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NINTH STREET TO BE IMPROVED

Jefferson Street is Also to Be Graveled and Graded Sometime Soon.

CITY DADS DISPOSED OF MUCH BUSINESS

P. E. & E. Will Be Required to Fix Track at the Corner of Lyon and First Street.

What the Council Did Last Night

- Adopted recommendations of street committee for grading and graveling of Ninth street and block of Jefferson street north of First street.
- Passed ordinance requiring P. E. & E. to fix pavement at corner of Lyon and First streets.
- Passed ordinance repealing section of old ordinance requiring taxing of dogs.
- Adopted street committee report for opening of Oak street from Santiam to Salem roads.
- Agreed to go in body to Corvallis to inspect a make of concrete cluster light posts with view to adopting it for proposed city lighting system.
- Agreed that property owners on Broadbalm street north of First street should petition for pavement.

Ninth street from Elm to Baker streets is to be graded and gravelled its full width, according to a report in the form of a strong recommendation submitted last night before the meeting of the city council by the committee on streets and public property.

Likewise Jefferson street between Water and First streets is to undergo a similar improvement, according to the provisions made in the same report.

The matter of paving both of these thoroughfares has been up before the council but have been postponed several times. Members of the council have since been awaiting the improvement of these two streets with the result of the action taken last night. Numerous complaints have been registered relative to the bad condition of both streets and realizing the imperative necessity of improving them before it is too late, the members of the street committee were prompted to institute the drastic measure.

Five main cross town thoroughfares, all of which are paved, lead into Ninth street which is the city's important north-south avenue and is heavily travelled. Its condition in certain places last winter were cited as a disgrace to the city and in view of these facts it was held that the improvement should be made. Jefferson street is now having an unusually heavy travel due to the Oregon Electric freight depot and the flouring mills located on the river bank. Many big runs have been brought in the surface of the street due to heavy hauling the past winter and it was held that if permitted to go in this condition during the coming winter, it could be in an extremely dangerous condition and would place the city liable to a damage suit.

The matter of repairing the foot of Broadbalm street in the same manner was discussed and the members of the council unanimously agreed that the property owners ought to petition for pavement or for the graveling and grading of it from First to Water streets. Aside from being an exceedingly muddy place in the winter time it has a heavy travel and it was pointed out that the wagon track dirt and mud over the pavement. The heavy traffic over first street grinds the dirt into the pavement and it is being gradually ruined. The city street cleaning department is kept continually busy at this corner during the winter months, according to a statement made by Mayor Gilbert, and this work is running into money.

Mayor Gilbert announced that the alley running into the block between Broadbalm and Ellsworth street north of Ferry street, was in an exceedingly unsanitary condition, due to poor drainage and the trash which is permitted to stand by some of the storekeepers. He said that it was the most unsightly place in the city and was surprised to find it in the condition it was when he went to investigate the matter of complaints registered with him. He stated that the city health officer has repeatedly ordered the alley cleaned and has threatened the imposition of the law for violation. The alley has been cleaned from time to time, stated the mayor, under these orders but invariably it has been allowed to become unsightly again. He recommended that the matter be immediately investigated which is to be done.

By issuing an ordinance, the city (Continued on Page 2)

COUNCILMAN HULBERT ARRESTS CRAZY MAN

Neighbors Became Alarmed and Sent in Call for Help; Hardware Man Responds.

Early this forenoon quite a little excitement was caused in the western part of the city where it was reported that a man dressed in a long coat, with white veil and gloves, was acting very oddly; leaping in the air, striking out wildly and throwing his gloves on the ground, all of which convinced some of the good people that he was insane and needed restraint.

It was decided that the case should be reported to the committee on streets and public property and Councilman Hulbert was called upon to investigate. Now Hulbert thought that he was better qualified to adjust the inclination of a washing machine than of a crazy man but took an assistant and went after him and finally landed him.

He proved to be none other than Street Commissioner Junkin who had been trying to get a swarm of bees over some of the bumps in that part of the city and into a hive, but that some of the bees had become cross, got inside his bee bonnet and upset him a few times around the mouth.

SHEDD MAN INJURED BY RUNAWAY COLTS

Leg Broken in Two Places Below Knee; Horses Frightened at Harrow.

Shedd, Or., July 10.—(Special to Democrat.)—While attempting to load a harrow on a sled, a team of young colts driven by L. A. Scott, became frightened here Tuesday evening and ran away. The harrow struck Scott at a point below the knee and broke his leg in two places. Dr. Davis of Albany was summoned and dressed the wounds. Mr. Scott is suffering a great deal of pain as a result of the accident but his recovery is expected by the physician in attendance.

