

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

The First for Greater Salem--A Clear and Concise Review of Conditions-- Advocates Improved Streets and Sewerage-- And the Good of Salem

Gentlemen:
It is my especial privilege to address you tonight as the first Mayor of Greater Salem.
Not that I count that a personal victory, but by force of a happy combination of circumstances, it has fallen to my lot, and, I assure you, it is my great pleasure to address you in this capacity.
I have perfect confidence and assurance that the return of the city government to Republican management will bring progress along all lines and insure successful financial administration of our city affairs.
Due to the efforts of our Commercial club and a progressive legislative delegation, Greater Salem has become a reality.
With greater charges and larger responsibilities falling upon us, we as the newly elected representatives of the people, must take hold with a firm hand, and pursue intelligent policies of government.
We owe it to our pride, as well as to our constituents, to deal with all questions with our greatest sense of right and justice, and not to allow any sense of limitation to bind our hands from free and progressive legislation.
In assuming the unfinished burdens of our predecessors, we cheerfully take up the work, and it is our intention to make all the progress possible with what means we already have, and all that we are able to enlist.
The question of improving our streets, beautifying our town and in other ways bringing this municipality up to the highest standards of cleanliness, is under agitation. We hasten to extend to the citizens our hearty support towards all such measures, and mean to enforce all present laws, rules and regulations, under our new charter. Where any deficiency may appear let us remedy the same by proper legislation to justly promote every legitimate reform movement and we beg in return the co-operation of our citizens in private work and personal interest.
We occupy, in relation to the citizens of Greater Salem, and in the conduct of the various affairs of the city, the same relationship we would with an individual. We owe you the greatest economy in every department. We owe you, citizens of Greater Salem, our best efforts towards maintaining a clean, healthful and progressive city. We owe you free and unrestricted support in all measures which may be presented to us for our consideration, and for your benefits. We owe to you a complete service in every department of the city government.
My attention has been called to some needed improvements in the city departments in the way of protection to the public, and I deem it

our duty to at once remedy such defects.
A thorough acquaintance with the various departments will reveal any shortcomings and past experiences will, in a measure, tend to show the proper remedy. We must not leave our monuments of progress and permanent improvements at the mercy of an administration of unwise economy. Let us follow up every forward step with proper protection.
I believe in an efficient police force and an efficient fire department; in a well-organized street-cleaning department; in aiding the police, firemen, and all other employes of the city by supplying them with the best materials for their use and paying them wages adequate to insure a good public service.
Finance.
The question of finances being at all times paramount in municipal government, and of greatest importance at the present time in affairs of our own city, I call your attention to a few figures showing the present bonded indebtedness and a few suggestions towards conservative and rational conduct of our financial affairs. There is presented herewith an itemized statement concerning our bonded debt:

Bonds.	Issued.	Int. P.C.	Amt.	Term Years.
Bridge	Oct. 1, 1886	5	\$30,000	15
Bridge	Oct. 8, 1890	5	20,000	15
Sewer	Dec. 1, 1889	5	19,000	20
Funding	Nov. 1, 1892	5	20,000	20
Funding	Jan. 1, 1894	6	60,000	20
S. & O.	Jan. 1, 1896	6	6,181	15
Funding	Oct. 2, 1899	4	65,000	10

By the above report it will be seen that the bonded indebtedness is \$220,181.51. This must be reduced as rapidly as possible, consistent with the welfare of our city and the determination to protect our business men and taxpayers against any increased taxation; and, indeed, under a careful administration, this debt should be completely wiped out and without detriment to our city departments.
This sum of \$220,181.51 means to the taxpayers of Salem an annual interest of \$19,120.89. This interest money, if paid into the running of our city government, would work a great change in our civic welfare.
Ten thousand dollars a year put into the streets, into sidewalks, into establishing proper grades, into laying our parks, and other permanent improvements, would make Salem a city of beauty, of healthful environments, and to lead to every meritorious proposition a substantial aid in the way of funds for its accomplishment.
This ten thousand dollar, or nearly eleven thousand dollars, which is paid out annually in interest, does not include in any way the current expenses of running our city government, nor the maintenance of any of its departments. This expense is met by other

