

City Fathers Pawing Pavement; Slipping

By BEN H. STEVENSON.

Some of the paving deliberations of our city fathers remind us of the war. Remember the order, "In place, March!" And how you marked time, one foot after the other lifting and dropping in the same place—and you going nowhere?

That's all that a great deal of the august deliberations of the city council in regard to paving accomplish—they get nowhere. For example:

For the past two years there has been talk of paving California avenue. There is the chance for a wonderful improvement for Klamath Falls, no one disputes that. Sewers are one foot, paving is another. Up goes one foot and down goes another, and at the present rate of progress there will be no paving, or sewer either within the next one hundred years.

The last objection raised by one of the city engineers was to the effect that it was not practical to lay pavement over a sewer main the same year the main was laid. And that, according to the general consensus of opinion among engineers is pure bunk.

Puddling Practical.
The sewers can be puddled, an inexpensive proposition where there is water available. And while there is nothing like time and seasons to settle any ground, puddling, or tamping will accomplish as much as waiting for a year or two. And this is according to authorities that know what they are talking about. Paving has been known to break down in Klamath Falls where there is no sewers, and on high ground.

Just what is back of all this hesitancy is difficult to fathom. Can it be that the quality of paving which is now approved by the city engineer must have a bed of solid rock before it will stand up? If so, it is time to consider something in the way of a genuine concrete base.

Assuming for the sake of argument that the style and quality of pavement is all that its sponsors claim for it, there is no sound reason for any delay on the score of street and sewer improvement.

Legitimate Reasons.
There is, of course, a reason for legitimate hesitancy. That is, as to whether or no the Buena Vista section will be sufficiently built up to carry the improvement costs.

The best answer is that 58 homes were built in the district last year without pavement, and that more are now being built. And the best judges of value believe that the property is able to carry the costs.

Must residents of a new district wallow in the mud for several winters before as important and logical an improvement as California avenue can be contemplated?

Or, have the city fathers no large faith in the growth of Klamath Falls?

A New Artery.
California avenue provides a new straight main artery into the city. There is no more important street development before the city council—Sixth street being in the offing.

One can understand the motives of a man who has a corner lot with his building improvements facing

be floored with maple. The lobby will house a ladies' rest room and a smoking room for men.

A meeting room for the Community club is embellished with an old English fireplace. It will be used also as a meeting place for fraternal orders. The women of the club feel that they are filling a long-felt need in Chiloquin, and the move has the unanimous backing of the Business Men's club.

Plans for the completion of the incorporation plans for Chiloquin as a city are well under way, and

two tickets are in the field for the elective offices.

Justice R. C. Spink is making improvements to cost \$10,000, which include extension of the water and sewer system on the West side, and the building of four cottages, one of which was started the first of this week.

Hilton—Farmers Security bank moved into First National.

Trondale—Modern ice and cold storage plant in prospect.

PLEA WON'T WORK.

CHICAGO, March 11.—(United News)—Chicago's new court procedure designed to prevent murderers from escaping the noose through the so-called "insanity dodge" bore its first fruit Thursday night, when Raymond Costello was turned back to the sheriff for hanging on April 18.

A jury of his peers found Costello to be perfectly sane, following a hearing similar to that which Russell Scott and numerous other Chi-

cago criminals have thwarted the gallows.

Costello was convicted several months ago of the murder of Miss Madeline White.

Albany, Ore., plans to hold a \$150,000 city auditorium.

Newberg, Ore.—Cannery plans to increase last year's output by 250 per cent.

Grants Pass, Ore.—Josephine county farmers will plant heavy crop of onions.

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NEW COM. CLUB CHILOQUIN PLAN

New Building Will Fill Long Felt Need; Other Growth Shown

Chiloquin is coming to the front with a new community club house. The Community club owns its own lot, and has sufficient money with which to get started.

The plans drawn by Ivan A. Smith, architect, call for a building containing 4000 feet of floor space, the general design following typical colonial outlines.

The main floor and galleries will

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