

COUNCIL WHACKS OFFICER WORRELL

Flank Attack on Efficient Cop Comes As Surprise to All Except Members.

C. N. MCKEE GETS PLACE AND ONLY PLUM PASSED

Other Officers Re-elected, Reports Received and Other Transactions Made.

- Street Superintendent, F. N. Wood.
- City Engineer, John R. Penland.
- City Attorney, Victor Oliver.
- Policemen, J. Q. Rodgers and C. N. McKee.
- City Teamster, J. D. Kennedy.
- Engine Man, John F. Warner.
- Auto Truck Driver, John S. Spooner.
- Special Police, Mart Bilyeu and G. B. Hall.

After being closeted in secret session before the opening of the regular meeting of the city council last night, the members appeared in the Council Chamber with their little slips of paper containing the order of the day, and proceeded to elect the city officers for 1917 according to schedule. The schedule did not cause much of a ripple for the most part, for in every case but one the old officers who have all given satisfactory service, were re-elected without a bobble.

But not so with the night police. No one was prepared for what was coming, and when Chief of Police John Catlin, who was acting as teller, read off five ballots for C. N. McKee to one for Sam Worrell and six for J. Q. Rodgers, there was a gasp among those present who were not in on the secret. The short of the matter is that somebody got Sam's goat.

Just why Worrell, who, to all appearances was making good and was a good officer, should be let out is not known. One councilman supported him for reelection. Worrell's record has been good during his term of office, he has made as many arrests as any officer in the county, and has succeeded in bringing to jail one or two characters which, had they been allowed to remain unmolested, might have succeeded in doing considerable damage to local property. One had the most complete burglar outfit ever seen here and the other was almost as well equipped. Officer Rodgers assisted in the capture of the second man.

The action of the council was kept extremely quiet, neither Mayor Carl nor City Recorder Levelling having any intimation of what was taking place. The last report was that all officers and employees of the city were slated for election.

"The action of the council in dismissing Sam Worrell last night was a complete surprise to me," said Judge Levelling this morning. "But I want to say that Worrell is one of the best officers that the city of Albany ever had. He has brought into court men that no other policeman has ever rounded up, and has been very efficient in keeping the city in good order. Why he was let out I do not know. Surely he should have had a chance to defend himself if his services were not satisfactory and not be humiliated in the way he has been. As far as I know there has never been a complaint against him, at least none have ever reached this office. He was deserving of more courtesy from the council than to have been given the ax the way he was. While I think that Charlie McKee will make a good man, the council will have to look a long way before finding Worrell's better as an efficient police officer."

C. N. McKee took his oath of office this morning and began at once to serve in the capacity to which he was elected.

G. B. Hall and Mart Bilyeu were appointed special police to serve without pay. Councilman E. F. Wiles brought up the matter of the city's purchasing a flushing plant for the upkeep of the city's pavements. It was pointed out that the city could buy a heating plant and spread the hot asphalt and sand on the streets as well as the concrete could, and much cheaper. The matter was referred to the ways and means committee to report at the next meeting.

Upon motion of Councilman W. C. Tweedale, the street superintendent was instructed to clean the rubbish off of the Central school grounds, and prevent any further accumulation.

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HARRY THAW FOUND WITH THROAT CUT

Attempt at Suicide Partly Successful, and May End in Death.

Philadelphia, Jan. 11.—(By United Press)—Harry Thaw, with a cut throat and wrists, was found in a West Philadelphia apartment house and rushed to St. Mary's hospital. He was still alive at 2:10 o'clock, and physicians said he had a slight chance of recovery. He attempted suicide while five detectives were entering. Lieut. Wood found Thaw sitting in a chair, horribly mutilated by a razor. He was calmly watching the blood spurting. The police hastily bound the wounds. Thaw fainted, and whispered, "St. Mary's" as he fell to the floor.

He was much weaker when they reached the hospital. He probably opened his veins several minutes before the police entered. Detectives placed a strong guard at his bedside. They will take Thaw to New York if he recovers.