CHURCHILL PARTY LEAVES TODAY FOR SEATTLE

Will Motor to Metropolis of Washington and Attend Cost Congress.

Leaving this morning on an automobile trip to Seattle, E. K. Churchill and wife, accompanied by their son, Elmer, Sarah Sloan and Susa Sears of Medford, expect to visit a number of cities and towns between Albany and Seattle and will spend an entire month on their vacation.

The party will stop over at Portland and from there will motor to Seattle by way of Vancouver, B. C. Mr. Churchill will attend the Cost Congress at Seattle, which place he expected to reach by Sunday night.

WANTS DIVORCE FROM WIFE WHO DESERTED HIM

Charging that his wife wilfully and without cause deserted him in the year 1909, Charles Kolb, through his attorney, Elmer C. Richardson, has started suit in the circuit court of Linn county for legal separation from Elizabeth Kolb.

The couple were married in Bismarck, North Dakota, April 13, 1910. As a result of the union there is one daughter, now in the custody of the defendant. The plaintiff has been a resident of Linn county for the past year coming here from North Dakota. In the complaint it is stipulated that the plaintiff is the owner of 160 acres of land in that state.

Statements are again being mailed to subscribers who are behind more than one year on their subscription. No one has intentionally been overlooked and the editor assures delinquent subscribers that he will be pleased to send them back on money order if sent by return mail. The date on which your subscription expires is now plainly stamped on the wrapper of your paper.

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FIFTEEN WIDOWS GRANTED PENSIONS

County Judge McKnight Rendered Decision on 28 Applications Today.

MANY APPLICANTS LABOR UNDER MISAPPREHENSION

County Will Pay Out \$375 Monthly; Seven Petitions Were Dismissed.

After thoroughly investigating the applications for widows pensions and consulting District Attorney Gale S. Hill as to legal points, County Judge Bruce McKnight rendered his decision on 28 of the applications today, which were filed during the month of June.

Fifteen applications have thus far been filed but two of them were filed during the present month and did not come up before the county court for consideration with those filed last month but however, will be passed upon later.

County Judge McKnight stated this morning that there appeared to be much misapprehension concerning the provisions of the law which was passed by the last legislature granting pensions to widows with children who are in need. Various incidents contribute to this fact, judging from the rejected applications. It is believed that had it not been for hundreds of inquiries to the county judge and in the county clerk's office concerning the provisions of the law that many more applications would have been filed.

One of the seven applications which was dismissed, was from a woman who gave her age as 71, being the mother of six children, and the age of the oldest child is 34. This of course was filed under a misapprehension as the law plainly and specifically states that a widow is not eligible being the mother of children under 16 years of age.

Nor can a woman go away from the state and come back expecting to receive a pension. A man applied at the county clerk's office and inquired for information concerning the law. He wanted to know if his mother, who at present was residing in California, could receive a pension if she should return to the state. He said that he had four children and that he was the youngest. County Clerk Marks told him that under this condition, his mother would be twice barred from receiving a pension, because she would be classed as a non-resident and because she was the mother of children all of whom were of age.

Four other applications dismissed were from women having husbands living, by separation and divorce. The remaining 2 had property and were in good circumstances.

With the granting of 15 of the petitions the county will pay out in pensions monthly the sum of \$375, distributed as follows: Two families of six children each will each receive \$47.50 per month; two families of five children each will receive \$40 each; one family of four children \$32.50; three families of three children each \$25; three families of two children each \$17.50 and four families of one child each \$10.

TELEPHONE COMPANY AT LEBANON HAS NEW MANAGER

New President and Board of Directors Have Been Chosen by Mutual Company.

Lebanon, Or., July 10.—Chas. H. Button, who last week succeeded to the management of the Lebanon Telephone company, and wife, are now permanent residents of Lebanon. Mr. Button has, until coming here, been connected with the Home Telephone company, at LaGrande. He has been elected to the position of secretary and general manager of the company. The fact that Mr. Button has purchased a good sized block of the company's stock will add to his permanency in Lebanon.

W. D. Brown, whose good business judgment and close attention to the business has helped in a large measure to make the affairs of the company successful, will retire from the presidency of the company. R. C. Carlton was elected to succeed him, and the other members of the board of directors are: R. G. Miller, J. F. Barr, F. L. Smith, H. C. Winton, Chas. H. Button and Thad Hall.

L. A. Phelps, who has been manager of the office, has severed his connection with the company.

LIQUOR SUIT IS FILED HERE TODAY

Albany Lumber Company Commences Ejection Proceedings in Justice Court.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY HILL REPRESENTS PLAINTIFF

Kennedy, Peacock and Marks Named As Defendants in Complaint Filed.

