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COUNCIL HOLDS LAST MEETING

New Council Will Meet on New Year's Night For Organization.

VEHICLE LICENSE ORDINANCE IS PASSED AT MEETING

Applications Received For Dog Catcher and City Teamster For 1917.

A number of expressmen and truck owners appeared before the council last night to protect their rights regarding the new license ordinance for vehicles.

Ordinance No. 969, regarding the improvement of Denver St., was indefinitely postponed upon motion of Councilman H. W. McLemury.

James K. Misner and a number of residents of the vicinity of East Eighth street, appeared in behalf of a petition asking for a light at the corner of Eighth and Cleveland streets.

Mayor L. M. Curl announced that last evening he received a telephone communication from Supt. Billingsby of the P. E. & E. Co., stating that a new street car, with double automatic air brakes and newly painted, will arrive in Albany within the next two weeks.

- Weatherford & Weatherford, atty's fees and costs \$15.00
H. B. Cusick, treasurer, bond principal \$6,000
C. W. Walker, special police \$2.50
Albany Printing Co. \$5.00
L. G. Levelling, stamps \$2.00
Albany Democrat \$11.25
Albany Herald \$8.20
M. Bilyeu \$1.00
Standard Oil Co., A. F. D. \$10.75
S. E. Young, A. F. D. \$17.58
Ore. Power Co., water, lights \$51.95
Wade Shew \$5.12
Albany Sand & Gravel Co. \$23.06
John Catlin, dogs \$2.00

REPLY RECEIVED
(BY UNITED PRESS)
Washington, Dec. 28.—The German reply was received today. It is said to be identical with the press version.

LARGE CROWD ENJOYS FINE ST. JOHN'S PROGRAM

Unusual Splendid Talent Gives Entertainment That Will Be Long Remembered.

A large crowd attended the program given by St. John's Lodge No. 17, A. F. & A. M., in their hall last evening in commemoration of St. John's Day.

Judge P. R. Kelly delivered the address of the evening, and he was unusually eloquent. His address was pronounced a masterpiece of rhetoric and thought.

Miss Orah Harkness' reading was an especially enjoyed feature of the evening, this member of the Orioles making a decided hit with a hometown audience.

CITY NEWS

How Olives Taste—Olives are a very palatable and popular fruit as we get them in the market; but if you want to get some of the bitter side of life, try an olive from the tree.

Death of Dr. Paine—Dr. D. A. Paine, a leading citizen of Eugene, died yesterday at the age of 64 years, the result of a chronic disease.

Married—At the U. P. parsonage, Wednesday evening, Dec. 27, Vivian Cartwright and Miss Hazel Wasson, of Harrisburg, were united in marriage.

In Corvallis—Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Churchill, of Albany, were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Babb, spending Monday in this city.

Eugenes to Albany—W. B. Thien who has been with the Elmira Lumber company left this morning for Albany where he will be with the Albany Furniture Manufacturing company—Guard.

W. M. Meeting—The regular meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian church will be held tomorrow afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Wallace Howe Lee, 1106 S. Ferry street.

AVIATOR GETS 25 AEROPLANES

Noted French Air Fighter Makes a Record in Plane Destruction.

BOMB EXPEDITIONS ALONG THE WESTERN FRONT

Germans Capture Over Ten Thousand Russians in Rumokoursat Campaign.

(By United Press) Paris, Dec. 28.—Guyenemer, France's premier aviator, brought down his 25th German plane, today's official announcement asserted. It detailed considerable aerial activity on the Western front.

Berlin, Dec. 28.—The capture of 3,000, bringing the total Russian prisoners in the engagements about Rimmick-Suratt to 10,220, was reported to the war office today, together with 22 machine guns.

The press bureau said the opinion of the German answer to President Wilson's intentions and perhaps adds some practical suggestions at the conclusion of peace.

London, Dec. 28.—Daily food demonstrations in the chief cities of Austria-Hungary show great misery with hundreds of suicides in December, reported the exchange telegraph dispatches from Geneva.

Paris, Dec. 28.—South of Avre the German raiding party was dispersed. In the region of Beauvais the French exploded several miles of German positions, the crater of one of these being 140 yards long and 40 yards wide.

Petrograd, Dec. 28.—The withdrawal of the Russians from Rimmick-Suratt is announced, due to superior Teuton forces.