New York, Jan. 11.—(By United Press)—The grand jury indicted Oliver Brower, for conspiracy in connection with the Thaw case.

CONGRESS GIVES \$1,503,000 TO 1ST. OREGON DISTRICT

Rivers and Harbors Bill Appropriates \$360,300 For River Above Oregon City.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 11.—Congress today passed the Rivers and Harbors Appropriation Bill, allotting to Oregon \$1,503,000 for the First Congressional District. Of this amount \$80,000 will be spent in improving the locks in the Willamette River at Oregon City. A further sum of \$360,300 will be spent on the river above Oregon City.

The improvement of the locks provided for the securing a six-foot channel in the locks above the sills at low water.

The appropriations were made at the recommendation of government engineers, and include all the recommendations made up to the present.

The above dispatch from Washington is good news for the Willamette Valley. It is not thought that these figures include any other work than that which has been formerly done from year to year, keeping the channel of the Willamette opened between Harrisburg and Oregon City.

This does not assure a four-foot stage of water in the river at all times of the year.

Government engineers state that to secure four feet of water in the river at low water the river would have to be dammed and diked up and the channel confined to such a narrow stream that the river would be unable to make its own independence.

What truth there is in this assertion will be made and the true condition discovered. There is a demand for water transportation from Portland to Albany, and if it can be had every effort will be made to get it.

SWEEPING DECISION

Washington, Jan. 10.—Senator Kenyon, joint author of the Webb-Kenyon law, declares the effect of the supreme court decision regarding the law is to withdraw all protection of interstate commerce from shipments of liquor made contrary to the law of a state.

"The state may adopt its own regulation," he said, "as though it were an independent power. It can prohibit the sale, prohibit the possession and make and regulation or prohibition it sees fit. There will be no trouble about any state going bone dry, for the state has absolute say and any liquor found there contrary to state law will be contraband."

Kenyon's statement was made when he was informed the Oregon legislature has before it the question of how it may proceed in making the bone dry amendment effective.

The text of the decision is not yet available, but all agree as to the sweeping effect, as stated by the Iowa senator.

SOME TAXES

McMinnville, Or., Jan. 10.—(Special)—The county court has fixed the tax levy for the current year at 21 mills, apportioned as follows: General fund, 10.75 mills; road fund, 5 mills; county school, 3.63 mills; county high school, 1.75 mills; school library, one-fifth mill. The nine incorporated towns in the county are relieved from the payment of the five-mill road tax, but included in their special levies their total tax rate for the year will be: Amity, 33 mills; Carlton, 30 mills; Dawson, 32 mills; Dundee, 27 mills; McMinnville, 31.6 mills; Newberg, 03 mills; Sheridan, 27 mills; Willamina, 27 mills; Yamhill, 31 mills.

C. E. Sox went to Salem this morning.

GEORGE MAKES GREAT SPEECH

Asks For Another Big Loan and Enthuses Immense Crowd Present.

SAID: VICTORY DIFFICULT BUT DEFEAT IMPOSSIBLE

Declared Allies Grimly Determined to Rid World of Un-speakable Despotism.

By Ed. L. Keene, United Press Staff Correspondent

London, Jan. 11.—Lloyd-George addressed cheering thousands at Guild Hall today. He declared the allies had reached a grim determination to rid the world of "unspeakable despotism." "With proper support our gallant armies will cleave the road to victory in 1917." He said the allies had informed President Wilson that all wanted peace but that war is preferable to Prussian domination of Europe.

"The best security for future peace will come when nations are banded together to punish the first peace breaker. We didn't reject the peace terms. None were offered. We were only offered a trap which was baited with fine words."

The meeting was called for the purpose of energizing the "victory loan." He said that reference to the allies at the Rome conference, "that all felt if victory is difficult, defeat is impossible. We have made arrangements to deal with the whole situation."

