

MAYOR NICHOLAS RESIGNS HIS OFFICE

Police Walk Out in Body

DEADLOCK IS CAUSE OF FINAL BREAK

CITY ATTORNEY GIVES AS CAUSE FOR RESIGNING THE INSUFFICIENCY OF THE SALARY CONNECTED WITH THAT OFFICE.

Mayor Nicholas, Chief of Police Joe Smith, Patrolmen H. S. Wilson, S. L. Walker, M. M. Obenchain and Poundmaster Ed Owen tendered their resignations at the opening of the council meeting last night in the city hall which were accepted by the council, as a result of the deadlock between the mayor and the council over the discharge of the police force of the city.

After a preliminary statement last night before the regular business of the meeting was taken up, Mayor Nicholas stated that the council did not want to work with him, and that he did not care to be made the laughing stock of the town any longer. He tendered his resignation, and after it was accepted also placed on the table those of H. S. Wilson, Joe Smith, S. L. Walker and Ed Owen. Obenchain's came in later, as did J. H. Carnahan's, city attorney, who stated that he did not care to work for the salary.

Following the acceptance of the resignations, O. D. Matthews, president of the council, took charge, and the following appointments were made: George L. Humphrey, chief of police, permanent if he will accept; Wm. Hall and Earl Sharp, temporary policemen until tonight. R. C. Groesbeck was appointed city attorney permanently. The meeting last night adjourned until tonight, when provision for a special election of mayor and organization of the council will be made.

Several other ordinances will probably make their appearance on the ballot provided for the special election, among them being an ordinance proposed by Councilman A. D. Miller, providing that the city charter be amended to the effect that weekly papers be allowed to send in bids for the city advertising.

"As the charter now stands, it reads that bids shall be submitted by the daily papers of the city," said Miller, and since there is but one daily, I do not believe that the city's interests should be left to the mercy of one paper. We should give the weekly paper an opportunity to place a bid."

Immediately following the calling to order of the meeting by Mayor Nicholas, he said:

"I left you somewhat disorganized at the last meeting, and I would like to have a little talk with you before the regular meeting is taken up. It has been said that there is a great deal of extravagance in my office in regard to the police and other things. I have been here nearly three years now, and if I have done anything worth while I have never received

any credit for it, by the newspapers or anybody else."

He then stated that the council had attempted to take his powers away from him, and that he did not feel that under the present charter he could make the combine of the offices asked for by the council. "It has been said that my salary was too large," he said. "I might work for \$25 per month, but I have to make a living. I have talked with some of the bankers, and I find that they are behind you, Mr. Miller, in your statements of the last meeting, and as you said, I cannot fight the money interests of the city, for I am not able, and I think that I am suffering now for something which I did last year. I am too old."

Mayor Nicholas then made a proposition that he would sign an affidavit that he would give up his office, pay for a special election from his own salary for the city, and when his successor had been duly elected, he would then turn the keys over to him.

"That is the very thing we want you to do," said Councilman Doty. "Call the election. Combine the offices. This city has got to curtail expenses. We have a charter large enough to run the city of Portland. We are paying a man \$100 a month for half his time, and the other half he gives to the electric company."

Some discussion was then had over the mayor's salary, and Nicholas stated that he had not received a dollar of second year's salary.

"Not a question of salary," said Doty.

The members of the council were then called on for their opinion on the mayor's proposition, and Sheets said: "I hardly think it necessary for the mayor to make such a proposition. I am not in favor of it."

Matthews—"I am not in favor of any such proposition."

Struble—"Not in favor. We want to work with you."

Nicholas—"I cannot double up those offices."

Miller—"I congratulate you on trying to do that which you think best. I was elected on a business platform and to conserve expenses. I came to work on a business basis, not a political one. You would not work with us. First, cut down on the police. I know that we can get along with less men."

Nicholas—"I never said we needed them."

Miller—"But you kept them when this city was headed toward bankruptcy. The council is here to work for a conservative administration. We do not want you to pay for this election."

Nicholas—"I am tired of being a laughing stock." He then laid his resignation on the table, saying: "I can get along without this bunch of men."

Doty—"I have found it good policy for anybody that when a man wants to go let him go. He is a bad man to hold onto. When you cannot get along with him, let him go. I move to accept the resignation."

