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THE COUNCIL FUMBLES AGAIN.

IN withdrawing from the newly-appointed Eugene civil service commission, of which he had been named chairman, Wayne L. Morse, dean of the University of Oregon law school, has brought quietly to an end a little matter of municipal administration, which, it is safe to say, would have taken the city's eight councilmen several weeks to deal with. And, in doing so, he has provided the councilmen and the city of Eugene with a bit of sage advice. He writes:

"In passing, may I respectfully express the view that I think it is unfortunate that a precedent is being established whereby citizens of the community living beyond the limits of the city, but whose principal place of business is within the city, are not to be called upon to perform public service for the city."

Of these words, those interested in the prosperity of Eugene had best take heed. It is too late in the present difficulty to derive benefit, but there will be other instances.

Dean Morse, who is now building a residence in the College Crest district, just south of the Eugene city limits, a fortnight ago hastened to inform his colleagues on the civil service commission that he would be barred by residence qualifications from participation in the work of the commission. These men, Roy Morse and Paul D. Green, prevailed upon their chairman to remain as a member of the commission while they united in proposing to the council that the civil service ordinance be amended to enable public-spirited citizens living outside of the city limits to serve the city in such a capacity. The council seemed in agreement with the suggestion but one member chose to prevent the immediate passage of the amendment for the expressed reason that an exception should not be made for one man.

This one negative ballot made it necessary to postpone further consideration of the city's business for two weeks while individual councilmen went about their private affairs. But Morse, slightly more conscious of the public emergency than were councilmen, deprived the city fathers of their home of contention by stepping out of his controverted post and leaving the way clear for constructive action.

Feeble is the plaint that the amendment should not be passed for the convenience of one man. The amendment was not for the convenience of one man; it was for the convenience of the city of Eugene. As Morse warned the mayor and the council in his letter of resignation, there are many other business and professional men, well qualified to serve their city in any number of different capacities, who will not be allowed to do so because their places of residence will be found to be beyond the city limits. There is no logic in such a rule. Such positions as that which would have been held by Morse are no sinecures. It will not be suburban residents who will suffer from the precedent directed against their participation in the city government. The only loser will be the city of Eugene.

Such a fiasco as that authored by the city council should prove two things: first, that Morse was right when he wrote that the precedent is a poor one and not conducive to the selection of the best men to serve the city; and, secondly, that the council is far too cumbersome a body to deal efficiently with the business of a fast-growing city. When the three highly able civil service commissioners were appointed a month ago, one was prone to believe that, perhaps, the council was capable of dispatching one bit of important business with celerity and foresight, and without bickering and faltering provincialism. Monday night's faux pas precludes any such hope.

SHOW AT PHILADELPHIA.

ONE might have thought that the New Deal army, now mobilized in Philadelphia's gigantic convention hall, would have been put on the defensive by the broadsides which have been fired at it of late from the batteries of the Grassroots democrats, the Liberty League, the republican party, Mr. Herbert Hoover, and, more recently, the sharp-jawed Mr. John D. M. Hamilton, of Kansas. Such is not the case.

Radio receiving sets fairly jingle when the democrat convention comes on the air. Each mention of President Roosevelt's name brings a chorus of cheers which must cause the microphones to swing in the air. Speakers cannot come to the end of a sentence without being forced to pause while the hats are scooped up out of the rafters. No, the democrats are exhibiting none of the symptoms of being on the defensive. And, when it comes to making offensive thrusts they are actually outdoing republicans who two weeks ago presented their "big show" in Cleveland.

The reason? It is difficult to say authoritatively; but a great deal must be attributed to the showmanship of Jim Farley and his gang. Political conventions, whether for the better or not, have become little more than giant rallies, differing no great deal from the football rallies of the rising generation. And, particularly in this year, when both nominees were so early conceded places on their respective parties' tickets, the national assemblies can lay little claim to really performing a serious duty. To compensate for this, the delegates shout and scream, for the show must go on. Democrats are shouting and screaming.

HINT TO U. S. WOMEN.

ONE of the things about the republican national convention that most impressed James Bone, London correspondent of the Manchester Guardian, was its lack of feminine leadership. In fact, after a careful study of the American scene on this and other occasions, Mr. Bone has concluded that women "generally seem to have no important part" in our politics.