Acting upon the advise of the city authorities, the Albany Lumber company today filed a suit in ejection against Dan Kennedy, Al Peacock, and E. T. Marks, the alleged proprietors of a barn located in the rear of the Russ House.

District Attorney Gale S. Hill represents the plaintiff and in the complaint it is alleged the Albany Lumber company is entitled to the use and possession of the property in question. It is further alleged that the barn is a common public nuisance and the court is requested to restrain the defendants from further use of the premises. The action was started this morning before Judge Swan and the hearing will take place on Monday.

All three of the defendants have heretofore been indicted and convicted under the local option law and it is understood that no defense will be made to the suit.

Were Married in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brotherton arrived last night and are at home in this city. Mr. Brotherton has been residing here for some time while engaged in conducting a painting shop. He recently left for New York state where he was married and has now returned to make his permanent home.

Returns to Corvallis.

Mrs. S. L. Sloane, wife of the prominent Crawfordville optician, who have been visiting relatives and friends in this city for the past two weeks left for Brownsville and Albany yesterday, where she will visit for several weeks before returning to her home.—Salem Statesman.

Albany Man Visits Salem.

Bert R. Westbrook, of the new St. Francis hotel at Albany, and Mrs. Westbrook were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ward in this city during the cherry fair. They returned to Albany Sunday evening.—Salem Statesman.

O. E. Sully, manager of the Cut Rate Mercantile Company is attending to business matters in Portland.

Carson Bigbee left yesterday for Marshfield where he will be employed during the coming summer. He will play baseball with the Marshfield team.

E. H. Todd, vice president of the Willamette University, passed through the city this noon enroute to Harrisburg.

Home—To Mr. and Mrs. W. Pollock, Monday morning a ten and one half pound boy.

Conrad Meyer and family expect to leave Saturday morning for Newport, where they will spend the summer.

CHAUTAQUA PROVES BIG DRAWING CARD FOR ALBANY

Program Better Than Any During Any Previous Year; Receives Congratulations.

According to the claims made by many citizens of Albany the Chautauqua this year is bigger, better and more generally patronized than during any previous year.

The program is larger and more varied and more interesting than the purchaser of a Chautauqua ticket received more for his money than during the present season.

Scores of people are camped on the grounds and the talent thus far secured will compare favorably with that presented on the programs in eastern cities.

The management has received a number of congratulations on the manner in which the same has been conducted and the officers of the Chautauqua board are elated over the large attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. James Buck, of Portland, arrived this noon and will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Hocksmith, later going to Newport for a brief outing.

RAILROAD MEN LEAVE ON SECRET MISSION

Big Eastern Capitalist Accompanying Officials on Trip to the Oregon Coast.

Leaving this morning for the Coast, J. K. Weatherford, president of the Corvallis & Eastern railway, D. W. Campbell, manager of the Harriman lines for Oregon, A. B. Weatherford, secretary of the Corvallis & Eastern and a party of capitalists from the east, expect to spend the greater portion of the week at Toledo, Newport and other points on the Pacific Coast.

While President Weatherford and other members of the party declined to give out in detail the purpose of the trip it is understood that they go on a mission connected with important railroad and timber matters.

The capitalists who accompanied the railroad officials are believed to represent a big eastern syndicate and are said to be here in search of investments.

Installation Postponed.

The installation of officers of the Albany camp of Woodmen of the World, which was to take place tomorrow night has been deferred until after the Chautauqua assembly.

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE WAS OF SPECIAL INTEREST

Many Pleasing and Interesting Addresses Were Made and Reports Submitted.

A session of the Chautauqua of special interest was the convention of women's clubs at the auditorium yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Henrietta Brown of this city, presided.

Harrisburg was represented by Mrs. Geo. J. Wilhelm, who told of the work of the Civic Improvement club of that city, among other things taking charge of and making a success of the potato fair.

Mrs. Geo. Wiggoner spoke for the Lebanon clubs, telling especially of the work of the Civic Improvement club in buying twenty acres of suburban property for a city park.

Mrs. C. F. Starnard told of the work of the Civic Improvement club at Brownsville.

Mrs. Crane spoke for the women of the O. A. C., telling of the organization of the women of the family and the wives and daughters of the professors in a club that is doing excellent work.

Mrs. Lee represented the clubs at Corvallis, telling of the different organizations and their work.

For Albany Mrs. L. E. Trace gave a sketch of the civic improvement club which has spent over \$5,000 for the betterment of Albany, including the depot block, and has a balance on hand of over \$200. Miss Elizabeth Lewis of the Modern Travelers, who have at different times given the profit of their \$3,316 in all, expended for books, besides helping to raise about \$5,000 for the new building, including the site of \$250 and the site by a member, Mrs. S. E. Young and her husband, with a plan for more work in the future; Mrs. Viola E. Franklin, for the Shakespearian club; Mrs. C. V. Lister for the book clubs; and Mrs. J. S. Van Winkle for the domestic science club.

