

COUNCIL GRANTS PAGEANT REQUESTS

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avenue within a period of two years, \$15,000 the first year, the remainder the second year and the payment to the city of five per cent annually of the gross earnings of the company within the city, the sum to be paid the city not to be less than \$500 a year.

Reduce Tax
C. A. Hardy, attorney for the railway company, appeared before the council and stated that all provisions of the franchise as proposed were acceptable to the company except the expenditure of the \$23,000 in one year as originally provided for and the payment of \$1000 a year as a tax as contained in the first draft of the ordinance. The council voted to reduce the tax and to spread the expenditures for street repairs over two years.

Pageant Business
Herbert Whitshire, representing the Oregon Trail Pageant association, asked the council for a number of concessions and most of them were granted. Foremost was a request that Willamette street be closed to traffic the entire week of the pageant and this was taken under advisement. The request that the regular license fee of the carnival be to appear here during pageant week be turned over to the pageant association was granted and other requests granted were that the city policemen wear old-time uniforms; that the old city firebell be erected in front of the pageant headquarters; that the merchants be allowed to erect false fronts in front of their stores; that permission be allowed to erect a stockade and hitching posts on Willamette street; that dances be allowed on the business streets; that a street parade some time within the week be allowed and that special parking privileges during the pageant be allowed. Horse drawn stage coaches, to meet the trains, will also be allowed. A local taxi company will operate them for hire during the pageant.

An ordinance was read first time providing for a boost in the license fee for pin ball games and other devices of the kind from \$5 to \$10 per quarter and it was voted to seek a WPA project to build a deer and elk corral at Hendricks park at a cost of \$1108.20.

The Salvation Army was given an appropriation of \$50 by the council from its relief fund to wipe out a deficit of \$40 and provide a little extra for its relief work.

No Action
The council voted to do nothing regarding a proposal to compel the owner of a garage at 7th and Seventeenth avenue east to move the building back from the street line as there appeared to be no authority authorizing such an action. The matter was left to the health committee to ascertain if the building could be condemned. W. W. Hercombe, attorney, appeared for the owner of property next door to ask that action be taken.

The request of Mrs. Katherine Fries that the council allow the erection of a service station on her

property at the corner of East Broadway and Patterson street was denied as the board of appeals had decided against it.

The question of compromising on the amount of a street assessment against property owned by L. H. Dery on Lawrence street was presented by Attorney H. W. Lombard and this was referred to the judiciary committee.

The appointment of A. S. Turnbow as city policeman was approved. He is one of three passing the recent civil service examinations with high marks.

JUNE 28 DEADLINE FOR M. S. P. ANSWER

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tion of a three per cent tax on power revenues providing the other requests were complied with. Since that time there has been no reply from the company as to contemplated moves.

Discuss Fireworks
Other important results of the meeting are as follows:

A city ordinance pertaining to the prohibition of explosion of fireworks within the area of Springfield bounded on the west by the mill race, on the east by Seventh street, on the south by the first alley south of Main, and on the north by A street, was discussed. The ordinance also states that there shall be no shooting of fireworks in any street or alley of Springfield.

Upon complaints of residents that city water held an unpleasant taste, W. K. Barnell, manager of the local Mountain States Power company, appeared before the council to give report of the water's purity. A test was made Friday and the water was found pure, he said. The taste was being caused, he explained, by a seepage of residue from flax plant retting tanks into the water pipe near the plant, and would be remedied probably Tuesday when sufficient drainage from the tanks was supplied.

LIFE IN CONGO TOLD IN LETTER

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noon. It has not been long since an elephant was killed in the back yard of the provincial governor's house... Hippo, graze at times on the river bank just below our house... A woman was attacked by a leopard in the village not more than 400 yards from our residence.

"The soup kettle still simmers—word has just been received that a Belgian killer who has confessed to the eating of the flesh of his victims is now being taken to the government prison in one of Belgium's out-cast prisons."

Mr. Eberlein tells of the steamer running in that region known as "Oregon." The boat was used recently to transport a delegation of Baptist mission people up the Congo. Mr. and Mrs. Eberlein are with the Christian church mission.

CIRCUIT COURT
Suit for divorce was filed Tuesday afternoon by William R. Lancaster against Grace V. Lancaster. The plaintiff seeks the care and custody of three minor children.

WENDLING SLAYER SHOOTS HIMSELF

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of what had happened. Wicks then called the sheriff's office in Eugene, gave details of what had happened and was asked if he could bring Crespo in.

Wicks considered he was on friendly relations with the eccentric bachelor and told the sheriff he would arrest him. Meanwhile a complaint was being made out by the district attorney in Eugene.

Goes in Alone

Wicks, accompanied by his son Walter, went to the Crespo place, but before entering the long foot bridge which leads across a small slough in front of the house, Wicks told his son to remain behind, saying that he believed he would have no trouble if he went alone. Upon nearing the gate in the yard in front of the house, according to the story told officers by an eye witness, Perry Wile, Jr., 13, Wicks raised his hands to indicate he was unarmed.

