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## AVENUE OPENING UNDER DISCUSSION

City to be Relieved From Cost, According to Plan

### OBJECTIONS ARE MADE

Armory Protection Taken Up, With View of Help from City on Project

Objections were raised to the proposed improvement of 1st avenue east at the regular meeting of the city council Monday evening.

H. T. Botts presented a petition signed by a number of the property owners effected asking for the opening of the avenue from 4th to 7th streets, which would make a thoroughfare from Hoquartion slough connecting with the county road on the south. It is generally felt that this improvement should have been made some time ago as it will be necessary to remove some houses in order to accomplish the improvement now.

A proposed ordinance which had been prepared by Mr. Botts for the property owners along the street was read to the council, after Mr. Botts had stated that the expense of the transaction would be borne entirely by the owners benefited.

Considerable discussion took place regarding the merits of the ordinance. Rollie Watson made an objection to it because, he said, the property owners who were the most effected were not on the petition. Mr. Watson stated that the petition was being presented at a poor time on account of many of the owners of property along the street were not present to give their views, also that there were but a small representation of councilmen present. He suggested that if the owners of property along the way want the street through they would have the property condemned and buy it.

Attorney Botts answered that Mr. Watson's suggestion is what they were trying to carry out in their action.

City Attorney Hall gave his opinion that as a result of a recent ruling in the circuit court here that it would be best to wait until it can be decided what constitutes property value and who shall determine the value. Mr. Hall referred to the Austin versus Tillamook city case.

Mr. Botts' answer to this was that the people benefited would pay all the costs of opening the street; that the damages could be assessed by owners and that those benefited pay proportion. He also stated that nothing would be done until all money was paid in and damages all satisfied. The property owners have recourse to the city council and also to the circuit court, stated Mr. Botts, in case they are not satisfied.

Mr. Hall ventured another opinion that no more liens should be made in the present case involving the city which is now before the supreme court, is decided.

Mayor Smith gave his opinion that the improvement should have been undertaken long ago.

The ordinance was passed to the next reading, and the street committee was ordered to investigate and report next week.

The matter of finishing the outside of the armory by applying a coat of plaster to protect the building in the winter rains was presented to the council by J. H. Rosenberg and B. Miller, a committee from the armory club. Mr. Rosenberg stated that Adjutant General George A. Miller had promised that the state would pay half of the expense which was estimated at \$2700 provided the county pay the balance. He stated that the county court has shown a willingness to assist and he believed that the city might issue bonds for the proposed work which would be sure would be readily taken up by the business men of the town. (Continued on page 5)

## PAY OLD WARRANTS, IS RECOMMENDED

Tentative Program of \$188,600 is Divided Up for Inspection of Commissioners

The committee which was appointed to meet with the county court some time ago and investigate means to retire some of the county indebtedness has made its final report, which has been accepted by two members of the court, Judge Homer Mason and Commissioner R. O. Richards.

The report is signed by Jim Williams, Carl Haberlach, H. T. Botts, C. J. Edwards, F. A. Beltz, H. E. Morgan and William Maxwell.

After some discussion the following resolution was adopted at the September 23 meeting:

"That it is the consensus of opinion of the meeting that the county court budget for 1925 \$128,000 for general road and bridge purposes and an item of at least \$30,000 for market roads and that there also be budgeted \$40,000 for the retirement of outstanding warrants; the items for general road and bridge purposes and for market roads be expended in accordance with the tentative program of \$188,000 heretofore submitted and that the court submit at the next general election a two-mill levy for retiring warrants; it being understood that should the electors act favorably on the two mill levy the court will retire \$100,000 in outstanding warrants and will also retire warrants with the increase in taxes over the 1924 budget levy.

"The above is recommended provided the county court and commissioners give the citizens of Tillamook county a signed statement that it will faithfully adhere to the above program and provided also that no warrants will be issued in excess of budget items.

"Now, therefore, we, the said committee, respectfully appear before your honorable body in conformity to the resolution adopted by said tax payers' meeting, to ascertain whether or not you would be willing to make such a statement to the tax payers of Tillamook county. We think that such a statement would materially assist in carrying a favorable vote for the purpose of levying a two mill tax to retire outstanding county warrants."

The amounts apportioned by the committee for the various road districts and projects about the county are given below:

District No.	Market roads	Maintenance	God's Valley road	State co-operation, Roosevelt highway	Total
District No. 1	\$10,000	15,000	3,000	25,000	\$53,000
District No. 2	\$30,000	20,000	2,000	15,000	\$82,000
District No. 3	\$20,000	20,000	5,000	8,000	\$53,000

This tentative road program calls for a tax levy of \$158,000 for road purposes and state cooperation to the amount of \$30,000 on market roads. Out of the \$158,000 levy \$30,000 would be placed in the market road fund.

## CAUCUS LAST FRIDAY NAMES CANDIDATES

The caucus held at the city hall last Friday evening to nominate candidates for the coming city election November 4 resulted in the following:

For mayor, J. Merrel Smith; treasurer, W. Thomas Coates; water commissioner, Albert Plank; councilmen, Charles F. Pankow, Emil Heusser, F. W. Merrick, Clark Hadley and F. F. Conover.

