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## THE COUNCIL DISCUSSED WATER AND IT ORATED ON STREET PAVING

### IT TALKED BITULITHIC AND CONCRETE, AND IT ORDERED SOME WOODEN SIDEWALKS

It Also Turned Down All Bids of the Warren Construction Company, Giving as a Reason That the Company Had Not Lived Up to Its Agreement Made With the Street Committee--- Councilman Huckestein Insisted That the People Knew What They Wanted, Had Petitioned for Bitulithic, and Should Have It.

Assigning as the reason that the Warren Construction company has not lived up to an agreement made to the street committee at a public meeting held about a month ago, the city council last evening rejected the company's bid for the paving of Twenty-fourth street to Asylum avenue with bitulithic, and the paving of Asylum avenue to the asylum grounds with the same kind of pavement, and it begins to look as though should the company not comply with all the terms of that alleged agreement, that none of its bids will be accepted.

Councilman Lafky, in making the motion, did so with the meagre explanation that the company "had not come through" according to its agreement. That brought Councilman Huckestein, who is an advocate of street improvements, to his feet in an instant, with the remark that the property owners had petitioned for the pavement; that they knew what it would cost, and were willing to pay it; and it was for them to protest, and not the city. "Give them a vote," he said, "and if they are asking for it let them have it."

Durbin Explains. Councilman Durbin stated that the portion of the agreement that the company had failed to comply with was a clause that it would keep the street repaired for a period of five years, without cost to the city. The council had prevailed upon the company to reduce its rates, he said, and he believed that one of its missions was to look after and protect the property owners. He then referred to Chemeketa street. Here he maintained about a week ago the concrete men had a majority of the signers, and now the bitulithic people had them. He did not desire to make any charges, he said, but "why this change of heart."

Councilman Lafky then explained that that was his objection to the bid, and Councilman Elliott moved that the bids be referred to the street committee with power to act.

Lachmund Takes a Hand. "I object to this being referred to the street committee with power to

## THE HOTTEST ELECTION EVER HELD IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Feb. 28.—After one of the most bitter campaigns Chicago has ever seen, voting is on here today for the first direct nomination of municipal officers.

The struggle so far has been characterized by extensive billboard advertising, and it is estimated that the various primary candidates have spent more than \$350,000. There are 252,000 registered voters in the city and of these, it was believed, more than 275,000 will vote.

Confident that A. J. Graham, Democrat, banker, candidate of the regulars and of the interests, will be nominated, Jim O'Leary, the hand-book king, has wagered immense sums, not only on his success, but also that he will be elected mayor on April 4. John R. Thompson, the Republican candidate for the interests, is favored for the nomination by that party.

Foremost among the other candidates on the primary ticket are Former Mayor Edward F. Dunne, Democrat, and Charles E. Merriam, Republican, a University of Chicago profes-

or. Both are running on reform platforms and are believed to be the men the interests have to defeat.

Other candidates are Carter Harrison, Democrat; John Scully and John Smulski, Republicans, and W. E. Rodriguez, socialist. In the last election the socialists polled 15,000 votes. This election Rodriguez' followers expect to poll 50,000.

Never in Chicago's tumultuous political history has such a mix up been seen as is being straightened out today by the ballots of the voters. Behind the candidate of the interests, Graham, is Roger Sullivan, "big boss" of the Democratic party in Chicago; Hearst is backing Harrison; Governor Deneen has endorsed Smulski, who is a former state treasurer and most of the friends of Mayor Busse are in favor of Scully. The reformers are divided between Dunne and Merriam.

One of the features of the campaign is a contest in the First ward, where "Hinky Dink" Michael Kenna is being bitterly opposed by Colonel Leopold Moss for the Democratic nomination for alderman.

Mayor Lachmund here interposed with the remark: "If you find you cannot get relief from the street committee on this matter, Councilman Manning, I would suggest that you bring in a resolution of your own on the subject."

### Senate Kills It.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 28.—By a vote of 54 to 33 the resolution submitting to the people a constitutional amendment in favor of the direct election of United States senators failed to secure the required two-thirds majority in the senate today and was killed.

This is the first vote ever taken in the senate on the question of the submission of such an amendment, although resolutions of a similar nature have passed in the past.

Four other affirmative votes would have been sufficient to secure the passage.

Plans and specifications for bitulithic were ordered drawn for Chemeketa and plans for asphalt for Summer street from Fourth to Market.

To Build Sidewalks. A resolution was passed ordering a cement walk to be built on the west side of Capitol street in front of the German Reform church, and resolutions were passed directing plank sidewalks to be built on the south side of Jefferson street in front of the property of the heirs of Frank Chance, and on the west side of North Liberty street.

