

COUNCIL EXTENDS CITY FIRE LIMITS

City Dads in Regular Session Last Night Passed Ordinance to This Effect.

ALSO PROVIDES FOR THE PREVENTION OF FIRES

A Building Ordinance That Is "Real" Will Be Drafted by Councilman Blount.

An ordinance to amend section 1 of ordinance No. 417 entitled "An ordinance to provide for the prevention of fires and the protection of persons and property endangered thereby; and to establish and define the fire limits of the city of Albany and to repeal all ordinances in conflict therewith," which was passed by the council May 22, 1906, and to extend the fire limits of the city of Albany was passed last evening at the regular meeting of the city council after the third reading.

Section 1 of the new ordinance which becomes effective immediately reads to the effect that: the fire limits of the city of Albany shall be extended from the corner of Water and Washington street, thence south on Washington street to Third street, thence easterly along Third street to Ferry street, thence along Ferry street to Lyon street, thence southerly to Seventh street, thence easterly to Baker street, thence north to First street, thence to Lyon street, thence north to Water street back to place of beginning.

A live discussion ensued prior to the passage of this ordinance. It appeared that to some of the councilmen the bill was not complete, some holding that the north side of Water street should be included within the fire limits. Other members contended that the limits should not extend at present any farther south than Fifth street. However, Councilman Blount dispelled all doubt as to including the north side of Water street, in an address before the council, when he said that the property abutting the north side of this street was not of high value and that the property owners could not afford to erect buildings in compliance with the ordinance on such unstable ground.

It was contended that to erect a building on the water front according to the articles of the proposed new building ordinance, that a large sum of money would be involved in the construction of a substantial foundation and that the time is not ripe to restrict the buildings on that side of the matter.

The matter of the extension of the fire limits to Seventh street as proposed in the ordinance was left as it stood by a majority vote.

With reference to the proposed building ordinance introduced at the last session of the council, Councilman Blount addressed the assembly, saying that he had studied the articles in the old building ordinance, as well as the new ordinance, and that he was of the opinion that both ordinances had their good points as well as their bad ones, and it is his opinion that now is the time for the city council to adopt a building ordinance from which a good result will be derived.

Mr. Blount said in part: "I am of the opinion that now is the time for the passage of a building ordinance for this city that is a real one. From the articles of the new ordinance and the old ordinance I believe that a splendid building ordinance can be drafted. Both ordinances have their good and bad points and I don't think that we ought to pass the new ordinance to take the place of the old one. I don't think the new ordinance is complete, nor do I think that we want to do away entirely with points in the old ordinance. The essential feature of a building ordinance should be a statement as to what should constitute a building, in the way of dimension, mainly of the foundation and the walls and the material to be used. This is not fully exploited in the new ordinance, which I think should be amended and revised to this effect and in several other respects."

By a unanimous vote, Mr. Blount was appointed as a committee of one, in view of his splendid qualifications, to revise, alter or compose a building ordinance to be submitted before the council at the next meeting.

Bachelor Bankers' Banquet.

The bachelor bankers of the local banks will hold their annual banquet in the dining room of the New Hammel hotel tomorrow evening. Each bachelor is to take one lady friend and it is expected that a large crowd will be present.

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RAILROAD CROSSINGS ON WATER STREET TO BE FIXED

Jefferson to Be Paved Between Water and First Streets; Resolution by Penland.

W. A. Eastburn addressed the city council last night in regard to the promised improvement of railroad crossings on Water street. Mr. Eastburn claimed that railroad officials have time and again promised to repair these crossings but have so far failed to act.

Mr. Burns, a Southern Pacific official from Portland who was present at the session, replied to Mr. Eastburn stating that the matter had been under advisement for some time and that while he couldn't officially assure that improvements would be made, understood that action would be taken in the matter at an early date.

However, to push the matter as rapidly as possible, it was referred to the committee on street and public property.

