

MONEY LIMIT IS REASON COUNCIL REJECTED BIDS

In a way the statement published the other day that the city council had rejected the heating and plumbing bids submitted for the construction of the new fire station and equipment, because of their being too high, is not correct.

They were not too high in accordance with the specifications set forth in seeking the bids, but after the general construction bids and the heating and plumbing bids were submitted, it developed that all the bids were too high to enable the structure to be erected within the \$30,000 bond issue authorized by the voters at the recent election.

Hence the city officials, inasmuch as the cost of the structure and its equipment must come within the \$30,000 cost, decided to reduce the specifications to bring the cost within a reasonable limit, and after conference with bidders and the architect, following certain changes, Childers & Bros., the lowest original bidder for the general construction work, reduced their original bid about \$1200 and were awarded this contract.

It was still found that there was not sufficient funds to pay for the heating and plumbing, according to the lowest bids in accordance with the quality of equipment planned to be installed, and in view of that fact heavy water pipe originally specified will be replaced by a lighter grade in plumbing and changes will also be made in the heating plant.

When this is done the plumbing and heating contractors will be enabled to submit bids within the financial cost limit of the structure. Under the original plans and specifications the contractors were not able to submit bids within the \$30,000 limit.

Splendid Condition of Eagle Point Bank

The report of the First State Bank of Eagle Point at the close of business January 2, shows that institution to be in first class condition. The resources were \$126,935.22. Deposits had recently increased during the past year and there are now 450 depositors on the books.

H. E. Campbell, cashier, says the past year was the best in the history of the bank and the earnings were better than 10 per cent on the capital and surplus. Mrs. H. E. Campbell is now assistant cashier. She has been with the bank the past six months.

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1x4 Ceiling \$20
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8x10.4 lt. Sash 75c

Medford Lumber Co. One Block North S. P. Depot.

CINDERELLA HAS AT-HOME IN NEW MEDFORD STORE

Cinderella had on both slippers when she alighted from her pumpkin coach and entered the beautiful new shop on South Central which bears her name. The doors opened shortly before her arrival, at the waving of the fairy god-mother's wand, and the beautiful little princess in her silken robes of pink and vermilion, nodded her head of golden curls in approval at the sight which greeted her eyes.

The unique shop, with its soft taupe carpeting and ivory wood-work, was a gas of color, bursting forth from the long open show cases, where the spring fashions were sounded in frocks of every description, coats and general wearing apparel.

Gay little hats there were too, thing saucily on their standards and rivaling the color of the baskets of gorgeous flowers sent for the opening by local merchants.

The Cinderella girl entered the new store at 2:30, and after making the rounds of the spacious dressing rooms with their lovely mirrors and Oriental rugs, and adjusting her jeweled coronet, she stepped out before the admiring crowd of feminine shoppers and visitors, and walked the length of the "gay home of Cinderella gowns." When she reached the front of the shop, she walked up some improvised steps thru the French doors into the front display window. Here she held court for one hour, and extended a queenly and brilliant welcome to the shoppers of Medford.

TRAFFIC OFFICERS CHECKING LICENSES

Motorists who have not applied for 1929 licenses would be wise to keep in hiding if they would evade arrest or at least a severe reprimand from some stern traffic officer, as state traffic officers still having 1928 plates. If the driver could produce a money order slip, signifying that he had applied for the license, he was released from questioning.

However, for the luckless motorist, who had nothing to show, it was too bad. While no arrests were made yesterday, it is possible some may be made today and tomorrow. Traffic officers declare there is little excuse for failure to make license applications and further failure will meet treatment accordingly.

JARMIN AND WOODS SURPRISE PATRONS

Patrons at the Jarmin and Woods Drug Store, fountain and lunch counter this noon were given one of the most unexpected surprises of the season when the management refused to charge them for the service. The free service was given to celebrate the fifth anniversary of the establishment of Jarmin and Woods in Medford. The store was opened on North Central avenue and carried on business there until it was moved last year to its present location at the corner of Main and Central in more up-to-date quarters.

