

WILL BE LATE IN THE SUMMER

BEFORE CHARTER QUESTION IS FINALLY SETTLED

Council Delays Any Decision by Passing a Resolution for Preparing a Transcript of Proceedings Leading Up to Adoption of All Three Charters for an Opinion of the Attorney General

Through an action of the council Thursday evening and decision on the status of the city charters will be delayed until late in the summer, and probably not settled then. A resolution passed by about thirty taxpayers, held yesterday afternoon in Houston's opera house, was read to the council, asking the mayor and council to defer the proclamation of the vote on the commission charter amendment until such time as two attorneys could be secured to give an opinion in the matter. Councilman White stated he would like to have the matter straightened out, and presented the following resolution, which was adopted by the council:

"Resolved that on account of the uncertainty as to the legality of the 1910 charter and the charter adopted April 23, 1912, and the charter adopted May 29, 1912, that all three of such charters, with such data leading up to their adoption be submitted at the earliest possible moment to the state's attorney general for his written opinion on same, by the city recorder, and that the city recorder be empowered to hire such assistance as may be necessary to get this before the attorney general at as early a date as possible."

It is stated that it will take weeks to prepare a transcript of all the records and proceedings leading up to the adoption of the three charters, and it will be late in the summer before the same can be ready to submit to the attorney general. When the opinion of the attorney general is received, it is argued, it will have no legal effect on the validity of any of the charters, and the city will be in the same position as it is at present. The attorney general's opinion in the matter is no more weighty than that of any other attorney. The work on the transcript, however, will not be wasted, as it will probably be needed sooner or later for use when the question is properly put up to the courts for final decision.

FRANCE SPREADS HER PROTECTING (?) WINGS

PARIS, May 24.—The decree making official announcement of the taking over of Morocco as a protectorate by the French is to be made shortly. President Fallieres has approved the document, and as soon as General Lyautey makes his report from Fez on conditions there the decree will be promulgated. Mulay-Hafid, the weakling sultan, declares he has lost all authority over the native troops, indicating that he cannot be held responsible for such events as the recent massacre at Fez. He is a moral nonentity, and occasionally threatens to abdicate on the most childish provocation. Added to this, Germany is known to be watching Morocco closely, and it is believed might try to make trouble if any of its subjects should be molested by natives. France consequently, is impressed with the necessity for haste in establishing the proposed protectorate.

SHE MUST HAVE THOUGHT SHE WAS AN OSTRICH

SACRAMENTO, May 24.—Metal and other hard objects numbering 1,149, and weighing a pound and two ounces, have been removed from the stomach of Letitia Miller, an insane patient from San Rafael, at the Napa state hospital, and the patient will recover. The case breaks all freak records for American hospitals.

COAST THREATENED WITH ANARCHY, SAYS MISS LAUT

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 24.—According to Miss Agnes Laut, the well known magazine writer, the Pacific coast is threatened with anarchy. She declares a crisis is rapidly approaching.

"I am not against labor organizations," said Miss Laut. "On the contrary I am in sympathy with them, but there are social organizations in British Columbia, Washington and California which are nothing more than organized anarchy, the only object of which is to overthrow capital and law and order."

Continuing on the subject, Miss Laut said:

"I have a trunk load of anarchist literature that is being disseminated up and down the Pacific coast by such powerful organizations as the Industrial Workers of the World and the American Federation of Labor. This literature boldly avows that the destruction of all property rights is the object being worked for. I can show you posters which state that the aim of so-called labor organizations is to secure a three-hour day of labor. I pointed out the absurdity of a three-

hour day to some of the leaders with whom I talked, and they said their object was to make labor so dear that capital of the world would be taken away from the present holders and transferred to them, and that their sole object was to overthrow capital."

Miss Laut declared that the situation would be keenly accentuated with the opening of the Pan American canal.

NO ACTION TAKEN ON FIRE CHIEF QUESTION

No action was taken by the council Thursday night in regard to employment or salary of a fire chief for the volunteer fire department. The subject was broached by Councilman Fielder, who told the mayor that he thought something should be done in the matter, as the fire boys wanted to know what was going to be done. The mayor stated that the matter would be taken up a little later, but shortly afterward the council adjourned without any action in the matter.

At the last meeting of the council, following the cutting off of the salary of the fire chief, the mayor announced that he had instructed Chief Wakefield to continue at the work, and had guaranteed his wages out of his own pocket. It is not known whether the mayor is still paying the wages of the fire chief or not.

SEVEN TONS OF BIBLES SHIPPED

ALL PRINTED IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES, AND INTENDED FOR SAILORS WHO PASS THROUGH PANAMA CANAL

NEW YORK, May 24.—Seven tons of Bibles, and none of them printed in English, was the shipment record of the American Bible Society for one day last week. They went from the Bible House in Astor place, and were destined for South America. They were in Spanish and Portuguese, with some in Indian and other dialects.