A resolution was offered authorizing the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company to move its track onto the pavement on South Commercial street, so that the other side of the street might be paved, but this met with opposition, and it was referred to the city engineer and street committee. The council took the position that there is some question as to whether the pavement is in compliance with the plans and specifications and that the city might be made to accept the contract should it authorize the company to move its tracks onto the pavement.

## BIG MILLS AT FULTON ARE BURNED

ALMOST ENTIRE PORTLAND DEPARTMENT CALLED OUT BEFORE FLAMES COULD BE CONTROLLED—LOSS WILL BE ABOUT \$100,000.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 28.—Fire said to have been caused from sparks from the stacks of the Multnomah Trunk and Box factory today destroyed the lumber mills of the Oregon and Washington Lumber company at Fulton, a suburb. This afternoon the fire was burning fiercely in the lumber piles but was under control. The loss was estimated at \$100,000 and was partially covered by insurance. The fire started early in the forenoon and it was necessary to call out nearly every engine company of the city to subdue it.

The wind often travels 80 miles an hour, and that too without a ticket. Much of what we call love at first sight falls when it comes to the second, sober view.

## MILL STREET OUTLET FOR THE ELECTRIC

To get out of the city on the south the Oregon Electric is making a new survey, and this afternoon the engineers are working out a line west from High on Mill street, and then up the slough. Construction is to begin immediately, and the grade will be the same as the street.

### Rebels Seize Train.

Tombstone, Ariz., Feb. 28.—A southbound train, Douglas to Naco, was seized by 300 rebels south of Fronteras today and run into Fronteras, where it is now being held.

Reports reaching here today are that a large rebel army is mobilizing just over the Arizona line from Douglas, and it is believed that the seizure of the train marks the beginning of active operations in the vicinity.

All wires north of Isabel have been cut.

## LACHMUND VETOES THE FRANCHISE

Filed Veto With City Recorder This Morning Which Prevents Salem, Falls City & Western Using Union Street.

### GAVE NO REASONS FOR IT

Intimated to Journal Reporter, However, That He Thought Road Should Be Electrified Through the City, That Its Time, 35 Years, Was Too Long, and That It Should Have No Rights in Streets Beyond Its Connecting Point With Oregon Electric.

When the city council meets next Monday evening, it will be confronted with the question as to whether it will grant a franchise on Union street to the Salem, Falls City & Western Railroad company over the mayor's veto as Mayor Lachmund this morning returned the ordinance granting this franchise to Judge Elgin with his disapproval and to make it a law now, such action would be necessary by the council.

The mayor filed with his veto no statement declaring his objections to the granting of the franchise, but when seen stated that he would make a verbal statement outlining his reasons at the Monday meeting of the council. While until he makes this statement his reasons will not be known in detail, it is understood that his main objections are that the life of the franchise—35 years, is too long; that the portion of the road passing through the city should be electrified and that no franchise should be granted the road beyond where it makes connection with the Oregon Electric on High street. The vetoed ordinance gives the road a franchise as far as Capitol street.

Mayor Lachmund has indicated that if the company will accept those changes that he will have no objection to the franchise, and he believes that it will so accept. As the council now stands, it is in a position to pass the ordinance over the mayor's veto but whether it will remain unchanged and do so Monday evening remains to be seen.

## THE ROYAL NEIGHBORS IN SESSION

The advance guard of the delegates to the state convention of Royal Neighbors arrived in the city this morning and when the convention is called to order tomorrow forenoon at 10 o'clock it is predicted that there will be 40 delegates in attendance, between 250 and 300 visiting mem-

## TERRIFIC EXPLOSION OF DYNAMITE NEAR THE DALLES KILLS FOUR MEN

### COUNTRY IS STIRRED.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 28.—The direct election of senators was demanded by the legislatures of 33 states.

Refused by the U. S. senate, only four votes lacking of the necessary two-thirds; 54 voted for it and 33 against.

The alternative, the constitution of the United States provides that when two-thirds, 31 of the 46 states, request a constitutional convention congress must call one. Movement started today all over nation to voice the demand. Measure was introduced in every sitting legislature yesterday, and will be introduced in every sitting legislature in the United States.

The convention will last two days and during the session the visiting delegates and members will be the guests of the local order and its members have been busy throughout the day in making preparation for their entertainment. It will be held in the Stover's hall and it, together with the banquet room, is being handsomely decorated with flowers and banners.

Reception Tonight. This evening a reception will be held in the hall for the benefit of the visiting members and all members of the Royal Neighbors and their husbands, and the husbands and wives of the Modern Woodmen. A program has been prepared and will consist of, besides musical selections, and address of welcome by Mayor Lachmund and an address in behalf of the order by Mrs. M. H. Baldwin. After this program the evening will be devoted to social entertainment.

