SURANCE LICENSE TAX RAISED

inance About Various Matters Laid the city. He did not know whether it was an incorporation or the mere Over to Adjourned Meeting Friday Evening

edetly declined the honor. city could keep up better fire apparaof sominated Mr. Downing tus. sas put in an mayor pro tem

elce read. He recited the sed the mayor had made a \$100? signing it. The charter did over the mayor to vote and the had signed it. He moved red to the city attorney. enbaum said the ordinance all because it had no penalniched to. It was null and

Mr. Haas, chairman of the orcommittee disputed this. and the ordinance commitin good. It was referred to erney Condit. Greenbaum reported on the

license tax. The insurance if taking more time to get salts for the business men

Gener demanded a report of the insurance people were ragreat deal of money out of de and were paying practic-

Greenbaum said the commitsed an \$18 annual fee.

herrance people were trying hat was right and he was opb doing an injustice to cor-

Anacks the Companies.

renewed his attacks on the companies. They were usthing on their franchises. me to stop their taking large sat of this city and make them her taxes. He moved the 11is be \$50 for each insurance

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the said it was not a questional said it was not a questional said it was not a questional said in the ligher rates of insurance into lower rates. The common ordinary prop-

ladeliff said the fire comlock out of this city annally to \$50,000. Then there was by plate glass and other per cent applied to policies a case January 1. All rebates to that were abort-rated and was acthing almost. He was be two insurance companies.

high Grade Always the Same Sold Merit A. Folger & Co.

Bedgers could not be pres- It was the intent of the insurance gest nominated Mr. Low, companies to pay these taxes, as the

Mr. Greenbaum asked for further on of business men was time to report. The committee wanted to know what the insurance peolarobs and Bayne were ple really proposed.

Mr. Downing favored a tax on the ser saked to have the gross premiums. He cited an agent of all who voted to uniform who did business for twelve com-Would he pay \$600 tax or and said it was not legally reduce his companies to two and pay

Gesner Roasts the Sharks.

Mr. Gesner opposed referring the ordinance back to the committee. He made some extended remarks. It was impossible to reach these money sharks who bought bonds. Mr. Downing, he said, was in error. His position was wrong, "Make these corporations pay their just share of er attorney had drawn the or- the taxes. It is a mistake to let them off for less than \$50 a company. We are always favoring the corporations and not let 'em escape. The people will referend these things if we don't take it." He called for the ayes and were rebating rates and nays. The ordinance was not rew lower rates. He was in ferred, ayes 8, noes 6.

Mr. Stolz said if he had voted with corporations all his lifetime as Mr. Gesner had, he would try as hard as he could to reform this late in life. Any attempt to enforce an unjust tax would react on the policy holders. This tax would only be piled up on the premiums we pay.

Mr. Stockton said if it was proposed to cinch the corporations take them all in. The corporations were doing business here and why not ask them all to pay. These corporations made money faster than any merchant and why should they not pay? If they did not want to pay these taxes let them walk out. The city needed the money. We needed better fire apparatus. We needed betstreets. We need parks and we want to make this the nicest town in the adding surety companies, state and we need this revenue. The the rich corporations ought business men were organizing musale to pay for spending their tual insurance companies all over the west.

Mr. Low said at Portland he had called on "the leading insurance companies had the whip man of the world." He told him in those who paid the insur- they were putting in a fire alarm hally had to pay it all. This system and chemical engine, and the mall companies would tend insurance man had promised him

Mr. Bayne said after the insurance er would have to put up for companies once got the money they never paid back anything. (Laugh-

On substituting \$50 for \$18 as the license tax ayes had 9, noes 5. The noes were Greenbaum, Goode, at hanrance. The reduction Churchill, Stolz, Downing. All others voted for \$50. Surety companies were then added.

Two Dead Horses.

Mr. Churchill reported bills of Capital Improvement company for burying two dead horses. There was a dispute as to ownership of one.

Mr. Bayne made the point of order that the person in possession of the horse when it died ought to pay the burial expenses.

Mr. Gesner said there was a principle involved in this and that only the horse that died on Twelfth street be paid for.

He moved to amend the report to only pay for burying one horse and finally it was so ordered.

Licenses Issued.

Liquor licenses was issued to F. H. Collina. The committee on fire and water reported favorably on petition of Bullitt Bros for permit to erect a corrugated iron building.

Mr. Hass reported on screens for city jail. Mr. Gesner said that the committee of which Mr. Haas was chairman had no business with it, and he moved the matter be referred to the committee on public build-

About Lights.

City Attorney Condit said if the General Electric company did not install lights in a reasonable time its

contract could be cancelled. Mr. Stolz moved that the Citizens Electric company be given 30 days to install all lights ordered so far. Haas moved to amend that an ordinance be drawn regulating installa-

tion of light. Mr. Page was present hiring an engineer to lay grades in and made statement that his com- all parts of the city. It would cost pany was unable to get poles, lamps more than the walk themselves. and glassware that had been ordered for months. It was due to slow

City Attorney's Report. Reports on various matters by the city attorney were read. Mr. Condit asked further time on various

several points.

simply appropriated money to aid the library as part of the fixed charge of ing any grades for wooden walks, or the city. He did not know whether for any streets but permanent ones. ceedure.

more time.