Expressions from several councilmen then to get together and stop fighting brought applause from the audience.

Struble—"I believe that Mayor Nicholas is sincere, but ill-advised. I believe with Mr. Doty. Second the motion."

The vote soon followed, and there was no dissenting voice on the acceptance of the resolution. The other resignations were laid on the table by the mayor, who took his hat and left the chamber.

The appointment by Nicholas of John Uerling as special police during the federal court session was questioned by Councilman Miller, but no action taken.

Following a discussion of the new fire bell, it was decided to make an

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BIG TIME ON JULY FOURTH

COMMITTEE IN CHARGE IS MEETING EVERY DAY PERFECTING ARRANGEMENTS—BIG PURSES TO BE GIVEN FOR CONTESTS

The committee of business men who have been placed in charge of the Fourth of July celebration are meeting every day and perfecting their plans for the big celebration. The committee consists of J. F. Maguire, Fred Houston, J. J. Keller, R. I. Hammond and Joe Kent, and they meet every day between 5 and 6 o'clock at the headquarters on Main street.

A special effort is to be made to get top-of-war teams from Poe Valley, Langell Valley, Merrill, Fort Klamath, Bonanza and from every other source in the county. Nobody is barred, say the committee, and all they have to do is to get up their teams and register them before the celebration begins. A purse of \$75 is to be given the winner. The contests will be held Friday and Saturday, and the winner is to be picked by elimination.

A \$40 purse is to be given for the log rolling on Lake Ewauna, and letters are being written to all parts of the county, to the mills and logging camps, to get up interest and get a big bunch to turn out.

Another purse of \$75 has been decided to be put up for the Indian races, which are to be staged on Main street. The Warm Springs Indians are to be here in all their regalia and war paint, and some big features are being planned for their part of the celebration.

The big barbecue is also under consideration, and efforts are being made to get a man that knows how to handle a regular old fashioned "feed." Several have been mentioned by the committee, and a big time is assured.

Congressman Sinnott of this district is to be here on Sunday, and will give the Fourth of July address. The committees and prize lists are being made out now by the committee in charge, and will be announced soon.

ANOTHER JURY VENIRE DRAWN

THIRTY-TWO ARE DRAWN IN NEW VENIRE TO CLEAN UP CASES PENDING BEFORE CIRCUIT COURT

In order that the docket of the circuit court may be cleaned up as much as possible at the present session of the circuit court, a new jury venire has been drawn and practically all of the members have been notified.

The court docket is in the best shape now that it has been for some time, as there are only about six more cases to come up for trial, according to the docket. Following is the new venire:

- R. W. Tower, Keno; Martin E. Spencer, Keno; L. M. Streeter, Fort Klamath; C. D. Willson, city; Geo. T. Baldwin, city; A. A. Bollman, city; Dan Ryan, Fort Klamath; S. C. Eastwood, Merrill; J. E. Swanson, city; W. P. Johnson, city; Richard Brettenstein, city; W. A. Brown, city; Henry Gordon, Fort Klamath; J. A. Gordon, city; C. P. Stewart, city; J. S. Mills, city; H. N. Whiteline, city; Fred Collman, Swan; Fred Stahlman,

Italians Must Cross Austrian Alps



This is the character of the country the Italians, now marching north, must cross to reach Austrian territory. The figure in the center shows one of the Alpine chassours of the Italian army. These men are equipped and trained for warfare on the mountain passes. So far as can be learned from dispatches, the Italians are now making

two movements against Austria. One takes them over the lowlands, north of Venice, in the direction of the province of Trieste. The other requires them to push north over mountainous country. In some of the passes, more than 11,000 feet high, there is snow the year round. But it will not greatly interfere with fighting in the summer.

the Varsity's best pitcher this spring, to play ball with Klamath Falls this summer. These men are all stars, and are attending the university at the present time, with the exception of Jamieson, who graduated in 1910, and has been a teacher and instructor of football and baseball in Jefferson High School in Portland. Nelson is at his home at LaFayette, while the others are in Eugene.

