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Wasco Passes Ordinance For New Franchise For Power Company

ORDINANCE NO. 69
AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO PACIFIC POWER & LIGHT COMPANY, A CORPORATION, AND TO ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, A NON-EXCLUSIVE LICENSE AND FRANCHISE FOR A PERIOD OF TWENTY (20) YEARS TO CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE, IN AND ON THE PRESENT AND FUTURE STREETS, ALLEYS, BRIDGES AND PUBLIC PLACES OF THE CITY OF WASCO, COUNTY OF SHERMAN, OREGON, ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER LINES AND APPURTENANCES FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUPPLYING ELECTRICITY AND ELECTRIC SERVICE TO THE CITY OF WASCO, THE INHABITANTS THEREOF AND OTHERS, SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN THIS ORDINANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASCO:

Section 1. The City of Wasco, hereinafter called the City, does hereby grant to Pacific Power & Light Company, a corporation, and to its successors and assigns, hereinafter called the Grantee, a license and franchise for the period of twenty (20) years from and after the effective date of this ordinance, to construct, maintain and operate in and on the present and future streets, alleys, bridges and public places of the City, electric light and power lines, with all the necessary or desirable appurtenances, for the purpose of supplying electricity and electric service to the City and the inhabitants thereof, and to persons and corporations beyond the limits of the City, subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter specified.

Section 2. The license and franchise hereby granted shall not be exclusive; and the City expressly reserves the right, at any time during the term of the license or franchise hereby granted, to grant licenses or franchises for such purposes to other persons or corporations, as well as the right in its own name as a municipality to use said streets and public places for such purposes, in the event that the City shall hereafter decide or engage in the business of supplying electricity and electric service for municipal or other uses. If during the term hereof, the City shall decide to engage in such business, and shall elect to acquire by condemnation or otherwise the property used by the Grantee in furnishing electric service hereunder, no value or damages of any kind shall be claimed by or allowed to the Grantee on account of the unexpired term of the license or franchise hereby granted.

Section 3. The locations and methods of installation and maintenance of all poles, wires, fixtures, underground conduits, and appurtenances shall be subject at all times to reasonable regulation by the Council of the City, or by such committee of the Council or such official of the City as may be designated by the Council; and all such poles, wires, fixtures, underground conduits, and appurtenances shall be so constructed and maintained as to interfere as little as practicable with street or other traffic. All of such poles, wires, fixtures, underground conduits, and appurtenances shall be installed and at all times maintained by the Grantee in safe order and condition and in accordance with good electrical practice.

Section 4. The service to be furnished hereunder by the Grantee shall be continuous and shall be adequate for the requirements of the City and its inhabitants, subject to accidents, interference or interruptions beyond the reasonable control of the Grantee, and shall be furnished under such reasonable rules and regulations as the Grantee may make from time to time for the proper conduct of its business. Such service and all rates and charges therefor, and all rules and regulations pertaining thereto or to the making of necessary and proper extensions of service, shall be subject at all times to any rules, regulations and orders lawfully prescribed by the Public Utilities Commissioner of Oregon, or by any other authority having jurisdiction in the premises.

Section 5. When necessary, in order to permit any duly authorized person to move any building or other structure across or along any street, alley, bridge or public place within the City, the Grantee shall temporarily raise or remove its wires, fixtures and appurtenances upon such streets, alleys, bridges or public places, upon reasonable notice in advance from the Recorder of the City, and at such time and in such manner as may be necessary reasonably to accommodate such moving, consistently with the maintenance of proper service to the Grantee's customers; provided, however, that the cost to the Grantee of such temporary raising or removal, and of any interruption of the Grantee's service to its customers caused thereby, shall first be paid or satisfactorily secured to the Grantee by the owner or mover of such building or other structure.

Section 6. The City shall have the right, without payment or charge therefor, to attach its fire alarm or police signal wires on the poles of the Grantee, but at its own risk and only in accordance with good electrical practice. Such fire alarm or police signal wires shall be subject to interference by the Grantee only when and to the extent necessary for the proper construction, maintenance, operation or repair of the Grantee's poles, wires, fixtures, conduits and appurtenances.

