

WOMAN TO BE ON BOARD OF MOTION PICTURE CENSORS

A motion by Commissioner Barbur that one of three censors on the motion picture board be a woman was unanimously passed by the city council this morning after arguments had nearly developed into a verbal sex war. Insistence on this point from Mrs. F. O. Northrup and Mrs. J. F. Kane brought John F. Logan to his feet at the outset.

"You will have a battle of the sexes on every ordinance you try to pass if you specifically provide that one member of the board of three be a woman," said John F. Logan. "Personally, I favor a woman on the board, but any definite provision declares that men and women are not equal."

"Just such men of Mr. Logan's mentality have served to keep women nearly out of the board for years," retorted Mrs. Northrup. "We women ask only fairness. Our congress is free from women and look what a mess it is making of it. A broad-minded woman is needed on the board."

Mayor Baker asserted that all men and women were equal in the state and that the women would weaken their case by insisting on a definite provision in the ordinance.

"We accept your statement gracefully," said Mrs. Kane. "If such is the case, why not specify that a woman be on the board? A mother is necessary to assist to assure that proper censorship is conducted."

ROBE TAKES REINS AS HOTEL MANAGER



E. S. Robe

E. S. Robe, for several years connected with the Hotel Portland, has taken over the management of the Hotel Hoyt, Sixth and Hoyt streets, and plans extensive alterations and renovations to the 175 room hostelry.

BONDS OF CLACKAMAS ARE TO BE OFFERED TO RESIDENTS OF COUNTY

Oregon City, March 10.—A total of \$21,000 of the proposed issue of \$260,000 of county road bonds were sold Tuesday afternoon by the county court to Clackamas county interests at par and accrued interest. \$10,000 of the seven-year bonds to the Bank of Commerce; \$5,000 of the four-year term to H. C. Stevens, and \$3,000 of the four-year term to C. E. Spence, bidding for the state grant.

Bids were submitted by four Portland bond houses for the total issue of \$260,000, but the requirements were such that they could not be considered by the court and they were rejected. One house offered to exchange Government Liberty bonds, another wanted something like \$15,600 for legal fees and another \$19,000 for such services.

The court decided to carry on an advertising campaign and sell the remaining bonds of this first issue direct to the people of the county and especially those in the road districts interested.

Senator Moves to Protect Armenians

Washington, March 10.—(I. N. S.)—The recognition of Armenia as a republic and the arming and equipping of her army by the allies to protect her against the Turks, is called for in a resolution introduced in the senate this afternoon by Senator King, Democrat, of Utah.

C. G. Smith Transferred

C. G. Smith, for several years district attorney of the commissary department of the Southern Pacific with headquarters at Ogden, Utah, has been transferred to Portland and will have his office in the Union station. He arrived today and will assume his new duties at once.

JOHNSON MENTOR GIVING 'ONCE OVER'

W. Russell Cole, of San Francisco, out of the general headquarters of Senator Hiram Johnson, reached Portland this morning in company with James Stewart, Johnson's Oregon manager, for a brief glimpse at conditions surrounding the candidacy of his chief. He will be in Portland today and probably Thursday.

Cole was formerly a newspaper man of San Francisco and as a political writer for one of the San Francisco papers toured California with Senator Johnson when he made his first campaign for governor of that state. The friendship he formed then has made him "a good sticker" to the Johnson cause ever since.

FOLLOWS JOHNSON COLORS

Cole has deserted the newspaper game, however, for the insurance business, which he follows when he is not pursuing the fortunes of the senator. He contends, incidentally, that he has the senator "insured" against loss in the coming campaign for the presidential nomination.

"We have been receiving fine reports not only from California points, but from the East and Middle West," Cole said this morning. The speaking tour of Senator Johnson through the Middle West has resulted in a big swing of sentiment toward wherever he has been. We expect that he will have a big vote in the convention on the first ballot."

