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CITY COUNCIL HELD BIG SESSION

Transacted Routine Business, Passed Two Ordinances--Civic Matters Discussed.

ADJOURNED TO MEET AGAIN SATURDAY

Bligh Theater Sign Matter Deferred--Post Ordered Moved--Lights Installed.

Meeting last night members of the city council met and transacted routine business, passed two ordinances, considered a third, discussed several civic matters and adjourned to meet again Saturday night, to hold another meeting for the purpose of considering bids for sewers and transit left over business. Two of the councilmen were absent, and they were Hubert and Simpson.

Councilman Cameron reported on the East End lighting proposition, stating he had investigated the requests of a petition to the council by residents of that section for a change in lights. He stated he ordered three new lights installed and the removal of two.

The Bligh theater electric sign matter came up. Councilman Blount had an ordinance, purporting to grant the permission to erect the sign across the street, but it was not stipulated as to the dimensions of the sign or as to how high it would be from the street, the framer contending that a blue print drawing and scale, appended to the ordinance would legally cover this matter. It was held that this could not be placed on the records satisfactorily. The matter was held over until Saturday night for final action.

The committee on accounts and current expenses rendered its report which was adopted. A feature of the report was an item of \$34 payable to C. H. Oliver on account of dogs.

The final estimates due the Warren Construction Co. as compiled by City Engineer Penland were submitted and adopted. They showed balances due the company for excavation, bitulithic, sewer, inlet, headers, as follows: On Water street from Lafayette to Sherman, \$7,197.74, on Sixth street, from Baker to Jefferson, \$10,965.57, four blocks of alleys, \$4,388.28.

Calling attention to the fact that posts at the corner of Main street and Santiam road were hazardously located to traffic, Councilman Lyons suggested that the owners be required to move them to a safer place. The matter was referred to the committee on ordinances, with instructions to ascertain the owners had requested them to do this.

It appeared to be the consensus of opinion that the matter of installing a gasoline tank at the fire engine house would be useless at the present time.

Bids from A. W. Dockstader for the graveling and grading of Sixth street from Walnut to Elm, and Hill street, were read. Each bid came below the estimate of the city engineer, as follows, respectively: \$217.15 and \$191. A question arose as to the proper material. The specifications state material to the satisfaction of the engineer. Dockstader stated he had intended to use a certain kind of gravel. Accordingly the matter was left over in charge of a committee to consult with the bidder and engineer to determine if the material as planned upon by Dockstader would be satisfactory. Final action will be taken Saturday night.

Mrs. A. C. Schmitt and children are expected to return tonight from an outing at Newport.

Dr. J. L. Hill transacted business in Salem yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lurcher of Salem transacted business here this morning.

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Democrat Wants Correspondent

The Democrat desires to secure a local correspondent at Sheffs, Plainview, Harrisburg, Lebanon, Brownsville, Sweet Home, Scio, and all other points in the county not already represented. Anyone desiring to act as the representative of the paper will please inform the management at an early date. J23-1f

JUDGE KELLY WILL HOLD PRELIMINARY TERM

Court Will Convene Tomorrow Morning for First Time Under New Rules.

Convening court tomorrow morning, Judge Kelly will hold the first preliminary term in department one of the regular September term, under the rules recently adopted for that department.

Judge Kelly will hold court for the purpose of hearing motions and demurrers and set cases for trial. The regular September term under the new law passed by the last legislature will convene Tuesday, September 2. The regular meeting day falls on the first Monday of the month and by the fact that the first Monday falls on Labor Day, which is a legal holiday, Judge Kelly decided to delay opening court one day.

Recently Judge Kelly adopted a set of new rules for his department, pursuant to the new law, and it will be under these new rules that the court will be held here tomorrow and next week.

The court will convene tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock and will probably remain in session until early in the afternoon.

WHITNEY'S SWEET SHOP TO BE OPENED TONIGHT

Everybody Has a Cordial Invitation to Inspect New Confectionery.

Whitney's Sweet Shop will be open to the public this evening.

Everything modern and up-to-date, including the latest fixtures and soda fountain accessories, Mr. Whitney intends to cater to the best trade of the city. After several weeks of preparing, the new confectionery establishment will present an attractive and neat appearance to the people of Albany as they patronize the place this evening. Everybody should go there and give Mr. Whitney the glad hand show him he is welcome here in establishing such a creditable store.

Mr. Whitney is thoroughly familiar with the business and local people can rest assured that they will receive the best of treatment, service and value for money at his place.

CITY NEWS.

Portland People Visited Friends.—Mrs. J. T. Alton and son Donald arrived last night and are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Flood. The Altons and the Floods are old friends.

Leave for Forest Grove.—Leaving this morning by automobile for Forest Grove, Messrs. C. W. Tebault, H. Zeack, and E. L. Craddock, of Colorado, left on a business trip to that place. They expect to return this evening.

