

SALARY RISES REST ON CITY FINANCES

Pay Revision Depends on Condition of Treasury.

PIER BLAMES BIGELOW

Delay in Wage Standardization Attributed to Lack of Harmony. Baker Favors Plan.

Standardization of salaries for city employees will await the completion of a report on the condition of city finances and further conference of all members of the special committee composed of City Commissioners Pier, Barbur and Bigelow. Up to the present time the committee has failed to get to all with the committee.

At an informal meeting of the city council yesterday it was agreed that no adult employees of the city should be paid less than \$4.50 per day and that the salaries of all city employees should be standardized. If the city has sufficient money to carry out the recommendations of Commissioners Pier and Barbur it is probable that the proposed ordinance will pass with minor changes to avoid apparent discrepancies.

Although the meeting yesterday was devoid of any personal controversy, Commissioner Pier very pointedly accused Commissioner Bigelow of negligence in preparing his report and of failure to co-operate with members of the committee.

"I have no apologies to offer for my recommendations," said Commissioner Pier. "I have given the matter of salaries very careful consideration and know that the city of Portland is paying its employees far less than the salaries paid to municipal employees of other coast cities."

Bigelow Blamed for Delay.

"I want to say further that I believe Commissioner Bigelow has failed to give me the co-operation which the city and myself are entitled to in this matter. Mr. Barbur returned a report on the matter several weeks ago, although I have communicated numerous times with Mr. Bigelow, he has failed utterly to handle his portion of the work."

Commissioner Bigelow explained that the proposed schedule had not reached his office until several days after Commissioner Barbur had made his report, that he then checked over the recommendations, carefully checking the figures of the proposed increases with the salaries quoted in the ordinance which was defeated by the council in July.

"After checking these figures," said Mr. Bigelow, "I desired to talk with Mayor Baker concerning the matter. The mayor has been very busy, and for two weeks I failed to get sufficient time with him to talk over the proposed increases. A week ago last Friday I took the list into the mayor's office, but it was not until last Saturday that I was able to talk to him."

Baker Favors Standardization.

Mayor Baker told Commissioner Pier that he favored a standardization of salaries which would bring justice to employees in every department, that he had no specific recommendations to make and that it was incumbent upon the members of the committee to "get together" and consider the salary question, not quibbling until they were tired, even though it was necessary for them to submit three different reports.

Commissioner Barbur is away from the city on his vacation and was represented at the meeting by City Engineer Laugaard, who explained to the council that the department of public works was facing a critical period. Many of the best technical men in his department, he said, had quit already and others were preparing to go. The city already is pledged for 1920 to improve the city sewerage system for next year, which constitutes the biggest improvement program the city has attempted since 1912.

Employees Leave City.

Competent men, Mr. Laugaard said, would not accept positions with the city of Portland at the present salaries, and he urged that some immediate relief be given. Mayor Baker suggested that such relief be given in the few isolated cases which were quoted by the city engineer, but this proposal was opposed by Commissioner Pier, who held that any such action would be a favor to favoritism and that all city employees should be considered at one time.

No provision was made in the contemplated ordinance for members of the police and fire bureau, or the superintendent of the street cleaning bureau. Commissioner Pier explained that he omitted any recommendations for these departments because he felt that Commissioner Bigelow should make the recommendations for them because of his familiarity with the needs of the men in these departments, two of which he personally supervises.

The final outcome of the meeting was instructions to Commissioner Pier immediately to prepare a report on the city financial condition and admission to members of the special committee by Mayor Baker immediately to complete the standardization report. Under the contemplated report an expenditure of approximately \$38,000 annually will be necessary, according to figures submitted by Commissioner Pier. The ordinance will not be introduced until the entire report has been compiled.

Report May Ease Pain Over Road Spelling.

Roadmaster Cites Authorities So County Commissioners Can Clear Away Inconsistencies and End Controversies.

