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SELLING OF GASOLINE FROM CURB LIMITED

Auto, Motorcycle and Accessory Dealers Favored; Council Splits on Vote.

For the first time in months, the city council last evening deadlocked on a roll call vote, the "aye" of Mayor Vaughan being necessary to carry an amendment to ordinance No. 891. The split arose over a rider to the amendment providing that only garages, automobile and motorcycle dealers and repair shops and tire and accessory dealers should be granted permits to sell gasoline from sidewalk filling stations.

The ordinance proper was prepared to permit dealers within one block of Main street to install filling stations. Heretofore no one on Court street west of Johnson was allowed, under the ordinance, to vend gasoline but the ordinance changed the limit to Cottonwood street, one block nearer Main. The ordinance was requested by the Simpson Tire Service Co., which presented a petition signed by virtually all business houses on Court street in support of their request.

Councilman William Dunn, who is in the auto tire business, opposed the rider and on his first vote as a councilman led by voting "no." He was supported by Joe Ell and Claude Penland. J. H. Estes, F. J. McMonies and H. J. Taylor tied the vote by their "ayes" and the Mayor swung in line with "aye", passing the ordinance 4 to 3.

The ordinance, as passed in its entirety, is directed as grocery stores and other establishments which handle gasoline as a handy sideline. The opposing members declared that there could be no limiting of who might sell gasoline inasmuch as the city has no system of licensing gasoline dealers. The city attorney assured the council that it was within that body's power to say who might use the streets and sidewalks for purposes of vending gasoline.

Following the passage of the odrinance, the permit requested by the Simpson Tire Service Co. was granted.

Plays on Spokane Links.

J. V. Tallman returned last evening from a trip to Spokane and surrounding country in company with W. L. Thompson. They visited Hayden Lake Couer d' Alene lake and other resorts near Spokane and incidentally played a few holes on the links at the Spokane Country Club and at Hayden Lake.

Roman Mosaic of First Century is in Cleveland Museum

CLEVELAND, Aug. 14.—Two years ago the Cleveland Museum of Arts received, through the kindness of Mrs. John Huntington, an important group of Roman garden furniture of the first century. By good fortune the Cleveland museum has now acquired after prolonged negotiations by its agent in Rome, Harold Woodbury Parsons, a very beautiful first century Roman mosaic pavement, which has now been installed as a setting for the garden furniture in the east end of the garden court. This important addition to the museum's classical collectiontion is again due to Mrs. Huntington's generosity. The pavement is supposed to have been excavated from the villa of Livia, wife of the Emperor Augustus.

Mr. Parsons, writing from Rome, states that the mosaic, considered as pure design and color, represents the highest level reached by the ancient Romans. He says: "I think these mosaics far more beautiful than those which attempt to represent scenes of life and country. There are very few mosaics in existence which successfully portray human and animal forms and vegetation.

The Cleveland museum, which was opened in June, 1916, has had an attendance in its first three years of 892,161 persons. It now receivse the income from the Dudley P. Allen fund of $150,000, the Hinman B. Hurlburt fund of about $100,000 and the Charles W. Harkness fund of $100,000. In addition to these the income from the membership endowment fund of about $85,000 is available. This fund is made up of payments for life memberships and fellowships.

Montreal Banker Would Let Law of Supply and Demand Adjust Prices

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 14.—The United States and Canada are suffering from "fictitious prosperity" which is resulting in the high living cost, according to Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, general managger of the Bank of Montreal, who is here today.

The way to handle the situation is to let it alone. It will adjust itself through the inexorable law of supply and demand, he declared.

If one could be assured another four months of summer one could take to a tent and say "pooh! pooh!" to the housing problem.

Is government ownership of the weather responsible for the long dry spell?

CHARLIE CHAPLIN TO SHAKESPEARE'S RESCUE

Comedian to Forsake Screen to Show World Elizabethan Plays Have Laughs.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Aug. 14.—Charlie Chaplin has come to the rescue of his late compatriot, William Shakespeare.

At least, Charlie is en route to the rescue.

He let it leak out today that he is planning to realize a life-long ambition to present Shakespearian plays—comedies preferably—on the legitimate stage.

So the American public can take warning and prepare itself to see Burnham Forest doing the Chaplin walk on the trial of the ill-starred Macbeth; Poor Yorick wearing a mustache; or Hamlet adorned with big feet and a crooked bamboo cane.

Chaplin's intention, however, is serious, and, what's more, he has a serious purpose—proving that Shakespeare is not out of date.

"There are just as many laughs in Shakespeare in 1919 as there were in the days of Queen Elizabeth," Chaplin has told friends.

His theory is that modern producers of Elizabethan drama have made a mistake in producing it as they think it should have been produced for the edification of Elizabethan England.

Charlie's idea is to bring Shakespeare up to date; to reinforce it with the "punch" and "stage business" of modern dramatic art; and to give it to the public with the fact it was written more than 300 years ago entirely forgotten.

If he succeeds, he will feel that he will have established for all time the immortality of the greatest of all English playwrights.

Chaplin, himself, is reticent in discussing his plans.

