

IGNORE LOT OWNERS Citizens Make Peculiar Request of the City Council

Franchise Granted for Building Wooden Flume on High Street Irrespective of the Rights and Wishes of Property Owners Affected

A peculiar request was asked of the City Council last evening in a petition of a large number of business men for the granting of a franchise to the Reclamation Service for the construction of a wooden flume along High street on the West side. The peculiar part of the request was the fact that only three of the property owners affected signed petitions, while nearly a hundred business men who have interest in that section, demand that the Council pass this ordinance irrespective of the wishes of the petitioners.

The members of the Council have agreed to grant the franchise if the agreement will build a concrete flume so that the property lying immediately beneath the waterway will be protected from the leakage, which would result from a wooden flume. It is to be constructed along the side of the hill, and a wooden flume is used to convey the water. It is expected that a considerable leakage would result. The city officials believe that the city would be liable for damage that might result from overflow of water on the property at any future time. They believe that now is the time to protect the people rather than after the damage is done.

The property owners affected are: E. Moore, 2 1/2 lots; Geo. T. Bald, 1 1/2 lots; J. E. Goeller, 2 lots; W. White, 2 lots; A. Castel, 2 lots; J. Aronson, 1 lot; Jack Horton, 1 lot; J. Zimwalt, 1 lot; L. M. Stearns, 2 lots; and W. T. Elliott, 7 lots. Of these H. R. Moore, G. W. White and L. M. Stearns signed the petition.

FRANKS ON HAY QUESTION.

C. Franks, who has been in the city for several days, left this morning for the railroad. He will

go to Roseburg to investigate a contract for some dredge work. In speaking of the hay situation, Mr. Franks said that when he was with the Carr Company, they always got better satisfaction by feeding their cattle in Klamath county than by driving them to Shasta Valley, even with the hay a little higher here. He believed, however, that it was more than the feeders could afford to pay, and in his opinion the farmers were making a mistake by asking that much. J. C. Mitchell and a number of the larger shippers have made arrangements to feed in California, and it was found to be a hard blow to Klamath county as a feeding ground for stock.

CITIZENS WILLINGLY PAYING POLL TAX.

Chief of Police C. C. Low began making the rounds today collecting the poll tax of \$2, which was provided by ordinance recently. Mr. Low states that he is meeting with excellent success. It is believed that between \$1500 and \$1800 can be raised in this manner for necessary expenses.

The city certainly needs the money and the disposition of the citizens so far seen has been in favor of each contributing this small sum without protest. The sum will not be serious, but felt by the individual and is believed to be a much more equal tax than any other method. Mr. Low will make a thorough canvass of the city and it is the intention to publish the names of all those who pay as well as those who refuse. It is not believed that it will be necessary to collect any of the taxes. The sum that can be raised in this manner can be used to good advantage in improving the streets.

DAIRY ITEMS.

While rounding up a bunch of his stock a few days ago, H. J. O'Brien had his wrist thrown out of place and a bone broken near the wrist joint, the result of his horse falling with him.

C. C. Pearson thinks he has a broken rib from a fall while doing some repair work in his house.

The Young thresher made a good run last week, but is laid up at present in order to adjust an extra that was ordered from Portland.

Earls Arant and family were visiting at G. G. Anderson's last Sunday a week ago.

The most of our stockmen are gathering their best cattle, quite a number have sold and others are expecting Mr. Horace Mitchell to be here this week to make further purchases.

Herbert Arant quietly moved into our little bog a few days ago and has been hauling hay for his winter's feed. He is now at Fort Klamath after a bunch of horses.

The parties who went from our neighborhood to the huckleberry patch have returned and all agree that they had a good time.

Mrs. G. G. Anderson visited with her daughter, Mrs. Arant, last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wright contemplate a trip to Shovel creek within a few days and will remain there long enough to test the rheumatic curative powers of the hot springs at that place.

Wm. Flackus returned from Ashland Monday with a load of fruit for his winter's supply. Mrs. Flackus remained in Ashland to make a visit with her parents.

Frank Street arrived from Portland Monday. He is well pleased with his stay in wetfoot land and may return after the fall work is done at home.

Elders McKee and Northridge, accompanied by Mrs. Dr. Johnson from Bonanza, held a meeting at this place Monday evening.

KELLEY IS STILL MISSING.

Harry Pearson, who came up from Keno today, states that he has been in Keno since Sunday and Kelley has not been seen there. He has not made his appearance in Klamath Falls and a message from Dorris says he has not been there. Another search will be made in the tules at the Lee ranch.

LANGELL VALLEY NEWS.

Dr. Johnson was called to attend Dr. J. B. Hall last Thursday, who is suffering from inflammation of the bowels. His condition has improved to the extent that he is past immediate danger.

Mr. Burnham's thresher has finished work for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. James Driscoll and son were visiting at the home of Jack Driscoll last Sunday.

A party of hunters succeeded in killing ten deer last week in the upper country.

