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TWO SPECIAL CITY ELECTIONS ARE ORDERED

A meeting of the city council was held last night at which time two special elections were decided upon, one on May 10 and the other on June 24. The first is to submit the question to the taxpayers whether or not the city shall go ahead and condemn right-of-way for the power canal, and the other for the purpose of voting upon several proposed amendments to the charter. Resolutions proposing the following amendments were read last night and adopted:

1. Amending the city charter by adding section 135, to confer upon the city council authority to purchase, by condemnation if necessary, rights-of-way, water rights, or property, for the purpose of building and maintaining a water works system, electrical power system or any other municipal works.

2. Providing that the council may incur a current debt of not to exceed \$5,000 for erecting a city hall and for purchase of the necessary site.

3. Granting the council the right to legislate in regard to the sale of liquor, and to provide for the enforcement of the city laws against sale of liquor by search and seizure.

4. To amend section 2 of the charter so as to give council power to prescribe the qualifications of electors at municipal elections. The section as amended does not state what these qualifications might be, but leaves it all to the discretion of the council, subject, of course, to the state laws.

5. Providing for a salary of \$420 per annum for the mayor and \$360 per annum for each of the councilmen.

6. Providing that the council may create a band commission of one or more persons and appropriate not to exceed \$2000 for the support of a band.

Minor Matters
The fire and water committee was instructed to buy lights for the depot park.

The salary of the nightwatchman at the pumping plant of the water system was raised to \$75 per month.

The bill of the paving company for maintaining repairs on Willamette street from the depot to Eleventh street, amounting to \$277.44, was ordered paid.

A bill for repairs on Willamette street between Eleventh and Thirteenth streets of \$71.90 was referred. It was thought by some of the councilmen that there is no contract for repairs on that stretch.

The matter of a paving inspector came up. The committee reported that it had not been able to agree on a man for this position. Councilman

Roach was suggested as a suitable man but no action was taken.

Treasurer Relander reported \$30,361.69 in the city general and road funds combined, and since the general fund owed the water board some \$42,000, the treasurer asked whether he should apply the cash on hand to repaying the water fund or call general fund warrants. The council decided that if warrants were called money would not be available for the water fund for eight or nine months, so transferred all cash in the city general and road funds to the water fund.

A petition to grade and gravel Oregon avenue was referred.

The street committee was ordered to advertise for bids for street sprinkling.

An ordinance for paving East Tenth street from Willamette to Pearl, a distance of two blocks, was passed.

HID FROM SHERIFF IN THICK BRUSH

Sheriff W. J. Russell of Josephine county, arrived here Sunday morning from Grant Pass and took back with him Harry Hawkins, a young man wanted there for assault and battery upon another man with whom he had trouble some time ago.

Sheriff Bowen of Lane county, was notified a few days ago that Hawkins was supposed to be with relatives near Goldson's mill, thirty miles west of Eugene. Sheriff Bowen went over there Saturday and upon his arrival at the mill he learned that Hawkins had heard of the coming of the sheriff and that he had hid himself in the brush. The sheriff at once began a search and laid out in the timber all night looking for the young man. Sunday morning he traced him to the home of Bill Jones, a relative, where he found him asleep, and placed him under arrest.

TRY TO SAVE WATER POWER SITES

Washington, April 27.—Secretary of the Interior Ballinger is determined, if possible to prevent monopolistic or speculative interests from securing control of the waterpower sites of the country, and to that end today instructed the director of the geological survey to investigate such natural resources under the public domain outside of the national forests, which are not included within withdrawals for reclamation purposes.

Ballinger will report the findings of this investigation to congress.

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NEW SULTAN PROCLAIMED RULER OF OTTOMAN EMPIRE

Constantinople, April 27.—Mehemed Reschad Effendi was proclaimed Sultan of Turkey this afternoon in succession to his brother, Abdul Hamid II.

REVOLT AGAINST THE REVOLTERS

Fifty Turkish officers have been arrested at Erzeroum by their troops and despatched under escort to Trebizond. The actual significance of this action is not yet clear, but it is feared it means the beginning of a revolt of the provincial troops against the Young Turk officers.

