

CITY WILL MOVE FOR COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS

**Council Debates Method for
Collection — Bancroft
Bonds to Be Sold — Alleys
and Pigeons Discussed**

In the matter of the city government proceeding to collect delinquent assessments due the city from property owners, including long unpaid assessments signed up for improvements under the Bancroft act, Chairman C. A. Meeker of the council finance committee brought the question up at last night's city council meeting, of whether to employ a collector to personally contact each delinquent, in an effort to bring in payments, or to have the city proceed against the property under the regular legal procedure.

It was the general opinion of Mayor E. J. Wilson and the council members, all of whom were present except C. C. Darby and George W. Porter, that the delinquency assessment situation had grown so large, it had passed beyond the letter writing stage in seeking payments, and was too big a question for the city treasurer to look after, along with all his other duties.

The idea of Mr. Meeker in bringing up the question was to have the councilmen and other city officials ponder the matter between now and next meeting, and in the debate that ensued the opinion was unanimous that something must be done soon to rectify the situation, one way or the other.

Action Needed
During last night's meeting City Recorder M. L. Alford informed the council that the city was practically \$14,000 within its year's budget at this time, and that if the same care in pruning expenses was pursued to the end of this fiscal year the city expenditures would be within the budget sum allowed for the year.

The council passed an ordinance to sell \$24,891.78 worth of improvement bonds, signed up for under the Bancroft act, at 8 1/2 per cent.

The council recommended that the county court proceed with the long talked of opening up of North Court street, which would connect that thoroughfare with the Pacific highway. This improvement has already been approved by the city planning commission, farm bureau, the banks and all the packing houses.

Permission was voted the Baptist church to erect a large tent on a city lot on North Central avenue between Jackson and Third streets, in which to hold an evangelistic meeting.

To Improve Alley
After much discussion on the subject the council voted to instruct City Attorney Farrell to draw up legislation declaring it to be the intention of the council to improve the alley, extending from Sixth to Fifth streets, and running between the North Central and Front streets. The cost of such improvement would be a little over \$700. However, the city officials decided that the property owners benefited must either sign up for the expense under the ten year payment plan, or for cash payments.

The improvement would do away with the flooding of cellars of business establishments adjacent to the south end of the alley, and would also make the alley passable for traffic during the rainy season.

County Agent R. G. Fowler and Wm. J. Warner, representing the Jackson County Dairyman's association, were present and asked if the council had done anything with the request made by that association at the last council meeting, to put teeth into the city's milk ordinance.

Report Promised
Chairman W. W. Allen of the council health committee, stated that there was nothing yet to report in this regard, but that a report would be made at the next council meeting.

The inquiry of Jack Wurta whether the council had done anything in the way of remedial legislation against the alleged annoyance of pigeons owned by Wm. Sprowl of the Crater national forest service, in accordance with Wurta's request made about a year ago, precipitated a debate which resulted in City Attorney Farrell introducing a tentative ordinance, which he had prepared and which was given its first reading.

This ordinance would prohibit the keeping of pigeons within 100 feet of any dwelling house. The present ordinance against keeping of chickens and the like within 30 feet of a dwelling, does not mention pigeons, nor does any other ordinance.

It seems that there has been a long standing pigeon feud between Sprowl and Wurta, whose homes adjoin, the Sprowl home being located on the corner of East Main street and Ashland avenue, and the Wurta home being on Ashland avenue with a narrow alley between them. Each home is attractive and well kept up.

Sprowl keeps some carrier pigeons in the loft of a garage located on the rear line of his lot, and within 30 feet of the bedroom window of the Wurta home.

Mr. Wurta claims that they have doubled in number since he made his original complaint to the city council, and are a great nuisance with their noise and dirt, flitting between the two properties, and are especially noisy in the early morning, preventing sleep.

Pigeons Carry Notes
In making his complaint about the pigeons Wurta also took occasion to condemn what he termed the narrow alleys in residence districts, which he asserted should be done away with. Medford had grown far beyond the country village stage, he maintained. During the pigeon discussion Wm. J. Warner, present as a spectator, arose and apologizing for butting in, stated that he was familiar with the situation, which he termed was a dispute between two neighbors which ought not to take up the time of the city government, and stated that Mr. Sprowl, who was stationed much of the year in the most inaccessible

Radio Program KMED

(Mail Tribune-Virgin Station)
Wednesday.

P. M.—
5 to 6—Western Auto Supply; So. Oregon Theater Guide; News and Markets by Mail Tribune.

6 to 7—Mutual Mill; Where to Go; Firestone; Uncle Jerry.