Return from Newport.—Returning last night from Newport, Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Wallace have enjoyed an outing of several weeks at the resort. They report a pleasant stay.

Harrison Here Yesterday.—R. L. Harrison of the geological survey yesterday purchased a large amount of supplies at the Parker grocery and started today for Lyons where he will work on the new survey. From there he will work up to the head waters of the North Santiam river.

State Senator Here.—Arriving here this morning, State Senator I. S. Smith, of Coos and Curry counties, who resides at Marshfield, is here on a brief business errand.

Lyle Bigbee May Pitch.—According to a report from Eugene, Lyle Bigbee, the university pitcher, who has been playing with Albany this summer, has been secured to play with Willamette-Pacific team against the Springfield team Sunday. This game may be the last one of the season. It is the sixth game, and the Willamette-Pacific has already won three of the games. Of Springfield wins the tie will be played off the following Sunday.

Many Attended Banquet.—Over 150 attended the big Moose banquet last night at Moose lodge hall as the result of a membership contest in which the losers were to banquet the winners. The team captained by Oscar Rogaway were the hosts to the team captained by Irb Schultz and the remainder of the members of the order.

Are Improving.—That Mrs. W. L. Jackson and daughter who have been confined at St. Mary's hospital with typhoid fever for the past two weeks are slightly improved this morning was the statement made this morning by Mr. Jackson. He said that Mrs. Jackson is able to sit propped up in bed this morning for the first time and he hopes to have them removed home within the next five days.

Returns from Canada.—William Woods, formerly employed at the Empire theater has returned from a ten weeks trip through British Columbia. He will accept employment at the new Rolfe.

FIREMEN ARE GOING FROM MANY TOWNS

Corvallis Will Be Scene of Big Firemen's Tournament Labor Day.

ALBANY TO SEND BIG DELEGATION OF FIRE FIGHTERS

Total Number of 150 Will Compete, From Oregon City, Eugene and Lents.

Corvallis, Or., Aug. 28.—The Corvallis Times says the following concerning the firemen's big Labor Day tournament, which promises to furnish undivided attractions to scores of Albanyites on that date:

Oregon City will send a delegation of fifteen fire fighters to the Firemen's Tournament in this city September 1st.

Gresham will send a strong team, Lents also, and Albany will send twenty-five firemen besides bringing a large number of rooters to cheer them on to victory. Albany is coming over to capture some of the prizes, but Oregon City also, has been doing some extraordinary work recently, according to the Courier.

Eugene and Salem fire fighters say they will be here and acceptance of invitation has been received from a large number of the towns in the valley that will send from three to a dozen men.

Chief Graham, President Kline and the committees in charge are confident that from 150 to 250 firemen will be here on September 1, and that this day of sports, ending with a banquet at the Julian hotel and a grand ball at the firemen's quarters, will be a pleasant and profitable one.

J. C. Lowe, who has been keeping tabs on the finances, reported very nearly \$600 available this morning.

For the winners in various horse races, ladder contests, box tests, etc., cash prizes up to \$50 are offered, and the Nott-Joslyn silver cup is a trophy that the different departments will fight for. This is now on display in the Bauer & Bauer window.

The program calls for water fights with \$30 and \$10 cash prizes, exhibition drills and a score or more of events likely to be strenuously contested.

Fire fighting apparatus, methods of will be part of the day's festivities, and a great time is anticipated.

DESIRE BIG COUNTY EXHIBIT AT SCHOOL FAIRS

County School Supervisors Will Meet Tuesday to Outline Plans.

That it is the desire of county school authorities that Linn county and all of the towns be well represented by school exhibits at the industrial fair of the state and county fair and that the fair associations are expecting strong representations from this county and more especially Albany, was the declaration made this morning by County School Superintendent W. L. Jackson.

County school supervisors will meet Tuesday at the county superintendent's office for the purpose of outlining plans for the school fairs. Strong co-operation is urged by local school authorities with the supervisors towards installation of substantial exhibits. Promises have been made by school authorities for various towns of the county that they will furnish exhibits and it is hoped that every town will come up to the promises.

But little interest has been given this work in the cities and it is hoped that the school exhibition spirit will be revived. Fair associations expect exhibits and it is only natural for the counties and towns to supply them. With the remarkable showing that students have made in Albany during the past winter, this city ought to be strongly represented at the fairs.

Drunk in Police Court.—Arrested last night, Ben Black was confined overnight in the city jail on a charge of drunkenness. He was arraigned this afternoon in the police court and given the usual punishment.

MOTOR CUT OUTS ARE ELIMINATED

At Least They Will Be When the City Council Passes Drastic Measure.

EVERY VEHICLE TO BE EQUIPPED WITH ALARM

Are to Be Sounded at Street Crossing--Action To Be Taken Saturday.

