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New Council and Mayor Are Now in Office

CLASHES MARK FIRST GATHERING OF BODY

Opposition Voiced by Councilmen in Mayor Johnson's Appointments for Street Commissioner and Chief of Police. Merrill and McNabb Still in Office. Little Business Is Transacted.

Clashes between Mayor O. H. Johnson and members of the city council at their first meeting last night ended in a deadlock over the appointment of a street commissioner and chief of police. As a result, Chief of Police G. W. McNabb, and Street Commissioner Frank Merrill are still in office, and will remain there until some name, acceptable to the councilmen, is suggested by Johnson. It may be that these two men will be appointed to the office.

In the case of Merrill, the council appeared determined to keep him in office, in spite of Mayor Johnson's statement that he was supporting C. W. Fraley, former street commissioner. Thornton Wiley, new councilman, was the only member of the board to vote in favor of the acceptance of Mayor Johnson's recommendation. In the case of McNabb, three of the five members of the council present refused to accept J. W. Hatcher, Mayor Johnson's nominee for the office. Councilmen Burdick and Wiley voted in favor of accepting the recommendation, while Councilmen Peters, Detrick and Wright voted no on the recommendation.

The remainder of the officers appointed last night were accepted unanimously by the council. They were, Fire Chief, Clinton Baughman; City Electrician, C. A. Malone; Night Policeman, C. W. Clause; Water Superintendent, Earl Hosler; Superintendent Cemeteries, M. B. Pinion. The offices of city judge and city attorney, Mayor Johnson had not nominees for last night, announcing he would make his appointments later. The new mayor also failed to make any committee appointments, with the exception of the finance committee, on which Councilmen Hardy, Detrick and Burdick were appointed.

Opening the meeting, the council was sworn in by Mayor Johnson. Councilman Hardy, who is in California was absent, but the remaining five city fathers were on hand when the meeting opened.

Following the ceremony of swearing in his co-workers, Mayor Johnson made his speech of acceptance, in which he urged the co-operation of the council in putting through the work to which they were elected.

Little business was transacted at the meeting, the appointment of new officers and the ratification of appointments occupying most of the time of the meeting.

Two bids for the leasing of the community hospital were opened by the council last night. They were, a bid for \$300 per year, made by Mrs. Nellie Loomis, now in charge of the hospital, and a bid for \$26 per month made by Mrs. Ethel Chappel. These bids were laid on the table until the next meeting, in order to give the council an opportunity to inspect the hospital.

At the suggestion of Councilman Burdick, the city gave J. H. Fuller, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce the authority to offer the tract of land just beyond the hospital as a site for a normal school should the legislature decide to build here. The land is now under option to E. T. Staples, but Staples has signified his willingness to relinquish the option should it be possible to obtain a normal school for Ashland.

A few odds and ends of business were cleared up following the above action, before the meeting was adjourned.

ART SCHOOL "CORRALS" BOSS COWBOY PAINTER

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 7.—"Corralled" for the winter—that is what has happened to "Pete" Martinez, boss cowboy and student artist of "Bar Y" ranch, Arizona. A few days ago Martinez, sunburned, flung off a train at North Philadelphia, tilted his sombrero back from his face and asked to be directed to Callowhill Art Colony. At the railroad station in Arizona he had bidden "the boys" and his roan pinto good bye and headed east to spend the winter "arting," as he calls it.

Pete paints the life and and country which he knows best and loves most—horses, cow boys, the rolling prairie and cow country. The artist-cowboy had never been East before. He usually goes to the art schools in California, but this year through Frederick Robbins, of the Graphic Sketch Club, he has come to Philadelphia to take up his residence at the studio of Tante Goldie Heisler, the aunt of half Bohemia on Callowhill street, and study at the Academy of Fine Arts.

MIDWINTER ROUNDUP OF HILLAH TEMPLE TO BE HELD JAN. 16

Large Class of Novitiates to be Led Across Hot Sands of Desert. Officers Elected

The Midwinter Roundup and Ceremonial of Hillah Temple of the Mystic Shrine is announced to be held in Ashland on Friday, January 16, and local Shriners are busily engaged in preparation for the event. A good sized class of novitiates is already assured for the journey across the hot sands of the desert to the Mecca of Shrinedom.

The ceremonial proper will be held at the Armory which will be shrine headquarters for the occasion. Arrangements are being made for the banquet in the dining room of the Elks Temple where the Shriners' wives will join them at the festival board, followed by a social session for the ladies at Masonic Temple, the program concluding with a dance at the Armory from 10 to 12.

SPECIAL SALE IS STARTED ON FAGS BY LOCAL STORES

Lucky Strike Cigarettes in tins of one hundred are being sold here this week at thirty cents below the normal price, according to an announcement by the American Tobacco Company, manufacturers of this brand. The company pays the United States tax on this package, the customers pay only the actual price of the cigarettes themselves. Thus they are being sold for forty-five cents instead of seventy-five cents, the regular price.

