



MUCH DISCUSSION.

At Regular Meeting of the Council, Monday Night, Something New Came Up.

The city council convened in regular monthly session last Monday evening. During the course of the session it was proposed that the city take up the matter of surveying and estimating the probable cost of constructing a water route from Corvallis to Rock Creek.

This provoked great discussion for and against the proposition. Mayor Irvine was perhaps the most ardent supporter of the movement. It is stated that he championed the proposed action and said the survey and estimates were necessary in order that when the matter of bonding the city for \$75,000 to construct city water works came up at the next municipal election our people could vote intelligently.

As is well known, at the last session of the legislature a bill was passed granting to Corvallis the power to issue and sell bonds not to exceed \$75,000 for the purpose of constructing water works. A water commission was named in the bill and, as we are informed, this commission perpetuates itself by vote within its own body on the retirement of any member. The members of the commission are in the saddle for life if they continue to pay taxes on \$1,000 and do not reside outside of the city, nor live beyond the age of 74 years, according to report. This commission is to select from among themselves a committee to construct the system, provided the city elects to build public works. This explanation is necessary for an understanding of the discussion in the council Monday evening.

Councilman Emery said that it was unnecessary to go to the expense of several hundred dollars in having a survey made at this time, and by the city, in view of the fact that she has already got enough debts to her credit. He argued that provided the city votes for a bond issue of \$75,000 for the construction of these works that whoever contracts to construct them will do so on their own survey and will not accept an estimate from any other source, even the commission might not see fit to accept the survey and estimate after it was made, provided the bond issue carried.

He stated that two experts had already been over the proposed route and made estimates, one being accepted as the basis on which the present water company had submitted a proposition to the city. He thought this ought to be sufficient for the enlightenment of the average voter in casting his ballot.

Mr. Emery further stated that \$75,000 is the limit of the amount the city is authorized to bond for, and that this sum is to pay for all these preliminaries; that when the people vote for a bond issue in the sum above mentioned the commission will take this matter in hand and see that it is attended; and that the people, in supporting this bond issue, signify their willingness to pay for a \$75,000 water plant. A survey and estimate could then be made and if it is found that it cannot be constructed within the bond limit, then it could be dropped. On the other hand, the councilmen declare that the people might vote the bond issue down. In that event, if the expense of a survey and estimate was at present incurred, the city would be out of pocket just exactly the cost of so doing.

Those who were in favor of employing some party to make the survey and estimate seemed quite certain that the city would vote for a bond issue, and stated that in the event of the issue carrying, the water commission could reimburse the city in the sum the city was out on survey and estimate. At any rate, a com-

mittee consisting of Senator P. Avery, Councilmen Alex Rennie and W. H. Hansell was appointed to gather data and communicate with various civil engineers with a view to having the survey made. They are to report at the next regular meeting of the city council.

Bills were allowed on the general fund in the sum of \$431.74; on the street fund in the sum of \$45.35.

In the matter of street across C & E property, grading, etc., Councilmen Rennie, Covell and Emery were appointed a committee to confer with the company officials and report at the next meeting.

In the matter of grading Taylor street, the street committee was instructed to investigate and bring in its findings later. Various other similar matters came up before the council for consideration.

About two years ago a resolution was passed whereby in the event of a fire in the city, the chief of the fire department was authorized to select a certain number of men to assist him, and these men were to receive for their services 50 cents per hour, each. The chief was to be allowed \$1 per hour for his services. Since then bills have appeared with more or less regularity and it is likely that the former resolution will be rescinded, as the matter is getting pretty expensive.

Was Very Aged.

The death of William Butler occurred Tuesday, at his home on Beaver Creek, about six o'clock in the evening. He was 97 years of age on the 17th of last November.

William Butler was born in Kentucky in 1807 and went with his parents to Missouri in 1817. From Missouri he went to Kansas in 1855. Here he remained until 1864, when he crossed the plains with an ox team and came to Oregon. He settled in Benton county and has resided here ever since.

This old pioneer, "Grandpa" Butler, was known far and near and during his time on earth endeared himself to many people. Of a family of twelve children who lived to be men and women, but two sons survive him. They are Martin and William T. Butler, and both reside on Beaver creek.