"A successful loan will shorten the war and save lives, the British Empire and Europe's civilization." Bonar Law outlined the loan terms. It will be at five per cent, issued at 95, for a term of 30 years, with the bonds optionally redeemable in 12 years.

SOME OF THE BILLS INTRODUCED IN LEGISLATURE

In the House

By Sweeney—regulating operation of vehicles on public roads.

By Deschutes county delegation—fixing salary of officers of Jefferson county, as follows: Judge, \$600 per annum; clerk, \$1200 per annum; sheriff, \$500 per annum; assessor, \$1000 per annum; school superintendent, \$900 per annum and traveling expenses not to exceed \$100; treasurer, \$600.

By Anderson—appropriating \$25,000 a year for two years for Pacific Northwest Tourist association.

By Mueller—requiring that road supervisor shall be appointed by petition.

By Lewis—to prohibit manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquor and providing bone dry legislation.

By Lewis—to prohibit manufacture and sale of proprietors medicines.

By Bowman—to prohibit circulation of initiating, referendum and recall petitions for hire.

By Jones—(Walter B.)—To require county court of Lane county to purchase grounds and buildings for fair purposes.

By Jones—(Walter B.)—Repealing law providing for county school supervisors.

By Bean—empowering state government to issue such bonds as may be needed to meet federal road fund for period of five years.

In the Senate

By Olson—to provide for the support and maintenance of illegitimate children and define the obligations of the father and mother.

By Barrett—providing for one state board of education of three members to have charge of educational institutions and all educational matters.

By Barrett—abolishing the state tax commission and placing its duties with the state board of control, with authority to hire an expert.

By Barrett—establishing a department of industrial insurance, which shall perform the duties of labor commissioner, the industrial welfare commission, the industrial accident commission and the board of inspectors of child labor.

By Barrett—consolidating the desert land board and the state land board.

By Barrett—consolidating the corporations and insurance departments and creating a corporation insurance commissioner.

By Smith, of Josephine—enforcing matrimony in certain cases and giving name to illegitimate children.

By Dimick—Providing a closed season for Chinese restaurants until October 1, 1919, and thereafter permitting an open season during month of October only.

PORTLAND MEN RECENTLY HERE HAVING TROUBLE

Two Alleged Bootleggers, Prominent Firemen, Have Been Suspended.

Journal: Harry E. Hawkins, captain, and J. H. Campbell, engineer of Fire Engine Company No. 2, Third and Gilliam streets, were today suspended by Battalion Chief Young, pending investigation of charges made that these two members of the fire bureau, together with two ex-firemen, participated in a wholesale "bootlegging" business.

The suspension comes as result of the finding of a large quantity of liquor in the home of Captain Hawkins, 488 East Seventh street north, last night.

Owing to the fact that the two firemen are alleged to have made statements to District Attorney Evans, it is conjectured whether criminal actions will be brought against Hawkins and Campbell. Officials of the fire bureau are to take steps to discharge the men, however, if the charges are substantiated.

According to Battalion Chief Young, who has charge of the district in which engine company No. 2 is located, the liquor which the men are alleged to have disposed of was brought to Portland in automobiles from Hornbrook, Cal., by the men, but only Tracy and Bannon, the two ex-firemen, actually disposed of the liquor.

Battalion Chief Young says that Hawkins, Campbell and Tracy went to Hornbrook about the middle of November, and with two other automobiles brought back to Portland ten cases of liquor.

On November 29, Tracy and Campbell were returning from Hornbrook with two more automobile loads of liquor, when they were stopped by the police at Albany, according to Chief Young. At that time Tracy is alleged to have been driving the automobile owned by Captain Hawkins. Tracy was detained, but Campbell is said to have eluded the police.

The newspapers carried stories about the Albany episode, and it is said that this brought about the investigation, which resulted in the suspension of the two firemen today.

Chief Young says that the liquor was sold largely by Tracy and Bannon, and that shares of the proceeds went to Hawkins and Campbell.