A resolution from John R. Penland, city engineer, to pave Jefferson street with gravel bitulithic, north to First street and south to Water street was ordered placed on file. At the instance of Mr. Penland, with reference to the establishment of a grade on Tenth street between Elm to Vine streets, the matter was also referred to the committee on streets and public property.

IF YOU ARE GOING TO SALEM SATURDAY TAKE 1 O'CLOCK CAR

Committee in Charge of Albany Delegation Met at Commercial Club This Morning.

- After canvassing the business district of the city all the morning to ascertain how many local people could be depended upon to take advantage of the proposed excursion to Salem Saturday the committee of five prominent business men, met at the Commercial Club rooms shortly before noon and came to the conclusion that the special train service offered by the Southern Pacific Co. would not be accepted. This conclusion on the part of the committee was occasioned by the fact that there was an improbability of selling the necessary tickets for the excursion, in view of the fact that on Saturday many local merchants and business men would be unable to depart from their business.
- However, the matter will not be dropped for a large number have signified their intention of going. The committee authorized the announcement that it is its desire that all those intending to go should leave on the 1 o'clock train, that all Albany people may arrive in the Capital City about the same time. The big parade is scheduled to take place at two o'clock and those arriving at 1 o'clock will get there in time to witness this pageant.

CAIN RECEIVES SENTENCE FROM 1 TO 7 YEARS IN PRISON

B. A. Cain who pleaded guilty to an indictment of larceny before Judge Kelly Monday afternoon, when his case was set for trial, was arraigned this morning at 9 o'clock and received a sentence of from 1 to 7 years in the penitentiary.

Cain was indicted by the grand jury early last week on a charge of larceny from an office when it was alleged that he appropriated some overcoats from the office of the Albany Stables, early in January. He was replaced in the county jail pending his removal to the state prison.

Oregon Electric Across Calapoopia.

A crew of workmen have been engaged today in laying the track of the Oregon Electric freight line across the foot of Calapoopia street just below the bridge.

- Owing to the fact that some of our subscribers have as yet been unable to respond to the statements mailed out during the past week, the special offer to delinquent subscribers will be held open for a limited time in order to give all patrons an opportunity to pay up their old subscription at the advance rate of \$1.25 per annum instead of at \$1.50.
- All subscribers who have received statements are urged to remit for their subscription by return mail if possible to do so; otherwise to acknowledge receipt of same, giving the management some idea of when the account will be settled.

BURGLARS LOOT CLOTHING STORE

Establishment of R. Goldblatt Entered Last Night and Many Articles Taken.

ROBBERS MAKE AWAY WITH CLOTHES, REVOLVERS, ETC.

Two Men Are Suspected of the Crime; Attempt Is Being Made to Intercept Them.

Robbers entered the second hand clothing store of R. Goldblatt on East First street some time last night and succeeded in making their get-away with a number of valuable articles. When Mr. Goldblatt opened the place this morning, he discovered to his dismay, goods strewn from one end of the store to the other. It appeared as though the burglars were particular as to what they took, ransacking the stock for special sizes of every manner of wearing apparel.

Several shelves were completely demoralized of their stock of suits of clothes, shirts and underwear. Some watches, revolvers, cutlery and jewelry were missing besides several suits of clothes and underwear, socks, collars, shoes and shirts.

When seen this morning Mr. Goldblatt was much excited over the matter and said that he would give a handsome reward for the capture and conviction of the burglars. It is just a week ago today that an alleged attempt was made to burn the store, resulting in considerable damage to the stock. The proprietor offered a reward of \$50 for the conviction of the supposed incendiaries, but nothing was done in the matter.

However, Mr. Goldblatt stated that he had his suspicions in regard to the identity of the burglars who entered his store last night, and has enlisted the services of Chief of Police Austin in chasing down his clues. It is believed that the crime was committed by two young men who came here recently and who have been seen loafing in the neighborhood for several days.

