

BUSINESS DONE BY THE COUNCIL

Some of Claims Allowed Was Smaller Than Usual at First of Month.

PETITION FOR A GRADE CROSSING ON ANN STREET.

Balance on Hand March 31 of \$27.91—Balance in All Funds in Favor of City Over \$19,000—Funds Allocated to Build Up Levee Sinking Fund—Nearly 200 Sewer Connections Made of Late—Board of Public Works Examined Reports of Plumbers and Electricians.

The city council met last night and studied the bills for the month and allowed the salary claims. The amount of the claims presented was \$745.40, which is not compared with some months. A petition was presented by a number of residents in the vicinity of Ann street in West Pendleton, who wish to have a crossing put over the O. R. & N. tracks on that street. As it now is, people wishing to cross the track have to go six blocks to find a crossing. The matter was referred to the street committee.

Treasurer's Report.

Treasurer Hamilton presented his report for the month, which is as follows: He had on hand from the February balance, \$6,772.35. He received from taxes, \$1,973.50; from poll taxes, \$4; from the tax of 1903, \$2,342.64; from the levee sinking fund, \$68; from the sale of cemetery lots, \$62.50; from fines, \$313.50. Total of \$10,472.49. There was \$2,209.58 paid out of the general fund for warrants due, and \$990 out of the levee sinking fund for warrants, making a total of \$3,199.58, leaving a balance at the end of March of \$4,527.91. The bills receivable account held a balance of \$16,355.26 in favor of the city for the month of February, to which was added, during the month of March, \$3,960, making a total amount of \$19,585.26. It was ordered by the council that \$500 be taken from the general fund for the general sinking fund, and \$250 for the levee sinking fund. This action was in accordance with an ordinance which provides that such provision shall be made for these funds from the first tax money each year in order to meet the funds and ward against their depletion.

Recorder's Report.

The recorder's report shows that there were 22 cases in his court during the month where the fines were paid, and 50 jail sentences served. Eight prisoners forfeited their bail. The office had received \$12.50 in fines, and \$62.50 from the sale of cemetery lots, making a total of \$75 for the month. Liquor licenses paid, \$1,575 into the treasury; dry licenses, \$2.50; all posterns, \$1.00, and peddlers, \$3, making a total of \$1,581.50 from licenses.

Two Cases of Contagion.

During the month there had been the case of scarlet fever and one of measles, while 12 burial permits had been issued.

Sewer Connections.

W. R. Withers, the superintendent of sewers, reported that he had made 5 sewer connections during the month, and that the total made previously was 151, making a total to date of 156.

Intake Purchase.

F. B. Clifton was at the meeting as a delegate from the water commission. He stated that the commission had made arrangements to purchase lots 2, 4 and 5 in block 153, adjacent to the intake, for \$550. Upon these lots there are two dwellings and a barn, and he asked the city to share half the expense in order to get the premises vacated. They were very dirty and being near the intake pipes, would in all probability cause the water supply to be polluted.

Shoving King Alphonso.

Madrid, April 7.—An official dispatch from Barcelona reports the explosion of a fulminate peard as King Alphonso was leaving the building in which the labor exhibition is being held. When matters quieted down two persons were found to be injured. A man who is thought to know something of the cause of the explosion was arrested.

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Petition for Sidewalk Grade.

Mr. Tweedy appeared before the council and asked for permission to have a sidewalk grade established on Beauregard street, and the city surveyor was ordered to make the grade. T. C. Taylor, W. J. Clark and William Keller were appointed a board of plumbing examiners to examine plumbers, as provided by the law, and to issue permits to them. The council then adjourned.

INDIANA TEACHERS MEET.

Immense Number Get Together for 22d Annual Convention.

Warsaw, Ind., April 7.—Between three and four thousand teachers took possession of Winona Lake today for the 22d annual meeting of the Northern Indiana Teachers' association. The organization has the distinction of being the largest in point of membership of any sectional educational association in the entire country. The present convention will be in session three days and in addition to the numerous discussions on topics relating to the various branches of school work there will be lectures and addresses by noted educators from Washington, Chicago, Hartford, Indianapolis and other places. The officers in charge of the convention are: President, T. A. Mott, Richmond; vice-president, George W. Worley, Warsaw; secretary, Miss Ora Cox, Logansport; treasurer, W. A. Mills, Crawfordsville.

