

COUNTY DISPENSES WITH J. J. LYNOTT AS HIGHWAY BOSS

Multnomah county commissioners this morning passed a resolution dispensing with the services of J. J. Lynott, superintendent of the section of the Columbia river highway lying between the Sandy river bridge and the Multnomah county line. Commissioners Rudeen and Holman voted for the resolution and Commissioner Hoyt against it.

Lynott's district will be joined with district number 6, which at present includes towns around the Columbia river highway but does not include the highway. A. S. Woodward is superintendent of this district.

Commissioners Rudeen and Holman claimed there was too much overhead expense in maintaining the highway. The resolution provides for the appointment of a foreman to take Lynott's place, he to be paid \$100 a month and to assist in the manual labor, which the commissioners claimed Lynott did not do. Commissioner Hoyt objected that Woodward's district was already too much. He believed three men could do the patrolling on the highway that six men have been doing.

Lynott, who has served for many years under Highway Superintendent Yeon, will leave his position on May 1.

NEW GENERALS WELL KNOWN IN PORTLAND



Top—Brigadier General U. G. McAlexander. Bottom—Brigadier General Fred W. Sladen.

FORGERY IS ALLEGED AT TRIAL OF L. M. LAWRENCE
Testimony of hand-writing experts was made the basis of argument in the case of L. M. Lawrence, ex-convict for the Metzger-Parker-Ferguson Realty company, who was on trial in circuit court today on a charge of forging a check for \$1000.

Samuel H. Pierce, deputy district attorney, in prosecuting the case, attempted to show that the handwriting of Lawrence was the same as the handwriting which forged the names of W. Metzger and J. B. Parker to the check. Pierce asserted that Lawrence had also received \$900 on a forged check while working for the E. Holmes company. The defense claimed that the testimony of the handwriting experts was inadequate.

Lawrence attempted to have the check for \$1000 certified and in failing to do so became frightened and fled from the bank. He was arrested later the same day. The case was expected to go to the jury this afternoon.

JUDGE GIBENS WILL HEAR LIBEL SUIT AFTER ALL
The libel suit of Lay Roy E. Keeley against the Oregonian Publishing company has been set for trial in Judge Gibens' court Thursday morning.

The case originally was assigned to Judge Gibens by Presiding Judge Kavanaugh this morning, but Keeley filed an affidavit of prejudice. The case was reassigned to Judge Gibens and upon the withdrawal of his affidavit of prejudice this was done. Attorneys John Logan and Dan Markey are appearing for the Oregon Publishing company.

Divorce Mill
Suits filed: Mina against George Miller, Ethel M. against Wallace J. Erickson, Florence against John S. Peterson, Frances E. against Joseph P. Fitzpatrick, Marguerite M. against Oscar H. Zeller and Anna against Carl Shapiro.

Miss Chobsey Resigns
The resignation of Miss Honor Chobsey, secretary of the board of county commissioners, was received and accepted this morning.

Liquor Brings \$500 Fine
John Smith, who was arrested on March 13 by prohibition agents on Third street where he suddenly dropped a suitcase containing nine gallons of liquor, and ran as he saw the agents approaching, was this morning fined \$500 in federal court. Smith has lived in Portland 15 years and has a wife and baby. He was employed as a shipyard worker.

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DELEGATION ASKS LESS RESTRICTION ON AUTO PARKING

A delegation of business men, headed by George Lawrence of the Lawrence Leather company, appeared before the city council this morning to urge that restrictions be removed from parking on Front street from Stark to Oak streets.

After discussion with the council and Traffic Captain Lewis it was decided to hold the matter in abeyance until after a meeting to be held tomorrow afternoon by representatives of several civic organizations who have been working on traffic problems for several months. Meanwhile, it is understood, there will be an "armistice" between traffic officers and the business men of the blocks who have to struggle daily to get their commercial vehicles in to their own places to load or unload goods.

Lawrence urged that every business man in the two blocks mentioned had signed the request for the removal of the parking restrictions there in the hope that they would be able thereby to get access to their own places of business, and that if the restrictions were removed they would be able to take chances with the general public.

Captain Lewis stated that he believes the only solution of some of the traffic problems is the removal of the parking restrictions further out from the wholesaling district. He said that within the area between Oak and Stark streets and the Willamette river, there are approximately 1600 automobiles that daily take their parking spaces in the early morning hours and are never moved until in the evening.