"You don't even have many outstanding women who take leading parts in politics," says Mr. Bone. "In Great Britain we have women who have dominant positions in all parties. In Parliament we have women members who are a valuable part in the debates, including some of your fellow-Americans, Lady Astor."

All of which may be either a challenge or a

strong hint to the women of America, just as they choose to interpret Mr. Bone.

According to a recent item, even the poor nowadays are bothered with gout. Probably the pedestrians, as in "gout-athaway!"

Modern situation: "So you were out with the boys, eh? Explain this blond hair on your hood!"

In Jerusalem disorders, Arabs were guilty of looting. A case of stealing something beside away into the night.

A Cleveland editorialist suggests that the G. O. P. is changing into the grand young party. The initials, however, probably will not be changed.

A case of "bridge-wrist" has shown up abroad. It is a new one to us, though we had heard of "bridge ankle."

WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER

Register-Guard Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON, June 24.—The incredible yen of the average congressman for a free drink, a free meal, a woman's smile, or a kind word has been freed from frustration.

Seldom do you find all the lobbyists here working for or against a single piece of legislation. But they all gathered up on the bill which would have made lobbyists register themselves, and the House, snapping to attention at its master's voice, defeated the bill by a whopping majority.

Senator Hugo Black of Alabama, who pushed his bill to regulate the lobbyists through the Senate, says he is philosophical about it, because this was the first time such measure had ever progressed as far as the voting stage in both houses. The House vote, however, was 204 to 77.

The result, of course, is that lobbyists will continue to ply their devious trade, collecting millions for sale of their real or imaginary influence on members of Congress, and the administration while made, for the most part, from the gaze of the public, whose interests they usually are sacrificing to special interests and special groups.

MERRY GAME WILL GO ON

Democratic political lobbyists who have reaped fortunes during the New Deal spending era will not be required to tell for whom they're working and what they're getting for their efforts. They can look forward to further undisturbed years aboard the gravy boat.

If the Republicans win in November, a new army of lobbyists will find the same old happy hunting grounds. Lobbyists and friends of the American Federation of Labor, the Townsendites, and the Coughlinites provided the last-minute opposition which gave worried congressmen an excuse for voting down the bill.

The vote was on a conference report which theoretically ironed out differences between the Black bill, passed by the Senate, and the Smith bill, previously passed by the House.

GIVEN EXCUSE TO VOTE "NO"

It was alleged that the terms of the bill would require the A. F. of L., the Union for Social Justice and the Townsend organization to report regularly all contributions and the names of all contributors, which would be an enormous and expensive task.

There was no such provision in the Black bill and Congressmen Smith of Virginia insisted there was nothing in his bill or the conference report which would have that effect.

But most members professed, at least, not to believe Smith.

After the vote, when the original Black bill was reported to the House as a Senate amendment, it was hastily tabled without objection.

DEVIOUS DEALINGS BARED

The Black and Smith bills made initial headway after such recent disclosures as:

Evidence resulting in estimates that \$25,000,000 was spent on lobbying during the first session of the 74th Congress.

Thousands of fake telegrams sent here in the effort to beat the public utility holding company bill.

Democratic national committeemen cleaning up hundreds of thousands of dollars through sale of real or imaginary influence with Democratic officials.

A lobbyist's offer to get 10 or 15 millions' worth of business for a shipbuilding company in return for \$250,000.

A republican ex-cabinet member's receipt of \$100,000 from Associated Gas & Electric Co.

Lobbyists wangling invitations to the White House for clients.

An estimated profit of \$20,000,000 by Joe Silverman on 15 years' dealing in army surplus contracts, with assurance from Joe that he had spent "most of \$500,000" for "liquor, flowers, and gambling with army officers."

Conviction of a high army officer for receiving a lobbyist's bribe.

Every conceivable form of social, political, and business pressure to make congressmen vote against the holding company bill.

Circulation of fake war scares and discouragement of disarmament and peace gestures by lobbyists for shipbuilding companies seeking big cruiser programs.

Various congressmen sharing apartments and houses with lobbyists.

