

MAYOR GADDIS NAMES WATER COM. MEMBERS

At the meeting of the city council last night Mayor Gaddis announced his appointment of the new city water board, and also that Dr. Frederick G. Thayer, whom he had appointed a week ago as the new city health officer had refused to accept the appointment when it became known that the state law makes the position a permanent one, except by removal for cause, and that therefore Dr. E. B. Pickel would continue in office as the city's health officer. Mayor Gaddis also announced that Glenn O. Taylor would be continued under his administration as police judge.

Two members of the council were absent from last night's meeting. They were O. O. Alenderfer who is in Chicago on a visit and J. I. Butler who is now in Southern California on a vacation. The council transacted much routine business including the passage of minor ordinances regarding certain delinquent city properties.

The annual report of Mary Haswell Webber, city treasurer, was received by the council and ordered placed on file, as was also the annual surety bond of \$20,000 from that official.

New Water Board Personnel.

It was generally regarded among citizens last night and today that Mayor Gaddis had made a ten strike in his appointment of five of the best qualified men of Medford on the new water board which will have charge of the water department. In naming these appointments the mayor said that he had moved painstakingly on this matter of seeking out men qualified in business ability and standing and who would have the confidence of the public in their operation of this important department of the city, which means so much to its welfare.

He named as the members of this board Judge F. M. Calkins, H. L. Walther, A. L. Hill, Olen Arnsperger and Delroy Getchell.

Judge F. M. Calkins retired the first of the year from the circuit court bench after many years of honorable service in that position. A. L. Hill is a former councilman and a well known business man. H. L. Walther is the local and division manager of the California Oregon Power company. Olen Arnsperger is a former superintendent of the water works and other departments of the city. Delroy Getchell is the president of the Farmers and Fruit Growers bank, and is the representative on the new board of the southwest section of the city, which section for years past has been the chief sufferer for lack of water in the summer time.

The appointments were confirmed by the council last night and the new board is expected to meet soon and organize, although Judge Calkins who is in Southern California with his wife on a pleasure trip is not expected back in the city for several weeks.

The board will have entire control of the water system of the city, subject to a general supervision exercised by the city council. Upon assuming control of the water system it shall be the duty of the board to operate the system and to make extensions to the same if deemed advisable, and it shall have entire control of all the water funds and disbursements thereof.

Mix Up on Health Doctor

When Mayor Gaddis assumed office the first of the year and was considering his appointments for various offices he labored under the belief that all the appointive offices expired with the old administration. He regarded the office of city health officer as one to be passed on by each new administration and therefore decided to appoint Dr. F. G. Thayer as the successor of Dr. E. B. Pickel, in that office, and so announced this appointment.

The fact was developed later that under the state law passed in 1919 the health officer of a city is a permanent fixture, and that his office only becomes vacant through his resignation or removal for cause. Dr. Thayer absolutely refused to take the office because of this, under any circumstances, and Mayor Gaddis had no cause to remove such an able official as Dr. Pickel, nor desired to ask for his resignation, therefore Dr. Pickel continues to serve as health officer. The appointment of a new health officer would have to be confirmed by the state board of health. Medford, in public opinion, would be well served by either physician.

Despite the fact that the council at its last meeting decided to employ E. M. Wilson, expert accountant, to audit the city's books for several years past, a committee request was again made by a committee consisting of Earl Fehl, John H. Bowman and William Hays, who according to Mr. Fehl represented fifty taxpayers, to be allowed to put in their own man to examine certain accounts. Inasmuch as the old council had granted this permission on condition that they hire an expert accountant to do this work and put up a fund to guarantee the financial payment of such an expert the present council failed to see why they should not back up their predecessors in this regard.

Mr. Fehl, who was present at the meeting last night, stated that neither the city recorder or city treasurer had ever refused to give them any information, but he insisted that they wanted to see the books for themselves and examine the books for certain items. He made the statement that while they could not afford to put up money to guarantee the payment

MEDFORD BOY GETS A CUBAN MESSAGE ON HOME RADIO

Ralph Jackson Bailey, 15 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Winfield H. Bailey, has made a record in radio reception as far as can be ascertained. One night last week while "listening in" he caught an address in Spanish being made at Havana, Cuba and although he could not understand what was being said, he heard the call letters of the station and its location plainly.

This has been verified, as a San Francisco boy heard the same address on the same night. What sort of receiving apparatus the San Francisco lad was using is not known, but young Bailey was operating a set he had constructed himself, consisting of a detector tube, a vario-coupler and a variable condenser a receiving transformer, one amplifying tube and several minor parts in an original "hook up." Bailey even made his own vario-coupler.