OKLAHOMA REPUBLICANS.

Largest Political Convention Ever Held in Territory.

Guthrie, Okla. April 7.—The Oklahoma republican convention in session today is the largest political convention ever held in the territory, there being 519 delegates in attendance. The convention will renominate Bird McGuire for delegate in congress and will select six delegates-at-large and six alternates to represent Oklahoma at the Chicago convention. The resolutions will deal largely with territorial affairs, after endorsing President Roosevelt for renomination. Governor Ferguson and other prominent party leaders are working to have the convention declare for single statehood and the indications are that they will carry the day.

TROUBLE WITH RAILWAY UNION

ISSUE OF OPEN SHOP IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Street Railways Adherence to Policy of Supplanting Union Men With Scabs Expected to Result in a Big Strike—Companies Preparing for an Outbreak.

San Francisco, April 6.—No effort was made this morning to force the United Railways' trainmen to break in imported men in opposition to the ultimatum handed the company by the Trainmen's Union yesterday, and which led to the fear that a strike will be precipitated almost any moment. In anticipation, however, of trouble when the scale is taken May 1, the company arranged this morning to have imported men broken in by its train dispatchers, department superintendents and other employees whose positions do not compel them to belong to the union. Heavy wire screens have been placed over the carban windows and at cooking ranches bunks are being put up in barns, and wagon loads of provisions are being taken in.

TOM SCOTT ARRESTED.

Charged With Assault and Battery on Edw. Bellinger.

Tom Scott was arrested this morning on complaint of Edward Bellinger, who charged him with assault and battery. Scott was arraigned in the city court and pleaded not guilty, his trial being set for this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Scott is a well known Pendleton character, being one of the colored prize fighters of the city. His opponent is a carpenter and laborer who has been working for John Crow, on the reservation. When the case was called it was postponed until 4 o'clock, owing to the absence of the witnesses. Scott claims in defense that he has been keeping the man Bellinger at his house on Court street, and has received nothing for his rent since last August. Bellinger owes Scott \$60 for rent and medicine for his family. Last night he insulted Scott, who "shook him," whereupon Bellinger had him arrested.

The socialists of Clatsop county will nominate a full county ticket on April 12.

LIEU LAND MUST BE SAME IN KIND

Dispossession Does Not Give Right to Enter Better Lands Than the Original.

AN AMENDMENT BY MR. HEYBURN REJECTED.

All Lieu Lands in Idaho Must Be Substitutes for Original Holdings in That State—No Further Resolutions Will Be Allowed to Intrude Upon Railroad Holdings, or Upon Platted Towns—Actual Settlers Will Have Certain Privileges Named.

Washington, April 7.—Senator Hansbrough's bill relating to the creation of forest reservations on the public domain as amended by the committee on public lands, was favorably reported today. The committee adopted an amendment providing that all selections of land made in lieu of land hereafter relinquished to the United States within any forest reservation shall be limited to land of the same character and quality both as to soil and timber as the land relinquished. Senator Heyburn offered an amendment requiring that selections be made in the state and territory in which the land relinquished is situated. This amendment was rejected and an exemption was made of the state of Idaho so that no selections shall be made in that state except for land relinquished in the state. The section of the bill relating to railroad land grants was amended so that it provides that no forest reservation shall hereafter be created covering any lieu land or any lands within the place or indemnity limits of any railroad land grant or any platted village, town or city. The secretary of the Interior is authorized to ascertain all lands within such reservations which are chiefly valuable for agriculture and permit these to be disposed of to actual settlers under the homestead laws in tracts not exceeding 160 acres in area.

KAILUA WRECKED.

All Her Crew Lost—Definitely Known The Lamorna Is Also Lost.

Victoria, April 7.—The Canadian Pacific steamer Tees, from the west coast of Vancouver Island, was wrecked off Kyoqnot Island and all hands, numbering nine, it is believed were drowned. This also definitely settles the fate of the Lamorna. He discovered an immense amount of wreckage from the latter, including a smashed lifeboat, benches and part of the deck at Barklay Sound.

FARMERS UNITE.

Move to Organize Wheat Growers of Central Washington.

Walla Walla, April 7.—The farmers of Central Washington have begun in earnest to form an immense company to build and operate mills and warehouses for the purpose of handling grain grown in the wheat fields of Douglas, Lincoln and adjoining counties. A strong circular letter has been issued by Peter Leipham, John H. Nichols and Louis D. Todd, executive committee of the "Farmers' Club of Lincoln County," the proposed organization which will incorporate to manage the business.