Secret financing by the du Ponts and other Liberty Leaguers of organizations with various titles engaged in lobbying or propaganda.

Black promises to renew his fight for a lobbyist registration bill in the next Congress.

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AN EDITORIAL ON HEALTH

By DR. MORRIS FISHER

Editor, Journal of the American Medical Association, and of Hygiene, the Health Magazine

AS soon as the baby is able to sit alone, he begins exercises that are useful in developing good posture. These involve bending, reaching for objects held in front of him and over his head, and associated with this, a certain amount of relaxation.

When the child enters school, he will get regular exercise there, but it may be advisable to continue the exercises at home to insure good development and good posture.

In good posture, the abdomen is well in and flat, the buttock muscles not protruding in the back. In other words, the back should have a normal curve and not be hollowed. The weight of the body is carried on the front of the feet.

Here are a few simple exercises that help the baby develop that good posture:

1. In a warm room, with plenty of fresh air, have the child take several long, deep breaths through the nose, inhale and exhale slowly.

2. Stretch the baby's arms overhead with hands apart. Bend his body forward from the waistline, touching the floor with the tips of his fingers. This exercise may be repeated 10 times each morning.

3. Lay the baby face downward, raise his body with the hands flat on the floor, then lower. This may be repeated five to 10 times.

4. Lay the baby flat on his back, bring hands to shoulders and arms as near to the body as possible, then stretch legs to their utmost, at the same time extending the arms and bringing them down to the sides. This may be repeated four or five times each day.

Simple exercises of this type demand no special apparatus and are exceedingly useful in maintaining good physical conformation and posture. It is understood, of course, that the modern child indulges in outdoor sports, as well as swimming, badminton, volleyball, and similar indoor activities during the winter.

Clothing worn by growing children should be adapted to such exercises.

SIDE GLANCES



"There's the kind of husband I'm waiting for. There isn't a week he doesn't take her a box of candy."

Shower Is Given For Miss Taylor On Tuesday

Honoring Miss Marion Taylor, daughter of Mrs. Laura Taylor, who is to be married Saturday evening to Roy Copping of Salem, Miss Helga Myrmo entertained at her home Tuesday evening with a miscellaneous shower.

Present for the party were Mrs. W. C. Wilcox, Mrs. Laura Taylor, Mrs. George Myrmo, Mrs. Reinhardt Knudsen, Miss Doris Robnett, Miss Elizabeth Miller, Miss Elizabeth Chesebrough, Miss Melus Hill, Miss Maryshore Misher, Miss Ruth Rolin, Miss Louise Ballard, Miss Alice Joyce, Miss Gladys Porter, Miss Ruth Myers, Miss Marion Tucker, Miss Marion Taylor and Miss Myrmo.

Charter Members Of Amaranth Honored

Willamette court, Order of the Amaranth, held a regular meeting on Monday evening at the Masonic temple and at this meeting charter members of the court were honored.

Charter members present for the affair were Mr. and Mrs. William Klusman, Mrs. R. S. Bryson, Mrs. Fred C. Walters, Miss Ida Patterson, Miss Harriet Patterson, Mrs. Emma Monroe, Mrs. Abbie Wheaton, Miss Edna Swartz, Mrs. Frank Knight, Mrs. Ann James, Mrs. Elizabeth Elkins, Mrs. Robert Finlayson, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Sickenhouse and Sam Mosier.

During the meeting plans were made for a picnic to be held at the Benton-Lane auto park Sunday, August 9.

The committee making arrangements for the picnic are Mrs. Genevieve Stone, William Klusman and Jesse Godlove.

The group also made plans to spend July 4-5 at the beach cottage of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mosier near Florence.

Following the meeting a musical program and dancing was held. This was the last of the meetings for this season, the meetings to be resumed in September.

CLUB HAS PARTY
 OAKRIDGE, June 24.—(Special).—The Tuesday Contract club gave its monthly potluck supper, Sunday night at the home of Mrs. Fred Richter.

Husbands of the members and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Anthony of Westfir were guests for the evening. Supper was served at 7 o'clock and places were marked for Mr. and Mrs. Anthony, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. McFarland, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Harman, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Crooner, and Mr. and Mrs. Richter.