The remains of this good old pioneer were interred in Newton cemetery at one o'clock yesterday afternoon. The funeral services were held in Plymouth church.

Women's Kidneys.

Women are more often affected with kidney disorders than men but attribute the symptoms to diseases peculiar to their sex, while in reality the kidneys are deranged. Nervousness, headache puffy or dark circles under the eyes, pain in the back, are signs of kidney trouble that must not be ignored, or a malady will result. Foley's Kidney-cure has restored the health of thousands of weak nervous, broken down women. It stops irregularities and strengthens the urinary organs. It purifies the blood and benefits the whole system. Sold by Graham and Wortham.

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Incredible Brutality.

It would have been incredible brutality if Chas. F. Lemberger, of Syracuse, N. Y., had not done the best he could for his suffering son. "My boy," he says, "cut a fearful gash over his eye, so I applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve, which quickly healed it and saved his eye." Good for burns and ulcers, too. Only 25c at Allen & Woodward's drug store.

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GREAT PROPOSITION.

Lieutenant Quinlan Meets With Success—A Few Facts Regarding His War Record.

Lieutenant Quinlan has received notification that OAC cadets will be given a camping site right on the Exposition grounds. Not alone this, but he has been granted many minor concessions. The boys will be encamped there from June 15 to 25, and during the entire time all will be granted free admission to the grounds. This is great! The lieutenant has conceived many good ideas in regard to making the encampment of great interest, and while in Portland was asked by those in charge of the Exposition to submit his propositions in writing. Many, if not all, will be accepted.

Lieutenant Quinlan has worked many changes in military affairs at OAC. Before he arrived at the college, every cadet was obliged to clean his own rifle. The lieutenant now has an armorer employed. The lieutenant was also the one who really got into form the matter of an appropriation of \$15,000 to construct a covered drill floor. This was granted at the recent session of the legislature.

Under date of March 3, in response to request, he submitted the following recommendations to President Goode, of the Exposition Board:

Sir: I have the honor of making the following recommendations with a view of securing a friendly comparison of the respective abilities of the various military bodies of the West:

1st—That the exposition authorities provide for such a competition and invite all military bodies in the West outside the regular army to participate, this to include military colleges.

2nd—That a trophy be offered for the best drilled battalion of infantry.

3rd—A trophy for the best drilled infantry company.

4th—A trophy for the organization most efficient in the ceremonies prescribed in the infantry drill regulations.

5th—A trophy for the organization most efficient in mounting guard (no less than forty men to be mounted and old guard relieved.)

6th—That the military band shall be taken into consideration in counting points in the ceremony.

7th—That all members, including the members of the band, shall be bona fide members of the organization, with which they participate.

8th—That a list containing the names of the organization participating and certificates to the effect that they are members in good faith of such organization, be handed to the judges at the commencement of the drill, by the officer commanding the military body participating.

9th—That no special instructor be allowed to drill in any capacity.

10th—That the contest be decided on points.

11th—That the judges be members of the regular army on the active list.

12th—That the decision of the judges be final.

13th—That no more than 20 days shall elapse from the first drill until the close of the competition.

14th—That the new infantry regulations of the U. S. army shall govern, except in military from Canada.

15th—That a committee of officers, available at present in Portland and willing to serve, shall be appointed and assemble at once, with a view to adopting rules to govern the competition.

16th—That a copy of these rules, with a list of trophies, be sent to every military college, independent military companies in the West and a sufficient number to the adjutant generals of California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, British Columbia and Honolulu.

It is in order to briefly touch on the military career of Lieutenant Quinlan. He entered the ranks but a few years ago and has advanced on account of efficient service until today he is the only lieutenant who entered the ranks as a private who holds a college position.

He was in scouting service in the Philippine Islands four years.

A short time ago he received from H. A. Greene, assistant military secretary of the War Department while General Young was chief of staff, a letter telling of General Young's investigation of his (Lieutenant Quinlan) service and ability and conveying a message of perfect satisfaction and good will from the general, whose chief of scouts he was in Northern Luzon.

