

CITY TAXIS MUST HAVE INSURANCE

Council Acts to Compel Protection for Passengers—Street Report Adopted—Lumsden New Water Commission Member.

An important action taken by the city council last night was the decision by that body to compel all taxi cabs to carry some form of liability insurance to financially protect passengers in case of accident. It developed at the meeting that not all local taxi carriers carry any such insurance beyond the filing of a \$250 bond when taking out the operating license from the city.

One of two of the local carriers making trips outside the city as far as 3 miles carry the state motor liability insurance amounting to \$15,000 each, but this liability does not operate inside the city. Mayor Wilson and the council will insist on each carrier furnishing ample liability bond of some kind for protection of passengers inside the city and instructed the public safety committee, P. M. Hershaw, chairman, to investigate and recommend remedial legislation as soon as possible.

Adopt Street Report

The report of the streets and roads committee, J. O. Grey, chairman, was adopted recommending that West 14th street be extended straight through the new Washington school house site at Dakota and Peach streets in the shape of a curve instead of a jog, and taking property from each side instead of the full 60 feet street width from the school site. This plan was recommended by the city planning commission and is satisfactory to the school board, Superintendent Hedrick said today.

The streets and roads committee, however, stressed the point that any action the city should take on making asked for changes regarding the new Washington school site or new high school site, should avoid any expense thereto falling on the city. It was finally decided to have the finance committee and streets and roads committee meet with the city planning commission and school board to decide on any street matters relating to the site for the schools.

In view of the fact that the superintendent of the airport, Seelye Hall, leaves for his new position in southern California March 1st, the council airport committee is working out a program to reduce expenses and place the airport on a better paying basis. Chairman E. C. Furnas, of that committee, stated. Last month's gross income of the airport was \$352.94.

Lumsden Named

Trevé Lumsden, cashier of the Jackson County bank was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy on the city water commission caused by the resignation last December of E. C. Gault, and will accept. It will be remembered that when the present administration assumed office early in January, Mr. Lumsden was appointed and unanimously approved for this vacancy, but at that time refused to consider taking the position.

The new Cottage street bridge over Bear creek and approaches will be entirely completed next week. City superintendent Scheffel reported. Up to date the con-

Largest Dog Is Lost in Capital, Theft Is Suspected

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—(AP)—Being one of the largest dogs in the country did not keep "Nickoli" from getting lost, nor has belonging to the diplomatic corps helped find him.

"Nickoli" is a giant snow-white Russian wolfhound who can reach seven and a half feet into the air when he rears up. He belongs to 12-year-old Gloria Sacasa, daughter of the Nicaraguan minister, who is afraid his fabulous value may have had something to do with his disappearance.

COMPLETE LIST CITY PROPERTY NOW AVAILABLE

Jackson County Abstract Co. Completes Task of Listing 1500 Parcels City-Owned Land.

For the first time in years past the city government of Medford now has a complete list of every city-owned property, its title and tax situation, and accompanying map, up to February 1. This list, which has just been completed and filed, is on file in the city treasurer's office, is a boon to the administration as the city-owned lots and other property situation had been in a chaotic condition for several years past.

The council some time ago instructed the Jackson County Abstract company to check up on this list, and the city treasurer will keep it up to date from now on. The abstract company made the following report to the mayor and city council last night:

"We have completed the work and turned the results over to Gus Samuels, city treasurer, which consists of a complete list with a map of all property colored in. We handled 5329 references, which consisted of approximately 1500 pieces of property, and picked up over and above what was already on your books, 130 pieces, which does not include 200 pieces claimed as streets and easements (or which we have given you a complete record) or any of the pipe line rights of way, included in this list is everything in which the city has any color or claim of title, excepting and not including the title by city certificates of sale.

