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## FIRE CHIEF AND COUNCILMAN IN VERBAL BATTLE

Within five minutes of the close of the session of the council last night Mayor Wiley, at the request of Fire Chief Keith Ambrose asked for the appointment temporarily of Jack Widby for two weeks as a fireman, as Mark T. Howard is on his annual vacation. Councilman West inquired if Widby was a truck driver. The fire chief answered in the negative but said he needed an extra man, for last year the department was shy one man when the great Houston fire came and this year he desired to take no chances.

At this point, Councilman Vollmer interrupted Chief Ambrose with the statement, "I suggest that the county pay Jack Widby," and a silence followed.

"The county does not pay the firemen. It is the city who are paying me \$175 and Mark Howard \$150 a month," replied Ambrose.

"But the county is paying Mark Howard \$50, is it not?" was Vollmer's reply.

"Yes, that is true, and I am getting \$25 of it, and Howard \$25, for serving prisoners meals in the forenoon and nights, also as extra guards for the county prisoners kept in the city jail. This plan was suggested—Sheriff Lloyd Low, agreed to by the county court, as no proper place has been chosen for confinement of county prisoners. Sheriff Low stated that this arrangement saved the taxpayers \$100 a month as an extra guard would have to be paid \$150 a month," said Ambrose.

"This extra duty does not conflict with our first duty to the city in guarding against fires and if it did, this county service would be dispensed with immediately as we are hired as firemen, not jailers. We are bled in saving taxes and benefitting everyone."

"Not me, for I'm not paying any," answered Vollmer.

"You would be benefitted if you were" and here the fire chief laid down the law to Councilman Vollmer—"I have been attending the council meetings six months, and I have never heard you talk intelligently upon any bond issue or anything important that took brains to talk on but let something petty come up, and at once you seek to stir up trouble, as you are doing now. This fireman is needed and is important in the protection of the city at this time of the year."

"I saw both you and Howard at the dance pavilion together" was the accusation that Councilman Vollmer shot at Ambrose, implying that neither of the men were then acting in the capacity of county guards or firemen during the hour of duty. This brought the fire chief to his feet with the statement that the accusation was false, "and you want to tell the truth when you make an assertion about me."

"Well, Mark and the sheriff were at the dance looking for a car," Vollmer amended his charge. "But you said Mark and I were at the dance hall," said Ambrose. "Well, Mark was there with the sheriff and you were uptown," stated Vollmer to strengthen his charge.

"Weren't you down on Broad street after 12 o'clock one night," further queried Vollmer, trying to still show that Ambrose was paying more attention to police work than the fireman duty. "I was, and I called the chief of police and the rest of the police force who made a raid upon 615 Broad street and captured a gang of gamblers," came the reply of Ambrose.

"How about Oregon avenue, with Howard after midnight?" interposed Vollmer, still trying to dray out Ambrose. At this point, the fire chief inquired of Mayor Wiley if he was talking too much when business was on in the council and the mayor's answer drew a ripple of smiles, "No I don't think you are."

After this parting shot from Vollmer, personal remarks entered into the affair, and Councilman Bogardus halted the battle with a statement that "The councilmen were entitled to courteous treatment." The fire chief then secured

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## Mrs. Bergdoll Says She Bribed Army Officer With \$5000

WASHINGTON, July 19.—Mrs. Emma C. Bergdoll, of Philadelphia, today told the House Committee in investigating the escape of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, that she gave \$5,000 to Major Bruce Campbell, an army officer at Governor's Island, for use "among high officials at Washington" to help obtain his freedom.

Mrs. Bergdoll said Campbell first demanded \$100,000, but that she refused to give it to him. She also said that Campbell wanted the money not for himself but for higherups. Campbell recently told the committee that he did not receive one dollar from the Bergdolls.

## HIDE FOR CHILQUIN SCHOOL OPENED TONIGHT

R. E. Wattenburg, Fred Cofer, E. B. Henry, and F. L. Hanson, contractors, and R. G. Wright, architect, left this afternoon for Chilquin, where bids for the construction of the new \$30,000 school will be considered at 7 o'clock this evening. The local builders are interested in securing contracts for the building.

## CITY TO HAVE CHARTER CHANGE

Last night was "ordinance night" and the council up to 2:30 o'clock this morning dwelt upon a number of measures which were up for consideration.

The amending of the city charter was the ordinance upon which most of the deliberations were made owing to the numerous features respecting the letting of future contracts in the paving propositions which are to come up.

