

COUNCIL HAS LIVELY MEET

Councilman from the Fifth up to His Old Tricks, But Makes Little Headway.

A somewhat amusing incident occurred at the council meeting last night when the matter of the resignation of Patrolman Hilton was dragged in by Councilman Volmer. He wanted Mayor Wiley to tell him whether Mr. Hilton was still on the payroll of the city. Mr. Wiley stated that he had asked for and received Mr. Hilton's resignation and it was submitted to the council last Monday evening. "Well, why didn't you get us to act upon it?" demanded the councilman from the fifth. What the mayor's answer would have been remains a mystery, for Bogardus moved that the resignation be accepted, seeming to lose sight of the fact that it was no more before the council than it was a week ago. Evidently it was thought this was a poor instrument with which to dig the hole these councilmen want to put the mayor in, so decided to postpone the task for a more propitious moment.

But Volmer was out with his war paint on and when he could not "hang" anything on the mayor, he was going to put it on the chief of police.

Since he and Bogardus were foiled in their efforts to get Chief Wilson's scalp by having him removed from the police force, they have been scouting around to see if they could not dig up something else. The latest trail they have struck is the pound. The councilman from the fifth ward stated the chief refused to show him the pound books, but when questioned by the mayor had to admit that he did not refuse to show the books from January, 1921, to date. For information prior to that date, the chief referred the investigator to his report on file with the police judge. The excitable representative from the fifth labored hard to evade the facts, but the mayor led him gently but firmly to the point at issue, much to his discomfort, as well as to the enlightenment of the other members.

But like the ghost of old, Volmer would not down. He wanted to know about Wynn—was he on the payroll? When informed that he had been suspended as a result of the incidents surrounding the raid of which he, Volmer, was a party, it was not likely that he was drawing any city money. "I have very competent legal authority that he can collect his salary until he is tried," responded Volmer. "Then why don't you prefer the charges?" queried the mayor, the intonations seeming to say that since the fifth ward representative was a bona fide member of the party that rushed into the room where Wynn was, it would be a perfectly proper proceeding for him to file the charges. What Volmer thought about it no one will ever know, for for once in his life he was silent.

This incident seemed to furnish the belligerent councilman with sufficient excitement for the evening, for he settled down in his seat and permitted the regular business of the council to proceed in a quiet and orderly manner, the members taking up the question of the petition of certain property owners to postpone the paving of High street from 6th to 8th, 6th street from Pine to Washington. The petitioners were represented by R. C. Groesbeck, who made an argument in their behalf.

Councilman West was of the opinion that since there was a decided difference of opinion among the property owners, the question should go over until the 23rd, at which time it will come regularly before the council. He contended that since the work was inaugurated on petition of the property owners, which petition the protestants signed, and the city had entered into a contract with the Warren Construction company in good faith, subject to the sale of the bonds, it was only fair to wait and see whether the bonds were sold or not and if they were sold, then the contract could be carried out. It was accordingly put over until the next meeting.

A petition asking for the opening of Commercial street, from 7th to

Rice Growers Will Try Again This Year

SACRAMENTO, Cal., May 17.—Belief that the adverse conditions of last year will not prevail this year and confidence in an improved market have led to replanting of rice acreage by nearly all the growers of rice in northern California. Seeding has commenced, following the covering of water, it is stated, and, according to authorities the total acreage will be approximately 125,000. Last year it was 172,000 acres.

Rice growers suffered considerable loss in 1920 due to early rains which caught the rice in shock and prevented harvesting, and also much acreage did not mature because of water shortage and adverse rulings by the state water commission.

It is estimated that the rice growers of Glenn, Colusa, Tehama and Sacramento counties have planted 90 per cent of last year's acreage.

C. OF C. ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

Carrying out the program laid down by the American City Bureau, the new board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce met last evening for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. E. B. Hall was elected president; J. A. Gordon, vice president; A. M. Collier, treasurer. No action was taken on the question of secretary, but it is assumed that the present incumbent will be continued.

Both the old and the new boards banqueted at the Rex Cafe in the evening, following which officers were elected and other business transacted.

The annual meeting of the members will be held tomorrow evening at the headquarters of the Chamber, at which time a financial statement will be submitted.