Miss Lula Thurman went to Dallas Saturday, returning next day.

## COUNTY SCHOOLS HAVE MANY ENROLLED

Forty-seven Schools of County Have 2,271 Pupils, With 117 Teachers

Advices from the office of the county school superintendent state that there are now 2,271 pupils enrolled in the schools of the county. There are at this time forty seven schools here.

The three largest schools outside of Tillamook city have the following enrollments: Wheeler, Brighton and Cochran, 182; Nehalem and Rector, 93; and the union high school of Nehalem, 39.

There are 117 teachers employed by the schools of the county.

## AIRSHIP'S JOURNEY HEARD, NOT SEEN

The passage of the U. S. navy dirigible Shenandoah over this vicinity last Sunday evening was heard by several people who happened to be in the region of Tillamook river. A sight of the big airship was not possible on account of the dense fog which blew in from the ocean during the afternoon but the roar of the engines was plainly heard.

On the trip up the coast to Camp Lewis earlier in the week the ship was also heard by several people here.

## JOSEPHINE JOHNSON DEAD

Josephine, 17 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Johnson, died at the Tillamook General hospital Monday evening at ten o'clock following an attack of acute nephritis. She had been ill for the past two months and her death was not unexpected.

Funeral services have been delayed until the arrival of relatives from the east, and will probably be held Saturday from the Christian church.

## MRS. ILLINGSWORTH

Mrs. Daisy Illingsworth died at her home in the city Saturday afternoon. The cause of the death was given as apoplexy.

Mrs. Illingsworth was the daughter of Frank Trout, and was well known here having lived here the greater part of her life. She was 47 years of age. She leaves a son, Leon, besides her father, and three sisters and two brothers.

Last Monday Clinton Buttz, who is employed at the Coats camp, had the misfortune to smash his finger while working. While he was in town getting it dressed Mrs. Buttz was trying to split some wood and cut her finger.

## THEY'RE OFF IN RACE FOR THE BUICK SIX

Great Enthusiasm Prevalent Throughout Entire County By People Subscribing for the Tillamook Headlight That Their Favorite May Win the Buick

This being the nomination vote each contestant starts in the race for the Buick six on equal terms. Next weeks issue of the Headlight will give a tabulated vote as compiled by the contest editor.

MISS RUTH LEWALLEN	Hebo	5000
MISS ROSE PELZ	Tillamook	5000
MISS MADGE DE FORD	Tillamook	5000
MISS EUNICE SWENSON	Tillamook	5000
MISS ELLEN NORBERG	Tillamook	5000
MRS. H. J. NELSON	Tillamook	5000
MRS. CHARLES HICKEY	R. F. D.	5000
MRS. EARL CLARINE	R. F. D.	5000
MISS VELMA WATSON	Tillamook	5000
MRS. CLAUDE STOTT	Cloverdale	5000
MRS. CHARLIE STEVENS	Mohler	5000
MISS HELEN LEONARD	Tillamook	5000
MRS. JESSIE KELLOW	Beaver	5000
MISS HILDRETH HOLM	Garibaldi	5000

Enthusiasm is the key not to success if you are to win the Buick Six, or one of the other handsome prizes to be awarded on the coming December 6th, when the Tillamook Headlight will give away free over \$2300 in prizes.

At this time the entire countryside is agog with enthusiasm for the reason that it will afford the people the opportunity to vote for their favorite contestant that will seat her in the \$1425 Buick Six and at the same time bring the first grand prize into their town.

Nearly every town of any importance is represented with the best worker to be had with the prime object in view, that of adding civic pride to the old home town.

Cloverdale, Hebo, Beaver, Garibaldi, Mohler and Tillamook are the live wire towns that have their best representative primed to carry off high honors and the Buick Six.

While the nominations are still open its reasonable to presume that other communities will be presented, but they will have to hurry as the contestants now entered are not losing any time gathering in all the votes they can.

From reports received from the different communities the very best feeling is prevalent among the town people, each feel that they have the best representative to be had so that all the contestants from one end of the county to the other have many loyal booster workers.

Since the contestants as a whole are none to familiar with this sort of campaigning it might be well to inform each and every contestant that enthusiasm will play a great part in securing votes.

Your enthusiasm will in turn entice her finger. (Continued on page 4)

## HIGHWAY TO SOUTH IN EXCELLENT SHAPE

Goodly Number of Tillamook County People Make Trip Over New Roadbed

The Roosevelt highway south from this city is in surprisingly good shape considering that it is a new piece of work.

Last Sunday quite a number of Tillamookers went over the road to Devil's lake and enjoyed a trip full of excellent scenery and fine driving. With the exception of a few miles near the southern Tillamook county line the road bed is dry and smooth. These few miles run through heavy timber and the recent rains have softened the roadbed to such an extent that the track is sloppy, though firm enough to hold up a heavy car.

