

CHANGE MADE IN METHOD OF BIDDING FOR STREET WORK

By virtue of provisions contained in a resolution offered by W. N. Campbell, councilman from the second ward at Monday night's session of the council, the methods of bidding on paving will be materially changed in the future. The companies bidding will be asked to bid on the entire improvement of a street and fix the bid at so much a front foot. In this way the property owner will know exactly what he has to pay.

In the past when bids were received they specified so much for grading, so much for curbs, so much for pavement. The new method will be far simpler and will fix the exact amount to be paid.

SAY GEM DEALER SHOT HIMSELF

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 6.—Herman Von Saxe, diamond merchant, who was shot through the body here yesterday under mysterious circumstances, has a good chance for recovery, according to physicians at the McNutt hospital. The patient maintains that he was robbed of several thousand dollars' worth of jewels and cash, but the police are inclined to be skeptical and say that Saxe attempted suicide because of ill health. The matter is under investigation.

Saxe still declared that he was making up his cash for deposit in the bank when a stranger entered and asked to be shown some diamonds. When a tray of gems was produced the man, Saxe says, seized his (Saxe's) revolver from behind the counter, shot down the jeweler, swept the diamonds and cash into a satchel and fled. Business men located in offices adjoining Saxe's headquarters say they responded to the shots almost immediately but saw no one leaving the place.

With Medford trade is Medford made.

THREE STARS WHO JOHNNY EVERS EXPECTS TO SEND NATIONAL LEAGUE PENNANT TO CUBS



Heinie Zimmerman.

Johnny Evers, new manager of the Chicago Cubs, and himself perhaps the greatest second baseman in baseball, will rely largely on two great catchers and a great third baseman to win the National League pennant for the Cubs this year. He has Jim Archer and Roger Bresnahan, catchers, and Heinie Zimmerman on third base.

Last year Zimmerman led the National league in batting, having a percentage of .372. Bresnahan, then playing in St. Louis, had a percentage of .333, while Archer batted .283. Unless Bresnahan has gone back he and Archer are the two best catchers in baseball. Either of them ought to be sufficient for one club.

When Bresnahan was catching for the Giants in New York he was counted among the three great men

behind the bat, the others being Billy Sullivan of the White Sox and John King of the Cubs. Then he went to St. Louis as a manager, but found it impossible to get along with Mrs. Britton and her suffragettes. Zimmerman has been with the Cubs a long time, during which he acted as utility man. But since he has taken

charge of third base he has become a star. Last year Archer fielded .966, Bresnahan .974, and Zimmerman .917. While the old Cub machine under Frank Chance has gone to pieces, Evers, who succeeded the Peerless leader, has in these great players and himself the nucleus of another as good.

WIRELESS STRIKE UPSETS NAVIGATION

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 6.—Declaration that the affairs of the Marconi Wireless company are in a state of demoralization as a result of the wireless operators' strike was made here today by S. J. Koenekamp, president of the Commercial Telegraphers' union. He announced the receipt today of a telegram from Seattle stating that the land stations at Ketchikan and Juneau, Alaska, are closed, leaving only four land stations in operation on the coast. Conditions at sea, Koenekamp declares, are steadily growing worse.

Incompetent non-union operators, he says, make it impossible for shippers to get an accurate line on the movement of vessels.

KING'S ASSASSIN LEAPS TO DEATH

LONDON, May 6.—Dispatches from Salonica to Reuter's news agency declare that Schinas, the assassin of King George of Greece, committed suicide there today by leaping to death from the window of a police station where he has been confined.

LEGISLATOR TRIED FOR ASSAULTING GIRL

MARSHFIELD, Ore., May 6.—The trial of J. S. Barton, Coos county representative in the state legislature, was begun in the circuit court at Coquille today before Judge J. S. Coke. Barton was indicted on a charge of assault, the complainant being Miss Maude Yoakum. The assault is alleged to have taken place in Barton's office.

A crusade movement figured in the indictment of Barton, a petition asking that the matter be investigated having been presented to the grand jury.

PLAN TO INITIATE NEW LAND LAW

SACRAMENTO, Cal., May 6.—Democrats in the legislature, headed by Senator J. B. Sanford, are discussing today a plan to place a new anti-alien land law before the people by means of the initiative. The democrats, who have included leasing clauses in every anti-alien bill they have introduced, now say they have decided that the leasing clause should not be included, and that the initiative plan is to eliminate this feature of the Webb bill, which today is awaiting the governor's signature.

It is not believed at the capitol that the announced plans of the democrats will be carried into effect. Sanford has continually heckled the bull moosers with measures such as his "resolved that a bull moose must eat" law and the democrats, unable to secure delay in anti-alien legislation after private conferences with Secretary of State Bryan, are believed to be attempting to discredit the Webb bill by means of the leasing clause.

Chemical Company Burns. BUFFALO, N. Y., May 6.—A \$500,000 loss is reported today in the destruction by fire of the American Agricultural Chemical Company plant.

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SLEEP SPEECHES NOT EVIDENCE

DENVER, Col., May 6.—Sleep speeches may not be used as evidence in court cases, according to a ruling here today by the Colorado supreme court.

This decision was handed down in the case of Jose Martinez, who was convicted of the murder of Fortunata Campbell in Pagosa Springs in July, 1910.

"I shot her, I shot her; I had to, to keep out of jail," a witness swore Martinez shouted in his sleep. He was convicted on this evidence. The court held that such evidence should not be allowed and reversed the case.

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