Chief Young presented all the facts to Mayor Albee this morning, and he agreed that the two men should be suspended. Hawkins is very prominent among the men of the fire bureau, having seen many years of service, and represents the men of the bureau on the board in charge of the firemen's pension and relief funds.

Death of Mrs. Merriman

Mrs. Artemeria Merriman died at Medford yesterday, at the age of 86 years. She was born in Ohio Oct. 11, 1830 and came to Oregon in 1851. She was the mother of 16 children, of whom 11 are living. Among them is Mrs. Chas. Frank, now of Minneapolis, and Will Merriman, of Oakland, Calif., both of whom are former residents of Albany. Mrs. Frank's husband being S. P. agent here for many years.

Douglas Fairbanks Friday

The theme of "Flirting With Fate" the new Triangle release starring Douglas Fairbanks, at the Globe Friday, may be stated as "the evils that lurk in whiskers." This does not refer to germs, but to disguises. Fairbanks wears them; the detective on his trail wears them; and the villain wears them. While Fairbanks was walking about the studio with his private set of whiskers, one of the cowboys who played with him in "The Good Bad Man" stopped opposite him and drawled: "Come out from behind them whiskers, Doug Fairbanks. We all know you're there, 'cause we kin see yer ears a-waggin'!"

Mission Work

Two days' special services will be held by the Apostolic Mission, corner Second and Baker streets. The first will be held Saturday afternoon on the streets and the other Sunday at the mission rooms. Rev. Fred Hornschu, of Eugene, formerly of this city, will assist the local members of the Mission in the work.

Admitted to Probate

The will of the late George Gibbons has been admitted to probate and J. William Miller appointed executor. The estate is valued at over \$20,000.

In the Legislature

Miss Winnie Austin went to Salem this morning to accept a position as stenographer to F. H. Porter in the legislature.

A PAYING COW

That's some cow of L. R. Harris, of Sunrise, and she is just a common Jersey, three-fourths blooded. Last month the animal produced \$29.12 worth of milk, sold to the Albany cheese factory. The figures were 1374 pounds of milk, and the product in butter was 687 pounds. As high as 46 cents was paid for butter fat.

LEAKAGE PROBE ENDS QUICKLY

Resolution Demanding Further Investigation Was Defeated.

BROKERS WIRES CARRIED THE ORIGINAL TIP

Leakage Strengthened Market and Prevented What Might Have Been Panic.

Washington, Jan. 10.—(By United Press)—The house rules committee's investigation of President Wilson's note leak ended abruptly when the committee defeated the second Wood resolution providing for a probe of Lawson. It defeated the Campbell resolution demanding further leak investigation by a select committee. James Reilly, managing editor of the Wall Street Journal, testified that the brokers' Washington wires carried the original tip of Wilson's note. He said that Dow Jones' ticker service announced: "Peace manifesto will soon be issued." The dispatch strengthened the market, giving the brokers opportunity to prepare their accounts for a break, and preventing a panic.

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ALLIED DEMANDS

London, Jan. 11.—(By United Press)—It is understood the allied note demands the evacuation of all invaded territory, Turkish retirement from Europe, reparation for all damage, and full liberty of all nations.

TWO SILVERTON BOYS STOPPED FROM TOURING

Armed with a .22-calibre rifle, Willie Bebee and Joseph Shields, of Silverton, started out to see the world. They reached Albany on freight train No. 225 about 10 o'clock last evening, or William did. But that is as far as they got. Young Shields, who is 15 years old, got scolded and dropped off at Turner. Willie, aged 14, continued on to Albany and was picked up by the night policeman.

This morning young Bebee's father arrived in the city and took his boy home with him, but left parting instructions with the police and City Recorder to send the boy to the reform school if he was caught here again.

Willie is not a bad looking boy, but was lured away by his older companion. The Shields boy has an uncle in Eugene, where he is bound.