Understanding May Be Reached Over Silesia

LONDON, May 17.—The tension over the Polish revolution in upper Silesia seemed today to have passed here. An exchange of views on the subject has been proceeding between London and Paris and there seemed to be confidence that Lloyd George and Premier Briand would reach an understanding when they met.

PARIS, May 17.—President Millerand conferred with King Albert of Belgium and the members of the French and Belgian ministry yesterday, reaching a complete agreement on the action France and Belgium would take in case Germany should send troops into upper Silesia without authority from the Allies.

OPPELN, May 17.—The Polish executive committee in Silesia, of which Adelbert Kofanty is president, has telegraphed the interallied commission here stating that the insurgents are ready to retire sufficiently to inaugurate the immediate cessation of hostilities with the Germans, provided the ground that they occupy is occupied by the Allies and not the Germans.

PORTLAND WATERFRONT IS UNDER GUARD

PORTLAND, May 17.—The waterfront is guarded following the attack on the non union men here last night. The strikers and the strike breakers had a fight near the Broadway bridge.

Oak, was presented and referred to the street committee.

The following permits were granted:

C. E. Bismarck was given permission to hang an electric sign in front of his place of business at 1010 Main street. At the request of John Collman the tabernacle will be allowed to stand until after the Chauisauqua.

Wm. Barker will erect a frame dwelling on lot 517, block 102, in Mills addition and I. D. Rumer was given permission to build a \$3,000 residence on lot 6, block 44 Hot Springs Addition, and Mrs. Peck was given permission to tear down a wood shed and build a new one in the rear of the Colonial Rooms.

STATE AFTER DELINQUENTS

Owners Who Have Failed to Get Vehicle License for 1921 Will Be Arrested.

"Saltzman will get you if you don't watch out," is a warning that owners of autos and trucks who have not secured their 1921 license from the state should heed. Jay Saltzman, an inspector of the motor vehicle department of the state, is here for the purpose of rounding up those who have not secured their license, and he has already gotten busy, three victims having been his toll for yesterday.

"There is a large number in this county failing to get their license for this year," said Mr. Saltzman today, "and I am here to find out the why of this failure and to rectify the oversight. Under the law it is possible to compel the owner of a vehicle that is operating without a license to let his machine stand right on the spot where it is found without the necessary permit. This would work a serious hardship on truck owners, but unless those who have not secured their license make immediate application for one they are liable to find themselves in just that fix. Ample time has elapsed to enable everyone to get their license. I am going to tag every machine I find without one. This will mean a fine on top of the fee."

Mr. Saltzman is going to visit every section of the county, and will not leave here until every machine has secured the necessary license.

Free Americans Says U.S. to Russia

WASHINGTON, May 17.—Definite, though informal, notification has been served on the Soviet by the state department that so long as Americans were held prisoners in Russia there would exist no chance of recognition of the Soviet government in any form by the United States. A score or more of Americans are still under guard in Russia and the state department is convinced that Russian authorities have not concerned themselves even with the amelioration of the conditions of these prisoners.

Martial Law May Not Be Declared

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The federal government is not disposed to declare martial law or employ the regular troops in the West Virginia strike region merely to anticipate a situation that may get beyond the state authorities, Secretary Weeks said today. He also said that the latest reports indicated the situation is more quiet.

FINED FOR PAYING LESS THAN AUTHORIZED WAGE

PORTLAND May 17.—The directors of the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen are today considering wage revisions. The report stated that 75 per cent of the affiliated mills are now running. The directors yesterday fined six companies on charges of paying less than the authorized scale, among the companies fined was the Coos Bay Lumber company of Marshfield.

THE MARKETS

PORTLAND, May 17.—Cattle 25c lower, choice steers \$8.00 to \$8.25, hogs 25c lower, \$9.25 and \$9.50. Sheep 50c lower, prime lambs \$7.00 and \$7.50.

CHILD GOES TO ITALY

WASHINGTON, May 17.—Richard Washburn Child, author and the former editor of Colliers Weekly, has been selected by the president as ambassador to Italy.

RENDS DOWN IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, May 17.—Rent concessions as an inducement to prospective tenants to rent an apartment were offered in Chicago today for the first time in several years.

CITY ACCEPTS LORENZ OFFER

Local Man Secures Contract for Installation of Mills Addition Sewer.