THOUSANDS of persons living in Multnomah county who may have been pained to observe the inconsistent spelling noticeable in reference to many highways and points of interest about Portland may note with pleasure that the matter has been brought to the attention of the county commissioners and a report which should settle many controversies has been submitted by Roadmaster Eatchel.

Latourell falls and the towns of Latourell are the subject of much discussion by persons who are inclined to the belief that a county road sign in which the name is spelled "Latourell" is an authority on the question. It is not and will be changed, said Eatchel, in the report he submitted yesterday. After investigation he finds that "Latourell" is the spelling on the original town-site plat and that the dedication is thus signed by Joseph Latourell. Also he is informed by George H. Himes of the Oregon Historical society that

Joseph Latourell never tacked a final "e" on his name.

No highway name has been misspelled more often than that of the Capitol highway. Road signs along the road from Portland to Newberg spell it "Capital." It was intended originally to run from Portland to the state capitol and as such the name was supposed to be spelled with an "e."

Before a change in road signs will be made there the state highway engineer is to be consulted, reports Mr. Eatchel, because of a proposed change of the name of the road to West Side highway.

Hewitt boulevard is often spelled "Hewitt," but should be spelled the same way Henry Hewitt, after whom it was named, spelled his cognomen, says Eatchel.

Then there is the Logie Trail road, which many people insist on calling the "Logia" Trail road. Eatchel points out that the original deed, signed by Alexander Jackson, president of the United States, in 1866, is to Isabella Logie and heirs of John Logie.

Shattuck road should be called Shattuck road and not Garden Home road, declares the roadmaster, in spite of the persistence of some persons in so doing. There is a Garden Home road, he points out, stretching from Multnomah station to Garden Home.

Though Saltzman road is spelled in two ways on official county maps, one way being "Saltzman," Eatchel asserts that Saltzman is correct, records disclose that the deed was given originally by President U. S. Grant to Peter Saltzman in 1871.

Last to be considered is Newbury road, which numbers contend should be spelled "Newberry." It should not, "Newbury" being correct, in spite of some official maps to the contrary declares Eatchel.

The spelling investigation was made at the suggestion of L. A. McArthur, manager of the Pacific Power & Light company, who believes consistency to be a useful jewel.

FOREST UNDER CAMERA

EMPQUA TO BE PHOTOGRAPHED BY AVIATOR.

War Department to Furnish Plane and Supplies—Timber Surveyors Will Locate Points.

Work of photographing the Empqua national forest from the air, with the purpose of making an experimental photographic map of the forest, will begin as soon as supplies are received from the war department, Assistant Forester Charles Boyce announced last night. It is hoped to get the work under way early next week.

The war department, through Colonel H. H. Arnold, has consented to detail a de Havilland plane and necessary photographic equipment, and Mr. Boyce, formerly a lieutenant in the photographic section of the air service, will accompany the army flyer and take the pictures. A timber surveying party will cover the same area to determine the relative location of important peaks and streams, and the aerial map will be made to conform to these figures.

The method to be used in taking the pictures is the same as that used during the war. The camera is set in a rubber in the bottom of the chassis, focusing straight downwards. By means of an automatic system for recording the position of the camera, the photographer fits all photographs together to make one comprehensive mosaic.

CAMPAIGN IS CLOSED

SALVATION ARMY MEETINGS YIELD GOOD RESULTS.

Colonel Brengle Announces 80 Conversions From Four Days' Evangelistic Effort.

Colonel Samuel Brengle, the Salvation Army's international evangelist, Sunday closed a four days' campaign in Portland in the interests of the Scandinavian corps of the organization, speaking before an audience which crowded the capacity of the hall at Broadway and Ankeny streets.

Colonel Brengle addressed meetings each evening from Thursday until Sunday inclusive, and reported that about 80 conversions had marked the success of the campaign here.

Colonel Brengle, who has headquarters in New York, has paid several visits to Portland, but this year his tour, the westward-bound, is to be unusually interesting from a personal standpoint, as he will leave today to spend nearly a week with his half-brother, Harry Young, at the latter's farm, "Emerald Crest," at Woodlawn, Wash. Following the visit there the colonel will conduct campaigns at Tacoma, Bellingham and Seattle, and then will go to Winnipeg to attend an important conference of the Canadian branch of the Salvation Army.