It is evident that Mr. Goldblatt has had ill luck since establishing his business in this city. Shortly after opening the store, the Franklin House burned down, resulting in damages to the extent of \$200 to the Goldblatt concern. Later his son was taken ill with appendicitis and had to be operated upon, followed closely by the attempt to burn the building.

COUNCIL ADOPTS STREET SUP'T'S. RECOMMENDATIONS

It Is Expected That the Mayor Will Call Special Meeting For Consideration of Lights.

The recommendation for street improvements of Street Superintendent Glen M. Junkin was adopted by the city council last night at its regular session.

The improvements recommended and adopted are the following: A cement sidewalk on the west side of lots 1 and 8 in block 50 on Hill street, a cement sidewalk on the west side of lots 7 and 8 block 7, on Lyon street; a cement sidewalk on the west side of lot 1 block 105 on Railroad street.

The committee on fire and water was authorized to fix the cistern at the corner of Second and Baker streets at the instance of Councilman Lyons. The cistern is to be re-cemented and placed in proper condition to hold water.

Mayor Gilbert reported that it was his intention to call a special meeting of the council for further consideration of the cluster lighting system some time last week, but that he had deferred it for a later date. It was intimated that the meeting would be called some time this week.

FRANK ALBRECHT FOUND GUILTY LAST EVENING

After consuming the greater portion of the day in the trial of the case of State of Oregon vs. Frank Albrecht charged with a violation of the local option law, the case was given to the jury at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The jury was out until 8:30 last night when they brought in a verdict of guilty as charged.

John H. Stevens, general superintendent of the C. & E. R. R., went to San Francisco yesterday where he will confer with railroad heads.

HENRY CASE IS NOW ON TRIAL

Jurymen Being Examined Today and List May Be Completed This Evening.

BELIEVING IN UNWRITTEN LAW DISQUALIFIES MANY

Case Will Be One of Hardest Contested in the History of the County.

That the case of the State of Oregon vs. Ralph Henry, charged with murder in the first degree, will be bitterly contested by both the attorneys for the prosecution and the defense is indicated by the length of time already consumed in securing a list of jurymen for the trial of the case.

Although the case was called for trial at 4 p. m. yesterday, only six jurymen were secured up to noon today and it is probable that the list will not be completed until this evening.

The jurymen already accepted are as follows: M. L. Forester, of Tangent; J. W. Prickett, of Lebanon; John W. Wolf of Brownsville, W. Wilson of Shelburn, Putman Kester of Plainview and John R. Trask of Lyons.

In answer to the questions of the attorneys, many of the jurymen have disqualified themselves by the statement that they are in favor of the unwritten law, which is expected to play an important part in the trial of the case.

Two Runaway Boys Intercepted.

Two young boys between the ages of twelve and sixteen were intercepted on the streets last night by Night Policeman Marshall, and upon investigation it was learned that the youngsters had run away from home. They were thoroughly penitent when taken into custody and expressed an unmistakable desire to return to their homes at Lively, Ore. When found by the policeman they were apparently looking for a place to spend the night. Their parents were notified and the boys were put aboard a train this morning by Chief of Police Austin and sent home.

EASTERN CAPITALIST'S WOULD ESTABLISH GAS PLANT

Fred L. Plant, a Recent New Comer, Addresses City Council in Regard to Matter.

Fred L. Plant, a recent newcomer from Minnesota, addressed the city council last night, to ascertain the attitude of the council in regard to the location of a gas plant in this city.

Mr. Plant wished to know if there was anything pending with reference to a proposition of this kind and said if there was not, that he was certain he could interest some Eastern capitalist with reference to the establishment of such a plant here.

The gentleman was assured by the council that the field was open but that there was a probability of a similar proposition being presented any day, judging from action taken in the past. Mr. Plant desired that the council give him at least 90 days in which to communicate with the Eastern people, holding the proposition open for him during that time. This the council refused to do, whereupon Mr. Plant decided to drop the matter until the council may see fit to extend him the time specified.