Out of Hospital.

C. J. Officer, the John Day stockman who has been in the city for some time looking for a shipment of horses for the Alberta country, has been in the hospital for some time threatened with an attack of appendicitis. He is now out again, it having been decided that it is not necessary to operate on him at this time.

John Artis is dead at Bellefontaine, O., aged 110 years. He had been married five times and was the father of 47 children.

Chicago Grain.

Chicago, April 7.—May wheat opened 94%, closed the same; old July opened 88%, closed 88%; new July opened 87, closed the same. July corn opened 53, closed 51%.

ARBOR DAY.

Programs and Tree Planting by the Public Schools.

Arbor Day will be the order of the day tomorrow at all of the schools. During the afternoon there will be exercises at all of the school rooms in town. Each of the downtown buildings will have programs of their own. At the high school the most elaborate program of the day will be observed. Each room at that building has contributed a number, and at the conclusion of the literary part of the exercises, the pupils will plant the trees which have been sent to them from the department at Washington.

Collision in a Tunnel.

Parkersburg, W. Va., April 7.—A westbound R. & O. express collided with a fast freight at 2 this morning in a tunnel near West Union. Freight Conductor Ford was killed, Freight Engineer Pennington fatally hurt, Fireman Thordale fatally hurt, and Engineer Chaffer and Fireman Bean and a passenger were seriously injured. Several passengers were slightly injured.

JAPS LANDING A LARGE ARMY

Are Following Up the Evacuation of Wiju by the Russians in Fine Shape.

FORTY TRANSPORTS WITH TROOPS IN ONE SHIPMENT.

Russian Press Warming Up to America, and Denouncing Germany as Russia's Only Real Enemy—Japanese Merchants Murdered in Northern Korea—Japanese Have a Squadron Off Port Arthur and Are Acquiring Advantages in Every Direction.

Seoul, April 7.—An American missionary returned from Northern Korea, reports that 40 transports have appeared off Haju, 50 miles north of Chemulpo, supposed to carry a Japanese army destined for Yong Ampo, at the mouth of the Yalu.

Japs Landing at Mouth of Yalu.

Tokio, April 7.—Word was received today that the Jap transports have entered the estuary of the Yalu river, and the troops are rapidly disembarking. Warming Up to America. St. Petersburg, April 7.—The newspaper Russ, the foreign office favorite, today reproves its contemporaries for attacking America. Germany, it says, is the only serious enemy of Russia. Vice Admiral Stark has been decorated with the order of Saint Stanislaus, first-class. Japanese Merchants Murdered. Seoul, April 7.—The Japanese legation states that three Japanese merchants were murdered as a result of disorders in Chung Chung province, in Northern Korea. Japs on the Alert. St. Petersburg, April 7.—A Japanese squadron is cruising off Port Arthur, according to admiralty advices this evening. Trouble Averted. Vienna, April 6.—Drastic steps looking to the rupture of diplomatic relations between Turkey and Bulgaria have been averted through the action and advice of Natihovitch, the Bulgarian agent, which has brought a fresh proposal from Turkey. DEMOCRATIC PRIMARIES. Interest is Slight and a Light Vote is Being Polled. The democratic primaries are being held this afternoon. The interest is very slight, though a fair vote is being polled. At each of the Pendleton precincts more names were put on the tickets than is necessary for election, in order that the voters could have some choice in their voting. As there is no issue, there is no contest on in any part of the county. WADE HORSES. Will Be Sold at Commercial Stables Tomorrow. The Wade horses were brought in from the range this morning, and are now at the O. K. feed yard, where they will be kept till the sale tomorrow, when they will be taken to the Commercial stables, the place of sale. The band is just off the range and is not in the best condition for sale, though there are some fine horses among the lot, and it is thought that some good sales will be made tomorrow. John Artis is dead at Bellefontaine, O., aged 110 years. He had been married five times and was the father of 47 children. Chicago Grain. Chicago, April 7.—May wheat opened 94%, closed the same; old July opened 88%, closed 88%; new July opened 87, closed the same. July corn opened 53, closed 51%.

SHIPPING RATES INCREASE.

Seattle Firms More Active in Australian Lumber Trade.

