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Without the use of medicine cures nine cases out of ten of asthma. This is a proven fact.

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Cannot survive three months in the rich ozone at Ashland. Pure domestic water helps.

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RESOLUTION CALLING ELECTION ORDERED

Council Votes to Prepare Resolutions Calling for Special Election to Raise Money for Purchase of Building and Site of Chautauqua Association and Seventeen Acre Tract for Park Purposes.

The passage of a motion, calling upon the city attorney to prepare a resolution calling for a special bond issue election, to cover the purchase of the Chautauqua building and site, and the purchase of the seventeen acre tract of land, known as the McCormick tract, to be used for park purposes, was the big item of business transacted at the regular meeting of the city council last night. These two purchases will be placed on separate places on the ballot, according to the terms of the motion.

The special committee, appointed at the last meeting of the council by Mayor Johnson, to inspect the building and make recommendations upon which to base the actions of the council, reported that the city should purchase the building, but that the bond issue should not exceed eight thousand dollars. They stated in their belief that the city should take over the building, and later, when more funds are available, it could then be improved.

This action comes as the result of agitation started two weeks ago, and carried on by the various civic and booster organizations of the city. Although, for several weeks, it has been known the building was about to pass into private hands, no action was taken until concerted action was started in stirring the matter up.

Clashes between Mayor Johnson and his council over the appointment of men to the offices of Chief of Police and Street Commissioner became apparent again last night when the council flatly refused to ratify Mayor Johnson's appointments to these offices. E. C. Fraley's appointment to the office of Street Commissioner were voted down, Burdie, Peters and Detrick voting against the ratification, while in the case of J. W. Hatcher, Johnson's appointee to the office of Chief of Police, Peters, Detrick and Wright refused to ratify the appointment.

It appears the opposing factions in the council have taken a determined stand on the matter and for the time being, at least, the incumbent officers hold their positions. A petition, signed by 99 residents of the city, asking for the appointment of W. D. Booth to the office of Street Commissioner was read, but no action was taken.

Following a report of a special committee appointed to investigate conditions at the Community Hospital, the council voted to again lease the hospital to Mrs. Loomis, the rent to be \$300 per year. The committee reported the hospital to be in splendid condition, and although Mrs. Loomis' bid was \$12 lower per year than another bid received, it was decided to again let her have the hospital.

A petition received from the operators of the several meat markets in the city asking that an ordinance, protecting them from itinerant meat peddlers be enacted. After a short discussion, in which the council seemed unanimously in favor of the adoption of such an ordinance, the matter was left in the hands of the ordinance committee, with instructions to prepare such a measure. It was explained that those who slaughtered, should not be included in the ordinance, which is aimed at the peddlers who "wildcat" their wares, purchasing stock, slaughtering it, and then sell it from wagons, paying no attention to sanitary conditions.

City Engineer F. H. Walker announced that work on the construction of the ditch which is to be built across the city to care for the water from Emmigrant Creek dam was to be started early in February. Walker, who has been in the hospital for the past three weeks, announced he would start obtaining the rights-of-way necessary within a few days.

The meeting last night adjourned subject to call of the mayor, and Mayor Johnson immediately announced he would call a session for Thursday night. A rush of business made it impossible to complete the work at the regular meeting, and several matters will be taken up Thursday, including the vote on the resolution calling for the bond issue mentioned.

"Firebell" on Hood of Bus Blinds Driver

LONDON, Jan. 21.—While William Thomas, of Bristol, was driving his omnibus through a violent storm, what he described as a "ball of purple fire" fell on the hood of the omnibus and partly blinded him, but he succeeded in stopping the vehicle.

Imposing Shaft to Walter Scott Declared Unsafe

EDINBURGH, Jan. 21.—The imposing monument to Sir Walter Scott, in Princes street, considered to be one of the finest and most famous monuments in the world, is declared by experts to be unsafe in its highest parts. Due to the fact that repairs would cost thousands of dollars, the Town Council have decided to close the highest parts to the public permanently, as they cannot find the money.

ASTRONOMERS STUDY ECLIPSE THIS SATURDAY

Total Eclipse to be Visible in Morning Hours in Eastern States

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Jan. 21.—(Special)—A total eclipse of the sun next Saturday is the most important event of the 1925 astronomical calendar, according to Prof. E. H. McAllister of the astronomy department of the University of Oregon. Visible in the Northeast part of the United States, its path of totality starts in Northern Minnesota, goes across Wisconsin, Michigan and into New York and Connecticut. From the rest of the northeast section of the country it will be visible as a partial eclipse, and would appear thus in Oregon, but for the fact that it comes before sunrise in the western part of the United States.