Section 7. The Grantee shall protect and save the City, its officers, employees and agents, harmless against and from any and all damage claims, and any and all loss, liability, cost or expense, occasioned by any negligent act or omission of the Grantee in the construction, maintenance, operation or repair of the Grantee's property or any thereof; and the Grantee shall at all times comply with any lawful present or future charter provisions, ordinances, rules or regulations of the City relating to the manner of occupation or use, or to the repair or improvement, of streets, alleys, bridges and public places in the City.

Section 8. The Grantee shall pay to the City on or before the 20th day of the month following the close of each calendar quarter period during the term hereof, a franchise fee or charge equivalent to two per cent (2%) of the Grantee's gross operating revenue accruing during such period from the sale of electric light and power within the corporate limits of the City of Wasco, other than such revenue derived from transactions in interstate or foreign commerce, or from business done with the government of the United States or any agency thereof, and after deducting therefrom any amounts paid by the Grantee to the United States or State of Oregon, as excise or business taxes upon the sale or distribution of electric service in said City of Wasco. The first of such calendar quarterly periods shall begin on the first day of the month next following the effective date of this ordinance. Said franchise fee or charge shall be in place of, to the extent of such franchise fee or charge, but shall not be payable in addition to, any other license, occupation, or excise taxes or charges which may be levied by the City in respect of the electric business of the Grantee within the corporate limits of the City.

Section 9. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its final passage by the Council, its approval by the Mayor of the City and its publication as hereinafter provided, but shall become null and void unless within sixty (60) days thereafter the Grantee shall file with the Recorder the Grantee's written acceptance of the terms, conditions and obligations to be complied with or performed by it hereunder.

Section 10. This ordinance, following the date of its approval shall be published once in the Sherman County Journal, a newspaper of general circulation within the corporate limits of the City of Wasco.

Passed by the Common Council this 6th day of May, 1946.

Approved, this 6th day of May, 1946.

T. Lester Johnson
Mayor of the City of Wasco

Attest:
Hal R. White
Recorder of the City of Wasco

Hood River Wins Track Meet; Records Broken

Eight New Marks Made As Large Group of Athletes Vie For Victory

Records fell in great numbers at the track meet Friday, eight of the 13 events bringing better time or distance. Hood River won in the latter part of the afternoon by taking first and second in the football throw and broad jump although crowded by Redmond and Goldendale all through the meet.

Final scores were Hood River 48, Redmond 30½, Prineville 27½, Goldendale 22½, Arlington 9, Moro 5, and Condon 2½.

Winners were: 100 yard, Deako Gold; 1st, O'Leary, HR, second; Hartman, Prineville, third; Foster, Moro fourth. Time 10.6.

Shot: Neal, Redmond, first; Sarsfield, Gold, second; Kellogg, Redmond, third; Lane, HR, fourth. Dis. 42.3.

Pole Vault: Whitehill, Gold, first; Ostergard, HR, second; Durkee, Prineville, third; Peterson, Redmond, fourth. Height 9.9.

Mile: Sutton, HR, first; Kribs, second; Curtis, Arlington, third; Shearer, HR fourth. Time 4:45.4.

220 Dash: Wilhelm, Ari, first; Hartman, Prineville, second; Deako, Gold, third; Rodman, Redmond, fourth. Time 2:35.

440 Dash: Thalhafer, Prineville first; Collier, HR, second; Horelein, HR, third; Donahue, Redmond, fourth. Time 54.2.

Discuss: Longnecker, Redmond first; Roberson, Moro, second; Whitehill, Gold, third; Hartley Moro, fourth. Dis. 115.2.

Javelin: Reams, Prineville, first; Tuck, Redmond, second; Drury, Gold, third; Young, Redmond fourth. Dis. 142.

Football throw: Lieblein, HR first; O'Leary, HR, second; Tierney, Condon, third; Chalfant, Prineville, fourth. Dis 160.8.

Broad Jump: Copper, HR, first; O'Leary, HR, second; Rodman, Redmond third; Tierney, Condon Smythe, Ari, tied, for fourth. Dis. 18.10.

880: Sutton, HR, first; McDaniel, Redmond, second; Jorgensen, Redmond, third; Isenberg, HR, fourth. Time 2:08.

High Jump: Copper, HR, first; Whitehill, Gold, Smythe, Ari, tied for second; Quant, Prineville, Bliss, Redmond, tied for fourth. Height 5.54.