COUNCIL APPROVES WILLARD AS ENGINEER AT HEARING
Approval by the city council was given today to the report of City Attorney Frank S. Grant, recommending that E. C. Willard be retained as engineer for the city in the rehearing on telephone rates, and that all Oregon municipalities interested in this action be requested to share in the cost of carrying on proceedings, the apportionment to be based on population of the various municipalities.

Grant stated that Engineer Willard, who was engaged temporarily, has been giving entire satisfaction in preparing data for the city's petition for rehearing. He will receive a salary of \$25 per day, and he recommended that Alexander T. Grant be employed as accountants in aiding the city when the case comes to hearing.

STREET VACATIONS REFERRED TO CITY ATTORNEY, ENGINEER
Mayor Baker announced this morning that the next move in the matter of the proposed union terminal, as a sequel to the tour of inspection of Monday made by city officials in company with representatives of the city, will be the preparation of a report by City Engineer Laurgaard and City Attorney Grant, in which they will recommend whether they believe the city should require from the railroads as an offset for the proposed street vacations. This will especially go into the matter of granting rights of way and agreement for construction of overhead crossings at four locations, and may also include a plan increasing the width of Front street by donation from the railroads or terminal company of a strip of land adjacent to this street.

\$8,342.50 LOWEST BID FOR HAIGHT AVENUE WORK
The lowest bid received by the city for the improvement of Haight avenue, from Glendena street to Alberta street, with concrete paving, was from the firm of Johnson, the amount being \$8,342.50. There were three other bidders, the high bid being for \$9,128.00. The city engineer's estimate on the job was \$10,912.

Other bids were received for the improvement of East Forty-first street, from Mixture to East Grant street, with concrete paving. The amount was \$182.72. The same firm was the low bidder for the concrete paving of East Fifteenth street, from Pershing street to Haig street, the price being \$220. The city engineer's estimate was \$270.

MUNICIPAL PAVING PLANT GETS TENINO AVENUE JOB
A petition for the improvement of Tenino avenue, between East Fifteenth and East Nineteenth streets, by the municipal paving plant was granted by the city council this morning. The council decided to discontinue proceedings for the improvement of Campbell street, from Killingsworth avenue to Portland boulevard. It also granted the petition for concrete paving of the strip of street from Oregon to East Gilsan streets.

NICOLAI STREET PAVING IS AUTHORIZED BY COUNCIL
The city council today adopted the report of Commissioner Barbur, recommending that instructions be given to the city engineer to start proceedings for the paving of Nicolai street, between Twenty-fourth street and the entrance to the city garbage incinerator. Barbur declared, however, that there was no justice in the contention that this strip of paving ought to be laid at the city's expense, and that simply because the public street opens upon a city owned corner the municipality would not be justified in improving the street at its own expense.

Want Building Razed
A delegation of property owners in the vicinity of First and Condon streets appeared before the city council this morning to protest against allowing the rebuilding of an old structure at that location that had been partially destroyed by fire. They allege that the building is an eyesore to the district and want the council to order its complete demolition.

City Hall Briefs
The total cost of the sewer in Stephens street, from the east line of Auburn Park to East Sixth street, will be \$1180.40. The proposed assessment has been spread and is on file at the office of the city auditor, subject to examination, and objections may be filed up to April 17.

The cost of the sewer in East Fifty-ninth street, from Sandy boulevard to the sewer in Killikitt street, will be \$238.75, and the assessment thereon also has been apportioned and filed in the city auditor's office. The same condition exists regarding East Twenty-fourth street sewer, the cost of which will be \$352.32.

The cost of the improvement of East Madison street, from a line approximately 110 feet east of East Forty-sixth street to the west line of East Forty-seventh street, is placed at \$1952.50.

City civil service examinations for building inspector will be held in the council chamber at the city hall next Tuesday, and examinations for clerk in

Infant Is Dead After Cat Sucks Breath From Body

Long Beach, Cal., April 13.—(I. N. S.)—A large cat today killed Dora Brenning, 4 1/2 month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Brenning of this city, by climbing to the baby's bed and sucking its breath, according to a report of the local police.

It was stated Mrs. Brenning was at work in the yard of her home after putting the child to sleep, when the cat entered the bedroom and climbed to the child's crib. Half an hour later the mother entered the room and found the child dead.

The municipal service will be held the following Friday. The examinations are open only to registered voters of Portland.

An ordinance was adopted by the city council today providing for the issuance and sale of city improvement bonds to the amount of \$174,957.40. City Auditor Funk will advertise at once for bids and it is expected these bonds will be absorbed by local buyers.