Daily Meteorological Report

Thursday, January 10. Forecasts: Medford and vicinity: Fair, but with local valley fogs tonight and Friday. No change in temperature. Lowest tonight slightly below freezing. Oregon: Fair, but with valley fogs tonight and Friday. No change in temperature.

Local Data	Today	Yesterday
Temperature (Deeq.)	31	31
Highest (Last 12 hrs.)	32	34
Lowest (Last 12 hrs.)	25	24
Rel. humidity (Pet.)	100	92
State of weather	Foggy Clear	
Total precipitation since Sept. 1, 1928.	7.19 inches.	
Sunset today, 4:59 p. m.		
Sunrise Friday, 7:38 a. m.		
Sunset Friday, 5 p. m.		
Observations Taken at 5 A. M. 120th Meridian Time		
CITY		
Highest Temp.	Lowest Temp.	Weather
Baker City	26	Clear
Bismarck	26	Cloudy
Boise	30	Clear
Denver	38	Clear
Des Moines	38	Clear
Eureka	46	Foggy
Helena	34	Cloudy
Los Angeles	52	Clear
Marshallfield	58	Clear
Phoenix	60	Clear
Portland	44	Clear
Red Bluff	66	Foggy
Roseburg	38	Cloudy
Salt Lake City	26	Clear
San Francisco	52	Clear
Seattle	38	Clear
Spokane	36	Cloudy
Walla Walla	28	Cloudy
Winnipeg	22	Snow

L. W. DICK, Meteorologist.

DIRIGIBLE GROPE THROUGH CLOUDS TO TENDER BOAT

PORT ST. JOE, Fla., Jan. 10.—(AP) The navy dirigible Los Angeles, which groped about in a heavy fog over western Florida last night, pulled its nose through the clouds over St. Joseph's bay today and proceeded toward the tender Patoka, anchored a half mile off shore, to land.

When first sighted here, the giant air liner, on a cruise from its New Jersey base was approaching from the east, cruising leisurely, virtually everyone of the inhabitants of this tiny gulf coast town rushed into the streets to greet the dirigible. Many persons from surrounding towns also were here.

A light rain stopped and the sun was tantalizing of peep through a heavy fog bank.

The captain of the tender said he believed the dirigible would cruise about the bay for an hour or more until the weather improved.

SEATTLE BANDITS IDENTIFIED TODAY

SEATTLE, Jan. 10.—(AP) Two bandits slain yesterday in an attempted holdup of the loan office of Lario and Company here, were identified as James E. Fair, 24, member of the crew of a city fireboat, and Robert Byrne, alias Burns, an ex-convict.

Thomas C. Barto, manager of the loan office, was wounded by the same bullet that passed thru and killed Byrne. James Dodson, cashier of the company was injured by Byrne, but managed to shoot him fatally.

Fair, the fireman bandit, had been in debt to Barto & Co., and was believed to have joined with Byrne, a professional gunman, in the holdup, possibly for revenge.

The heroine of the attempted robbery were Mrs. Martha O. Cannon and Mrs. Robert L. Simpson, whose work at the bank was interrupted by the entrance of the bandits and who ran to spread the alarm which brought more than 100 policemen to the scene.

S. P. TO MERGE BUS LINES IS ANTICIPATED

EUGENE, Ore., Jan. 10.—(AP) A merger of all major bus operations in western Oregon, under the control and management of the Southern Pacific railroad, is said to be foreshadowed by the sale in the last week of large blocks of Oregon Stages voting stock in Eugene, Salem and Portland. That these deals will be followed by a request that the legislature pass laws establishing exclusive franchise regulations on the major highways is also indicated by the transaction in the Willamette valley, which are said to be paralleled by the Columbia river and in eastern Oregon.

Pickle fans, made by slicing pickles lengthwise and cutting one end of them into strips, made an attractive garnish for a plain lettuce salad or cold sliced meat.