As total eclipses are very important astronomical events, astronomers will gather Jan. 24 from all over the world to make observations at Yale University. The eclipse lasts only two minutes beginning shortly after 9 a. m. There is a total eclipse nearly every year in some part of the world, but this is the first in the Eastern part of the United States for some centuries, according to Prof. McAllister, and there will be no more in that section for some centuries to come. It is especially important in that it can be studied from an observatory. Other astronomers have to go to out-of-the-way places and erect temporary equipment for their study. They will have to do this to view the eclipse of the sun on July 20, 1925, which is visible in the southern part of the Pacific ocean. Astronomers must journey on this occasion to small islands between the coast of Australia and the coast of South America. This will be not quite a total eclipse, as there will be a ring visible around the edge, called the annular, meaning "ring," and it will be known as an annular eclipse.

CITY BALANCE IS \$85,195.96 REPORT SHOWS

Investments of city funds, made by G. C. Eubanks, City Treasurer, added a total of \$5,302.04 to the city treasury during 1924, according to figures contained in his report made at the city council meeting last night. These investments were made with surplus city funds, not needed for other purposes. According to the report, the city, at the end of 1924, had a total balance of \$85,195.96 in the banks as follows: First National Bank, \$12,935.76; Citizens Bank, \$6,467.88; and State Bank of Ashland, \$2,917.32. A total of \$40,000 was invested in United States Treasury notes, these notes bring four and three-quarters per cent interest. City of Ashland special obligation notes totaling \$22,877 completed the total of \$85,195.96. Although, according to reports, it has been the custom in the past to invest part of the surplus city funds in safe interest bearing investments, the total of interest received this year is much larger than has ever been received before.

DIES IN SCALING MOUNTAIN PEAK



AGNES VAILLE

Miss Agnes Vaille, daughter of a Denver, Col., millionaire, and the foremost woman mountain climber in the United States, perished in the extreme cold encountered in a blizzard on Long's Peak, near Denver. A wonderful climber, she sprained her ankle and was unable to continue. A man companion tried to carry her, but was forced to abandon her in the shelter of a boulder and push on for aid. The rescue party, one member of which was lost, was impeded by snow, and she was found frozen to death.

LEGISLATORS YES WE LIKE TO PLAN VETO ON SHARE ASSETS VETO POWERS WITH OTHERS

Organization Being Formed to Over ride All Vetoes by Pierce
Henry Enders Jr. Moves Hotel, Lithia Springs Over to Medford

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Jan. 21.—Aware of the governor's determination to swat with his veto any bill calculated to curb his appointive power, a movement is under way in the senate to dehorn these vetoes. The plan is to organize 20 senators who will "go down the line," and 40 members will be needed in the house. The senate machine is now being constructed and 16 of the needed 20 are said to have entered the compact. What progress has been made in the house is unknown. There is no disguising the fact that some of the senators want to take from the governor the fish commission, game commission, Port of Portland commission, and maybe a few other odds and ends. Not one of these groups can hope to succeed alone, therefore the programme is for a consolidation of interests. If 20 senators can be bound together they can override any veto that the governor may place on any bill trimming his patronage, but it will likewise be necessary to have 40 votes in the house.

CONFERENCE ORDERED WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The Senate today adopted an amendment to the naval appropriation bill, requesting the President to call a new world conference for discussing further limitations on armament. The President has already indicated he will call such a conference.

Report Is Made on Fines, Arrests in State During 1924

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Jan. 21.—Fines imposed by the courts upon violators of the traffic laws for the year 1924 aggregated \$42,501.70 as against \$28,761.15 in 1923, according to a report prepared by T. A. Rafferty, chief inspector for the state motor vehicle department, for consideration of the legislature. The fines were imposed as a result of activities of the state traffic officers. The total amount of delinquent license fees collected during 1923 was \$33,429.63, while for 1924 such fees amounted to \$69,843.44. Fines imposed by the courts upon violators for 1923 totaled \$23,761.15, as against \$42,501.70 in 1924. Arrests made in 1923 numbered 1576, while, the 1924 report shows 2558 arrests. Every ad has a message.