Cut outs on all motor vehicles will hereafter be required to be kept closed while within the city limits, every motor vehicle driven upon the streets shall be equipped with an alarm, "of not more than four inches indiameter" and the same will have to be sounded at all street crossings.

Such will be the new city regulations governing motor vehicles within the city limits, embodied in the form of an amended ordinance to a previous one, if the city council passes it, at the meeting to be held Saturday.

The ordinance came up for the first time last night as introduced by Councilman Lyons. Upon being read, Councilman Cameron moved that it be left over until the next meeting as other features were desired to be included within its provisions.

The amendment as it is at present reads as follows:

Section 1. That section 7 of ordinance No. 566 is amended as follows:

Every motor vehicle driven upon the streets of Albany shall be equipped with an alarm bell, horn or siren of not more than four inches in diameter and the same shall be sounded at all street crossings and whenever and wherever the traffic and use of the street would demand such sounding of a reasonably prudent person, for the purpose of notifying pedestrians and others of the approach of such motor vehicles. And the cut out on each motor vehicle shall while within the city limits at all times remain closed.

EXTENSION DEPARTMENT TALKS INTEREST WOMEN

Welfare School at Independence Is Largely Attended.

Independence, Or., Aug. 27.—The Oregon Agricultural College extension department welfare school closed a two days' session here last night.

The lecturers said the attendance was equal to that of any place they stopped, with the exception of Grants Pass.

The lectures and demonstrations in domestic science and art, under the direction of Mrs. Robbins, assisted by Miss Edna Groves, of the Portland public schools, excited a lively interest and inquiry on the part of the women of the city.

GRAND JURY DOES NOT RETURN ANY INDICTMENTS

First Time in Years That Incident Happened--One Not True Bill Found.

Yesterday was the first time in several years past that a Linn county grand jury went into session and adjourned without bringing in an indictment. The only report made by the jury was "not a true bill" against W. B. Holman.

The grand jury convened yesterday morning and remained in session until nearly 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, save for a recess from 11 o'clock until after 1 o'clock, awaiting the arrival of witnesses from Lebanon. Several matters were considered but not a single indictment was returned and the only report made was the not true bill. Following its adjournment the jury was discharged.

Holman was charged in a complaint of permitting minors to loiter in his saloon at Harrisburg. The offense was alleged to have been committed on July 12 last. The youngster named in the complaint was Theo. Upmeyer.

The members of the jury were: H. B. Springer, Albany, foreman; Gus Gonderon, Sodaville; W. O. McClain, North Lebanon; C. E. Soule, LaComb; G. R. Titus, South Lebanon; S. Lindley, South Lebanon, and J. T. Follis, Kingston.

Steam Roller Shipped from Lebanon.—The Warren Construction company unloaded a 12-ton steam roller, which will be used in paving the streets on which they hold contracts in Eugene. Work will begin on Oak street first. The other two streets are Abler and Almaden.—Register.

THERE IS MUCH MINERAL IN SANTIAM DISTRICT

Dr. E. O. Smith, Mining Engineer, Declares Poor Management Deters Operations.

Declaring that there is a great deal of mineral and that there are plenty of undiscovered gold veins in the Santiam district, but that poor management and monopoly is responsible for lack of profitable operations, was the assertion made this morning by Dr. E. O. Smith, of Portland, a well known mineralogist, who has been investigating conditions in that section for the past two weeks. Dr. Smith arrived here yesterday and left for Portland this afternoon where he will make extensive reports to mining syndicates.

"There is all kinds of mineral in that section," said Dr. Smith, "and some of these days it will be gotten out on a paying basis. I panned some gold out of a stream and the dust is a fair indication that there is plenty of it there. Poor management is responsible for deterring of operations on a paying basis and much of the land is under monopoly control. I have reasonable convictions that some rich gold veins are to be found below the surface judging from the surface indications.

ALBANY GIRLS ARE GREAT SPORTSWOMEN SAYS SMITH

Hunted, Fished and Climbed Mountains Like Any of Opposite Sex.

Declaring that Albany has the greatest sportswomen in Mrs. Lloyd Gilchrist, Miss Marion Stanford, Mrs. Rollin G. Hackelman and Miss Bernice Hackelman, Dr. E. O. Smith asserted this morning that the girls did the most wonderful feats of fishing, hunting, walking, and mountain climbing that he had ever heard of girls doing with such adaptiveness and agility.

Dr. Smith arrived here this morning after spending several days camping near Canal Fork on the Santiam river, and left for his home in Portland this afternoon. While here he looked up various mining records, Dr. Smith is well known here by old timers, having practiced dentistry here 30 years ago. Since he has been engaged in mine assaying for a big Portland syndicate and has travelled to all points of the world where there are quartz mines of any note. While here Dr. Smith renewed acquaintances with C. H. Stewart.

