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COUNCIL WORKS LATE WITH BUSY SESSION

All Manner of Grief Carried to City Dads for Their Consideration

FIRE LIMITS ENLARGED

Buildings Not to be Repaired, According to Rulings of New Fire Law

The city council adjourned at 12:30 Tuesday morning having begun the session at 8 p. m. of the day previous. It adjourned to 7 o'clock Tuesday night to finish up a grist of business that kept that body legislating every minute of the long hours of the Monday session. There were many axes grinded, and the room was filled with men, stage-men, bond-sellers and what not, until more chairs had to be brought in to accommodate the audience. Without doubt that was the busiest session the city law-makers have been up against for many moons. Good humor prevailed, and considerable business was dispatched; and yet past midnight, the hopper was full, and the council threw off the belt.

The street committee made a report favoring the vacation of an alley west from Park avenue between 5th and 6th streets.

The report also favored a street lamp at the Hamlin place on Fourth avenue west. Also favored paving sixth street from Miller to Park avenues. The city attorney will first make some investigations before the paving is done.

An alley in block three, Norton's addition is recommended for vacation. It is understood that the property owners benefited, will pay the costs. The report of the street committee was adopted.

Residents near the old Hadley barn, under lease to a tenant, complained of the dumping of meat offal and other putrefying junk on these premises. The Chief of Police was instructed to have the nuisance abated within 24 hours.

The city ordinance governing fire limits was amended to take in more territory. No repairs greater than 25 per cent of the assessed value of buildings will hereafter be permitted, for the reason, as the council concluded, that such repairs tended to increase the hazard of old frame buildings. The ordinance was amended.

The matter of fitting up a dormitory above the fire hall to accommodate the volunteer firemen again came up, and an estimate was read which placed the cost at something like \$400. The dormitory will give sleeping room to about ten firemen, and by sleeping there, will be able to turn out at a moment's warning.

Chief Coates of the fire department was called upon, and stated that the firemen got practically nothing for their volunteer work, and that if the city wanted protection they should begrudge this slight expense, as it was for the city and not for the department, in the last analysis. Each of the success of the department in the past had resulted from turning out to fires in a hurry. The department was a money saver to

TOURIST SEASON IS EXPECTED HERE

Several of the beach resort managers of this county seen lately, say that there will be an excellent season at Tillamook beaches this year. The Tillamook hotel men look for the largest excursion of eastern tourists to Oregon this year that the state has ever seen. Preparations are being made at the beaches to receive the increased capacity for taking care of the visitors is being made along the line. Already many weekend parties are coming over to the beaches from the valley towns, and these promises to be an early season.

U. S. ARMY AIRPLANE ADVERTISES C. M. T. C.

Pilot of Cross-Continent Fame Brings Government Aircraft Here Without Mishap

A little after 10:30 last Monday, a big DeHaviland flyer from Vancouver, Wn., made a pretty landing on the new fair grounds in this city, straddling a white "T" on the field, and wheeling over the ground some rods beyond to a safe landing.

Before landing, however, the plane circled the town and fair grounds. The time of coming sixty miles from Vancouver, Wash., to Tillamook, on a direct line, including the flight over the city, was but 45 minutes.

The Pilot was Lt. Oakley G. Kelly, and Capt. Hathaway was in the observer's pit. Both are officers in the regular army. The arrival of the plane was greeted by quite a number of the townsfolk, including Capt. Shearer of the local O. N. C. and ex-pilot, J. H. Clark, and Harold Graves, the latter a photographic observer, during the late war.

The flyers reported a cold trip, as there was a strong northwest wind blowing all the way. On the direct line travelled over here, they came over 35 miles of forest, with no landing place. The big Liberty engines worked perfectly, and the exhaust was plainly heard some time before the plane came in view.

The plane was anchored, and the flyers came to town where they attended drill at the armory in the evening, and later met several ex-flyers at the Tillamook hotel.

The pilot Lt. Kelly is world famous for his feat of a non-stop flight about a year ago from New York City to San Diego, Cal., in 26 hours and 52 minutes. When the plane arrived in the latter city there were but 46 gallons of the 750 gallons taken on in New York at the outset. Lt. Kelly was accompanied by Lt. McCreehy, a flyer of note.