ALBANY NURSERY CO. WILL GIVE SPLENDID TROPHY

A big silver cup on display in the window of F. M. French & Son's jewelry store is to be given by the Albany Nursery Co., Inc. of this city, for the best 10-box display of Yellow Newton Pippin apples at the California Apple Show which is to be held at Watsonville, Calif., October 6 to 11.

The cup has been engraved and will make a splendid trophy. G. W. Pennebaker, manager of the nursery company, stated yesterday that the apple show is a big affair in that part of California and said that for the past two years his company has taken the highest awards at the show for the best display of nursery stock. He says that his company has furnished considerable stock to that section and that it is for this reason that they have adopted the rule of giving the trophy each year for the best apple exhibit in order to keep up the interest and pride prevailing there relative to the culture of the crop.

Attorney Mark Weatherford returned last night from a trip to Salem where he was called on legal business.

Deputy District Attorney Dan Johnson has commenced the erection of a bungalow on his property on Ellsworth street. He will erect a modern home.

E. F. Hawley, son of Congressman Hawley, and a student the past winter in the Boston Technical School, is visiting with relatives near Knox Butte.

D. P. Mason went to Jefferson this noon where he will officiate at the funeral of the late Charles Miller.

COUNCIL REPEALS TAXATION ON DOGS

Hereafter Owners of Canines in City Limits Will Not Have to Pay License.

FRAMERS OF ORDINANCE NEGLECTED THIS FEATURE

Councilman Lyons Asks Definition of "Running at Large" and Gives his Version.

Dog owners of the city of Albany will hereafter not be required to pay a license fee of \$2.00 on such animals. The city council last night passed an ordinance repealing a section of the old ordinance requiring the taxing of dogs within the city limits as personal property. Avoid the passage of the present ordinance and the repeal of dog license, which does not permit dogs to run at large within the city limits, an ordinance repealing the same relative to this subject are repealed and the rate of dogs hereafter will be governed entirely by these last two ordinances.

When the dog ordinance was written the framers, according to a statement made last night by Councilman Lyons, negligently omitted a clause repealing this feature. Since the question arose that if dog owners were to be subjected to such stringent regulations as were being discussed by the council in the ordinance, would they be required to pay a license. City Attorney L. L. Swan was instructed to look into the matter with the result that he found it would be necessary to frame an ordinance repealing that part of the old ordinance passed several years ago requiring the taxation of dogs.

According to the old ordinance the tax should be levied on July 1 of each year. The tax was not levied last year being held up pending the outcome of the settlement of the dog ordinance question.

When the question came up last night, Councilman Lyons arose and made a lengthy address in which he asserted that he would like to have the term "running at large" defined, and stating that he thought it was a shame to see people going around the streets with their dogs attached to a chain. He said that he had heard many remarks that the people were so kind in Albany that they had to have a dog lead them around. A short discussion ensued upon the conclusion of Mr. Lyons' remarks, who was asked to give his version of running at large. He said that he would construe the term as meaning that when a dog is beyond the control of its owner or is so far away that it could not be called. However, the matter was dropped when it was pointed out that it would be a matter for the courts to decide. It was unanimously agreed that Recorder Van Tassel could decide any question arising therefrom.

During the discussion, there appeared to be a sentiment that the taxation of dogs should be allowed to continue and that the term "running at large" should be carefully defined and published conspicuously. However, this sentiment was lost when Recorder Van Tassel brought up the fact that it has cost the city just as much as it gets out of it, to employ a man to make the assessments.

NEWPORT EXCURSION FROM SPRINGFIELD AND EUGENE

Southern Pacific Announces That Special Train Will Be Run Sunday.

The Southern Pacific company announces an excursion from Springfield and Eugene to Newport next Sunday, July 13. The train will leave Springfield at 5:15 and Eugene at 5:35 a. m., arriving at Newport at 12:40 in the afternoon. The train will leave there at 5:30 in the evening and arrive in Eugene at 12:25 next morning and Springfield at 12:45. The fare for the round trip is \$2.50 from Springfield, Eugene, Junction City, Harrisburg and Halsey and less from other points farther north.

Otho Franman arrived this noon from Portland where he has been employed for the past seven months as conductor on the street car system. He formerly resided here and will make his temporary home here for the present.

Jay Miller left this noon for Portland to visit with relatives for the next few days.

Mrs. Faber, formerly Mrs. Ross Wyatt, was visiting with friends in this city this afternoon.