To Compete for Cup. Tomorrow evening will witness the

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## THE SENIOR CLASS GETS IN TROUBLE

PRESIDENT HUMAN UNDERTAKES TO DISCIPLINE THE STUDENTS WHO CELEBRATED IN DEFIANCE OF ORDERS AND IS RESISTED.

Because of the walkout of the student body of the Willamette University on George Washington's birthday, President Human is asking the leaders to sign written apology for violating a regulation relative to that day.

The walkout was caused by the refusal of the faculty to allow the student body the right to celebrate the day and consisted in the students deserting the institution immediately after the chapel services, going out upon the athletic field and celebrating the day in their own way, considering they had perpetrated a huge joke on the faculty. President Human was absent at the time, but returned yesterday and immediately took steps to compel the students to make amends for their action.

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## HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM IS CERTAIN

The board of education last night agreed on the plans for enlarging the Salem High school, so that it will be a 26-room building. There will be a gymnasium 51x64 feet on the third floor, with ceiling about 20 feet high.

## FIVE THOUSAND POUNDS ON SCOW IN THE COLUMBIA MYSTERIOUSLY LETS GO

Four Men Are Missing, and Were Probably Blown Into the River---Six Others Were Badly Injured and Some of Them May Die---Those Injured Were in the Cook House Ashore, and Some Distance From the Scow---Forty-Four Others Were Employed, But All Escaped Uninjured.

The Dalles, Ore., Feb. 28.—Four men are missing and are believed to be dead and six are suffering from serious injuries at local hospitals today following an explosion of 5,000 pounds of dynamite aboard a scow anchored opposite the Seufert's cannery on the Columbia river. No explanation has been given of the cause of the accident which occurred while another crew were preparing to blast a rock near the point where the scow was anchored.

The missing: R. I. Seagraves, The Dalles, leaves widow, two children, one aged two days.

John Sallo and G. A. Heino, drillers.

Gates, steam drill operator.

### HEARST'S CHICAGO PRINTERS WALK OUT

Chicago, Feb. 28.—Two hundred and fifty union printers on Hearst's Chicago newspapers walked out this afternoon. The strike was called, it was stated on the grounds that Hearst had violated the contract made with members of the Typographical union regarding the payment of wages.

Officials of the Hearst publications denied that a strike was in progress but admitted that there was "some difference of opinion."

### FIRE BELL FROZEN GIVES FIRE A CHANCE

Pendleton, Or., Feb. 28.—Because the fire bell was frozen, and no alarm could be given, 20 persons who lived in the Love apartment house are out their worldly possessions today. The building and its contents burned, while two policemen worked frantically to release the bell from its bonds of ice.

### LIGHTNING STRUCK THE ELECTRIC PLANT

Santa Barbara, Cal., Feb. 28.—During the most violent electric storm ever experienced in Santa Barbara today the plant of the Santa Barbara Gas & Electric Company was struck by lightning, and partially destroyed.

## A WEDDING PARTY OF 120 IS DEVoured BY WOLVES

Vienna, Feb. 28.—The 21st today prints a Tashkend despatch declaring that all but two members of a wedding party of 120 persons were devoured by wolves while traveling by sledge from Ostipoff, Asiatic Russia, to Tashkend.

The two survivors, who reached Tashkend, said that in the last stages of their flight they threw the bride-

groom and his bride to the wolves. The survivors demanded that the bridegroom sacrifice his bride. He refused, and then both were dumped out to fill the maws of the animals.

The party started on the trip in 22 horse sledges and were only a short way on their journey when attacked by hundreds of wolves. The men, the survivors say, threw out the women and children first.

### THIS WOULD STOP THE DEADLOCK BUSINESS

Washington, Feb. 28.—The senate committee on elections today favorably reported Senator Root's anti-deadlock bill. It provides that if a state legislature fails to elect a United States senator by March 1 next, preceding a six-year term, the candidate having a plurality on joint ballot shall be declared elected.

### TAFT APPOINTS NEGRO TO HIGH OFFICE

Washington, Feb. 28.—Disregard-

ing an avalanche of opposition to his appointment, President Taft this afternoon sent to the senate the nomination of William H. Lewis, a Massachusetts negro, to be an assistant attorney-general.

### To Act on Arizona's Constitution.

Washington, Feb. 28.—President Taft this afternoon promised an Arizona delegation that he would act promptly upon the Arizona constitution when it is received. Eugene O'Neil, who headed the delegation, told the president that a copy of the constitution would reach him Monday.