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revenues.
Let us proceed with firm confidence and offer every assurance to the public that everything possible will be done towards reducing this bonded debt, and curtailing in other ways all unnecessary expense, thus reducing the tax necessary to be raised by the people. To economize the expense account without crippling the efficiency of the city in any department should be our constant aim, and to that end we shall give the matter of finances our careful attention.
The Popular Loan.
I wish to especially call attention to the fact that \$30,000 of the heretofore mentioned bonds of indebtedness are past due. I would recommend the immediate refunding of these bonds at as low a rate of interest obtainable, and would also recommend what is termed "the popular loan" plan as the best means for this redemption.
Keep our money at home. Give our own people the first opportunity to invest in their own securities, and not send large sums in interest away from Salem every year, when under the "popular loan" system this money would be paid out to citizens at home, and they would at the same time become stockholders and sureties for good business administration. As the revenues of the city for this current year and the apportionment of funds for the various departments are already determined under the charter by the retiring city officials, no further reference to our financial situation is required.
Protection to Merchants.
Another matter of vital importance is the proper protection of our merchants against transient vendors, fakirs, imported bankrupt stocks, all of which cheapen enterprise and reduce the commercial standing of the city. Our city laws should be amended to securely protect our taxpaying merchants from the "hawkers" of wares whose only business is to relieve the public of money and to pay into the city treasury an insignificant sum for the privilege.
Without building a Chinese wall about our city, let us protect legitimate commercial enterprise and encourage the resident and permanent situated merchant.
In connection with the matter of protecting our legitimate merchants from transient vendors, I desire to call attention to a class of vendors--fakirs, who are permitted to stand upon the street corners, under the protection of our city laws, and deliberately rob, defraud and cheat our people.
I would recommend that all such pillaging enterprises be ruled off our streets, such licenses be repealed and stricken from our source of revenues, and that such fakirs be prohibited from appearing upon our public thoroughfares. A few dollars added to our city treasury will not compensate for the hundreds of dollars taken in return.
It is unnecessary to refer to the immoral aspect of some of these exhibitions upon our streets in regard to our young boys and girls. As in a commercial way, the cost along the line of morality is greater than any possible revenue to the city.
I also recommend, in this connection, that unsightly, crippled, offensive appearing and badly deformed beggars be prohibited from plying their practices on our streets, and that the city exclude all such transients under its present laws covering such emergencies, and that counties where they belong place them in the institutions provided for their care. With every feeling of humanity towards these unfortunates, it would seem advisable to clear our streets for obvious reasons.
Streets.
Considering the constant stream of visitors to the Capital City and especially noticing the many newcomers to our city, who have come to make their homes with us, have we as a community made sufficient endeavor to beautify our city, so that it will attract and please strangers seeking homes? Have we each been interested in lending a helping hand to promote public improvements and particularly to that most conspicuous of all places, the streets?
Salem is the Capital City of the state and should be the pride of Oregon, more than any other city. Every Oregonian, from whatever part of the state, has some interest in Salem. From this city emanate all the laws to govern and maintain the prosperous

affairs of a great state. When any emergency of national importance comes before the people, it is in Salem where the matter is considered and determined.
Gentlemen, can we be any too proud of our city? Can we be any too careful in our city affairs? Can we be any too careful in our presenting to the stranger, the visitor, or the resident, a clean, beautiful and congenial city? With all these natural advantages, shall we not pay particular attention from this time on to the beautifying and permanently improving of our thoroughfares? To all such efforts we pledge the most hearty co-operation of this administration to the end that in every instance where any improvement is undertaken, the public and the private property owner shall be guaranteed honest work worth one hundred cents on the dollar for the outlay. Co-operation on the part of the citizens in the way of cleaning and improving our streets would be an effective move. In referring to this matter of cleaning and improving our streets I would recommend the "rock pile" be established and our city prisoners be placed at work. Labor performed by the city prisoners should be of a character that will not deprive laboring men from employment. To give all the employment possible from the city government to our workman is highly important and proper, and I heartily approve of those provisions of our city charter guaranteeing reasonable hours and compensation for labor.
I would earnestly recommend an immediate renumbering and renaming of our streets. That the name of every street be placed in a conspicuous position and that all residences be correctly numbered. It is difficult without a proper system of house numbering and street naming to locate any given place, and with increasing population, the sooner this serious defect is remedied the better for all.
The New Wards.
Under our new charter much territory was added to the city and three new wards were created by our predecessors.
The first councilmen from these newly added territories are with us tonight, and we bid them and their constituents a hearty welcome and propose to extend under our administration a helping hand to our new citizens and will seek to encourage every endeavor towards beneficial co-operation.
It must be remembered, however, by our newly added citizens, that no levy or taxation has ever been placed upon them, hence there can be no immediate money investment in the newly created wards until such time as revenue shall accrue for such purposes. Whilst awaiting revenues from future taxation, we can always consider their wants. Let us give them every possible protection from fire, improve their driveways and give them street lights where and when practicable. Some time may be required in our settling down to smooth and good "working order," but co-operation and ready attention to all such matters as arise in the conduct of an enlarged and greater city government will preclude anything but a prosperous and harmonious administration. Besides fire protection the people of the new wards need some police protection to keep down the hoodlum spirit that sometimes does injury to property and has on more than one occasion manifested itself in disgraceful interference with public worship.
Septic Sewerage.
The important question of sewerage is before Greater Salem. The increased boundaries will bring into the city limits thousands of homes and residences with which connection to sewerage is impossible. A ready and effective remedy must be had for this existing condition. In parts of the older city are sewers, but the outlying districts are without any service. The large State sewer through our city should be opened to the use of citizens.
From ordinary sources of information I have come to believe that what is termed "septic sewerage" may prove the solution of this important question. I would recommend this system be thoroughly investigated, and, if found practical and worthy, that it be installed where necessary. The question of cost is also not to be overlooked, and I am informed this "septic" process is both effective and cheap of installation. A universal sewerage, and at the same time cheap in construction, is a solution which will be welcomed by all.
Weights and Measures.
I wish to call your attention to section 22 of our new charter, in which it provides for the measuring and weighing of hay, wood and all other commodities bought and sold in the open market. This matter has been presented to me for consideration and I deem it of no small importance. I believe the producer should be paid

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Railroad Crossings.
I would recommend that, in conjunction with the Southern Pacific Railroad company, that arrangements be made to place alarm bells at all street crossings on Twelfth and Trade streets where the company's lines are in operation. One of our largest public schools is located on Twelfth street and it would seem advisable to protect these children from any further danger of approaching trains.
In concluding this summary of our municipal conditions, I would urge the most earnest co-operation of this council and of the people of Greater Salem to secure the best city government possible under the foregoing circumstances. P. W. WATERS, Mayor.

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