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CITY COUNCIL HOLDS SPECIAL SESSION

To Consider Petitions, Open Bids For and the Election of a City Electrician

Pursuant to a legal call the city council met its special session on last Thursday evening. The mayor and all councilmen being present.

A petition for an all-night light service, signed by J. S. Sticha and 49 others was read and by motion and unanimous vote an all-night service for seven months and a mid-night service for five months was granted.

The light and water committee submitted bids for the electrician as placed on file and recommended that the bid of J. W. Parrish, of Jefferson, be accepted.

Motion was then made by P. H. MacDonald that the present electrician, Walt Bilyeu, be retained provided he would lower his bid to \$80 per month. The roll was called and the vote was as follows: Negative, Councilmen Peery, Cain, Wesely and Thayer; affirmative Councilmen Morrison, MacDonald, Bilyeu. On the motion that the report of the light and water committee be adopted, and that J. W. Parrish, of Jefferson be employed at \$75 per month, resulted as follows: Yea, Councilmen Peery, Cain, Wesely and Thayer; nay, Morrison, Bilyeu, and MacDonald and the motion was declared carried by Mayor Prill.

Street and public property committee reported that crushed rock could be obtained from Mr. Peppering f. o. b. West Scio for 75 cents per cubic yard.

Communication from Mr. McArthur was read but no action was taken on same.

The S. and P. P. committee reported the sidewalk in front of C. C. Bilyeu's property in a dangerous condition. Adjourned.

(At a previous regular session of the council the light and water committee was instructed to make a tender of \$85 per month to Walter Bilyeu for an all-night light service. This was done but Mr. Bilyeu rejected the tender.)

Tax Collection Held Up

Eugene, Feb. 29.—A temporary injunction was granted by Judge Skipworth in the circuit court today restraining Sheriff Parker from collecting a two-mill tax levied by the county court on property located in Eugene and Springfield. The city holds that the tax is illegal and that the county districts should stand the expense of road building.

Pending a decision on the merits of the case, the sheriff will collect two mills less from the citizens of the cities, which, it is contended by the tax collector, will cost the county at least \$1000, no matter which way the decision goes.

Read This

All kinds of affliction treated without medicine or machinery. Goitres can be eliminated. Come and see me at the Scio Hotel. Charges reasonable. Dr. Joe Waidrop.

Farmers Paying Price of Munitions of War

Portland, Feb. 29.—Farmers are paying the price of guns, ammunition and new steel ships required in the European war, implement men here declare. They are paying it in higher prices for farm machinery and implements, and the prices are going still higher. Ten per cent increase in the price of some machinery has been noted. Wire fence costs more and some factories are refusing orders for fences because their machinery can be used for war supplies, for which they get more money.

SECURING INTEREST IN FAIRS BEGINS

County School Superintendent and Rural Supervisor to Start on Tour First of Month

On March 1, County School Superintendent Jackson and Rural Supervisor Benner, will begin the work of interesting all the pupils of the county in the coming industrial school fairs, especially the one to be held in connection with the county fair at Scio in September and the one to be held in connection with the Willamette Valley Exposition here next October.

Mr. Jackson says that a concerted effort will be made to make the event bigger and better than ever. All pupils will be urged to participate and will be asked to begin the preparation of their exhibits right away.

Five hundred circulars describing the Albany fair are now being printed and will be distributed among the pupils as soon as possible. Circulars dealing with the Scio fair are now being distributed.—Albany Herald.

Condensery to Start

After an idleness of more than six months, our condensery is to be placed in operation on March 15.

The cause of the shutdown was the extreme low price of condensed milk which made the manufacture of the same a losing game. Now with the demand caused by the European war and the starting up of the logging camps, milk can be manufactured at a profit and pay farmers a fair price for raw milk. A Mr. Miller from Marion county, will be process man.

Waterloo Man Charged With Assaulting a Girl

Charged with forcibly assaulting Eva Porter, a minor girl over 16 years of age, Delbert Devine, a young man of Waterloo, was brought to Albany this afternoon and following a hearing before Justice Swan, was bound over to the grand jury. He will remain in the county jail until his case is acted upon at this term of the grand jury. John Porter swore to the complaint against Devine. It is alleged that the assault occurred near the girl's home near Waterloo on Feb. 27. His bonds were placed at \$1000.

GRAVE SITUATION IS THOUGHT POSSIBLE

Washington Deeply Concerned on Eve of New Teutonic Submarine Warfare

Washington, Feb. 29.—Results of the new Austro-German submarine campaign against armed ships of the entente allies beginning at midnight are awaited by the United States with grave concern.

Although under their new instructions Teutonic naval commanders are authorized to sink without warning all armed merchantmen they encounter, it is understood they have been told to make sure if possible that no American citizens are aboard any ship attacked. Furthermore, in the latest communication regarding submarine warfare, Germany has assured the United States that the new orders are so formulated as to prevent the destruction of enemy liners "on account of their armament unless such armament is proved."

The attitude of the United States government toward the new policy of Germany and Austria has not been definitely determined. President Wilson today discussed the subject in a conference with Secretary Lansing and then laid the German communication before his cabinet. Later it was said that because the all-important appendices to the German memorandum had been delayed in transit the State Department thus far was unable to determine whether contentions set forward by Germany and Austria in justification of their course was sustained.