All reports on his efficiency are of a nature that he may well feel proud. He has two brevets. He was recommended for Medal of Honor for gallantry in action at Aringay River, Nov. 19, 1899, being wounded in the breast. Was recommended for brevet by General Young for gallantry at Aringay, and by Major Batson for gallantry in action at Libutad and by Major Batson for gallantry in action at Santiago, Soragoza and Carmin, P. I. For gallant conduct by Captain Abernethy for conduct in action at Marillas, and by battery commander for conduct in action at Tondo, La Loma and Caloccan.

The following report on his Philippine service was sent from the Adjutant General's office under date of Dec. 15, 1903, relative to Lieutenant Quinlan:

Was serving as an enlisted man in Philippine Islands when appointed 2nd Lieutenant of Volunteers; served with Macabebe Scouts, September, 1899 to January, 1900; in hospital on account of wounds, to March 1900; enroute to United States and on sick leave to July, 1900; with regiment in Philippine Islands to February, 1902; sick and on sick leave in United States in November, 1902; with regiment at Monterey, California, to date, being sick January to July, 1903.

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Circuit Court Docket.

A week from next Monday circuit court for this county will convene. It is not known yet who the presiding judge will be, whether Judge Hamilton or Judge Harris will adjudicate affairs. However, the supposition is that Judge Harris will be the man.

The time for docketing cases for this term of court will expire at 5 o'clock this evening. Yesterday morning but 23 cases had been docketed, and they were all civil actions. There were no criminal cases on docket yesterday morning, but one was sure to come in before the time for listing expired. This is the case relating to the shooting of James Lewis with a gopher gun, which occurred some weeks ago on the Spencer Bicknell farm a few miles north of Corvallis. This case will be brought by the state.

Clerk Moses stated yesterday that there was a possibility of another civil case coming in by this evening. The total number of cases on the docket will not exceed 25. Probably three or four jury trials will be heard.

It is interesting to note how matters progress some times. This is to be what is called a short term of court, as the last term adjourned Dec. 2nd, yet there will not be less than 24 cases as against 19 in December for the long term, or about 8 months.

On Saturday, March 25, at 10 a. m., the preliminary will be held in order to make up issues and get ready for trial the following Monday.

Arranging for a Pen.

State Game Warden T. W. Baker arrived in this city, Wednesday morning, and was here but a few hours. He came here especially to see Gene Simpson regarding his pheasants. After settling his business in this city, Mr. Baker returned to his home at Cottage Grove.

It appears that those in charge of the Lewis and Clark Fair have proposed to give Mr. Baker a suitable pen, on the Exposition grounds, for exhibiting China pheasants and he is now scouring the country for Mongolians. The pen is to be a wire enclosure with stumps, shrubs and trees within to give it the wild appearance necessary to a look of naturalness.

Within this enclosure will be found as many pheasants as the

game warden can secure. Mr. Simpson has agreed to furnish a number of birds from his splendid pen and it looks as though the affair would develop into something decidedly worth while in the way of an exhibit. It will certainly appeal to an Easterner.

Beaver Creek.

Those who have been suffering with a gripe are reported to be much better. Marcus Henderson has returned to Portland after a few days' visit with his father and friends.

The farmers are very busy this fine weather sowing the spring crop. The grain is looking fine.

Ben Ireland and Charley Armstrong have been shearing goats the past week.

Grandma Mercer is improving slowly. Mrs. Ellis Ferrin and Mrs. Alfred Mercer have been visiting their brother, Sherman Gleason, the past few days.

Obeater Reeder, who has been running the engine at the Gleason saw mill, returned to his home in Indiana, last Monday.

The attendance at the public school has somewhat decreased the last few days because of a gripe.

It is not very often one has the opportunity of seeing a deer jump his pasture gate, but the good fortune fell to Mr. Stevens last Saturday morning. Mr. Stevens was standing on his back porch when he heard a commotion among his poultry and looking up, saw a deer in the act of jumping a 5-ft-6 gate. The deer then trotted by the woodshed, within twenty yards of Mr. Stevens, and soon became lost to view, owing to some nearby bushes.

Mr. Stevens says he thinks the deer could have jumped the gate had it been two feet higher, as he performed the hurdle with ease.

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