Seattle, April 7.—Ever since the recent increase in lumber rates from the Pacific coast to foreign ports there has been a noticeable anxiety on the part of shipping concerns to secure charters for their vessels to carry the lumber. Heretofore ship owners and agents have not looked for charters in the lumber trade when prospects of other charters were even fair. Since the rates have jumped to 23s 9d between Puget Sound ports and Sydney, Australia, and 40s to Melbourne and Adelaide a number of vessels have taken charters for Australian ports and the west coast. On late order loading from Puget Sound ports to Sydney shippers are holding out for 35s, while for Melbourne and Adelaide they want 42s 6d, and the shippers are of the opinion that owing to the large demand for lumber in Australia they will experience no trouble whatever in getting those rates.

GARDEN BAZAAR.

Swell Affair for Benefit of Russian Red Cross.

Washington, April 7.—Much attention is being given to the proposed garden bazaar given by Countess Cassini for the benefit of the Russian Red Cross the latter part of this month. Countess Cassini will direct the whole show. The marine band will furnish the principal music. It is understood the Japanese minister will contribute handsomely. Big Meeting of Scientists. Philadelphia, Pa., April 7.—The American Philosophical Society—the oldest scientific body in the United States—began its annual meeting in Philadelphia today with a large attendance of eminent men of science from all parts of the country. During the three days' sessions about 30 papers will be presented on geological, ethnological and other scientific topics. Radium and its properties will be one of the interesting subjects discussed. Boise Masons Build Temple. Boise, April 7.—The Masonic lodge of this city has purchased a central location and will erect a \$12,000 temple this season.

THREE NEBRASKA INDIANS KILLED

THREE MORE WILL DIE OF THEIR INJURIES.

Twenty-three Were More or Less Injured, as the Result of a Railway Collision in Chicago—Trouble Was Caused by Dense Fog Obscuring the View.

Chicago, April 7.—Three Nebraska Indians were killed and 23 injured, three fatally, and Engineer Soreman was slightly hurt by a rear-end collision on the Chicago & Northwestern in the suburb of Melrose Park, early this morning. The Omaha express was 20 minutes late. It was stopped by a block signal, and was run into by the fast mail in a dense fog. The engine ploughed into the rear coach, in which rode the Indians, bound east. The bodies were touched by the pilot and the coach was demolished. The Indians were Buffalo Bill men en route to Europe to join the show. The dead are Chief Thomas Comes, Last Chief, Irca Tall, Kills Ahead. The party was led by Chief High Bear, and are the last of a band of 60 from Pine Ridge agency to go to Europe April 9 from New York. The Indians lost their natural stoicism and seemed crazed with terror. They ran about wildly, covered with blood, paint and feathers. They later held a pow-wow to decide whether to continue the journey.

TO CLEAN UP ROOMS.

Commercial Association Will Paint and Paper the Club Rooms This Spring.

The matter of painting and papering the Commercial Association parlors was brought up by T. C. Taylor at the regular meeting of the association, and the house committee was instructed to "clean house," by renovating the parlors. It was also ordered that the committee in charge of amusements be empowered to place different grades and brands of cigars in stock with the librarian in order to satisfy the different classes of trade now enjoying the association. The income from games during the past month amounted to \$56 against but \$16 the month before.

NIGHT SHIFTS.

Woolen Mills Having Trouble to Fill Orders.

The woolen mills are now running three nights in the week until 11 o'clock, to keep abreast of the orders. At the noon hour the employees are divided into shifts, half being allowed to eat at one time, and the other half afterwards, in order to keep the mill running during the interval between 12 and 1. This has to be done to keep the increasing business out of the way.

Gas Franchise is Being Investigated

The matter of granting the 25-year franchise to the Northwestern Gas & Electric Company, is now in the hands of the city council, the members of which are seriously considering the plan on which the franchise should be granted.

The matter was not brought up at the regular meeting of the council last night and that body is investigating the different plans on which such franchises are granted before taking the important step. The general tendency toward municipal ownership of such industries and the insignificant sum offered to the city in return for this franchise of a quarter of a century's duration is causing the council to make full inquiry among the taxpayers before making the deal to tie the city up for such a term of years. The happy results from the percentage basis, on which the telephone franchise was granted in Baker City and the possibility of the income from this gas plant becoming one of the chief sources of revenue, if granted upon the percentage basis, are facts which are claiming the attention of the council.