The Bible Society is getting ready for Bible work among the sailors who will pass through the Panama canal. It is said that 1,500 new ships are building in Europe for the canal traffic. The society is already at work in Panama and the canal zone, but will enlarge its work to cover ships and their men as soon as the canal opens.

The society has now completed a translation of the books of the New Testament for 1,500,000 Quechua Indians of Peru and Bolivia. None of the seven tons of Bibles going out on this shipment were of these books, however, for these Quechua Bibles are made in Argentina.

AUTOMOBILE LICENSE LAW TO BE TESTED

LA GRANDE, May 24.—J. F. Campbell and W. K. Davis of La Grande are today being tried in Union on the charge of running automobiles without having paid the state license. They were arrested and placed under \$100 bonds to appear for trial. It is their purpose to take the case to the supreme court to test the validity of the license law. There are many machines in Eastern Oregon that have never been licensed and the city marshal of Union is the only officer in this section of the country who is trying to enforce the law.

TO EXECUTE DOGS IN A NEW DEATH CHAIR

WESTFIELD, Mass., May 24.—A death chair for animals will be established by Dr. R. D. Earle, a veterinary surgeon. In electrocuting a dog an electrode will be placed on a sponge at the back of the animal's neck, the wire running along the spinal column to the tip of the tail. Dr. Earle had previously employed cyanide of potassium.

CHINA'S NEW GOVERNMENT HAS THE USUAL TROUBLE

PEKIN, May 24.—The new government is having endless trouble in reducing the number of employees in the numerous boards, departments and bureaus at the capital, according to announcements made today. Almost every time an order is issued for the dismissal of a part of any particular staff, there is a strike by the entire force. Vacant places are frequently filled by more efficient men, but the succession of shake-ups has resulted in a serious tie-up of public business, which, in the face of the present crisis, is a grave matter.

Ousted employees also are beginning to form a formidable class of malcontents.

President Yuan Shi Kai and his chief advisors declare their intention of continuing the reorganization work in spite of the danger.

Mrs. Martin Dead

Word was received here by Louis Martin of the death of his mother, Mrs. J. A. Martin, which occurred Thursday at Roseburg. Mrs. Martin was 55 years of age, and was for years a resident of this city, where her husband was engaged in the stage business.

THE COMMISSION CHARTER GOES

MAYOR DECLARES IT IN FORCE BY PROCLAMATION

Went Into Effect at 5:30 p. m., May 23.—Councilman White Offers Resolution Favoring Its Adoption, and Council Passes the Resolution—In Effect Only In So Far as It Can Be Legally Applied

No action was overlooked at Thursday night's council meeting to leave any doubt that the commission charter amendment was legally approved by the people, and was in full force and effect, as far as the same can legally be applied to the municipal government of the city of Klamath Falls. This fact was declared by proclamation by the mayor, by an ordinance carrying an emergency clause, and for the third time by a resolution of the council. The proclamation by the mayor in its application to the commission charter is as follows:

"I hereby proclaim that at said general election said commission form of government amendment was duly adopted and further, that from and after the date of the filing of this proclamation said charter amendment shall be and is hereby declared to be in all of its provisions in full force and effect insofar as the same can be legally applied to the municipal government of the city of Klamath Falls, Oregon." The proclamation was filed at 5:30 p. m., May 23, 1912.

Following is the resolution introduced by Mr. White and passed by the council: "Be it resolved by the common council of the city of Klamath Falls, Oregon, that the said commission government adopted as aforesaid shall be and is hereby declared to be duly adopted, and shall be in full force and effect from the passage of this resolution so far as it can be legally applied to the municipal government of the city of Klamath Falls, Oregon."

The operation of the commission charter is only in force insofar as it can be legally applied to the municipal government. The only contention that would permit it to affect the Sanderson charter, seems to be that the instrument in itself is a charter, and not an amendment. While it is not stated specifically in the body of the instrument that it is an amendment, yet the petition that was signed by the voters states emphatically that it is an amendment to the charter of the city of Klamath Falls. When that petition was presented to the council there was no such charter in existence as the Sanderson charter. In addition the ballot title specifies that it is an amendment to the 1910 charter. It cannot be denied that that was the intent of the drafters of the instrument and the petitioners who presented it to the council.

COUNCIL ALLOWS GRIST OF BUILDING PERMITS

The following building permits were issued by city council Thursday evening:

F. T. Sanderson, two-story brick, 24x65, on lot 5, block 39, corner of Seventh and Main.

John H. Hamilton, garage on lot 4, block 56, in Nichols addition.

Artie Worrell, 5-room bungalow, lot 5, block 3, Hot Springs addition.

J. F. Kimball, garage, 20x22, and boat house, 18x26, on Conger avenue.

Garrett Construction company, frame store building on Ninth and Klamath.

A. Castel, addition to ice house 12 x30, on lot 11, block 3, West Klamath Falls.

Garrett Construction company, one-story frame building 24x50, on Ninth and Klamath.