City Offers to Lease Site
The city purchasing agent will open bids April 22 for the leasing from the city of a tract of land at East Twenty-second and Powell streets belonging to the city of Paris. The land will be leased for the balance of the year and is suitable for pasture or gardening.

Balch Sewer Job Let
An award of contract for the construction of the Balch gulch sewer system was made by the city council today to J. F. Shea for \$169,809.20, which is \$525 under the estimate of the city engineer.

Bandit Had Water Gun, Poker Face, But Bluff Worked
He wasn't bold and bad, not a real gun man, but he was hard up. He carried a water gun and wore a poker face. And his bluff was good for \$6.25. Lawrence Steele confessed to Detective Joe Morak this morning, so Morak announced.

Steele was picked up Tuesday evening on suspicion. This morning Morak said he told him he had held up a restaurant belonging to Bill George, 24 North Sixth street, on the night of December 11.

It wasn't even necessary to shoot a stream of water in George's face to get the money, Steele said.

Mrs. Hilda Strong Dies in South, Is Message Received
Mrs. Hilda McElroy Strong, formerly of Portland, died this morning at Monrovia, Cal., following an extended illness, according to a message received by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas N. Strong. She survived by a 3-year-old son. The body will be taken to Olympia, Wash., where her father resides, for interment. Mrs. Strong was the wife of the late Harold N. Strong, former manager of the Golden Rod Milling company in Portland, who died two years ago. In her school days she attended Portland academy.

Alleged Attacker Bound Over
S. T. Pierce, 22, waived hearing in the municipal court this morning and was bound over for grand jury investigation by Judge Rossman on statutory charges. Bail was set at \$3000. Pierce is alleged to have entered the apartment of Mrs. Fred Break at 187 East Fifteenth street Tuesday morning and attacked her.

Foresters Return
Carl Neal, assistant forest supervisor of the Oregon national forest, has returned from a tour of inspection in the vicinity where, together with Ranger C. L. Hen, he has been superintending the burning of slash by residents in compliance of the state law.

GREEK CAPITAL IN STATE OF SIEGE

London, April 13.—(I. N. S.)—The Greek assembly today adopted a resolution declaring a state of siege in Athens, according to a dispatch from the Greek capital.

The internal situation in Greece has been increasingly critical ever since the crushing defeat of the Greek army by the Turks some 10 days ago. King Constantine's throne has been reported to be again "shaky." Fresh reserves have been called up and attempts are being made to rally the Hellenic people for another offensive against Mustafa Kemal's Nationalist forces.

Last reports of the military situation were extremely gloomy from the Greek standpoint. Constantine's army having been completely "rolled up" and thrown back upon the defenses near Broussa. Ex-premier Venizelos was reported to be hastening to Athens to aid the government in the crisis.

Postoffice Makes Another Appeal for Earlier Mailings
Another call for early mailing has been issued by the postal service, which is asking for the cooperation of the public in facilitating mail delivery. Advantages of early mailing are given as follows:

Business would be expedited, sometimes making a difference of an entire day; congestion of night postoffice work would be reduced, lessening possibility of delay; mailing early would clear the new board of directors are H. L. Walthers, vice president, and Vernon H. Vawter, treasurer. The annual meeting of the chamber will be held tonight.

Elma Resident Dies While at His Work
Elma, Wash., April 13.—John Shelby, 64, a resident of Elma for 37 years and an Odd Fellow for 10 years, dropped dead this morning soon after going to work at the new fair grounds. He had apparently been in good health and spirits. His wife, four daughters and two sons survive.

Police Will Hold Drug Victim in Jail Until He Is Cured
"Bill" Brown, Columbia '09, member of a prominent national fraternity and formerly a leader in collegiate affairs, will remain in the city jail until he has conquered the craving for drugs which in the 12 years since he left the university has made of him a cowed, cringing drug addict.

This morning Municipal Judge Rossman received a telegram from Mrs. Willard Brown, widow of the former general counsel for the Western Union in New York, requesting that her son be kept in jail until he had shaken off the habit.

Mrs. Brown said that however much she wished to see her son now she realized that it was best for him to be kept where he was.

New York would have a bad influence over her son, she informed Judge Rossman. As soon as the court was certain the Heywood had conquered himself she would make provisions for his transportation to her home in New Rochelle.

Judge Rossman commented on the wisdom of Mrs. Brown's decision, stating that in spite of his willingness to release Brown he considered it a much better plan to let him serve his sentence of 100 days.

Native of Oregon Dies
La Grande, April 13.—Thomas E. Foster, aged 26, died here Monday. He was born in the Cove section of Union county and lived all his life in Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. George Foster, parents, his wife and child survive.