"Crespo was standing on the porch by the door," related Wile, who saw the incident from the highway. "As Mr. Wicks reached the gate, I saw Crespo reach down for his gun. He raised it and fired, hitting Wicks in the right shoulder."

The deputy sheriff, apparently realizing what was coming, had partially turned to leave when the slugs struck him, officers said. Eight slugs were found in his body, the shot having been fired from a shotgun loaded with buckshot.

Body is Removed

The shooting of Stolberg is believed to have taken place at about 4:30 o'clock while Wicks was shot about 45 minutes later. The body of the deputy sheriff lay where it had fallen for some time, it being exposed to the full view of Crespo's upper windows. The body was finally removed by Dallas Gard, a Mr. Brant and S. W. Shackelford, together with state police. It was necessary for the men to cross the bed of the slough, climb up the steep mud bank just below the gate to the yard and cut through a wire fence before the body could be carried across the creek and away from the house.

State police sent to Salem for tear gas bombs, deputized several men employed at the Booth-Kelly mill, and threw an armed cordon about the house. Crespo was seen to open one window slightly before it became dark. As darkness came on, state troopers drove their cars to vantage points both front and rear so that the headlights could be played on the building.

The tear gas gun was brought here by Capt. Walter Lansing, of the state police, the officer arriving at Wendling around 9:15 o'clock. Officers then deployed in front of the building and Trooper Hirtzell stationed himself

behind a tree directly in front of the window behind which Crespo was believed to be crouched.

Told to Surrender

"Dave Crespo, this is the state police talking, this is Hirtzell, come on out with your hands up and no one will hurt you," the officer cried. Receiving no response, he called out several times, demanding that Crespo surrender and come out with his hands up. The beleaguered murderer was given several minutes to surrender, but made no offer to give himself up. Citizens of the town told police he had said frequently that if he ever got into trouble, he would not surrender alive.

Finally, Lieut. Max Alford, temporarily in charge of this district, fired the tear gas bomb into the room where Crespo was hiding. For a moment there was silence. Then the gas bomb exploded with blinding flash of light and immediately thereafter a shot was heard.

A second shot followed on the echo of the first and then those gathered about the front of the building heard the crash of a falling body.

Allowing a few moments for caution, Officers Lansing and Alford donned gas masks and entered with revolvers and flashlights, armed the window behind which he had barricaded himself.

The desperate killer had missed with his first shot, then placed the barrel of the .32 automatic pistol in his mouth and fired a second shot. The two troopers came out of the house to announce the death of their quarry just before ten o'clock, nearly five hours after the man had killed Deputy Wicks.

Coroner Charles P. Poole and Deputy Sheriff Bert Hulegaard conducted an investigation in Wendling Tuesday morning, interviewing citizens and getting the story of witnesses. Residents of the town told them Crespo was noted as a strange man, given to violent outbursts of temper if he was "crossed." He had been heard to make frequent threats and was in trouble with officers on a bootlegging charge some time ago, it was said.

The argument over the location of the manure pile started some time ago and Crespo is said to have told Stolberg that if he wanted the objectionable smell removed, he could buy the entire place for \$2500.

A search of the premises Tuesday morning, hampered by the strong smell of tear gas which brought tears to the eyes of the officers 12 hours after it had been exploded in the room, revealed a few bills, some old letters, two ten-dollar bills, two fives and two ones, a handsome gold watch and a diamond ring. Nothing else of value was found in his personal belongings, Coroner Poole said. The body is being held at Poole's chapel pending disposal.

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REBELS CLOSE IN ON BILBAO

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could halt communication to Government Santander, to the east, and command the west side of Bilbao as well as the east.

French Consul Rescued

The staff of the French consulate at Bilbao was taken to France on the destroyer Audacious, which arrived at St. Jean de Luz, France, at about the same time three French freighters attempting to enter the Basque port were turned back by the insurgent bombardment.

"Bilbao never has been captured throughout a long history of sieges and I swear to you it will not fall now," said the Basque president, Jose Antonio Aguirre, who has fought with his soldiers in the front line trenches.

CHAMBER DIRECTORS GET AERIAL VIEWS

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the Springfield chamber for a campaign to preserve roadside timber and voted to give the plan full support. The Eugene chamber will cooperate with Dr. E. L. Gardner, head of the Lane county health unit, in a rural health contest, a letter from the United States chamber of commerce telling of the plan having been read at the meeting.

TROUBLE SPREADS IN STEEL STRIKE

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much Valley—scene of the great flood of 1889—hate and fear boiled

to the top as hard-fisted steel workers and strikers battled over the right to return to work. From Butteville Falls, at the east end of the valley, where flood waters swept around the bend to destroy Johnstown long ago, down seven and one-half miles to the point where the flood bulged against a huge stone bridge, citizens gathered today inullen groups.

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