The initiative and referendum amendments to the city charter were read and passed on to second reading. The substance of this ordinance is that any ordinance introduced and passed by the council is subject to a referendum within thirty days after adoption. It provides for the carrying into effect the initiative and referendum powers reserved to the legal voters of municipalities of Section 1, Article IV, of the constitution of the state of Oregon and to enact and amend its municipal charters reserved to legal voters of cities and towns by Section 2, Article XI, of the constitution and providing penalty for violations.

The outstanding features are the provisions making it a felony for any voter to sign any initiative or referendum petition with any other name than his or her own, signing more than one petition of any kind on the same cause, or signing when he or she is not a legal voter. Twenty signatures only on each sheet of petition, verification of signers on back of each page, attaching full text and title of measure on each page, are other requirements.

Every petition must be turned over to the police judge subject to his verification of the signatures. Initiative petitions for any proposed ordinance, charter amendment or measure shall be signed by legal voters equal to 15 per cent of votes cast for mayor at last preceding election while a referendum petition requires for action against any amendment or ordinance, 10 per cent of the legal voters at the last major election.

An amendment to the charter may be proposed and submitted to legal voters by a resolution of the city council without an initiative petition providing it is filed 15 days before election with the police judge. No amendment is effective until approved by majority of voters. A resolution must state date of regular municipal election or date of a special election at which resolution will be submitted to be voted on.

## RATTLESNAKE KILLED IN YARD OF LOCAL RESIDENT

Snakes of the venomous variety are supposed to be as rare in Klamath Falls as they are in Ireland, but Dr. H. D. Lloyd Stewart had the unusual experience of discovering a healthy young rattlesnake as a Sunday morning caller in his front yard. The snake was killed before it harmed anyone.

## BUY KLAMATH GROWN AND KLAMATH MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS

How many of you farmers, business men, bankers, capitalists and retired citizens are helping to build up this county by buying the things that are produced here? Let us take the matter of flour:

Do you know that the finest wheat in the world is grown right here in Klamath county?

Do you know that wheat is made into flour by Klamath county capital, giving employment to Klamath county workmen?

Do you know that in manufacturing that wheat into flour, the farmer is helped, and he in turn helps the business man, the banker and every other resident in the county?

But what do you find if you go further?

You will find carload after carload of flour is coming into Klamath county, when not a single sack of imported flour should be sold.

You will find grocers pushing the sale of this imported flour. You will find business men using it. You will find no effort to push the local product, notwithstanding the fact that it will bear comparison and stand up alongside of any other flour in the United States.

When you buy a sack of flour that is not manufactured here, you injure the local manufacturer, take money out of the pocket of the local workman, limit the market for the farmers' wheat and lend a potent and powerful influence toward helping produce the stagnation that today is making the condition of the farmer a hard one.

And how about the farmer? He does not send away for wheat, but he does send away for flour and he buys flour that is shipped in. He is doing it and has done it just for the same reason that the business men buy and sell imported flour—he didn't stop to reckon the cost. He did not stop to realize that he was robbing himself.

If everyone in the county had bought made in Klamath flour, there would have been a better market for Klamath wheat. The farmers would have been in a better financial condition than they are today.

This improvement would have been reflected in the payment of their taxes, bills, notes at the bank, the purchase of shoes, clothing, merchandise of every description, sash, doors, lumber and so on to the end, enabling the dealers in these commodities to in turn follow in the farmers' footsteps, thus adding to the prosperity of the county and increasing the opportunities for the employment of the working man.

What is true about flour is true about butter.

Thousands of pounds of butter is shipped in here annually. What effect does this have upon the price paid for butter fat, the demand for cream and the consequent increase in the number of dairy cattle in the county, their consumption of farm products and the added revenue that flows into the pockets of the farmer, to start on its travel over the same road taken by the flour?

"Let him who is without sin among you cast the first stone." There is not a person in the county, capable of mature thought who has not, and few who are not, guilty of transgressing.

Think over the story of the flour and the butter and apply it to the honey, and eggs, and sash, and doors, and flooring, and dozens of other things produced in Klamath county. See where you have transgressed and where it has directly affected you. You will be astounded.

We are not begging. We are only calling your attention to a question that deserves your thoughtful consideration, knowing that if you "stop, look and listen" your train of thought will demand that you buy Klamath grown and Klamath manufactured products.