Jaw Broken

Dr. T. K. Sanderson is a successful dentist and has conducted his business for several years without accident. As a side line he is breeding trotting horses and to this business, hangs a tale.

Last Sunday afternoon when leading the shetland poney his colt came running by and as it passed kicked. The colt's hoof landed squarely on the Doctor's jaw and registered a complete knockout. Doc. receiving the count.

Dr. Prill, who happened to be near was at the injured man's side almost at once. Upon examination he found the left jaw crushed necessitating the removal of a part of the jaw 1½ inches in length and in which were three teeth.

Dr. Sanderson will be confined to his room for several days and will carry as a souvenir of his horse breeding days a disfiguring scar.

It is said that he has concluded the colt can extract teeth more rapidly than he can.

Knights Pay Fraternal Visit

Monday evening the following named Knights of Pythias went over to Albany for a fraternal visit to Laural Lodge No. 7 of the order:

Roe Shelton, Walter Miller, Bert, Walt, and Ira Bilyeu, Ethel Arnold, J. S. Sticha, Dr. Hobson, Roll Morris, John Kelly and Henry Stepanek.

W. O. Wimmer of Scio is Charged With Assault

Charged with assault and battery, W. O. Wimmer, aged 40, a barber of Scio, is being held there this afternoon on a warrant sworn out here in Justice Swan's court by Jake Bilyeu, of Crabtree. Sheriff Bodine went to Scio this afternoon in an automobile to bring Wimmer to this city for examination before Justice Swan.

Bilyeu alleges that Wimmer, without cause or provocation, accosted him at his place of business yesterday and while armed with a gun, declared he was going to kill Bilyeu.—Albany Herald, Tuesday.

HOUSE TO REMAKE LAND GRANT BILL

Chamberlain Draft to Be Used as Basis For Construction of Committee Substitute

Washington, Feb. 29.—The House public lands committee today decided to frame its own bill for the disposition of the Oregon & California land grant and decided further to use the Chamberlain bill, with the attorney-general's amendments, as the basis on which to construct the committee substitute. In doing this the committee rejected the Hawley, Raker and Wilson bills.

The committee also voted to accept the attorney-general's construction of the supreme court decision, and will proceed on the theory that congress can do as it pleases with the land grant so long as it guarantees to the railroad \$2.50 an acre.

There has been no agreement, however, on the details of the bill which the committee intends to report, and no agreement will be reached until after the committee has heard representatives of the forest service and interior department, the land commissioner of the Southern Pacific and those members of the Oregon delegation who discuss questions of policy and discuss also the recommendations of the secretary of agriculture and the secretary of the interior. The report of Secretary Lane has not yet been sent to congress.

A Model Letter

A friend in the employ of the Portland Seed Company sends in this model letter received from a customer of that Company:

Hayards, Cal.
Portland Seed Co., Portland Ore.
Gentlemen: i got the pump which me bye from you, but for gods sake you no sen the handel. wats the use o a pump when she doan have no handel. i lose me custmer, he holler like hel for the pump, you no it is hot summer and the wind he no bloe the pump. she got no handle so wat the hell i goan to do mit it. if you done sen the handle prety quick i sen her back and i gona order from myers company.

Goodby, Yours Truly
Tony Righetti
sined i rite i fine dam handel in the box excuse me

'NEUTRALS BECOME' RAIDERS, IS CHARGE

The Ships Leaving South America and New Orleans Are Said to Be Germans

Providence, R. I., Feb. 29.—The government is in possession of evidence which shows that at least three merchant vessels which have left South American ports in the last month under neutral flags have been transformed to German sea raiders on the Atlantic.

This knowledge has been coupled also with the strong belief that efforts are being made continuously to move vessels from American ports under false manifests to be used for this same purpose. In this connection, orders have been issued to government officers at all United States ports within the last few days to maintain the closest scrutiny of every vessel sailing from America under a neutral flag.

There is reason to believe that at least one ship of this type has already got away successfully from New Orleans.

It is known that four weeks ago one merchant ship left an Argentine port, ostensibly under the Swedish flag, and that one other ship left Rio de Janeiro three weeks ago, also flying the Swedish flag. Both of these ships are in reality German raiders.

One vessel which is supposed to have left Rio de Janeiro seven weeks ago was a self-interned German freight carrier which sailed away practically in ballast, alleging as its destination an American port. This vessel has not yet been heard from.

It is believed that the British authorities are keenly alert to this situation and that they have recently largely increased their cruiser strength in both the North and South Atlantic on the lookout for these escaped vessels.

Within the next few weeks the heaviest shipments that have yet been sent out from this country are scheduled to leave for Europe.

Grain Prices Decline Rapidly

For some reason the price of grain in Portland has dropped rapidly within the past ten days. What the reason is, is the lack of grain ships, principally and the decline in price in the Chicago wheat market. Oats are on the decline as well, but the fall in price is slight as compared with wheat. The refusal of the Germans to modify their submarine policy is given as another reason.

Oregon Ginseng Thrives

Molalla, Feb. 29.—C. A. Ramsay, proprietor of the largest ginseng tract in Oregon, which is near this place, is making the largest shipment ever sent from this section. Mr. Ramsay has a little more than an acre and a quarter planted to this root and it nets 10 per cent interest on \$30,000.

The Oregon ginseng roots are larger than those grown anywhere else.