THAYER ALLEGED ROAD HOUSE PROPRIETOR IS IN CUSTODY

Otey Thayer who is alleged to be the keeper of a questionable resort on the Corvallis road this side of that city was arrested there early this morning by Sheriff Gellately of Benton county and brought to this city this noon and turned over to Sheriff Bodine.

It is understood that Thayer is charged with running a road house, where it is alleged he has violated the local option liquor law. He was taken before Judge Swan this afternoon but it could not be learned whether he furnished bonds or not.

RAILROAD WOULD DONATE LAND OCCUPIED BY STREET

Col. Eddy, on Behalf of S. P. Co. Offers Site at Intersection of Ninth and R. R. Track.

Colonel Eddy, superintendent of construction of the Southern Pacific Railroad company of Portland, appeared before the regular session of the council last evening in regard to the proposed extension of Ninth street from Montgomery street across the Southern Pacific tracks. It appears that at the present time the street as now traveled, in a half circle over the tracks, is located on railroad property and it was to remove the street from this property that the council proposed a plan some time ago to construct the street straight across the tracks.

After some discussion Col. Eddy, who produced a blue print sketch of the intersection with the proposed extension of the street, made the proposition on behalf of the railroad company, that the land now occupied by the street will be donated to the city provided the road remains as it now is. It is claimed by the railroad official that the proposed change would hinder the switching facilities in the railroad yard, at the same time hazarding the traffic over the crossing.

The matter was referred to the committee on streets and public property.

HOBBO FALLS FROM BRAKE RODS; HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Fritz Brewer Meets with Accident Early This Morning at Southern Pacific Depot.

That Fritz Brewer, a young German beating his way from Portland to San Francisco, is not a corpse instead of a patient at St. Mary's hospital, is the greatest wonder in the world.

Brewer and another under-train tourist, giving the name of Jack Noonan, who had come in on the under-rods, when No. 15, southbound, left the depot at this city about 4:30, climbed on the rods, boarding near the north end stand-pipe. Young Brewer first got on the single rod, which not being satisfactory, he attempted to climb over to the double rods, slipped and fell head first to the middle of the track, one of his feet catching in the brake-beam, and he was dragged head and shoulders down along the Grants Pass sand track, the train starting out quite rapidly. Brewer cried lustily, and his companion helped make a noise. A freight train, in charge of Conductor Lilly, was standing on the track south. The men heard the noise, saw the critical situation of the hobo, and did their best to signal the engineer. As the first car reached Conductor Lilly he jumped behind, turned on the emergency brake and the train stopped. In the meantime the young hobo had been dragged a block through the sand. When he reached the stone base at the south stand-pipe, he was all in. Then the train stopped and the fellow was taken out. A couple of policemen were sent for and helped the man down to the hospital, where he is doing well, not seriously hurt, but badly bruised.

Along the track near the south stand-pipe buttons, blood, parts of a leather belt and other pieces of the fellow's clothing were found, speaking for the seriousness of the situation.

"I thought it was all up with the fellow," said his companion to a Democrat representative. "He certainly had a close call and it looked as if he would never peep again, but the train stopped just in time to save his neck."

S. P. RAILROAD OFFICIALS HERE THIS AFTERNOON

MANY BILLS ALLOWED BY COUNCIL LAST NIGHT

The following bills were allowed by the council at its regular session last night:

Albany Lumber Co., \$19.00; Curtiss Lumber Co., \$13.91; Watson Bros., 66c; E. H. Horsky, \$59.50; J. W. Driver, \$1.00; Hulbert-Ohling Hardware Co., \$3.05; M. Sanders Co., 50c; Ralston Electric Co., \$5.90; Southern Pacific Co., \$10.19; C. P. Pechler, \$2.00; Martin Ludwig, 15c; Hulbert-Ohling Hardware Co., \$2.45; C. G. Rawlings, \$8.75; Eugene E. Malfait, \$1.75; Oregon Power Co., \$1.00; Oregon Power Co., \$160.00; Oregon Power Co., \$287.50; Albany Sand & Gravel Co., \$4.50; Griff King, \$75.00; Geo. Simons, \$26.00; Gilbert Bros., \$7.00; Gilbert Bros., \$66.75; Terrill & Ferbach, \$10.00.