Capt. Hathaway, is also experienced in aerial navigation, and is connected with the Citizen's Military Training Camp work, with headquarters at Vancouver, Wn.

The object of the trip to Tillamook was to induce ex-flyers in this county, of whom there are said to be eight, to sign up in reserve corps. Should any of these ex-men sign up it will be necessary for them to report to Camp Lewis next summer for instruction. It is understood that Oregon's quota of flyers is 600. It is understood that several of the

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BAY CITY VETERAN IS PLAYED BY FATE

For several years past an old Civil War veteran by name of Wm. McCoy has been living in Bay City, doing odd jobs for a living. He often said that he was entitled to a pension, but told how unscrupulous lawyers had beaten him out of money which he had paid them to secure a pension, and that he did not believe there was any further use to try for a soldier compensation. He was reticent about relatives, and recently a letter came to parties in Bay City inquiring about him from a sister in Kansas. The Bay City people answered that the man was here. Now comes the sequel. About a week ago, a citizen of Los Angeles arrived in Bay City, and inquired for McCoy. The man was taken to him, and proved to be a brother who had not seen him for many years. The Los Angeles man was well to do, and soon had his brother cleaned up and dressed up, and took him away. The other day a fat letter came through to Bay City for McCoy from the U. S. Pension department, which would indicate that the brother of McCoy had been active in his brother's interest, and that at last the old war veteran was about to come into his own. But the irony of fate often manifests. McCoy is 84 years of age, and even if he gets the pension, he will not live many years, according to the nature of things, to enjoy his pension and the years of back pay which should accompany it. At any rate, the poor old fellow will not have to buck wood in Bay City any more for a living.

ROOSEVELT HIGHWAY IS BEING FAST BUILT

Large Portion of Graded Road Will be Rocked This Year

WILL OPEN DAIRY FARMS

Tillamook Expected to Draw Trade From Lincoln County When Road is Completed

The Roosevelt highway is building rapidly in Lincoln county, according to G. H. Church of Otis, who is in the city for a few days. Mr. Church says that there are two miles of road to be graded between Devil's lake and Neskwim, in this county. The Warren Construction company has the contracts, and is shoving the work toward the Siletz river. The bridge across Schooner creek is finished, and there is a double-shift of men working on the Drift creek bridge between Otis and the Siletz river, which will soon be reached. The highway will strike the Siletz river at Millport near the cannery and from that point on, connection will soon be made with Lincoln county roads to Toledo and Newport. Two rock crushers are working—one on Neskwim and the other on Salmon river. It is believed that considerable of the graded road will be rocked this year.

It is 22 miles from Neskwim to Siletz river, and between 50 and 60 miles to Tillamook from Siletz.

The Roosevelt highway will open a fine dairy section, states Mr. Church, best of the dairy section extending southward from the Lincoln county line to Otis, and principally along the Salmon river.

Owing to the county port tax which mainly benefits Toledo and Newport

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FORMER TILLAMOOKER CAUGHT IN PROHIBITION

Howard R. Edmunds, a well known cattle breeder and former store-keeper of this city was arrested by federal agents at 406 Sacramento street, Portland, last Monday, charged with the possession of a still. He was arraigned before Judge Dietch and gave bonds for appearance at his trial in the sum of \$2500. In addition to his still which had a 50-gallon capacity, the officers reported finding nine 50 gallon and five 30 gallon barrels filled with mash. The trial will take place later.

CITY LIGHT CONTRACT GIVEN COAST POWER

Eight Years is Time Limit of Agreement to Light City's Streets

At the adjourned session of the city council last Tuesday night, the contract with the city for lighting, was extended for a period of eight years. The Coast Power company agreed to maintain lights as fast as they became defective, and will furnish an additional light at the same old rate.

The property owners' committee of seven on Second avenue, will see to the matter of the placing of the 18 new posts in the three blocks from Lamar's corner to the Sunset garage, which section is to be the best illuminated part of the city. There is a three way contract between the property owners on Second avenue, and the light company and the city. But the matter has progressed far enough to make certain the installation of the big lights on Second avenue, and an enlargement of illumination all over the city.