MUST CLEAN SLATE By Robert J. Bender, United Press Staff Correspondent. Washington, Dec. 28.—Fear that the present peace negotiations have failed and that the United States must clean the slate of the submarine situation grew today.

\$60,000,000 MADE BY ADVANCE TIP (By United Press) Washington, Dec. 28.—Over \$60,000,000 were made on Wall street by those having advance information of the peace note, according to a telegram Wood received from Thomas Lawson.

HELD SECRET CONFERENCE (By United Press) New York, Dec. 28.—The Brotherhood members today held a secret meeting in conference with a committee from the railroads.

TEN YEARS IN JAIL (By United Press) Los Angeles, Dec. 28.—Capland was denied a new trial. He was given a ten years' sentence.

SURVIVORS ARRIVED (By United Press) Tokio, Dec. 28.—Fifty passengers and sailors, survivors of the Sankoku Maru, wrecked off Chefoo, landed here safely. Two Americans were on board.

ED. F. BAILEY ON U. OF O. ALUMNI BOARD

Will Attend Important Meeting in Portland Friday and Help Make Plans.

Ed. F. Bailey will go to Portland tomorrow to attend the meeting of the Alumni Board of the University of Oregon.

The matter coming before the meeting is the holding of a statewide University of Oregon Alumni Day some time in February.

Mr. Bailey will call a meeting of the Linn County Alumni for some time in the near future, and the plans worked out at the Portland meeting will be laid before them.

OREGON INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Railroading, Shipbuilding, Lumbering and Farming are the Big Industries in Oregon. Hold Down Taxes and Eliminate Radical Legislation at Coming Session of Legislature and Encourage Further Development.

Dec. 26, Salem.—States' assessed valuation for 1916 is \$878,753,944 which is \$55,731,087 less than year previous.

Portland—\$25,500 paid for prize bull at International Live Stock show.

Eugene—S. P. Co. pays over one-tenth taxes of Lane county.

Oregon flax fibre found adequate for manufacture of fishermen's twine which now sells at \$2.35 a pound.

Oregon City—Crown Willamette Paper Mills, Hawley Paper mills and the woolen mills all give Christmas presents to total of 1700 employees.

Grants Pass—Irrigation of 10,000 acres proposed near here.

Linn county builds 70 miles of road past year, graveled or rocked.

The Bergman Shoe Co. of Portland is enlarging its output and has added a waterproofing shoe oil to its line of products.

Swedish shipping concert with headquarters at Stockholm announces that within next two years it will have fleet of motor ships operating between west coast of North and South America and Sweden, with Portland as one of ports of entry.

Canby—Clackamas County News, M. J. Lee editor, is a brand new paper.

Estacada plans establishment of milk condensery or cheese factory.

Corvallis—New straight line state highway proposed from here to Independence.

Salem—\$23,619,902 invested in plants and equipment of various timber industries in Oregon.

Portland—Twohy Bros. get contract to build 200 freight cars for Union Pacific system.

Grants Pass—Josephine county's assessed valuation is \$8,698,240.08 of which amount \$1,548,673.30 is charged to the Southern Pacific Co.

Bandon is working hard to establish a shipyard at that port.

North Bend—New S. P. depot now occupied here.

Coquille—New cheese factory to operate here next summer.

Baker—Antimony ore to be shipped from here again.

FILLIBUSTERERS GO TO MEXICO

Entered the Country Opposite Laredo and Had a Running Fight.

SEVERAL WERE WOUNDED BY CARRANZISTAS

Thought Carranza Has Submitted Counter Proposals Instead of Signing Protocol.

(By United Press) Laredo, Dec. 28.—That two filibustering parties crossed the border into Mexico near here Tuesday became known today. One party had a running fight with Carranzistas at Nuevo Laredo garrison.

By Carl D. Groat, United Press Staff Correspondent. Washington, Dec. 28.—There is a growing belief here that Carranza has not signed the protocol, but instead has submitted counter proposals.

WHEAT IS SHORT (By United Press) Washington, Dec. 28.—The world's wheat production the past season is approximately 75 per cent of last year, according to estimates of the agricultural department.

ACETYLENE PLANT EXPLODED (By United Press) Mount Holly, N. J., Dec. 28.—An acetylene plant in the cellar of the Madison Hotel exploded at noon, destroying the building.

FATAL COLLISION (By United Press) Montreal, Dec. 28.—Five were killed and six injured in a rear end collision on the Canadian Pacific, when the Toronto train ran into a local in a heavy fog.