## FARM WRITER ASKS: WHY NOT RAISE PORK?

"Why not enough home-grown pork to supply local needs and at the same time consume waste crops on the farm," said C. J. McIntosh, agricultural writer of the state college experiment station during his visit to the Klamath Falls district.

"The station has found that under average farm conditions one hog can be produced for each 10 acres of farm crops or one for each dairy cow, with little or no cost except that of labor in caring for the animals. The hogs can pick up enough of the things that would otherwise be, and often are, allowed to go to waste to keep them and fatten them for the pork barrel."

Attention was also called by the station man to a new form of feeding contract that has been worked out by H. A. Lingren, livestock extension specialist. This is designed to mutualize the interests of grower and feeder in feeding results, equalize losses between them, and adjust the costs on a basis of expense to feeder and benefits to grower. It provides for payment on a gain schedule rather than on length of feeding period or amount of hay fed. A copy of the contract was left with E. H. Thomas, county agent, where interested parties may call and look it over.

"When to feed and when to not has always been a question with growers," Mr. McIntosh said. "Profit hangs largely on the prospective value of the cattle when already for market 90 to 150 days from the time feeding begins. Other things may enter in, such as character of feed, regularity of feeding and watering, and kind of cattle, but assuming that all this is properly looked after the feeder wants to know pretty closely just what he may expect in the way of gains at prevailing conditions."

Results with alfalfa hay, corn silage and grain, have been determined by the Union branch station over periods of many years with average steers. Alfalfa fed alone called for 3700

pounds of hay as an average to produce 100 pounds of grain. About 10 per cent of this is refused but has a stock feeding value of 50 per cent that of fresh hay. The value of the manure from a two-year old steer—about one ton a month—depends on local conditions.

Alfalfa hay and corn silage produced the gains twice as rapidly and at about one half the cost. That is, 1200 pounds of hay and 1500 pounds of silage produced the 100 pounds of gain in half the period.

In districts where corn does not succeed well sun flower silage may be substituted without materially changing results, according to Mr. Thomas who has gathered a good deal of data on silage and silos.

The details of these tests, undoubtedly of considerable value to stockmen in this livestock district, can be had through the county agent, and found in station bulletin No. 174—Fattening Steers—by Prof. E. L. Potter.

## Corning Box Plant Destroyed by Fire

A telephone message to the Denton Mill company, near Bray, said that the Corning box factory at Corning, Cal., burned at 2 o'clock this morning. The plant was totally destroyed. There was insurance, although the amount was not stated.

Among the heavy stockholders in the Corning plant were John Hamilton and Harry Stilts, both former Klamath Falls residents and well-known here.

## Committee Scores Former Naval Heads

WASHINGTON, July 19.—Former secretary of Navy, Daniels and Former Assistant Secretary Roosevelt were denounced for methods used in investigating the war time scandal among enlisted men at the New Port training station, in a majority report of the senate sub-committee today. At the same time Roosevelt issued a statement that two republicans, constituting a majority of the investigating committee, had failed to give him a hearing after promising to do so.

## Witnesses Claim Body is Russell's, Others Brumfield's

ROSEBURG, July 19.—The circuit court was crowded this morning for the opening of the inquest over the body found under Dr. R. M. Brumfield's automobile, which has been said to be the body of Dennis Russell, murdered by Dr. Brumfield in an insurance plot.

Witnesses differed over the identification of the body. One storekeeper told of selling Russell shoes similar to those found on the body. Articles found on the body were identified as Russell's property.

Other witnesses were present to testify that the body was that of Dr. Brumfield.

## BRUMFIELD MAY BE HEADING THIS WAY

BEND, July 19.—Officers pursuing a man in an automobile suspected of being Dr. Brumfield were through here today. It is believed that Brumfield has turned toward the Deschutes river near Crescent. He was reported to have been seen near Lapine yesterday.

## PIONEER PASTOR IS 74 TODAY

Sevent-four years is a long period of time to the fellow looking towards it, but not so long to the man who has reached that milestone. At least that is the way J. W. Bryant feels about it today, for this is his 74th birthday. Hale and hearty, as happy as a man can be who has "fought the fight" in a manner that left no qualms of conscience and who can look back over the long vista of years feeling that no change would be made if the same road was retraveled, Mr. Bryant is today receiving congratulations and best wishes of his host of friends.