The special sale will last as long as the present stocks of this package remain. As soon as the local tobacco merchants exhaust their stocks of Lucky Strike 100s, the normal price will again be resumed.

COWCATCHER SAVES WOMAN IN WRECK.



Mrs. Mary Clark, of Indianapolis, was carried along, semi-conscious for twelve miles on the cowcatcher of an express train after the loco motive had rammed an automobile in which she was riding. Her presence of mind in seizing the iron rods saved her life. She suffered only from exposure as a result of her horror-ride. One woman was killed in the smashup, but baby Billy Hartman miraculously escaped with a few bruises.

COW TESTING BODY IS ORGANIZED IN ROGUE R. SECTION

Jackson, Josephine County Dairy Men Organize to Raise Standards

Josephine and Jackson county dairy farmers started January 1 on one of the most forward and progressive steps yet taken to increase the profits from the dairy business, when the Rogue River Valley Cow Testing Association started its year's work. Thirty farmers with approximately 450 cows will join together in the formation of this cow testing association, and will hire their own man to test their cows. This man will spend one day on each farm, arriving in the afternoon and staying over night, and during that time will weigh and sample the milk of each cow for two milkings and will then test it and figure individual profit or loss on each cow, balancing her production against the cost of her feeds.

KLAMATH FARMERS WORKING TO GET A SUGAR FACTORY

KLAMATH FALLS, Jan. 7.—Determined to leave no stone unturned in their plan to obtain a sugar beet factory to serve this county, residents of Langell, Yonna and Poe valley have called a meeting of farmers at Bonanza for January 11 at 12:30 p. m. for the purpose of discussing probable acreage.

The movement is backed by J. W. Turner and H. J. Ticknor of Langell valley and George Sparten of Yonna valley with others pronouncedly interested. It is believed that the three valleys can easily fill a 5000-acre sugar beet contract demand and that if this figure is assured a factory can be induced to locate in the Bonanza section. "We are unable to take advantage of the offer recently made in Klamath Falls by the Sacramento Valley Sugar company," Ticknor explained, "because all our lands are located too far from transportation. I believe a five-mile limit is conceded to be about the maximum for growers to haul."

Portland Y. M. C. A. has broken ground for new \$160,000 building.

OWHYEE BASE AMENDMENT IS IN COMMITTEE

Appropriation of Money With Which to Continue Work Is Passed in Sen.

AMMENDMENT PASSED

Overlooked in Original Budget of Interior Dept. Expenses, Bill Is Now Taken Up

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The Owyhee irrigation district, the neglected sister among reclamation projects of Oregon got a toehold on the Interior Department appropriation bill today when the Senate accepted an amendment, introduced by Senator McNary, Republican of Oregon, making available for next year the sums of \$315,000 to be appropriated by the hangerover deficiency bill which passed December, 1924.

The Owyhee irrigation district was not mentioned in the bill introduced into the House of Representatives, and unless the amendment passed in the Senate is upheld in the conference committee, composed of members of the two houses, the project will have no money with which to continue operations after June 30 of this year.

If the project should be closed for lack of money thousands of acres of land included in the district will be forced to go back to practically a desert state. There is a strong probability that the amendment will be passed in the House, since it is stated that the Owyhee project was simply overlooked by the Interior Department in making up their appropriation bill for the year.

Another amendment was made for \$375,000, to be available for another year's work on the "Kittitas" project in Washington. It is claimed that this is another project which was overlooked by the Interior Department when the budget for the coming year was made up.

It is predicted by those in close touch with affairs that a hot fight is expected in the conference over the adoption of these amendments in the House. Now that President Coolidge's policy of strict economy has been upheld, as was shown in the vote on the passage of the postal increase bill yesterday, that the representatives will endeavor to cut the appropriation bill down, rather than increase it over the original amount estimated.

TRIO RECOVERING FROM AUTO CRASH; 2 OTHERS KILLED

WEED, Jan. 7.—The three injured survivors of the fatal automobile accident north of here Saturday were recovering today in a local hospital. They are V. E. Skinner, Aberdeen, Wash., who has two broken ribs; J. O. Houk, Redmond, Ore., who sustained minor cuts, and Houk's 14 year old daughter, who is suffering from cuts and shock.

Skinner's 8 year old son was killed outright in the crash and Mrs. Houk was suffocated by the fumes of gasoline after the car overturned.

Houk was driving the machine north when the wheels struck ice and swung the car into the gravel at the edge of the road. The big car overturned, spilling its occupants. Another car, headed southward, also overturned in making a quick stop to avoid running into the Houk machine, but its occupants were not injured.

WIFE HAS FIRST CLAIM TO HER LITTLE HUBBY

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—To protect her husband from former sweethearts a wife may annoy any of those persons, Magistrate Simpson ruled here in the West Side Court.