Wm. Copeland will soon move to the Rogue River Valley to make his home there.

The Cline steam thresher is now operating in Langell Valley.

Robert Goss, of Bonanza, made a trip to the upper country last Sunday.

Jack Driscoll is the happiest and proudest man in Oregon today. He has his grain all threshed which yielded 1200 bushels, and a very obliging stork visited his home recently and left a bouncing 19 pound boy.

Tom Roberts, Jr., of Poe Valley, was visiting in Langell Valley Saturday and Sunday.

Drew Campbell is on the sick list but we still hope to see the little fellow recover soon, which he surely will under the skillful treatment of Dr. Johnson.

Mr. Coshov, of Silver Lake, is looking over Klamath county. He reports flour \$1.75 per sack out his way, and beet steers at 7 cents.

John McFall, of Poe Valley, was visiting in Langell Valley Sunday.

The new government road to Clear Lake is attracting numerous people who are anxious to take a look at the upper extremity of the irrigation project.

There is a great deal of speculation by numerous individuals regarding the outcome of government irrigation. It is an assured fact that we cannot all see things in the same light, for nature has provided us with different faculties of reasoning. This is as it should be for the welfare of the community at large. We will say that it will cost \$40 per acre to water all of the land embraced under the government ditch. Very well, that will be the neat little sum of \$4000 for you will have to pay for watering 100 acres of land. Oh horrors! We can never pay it. We are doomed to lose what we have and go to the poor house. Now let us consider and see. Just take your pencil and note book and foot up the expense account of any business for a period of twenty years, whether it be a farm or what it is, and see if you are not surprised at the product. Why is this so? Simply because the figures all coming in a lump will look very large indeed while if they are scattered along in small sums for a number of years they are not noticed so much. We will say that it will cost us \$2 per acre each year until the \$6400 is all paid. If we can make a dry farm produce twenty bushels of wheat per acre, would not the same piece of land produce at least one-third more, if not double the amount, with irrigation. It takes just the same amount of labor and the same amount of seed to mature a crop on dry ground as it does on irrigated land, with the exception of the extra amount of labor required for irrigating which is very little.

MAY EXTEND LIMITS FOR NEW BUSINESS SECTION.

A petition was presented to the Council last evening by property owners on Klamath avenue asking that the Council extend the fire limits of the city to include the south half of blocks 36, 37 and 38 and the north half of blocks 74, 75, 76 and 78. This property would include both sides of the street, with the exception of the court house block, along Klamath avenue, from Third to Seventh streets. The matter was referred to the committee on Water and Fire, who will make an investigation and report at the next regular meeting.

This property is used at present almost exclusively for residence purposes, but the owners believe that this portion of Klamath avenue will soon develop into a business street, and wish the Council to prohibit the construction of any more wooden buildings in that district.

AT OPERA HOUSE TONIGHT.

Hearts Bidding, Veiled Beauty, A Mother's Secret, At the Colonial Exhibition. "Napanee," the new Indian song.

VERY BUSY COUNCIL Large Attendance of Citizens at Regular Meeting

New Street Car Franchise Asked For--Mills Wants Settlement for Henry Property on Sixth Street--Naftzger Wants Grade for Cement Walks on Pine

There was a large attendance at the meeting of the City Council last evening by citizens who were interested in petitions which were presented to the Council for action. The present quarters are getting almost too small to accommodate the large number of people attending the semi-monthly meetings.

The petition for enlarging the fire limits was referred to the Fire and Water committee and will be acted upon at the next meeting.

A petition was presented by the Hot Springs Improvement Company asking that a grade be established on Pine street extending easterly from 11th street, as the Company wishes to construct cement sidewalks along their property in that section. The City Engineer submitted a plat of the grade of the street, which showed a fall of several feet necessary. The matter was referred to the Street committee for investigation.

Coroner Whitlock went to Long Lake this morning and as an examination proved that death was caused by heart disease no inquest was held. Although Mr. Hendricks has been well and strong he has been troubled with his heart for some time. The body was brought to this city and the funeral will probably be held Friday.

The deceased was a cousin of Geo. R. Hurn of this city. The only other relative is Joseph Hendricks, who lives near Keno. He was 45 years of age and a member of Klamath Lodge, I. O. O. F.

The funeral will be held under the auspices of the Odd Fellows, arrangements for which will be made at a meeting of the members this evening.

DEATH OF THOS. HENDRICKS.

Thomas Hendricks, who has been logging for the Long Lake Lumber Company, was found dead in his bed this morning at his place near Long Lake. Mr. Hendricks worked in the woods with the other men yesterday and appeared well when he retired last night.

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I. O. O. F. ATTENTION.

On account of the sudden death of Bro. Thos. Hendricks, an informal meeting of the members of Lodge No. 137, I. O. O. F., will be held at the A. O. U. W. Hall, at 7:30 sharp, tonight to make arrangements for the funeral.

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