

TAX BUSINESS FIRMS

Series of Ordinances to Be Enacted to Increase City's Revenue

LICENSING OF DRAY BUSINESS IS FIRST

Mayor and Members of Council Are Strongly in Favor of an Occupation Tax Which Will Provide Funds to Defray Municipal Expenses

The first of what is believed to be a series of ordinances to increase the revenue of the city was introduced at last night's meeting of the City Council. The ordinance provides for the regulation and licensing of the business of draying within the city. A tax of \$25 is proposed for the first truck or wagon, \$15 for the second, and \$10 for each additional one, owned by each person or corporation, whether operated by animal, man or electrical power. The penalty for each violation of the ordinance is to be a fine of from \$5 to \$25, or imprisonment not to exceed five days, or both, at the discretion of the court.

A number of the Council, particularly Mayor and Councilman Stiltz, are outspoken in favor of an occupation tax, which will provide a revenue to help defray city expenses. It is proposed to have the City Attorney draw up ordinances to be introduced, providing for an annual license tax on all business in the city, the tax to be based on the amount of stock carried or business done.

Recorder Leavitt called the attention of the Council to the fact that in a matter of eight or ten years the city would be called upon to pay the \$10,000 water bonds, which will then be due. As yet no provision had been made to liquidate this indebtedness. The franchise to the water company provides for the formation of a "sinking fund," which is to be used in paying off the principle. As yet nothing has been placed to the credit of this fund.

Mayor Bishop stated that he had under consideration a policy of increasing the revenue, which he would probably bring before the next meeting. In the meantime he would go over the water company franchise, with the City Attorney, and be ready to make some suggestions toward getting the city out of debt.

Entertain Musical Club

At a meeting of twenty odd members of a musical organization held at the home of Mrs. Krause, in Medford, on Monday evening of this week, a name was selected for the organization which is the "M. M. M." club. What these letters mean is one of the principal secrets of the club, and a secret which no member is permitted to divulge under penalty of expulsion. There are now about twenty-five members of the club, all ladies, and it is expected it will grow to fully thirty-five in the near future. They meet every Monday night for from one to two hours music (vocal) practice. Monday evening Mrs. Krause served refreshments of candy, nuts and lemonade, and there was also an added program of vocal selections by Miss Rindlaub and Mrs. Krause, also a guessing contest in which Misses Redden and Rindlaub won prizes.—Medford Mail.

Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. G. Heitkemper, Jr., celebrated the tenth anniversary of their marriage last evening, and in honor of the occasion entertained a few of their friends at their home on Ewauna Heights. The evening was a most enjoyable one, made doubly so by the ludicrous gifts given by the guests. In addition to these, many useful articles of the tin family were presented to the host and hostess. Whist was played and delicious refreshments were served. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Brennan, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Zumwalt, Mr. and Mrs. George Noland, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Martin, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Underwood and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Murray.

Postoffice Department Order

Post cards and postal cards mailed under cover of sealed envelopes, transparent or otherwise, are chargeable with postage at the first class rate—two cents an ounce or fraction thereof. If enclosed in unsealed envelopes, they are subject to postage according to the character of the message—at first class rate if wholly or partly in writing, or third class rate if entirely in print—and postage should be fixed to the envelope covering the same. Postage stamps affixed to such cards enclosed in envelopes having an opening exposing the stamps cannot be recognized in payment of postage thereon.

Mike Doohar returned from the timber last evening.

ASSISTING FARMERS

Crop Failure Compels Dominion to Aid Settlers to Prevent Starvation

Several hundred farmers who left Eastern Oregon and the Walla Walla and Palouse districts to engage in wheat growing in the new provinces of British Columbia will be interested in the following Ottawa dispatch printed in the Oregonian:

"The Dominion government has decided to loan a sum of approximately \$4,000,000 to the farmers of the new provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan whose crops were a failure, to purchase seed grain."

With everything favorable in the new districts mentioned, good crops of wheat can be grown, but when the season is unfavorable, as it was last year, the resulting failure is so much worse than any failure of which the Oregon or Washington farmer has ever heard, that it means government aid or starvation. Another year like the one just closed will see the departure for America of a few thousand settlers who have been drifting north in search of cheap land.

The adjourned meeting of the Fire Department will be held at the City Hall this evening.

BENEFIT SETTLERS

Water Tax May Be Paid in Work on Uncompleted Project

Settlers who are occupying lands on uncompleted Government irrigation projects will hereafter be given an opportunity to earn at least a fair income while waiting for water to be turned on their lands. A plan has been devised by the Reclamation Service, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior, whereby these settlers will have an opportunity to perform some of the work of construction, such as grading, hauling supplies and material, teaming, etc. It is not proposed to pay them in actual cash, however, but in certificates, which will be accepted later by the Government in lieu of cash payments for water rights.