He told Mrs. Betty Gluck, twenty-four, of Brooklyn: "A woman is entitled to tell the whole world to leave her husband alone, and such action does not constitute any violation of the marital relationship."

The marital relationship is not to be injured for anyone for any reason. You were right in what you did."

CINDERELLA MAN TO BE PRODUCED HERE BY VIVIAN PLAYERS

Third Number of Ashland Celebrity Course Considered Fine Playlet

"The Cinderella Man", Edward Childs Carpenter's famous "Charm Play", is to be produced here on the evening of January 15, at the Armory, by the Percival Vivian Players of New York City, brought here by the Ashland Celebrity course committee. It is a comedy of youth and love, life and laughter, fragrant, fresh, clean and wholesome. The story is an interesting one.

Marjorie Caner, daughter of a wealthy man, returns to his mansion upon the death of her mother in France. The Caners had been separated. Her father thinks that the way in which to assure her happiness is to give her everything that money can buy.

His associates, however, tell him what the girl needs most is love. Among these friends of Mr. Caner is Albert Sewell, a composer, who is willing to pay \$1000 for the book and lyrics of an opera. Into the house comes Walter Nicholls, a young rake, who has known Marjorie abroad. He proposes to her, but she sees through him and discovers that he is after her fortune. Sewell shows Marjorie the attic of the house across the street, and tells her that Anthony Quintard, known to his friends as "The Cinderella Man" lives there. He is trying to land as a writer, has been cast out by his wealthy parents, and is nearly starving. Marjorie makes her way across the roof and visits Anthony's studio, only to be discovered. It is love at first sight, but Marjorie finds it necessary to impersonate her French maid, as Anthony has his own ideas about marrying in wealth.

She visits him at Christmas time and decorates the room, and on another visit is discovered by "The Great She-Bear," the cranky landlady, who misunderstands the situation, and forces Anthony to get out. Under Marjorie's inspiration, Anthony has completed a book for an opera. Anthony comes to the Caner mansion and asks for the maid. When he learns that the "maid" and Marjorie are one and the same, and that she is really the heiress, things look bad for their romance, but in the end matters are adjusted happily. And Anthony wins the operatic prize, too.

Now City Editor—O. H. Barnhill, formerly connected with the Ashland Tidings, is now city editor of the Monrovia Messenger at Monrovia, California, according to reports received here.

TEACHER SHOT BY MAN WHO IS THEN A SUICIDE

University of Wisconsin Is Scene of Fatal Shooting

MOTIVE IS UNKNOWN

Miss Laura Palmer Shot and Fatally Wounded by F. Bernard, Former Assistant Instructor

MADISON, Wisconsin, Jan. 7.—F. Bernard, about 35 years of age, today shot and probably mortally wounded Miss Laura Palmer of this city, age 28, a French instructor at the University of Wisconsin, and then turning the revolver on himself, committed suicide. The shooting affair took place in the French house, in the center of the university district, where Miss Palmer was a chaperon for a group of twelve co-eds.

Bernard was formerly a substitute instructor of French at the Hibbing Junior College, at Hibbing, Minnesota, where he resides. Miss Palmer formerly taught French in the same institution, and according to a report from that city, the two were engaged to be married when Miss Palmer suddenly resigned her position, and left. A few months later she came to the University of Wisconsin, and became a member of the faculty, first serving as a substitute instructor in the French language, and later taking a position as a regular instructor in that subject.

The police, so far, have been unable to unearth any clue which might give them an idea for the motive of the crime. Little has been learned of Bernard, and while something of the personal actions of Miss Palmer are known here she has resided in this city for such a short while that little or nothing of her past life is known.

The theory has been advanced by the police that Miss Palmer, while an instructor at Hibbing, became engaged to marry Bernard, and later, learning something which made her break off her engagement, left that city in an effort to escape his attentions. Bernard then followed her to Madison, where he endeavored to affect a reconciliation, but failing in his purpose, shot Miss Palmer and then shot and killed himself.

KING'S REVUE IS WELL RECEIVED BY CAPACITY HOUSE

The Vining theatre was packed to the doors last night when the King's 1925 Revue opened their two night return engagement and were welcomed by an enthusiastic and appreciative audience. This company played here a couple of months ago and last night's audience was proof of their popularity.

Last night's show was one of the best ever seen in this city at the price charged and the comedy "A Gay Deceiver" kept the large audience in a road of laughter from start to finish. The opening, with special lighting effects, was worthy of a higher priced show, while the specialties and numbers introduced by the California Poppy Girls Chorus, in new and elaborate costumes, were well received. Altogether the show was all the advance notices claimed. Tonight will be the last performance to be given here by this company and a capacity house is anticipated.

Moving—Mr. and Mrs. Prior and family are moving from 494 Holly street, to 504 Iowa street. Mr. Prior is an employee of the Southern Pacific.