The road is extended to Taft, but following the recent rain it has been impossible for automobiles to go far beyond the Charland & Deuel store at Devil's lake. This firm is well known to Tillamook county people, especially those who live in the south part of the county, for the partners formerly owned a store at Woods. Mr. Deuel is a great booster for his adopted community and thinks that in a few years one may see a great many homes about the lake.

Practically the whole length of the road is bordered with homes and small tracts where farmers have cleared themselves plots of ground, and the trip is a revelation to those who have never made it.

## TWO MEN INJURED IN COUNTY TRUCK

E. J. Schelling and "Bud" Blackwell were injured last Thursday morning when the cab of one of the county trucks in which they were riding was torn off while attempting to pass under the railroad trestle on Wilson river. At this point there are two roads passing under the trestle one of which is considerably higher than the other. Schelling, who was driving the car failed to consider the height of the cab, and took the upper road which does not give sufficient clearance for a vehicle of this sort.

The top of the cab was torn off and the windshield smashed. Schelling escaped with a badly cut hand and minor bruises, while Blackwell, one of the county prisoners, is in the hospital with a sprained ankle.

## HALLOWE'EN PARTY GIVEN FOR BIRTHDAY

Miss Dolores Green was hostess to a large number of her friends at a Halloween party Saturday afternoon. The occasion was the little maid's eleventh birthday anniversary. Games occupied the guests the greater part of the afternoon and refreshments suggestive of the season were served. Those present were Kathryn Lamb, Marion Coates, Genevieve Gillam, Helen Hadley, Betty Baker, Pauline Winslow, Alice Mellinger, Marguerite Burdick, Jean Clough, Lois Allred, Delpha Bestul, Claudine Gupton, Cliphane Dawson, Mildred Ringo, Pauline Schilling and Betty Greene.

## TRAFFIC VIOLATORS HAILED TO COURT

Driving a car without a proper license brought two into the justice court this week. Floyd R. Colwell and C. E. Chapman were the offenders and each was fined \$6 and costs. Erwin Harrison was fined \$2.50 and costs Tuesday for driving a car without a tail light. Fred Burnett was charged with unlawful parking on the highway and pleading guilty was assessed \$2.50 and costs.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES ARE ISSUED TO FOUR

Marriage licenses were issued to the following persons last week: Norman W. Wykoop, 24, and Goldie A. Chatfield, 17, of Garibaldi, on the 16th; Wilbur Harper, 25, and F. G. Levich, 26, of Garibaldi, on the 18th.

## POLITICAL SPEAKER SCORES LAFOLLETT

Public Debt Would Increase Under Ownership Plan, Says Adams

## RAILROADS ARE CITED

Third Party Proposes to Take Away Power of Courts and Elect President in Congress

At the republican rally here Saturday night in the city hall and at Garibaldi Monday night, the main speaker of both the events was E. J. Adams, secretary to Robert N. Stanfield.

A summary of Mr. Adams' speeches both here and at Garibaldi was as follows:

The government ownership and operation of railroads involves first of all the purchase. An appraisal made by the Interstate Commerce Commission shows an actual value of \$22,350,000,000.

To secure the money to make this purchase the government must issue bonds and the lowest rate of interest would probably be 4 per cent, and this means an annual interest charge of \$894,000,000 that must be met by the government. Out of every dollar collected for governmental purposes 20 cents would be taken to pay interest on the purchase price of the railroads.

The present public debt is approximately 21 billion dollars and the interest rate is about 4 1-2 percent. On the whole it would then mean that 42 cents out of every dollar collected for governmental purposes must be used to pay interest.

Government property pays no taxes and immediately upon the government ownership of the railroads they would be removed from the tax rolls, and cease to pay taxes. This means that about \$600,000,000 now paid by the railroads in the United States would be added to the tax burden of the remaining taxpayers.

In Oregon alone the railroads pay \$3,265,802.33, which is 7.9 percent of the total taxes paid. If the railroads are removed from the tax rolls in Oregon, as they would be, the average tax of the remaining taxpayers would be increased 7.9 percent. This differs in the counties—in Tillamook it is 6 per cent; Jefferson, 23 per cent; Morrow, 21 per cent; Douglas, 17.3 per cent.

In the operation of the railroads the employees, which number about two million, would, undoubtedly, be covered under the civil service and this means promotion by seniority instead of efficiency. The "red tape" form and general inefficiency of governmental departments would apply to the railroad service, and the efficiency of the railroads would be reduced from 15 per cent to 25 per cent.

Government employees are granted vacations for recreation with full pay, usually 30 days each year. They are also allowed 30 days sick leave with full pay. In addition to this the government provides old age and disability retirement pensions, the maximum limit of which now is \$720 a year. Bills are pending in both Senate and House to increase this maximum sum to \$1200 a year.

The two million railroad workers would be entitled to all privileges now accorded government employees, but it would mean a very material increase in the cost of operating the railroads.

With the decreased efficiency that would follow government ownership, the increased benefits and privileges granted government employees over civilians, would destroy all hope of reductions in freight rates and lower freight rates are essential to agriculture and industry, particularly in the West. The market for our products is largely in the east and middle west. The haul is long and the rates must form a large part of the price at which our products are sold in the consumers' market. Just now when our railroad trans-