ROUND ROBIN INVESTIGATION (By United Press) El Paso, Dec. 28.—Gen. Bell following the renewal of the investigation of the round robin protest of the Ohio National Guards, announced that the non-commissioned men signing had not been reduced to the ranks.

COAL FAMINE POSSIBLE (By United Press) Denver, Dec. 28.—Despite the fact that the state is one of the heaviest producers of coal in the union, it will soon feel the pinch of famine.

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DOG POISONER BUSY IN NORTH ALBANY SECTION

Strychnine Said to Be Used in Putting Innocent Canines Out of Existence.

That pestiferous pest, the proverbial and ever-present dog poisoner is out again. He is attacking this time in the regions of North Albany and in the vicinity of the grange hall.

At least it is thought that strychnine is the medicine used to send these faithful dogs to their happy hunting grounds, for the deaths of two as witnessed by neighbors, bears the earmarks of this deadly drug.

While the perpetrator of the crimes is thought to be known, the owners of the dogs cannot understand his reason for such ruthless slaying of innocents. Some time ago this party lost some sheep, but the dog doing the damage was killed and the owner paid a large sum of money for the sheep destroyed.

Another Grand-Child—An announcement was received recently by Rev. and Mrs. D. H. Leech bringing them information of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. John M. Speidel, at Wayland, Iowa.

Operated Upon for Appendicitis—Mrs. Roy Gentry, wife of an Albany railroad man, was taken to the hospital late Tuesday night, and at midnight was operated upon for appendicitis.

An Eats Window—A very attractive grocery window is that just put in by the Lamberty brothers, at the Hamilton store, west end. It is full of "eat" suggestions.

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POWER CO. TO IMPROVE PLANTS

N. I. and M. P. Co. Goes into Receivership For Reorganization to Raise Funds.

MOVE IS SIMPLY A FRIENDLY ONE

Lacking Funds For Improvements the Move is One For Progress.

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 27.—By agreement of the company and its creditors, the Northern Idaho & Montana Power Company, a \$5,000,000 corporation, operating public utilities in 35 cities and towns in Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon, was placed in the hands of a receiver late today by United States District Judge Frank H. Rudkin.

Elmer Dover, of Tacoma, was appointed receiver and B. H. Grosscup, of Tacoma, counsel for the receiver. The application for appointment of the receiver was made before Judge Rudkin here by Matthew A. Morrison, of Chicago, who alleged that the company owed him \$30,000 on a note and had outstanding mortgage bonds of \$4715,500, to pay the interest on which it has had to borrow money.

The receiver's bond was fixed at \$50,000, which Mr. Dover filed immediately. The principal towns served by the company, which owns and operates gas, electric light, water and telephone plants, are Kalispell and Whitefish, Mont.; Newport, Wash.; Sand Point, Idaho; Albany, Eugene, Corvallis and Marshfield, Oregon.

Mr. Dover said tonight the company needed from \$500,000 to \$800,000 to make improvements and extensions, and that, although the company never had defaulted in interest payments, it had been compelled to borrow money to meet such payments and was unable to raise funds for betterments. The receivership, he said, was friendly, and a reorganization plan would be worked out.

The above dispatch from Spokane has reference to the Oregon Power Co. properties in this vicinity but, according to J. L. White, Superintendent of the Willamette Valley division, the suit for receivership was only a friendly transaction and one that will result in great benefit for the company.

"The company has not failed," said Mr. White this morning. "The company is solvent and is on a good paying basis. But it has gone as far as it can go with its present equipment, and the placing of the properties of the N. I. & M. P. Co. in receivership is only for the purposes of reorganization in order to raise more money for betterments and extensions. The obligations mentioned in the dispatch are not due to mature until 1940, but are used for legal purposes.

"The company needs about \$800,000 for extensions and betterments, and between \$300,000 and \$400,000 of that amount will be spent in the Willamette Valley. This will probably take place early in 1917. With our present equipment we can make no greater income. In fact, we are losing money on some of the investments, and until we can get money to make extensions and get more business some of the lines will not pay. Yes, a great deal of money will be spent in the vicinity of Albany."

The Northern Idaho and Montana Power Co. is a branch of the parent company, the H. M. Byllesby Co., of Chicago, and the Oregon Power Co. is a lessee of the N. I. & M. P. Co.

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