880 Relay: Prineville, first (Chalfant, Hartman, McPhetridy, Thalhafer); HR, second (O'Leary, Copper, Sheppard, Bell); Goldendale, third (Deako, Kayser, Adkison, Miller); Redmond, fourth (Rodman, Henry, Bliss, Young) Time 1:37.6.

Boys Go To Eugene For Junior Olympics

Junior Olympics, an athletic event held each year in Eugene under sponsorship of the Eugene American Legion post, attracted six boys from Sherman county who went to compete against a stated performance and win awards for definite ability. From Kent went Leon Coffman, Herman Peters, Joe Harvey, and Dick Wilson, taken down by Mrs. Helen Bothwell. From Moro went Dick Oveson, Keith Thompson and Richard Crawford, taken down by Dewey Thompson. Entertainment is offered the boys who are farmed out to living organizations and private homes in Eugene for the two day stay. American Legion posts of Kent and Moro sponsored the costs of the entrance.

ART JUHNKE DIES

Art Junke, former resident of Wasco, died near Couer d'Alene, Idaho, Monday, April 29, from a heart attack. He was riding in a truck from which he fell, attributed to heart trouble. He was a son in law of Mr and Mrs Tom Striker.

Surviving are two daughters, Betty and Shirley Juhnke of Wasco, a wife and small son, Dickie, and several brother and sisters. Funeral services were held at Colfax, Washington Friday, May 3.

Wasco Makes New Agreement With PP&L Co.

A franchise has been signed by city officials of Wasco that gives the Pacific Power & Light company permission to operate in that city over streets and alleys and public property. New feature of the franchise is that contrary to custom, the city retains permission to operate its own system if it desires to do so, or to give a similar franchise to any other agency.

In addition to this the power company is to pay the city 2% of gross receipts on business within the city. It is estimated by city officials that this will bring in around \$300 to the City of Wasco each of the twenty years the franchise is to be operative.

The franchise is printed in this issue of this paper and it may become a pattern from which other towns may establish a new contract with the Pacific Power

NAMES NEEDED

The officers of the Sherman County Historical society, now in process of preparing a program for the annual meeting June 2, would like to invite interested former residents of the county to attend. They lack a list of such persons. If relatives and friends will give to the society officers or bring to the Sherman County Journal office names of old timers who might like to come June 2, the officers will send a personal invitation to the picnic.

BASEBALL SUNDAY

The Wasco ball club will meet the strong Condon team at Wasco next Sunday afternoon at the regular starting hour of 2:30. Condon has shown itself as one of the strongest of the six team Wheat-Timber league and Wasco has shown power although twice defeated by small margins.

Last Sunday Heppner defeated Wasco by 15 to 12 in a free slugging affair that was much different than the close pitchers battle against Fossil which ended 5-4.

Either Melenthin or Jensen, just out of the service, will do the pitching for the Wasco boys.

Grass Valleyites Come and Over Week's Period

Mr and Mrs Orville Gibson came down from Madras Saturday evening and were overnight guests at the home of Mr and Mrs Bert Cox leaving Sunday for Chehalis, Washington to be near her parents, Mr and Mrs C. H. Auger. Mr Gibson has employment there.

Mr and Mrs J. S. Newcomb returned home Friday evening from California where they spent several months visiting their son in laws and daughters, Mr and Mrs Bus Logan at Oakland and Mr Mrs Moreo Canavero at Los Gatos.

William Brinkert was a business visitor in The Dalles Saturday bringing Mrs Everett Dunlap and infant daughter home from the hospital. Mr Dunlap came down from Gateway to take his wife and baby home.

Mrs Earl Olds and Mrs Glenn Perry and daughter were in The Dalles Saturday on business. A lavette shower will be given at the Masonic hall Tuesday May 14 at 2:30 o'clock in honor of Mrs Ivan Blagg. Friends are cordially invited to attend.

John Buether and daughter, Freida, spent Wednesday, Thursday and Friday on business in Portland.

Mrs Charles Perrigo returned home Thursday from Bend where she spent several days with her husband.

A number of Grass Valley people went to Shearer's bridge Sunday to try their luck at fishing. Mr and Mrs John Rust had as dinner guests Friday evening honoring the latter's birthday anniversary. Mr and Mrs Tom Douma and Vernon Shipley of Moro and Mr and Mrs H. O. Dugger.