"The time consumed in completing this work was 275 hours. We have brought this report down and closed as of February 1, 1931. We have completed your records to show from what source your title is derived; what has been done, if anything, to perfect this title (whether suit to quiet title or deed from former owner); whether this property is now ready for sale, and if so whether abstracts or title insurance are used for evidence of title."

MUSICIANS REGALE LIONS CLUB MEET IN HOLLAND HOTEL

Members of the Lions club in session at the Hotel Holland today noon were entertained with a delightful musical program presented by two entertainers from Phoenix, Howard and Dorothy Thompson, and Eleanor Curry of this city.

Mr. Thompson, who has mastered the accordion in a remarkable manner, considering that he started his study of the instrument only last July, was accompanied at the piano by his sister. They played several numbers, which were enthusiastically received by the Lions.

Miss Curry then entertained with a group of vocal solos, playing her own accompaniment on the ukelele.

The program was arranged by Lion Mark Jarmine. George Olsen, Lion club, was initiated into the order and greeted with a husky roar. Several communications were read by the Lion secretary, Ernest L. Scott, including a letter from the Medford schools thanking the Lions for the book covers carrying safety traffic rules, which were presented to the pupils. Plans for a class in traffic instruction to be sponsored by the Lions club were discussed and referred to the welfare committee.

COUNTY COURT WILL PROTECT LOCAL WORKER

Courthouse Building Jobs for Bona Fide Residents Is Policy—Contractor Under Bond.

The county court in its construction of the proposed new \$265,000 courthouse this summer, "will tie the contractor down as much as possible to local labor," members of that body said today and will erect safeguards similar to those inaugurated by the school board to protect home folks.

News of the building program underway in this city and county, has attracted migratory workers and families and a further influx is forecast.

It now just came to light that a party of eleven Willamette valley residents lanted here last January and by claiming to be residents of the city, secured work on state and county road emergency work. They boasted of their prowess and that they intended to secure work on school buildings, by the same subterfuge. County agencies have organized to thwart the purpose. It is said there are others with the same idea in mind.

Medford Is Mecca

Labor prospects are brighter in this valley than any other place in the state. The school board has as near an iron-clad policy as possible, the contractor even being under bond to employ home labor. Each worker must have an identification card showing that he has been a resident of the school district before December 30, and owns real property. It is provided that the right to work can be revoked if it develops that the identification card was secured by misrepresentation. A right check-up is also made to see that the card is correct, before employment is granted.

The county court is still wrestling with the problem of selecting an architect, which is expected to be made next week. Most of today's session was devoted to routine matters such as delinquent taxes and indigent cases.

FAREWELL PARTY FOR SEELY HALL

A big farewell party will be held at the Elks temple tomorrow evening, honoring Seelye Hall, local manager for the Pacific Air Transport company and superintendent of the Medford airport, who is to leave Saturday for Oakland, Calif., as division superintendent for the company between San Diego and Fresno.

A special program is being arranged and every Elks is urged to be present. Refreshments will also be served.

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passed a measure to relieve property tax by 1-mill market road levy. Today the return of the intangibles money collected under the 1929 law will be under discussion along with the resolution eliminating real property tax for state use. Repeal of the income tax provisions for the year 1929 was also carried in the house.

Sixty-three measures, the record schedule so far this period, await action. The barber code, disbursement proceedings provisions, and by relatives of inmates of institutions, and several county salary increase bills are slated for consideration in the senate.

Some opposition and considerable support was presented at the public hearing last night on the agricultural committee bill providing for standards and grades of butter. A hearing was also started on the reconsideration of the 70-car limit railroad bill.

Dieo Airing Tonight

A public hearing on the beamargarine proposals is set for this evening in the house while one on the tobacco tax has been scheduled for Thursday.

Senator Fred E. Kiddle's bill to relieve property taxpayers of the 1-mill market road tax received the approval of the senate by a vote of 25 to 5. Voting against it were Billingsley, Booth, Carusner, Wheeler and Marks.