"THE MOTH SHALL EAT THEM UP"

From the above text Evangelist Danford delivered one of his most inspiring discourses, declaring that it is not the "big" sins, such as drunkenness, murder, licentiousness and the like that is liable to catch the average person in its cunningly devised snares, but that it is "the little foxes" that spoil the vines. The little sins of "carelessness," "criticizing," "tattling" and the like that catch us unawares and so destroy the fabric of our character that before we are aware our strength is sapped, our very being is honeycombed to such an extent that when the strong temptations come we are unable to stand the onsets of sin.

The attendance at the afternoon meetings is steadily increasing, interest is deepening and Christian men and women from all denominations are expressing their delight with the substance of the discourses. Meetings are held every evening 7:30 and afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

REV. ESSON RESIGNS

Silverton, Or., Jan. 10.—(Special)—Rev. Albyn Esson, who for years has been pastor of the Christian church in this city, has tendered his resignation, to take effect next Sunday. At this time all the churches of Silverton will unite in a farewell reception. Rev. Mr. Esson will give his entire attention to his farm near Albany.

MISSING PEOPLE FOUND

Tacoma, Jan. 11.—(By United Press)—Otto Powell and wife, missing since December 18 when they entered the forest on a hunting trip, were found dead on a hill 20 miles from home today.

From Corvallis

Mrs. Edna Gentry King, of Corvallis, was in the city this afternoon, her first trip here since becoming Mrs. King.

MUNICIPAL WATER AND LIGHT SYSTEM SOUGHT

Petition Filed With Council Brings Matter Up For Consideration Again.

Another step in the direction of municipal ownership of light, power and water plants was taken last night when a petition was presented to the council signed by some 500 names asking the city fathers to take action leading to the acquiring of these properties.

The matter was brought up several months ago, but no formal steps were taken with the council. The petitioners were circulated last summer, and a filing on a water right was made of Roaring Creek above Larwood. This filing was contested, however, by Wm. Larwood, who claims to have prior right for his sawmill. His contentions seems to be correct and that project will no doubt be dropped and a new place looked up before further steps are taken to secure mountain water for Albany.

It is also argued that Roaring Creek is not large enough in the summer time, which is an argument that would be used to defeat the enterprise.

Just how far the backers, which include a number of prominent men of the city, intend to go, is not known. Nor is it known what encouragement they will receive from the public in general. The lack of success of the Eugene municipal plants would tend to discourage any great step, it would seem.

The petition was referred to the Committee of the Whole Council, which will consider the matter at report at some future meeting.

MEMORIAL ASKS RECALL OF OREGON TROOPS

Two Prohibitions Memorials to Congress Were Both Passed By Senate.

Salem, Jan. 11.—(By United Press)—Senator Lewis presented a memorial to Congress asking President Wilson to recall the Oregon border troops. Fifteen senate bills were introduced. The senate passed Ed. J. memorial asking for a federal prohibition amendment, and asking for a law barring mails to liquor advertising. Huston introduced a bill making women eligible to grand jury duty. Chairman Belland, of the house fisheries commission, said he believed the fish and game commission is money waster. He wants a full report of receipts and disbursement since the last legislative session.

\$128,000 FOR OREGON

Money For National Forest Roads And Trails Allotted By The Government.

Portland, Jan. 11.—Secretary Houston has announced the amount allotted to each state from the million dollars to be spent during the fiscal year 1918 in construction roads and trails within or partly within the National Forests. This money is part of the ten million dollars appropriated by the Federal Aid Road Act to assist development of the National Forests, which becomes available at the rate of a million a year for ten years.

The allotments as approved are as follows: Alaska, \$46,354; Arizona, \$58,604; Arkansas, \$9,603; California, \$140,988; Colorado, \$62,575; Idaho, \$108,730; Montana, \$70,042; Nevada, \$19,296; New Mexico, \$42,495; Oregon, \$128,111; South Dakota, \$8,092; Utah, \$41,167; Washington, \$91,944; Wyoming, \$40,684. A total of \$9,995 has been allotted to Florida, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, Maine, New Hampshire, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia—in which the Government is purchasing lands for National Forests, receives \$21,120.