Senator M. A. Miller came down from Lebanon this afternoon to look after his annual tax bill.

Harry Winkler, a popular Corvallis confectioner, went to Seio this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hoover of Detroit, returned this noon from Newport, where they have been spending several weeks at the Hoover cottage.

2000 TAX RECEIPTS ISSUED BY SHERIFF

The Deputy Tax Collectors in Sheriff Bodine's Office Are Kept Busy Every Minute.

THE COLONIZATION CO. OF OREGON TO PAY \$20,000

List of Taxpayers of This County Who Pay \$500 or More Is Given.

There has not been a dull moment at the sheriff's office since tax collection started early in February. Up to the present time a little over two thousand tax receipts have been filed. The receipts are for varied sums of money and the special office force employed has kept continually on the move to cope with the rapid influx of tax money from every part of the county, embodying special road and school taxes. Sheriff Bodine is authority for the statement that the taxes have been coming in rapidly and consistently and at the present time the rush is conceded to be practically over, for the largest portion of the tax roll has been collected.

There are a good many heavy tax payers in this county and according to the tax receipts there are many who pay several hundred dollars in taxes every year. Out of the first two thousand receipts the lowest tax paid this year was twelve cents, by F. W. Spencer, on a lot in Fairdale addition, located one mile south of this city. However, a large majority of the receipts are for sums varying from \$50 to \$500. Nevertheless, there are many taxpayers who pay from \$1 to \$50.

Late yesterday afternoon Mr. E. H. Rhodes of this city paid his taxes amounting to \$1,000.00. Mr. Rhodes is an extensive property owner of this county and owns several of the county's best farms. According to Sheriff Bodine the Wells Fargo Express Co. hold a tax bill for more than \$1,000.00 in taxes on land owned by that company in this section.

According to the information given out by W. D. Washburn, a deputy tax collector with the Oregon and Western Colonization Co. are to pay a tax assessment of \$20,000.00 today. This is the tax assessed on 102,000 acres of timber lands in eastern Linn county which was recently sold to Porter Bros. at a consideration of \$4,000,000. The colonization company originally owned the land, selling it to the Porter Bros. syndicate, and according to the terms of the sale, were to deliver it free from incumbrance with the taxes paid to date.

Among those who have paid a sum of \$500 or more in taxes are the following: On February 28, W. D. Porter of Shedd, paid the sum of \$556.34, on 1365 acres in township 13, 4 west of the W. M., and on town lots in Shedd. On February 16, C. A. Vaudran, of this city, paid the sum of \$507.74, on property in Monteith's South addition and Pipe's addition to Albany. February 26 Carl Grell, whose address was omitted from the receipt, paid \$542.42 on 96 acres located in township 12, 3 west of the W. M. James Dempsey, whose address is given as Tacoma, Wash., on February 26, paid \$583.19, on lands in township 10, 4 west of the W. M. This list includes all of the tax payers above the sum of \$500 up to the present time, but it is understood that there are several more on the lists who are to pay this amount.

Claim That the New Hammel Would Prove Credit to City of 50,000 People.

Arriving at noon today from Eugene, John M. Scott, general passenger agent of the Southern Pacific railway; H. A. Hinshaw, general freight agent, and W. H. Jenkins, traveling passenger agent visited a large number of local business men, and this afternoon returned to Portland.

The officials stopped at the New Hammel hotel and asserted that the hotel would prove a credit to a city of 50,000 population. All three of the railroad men remarked about the wonderful improvement going on in the Hub City and predicted that the town would continue to grow in population.

Before leaving Albany the officials visited Lebanon but asserted that their visit in the eastern portion of the county had nothing to do with the proposed extension of the line to the timber belt.

Geo. E. Sanders went over to Philomath this morning on telephone business.