The contract between the city and the Coast Power company was signed Tuesday night by both the city and the light company, and is now effective.

TELEPHONE SYSTEM WILL BE EXTENDED

According to E. G. Munson, manager of the Pacific Telephone & Telephone company, in this county, that company will engage in considerable improvement in the Tillamook section this year. First will come the extension of the P. T. & T. company's line to Nehalem, and the rebuilding of lines between Barview and Brighton. During the summer there will be constructed in this city a new central office building, with equipment of the latest design. In this city the company will string about 4,000 feet of aerial cable, with wire ramifications to different part of the city in addition to wires already placed.

The extension to Brighton will require the placing of 100 additional poles. The total cost of the building and extensions will approximate \$27,500, most of which will be spent in this county.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Busby and their three sons arrived last week from the Sacramento Valley having driven through with the car and passed inspection at the state line. Mr. Busby came to Tillamook 25 years ago but did not stay long. He has come back to locate here and finds the development of the county amazing.

MORE BONDS ASKED FOR DEBTS OF CITY

\$58,500 Now Outstanding Can Be Had at Lower Rate of Interest

PAY NEW BONDS YEARLY

New Bonds to Draw Five and a Half Per Cent Instead of Six Now Being Paid

The common council at its adjourned meeting held Tuesday evening April 22, passed an ordinance declaring their intention to take up bonds of Tillamook city now outstanding in the sum of \$58,500.00, which were drawing 6 per cent interest, with serial bonds drawing 5 1-2 per cent interest, which is a very considerable item, is lower at this time than when the bonds which it is proposed to take up, were issued many years ago.

The former bonds were payable any time after five years and before twenty years, and various councils have attempted to set aside sinking funds to pay these bonds as rapidly as possible, but the various demands made upon the common council for expenditures have been so great that the sinking fund is inadequate to do this. Therefore, it was determined to be better business judgment not only to issue the lower interest bonds, which will result in a very material saving to the tax payers of Tillamook city, but also to divert funds now raised by taxes to pay interest and payments on the principal indebtedness, thereby decreasing the interest the city will pay each year. In other words the common council propose to

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SUNSET DAHLIA PATCH TO ATTRACT TOURISTS

R. B. Miller, who has so far as known, the finest annual display of dahlias in the county, on the south side of the Sunset garage, states that by the time of the Elks' convention, he expects to have his dahlia display at its best. He will have about 75 bulbs in this year, including 60 varieties, together with a fine display of nasturtiums. Many new kinds of dahlias will appear in his beds this year. Mr. Miller is a lover of flowers, and specializes in dahlias. His flower beds attract much favorable comment from tourists and others.

MILITARY TRAINING IS URGED FOR BOYS

Expenses of Travel and Living Are Paid by Government for Successful Applicants

The citizens' military training camps for this district will be held at Camp Lewis, Washington, from June 19 to July 18, and will include training in infantry, cavalry, field artillery, corps of engineers and signal corps. Colonel Thiley Howell, while in this city recently from Vancouver barracks inspecting the local unit of the national guard, made a talk before the visitors assembled at the armory in which he stressed the importance of these training camps and urged those present to encourage young men to attend them.

According to a circular sent out by the Ninth Corps area: "The objects of these camps are to bring together young men of high type from all sections of the country and thereby develop closer national and social unity; to teach the privileges, duties and responsibilities of American citizenship; to stimulate patriotism; to interest young men in the importance of military training; to teach self-discipline and obedience; and to develop the physical standard of the American youth through participation in military exercises, athletic games and sports, conducted under expert directors.

"The benefits to be derived from attendance at these camps are secured without expense to the students, as the War Department provides transportation to the camp and return, board, lodging, expert medical attention, uniforms, equipment, arms, laundry (for clothing issued at camp only), and amusements in the form of athletics, games and musical entertainments."

The age limit for the basic course has been set at 17 years, and the applicant must possess average general intelligence, be able to read and write, and be of good moral character.

Letters of application: addressed to the Commanding Officer, Vancouver Barracks, Washington, will bring further information on the subject of the training camps.

