street, in the city of Portland, Multnomah county, state of Oregon, registered as a duly qualified elector and a member of the Democratic party in precinct No. 62 for the year 1916, as shown by the original record thereof, now on file in my office and in my care and custody.

Witness my hand and seal of said court this 20th day of October, 1916.

JOHN B. COFFEY, County Clerk.

By Dan J. Gregory, Deputy.

MANY TO SPEAK WILSON DAY

Prominent Men Will Deliver Speeches in All Parts of Oregon.

Wilson speakers who are campaigning in Oregon are scheduled to speak at the following places Saturday.

Pendleton—United States Senator Chamberlain.

Mount Angel—United States Senator Lane.

Sherwood—William Hanley and Thomas C. Burke.

St. Helens—Claude McCulloch.

St. Johns—Milton A. Miller.

Tillamook—Judge A. S. Bennett.

Portland, Armory—Colonel C. E. S. Wood.

John H. Stevenson will go to Vancouver to speak tomorrow night.

For next Monday, the schedule will be as follows:

Vancouver—United States Senator Thomas F. Gore of Oklahoma.

Cottage Grove—Senator Lane.

Umatilla county—Senator Chamberlain.

Carlton—William Hanley and Thomas C. Burke.

Creswell—Mark V. Weatherford.

Tuesday's schedule is as follows: La Grande—Senator Chamberlain.

Falls City—Senator Lane.

Canby—William Hanley and T. C. Burke.

Salem—Senator Gore.

Sheridan—Claude McCulloch and Williamina.

Springfield—Mark Weatherford.

Lafayette—Jerry Rusk.

JUDGE BENNETT TO SPEAK

The Dalles Lawyer and Colonel Callahan to Advocate Wilson.

Judge A. S. Bennett, of The Dalles, and Colonel Emmett Callahan will speak tonight at 8 o'clock at the Washington high school in support of President Wilson.

Colonel Fargo, past commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, department of Oregon, will preside and introduce the speakers.

The Irish Navy Glee club will sing. In this club are 28 young Republicans who will cast their first ballot this evening.

All them will vote for President Wilson.

William Hanley to Speak.

William Hanley, Progressive candidate for United States senator in 1914, will be one of the principal speakers at a Wilson rally to be held tonight at Thomas hall, Multnomah station.

Other speakers will be Thomas C. Burke, Judge W. N. Gatens and Marshall N. Dana. Music will be furnished by Miss Inez Dagmar Kelly, soloist.

Candidates' Night Planned.

Tomorrow night will be known as candidates' night at the meeting of the

WOMEN TO LAUNCH CAMPAIGN TO HELP ARMENIAN VICTIMS

House-to-house Canvass for Dollar Donations Will Be Undertaken in Portland.

MASS MEETING PLANNED

Films to Be Shown in Local Theatres; Schools and Parent-Teacher Organizations Are Giving Aid.

A house-to-house canvass for dollar contributions for the Armenian war sufferers, with Mrs. William B. Wheelwright as general chairman, was decided upon at the first meeting of the newly organized committee of 100 women working for Armenian relief, held yesterday at Central library. Mrs. Charles Scadding is chairman of this committee, which includes women prominent in social and philanthropic work, club and parent-teacher presidents and representatives of benevolent and fraternal organizations.

A mass meeting for women only is being arranged with Mrs. Julius I. Harrison and Mrs. Thomas Carrick Burke. There will be Armenian and American speakers and an especially fine musical program.

Mrs. Harry Beals Torrey, chairman of the moving picture committee, reported a fine spirit of cooperation on the part of the theatre men, many of whom offered to show films of conditions in Armenia.

These films will be shown at the link chain plan. Mrs. John F. Logan reported progress in securing the operation of the schools. Miss Vella Winner reported hearty response from the presidents of the women's organizations.

A special meeting of the heads of the committees is called for Monday at 2 o'clock.

Sentiment Is Shown.

Showing the sentiment which the work is creating among those whose own people are the victims of the dreadful conditions across the water, the following letter was received by Ben Selling:

Dear Sir:

I will be first to inform you I have been in bed for a week and I am doing nothing but I feel one of the Childrens Envelopes and it was for the St. Louis Children of Armenia and Syria. I got a should send 25 cents in a letter to the Fore Children and I hope every one will do the same to help the Children treating the will get plenty to their kids and wants I am sending the money in the letter hoping you will receive it all well.

Yours truly,

M. E. MATTSSEN

743 E. 79th St. N.

Kindly reply to me at Portland, Oregon.

New Subscribers Named.

The total donations amount to \$3549.

Recent subscriptions follow:

Cash—Mrs. M. A. Phillips 2.00

B. P. Boynton 1.00

Cash—C. D. Brunn 10.00

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Cash—P. R. K. 2.00

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