

# CITY CONTINUES LID ON COUPON PHOTO SYSTEM

Local Studios Win Fight Against Newcomers — Protest Rebuilding Pine Fir Mill On Old Site

Last night's city council meeting was a shirt-sleeve affair of comparatively brief duration and lacking in color, with the exception of the fancy suspenders worn by P. M. Kershaw. Little business of importance was transacted, despite the fact that it was the first regular meeting of the municipal body for a month.

When the city officials, at the opening of the session, peeled off their coats, and several of them their vests, it looked like a meeting of great length, and full of arguments and combat, but the heat was too much. Even the long standing and much discussed photographers' ordinance to bar any photographer using the coupon system of soliciting trade, was dropped without an argument.

The only really exciting thing about the session were the fore-reading suspenders and Mose Alford's reading of the minutes.

So afflicted were the councilmen with hot weather ennui and embarrassment over the ordinance, which culminated a fight by the local photographers against the new Kenneth-Elle studio, which located here several months ago, that for a time it looked as though no action would be taken.

This ordinance, introduced at the behest of the Kenneth-Elle studio and its attorney, Frank J. Newman, and which would have permitted that studio to use coupons, was given its third reading last night, and after a several minutes pause, C. C. Darby, chairman of the license committee, moved its passage. Another long and embarrassing wait ensued until C. G. Furness, in a quiet voice that could scarcely be heard above the sputtering of the motion picture camera, moved its withdrawal.

The vote was then taken, with only the members of the licensing committee, Messrs. Darby, Furness and Mosker, voting for it, and Messrs. Gray, Porter, Kershaw and Allen against. Councilman D. H. Territt was not present.

The next move, if there is any, will be up to Attorney Newman, who several times in past discussions, expressed doubt to the city officials that the old ordinance would be in effect, and which is still in effect, was constitutional. J. Verne Shangle, who with A. E. Peaseley, was present, representing the majority of the local photographers, and the southern Oregon Photographers' association, thanked the council for its action.

A number of property aggregation assessment ordinances were passed, and petitions of remonstrance, or asking for improvement, were reviewed and referred. Severer Remonstrance.

A remonstrance was read from Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Hoggas on a sewer assessment against their home on Crown Heights, on the ground that such sewer did not benefit their property.

A petition was received from property owners requesting that Third street, between Fir and North Oakdale, be oiled, the residents agreeing to pay for the oiling if the city would grade and gravel the thoroughfare.

# WESTWARD HO! IN AUTOMOBILE 1905 VINTAGE

NEW YORK, July 8. — (AP) — Dwight Huss, retired Detroit automobile engineer, started from city hall today for Portland, Ore., in the same vehicle in which in 1905 he won the first transcontinental automobile race—a one-cylinder, seven-horsepower open runabout. Accompanied by Howard F. Davis, his mechanic, Huss started out in the open car, which is steered by a tiller, at 9:30 a. m. (R.S.T.) with a convoy of three 1931 automobiles. Huss carried letters from Governor Roosevelt and Mayor Walker for Governor Meier of Oregon and Mayor Baker of Portland. The car, named "Old Scout," will follow the same route to Portland that it did in 1905, when it crossed the continent in 44 days in a race sponsored by the United States Bureau of Public Roads. The trip will be made by way of Albany, Buffalo, Chicago, Omaha, Laramie and Cheyenne, Wyo., and thence to Portland. The car is expected to reach Portland September 17.

Oregon Weather  
Fair tonight and Thursday; but fog on the immediate coast; no change in temperature; gentle to moderate northerly winds offshore.

# COURT LEARNS TRICK-PISTOL BANDIT'S AGE

Youth Arrested Here Will Be 15 Years Old On 18th — Case Now Remanded to Judge Sparrow's Court

Victor C. Marcelle, "the cigarette pistol bandit," will be 15 years old July 18, next, according to the vital statistics records of his birthplace, York, Neb., according to a telegram received this morning by the district attorney's office. Marcelle was born July 18, 1916.

When first arrested and when arraigned in justice court, Marcelle claimed he was 15 years old. His mother, a resident of Portland, insisted he was 14 years old. He entered a plea of guilty in circuit court Tuesday morning. He maintained he was 15 years old, bringing the rejoinder from the bench: "You look nearer 18 to me."

Marcelle now stands remanded to the juvenile court, and will be given a hearing before Judge Alex Sparrow tomorrow, with the reform school, instead of the penitentiary ahead of him. The state law provides that sentences to the reform school be until majority is reached, subject to parole.

To Sentence Pifer.  
George Pifer, 20, an enlisted man of the navy, stationed at San Diego, is scheduled to be sentenced as the partner of Marcelle. The sailor entered a plea of guilty yesterday. He was on a furlough to visit his mother, when arrested here.

The two youths robbed three service stations, and a hamburger stand, using a trick gun. They secured \$28 which they spent for cigarettes and showing the girls a good time.

After one of their hold-ups, the pair with three young girls held up a "midnight swimming party on the Applegate."

Neither Pifer nor Marcelle have been in trouble before, as far as authorities are able to learn.

Davidson Sentenced.  
John Davidson, who plead guilty to entering an unoccupied dwelling at 602 Catherine street this city, was sentenced to two years in state prison. Attorney Frank De Souza, for the defendant, maintained that Davidson was in need of medical examination to determine his mental condition, and the court will recommend that he be placed under observation. Davidson's kin say that at certain moon periods he is subject to lapses, causing irresponsibility. The district attorney set forth that the records show that Davidson was in trouble in Michigan for car theft, and that several weeks ago he broke into the First Presbyterian church, taking nothing but some stamps.