WILSON ADMITS CONVICTION ON THEFT CHARGE

Principal Witness in Rum Trial Confesses to Sentence in Workhouse

EVIDENCE IS ALLOWED

Senator Edwards Issues Emphatic Denial of Any Connection With Rum Outfit

JERSEY CITY, New Jersey, Jan. 21.—Lionel Wilson, former Treasury Agent, employed in stopping the liquor traffic in the eastern states, and who yesterday testified before a Federal court here that he paid \$3,800 to Senator Edwards, Democrat of New Jersey for one hundred cases of whiskey, which he also knew was delivered to an address which he gave the Senator, today admitted, under cross examination in the Weehawken rum ring trial here, that he had been convicted upon a charge of petty larceny on one occasion. The counsel for the government prosecuting the rum runners, of which gang Wilson is accused of being a member, announced this afternoon that Wilson, who is one of their principal witnesses had made no statement of this affair to them, and it was unknown to them when the Edwards testimony was given. Wilson, when accused of the conviction, at first denied it, but later admitted that he had been convicted in New York city of robbing the New York Telephone Company coin boxes, and had been sentenced to 90 days in the workhouse, 60 days of which time he served. The court, immediately after their testimony was given, overruled a motion by the defense that Wilson's testimony concerning Senator Edwards be stricken out of the records, and that the jury be instructed to bring in a verdict for the accused. The court refused to allow this motion on the grounds that even though Wilson had been convicted of the charge, he was not being tried on the same charge, and therefore was free to give any testimony he desired.

PROPOSED LAW ON MOTOR BUS TRAFFIC HARD

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—Senator Edwards of New Jersey today emphatically denied any connection with the Weehawken rum running ring, and declared the charges were the result of a "political frameup, started to put him out of office."

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STATE HOUSE, Salem, Jan. 21.—What is, in effect, application of the railroad act to auto buses and trucks was proposed in the house Monday by Representatives Oakes and Swan. The bill, No. 9, is the most sweeping regulation of highway carriers ever attempted in Oregon. The measure will be fought bitterly by the automotive interests affected — this is plain already. It will be fully as satisfactory to the railroads as objectionable to their rivals in the transportation business. The bill will be regarded as the child of the railroads, who have maintained for years that bus and truck lines should be regulated as strictly as themselves. This proposal does more. It also doubles present charges laid upon highway traffic and would take from 10 to 15 per cent of gross income for maintenance of state roads. But it is pointed out by the bill's proponents that the smaller railroads pay 24 per cent of their gross earnings in taxation. Bus and truck operators will, by this measure, be placed under the strictest regulation of the public service commission. There will be permits, reports, monthly payments of fees, bonds for protection of patrons, inspection of records and contracts, etc.—just the things the railroads resented so hotly when regulation was applied to them for the first time.

Teachers Make Up Organization to Fight Any Change

PORTLAND, Jan. 21.—Action to forestal passage of senate bill No. 8, proposed by Senator Eddy, to change the curricula of state high schools, was taken at a meeting Sunday of the legislative committee of Portland high schools with the presidents of the various local and state teachers' associations. Delegates will be sent to Salem, it was decided, to confer with the senate educational committee. The Eddy bill plans courses in spelling, writing, constitutional law and other new features to be placed in high school courses. Local high school teachers are not opposing the subjects, but they believe reorganization thus made necessary would be useless expense, according to P. A. Getz, president of the Portland High School Teachers' association.

Municipal Bank Makes Birmingham Thriftiest City

BIRMINGHAM, Jan. 21.—This city claims to be the thriftiest city in England. Its thrift is due to the activity of the Birmingham Municipal Bank, the only one of its kind in the world, which was started in 1919 to help the poor of the city to save. Since the bank opened it has handled more than \$30,000,000 in small amounts, and has completed 3,000,000 transactions. Depositors number 170,000, and this number is increasing at the rate of 500 weekly.

2 IRRIGATION ISSUES ARE IN DARK AT SALEM

Projects Promoted by San Francisco Bank Have Not as Yet Been Bought

STATE HOUSE, Salem, Jan. 21.—Clouds still obscure the irrigation measures, which are being promoted by the Anglo-London-Paris bank of San Francisco. Two instead of three bills as originally planned, constitute the latest programme and redrafts of the two being promoted were brought to Salem Saturday. Bank agents have avoided making any statements to press correspondents, and also have asked members with whom they consulted not to show the redrafted bills to the press. The way in which these bills are being handled is one of the chief reasons why they are being viewed with suspicion. C. E. MacLean of San Francisco had the measures at the state house today. R. W. Crooks, assistant vice-president of the bank, who was here last week, has not returned over the week end. Senator Davis, chairman of the senate irrigation committee, expressed a belief that he might be able to harmonize his views with those of the bank people, or rather that he believed they could reach a compromise.

PRIMARY BILL IS BROUGHT TO HOUSE

SALEM, Jan. 21.—The first real political dynamite came into the House today when the Mills Post primary bill was sent to the desk, sponsored by the judiciary committee. The bill provides for any candidate in the primary who does not receive forty per cent of the total party vote cast for the office he seeks, to fall of the nomination, and the nominee to this office shall be selected at a primary convention after the primary election. The bill will likely be given right of way through the House as far as possible.