John Buether, motor machinist mate 2-1, arrived Sunday from Portsmouth, Va., at the home of his parents, Mr and Mrs John Buether. He will receive his discharge soon having spent 30 months in the service. 20 months were spent on the U.S.S. Montour.

Mrs Tom Alley left Friday for Stockton, California to stay with her daughter, Mrs Leonard Jones, when she returns from the hospital with her infant daughter, Betty Suzanne.

Mr and Mrs Fred Stradley came up from The Dalles Thursday to spend the day at the home of Mr and Mrs Clyde Stradley.

Miss Doris Anderson left this Tuesday for Vancouver, Wash., to visit her grandmother, Mrs Emma Cox, returning the same evening with Mr and Mrs Fred Cox.

Mr and Mrs Willis Brittain and children of Tygh Valley came over Saturday evening and were over night guests at the home of Mr and Mrs Frank Bayer.

Nominations Up At Election Next Friday, May 17

Congressmen, Governor, Other State and County Officials To Be Nominated

Next Friday the voters who remember the day and care to take the time will march to the polls to cast their ballots for nominees of the two parties for several offices.

On the ballots will be the names of Lowell Stockman, congressman from this district, whose name will be on the Republican sheet. As a candidate to oppose Democrats may vote for Lamar Townsend.

Republican will find the name of Governor Earl Snell and Henry Black on their ballots as candidates for that office and Democrats will have to vote for Carl Donough or write in a candidate of their own.

Robert S. Farrell Jr. is the only candidate for Republican nomination for secretary of state and Dave Epps is the only one on the Democratic side.

William Kimsey is the Republican candidate for labor commissioner.

To be nominated also are two candidates for each party for state representative from this district, which comprises Gilliam, Morrow, Sherman and Wheeler counties. Only candidates on the ballot are Henry Peterson of Ione and Giles French of Moro, both Republicans and both incumbents.

Within the county two county commissioners are to be elected this fall and there are two candidates, Vernon Miller for the four year term, a Democrat, and Joe Peters for the two year term, a Republican. Norman Fields is a candidate for sheriff, the only one, as he is running on the Democratic ticket. Naomi Van Gilder, county treasurer, Democrat is running for re-election unopposed.

A Justice of Peace is to be nominated in District No. 1 within the county.

The city budget meeting will be held May 14 at 8:00 p. m. Budgeteers will be Dewey Thompson and Willy Knighten for 3 year terms, George Updegraff and J. K. McKean for 2 year terms and Ernest Eslinger and Paul May for 1 year.

The council voted to pay for the new pump recently ordered by the school district for the football field sprinkling system.

Clean-up Squads Named For Civic Housecleaning

Committees for the Moro Breakfast club clean-up day, May 15 1946, are as follows: Bull of the Woods, W. T. Balsiger.

Whitewashing: B. H. Roberson, straw boss; Mike Mulick, Art Bucholtz, Vince Genteman, Paul May, Dean Pinkerton, Dick Holdaway, Frank Sayrs, Bob Flatt.

Park and Recreation Field: Ernest Woods, straw boss; G. Douma, Theo. Johnston, Ray Jewel, Ralph Brishine, Harry Pinkerton, Bob Hoskinson, C. P. Moore, LeRoy Wright, Norman Fields, Percy Thompson, Charles Ruggles, Free Crews.

Moving Junk Piles: J. K. McKean, straw boss; Bob Brishine, M. Douma, Stanley Coelsch, Tiny Benson, Chuck Cowherd, Truman Strong, Carroll Sayrs, Lamer Sayrs, Jack McDermid.

Landscaping: Robert Marvin, straw boss; M. M. Oveson, Giles French, Willy Knighten, Vernon Flatt, John Foss, Harry Kunsman, George Updegraff, Ross Ornduff.

Famine relief: Dewey Thompson; L. L. Peetz, Paul Cyphers, Ernest Eslinger, Roy Belshee, Arden Squire, M. G. Meizer.

CURFEW TO SOUND

Decision to enforce the curfew ordinance in Moro, beginning with Monday night, May 13, was made by the city council at its Tuesday night meeting. The ordinance is being amended to include all children under 16 instead of those under 18. The curfew bell will be rung at 9 o'clock each night and children not at home by then must be accompanied by parents or be taken home by the marshal. Second offense brings a minimum fine of \$5.00.