Contract bridge was enjoyed later in the evening and high score was held by Mrs. Crooner and Mr. Davis.

Ph. S. E. Stevens for piano tuning.

Calendar

Wednesday

6:30 p. m.—Helmetta club picnic at Skinner Butte park.

6:30 p. m.—Amaranth Bridge club picnic supper at Swimmers' Delight for members of the Amaranth lodge and their families.

7:30 p. m.—Ladies' Aid society of Sunset home program at the chapel.

7:30 p. m.—Mothers and Wives club of Phi Sigma Kappa meeting at the home of Mrs. J. A. Hoffman, 942 Lawrence street.

8 p. m.—Catholic Daughters of America meeting with Mrs. George Getty.

8 p. m.—Reception of Eugene Rebekah lodge and Ladies auxiliary to Canton Hovey, No. 4, honoring Mrs. Nettie R. LaPorte and officers of the district appointed to posts at the grand session, at the I. O. O. F. hall.

Thursday

1 p. m.—Imo Ruyle circle of the First Baptist church meeting at the home of Mrs. Chris Reed, 1300 Cross street.

2:30 p. m.—Soros club meeting with Mrs. John Baird.

8 p. m.—Neighbors of Woodcraft meeting at the W. O. W. hall.

Pegasus Club Holds Final Meeting

The Pegasus club was entertained at the home of the president, Mrs. A. C. Bouck, Tuesday afternoon. At this meeting the program committee, Mrs. Lester Hullin and Mrs. E. M. Patterson, presented each member with a program booklet for next year listing the program for each meeting, the program leader, and the hostess. The club gave a vote of thanks to the committee and to Mr. Hullin for his work on the booklet.

The meeting date of the club has been changed to the fourth Tuesday of each month, and after the summer vacation, the meetings will be resumed in the fall, the first meeting being with Mrs. Fred Brougher on September 22.

On Tuesday's program with Mrs. F. G. Havemann leader, Mrs. Hill played two original songs, "Stars" and "He Leadeth Me," sung by Mrs. B. M. Patterson, the words of the last song having been composed by Mrs. Agnes Davenport Bond; two poems, "Rest" and "The Man in the Moon," by Mrs. L. L. Thompson; a story, "The Gift Club," by Mrs. A. C. Bouck; two poems, "Dear Little Mother of Mine" and "A Song" by Mrs. Robert McCulloch; a story, "The Metamorphosis of Mr. Morton" by Mrs. W. C. Landru; a poem, "Tomorrow" by Mrs. F. G. Havemann, and a story, "Youth," by Mrs. Ira Williams.

Mrs. Josephine Enright was a guest at the meeting.

OFFICERS INSTALLED BY UNION

Methodist Women Meet Tuesday At Church

By MARGARET REID

OFFICERS and division leaders of the Women's Union of First Methodist Episcopal church were installed at the June all-day general meeting of the Union Tuesday, at the church, Rev. Cecil F. Ristow conducted the installation ceremony.

Officers installed were Mrs. Louis E. Bean, president; Mrs. Fred E. Chambers, vice-president; Mrs. F. C. Carlson, president of the Home Missionary society; Mrs. D. O. Shuey, president of the Foreign Missionary society; Mrs. Adolph Walker, recording secretary; Miss Daisy Block, financial secretary and Mrs. Frank L. Chambers, treasurer.

Officers of the ten divisions of the union installed were Mrs. C. K. Talbot, Mrs. Adolph Walker, Mrs. William Barker, Mrs. Elmer Little, Mrs. H. E. Slattery, Mrs. S. B. Strawn, Mrs. T. S. Zimmerman, Mrs. F. T. Flindner, Mrs. F. M. Spicer, Mrs. Carrie Norris, Mrs. J. L. Stator, Mrs. Louise Campbell, Mrs. Frank L. Chambers, Mrs. Mildred McIntyre, Mrs. John Fields, Mrs. Calvin Crumhacker, Mrs. C. F. Gordinier and Mrs. J. B. Hewitt, Mrs. E. A. Johnson and Mrs. Lindley were installed as officers in the Young Matron's Missionary society.