This galaxy of stars will make the Klamath Falls team the strongest in the city. Moteschenbacher will catch for the locals, and as he has worked behind the bat with both Tuerck and Bigbee, they will have a battery that will be hard to beat. Nelson and Bigbee are both heavy hitters, as well as Jamieson, so that Klamath Falls will have a formidable bunch of stickers when Weed journeys to this city July 4th.

Answers were expected this afternoon, and they are soon to be on their way here. The Pacific Telephone company will expend \$15,000 on a two-wire line from Eugene to Florence.

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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PLANS BOOST MEETING REPORTED THAT GREAT BRITAIN WILL MODIFY

BIG PLANS FOR NEXT YEAR ARE FORMULATED LONDON OFFICIALS RETICENT ON THE REPORT

Prominent Speakers From Portland Have Promised to Give Several Good Speeches Before the Local Booster Body—Klamath Falls Military Band Will Assist in the Proceedings With Open Air Concert Gerard Expects to Confer With the Kaiser Before Reply to American Rejoinder is Made by That Country—Germany Told That America Would Not Repeat the Offers Made Under Any Circumstances.

The biggest booster meeting ever held in Klamath Falls is scheduled for next Friday night in the opera house, when, under the auspices of the Klamath Chamber of Commerce, a number of prominent speakers, such as Judge Webster and Clarence Peames and others will address the public. At a meeting held last night by the Chamber a number of plans were formulated for the coming year. It is planned to make the Klamath Chamber one of the best in Southern Oregon. A report will be given at that time of the work that has been done by the Chamber for the past year, which has been prepared by Fred Fleet, secretary. A number of local speakers will be on the program and the general work for the future year will be outlined.

Several surprises in extension work are being withheld by the committee in charge, and it is predicted that a great deal is to be accomplished in the future by the Chamber of Commerce. Every Chamber in the state has been strengthening up in the past year, and the board of directors of the local Chamber feel that Klamath must take some steps forward to keep up with the rest of the Oregon cities.

"The Klamath Falls military band is to be out, and will give an open air concert preceding the meeting. A big time is assured, and every man in town that wants to be in on the fun for next year should be there Friday night," said Secretary Fleet today.

United Press Service WASHINGTON, D. C., June 15.—According to latest reports the United States is doing her utmost to encourage peace, but necessarily is limited by the attitude of the belligerents. The president contradicted to all callers today the reports that the United States is only neutral, and is not trying to bring peace.

The possibility of the British replying to the American note has replaced the German situation as the center of interest.

It is rumored that the British have flatly denied the American contentions, and are attempting to prove that this country is not suffering. United Press Service LONDON, June 15.—Officialdom here is very reticent concerning the report that England is willing to modify the war situation.

Receiver \$400 Damages J. P. Satterlie, plaintiff, in the case of Satterlie against Homer Roberts, was awarded \$400 damages in the circuit court yesterday. The suit was brought by Satterlie for damages to farm property rented and not properly farmed. Other damages were sued for on specific charges, but only the \$400 for general damages was allowed.

Leave After Visit Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Brigham and daughter Katherine left this morning at 10 o'clock, after visiting here several days at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Dunbar. Mr. Brigham is a brother of Mrs. Dunbar. They have been living in San Francisco, and expect to reside in Eugene, formerly living in Portland.

Bobcat hides bring \$2 each, and all brought in Monday were coyotes but one. It is thought that a large number of coyotes will be killed off this summer, as the bounty is ample to pay for considerable trouble in getting them.

The following persons brought in skins Monday: John Cotman, Merrill, three coyotes; S. K. McKensie, Klamath Falls, five coyotes and one bobcat; Winton Knight, one coyote; J. H. Harris, one coyote; J. M. Corbell, Chiloquin, one coyote.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hughes have returned to Klamath Falls to live, after their marriage at Yreka last week. Mrs. Hughes is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. North, who reside on Fifth street.

COYOTES BRING GOOD MONEY

SINCE BOUNTY WAS RAISED BY LEGISLATURE HUNTERS AND FARMERS GRIND IN MANY HIDES TO COUNTY CLERK

Since the raising of the bounty on coyote hides to \$3 by the state legislature at its last session, the hunters and farmers of the county are bringing in many hides, according to C. R. De Lap, county clerk. Monday was red letter day at the county clerk's office, \$35 in all being paid out for hides.

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