E. C. Greeley, garage, lot 5, block 54, Nichols addition.

A. J. Santimau, 8-room frame house, lot 1, block 3, Second addition; cost \$1,200.

L. G. Comstock, to repair building on lot 4, block 13, Eighth and Main.

E. M. Bubb, 5-room bungalow, lots 7 and 8, block 4.

Big Basin Lumber company, lumber shed, on lot 14, block 1, railroad addition.

W. S. Slough, concrete basement and 1-story brick building on lot 6, block 37; cost \$6,500.

Wm. Jenison, addition 24x30, to building on lot 5, block 1, Shive addition.

H. R. Harrison, 4-room bungalow on lots 7 and 8, block 17, Second addition; cost \$800.

Fred Buesing, 4-room bungalow 24 x25, on lot 2, block 4, Fairview addition; also frame barn.

WOMAN POLICEMAN HAS ORDINANCE INTRODUCED

United Press Service

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., May 24.—If an ordinance introduced by Mrs.

Myrtle D. Roberts, this city's woman policeman, is passed by the city commissioners, it will be unlawful to

dance the "Grizzly Bear," "Bunny Hug," "Frisco Rag" and several other indiscreet steps in North Yakima.

A fine of \$100 will be imposed upon anyone breaking the law.

LAKE DRIVE IS NOW ASSURED

BOULEVARD TO BE ONE HUNDRED FEET WIDE

Councilman White States That the Finances for the Opening of Second Street Are Assured, and Council Orders City Engineer to Make Survey Through Unplatted Section to the City Limits

Councilman White informed the council Thursday night that money for the improvement and opening of Second street along the lake shore to the city limits had been practically assured, and that there was now no question about the result. He asked that the city engineer be instructed to make a survey of the extension of the street through the unplatted sections to the city limits.

Mayor Sanderson suggested that while this was being done it would be best to make the boulevard 100 feet wide, as this would be one of the best driveways in the city, and could be greatly beautified if made sufficiently wide so that parking along the sides could be arranged and shade trees set out.

The following resolution with reference to the work was introduced by Mr. White and passed the council: "Whereas, a large sum of money has been subscribed by the citizens of Klamath Falls for the purpose of aiding in the construction of a boulevard beginning at the junction of Klamath avenue with Second street; thence southerly on Second street to Lake Ewauna, and thence on the most practical line along said Lake Ewauna to the city limits: Therefore, the common council hereby declares it expedient to open, lay out and establish a new street as above set forth. Be it therefore resolved, that the city engineer make a survey of such street and make a plat of same with a written report containing a full and complete description of such street and boundaries thereof, and of the portions of each lot and tract of land to be appropriated therefor, the street to be 100 feet wide."

New Two-Story Brick

Mayor F. T. Sanderson is to erect a two-story brick building with a frontage of 24 feet and 65 feet deep on his property on Seventh street, just back of the DuFault saloon building and across the street from the new telephone building now in course of completion. It is probable that ten additional feet will be secured from the adjoining property, so that the building can have a frontage of 24 feet.

CAMPAIGN IS ON IN NEW JERSEY

TRENTON, N. J., May 24.—La Follette made seven speeches today. Taft left Trenton at 8 o'clock this morning, scheduled for a dozen speeches. He roared Roosevelt enthusiastically in his speech here last night.

Roosevelt made three speeches today and will speak at Trenton tonight.

STILL RIOTING, THOUGH STRIKE IS CALLED OFF

BUDAPEST, May 24.—Rioting is still progressing, especially in the factory district, though the general strike was called off last night when the government conceded the manhood suffrage demanded.

Later—Troops have controlled the rioters this afternoon, and everything is comparatively quiet.

Two Saloon Licenses

A saloon license was granted by the council to the Livermore for three months and to E. H. DuFault for six months.

GREAT SEAL OF THE CONFEDERACY FOUND

RICHMOND, Va., May 19.—Announcement has been made that the great seal of the Confederate States of America, which disappeared half a century ago, had been found, identified by the English makers, and acquired by Eppa Hunton Jr., William H. White and Thomas P. Bryan of this city and brought back to Richmond, the old capital of the Confederate states. The sacred relic was obtained from Rear-Admiral Thomas O. Selfridge, U. S. N., retired, who got it from Colonel John T. Pickett. The seal will be placed in the Confederate museum.

The facts show that the seal was taken from Richmond on the evacuation by William J. Brownell, a clerk, or his wife, together with other official papers of the state department. The papers were sold by Brownell to the government, through Colonel J. T. Pickett, in 1872, for \$75,000.

Captain Selfridge, now Rear Admiral Selfridge, was the government agent in the transaction, and was presented the seal by Colonel Pickett in recognition of his services. Selfridge parted with the seal for a monetary consideration.

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With Apologies to THE "HOUN' DOG" Poet

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And start to throw your money around,
Say, 'Home-made goods are the goods for me,
Because they spell Prosperity.'
"A dollar you send to the Eastern store
Says, 'Good-by, Bill, for evermore,'
But the dollar you spend with the home-made sound
Keeps a-comin' and a-comin' and a-comin' around.
"The people around are getting wise
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