Once more the Mills addition sewer problem is under way, and if the bonds that were voted for that work are sold, there is a strong probability that this much needed and much wanted improvement will go through. At the council meeting last evening the chief of police question was sidetracked long enough to give attention to the sewer matter. G. C. Lorenz appeared before the council in behalf of his bid for the work. There has been some hesitancy over awarding the contract to Mr. Lorenz because his bid was above the estimate, and it was this phase of the situation that received the most attention.

One of the causes for the high bid was the requirement that the contractor furnish a Surety company bond, instead of a personal one. This provision was waived, resulting in a reduction of one and one half per cent. Other changes were made and the price finally decided upon was \$45,792. Councilman Hawkins moved that the contract be awarded to Mr. Lorenz at this figure, contingent upon the sale of the bonds, securing of the necessary rights of way and the submission in writing of a detailed bid.

At the present time the question of the validity of the bonds is in the hands of the attorneys for Duffee, Niles & Company, of Toledo, whose bid was accepted by the city. Judge Leavitt is in receipt of a telegram asking that the city give its reason for passing an ordinance providing for 20 year bonds, when the people voted for bonds payable in 10, 20 and 30 years. The submission of the 10-20-30 year provision was an oversight, but Judge Leavitt contends that it does not invalidate the issue, basing his opinion upon the case of the City of Denver vs. Hallett, in which practically the same question arose, and he has so wired and written the bonding concern.

If the Toledo company rejects the bonds, Mr. Lorenz is quite confident he will be able to place them with a Portland bank. As matters now stand the only thing in the way of the sewer is the sale of the bonds.

Pernicious Foreigners Kicked Out By Mexico

MEXICO CITY, May 17.—Frank Seaman, an alleged American agitator, another American whose name was not announced, two Spaniards and four other foreigners, were ordered expelled from Mexico last night as "pernicious foreigners." The charge preferred against them is a result of their participation in the radical invasion of the Chamber of Deputies last week.

URGES NATIONAL AGREEMENT ON RAILROAD WAGE QUESTION

NEW YORK, May 17.—The national labor agreements on the railroads was urged here today by Stephen C. Mason, president of the national association of manufacturers, in his annual message to the associations convention.

MRS. BERGDOLL FINED \$7000 AND ONE YEAR IN ATLANTA

PHILADELPHIA, May 17.—Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll was sentenced to a year and a day in the Atlanta penitentiary and fined \$7000 for conspiracy to aid her son in deserting the army. Judge Dickinson said the prison sentence would be remitted if the fine was paid before June 13.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

O. K.'S BLAIR NOMINATION WASHINGTON, May 17.—The senate finance committee favorably reported the nomination of David H. Blair, of Winston-Salem, N. C., as commissioner of internal revenue.

WEATHER

OREGON—Tonight and Wednesday showers. Cooler tonight in the eastern portion.

Carpentier Earns \$200,000 Since War

PARIS, May 17.—Georges Carpentier, who emerged from the war ruined and practically penniless, is now reported to be worth more than 3,000,000 francs, or a little over \$200,000 in real money, all of which he has made since his fight with Joe Beckett.

All his property in Lievin, just outside of Lens, was destroyed during the war and while mobilized he spent what savings he had to keep his mother and family, even getting into some debts, which his share of the purse for his fight with Dick Smith in June 1919, just evened up. Carpentier has been touring Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Switzerland, Northern Africa, Spain and, under the keen business management of Descamps, has been raking in the paper francs. Descamps is working with Carpentier on a 40 per cent agreement.

RAILROAD WAGE TO COME DOWN

CHICAGO, May 17.—The United States railroad labor board announced late this afternoon that without any further consideration of the case now before it, it had decided "some revision downward of the railway wages was necessary," the decision was entirely unexpected.