In making allotments, it is explained, ten per cent of the amount available for 1918 is withheld as a contingent fund; One-half of the remainder has been apportioned among the States in amounts based on the area of the National Forests lands in each State, while the other half has been allotted on a basis of the estimated value of the timber and forage resources which the Forests contain.

DRUNKEN SEWER

Lebanon, Or., Jan. 10.—Twenty-four quarts of alcohol taken in a raid last week by Frank Richard, City Marshal, was poured into the sewer by the Marshal and City Attorney Newport, who prosecuted the case.

An officer of the internal revenue collector's office was also present, and after viewing the label on the package and the bottles consented that the city dispose of the liquor. He preserved the shipping tags and the names of shipper and consignee. The person to whom the liquor was consigned has disappeared.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Coon, of Monroe, are in the city.

ADVANTAGES ON BRITISH SIDE

Kill Some Turks and Slew Six Trenches in Egyptian Campaign.

BATTLESHIP CORNWALLIS SUNK BY TORPEDO

Grecian Blockade Will Be Lifted As Soon As Greeks Withdraw Troops.

London, Jan. 11.—(By United Press)—It is announced that 600 Turks were killed and wounded and a thousand captured when the British seized six trenches northeast of Elarsh, Egypt. They entered and destroyed Shalal, threatening Rafo.

Athens dispatches said that Greece had accepted the allies' ultimatum demanding disarmament and reduction of the armed forces, and important concessions. The acceptance followed the crown council decision and closes long negotiations between King Constantine and the allies. The blockade will be withdrawn when the Greek troops leave Northern Greece, and cease menacing Salonika operations. The admiralty admitted that the British battleship Cornwallis, 14,000 tons, was torpedoed and sunk in the Mediterranean on Tuesday. The sea-plane carrier Banochree sank in a storm off the coast of Sicily. Thirteen Cornwallis sailors are missing.

Berlin, via Sayville wireless, Jan. 11.—(By United Press)—It is announced that the Germans captured 300 Romanians and six machine guns today. It is admitted the French seized a Beaumont trench, and that the British attacked north of Ypres, but were repulsed.

AFTER VARMINTS

Will Ask Bounty On Coyotes In Eleven Western States.

Salt Lake, Utah, Jan. 11.—(U. P.)—Plans for the adoption of a uniform bounty law for coyotes seriously hampering sheep raising in the western range states will be made at the three-day convention of the National Wool Growers Association which opened here today. A special committee will report a measure which it framed for the legislatures of the eleven western states of Utah, Montana, Colorado, Wyoming, Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon and Washington. A bounty of \$2.50 a head will be proposed. An estimated investment of \$10,000,000 would be represented by the 1,000 members from thirteen western states. President Frank J. Hagenbarth, in his annual report, predicted continued high prices for wool, declaring that adverse legislation, the reduction in ranges, the foreign outlook and bullish conditions generally have resulted in a large reduction in the size of flocks.

A WOMAN WON

Journal: In a storm of applause Mrs. Frances Whitehead, the woman pioneer of Christmas Lake valley, today marched to the state senate bill clerk's desk and took up the duties of that position.

Mrs. Whitehead lives alone 115 miles from a railroad, fights wild cats and cultivates a 40-acre tract the won from the wilderness herself. When she entered the contest for senate bill clerk the men faded.

GLADYS BROCKWELL FRIDAY

Gladys Brockwell is a double star in her first starring vehicle for William Fox, "Sins of Her Parent." Miss Brockwell plays two parts, that of the mother, and that of the daughter who suffers through her mother's wrongs. The play will open at the Globe Theatre for a two days' run on Friday.

The story of "Sins of Her Parent" tells how a girl learns that her mother is a worthless dance-hall woman of Alaska. The discovery almost brings unhappiness in its path but all is righted through the final sacrifice of the mother.

District Atty. Gale S. Hill went to Salem on the morning train to look over the legislature in action.

Miss Eva Schindler, of Seattle, arrived in the city yesterday and is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. John Rorer.