Mr. Haas moved that the city reporations that the pole painting ordinance has passed and keep a carbon copy of same.

An order was read that Andrew Osmundson be instructed to build a sidewalk on Wilson street, South Salem. Adopted

A rebate of \$9 for lights not burned was allowed.

Hass Plend Guilty.

Mr. Hans wanted to know if the light committee had been religiously. checking up the light bills. He was on that committee and he had not been doing it. He wanted to know if the rest of the committee had done It appeared they had.

Petitions were read asking for two new lights and a water hydrant.

Mr. Radeliff spoke of the neces sity of getting grades on Twelfth and Thirteenth streets in Yew Park, and that committee on printing have au- ing. Carited. Mr. Bayne objected, chest, and thank my forethought tablish the grades

Mr. Frazer said he was opposed to

Mr. Churchill said out of 25 walks put down last year, but two had been paid for. He wanted one built for day. himself on those terms.

To Open Bush Street.

Mr. Bayne moved that the street matters. He needed information on committee ascertain whether the west end of Bush street had been Mr. Bayne said the council had unlawfully closed up. Carried.

Mr. Stolz was opposed to furnish-

Mr. Hass reported on the ordiorganization of the Woman's club pance fixing water rates. He said He asked that the city attorney bring it had been turned over to the in a legal report on form of pro- plumbing committee of which he was chairman. The city attorney had in-In regard to the concrete bridge formed him that he was not required and grades established so as to peron North Commercial street he asked to give it up to the new committee.

Renting of old fire department building to painting firm at \$10 a corder be requested to notify all cor- month, referred to committee on public building.

Returns to the Water.

Mr. Bayne moved to return to committee on plumbing. Carried. Mr. Hans asked to report on water ordinance. It was a tie vote and the chair asked a vote. Ayes 8, noes 5. It was continued to next meeting.

An ordinance to issue ten year bonds for payment of unpaid assessments on South Commercial street, baum and Downing alone voted no. read twice. Amount \$2142.43, To run 15 years. Mr. Stockton asked that the ordinance be referred to the city attorney. Mr. Downing said the city attorney had drawn this ordinance. But it was referred.

Adjourn to Friday.

dinance and should not be delayed. severe spells of sickness." An ordinance regulating nuction-

eers, by Mr. Goode, was read twice and referred.

Mr. Greenbaum Introduced an ordinance, by request, relating to saloon licenses. Passed over to Fri-

Resolution to create a charter commission, laid over to Friday,

Resolution by committee streets, to provide for survey of lots, blocks and grades of the Fifth ward. Adopted. To be let to lowest bidder. Mr. Gesner said surveys and monu-

Survey of North Salem.

ments were established in North Salem two years ago. The work was done by himself and Mr. Byars. Mr. Bayne said we should have

city engineer. Mr. Goode said the people of North

Salem wanted their streets surveyed mit them to make improvements. Resolution adopted. The City Dump Pile.

Alderman Low said they were hav- to the next legislature. ing a little trouble about their

dump pile. He wanted some authority about how to proceed. The chief engineer had suggested that it be hauled away once or twice a week. Mr. Stolz moved that the street

commissioner be ordered to clean it up and keep it clean. Carried. The insurance tax ordinance was

then taken up and passed. Green-

A Stitch in Time

Will save nine. So will a bottle of Ballard's Horehound Syrup always kept on hand save many a spell of day. If you are suffering from a sickness. A sure cure for coughs, torpid liver, or constipation, don't colds, bronchitis and whooping Mr. Stolz moved that State street cough, Mrs. S-, Hot Springs, Ark., paving ordinance and surveying of writes: "I keep a bottle of Ballard's Fifth ward be taken up Friday even- Horehound Syrup in my medicine thority to employ a surveyor to es- Mr. Stockton said it was a paving or- many times. It has prevented many

Sold by D. J. Fry.



Senate Monday Night.

In the senate last night S. C. R. 23, Schofield, was adopted providing for a committee of three senators and two representatives to meet with a like committee from Washington to consider the Columbia river fisheries, to serve without pay and to report

S. B. 198, relating to the First Eastern Oregon Agricultural society

S. B. 228, relating to Bethel institute was enacted.

S. B. 234 for the protection of workmen. Enacted.

S. B. 246, relative to lighting public buildings. Enacted.

S. B. 253, relative to the pay of the commissioners of Columbia county. Enacted.

Don't Put Off

Until tomorrow what you can do towait until tomorrow to get help.

Buy a bottle of Herbine and get that liver working right. Promptness about health saves many sick spells. "Mrs. Ida Gresham, Point, Tox., writes: I used Herbine in my family for six years, and find it does al it claims to do." Sold by D. J. Fry.