Local Song Bird Sings Tonight

Klamath Falls music lovers are anxiously awaiting the song recital to be given tonight by Mamie Boyd-Wagner, coloratura soprano, assisted by Mrs. Fred Cofer, pianist, and Harry Borel violinist, at the Presbyterian auditorium tonight at 8:00 o'clock. Following is the program which will be given:

- (a) My Mother Bids Me Bid My Hair Hayden
- (b) Caro Mio Ben Giordani
- (c) Ave Maria (from "Othello") Verdi
- Mrs. Wagner
- Una Voce Poco Fa (From "Barber of Seville") Rossini
- Mrs. Wagner
- (a) Prelude—Opus 3, No. 2, C Sharp-Minor Rachmaninoff
- (b) Three-Horse Sleigh Tchaikowsky
- Mrs. Cofer
- (a) Who'll Buy My Lavender? Edward German
- (b) The Little Dustman Brahms
- (c) The Shi-Liu Tree (Chinese) Pasmore
- (d) Bon Jour Ma Belle Behrend
- Mrs. Wagner
- (a) Norwegian Mountain Song Thrane
- (b) Oh Sleep, Why Dost Thou Leave Me! Handel (Violin Arranged by Pasmore)
- Mrs. Wagner
- Obligato by Mr. Borel
- (a) Aria for Violin, (Adapted to Prelude in C Minor by Bach) Gustave Ferrari
- (b) Chansonette Maurice Baron
- Mr. Borel
- (a) Gentle Annie Foster
- (b) The Kerry Dance (by special Request) Molloy
- Mrs. Wagner

Tickets on sale at the music stores.

SCHUMAN GOES TO CHINA

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The President also nominated Dr. Jacob Gould Schuman, minister to China.

Boys Injured By Skidding Automobile

An accident occurred on Sixth street last evening about 9:30 when an automobile driven by Charles Darrell collided with a milk wagon driven by a couple of boys by the name of Poole. The street was slick owing to the recent rains and the automobile skidded in trying to pass the wagon. The two boys were thrown from the vehicle. Both received several bruises about the face and chest. Dr. Lamb was called and the boys were taken to their home.

OIL MACHINERY IS PURCHASED

Manager of Crater Oil and Gas Company Wires the Immediate Shipment Will Be Made.

James H. Driscoll, secretary of the Crater Oil and Gas company, is in receipt of a telegram from W. C. Lehman, manager of the company, to the effect that he has purchased all the machinery, tools and equipment necessary for the first thousand feet of the well that is to be drilled by this company on its holdings near Merrill. Mr. Lehman states that he will be here Thursday.

The oil showing in the Siemens well was the talk of the business district today, with the result that the demand for stock in both the Crater and Klamath companies was brisk. As there is no stock in the latter company for sale, those having the few shares that have been piled loose were being importuned to "split up" with the outsiders, but the appeals were in vain. It was reported that one offer of \$1500 was refused for one share, but this could not be confirmed.

Plan Mammoth Irrigation Project

SACRAMENTO, May 17.—Application has been filed with the state water commission by the Glenn-Colusa irrigation district for permission to build a dam which, if built, would carry water for irrigation into the counties of Glenn, Colusa, Butte, Sutter, Yolo, Sacramento and Solano counties and, incidentally would inundate the sites of three towns—McArthur, Fall River Mills and Pitville. The plan is to construct the dam in the Pit river a half mile below its confluence with the Fall river, in Shasta county. The proposed dam would create a reservoir of 50,000 acres, the water being taken from the watersheds of the Pit and Fall rivers, which extend into four counties, Modoc, Shasta, Siskiyou and Lassen.

President Harding Talks to Anaheim, Cal.

ANAHEIM, Cal., May 17.—President Harding telephoned from the White House to Anaheim today, when he opened the first annual California Valencia Orange show here. The president, took up the telephone at 3:13 p. m. and delivered a message to the sponsors of the show, his voice being heard at 12:15. The message was read to the patrons of the show.

The show is planned to do for the Valencia orange industry, what the annual National Orange show at San Bernardino, Cal., does for other varieties of the orange. The Valencia oranges do not ripen at the time the San Bernardino show is held and so their growers cannot exhibit there.

Hostess House for American Tourists

(By Associated Press) LAON, France, May 17.—An American hostess house for the convenience of Americans planning to tour the battlefields of the Aisne and the Somme will be opened here in May by the American committee for devastated France. For 52 months the mansion it will occupy was the headquarters for the German command and it has now been remodelled for the American traveler.

From the hostess house special motor trips under the direction of American girl chauffeurs will be arranged to the centers of the American committee at Soissons, Blerancourt, Anisy, Vic and Coucy. The hostess house is near the Chemin des Dames region which saw some of the hottest fighting of the war. It is on the route to the battlefield where Americans of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd armies fought under General Mangin.