LETTER CARRIER CRAZED BY 'FLU' STRANGLES TOTS

LONG BEACH, Cal., Jan. 10.—(AP) Joseph W. Duer, long Beach mail carrier, sought for 14 hours by police as the murderer of his two infant daughters, was found early today hanging by a rope from a rafter of the garage at his home, where the double slaying took place. Immediately after smothering the two children with a solution of lead and ether while they slept, the father went at once to his garage and committed suicide, police believe.

SHOE DEALER THROWS FOOTGEAR AT BANDIT, IS SHOT FOUR TIMES

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 10.—(AP) Abraham Sandelman, merchant, 27, who threw a pair of shoes at a gunman last night today lay in a morgue with four bullets in his body.

Crowds at Third and Spring streets saw Sandelman chase the holdup man out of his store and throw a pair of shoes, which the bandit had attempted to take by threat, after him. The gunman turned and fired four shots. One penetrated Sandelman's heart, two lodged in his stomach, and one struck him in the right arm. The merchant fell, while spectators scattered in alarm and the store fled.

After a chase through the streets police captured a man who gave his name as Dan Riley, while he was attempting to scale a 14 foot wall. Riley who gave his home as St. Louis confessed to the murder, police said, also to being a deserter from the navy.

The Noted Dead

MELBOURNE, Australia, Jan. 10.—(AP) The most Rev. Harington and Clara Lewis, Anglican Archbishop of Melbourne, dropped dead today. He was 58 years old.

Dr. Lees had been archbishop of Melbourne and metropolitan of Victoria since 1921. He was born in England on March 17, 1870 and was a classical scholar at Cambridge university, being a Greek testament prize man.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 10.—(AP) William Henry Barker, 75, for many years prominent in the salmon fishing industry on the Pacific coast, died at his home here Wednesday.

For many years he was associated with the fishing industry on the Columbia and Fraser rivers, Puget Sound and in Alaska and for several years was president of the British Columbia Packers' association.

Born in Manchester, England, he came to Astoria, Ore., and in 1904 moved to Vancouver, B. C. Major Fred A. Barker and William Barker, both of Eugene, Ore., are sons.

BREMEN.—(AP) The Europa and Bremen, new ocean greyhound of the North German Lloyd line, are being equipped with non-sinkable lifeboats. Each carries a motor in a watertight compartment.

DEUEL NAMED TO DIRECTORATE OF FIRST NATIONAL

At the annual meeting of the directors and stockholders of the First National Bank last Tuesday afternoon, H. S. Deuel was named as a new director of the bank and has already assumed the responsibilities of the position. The usual dividends were declared at the meeting, which also included a review of the past year's business, which was the best in the history of the bank, according to a statement made today by H. E. Harvey, president of the bank. The First National is regarded as one of the strongest banking institutions in southern Oregon and like other local banks, is making a remarkable growth every year.

ROCKEFELLER TO OUST STEWART

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—(AP) John D. Rockefeller, Jr. has sent letters to stockholders of the Standard Oil company of Indiana seeking their proxies for the annual meeting of the company in March to oppose the reelection of Col. Robert W. Stewart as chairman of the company, it was learned today.

Mr. Rockefeller requested the resignation of Mr. Stewart after he was charged with perjury in connection with his statements to the Senate Teapot Dome committee. Mr. Stewart declined to resign, and was acquitted of the charge on Nov. 20.

In his letter to stockholders, Mr. Rockefeller, who is a large stockholder in the Standard of Indiana, outlined his letter to Col. Stewart which sought his resignation last year, and adds "definite assurance have already been given me by stockholders representing a substantial amount of stock of the company that they are opposed to Col. Stewart's reelection."

Dancer Suicides. LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Jan. 10.—(AP) Miss Florence Lee Newman, 29, former dancing instructor here, was found dead today with two bullet wounds in her head and one in her body in the rear of the home of her divorced husband, Robert W. Baker, a pistol was clamped in her hand and a note purporting to have been written by her was found nearby.

Judge Is Gassed. BRIDGEPORT, Conn.—(AP) No he had been taking gas. "Blame" was intended when Judge it on the dentist if I am cross Arthur F. Ellis, arriving late in with the lawyers," he said.

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