In his closing address Colonel Brengle made a strong appeal for greater study of the Bible.

Colonel Brengle was assisted during his meetings here by Staff Captain T. Gabrielsen of Seattle, who had charge of the singing.

Fire Menaces Summer Homes.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 22.—A number of summer homes in Pacific Canyon, 25 miles northwest of Los Angeles, were threatened by a timber and brush fire today in the Angeles and Santa Barbara national forests, according to R. H. Charlton, forest supervisor.

Washington Soldier Honored.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—The war department announced today that General Pershing had awarded the distinguished service cross to Private Wallace Smith, Cornwalls, Wash.



Coming! The 17th Annual Doll Show

The great annual Meier & Frank Doll Show will be held this year in the Sixth Floor Auditorium on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 16, 17 and 18.

18 valuable prizes will be awarded—in cash and merchandise. Any style or size of doll is eligible. There is no entry fee or other obligation. Entries close Wednesday, October 15. For detailed information inquire at Dollville, Fifth Floor.

—Meier & Frank's: Fifth Floor.

Marquisette Curtains \$2.48

About 300 pairs of excellent quality marquisette curtains suitable for living or sleeping rooms. Trimmings consist of filet insertions with lace edges. There are also plain hemstitched curtains with lace edges. White, cream and ecru colors. Very special values at, pair \$2.48.

Sale of Cretonne Pillows 89¢

These cretonne pillows are shown in an almost endless assortment of effective patterns and colorings. Limited number at 89¢.

Curtaining 28¢-32¢

Fancy marquisette and voile curtain materials with drawn-work borders. White, cream and ecru. Yard 28¢ and 32¢.

Curtaining ¼ Off

Slightly imperfect drapery materials including sunfests, silks and mercerized repps. All at ¼ off our regular low prices.

Special Sale of Cedar Chests

\$17.50 Chests \$11.25. \$22.50 Chests \$15.65. \$26.75 Chests \$20.95. Especially good values at these prices today.

—Meier & Frank's: Seventh Floor. (Mail Orders Filled.)

Sugar NOT Necessary in Canning With "Kerr" Jars

They seal airtight, no rubber ring required—sugar is not required as a preservative in canning with Kerr jars. We have full stocks of Kerr and Economy jars priced as follows:

Kerr Self-Sealing and Economy wide-mouth jars. Pints, doz. \$1.30; qts. \$1.40; half gals. \$1.80. Kerr lids, doz. 20¢. Kerr tops, complete, doz. 40¢. Economy caps, doz. 35¢. Economy clamps, doz. 15¢.

Kerr Self-Sealing narrow-mouth Kerr jars. Pints, doz. \$1.05; qts. \$1.15; half gals. \$1.45. Extra lids, doz. 15¢. Extra tops, complete, doz. 35¢.

—Meier & Frank's: Basement. (Mail Orders Filled.)

Umbrellas of the Finer Sort Many Are Samples Special \$11.85

Admirably adapted to setting off the costume in addition to possessing a high utilitarian value, these umbrellas represent a marked economy as well, for some are worth one and a half times the special price quoted.

All Are Brand New Just In by Express

Many are SAMPLES of which hardly any two are alike—the purchaser in this sale will be sure of securing an umbrella of exclusive character. They are of a beautiful quality all silk material and the workmanship is of the best. There is a fine variety of handles of which a few are sketched, including sterling silver, tortoise shell, malacca, rock amber and jade effects; ferrules to match. Practically all shades, many striking plaids.

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"My friend told me to be sure to get the Thor," we overheard a woman say in the Electrical Shop. "She has been using her Thor for six years and it is just as good as new."

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There is no question as to their efficiency—a Thor wash day has no terrors.

Experienced housekeepers usually soak the clothes overnight. Next morning before breakfast they fill Thor's wooden cylinder with clothes, add hot water and soap to the indicated water line, close the metal lid which retains the heat and steam, turn the electric switch. Then they get breakfast.