EXAMINATION ORDERED

SALEM, Jan. 21.—The House today passed a bill providing for the physical examination of all children in all elementary schools, and providing for the notations of their physical defects to be sent their parents or guardians. The House also passed a bill taking off 6.5 mills limitation on the tax levy for school purposes in Multnomah county.

Thirteen Year Old Boy Being Held in Oakland Slaying

OAKLAND, Cal., Jan. 21.—Frank Bau, thirteen year old boy, was today questioned by the police of the Oakland department, after being placed in the detention home, following the fatal shooting of the boy's brother in law, William Connolly, a painter. Soon after the shooting, the lad was found covering in the corner of the room, with a toy pistol in his hand. A revolver, from which two shots had been fired, was found lying beneath a dresser near by. The boy was so frightened when the police arrived that he could only tell the officers that Connolly had been shot while the room occupied by the pair was in total darkness. He denied that he shot his brother, and, according to the police, his story appears to bear truth.

PARK REPORT MADE PUBLIC BY SECRETARY

Balance of \$2,087.41 Is in Treasury at end of Year Report Indicates

IMPROVEMENTS MADE

Fund of \$1,300 Set Aside to Care for Bond and Interest Leaves Funds as Mentioned

Not including a fund of \$1300, set aside to care for a bond and the interest on the improvement bonds, the park fund has a balance in the treasury of \$2,087.41, according to a report made public today by W. H. McNair, secretary of the Ashland Park Commission.

On January 1, 1924, the park fund showed a balance of \$2,389.15. Funds derived from the operation of the park, and the \$10,000 improvement bonds voted at the special election last spring swelled the total to \$24,405.04, the report shows.

The total expenses for the year of 1924 totalled \$22,317.63, leaving the balance reported. Of the expenses, the auto camp improvements, included the Schamp shelter house construction formed the most costly item, totaling \$9740. Itemized, this expense shows \$4000 expended for the construction of the community house, \$1,500 for the laundry, and \$1750 for the comfort station at the playgrounds and other necessary sanitary improvements completed in the park during the year.

Members of the commission are Frank Jordan, president, Louis Dodge, A. C. Ninger and W. H. McNair.

The report of the commission follows:

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| Jan. 1, 1924 City Treas. | |
| Bal. | \$ 2389.15 |
| RECEIPTS | |
| Taxes | 4271.80 |
| Cups | 1000.00 |
| Auto Camp | 5813.50 |
| Int. on Monthly Bal. | 103.59 |
| Gas | 219.75 |
| Improvement bonds | 10,186.20 |
| L. J. Orres rent | 5.00 |
| Sale post cards | 3.51 |
| Dance floor | 72.25 |
| Refund expenses chgs. | 8.29 |
| City care of Park | 300.00 |
| Mrs. Brookmiller, rent | 31.90 |
| Total receipts | 22,015.89 |
| Balance | 2389.15 |
| Total Cash | \$ 24,405.04 |
| DISBURSEMENTS | |
| Gas | 296.62 |
| Accident Insurance | 136.39 |
| Int. on Imp. Bonds | 300.00 |
| Wood for auto park | 375.40 |
| Stoves auto park | 40.00 |
| Cups | 128.40 |
| Pay roll | 6869.61 |
| Payment, Stevens place | 295.00 |
| Payment, Ware-Geer place | 302.50 |
| Swan feed | 23.00 |
| Auto tags | 54.00 |
| Wind shield stickers | 218.70 |
| Insurance | 74.00 |
| Car account | 237.17 |
| Repair, tennis court | 18.48 |
| Repairs, kitchenette | 175.27 |
| Guard rail, Scenic Drive | 76.49 |
| Taxes | 19.23 |
| Pay roll, auto camp | |
| Improvement | 195.28 |
| Auto camp impr. including Schamp shelter houses | 9740.66 |
| Misc. expenses | 1314.27 |
| Reserved for Bond & Int. | 1300.00 |
| Total Disbursements | \$22,217.86 |
| Total Receipts | \$24,405.04 |
| Cash on hand | \$ 2,087.41 |

BURGLAR BUSTS INTO 2 SAFES OF CITY FIRMS

A burglar, believed to have been the same man who attempted to rob the Farm Bureau office in Medford Monday night, last night entered two establishments in Ashland and attempted to enter safes in those places. At the Fruit and Produce office, the knob of the safe was knocked off, but as yet it is not known whether the burglar was successful in entering the safe, since the officers have as yet been unable to open the safe. The same action was taken at the office of Swift and Company, where again the knob was knocked off the safe door.