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tax levies and bond issues was recommended by the governor as the plan which he hopes will be

worked out by the state-wide organization. Success of this plan was pointed out, and the governor stated his belief it could bring results in Oregon.

Meier Stresses Points  
Managerial forms of government was another point stressed by the executive for study by the league as well as sixty-per cent vote on bond issues and tax levies; centralized purchasing systems, creation of proper accounting systems, adequate local budgets, and modernization of local government.

He urged that "Oregon's tax levy be made the lowest in the United States," and thereby attract industry.

"My experience during the six months I have been in office," the governor said, "has convinced me that economies can be effected by the introduction of business methods into conduct of state affairs which, together with the revenue raised by tax measures enacted at the recent session of the legislature, will substantially reduce, if not entirely eliminate, the necessity of a levy on real property for state purposes."

"But even if we were to remove entirely all state taxes, the incubus of local tax levies would still constitute a staggering load on the shoulders of the tax payers of Oregon."

Many Complaints  
"Almost daily I am approached by citizens of Oregon with complaints regarding wastefulness and inefficiency, practiced by local tax levying bodies, with tales of extravagant buying motivated by political patronage, or obsolete equipment foisted on ill advised public officials through the pressure of high powered salesmanship, of the careless expenditure of school district funds resulting in levies amounting out of all proportion of the service rendered, of bond issues thoughtlessly assumed in the hour of plenty and painfully discharged in the day of depression, of municipal finances verging precariously on the edge of insolvency."

"It is to combat this problem that I enlist your aid. You are business men. A condition exists in relation to our public finances which you would not tolerate for one moment in connection with your private affairs."

Worth Time and Effort  
That condition will yield to exactly the same treatment you would apply to your private concerns. The enterprise is well worth your time and effort, for on this successful culmination depends the

future progress and prosperity of our fair state.  
"According to a recent tax survey, the combined administrative cost of our federal, state and local governments totals the colossal sum of thirteen billion dollars,—nearly one-seventh of our national income."  
"According to this same survey, the public debt of these governmental agencies aggregates an additional twenty-six billion dollars, with an annual interest charge thereon of one billion dollars."  
"According to a survey recently completed by the Oregon committee on economic research the combined annual tax collections of the federal, state, and local governments in Oregon is approximately one hundred eight million dollars."  
"In addition, Oregon has a net bonded and warrant indebtedness of approximately one hundred eighty-five million dollars,—the second greatest per capita indebtedness in the United States."

"During the past 13 years Oregon has paid interest totaling twenty-five million dollars on this indebtedness, and it is estimated that before our bonds are matured and retired, the state will pay an additional twenty-seven million in interest."  
"Our state wealth is placed at three billion dollars, of which real estate represents one billion five hundred million, and intangibles and tangible personal property one billion five hundred million. These startling figures indicate that 19.3 per cent of the total income of the people of Oregon is absorbed by taxes in various forms."  
"Government Cost High  
"In other words, the present cost of government in Oregon is equivalent to a tax upon the net income of the state at a flat rate of 19.3 per cent without any exemptions."  
"But astounding as these figures may be, they pale into insignificance when compared with the ratio of taxes to the real estate income of the state."  
"Of the combined eighty million dollars of real property in Oregon, property taxes consume forty-one million—more than fifty per cent. In addition to this staggering property tax, owners of real estate must also meet improvement assessments and contribute in the way of indirect taxes."  
"Lands Delinquent  
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"When it is considered that twenty-five years ago the property tax levy in Oregon for state and local purposes totaled only slightly more than six million dollars, and that today these same taxes total more than fifty millions, it is apparent at a glance that the administrative cost of government has been increasing at an alarming degree and that the tax burden is rapidly reaching the stage of confiscation."  
**Reduce Payments**  
"These excessive tax burdens in turn further tend to reduce the tax paying ability of the state at large, drive away wealth, prevent unproductive tax exempt holdings, handicap investment and industry, impoverish agriculture, discourage land ownership, and contribute to unemployment."  
"Oregon, of course, is not alone a victim of this tax extravagance. Everywhere throughout the nation from the lowest to the highest tax levying body, there has been a tremendous increase in the cost of public service."  
"The truth of the matter is, we have been on a spending debauch and in our orgy of extravagance and waste, we have considered the public purse as bottomless, and public credit as inexhaustible."  
**Must Retrench**  
"But Oregon, like other states,

must retrench and slash expenditures to the bone if it is to avoid confiscation of property by high taxes, and ultimate bankruptcy."  
"But when it is considered that out of fifty odd millions collected for taxes in Oregon, less than seven million is for state purposes, and the remaining forty-three odd millions represent local tax levies, it is apparent that unless there is inaugurated a program of rigid retrenchment in each and every political subdivision of the state, there is no hope of any appreciable reduction in our heavy tax burden."  
"Including our 36 counties, 136 cities and towns, 2988 school districts, 316 road districts, 12 port districts, 77 irrigation districts and 44 drainage districts, there are approximately 3753 local tax raising bodies in the state of Oregon."  
"It is my hope, therefore, that our of today's meeting there will develop a permanent organization, state-wide in scope."

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their ordinary street clothes and were in a hurry to get away. The plane was immediately wheeled to the south end of the field, the propeller was flipped over by E. E. Dildine, naval air reserve officer, and after only a 10-minute warmup flashed down the runway and kept the "nose" on a northerly course from the start. They wasted no time circling the field. Robbins donned his heavy underwear this morning while Jones wrapped his up in a newspaper and threw it in the plane. He said he would change in mid-air if necessary.

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