We Recommend the Thor

We have tested it thoroughly. There is no open mechanism nor are there any revolving leather belts on the Thor—it cannot hurt anyone. And its operation is so simple that even the children can start it.

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Thor Has Been Tested and Proved by the Good Housekeeping Institute

350,000 women are using Thor today. More are getting it from us every shopping day in the week. We shall be glad to demonstrate the Thor for you without placing you under any obligation to purchase.

Our Window Displays for the Exposition de l'Automne

Now Being Held at This Store You Are Invited to Be Present Today

consist of the newest fashions arranged against amazingly beautiful backgrounds in vivid modern colors—

An English Court window, two Oriental windows, many typically French windows, an eccentric ballroom window, a bizarre futurist window and entirely masculine windows.

Interior decorations comprise horns of plenty filled with Oregon fruits and intertwined leaves of Autumn tints and other original features.

Women's Fleece-Lined Union Suits \$1.25

High neck, long sleeves; Dutch neck, elbow sleeves; low neck, sleeveless union suits—all in ankle length. Regular sizes \$1.25. Extra sizes \$1.50.

Vests and Pants 50¢

Children's fleeces lined cotton vests and pants in medium weight. White only. All sizes, 1 to 14 years.

—Meier & Frank's: Main Floor. (Mail Orders Filled.)

Welcome! The Pannier Gown



Forth from the pages of French history steps the bouffant style of the moment. Portraits of Watteau, Fragonard, Velasquez and Nattier come to one's mind. Fascinating marquises and princesses of the 18th century in stately brocades and pastel taffetas with powdered hair and patches pass in review.

The pannier gown pictured here is of silver brocaded blue taffeta with red roses and a silver lace petticoat.

There are crinoline gowns and bouffant tulles with ostrich feathers as well as various pannier styles for the irresistible garb of youthful dancers.

There are slim, straight evening gowns for those who prefer them—with and without trains—of stately brocades, supple taffetas, luxurious satins and velvets.

Models exclusive with the MEIER & FRANK Store in Portland and each "one-of-a-kind"!

Millinery Flares Away From the Face and Is Loaded With Feathers

Spanish, oriental and gypsy notes are apparent. Eyebrows are once more fashionable. Ostrich, blondine and cassowary are some of the most frequently used feathers. Monkey fur is seen. The Spanish-like hat with a lace veil is fascinating.

New! New! NEW! Is the Story of the Whole Store

Sumptuous evening wraps of velvets, brocades and luxurious furs are to be worn in picturesque styles, held together by the hand, the huge fur collars sometimes reaching almost to the waistline.

Suit coats are long and straight, or long and flaring, or short and flaring; collars and cuffs are often of fur and sometimes there are fur borders.

Original blouses are long and sometimes ecclesiastical. They have flower pot pendants, wooden beads, exaggerated tassels. Shorter ones are hand-made and full of the real Italian Filet lace.

Fur coats are enchantingly young looking and short—often not more than 30 inches.

Decorative ostrich fans add a marvelously picturesque touch to the costume. Cleopatra fans are made of five great plumes in wonderful colors.

Real lace neckwear; French veils; ostrich feather boas; iridescent evening scarfs; boutonnières of gay little flowers and

brocades bewilderingly lovely; fashion neckwear in old ivory tones of French laces—all are very important to the costume.

Captivating Paris perfumes are here, too, Coty, Houbigant, Violet, Bourjois and Rosine (Paul Poirer) are widely represented in the Toilet Goods Shop.

Beaded bags and sautoirs made by members of the art needlework class are on display in the Art Needlework Shop. Instruction is free if materials are purchased here.

Metal embroidered ribbons are new and ribbon lengths embroidered for sashes and artistic Eastern negligees.

The Jewelry Shop takes pleasure in announcing also that a fine new collection of platinum and diamond jewelry has been received in time for the Autumn Exposition. Prices are particularly reasonable.