The bill provides for an equivalent of the tax to be diverted to the counties from the state highway fund and authorizes the highway commission, in its discretion, to create a secondary highway system by taking over as part of the state highway program such market roads as are deemed suitable. The tax amounts to about \$1,125,000 a year.

Kiddle Makes Plea

Kiddle made an effective plea.

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for the bill. "My attention was called to the need of legislation of this kind," he said, "by the extreme distress of the eastern Oregon farmers, some of whom are unable to pay their taxes. It is solely a measure to relieve the property tax."

Senator Kiddle read statistics showing that farm taxes in Multnomah county have increased over 97 per cent in recent years and similarly in other counties. He mentioned the revolt of the people against the payment of property taxes and said the movement had reached eastern Oregon.

Commission Bill Passes

Amid some protest, and numerous explanations of favorable votes the administration's one-man commission bill, along with four others having to do with public utilities, passed the house with safe margins. The utilities bill is the second of Gov. Julius L. Meier's power program, the hydro-electric commission having been approved by the senate Monday. Both bills now go to the opposite houses for approval.

The first utility measure before the house under special order was the senate measure repealing the certificate of necessity and public convenience act, which carried by a vote of 46 to 14. This bill had already been passed by the senate. Approval was also accorded the companion measure, originating in the house, which would reinstate the act for towns of 2000 population or less.

Vote Abolition

The vote explanations continued upon the main measure, that of abolishing the public service commission and creating a one-man commissioner. Following a half hour debate, in which Representatives Ralph Hamilton and Gordon Taylor vigorously protested such action, the measure carried by a 50-10 vote. Those voting against the bill were Representatives P. O. Delap, R. S. Hamilton, Earl H. Hill, Emmett Howard, Louis Knapp, E. A. McCormack, L. N. Nash, G. J. Taylor, J. A. Thornburg and J. K. Weatherford.

Hamilton charged legislators with listening to the mandate of the people, which was to abolish the public service commission. This measure, he declares, does not accomplish that; it merely replaces three men with a one-man power. Taylor declared it was the "worst piece of legislation enacted, and that he was not apologizing for his vote."

Cites Rogue Vote

"You people are voting according to the mandate of the people, you say, yet the people voted to keep the Rogue river open to com-

mercial fishing, and the legislature voted to close it. Where is the mandate of the people?" Members referred to the election of Meier to executive as the voice of the people against the public service commission.

The other two power measures, already approved by the senate, carried with less opposition. One provides that municipal corporations with a population of 300,000 people shall be exempt from filing an application with the federal power commission.

The other authorizes cities and towns to acquire water rights and regulate electric plants, making it possible for municipalities to file on any stream in the state and retaining the site for a period of 10 years. These bills, together with the repeal of the certificate of necessity act, go to the governor for his signature.

Under the title "Defining the Practice of Law," house bill No. 271, by Schupp and Hamilton, bringing up the old controversy between the lawyers and trust companies, went down to defeat in the house, the fifth measure to meet a similar fate on the floor. The measure sought to prevent anyone other than a qualified attorney from drawing up deeds, trusts, wills, bills of sale or contracts.

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his letter with one to him from Administrator Lines, which estimated that 2,550,000 veterans will avail themselves of the full loan value under the proposed measure, and that the total amount of such loans will be \$1,283,625,000.

Huge Sum Involved

From the amount there should be subtracted the \$225,000,000 which has previously been borrowed, making a total additional amount which will be borrowed of \$1,058,625,000 or approximately \$1,000,000,000. Mills told the committee it would "be absolutely necessary" for the treasury to issue bonds to meet the cost of the legislation.

"It seems to me to be just common ordinary good business for the government, to keep out of the bond market now," he added with some heat at the March 15 quarter the government would engage in a \$1,600,000,000 financial transaction. Of this, he said, \$1,100,000,000 would be a refunding operation and \$500,000,000 would be for new money for the treasury.

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