A prize of \$100 for long distance receiving is offered by Radio News and young Bailey has written the magazine telling of the results he obtained. In an air line Medford is farther from Cuba than San Francisco and this accomplishment is considered quite remarkable considering the apparatus employed. No one in Medford, so far as is known has ever received Havana, Cuba, even with the much larger, more expensive and more complicated sets which are in use by many of the local fans.

U. S. RAILROADS HAULED RECORD TONNAGE 1922

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Excluding coal American railroads carried more traffic during 1922 by 15 per cent than in any previous year of their history, according to final reports compiled today by the car service division of the American Railway association. Due to the five months strike of coal miners, the amount of coal transported was less than the amount carried during 1921 by 7 per cent.

Total loadings of all commodities other than coal during 1922, amounted to 36,265,178 cars compared with 31,247,816 in 1921 and 35,026,022 in 1920. Including the coal shipments which amounted to 7,448,341 cars, the total freight traffic of 1922 was estimated at 43,713,519 carloads.

REQUEST TO AID FAHM BUREAU

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of the Farm Bureau. The cooperation of the business men of Medford with the Farm Bureau, it is felt, will increase the membership and benefit both business men and farmers.

The success of the farmers of the state of Oregon is a vital factor in the future development program of the state and Mr. Joy declared that if the farmers of the state will get together, join the Farm Bureau, save on their expenses and get better prices for their products that the people who come to Oregon looking for a location will find one instead of going on to California or some other neighboring state to take up their residence.

J. R. McCracken of the Valley View district made a few remarks about the local marketing conditions of dairy products and stated that the dairy men were not getting a fair price for their cream from local creameries. Not once this winter, asserted Mr. McCracken, have the local dairymen received the market price for their cream. Cream in the San Francisco market was bringing 53½ cents when it brought only 43½ here and Mr. McCracken declared that if this state of affairs continued the only solution of the problem would be for the local dairymen to pool their cream and sell to the highest bidder, meaning that the cream would likely be sold in Portland or San Francisco.

The need for a cow testing association in Jackson county was strongly emphasized by Mr. McCracken who stated that the need for such an organization is vital.

An unusually large number of people were present at the meeting at which Louis Ulrich presided.

of their own expert, if the request was granted, they would see that such expert would be paid.

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Gray, faded hair, though no disgrace, is a sign of old age, and as we all desire a youthful and attractive appearance, get busy at once with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound and look years younger.

LOCAL FARMERS REQUEST AID OF FEDERAL BANKS

National Farm Loan associations of the valley, held a meeting Tuesday afternoon, and passed a resolution petitioning the Federal Land Bank of Spokane, to make an investigation of the irrigated lands and irrigation system in this section, to the end that federal loans be extended thereon. It was also resolved that the investigation be started as soon as possible, and the aid of Senator McNary and Rep. Hawley urged.

The Gold Hill, Ashland, Talent and Medford districts were represented, and speeches were made by John H. Dill of Ashland, Elijah Hurd of Medford, and George Hilton, Jr., of the federal appraisal board. The resolution was as follows:

This is to certify that at a meeting of representatives of Ashland, Medford, Gold Hill and Rogue River National Farm Loan associations held at the public library building, Medford, Oregon, January 16, 1923, which meeting was called to consider some action to petition the Fed-

eral Land bank, the Farm Loan Board and Senator McNary and Representative Hawley to see what could be done to secure loans in the irrigation districts of this territory served by the Farm Loan associations, as at the present time loans are not being made by the Federal Land banks in these districts. It was moved and carried out unanimously, that we respectfully petition the Federal Land bank of Spokane to have an investigation made as soon as possible of the lands in the irrigation districts of the Rogue River valley and the said irrigation systems and that said land bank inform each association whether applications for loans will be accepted in these irrigation districts. And that a copy of this petition be sent to the Farm Loan board, Senator Chas. L. McNary and Representative Hawley, Washington, D. C.



One of the evergreen trees on the lot west of John M. Root's residence on West Main street was blown over by the high winds of night before last and yesterday. The tree has been dead ever since the winter of 1919 when nearly all of the evergreen trees of a certain variety in town were frozen to death.

Auto Insurance, Brown & White.

A fine, large black-locust tree in the J. W. Dressler yard on North Holly street was uprooted and laid low by the wind night before last. It was the largest and finest tree in the yard and instead of furnishing shade in the summer will likely furnish heat in the winter as Mr. Dressler is having it cut up and made into firewood. Will trade farm tractor and plow, used less than 30 days, for live stock. F. P. Farrell, Jackson County Bank Bldg. 247tr*

Stinnes Gets English Aid. LONDON, Jan. 7.—Hugo Stinnes, the German industrialist, has obtained credit of 2,000,000 marks from a group of London bankers for buying coal.

There will be a meeting of the order of De Molay at the Masonic Hall, Thursday night. Initiatory degree will be conferred. All members are urged to be present. 251*



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