PREDICTS 'EYE OPENER'

He contends that "the results of the primary elections which are to be held within the next 10 days or so in various states will open the eyes of the people generally to the Johnson candidacy."

The states of North and South Dakota and Minnesota are to have their primary elections within a couple of weeks, and these are expected to swing the delegations of those states to Johnson.

Stewart and Cole will attempt to map out a tentative itinerary and dates for the Oregon tour to be made by Senator Johnson before the primary election here in May. This program will be forwarded to Senator Johnson for his approval, and if it does not conflict with dates already fixed by him for other states, will be ratified and announced within a few days.

Meier & Frank Co. Is Allowed Heavy Reduction in Taxes

A reduction of \$29,256.13 in the year's taxes was allowed the Meier & Frank company by Judge Bingham of Salem, sitting in the local circuit court when he reversed the assessment levied by the board of equalization and established a new assessment figure based upon figures presented by the company. The total assessment value reduction allowed was about \$1,960,460. The figures set by the board were \$2,780,000, while the figures adjudged by the court were \$1,720,540. This reduced figure was arrived at by the court upon a showing of stock on hand March 1, as the law requires.

Rotarians Meet for Community Service

Tuesday was community service day before the Portland Rotary club. Rotarians responded so enthusiastically to the request for help in the membership campaign of community service that they went away pledged to bring in 400 members as their contribution to the work designed to do for Portland what war camp community service both did for soldiers and for Portland.

Price of Gasoline Depends on Finding Of New Oil Wells

Chicago, March 10.—(U. P.)—The future price of gasoline hinges on success in making new oil strikes, according to oil men attending the National Petroleum congress here today. New oil strikes only, in the opinion of operators, will prevent a rise in the price of gasoline, now selling from 25 to 29 cents a gallon, according to the locality.

"There is a great shortage of oil," said Thomas O. Wightman, secretary of the Independent Oil and Gas Producers' association, Shreveport, La. "It is impossible to hazard a prediction as to the future of the oil market."

"Permits to allow operation of wells in Mexico recently granted Americans by President Carranza will ease the situation some. But it all depends on success in making new strikes."

Harris believes the untapped oil resources of this country amount to considerably more than is generally thought. He predicted the near future will see fuel oil displacing coal in hotels.

Several hotels in the south, he said, have started using fuel oil.

HOMES ARE ENTERED, SMALL CHANGE AND JEWELRY ARE STOLEN

While Mrs. F. W. Berry, 600 East Oak street, was resting on a couch Tuesday evening, burglars broke in through a side window. The noise of the falling glass awakened Mrs. Berry and when she reached the front room she found two men prowling about with a flashlight. She screamed and ran to the front porch. Neighbors ran to her assistance, but before they arrived the men had escaped. The entire police emergency force searched the neighborhood, but they found no suspects. Nothing was stolen.

A. K. Crumley, 1540 Minnesota avenue, left his automobile parked at Winchell and Bond streets, Tuesday night. When he returned he found one wheel removed by a thief.

Mrs. C. Manson, landlady at the Royal hotel, reported the theft of three diamond rings and one cameo ring from her room Tuesday. The home of J. A. Miller, 424 Seventy-first street, south-east, was entered Tuesday evening and a baby necklace and \$6.75 stolen. Fred Hendrick, 1860 Eighty-second street, south-east, saw two men loitering about his home when he returned with his family about 9:30 p. m. after taking an automobile ride. When they got inside the house they found things turned upside down and a rear window broken open. The robbers found only 20 cents.

A gum vending machine, containing about 100 pennies, was stolen from in front of the store of Fritz Hendricks, 160 Porter street.

Patrolman J. B. White reported the theft of 12 hens from 1567 Albina avenue.

Fees Are Increased 50 to 100 Per Cent By Chicago Medicos

Chicago, March 10.—(I. N. S.)—Chicago physicians, at a meeting of the Chicago Medical society, voted to give themselves a rise in fees of from 50 to 100 per cent.

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