At the luncheon and social hour at twelve-thirty, seventy were present. Division three, Mrs. William Barker leader, was in charge.

The Home Missionary society was in charge of the morning's program. Mrs. C. M. Wood gave a book review of the study book of the home missions and June McKay presented a reading, Mrs. Anna Caley and Mrs. L. E. Clark, the missionary committee of division one, were in charge of the program.

At the afternoon meeting, Miss Marjorie Seibert played several piano selections.

MRS. OSBURN WRITES
 Mrs. W. F. Osburn, who is spending the summer abroad, writes that she has left the old home of her ancestors in Germany and is now in Bohemia.

MITCHELLS ARE HERE

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Mitchell of Oakland, Calif., arrived Tuesday in Eugene for a visit with Mrs. Mitchell's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Smith. After spending a few days here, the Mitchells will continue on to Victoria and Vancouver, B. C., and upon their return will make a longer visit in Eugene with the Smiths.

Miss Hermione Smith of New York City is expected to arrive here Wednesday for a visit with her parents.

FOR MISS MOODY

Honoring Miss Roberta Moody, who is leaving Thursday for Vancouver, B. C., to sail for Honolulu, Hawaii, Miss Laura Margaret Smith and Miss Ruth Stora entertained with a breakfast at their home Tuesday morning, inviting a group of Theta Sigma Phi members. A gift was presented Miss Moody by the group. Present for the affair were Mrs. Hilda Gilliam Buell, Mrs. Roger Bailey, Miss Miriam Eichner, Miss Mary Graham, Miss Stora, Miss Moody and Miss Smith. Going with Miss Moody to Hawaii will be Miss Jane Bishop of Portland, who also graduated this spring from the university in journalism.

VISITING FROM MEDFORD

Miss Velma Severon, Medford, is a visitor in Eugene and is guest of Mrs. J. D. Tye and other friends and relatives here. She is on the staff of the Medford Mail-Tribune.

MISS KEEP HERE

Miss Marion Keep of Seal Rocks, Ore., is spending the summer in Eugene attending the University of Oregon summer session. Miss Keep is a guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Macerud, while here.

MILLIGANS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Milligan of Longview, Wash., are in Eugene for the summer. Mr. Milligan is attending summer session at the University of Oregon.

N. O. W. MEETING

The Neighbors of Woodcraft will have a regular meeting at the W. O. W. hall Thursday evening, June 25, at

eight o'clock. Mrs. Ethel Glaze will be in charge of games and prizes.

IMO RUYLE CIRCLE

The Imo Ruyle circle of the First Baptist church is to meet at the home of Mrs. Chris Reed, 1300 Cross street, Thursday afternoon at one o'clock. The afternoon will be spent in sewing on articles for the fall bazaar of the club.

D. U. V. MEETS

Daughters of Union Veterans meet Wednesday evening at eight o'clock at the armory.

SOROSIS MEETING

Mrs. John Baird will entertain members of the Soros club at her home Thursday afternoon at two-thirty o'clock.

BIRTHDAY DINNER

Mrs. W. B. Addleman entertained at dinner Sunday honoring Mr. Addleman's eighty-fourth birthday anniversary. Present were Mr. and Mrs. C. Addleman, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Kelso, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. James Hicks, Ghislaine Hicks, and Fred McIntyre.

MRS. DITTER RETURNS

Mrs. Harry J. Ditter returned here Thursday from Hillsboro where she spent Father's day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Olson. Returning with her to spend the summer, was Miss Vivian Klingbein of Newberg.

Dinner Honoring Chicago Visitor Is Given

Honoring Mrs. Warren Ralston, visitor from Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. N. K. Hiehens entertained at a dinner Tuesday evening at their home. Mrs. Ralston is a sister of Mrs. Hiehens and is spending several weeks in Eugene.

Guests for the dinner included Mrs. Warren Ralston, Colonel and Mrs. J. H. Tierney, Dr. and Mrs. Sam Tyler, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Perlich, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Connor, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Wynn, Mrs. R. L. Collins, Dr. and Mrs. R. E. McIntyre, Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Fischer, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Trommlitz, and Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Hiehens.

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