Forest Employee Transferred
F. W. Furst of the office of forest management of the forest service, has been transferred to the Shouquamie national forest, with headquarters at Seattle.

Crippled Telephone Service Puts Kink In Local Business

Without the least notice to forewarn, a lull of business cast the wholesale district into business doldrums this morning. Trading activity was almost at a standstill for several hours.

Wholesale merchants, bootleggers, hotel keepers and sundry other business men held their heads and mourned for a dead business, little realizing that deadened communication was the cause for their troubles. Several hundred telephones on the Broadway exchange were placed out of order Tuesday evening when repairsmen working in a manhole allowed water to penetrate a 200 pair cable.

Almost the entire wholesale district was affected by the "break." Few of the merchants realized what caused the "business lull" until they attempted to place outgoing calls on their telephone. Arrangements were made by the telephone company to transfer calls to nearby telephones for the wholesale companies which depend largely upon telephone orders. The break should be repaired this afternoon, according to officials of the service department.

Medford Chamber Honors Legislator
Medford, Or., April 13.—Benjamin C. Sheldon, member of the Jackson county delegation in the legislature, is the new president of the Medford chamber of commerce. Other officers elected by the new board of directors are H. L. Walthers, vice president, and Vernon H. Vawter, treasurer. The annual meeting of the chamber will be held tonight.

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Street Fight Costs Seattle Railroad Man \$10 in Fine

Harry Wright, a Seattle railroad man, was fined \$10 by Municipal Judge Rossman this morning on a charge of disorderly conduct as the result of a three-cornered fight Friday morning which began in the Oriental restaurant and ended at Morrison and Park streets. W. Young, manager of the restaurant, and Miss Wilfred Winans, the cashier, were both discharged.

Miss Winans testified that Wright tried to flirt with her in the restaurant and followed her up the street when she left work at 12:30. Wright's offer of a little drink was refused. In the argument that followed, Miss Winans struck Wright with a pearl handled revolver. W. Young then came to the aid of his cashier and chased Wright up Park street. When the police were called Young got excited and drew his gun and flashed a special deputy star. This failed to impress the police, who crumpled him up on the sidewalk with one blow.

Multnomah Hotel to Lose Two Members Of Its Personnel
Two changes in personnel will take place this month in the staff of the Multnomah hotel. C. B. Nagle, present maître de hotel, will be relieved by George L. Tarrol, now at the St. Francis in San Francisco, Monday. Nagle plans to build a two story building on Tenth street and operate an exclusive restaurant and catering establishment.

About the last of the month A. J. Binder, who for four years was chief clerk, will leave to take the management of the Many Glaciers hotel in Glacier National Park. Binder will go to St. Paul to pick his crew for the opening of the season in June. He will return to the coast next fall.

Mill Head's Wife Dies
La Grande, April 13.—Mrs. W. W. Gray, wife of the superintendent of the Grand Ronde Lumber company's mill at Perry, died suddenly Tuesday. She has resided there many years and was 45 years of age.

Berlin Newspapers Take Black View of Harding Message

Berlin, April 13.—(I. N. S.)—President Harding's message to congress was the subject of varied press comment here today. The Vossische Zeitung's headline over excerpts from it read: "America Against Germany." The paper warns its readers against hoping for America's support, saying Germany is completely isolated.

The Lokal Anzeiger says the message "demonstrates that Viviant's mission is a complete failure." Die Freiheit (radical) says: "The message clearly shows that support from America can be expected only to the most limited extent."

Die Tages Zeitung says it "indicates America's return to a policy of protection of American interests instead of subordination to the entente, which is exactly what he had expected."

"Harding is a man of his word," says the Tageblatt. "The message makes good his campaign promises. It kills the treaty. If the message is not the first step toward a revision of the Versailles league, then the word 'revision' is without meaning."

Goldendale to Lyle Service Cut Down
Goldendale, Wash., April 13.—As a policy of retrenchment in operating expenses, the S. P. & S. Railway company has announced that a new schedule will be effective on the Goldendale branch of the North Bank road between Lyle and Goldendale, commencing Saturday. The new schedule will be handled by a mixed passenger and freight train leaving Goldendale for Lyle daily except Sunday at 7 o'clock in the morning and arriving at Goldendale at the school yard at a young tree and christening it "the Sargent tree."

Pupils Honor Sargent
Medford, April 13.—The pupils of the Jacksonville schools honored Colonel H. H. Sargent of that city in their recent Arbor day observance by planting in the school yard a young tree and christening it "the Sargent tree."

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