SALUTE FOR NEW SULTAN

A salute of 110 guns was fired this afternoon, announcing to the waiting populace of Constantinople the change in sultans, and the fact that Reschad Effendi was the new sovereign of the Ottoman empire.

RUMOR THAT ABDUL HAMID IS DEAD

London, April 27.—A dispatch from Constantinople to a news agency says rumors are current that Abdul Hamid is dead. Troops are said to have taken him from the palace last night, and found him lying unconscious on the floor of the inner harem.

GRAND JURY MEETS TO PROBE ADA LYNCHING

Ada, Okla., April 7.—The special grand jury ordered by Governor Haskell to investigate the lynching here on April 19 of James Miller, Jesse West, Joseph Allen and W. T. Barrell, cattle men, for the murder of A. A. Bobbitt, a United States deputy marshal, convened here today.

During the past twenty-four hours there has been talk of another lynching. This talk centered around the fact that Oscar Peller and Edward and David Johnson, charged with murder, have been returned here from Tecumseh, where they had been sent for safe-keeping. The Peller boy is held as an alleged accessory to the murder of Robbitt and it was his confession that is believed to have been the cause of the lynching of the quartette of cattle men.

The Johnson brothers are charged with the brutal murder of I. H. Putnam at Allen last January.

OREGON WANTS PART OF THAT SCHOOL FUND

Portland, April 27.—The presidents of the colleges in Oregon will meet during the week to voice their resentment toward a recent ruling by John D. Rockefeller's board to the effect that the Oregon colleges will not share in Rockefeller's \$43,000,000 school fund because the schools in this state overlap each other's territory.

The presidents declare that the ruling is arbitrary and unjust.

During the past week a lengthy correspondence has been carried on between the presidents of the state university and the presidents of McMinnville, Willamette, Pacific, Dallas and Albany to arrange for a plan of procedure.

A portion of the fund in Oregon would do a great deal of good, as every small school in Oregon is struggling at the present time under an almost crushing burden of debt.

HENEY SERVES NOTICE OF HIS ABILITY TO FIGHT

San Francisco, April 27.—I never take any notice of a barking cur," said F. J. Heney to Lewis F. Byington during today's session of the trial of Patrick Calhoun.

"I may be a cur," said Byington, rising to his feet, "but I am not a trailing dog as you are."

Judge Lawlor interfered and prevented a possible physical encounter. Heney at once addressed the court and five attorneys for defense:

"I have heretofore notified the court that I do not intend to be assailed by any person engaged on this case. I stood it for months when I was opposed by Henry Ach, but so help me God, I will not stand for it again. I shall not play the baby and appeal to the court for protection, because I conceive it to be the court's duty to intervene when these attacks are instituted. I serve notice again that my character must not be assailed. When we come to argument for the jury, you are at liberty to say anything you please."

Today's outburst came during an argument over the admission of the testimony given by James L. Gallagher and Byington interrupted Heney to remark that he (Heney) was making statements which he (Heney) knew to be untrue.

JOSEPH W. BABCOCK DIES AT CAPITAL

For Many Years Was a Prominent Member of Congress

Washington, April 27.—Former Representative Joseph W. Babcock, of Wisconsin, for fourteen years a member of the lower house of congress, and for many years chairman of the National Republican congressional committee, died at his home here today. He was aged 59 years.

SEATTLE LAWYER OFFERED JUDGESHIP

Washington, April 27.—Ellwood C. Hughes, for twenty years a lawyer of Seattle, has been tendered by President Taft the appointment to the newly created federal judgeship in Washington state.

ROOSEVELT AND KERMIT BEGIN GAME SLAUGHTER

Nairobi, British East Africa, April 27.—Mr. Roosevelt and son Kermit today shot a Grant's gazelle and a hartebeeste.

Smallpox among the porters of the Roosevelt caravan has been checked.

WHEN HER BACK ACHES, A Woman Finds all Her Energy and Ambition Slipping Away.

Eugene women know how the aches and pains that come when the kidneys fail make life a burden. Backache, hip pains, headaches, dizzy spells, distressing urinary troubles, all tell of sick kidneys and warn

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