7 to 8—Happiness Train; Jackson Co. Bldg. & Loan; All Request.

8 to 9—Dom Provoost band; All Request program.

Thursday.

A. M.—
7:55 to 8—Breakfast broadcast of news by Mail Tribune.

8 to 9—Treasure Box; Pan Dandy.

9 to 10—Friendship Circle by Economy Groceries; Proctor & Gamble.

10—Weather forecast.

10 to 11—Novelty program.

11 to 12—Pantomim Dye Works.

P. M.—
12 to 1—Heath's Drug Store; Ivy Street Market; News flashes by Mail Tribune.

1 to 2—Peoples Electric; Jackson Co. Bldg. & Loan Assn.

2 to 3—World Bookman; Novelty program.

3:30 to 4—KMED presentation.

4 to 5—So. Oregon Theater Guide; News and Markets by Mail Tribune.

5 to 6—Checker Cab; Where to Go; All Philo; Porter Lumber.

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32 FIRES REPORTED IN MEDFORD LAST MONTH

An average of more than one fire a day, 32 conflagrations were reported to the city fire department during the month of August, according to Fire Chief Roy Elliott, with a total loss of \$12,129.76.

A woodyard and two residences burned at one time, and a house and barn at another. Although the number of fires reported during the month exceeded any previous month for three years, the loss was exceptionally low. In 1928, 37 calls were reported during one month.

Calls during August included one woodyard, two residences, four automobiles, one barn, nine grass fires, two brush fires and one apartment house.

Robbers Clean Out Ashland Gun Store

Thieves, using a light truck, entered the gun store of I. E. Deadmond, at Ashland, last night by forcing a rear window, and stole 16 firearms, a case of cartridges, a horn-horned hunting knife, and a large number of tools, used in repair work. The stock of the store was badly depleted by the robbers, and the loss is estimated at close to \$2000. The theft was discovered this morning.

The guns stolen ranged from a 260-3000 Savage rifle to a .22 target pistol.

Church Is Bombed in Mexico Capital

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 2.—(AP)—The bombing of La Profesa church, second largest in the capital, resulting in considerable damage to the main altar, but no injuries, was investigated by Mexico City police today.

A woman worshipper said that a young man of good appearance warned her to leave the building. As she was passing out of the doors she heard an explosion and saw the man dash into the street and lose himself among the pedestrians.

Millions Increase in Whitney Estate

NEW YORK, Sept. 2.—(AP)—Final accounting of the estate of the late Payne Whitney was filed today revealing the value of the estate increased \$45,306,372 during the two years since the death of the financier, sportsman and philanthropist, and distribution of the various legacies.

Whitney died on May 25, 1927, leaving an estate valued at \$180,579,746.

Policeman Slays Young Girl, Self

MOBILE, Ala., Sept. 2.—(AP)—Edward Stafford, 36, Mobile policeman, shot and killed Miss Betty Owens, 21, daughter of "Tiny" Owens, pitcher for the Mobile baseball club, and then committed suicide near here today.

Stafford was married and was the father of one child. Stafford and his wife were estranged.

Cudahy Has Plan to Help Cotton

CHICAGO, Sept. 2.—(AP)—E. A. Cudahy, Jr., president of the Cudahy Packing Co., announced today in a telegram to all of the company's branches, that beginning at once and until December 1 it would spend 10 per cent of the returns on its southern sales to buy and store cotton in an effort to bolster the market.

SUPREME COURT ON DUTY AGAIN SEPT. 8

SALEM, Sept. 2.—(AP)—The Oregon supreme court will resume its activities September 8, following a recess of more than a month. Most of the justices have returned to Salem following vacation trips. Arthur Benson, clerk of the court, announced several opinions written during the recess period may be handed down next Tuesday.

KING AND QUEEN OF BABY REALM ASCEND THRONE

**Legion Auxiliary Holds
Coronation Pageant As
Climax in Baby Show—
Prizes Awarded Winners**

Glad in royal robes of purple, swaying from his very young shoulders, Glen Coleman, named king of Medford's baby realm in the contest sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary, mounted his throne yesterday afternoon to receive his crown before a large audience gathered at contest headquarters on East Main street. He was met at the throne by the queen, Marion Tilley and her royal party.

The queen's long train of ivory satin was held by Darlene Epperson in a dainty frock of pink, who was followed by Princess Carolyn Wynmore whose fairy like dress of blue was finished with cape and train of tulle.