The Rev. J. W. Bryant was born July 19, 1847, in Wilson county Tennessee. He was raised in Tennessee where he received a good education and was graduated from the theological course under the auspices of the Methodist church, South, and in 1875, entered the ministry of that church. At the age of 22 Mr. Bryant married Miss Sarah N. DeWitt of Hart county Kentucky where her wedding occurred. She was the daughter of Rev. Nelson C. DeWitt, a native of Bedford county Virginia. Mrs. Bryant was educated in the public schools and in the seminary and taught school for 13 years while her husband preached the gospel. In March, 1889, they emigrated to Klamath county, Oregon and for a few years Mr. Bryant was engaged in preaching. After that they removed to Applegate and Medford Oregon where Mr. Bryant continued to preach and united with the Congregational church in Ashland and held various pulpits in Jackson county and other places.

For the past 32 years, Mr. Bryant has resided with his family in Klamath Falls but in the latter years he has been retired from regular pastorate work although he frequently held different pulpits throughout the county.

To Mr. and Mrs. Bryant the following children have been born: Mrs. Mary Williams, Mrs. Emily Farren, James L. Elijah C., and William N., deceased; Theodore J., Ella Lewis, Sallie Weed and J. F. DeWitt. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bryant are highly respected people and have labored faithfully for the benefit of humanity during many years. In politics the pioneer preacher proudly boasts his allegiance to the Democratic party. He was born into the Democratic fold and in more than three score and ten years has observed nothing to change his original political convictions.

## JAPAN WILL DEMAND EQUAL RACE STATUS

TOKIO, July 19.—It is reported that Japan is likely to submit to the proposed far eastern conference, the abandonment of extra territoriality in China, and also ask stabilization of migration rights to countries like Canada, Australia, New Zealand and Indo-China, and in general raise the question of racial equality.

## \$60,000 SEWER BOND ELECTION FOR MILLS ADD'N.

Owing to the active manner in which Councilman Bert Hawkins has pressed the cause of the residents of Mill's addition, who have been seeking relief from the city council on the sewerage question, last night by united action of the council, relief was prepared for them in the form of a special election was called which will take place August 5, 1921.

At that time the question of \$60,000 improvement sewer bonds will come up. The bonds are to run 15 years and carry interest at the rate of 6 per cent.

Councilman Hawkins said that all the sewers were in a bad condition, inadequate to care for the sewage and the overflow from them spread all over the grounds back of the Mills school. Councilman McCullum stated that he had investigated this section and found it worse than described by Councilman Hawkins and he was strong for immediate action despite the crippled city finances. After discussion on this subject relative to the length of the bonds, Councilman Hawkins moved the passage of the special ordinance to give relief, seconded by Councilman West, and the measure carried.

Fire Chief Keith Ambrose stated that in the purchase of new fire equipment, that about 40 per cent of the taxes had been paid in, but the fire department fund was about depleted.

The report of the finance committee upon the hose bill of the United States Rubber company was that insufficient funds prevented the payment of the original bill for hose furnished the fire department and the police judge was instructed to write the company that taxes were coming in too slow to meet the bill. The company had previously been informed that this original bill was to be paid out of the taxes collected on the 1920 levy but the taxes were not in. A request for additional time was asked for from the rubber company.

The report of the street committee on the curbing, pavement and sidewalk on Pine street, Klamath Avenue, Conger Avenue and Washington streets units were not up to the standard required for approving of the final estimates by the city engineer, and Councilman West moved that a portion of the money due the Warren Construction company be held back on the units until a recheck of the difference between the original specifications and the laid material be taken by the city engineer.

The Warren Construction company were the successful bidders for improving Washington street from First to Ewauna but an amendment was necessary to the ordinance to permit the sale of bonds. The bid of \$3,102 was approved and finally passed, after passing the amendment.

Another measure passed was the improvement of the alleys in blocks 16 and 37 which will be provided for in the assessment rolls to be announced on August 8.

Dr. H. D. L. Stewart presented a "sanitary code" for adoption by the council and the measure was read and passed to its second reading by title only. It provides regulation of public health and general sanitary conditions.

Other items passed upon at this meeting were:

The lease on the ground occupied by the Shippington store was approved. It is said this is a part of the ground granted to the city as a boat landing, while at the present time the boat landings are all down the lake towards town from this point. The building is now being occupied by the Viking grocery.

The following permits were granted: New York rooming house, 1094-6 Main street was denied a permit to conduct a rooming house until the provisions of the fire ordinances were fully complied with.

Permission granted to move a small house from its present location on Commercial street to a new location on Oregon avenue.