TILLAMOOK MAN WEDS OREGON CITY WOMAN

Oregon City, Ore., April 21.—A wedding of interest to their many friends occurred Easter Sunday at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. William M. Stone, in Oregon City, when Miss Marguerite Brakel, English teacher of Washington high school of Portland was married to Burton King of Tillamook, Oregon. Dr. Lathrop, pastor of the Methodist church of Oregon City, performed the ceremony. Miss Brakel has many friends in Tillamook where she had charge of the English department in the Tillamook high school after her graduation from the University of Washington.

NEW MOVIE HOUSE HAS IMPROVEMENTS

Last Monday night a new concert piano was used for the first time at the Liberty theatre, and pleased the patrons of that popular theatre. The new piano is of special make, and is a welcome addition. The new proprietor of the Liberty is out to please the people, and other improvements will follow calculated to popularize the Liberty as a first class and permanent amusement.

CHECK IS PRESENTED TO FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief Coates of the Tillamook volunteer fire department last Wednesday received a note of thanks for the efficiency of the department at Sunday's fire. The letter was from the Tillamook Building company, and was signed by H. T. Botts. The letter contained a check for \$25 to be used as the department saw fit.

SUNDAY FIRE LOSSES TOTAL UP \$15,000

Fire Believed to Have Started Attic of Grocery Store

ENGINE SAVES THE DAY

Flames Menace Whole of Business Section and Are Barely Controlled

The dread alarm of fire was heralded by the big siren at 5:35 p. m. last Sunday. The wind was blowing a gale at the time from the northwest. Most of the people if they will confess it, had a shiver along the spinal region. The fire started in the attic of Dunn & Dawson's grocery store on Second avenue. Soon huge columns of smoke and flame arose. Crowds gathered and solemnly watched the increasing fire, which seemed to envelop the Palm confectionery, the Tourist cafe, Plasker's song shop and Dunn & Dawson's grocery. There were visions of a wide-spread fire in which much of the town would be swept away. It seemed as if nothing could stop it. At one time the whole street from the County bank to the First National bank was shrouded in a dense pall of smoke.

The fire company had the old Stutz pumping in just about one minute from the time of the alarm, with five lines on a ten inch main. The fire boys entered the grocery store and fought the flames in the back end of the building where it originated. Other streams played on the Plasker song shop, the Palm confectionery and the Tourist cafe, and after a hard battle won the fight. The fiery element failed to gain only a temporary hold on the block to the east. Burning shingles started a roof fire on the Rosenberg building, and threatened the Zachman frame building and plumbing shop contents. A stream of water soon put that out. Then the big crowd of people breathed easier. The fire boys had won in one spirited round.

A man asked: "How did you manage it?" A fireman answered: "I guess it was because we knew just where to take hold. The engine purred like a pet kitten, and the water supply held out!"

Take off your hat, you business men, to the volunteer fire department of Tillamook. They risked all there was to risk, and most of the fire fighters get a measly \$2 to \$3 a month, but they are a mighty willing bunch at that, and they know their business. Suppose they had not been drilled; or the water had failed, or the engine had quit? The day was an ideal one for a fire. The gale was a demon. It seemed in collusion with the Martian red of the darting, leaping, crackling flames, but it met its foe water, and was licked.

Nobody was hurt. Bill Eddis, one of the firemen, fell through a board roof but was unharmed; another fireman took a soaking from a two and a half inch hose. And several others were wet through by the water.

At one time the north side of the Haltom building was on fire—the tar paper having caught on the outside

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SHOE PRIZE DIVIDED BETWEEN 2 ENTRIES

Helen Culbertson, 8 year old daughter of Floyd L. Culbertson, and Gertrude Darby, age 10 years, daughter of A. L. Darby, shared equally in the Buster Brown Easter Lucky Birthday prize given by Larson & Hechtner last week.

The lucky envelope was opened at 8 o'clock Saturday evening, before a large crowd of people and September 10 proved to be the lucky birthday, and as there were two children registered having that birthday, the money was divided equally, each child received \$5. There were several hundred children registered in the contest.