The prince, Wendall Bateman, approached the throne in his carriage, which was lined with "cloth of gold" and wheeled by none other than his mother, Mrs. Sam Bateman.

Winners Assembled
All other prize winning children, ranging from the prettiest redhead, Mervyn Gleason, to the youngest entry, Phyllis Kivett, were then called to the throne to complete the festival setting.

When Patricia Marx, winner of the second grand prize approached the throne, the young king became so entranced with her beauty he toppled from his chair. The prince, surrounded with pillows could not lose his balance but did shake off his crown several times before the show ended.

Dancers Appear
When all the winners had been introduced Dixie Ambler Harvey and her dancers appeared and entertained with several clever interpretations of Mother Goose rhymes.

Piano accompaniments were played by Mrs. George Olsen and the dancers appearing in the pageant were Mrs. Harvey, Lucille Lowry, Ruby Stone, Goldie Higdon, Deah Higdon, Dean Smith, Alice Pross, Bobbie Edwards, Mary Alice Maguire, Barbara Butler and Natalie Tensgaard.

Photographs of all participants were snapped by J. Verne Shangle at the close of the show.

Members of the Auxiliary, assisting Miss Laveria Lovell in carrying on the contest and presenting the pageant, were: Madames D. J. Wilson, William Holloway, Carol Parker, Goodwin Humphreys, W. S. Bolger, Roland Smith and Belva Aiken.

PEARS FINE IN UPSIDE DOWN CAKE, IS REPORT

Pear pies, which have won so much favor on local home and restaurant tables during the past week, are going to be joined in their popularity by upside down cake and pear sauce cakes, leaders of the increased consumption campaign announce.

Any place an apple is used a pear can be used, the committee leaders pointed out yesterday, advising all cooks to try the suggestion.

Applesauce cake has been a favorite with many good liver for a long time. Pear sauce cake made by the same recipe, recent experiments show, is equally delicious.

Pickled pears, pear preserves and pear sherbet are also recommended.

RAILROAD BOND DROP MENTIONED AT PROBE

CHICAGO, Sept. 2.—(AP) A steady decline of railroad bonds, due to continued low earnings, resulting from economic conditions, and increased competition, was mentioned before the interstate commerce commission hearing on the proposed 15 per cent increase in freight rates today by Fairman H. Dick, member of the firm of Roosevelt & Sons, and secretary of the bond holders committee on railroad emergency.

He testified that since last February it had been difficult for the railway to dispose of their bonds, that the securities were no longer regarded by banks as secondary reserve.

Jewelry Stolen From Parked Car

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 2.—(AP)—C. C. Skov, a salesman, reported to police today that jewelry and sterling silver samples valued at \$3000 were stolen from his automobile which he had parked in front of a hotel here last night. The property was in two large fiber cases.

The door handle of the locked car had been twisted open in the same manner as reported in numerous other locked car robberies in the city.

C. O. D. SYSTEM FOR CHILEAN MAIL MEN

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP)—It costs 20 centavos or about three cents, and up to get mail delivered to one's home in Chile.

The government, in the interests of economy, has abolished its few paid postal routes in the cities, and now all mail carriers will operate on the "receiver pays the bill" basis.

Each letter, each parcel, each newspaper sent by mail, will be delivered at a stipulated price to homes and offices, the receipts going to the postman.

No hunting, no trespassing signs, on cardboard or cloth at job department of Mail Tribune, 28-30 North Grape.

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COUNTY INSTITUTE SET FOR OCT. 19

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The first institutes will be held in Grant and Deschutes counties on September 7 and 8. Jackson's institute is scheduled for October 19.

The high school principals' conference, which is a state-wide meeting, has been set for October 16 and 17.

Mickel Promoted in S. P. Service

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 2.—(AP)—The promotion of A. A. Mickel, district freight agent of the Southern Pacific here, to district freight and passenger agent at Salem, was announced by the railroad today. The promotion becomes effective immediately.

Mickel has been with the road since 1902. Prior to his promotion to district freight agent in Portland in January last year, he served in an executive capacity in Salem for 15 years.

Pollution Study Group Is Named

EUGENE, Ore., Sept. 2.—(AP) Roy Booth, president of the chamber of commerce, announced today a committee to investigate the causes and cure of pollution of the Willamette river will be appointed this week. This committee will work with a similar group from the Portland chamber.

A state-wide meeting to discuss stream pollution will be held soon, Booth said.

Convent Bells Banned.
LEON, Spain.—(UP)—Ringing of the convent bells during the night has been forbidden by the city council