Under this plan, a settler on an unfinished project may undertake work under such a contract as described, earn enough during the Winter to meet his payments that are likely to fall due in the Spring, and thereby reserve to himself whatever cash he may have otherwise intended to pay over to the Government for his water. Others may earn perhaps half the amount of the charges against them. But whatever the measure, the Reclamation Service believes this plan of co-operation will tend materially to lighten the burden on the

SALOON REGULATION

Mayor Bishop Wants an Ordinance—He Will Do the Rest

SAYS HIGH LICENSE WOULD BE INJUSTICE

Ordinances Now in Force Are Inadequate for Regulation of the Liquor Traffic—Mayor and Council Should Have More Power

settlers and render it easier for them to meet their payments. The plan is a new one, and largely experimental, but if it works as successfully as anticipated, it will be perpetuated.

Chamber of Commerce

The regular meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held this evening. As the matter of the consolidation of the Chamber of Commerce with the Inland Empire Club will be acted upon it is desired that a full attendance be present.

Mayor Bishop delivered himself of one of his energetic single-handed talks before the City Council last evening on the saloon question. The Mayor came out flat-footed and stated his position so that anyone could know where he stood. There was no hedging from one side or the other. The remarks were brought on during the discussion of the new ordinance for the regulation of the liquor business.

The Mayor expressed himself as in favor of the ordinance, with the exception that he thought that the Council, being the granting power, should also have the right to revoke the license. The old ordinance does not give the city the power to regulate the saloons or to close anything.

"If you will give me an ordinance to regulate the saloons," said Mr. Bishop, "I will see that they are regulated, without any outside help."

In regard to the suggestion that the saloon license be raised, Mr. Bishop said:

"Here I find myself again taking the side of the saloons. It seems that I am always on the side of the under dog. I believe that any attempt, at this time, to force the saloons of our city to pay a larger tax, would be a great injustice. It is a fact that during the past year the saloons have practically been the only source of revenue the city has had and as they are all heavy tax payers besides, to double their burden after the present financial stringency, would not be a square deal. It might be to the advantage of a few but I believe it would work a hardship on many who have always done more than their share for the improvement of the city."

Word was received last evening from Miss Stella Campbell stating that the doctor did not consider her father's condition serious, and unless there was a change for the worse, she and Miss Noble and Orv would return to Klamath Falls.

John P. Hazen is in the city from Deris on a business trip.



Mayor Bishop wants to do his own sweeping.

AN OVERCOAT THIEF

Wm. Monroe is Captured at Keno and Brought Back to This City

Wm. Monroe, a recent arrival in the city, stole two overcoats from Willson's office last evening, belonging to Bill Fee and Tom Brickell. Representing them as his own property he secured five dollars on one at the Lakeside Inn bar and two dollars for the other at Houston's. About 11 o'clock he was reported as having left the city, going in the direction of Keno. Mont Hutchison was deputized by the Sheriff, and armed with a warrant left on the 4 o'clock boat in pursuit. Monroe was found at Keno and brought back to this city, and will be given a preliminary hearing at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

FOR COUNTY SHERIFF

I hereby announce myself a candidate on the Democratic ticket, for the nomination for sheriff, for the consideration of the voters at the primary election.

R. E. HUNBAKER.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY

I hereby announce myself as a candidate on the Republican ticket for the nomination for the office of District Attorney for Klamath and Lake counties, subject to the decision of the voters at the primary election.

FRED. H. MILLS.

FOR COUNTY ASSESSOR

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for nomination on the Republican ticket, for County Assessor, of Klamath County, subject to the decision of the voters at the primary election.

RETT E. WITHEROW.

THE CITY COUNCIL

Holds Regular Meeting Last Evening—Firemen Given Needed Equipment

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the City Council was held last evening, with every member present, except President Maston, who was granted a 30 days leave of absence. The following bills were allowed and ordered paid:

K. F. Light & Water Co.	140 38
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Stiltz Co. supplies	18 00
Kanyon Transfer Co., drayage	18 25
Dr. Merryman, Johnson case	10 00
T. E. Griffith, watchman at fire	2 50
Special police	75 00
C. C. Low, Chief of Police	90 00
Jas. J. Hart, police	35 00
J. W. Siemens, Treasurer	12 50
E. E. Jamieson, Police	75 00
Don J. Zumwalt, engineer and rodman, Dec. and Jan.	35 37
J. F. Gostler, windows, etc.	24 40
E. W. Wakefield, labor	2 50
Vernie Houston, labor	2 50
Dr. Stone, Johnson case	10 00
C. F. Stone, city atty.	25 00
Chas. Adams, work on street	11 25
K. F. Roller Mills, cross walks	6 00
W. E. Bowdoin, printing	8 00
East End Blacksmith Shop, repairs	24 50
Owen McGuire, sharpening saws	1 00
A. L. Leavitt, police judge	33 33

Total \$798 74

Positions were granted for sidewalkers along the corner of Walnut and Seventh along the property belonging to Wideman, Casey and DeLap. Along north-

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Cattle for Hawaii

J. Frank Adams has the distinction of shipping the first carload of cattle from Bray over the new California-Northwestern Railroad. The cattle were shipped to the Hawaiian Islands.

Earl Whitlock has been mentioned as a candidate for County Coroner on the Democratic ticket.

Mrs. Kilgore, of Bonanza, is registered at the Lakeside Inn.

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