"The girls camped at the mouth of Canal Fork in company with Lloyd Gilchrist, Rollin Hackelman and Thomas Gilchrist near where I was camped," said Dr. Smith. "They were there for two weeks. They would whoop and howl like Indians, hunt, fish and pick berries, averaging 40 to 70 fish a day. They were great marksmen, carrying a Winchester around like a man. Mr. Gilchrist killed a deer while his wife was with him. If they can shoot cupid arrows as well as they could shoot the gun they did, they never will have any trouble in landing the right man."

"They walked 22 miles through burnt timber country on one of the hottest days to Gates, leaving at 8 o'clock in the evening. Three miles of this trip was made over a mountain trail that was nearly straight up and down. I never saw such wonderful sportswomen in my life and they deserve much honor and credit for their accomplishments. I believe they enjoyed every bit of their outing and they seemed to take an interest in everything. I taught them how to pan gold."

POLICE WILL CATCH SPEEDERS ON HIS MOTORCYCLE

The large Excelsior motorcycle recently purchased by the Eugene police department was turned over to them today. The machine which cost \$265 has been fitted out with \$55 worth of extras and though it passes for only seven it is capable of developing ten horsepower. The machine will be used to give the police a wider scope of territory, for hurray up calls, and to overtake "cannon-ball" speeders. A novel device is the small electric lamp which has been so fitted that it throws light on the speedometer at night. In a trial trip to Fairmont yesterday afternoon the officer riding the machine ran out of gasoline and was forced to come back to town on the street car.—Register.

Walter Wiles and family of Wells are visiting with friends in this city. Mrs. Wiles is now a stockman near Wells but was formerly cashier of the First National Bank of Corvallis.

Mr. Herbert Anthony returned this afternoon from a business trip to Hood River.

Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Sturmer left this noon for Newport to enjoy a few days outing.

HITCHING RACKS SOON INSTALLED

Drinking Fountain for Horses Will Also Come Along in Conjunction.

CITY COUNCIL GIVES AUDIENCE TO GRANGERS

Committees Are to Meet Tomorrow Afternoon for Definite Action.

Will some public spirited citizen donate a place for the city to maintain a drinking fountain and hitching rack for horses?

By so doing a great favor would be conferred upon the farmers. A public lavatory is also in order. It has been cited that such municipal conveniences would prove a great asset to the city and such conveniences could be installed ornamentally.

It has also been cited that farmers are deserving of such accessories upon coming to Albany to trade. It has been asked, "What would become of the city if it were not for the farmers?"

The matter of installing drinking fountains and hitching racks came up again last night at the meeting of the city council, when C. H. Walker and F. M. Mitchell, as a committee from the grange went before the council to ascertain the attitude of the city fathers on this vital point.

"We would like to get an expression from your honorable body," said Mr. Mitchell, "upon the question of locating such conveniences, not only for the farmers, but for everybody. Also something as to the expense, the privilege, and whether the city will help us to this end."

The grangers were met with a royal reception upon this question. They were assured that the city was in hearty accord with the project and that it was the intention of the city to install and maintain a fountain and racks, independent of outside help.

Mayor Gilbert stated that at the present time a committee was busy looking over the city for suitable locations. In short, however, it was intimated that the city has been in a slight quandary as to the matter. There appears to be no room in the main business district for hitching racks and any attempt to install one might bring forth the wrath of the citizens owning abutting property in an injunction suit. It developed that the only apparent and most feasible location for the installation of these conveniences would be to install one in the East End and another in the West End.

With assurances on the part of both the grangers and the city council that each faction was in earnest in the matter, immediate co-operation was decided at the suggestion of Councilman Lyons, who asked that a committee confer with the grange committee.

Councilman Blount insisted that that the city inaugurate the proposition independent of the grange, contending that this was the intention and that the farmers would appreciate it more. It was made plain that the city was not looking for charity in the matter.

Councilman Lyons' suggestion was adopted and accordingly the street and public property committee will meet the grange committee tomorrow afternoon to look over the city for the purpose of finding a location for the installation of a drinking fountain and hitching racks for horses.

CITY COUNCIL PASSES TWO NEW ORDINANCES

Railroad to Construct Crossing--Bank Given Right to Maintain Fountain.

Ordinances passed by the city council last night are as follows:

An ordinance requiring the present holder of the franchise granted to the Willamette Valley and Coast Railroad company by a previous ordinance to construct a proper crossing on Lafayette street where the railroad crosses the street. The improvement is to be made within 90 days. The Corvallis & Eastern Railroad company is the holder of the franchise.

An ordinance granting to the First National Bank of Albany the use of a certain portion of First street to erect and maintain a drinking fountain.

W. M. Bain, president of the Albany State Bank left yesterday on a business trip to Portland.