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Road Down To River Projected

Fishermen Start Something With Mass Meeting At Courthouse Wednesday Eve

About 50 men with a common interest in fishing and an opening to the Deschutes river met at the court house Wednesday night with the result that within a week it is expected that a road from the top of the hills to the Deschutes river back of the Engstrom place will be opened.

There was enthusiasm about opening a road, and several demands that Rattlesnake road be opened as well; there was willingness to pay \$5.00 to join a club. Results may be summarized; a chairman was appointed, and a secretary, and names were suggested for an executive committee of eight, and debate on whether to make it exclusively a Sherman county enterprise, whether the club, if and, was to have rights more extensive than the public or not. None was settled.

The Reckmans, who own the land nearest to the head of the proposed grade, said they would give permission for entry but wanted the road to remain a private road. James Jones, trapper, hoped to get the fish commission to stock the river with half a million trout if a road was built. B. H. Roberson was appointed chairman. Harry Benson reported that Pat Kaseberg and Norman Fields had tractors and bull dozers ready to go to work Saturday. Joe Peters wanted the road to be open for every one and said the county trailer would haul dozers to the job.

Arden Squire opposed the exclusive key proposal saying that closing of the river was the main cause of complaint of the group and that it should not further river closure. Dell Olds wondered if easements could be obtained for use of the road for a large number. Henry Barnum asked about the rules of other fishing clubs. Lester Johnson (who by now was acting secretary) told something of Wasco county fishermen experience. Roberson wanted to know if private persons should finance the road for public use.

Virgil Conlee spoke for a private road. Harry Pinkerton and Tom Douma thought Rattlesnake should be opened. Joe Peters said there was private property at the lower end of that grade. Ben Payne didn't want a public road. George Updegraff explained some of the differences between a public road and a private road, saying a road could be used by the public and still be a private road. Jim Jones reiterated his plea for half a million fish and the need for a club anyway. Harry Benson asked for a vote for an organization and Lester Johnson spoke favorably to the idea.

Roberson called for a standing vote of those favoring a club to which most responded. Tom Striker, Bill Jefferies, Harold Eakin, Joe Bibby, Collis Moore, Dell Olds, Vivian Rust and Harry Pinkerton were nominated and elected as an executive committee. Some one nominated Joe Peters as vice president. Jim Jones said \$5.00 was about right for membership fee.

After some discussion as to the power and use and value of an executive committee that body retired to the jury room to formulate a program. Their report was that Reckman desired a locked gate with keys to members during the fishing season and absolute closing thereafter. The name of the organization, when formed, was to be the Sherman County Rod and Gun club and the membership fee was to be \$5.00 per year and that fire arms were not to be allowed on the river except by those with permission to carry them. Nearly everyone signed his name on a sheet of paper and paid \$5.00 to the secretary.

Mr and Mrs Tom Coyle had as their guests several days last week her brother and sister in law, Mr and Mrs Loren Rice, of Holley.

Mr and Mrs O. N. Ruggles were business visitors in The Dalles Tuesday. Alton Coyle left Wednesday for Lebanon to sell his cattle and to attend to business affairs.

Mr and Mrs Don Smith and son, Larry, went to The Dalles Friday evening to spend the week end at the home of his parents, Mr and Mrs Gus Smith. Mrs John Hays accompanied them to The Dalles after spending several weeks here with her daughter, Mrs John Block.

Earl Perry and his mother, Mrs John Perry, of Hillsboro, spent several days here the last of the week visiting her son and daughter in law. Mr and Mrs Glenn Perry, and also visited at the John Rolfe home.

Ed Alley, Tom Alley and George Smith went to Redmond Sunday to attend a horse sale.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Rebmam of Yakima, Washington spent Monday visiting at the Tom Alley home.

Mrs Shelton Fritts, Mrs Bill Todd, Mrs Art Schilling, Mrs Ivan Blagg and W C Todd were business visitors in The Dalles Monday.

Mr and Mrs Alec McLeod returned Monday from Portland where they spent several days on business. David McLeod spent last week end in Heppner.

On May 18 the Annual Clean-up day for the I.O.O.F. cemetery at Grass Valley will be observed. All are asked to turn out.