"Yes, it's right that I am collaborating from Reginald Pole on a new creation," he said today, but for the further information it was necessary to seek Mr. Pole, who is a British Shakespearian scholar. He is spending the summer with Chaplin.

"Chaplin is making a serious study of Shapespeare," Pole said. "I predict for him a big success. His natural taste and his knowledge of music give him the ability to bring out the rythu mof the lines and at the same rythm of the lines and at the same

"When can he be expected in the new role? Well, it will not surprise me to see him make the start before the end of the year.

"Chaplin probably, however, will try it first in some town where he will appear incognito, to determine the effect of his presentation when divested of his worldwide reputation—to give it a test on pure merit."

So American towns may now justly view with suspicion any promising young actor who essays to force Hamlet down its throat.

CITY HAS $47,223 BUT MUST BORROW

Although there is $47,253.38 in the treasury of the city at this time, according to the monthly report of the city treasurer, presented to the council last night, the general fund has been overdrawn $5184.71. The overdraft is due to delinquencies in paying up street improvements.

Other funds are in excellent shape but the general fund is quite badly depleted for the time being. Inasmuch as money cannot be taken from other funds and transferred, the city will likely be requested to negotiat a short time loan to carry the general fund until Oct. 1, when the second half of the taxes come in.

An informal petition for a license to the Northwestern United Shows was presented by Louis Pinson, of the Spanish War Veterans. The veterans planned to sponsor the carnival on a percentage basis and use the proceeds to start a permanent home for meetings here, not only for their organization but the American Legion as well, if they desired.

J. T. Vogle, manager of the shows, was present and presented his proposition but the memories of the Wortham shows were so vivid in the minds of the council that they adjourned without granting a permit. The matter was left in the hands of the police committee when the meeting broke up.

The committee on parking grounds asked for another week in which to report its findings. Several sites have been examined, Chairman Henry Taylor said, but no agreements had been reached with any owners as yet.

An ordinance providing a minimum fine of $10 for automobiles running with mufflers cut out was presented and ordered held over for a week before being offered for a vote.

A representative of the Salvation Army made a request that the ban against public meetings on Main street, a war measure, be removed. She said that a post of the army would shortly be established here and that they desired to hold meetings on Main street.

Hay Racks in Collision In Field at Gurdane

(East Oregonian Special.)

GURDANE, Aug. 14.—Some excitement occurred last week in this vicinity. While hauling hay two of the men who were driving allowed their wagons to collide in a 40 acre field. One hay farmer was pretty bad ly wrecked but no one was hurt.

Herbert French was visiting at the McDevitt home Sunday.

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Tom Enright and Elmer Corley made a business trip to Albee Sunday returning that evening to Bill Corleys. Mr. and Mrs. Enright have been visiting there for the past week while Mr. Enright has been helping in the neighborhood with haying.

Officers With Guard Companies Will Study Eastern Problems

PARIS, Aug. 14.—Under direct orders from President Wilson, General Harboard, 16 officers and two guard companies will leave for Constantinople tomorrow to study Constantinople, Armenia, and other near Eastern problems.

Purchases Big Wurlitzer.

CORVALLIS, Aug. 13.—A combination pipe organ and orchestra, a Wurlitzer machine, has been purchased in San Francisco by Manager Sam Whiteside of the Majestic theater, and Hans Schmidt, director of the Majestic orchestra will probably be in place within six weeks or two months. With the addition of two of the latest and best moving picture machines, Corvallis soon will have one of the most up-to-date theaters on the Pacific coast.

ELKS GATHERED FOR BIG YEARLY FROLIC

Real Elk Meat, Carnival, Street Dancing and Boxing Features at Klamath.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Aug 14.—(By United Press.)—With real elk meat in store for them, members of Elks lodges through out the state of Oregon gathered here this morning for their annual convention.

The convention will run until Saturday night, when it will be concluded with a street carnival, which will be featured by dancing on the pavements.

A boxing mill will be staged in connection with the program tonight. The main go will be between Lowie Lyons of Los Angeles and Danie Wardell, who have been booked as a "Canadian champion." They will enter the squared circle at 116 pounds.

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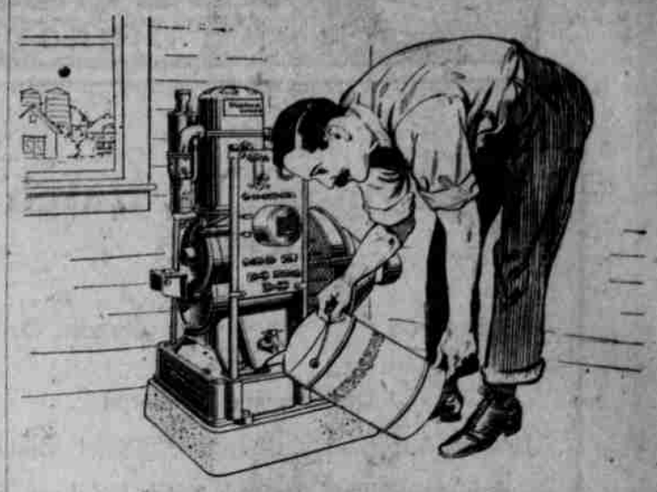

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