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Benton Clements, one of the parties associated with Mr. Snow in securing the franchise, stated that as Mr. Snow is absent from Utah at the present time he could not give anything very definite on the matter, further than to say that when Mr. Snow came to Utah, Mr. Darst was associated with them in a proposition to come here and secure a franchise to build a large gas plant in Salt Lake City and to extend the gas mains to Ogden and Provo, also intermediate points, but that that plan had been abandoned, and Mr. Darst so notified, and that now Mr. Snow had formed a new company made up principally of Utah men and that they are seeking franchises from these cities, and that they do not fear in any way the legal steps taken by Mr. Darst and will be able to beat him in the courts.

WEBER COUNTY AFFAIRS

Commissioners Consider Proposition to Levy Special Road Tax.

Ogden, July 17.—The condition of the roads in some of the districts in Weber county was given considerable attention at the meeting of the board of county commissioners and it was decided to hold a special election in the districts of West Weber, Warren, Uintah, Harville and Randolph, that the people may vote on a proposition to levy a special road tax in these districts of five mills for the raising of funds with which to properly repair the county roads in these districts. This has been done in past years and was found to be an excellent method, as wherever the proposition carried they had good roads with the money raised and expended for that purpose.

The Hooper and Wilson Irrigation companies petitioned the board to appoint a water commissioner to supervise the distribution of water to their canals. The petition was tabled.

The board's attention was called by Assessor Dix to the state lands purchased by individuals at \$125 per acre which had been assessed at that figure and a number of the purchasers had requested that their assessments be reduced and he desired instructions as to how to act in the matter. He was advised to employ assistance and to inspect the lands and report as to the justness of the petition.

The application of J. A. Crites to lease a small piece of land at the mouth of Ogden canyon for the erection of a refreshment stand was denied as the property is in the city and he must get permission from the city council.

GOV. CUTLER WILL SPEAK

Will be Orator of the Day at Ogden Sept. 3.

Ogden, July 17.—The invitation extended to Gov. John C. Cutler to appear in Ogden on Sept. 3, and deliver an address at the celebration of Labor day by the Ogden Trades and Labor assembly has been accepted, and now the committee will go ahead and complete their program, and their arrangements for one of the greatest celebrations Ogden has ever had. The various trades organizations are going to make the event a glowing success.

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He was a transient in Ogden, and was admitted to the hospital on the evening of May 26. Dr. J. S. Gordon attended him, but little hope of his recovery was entertained from the first. He had suffered greatly. He was 58 years of age, had a brother living in the east and a sister in France, who will be communicated with before any funeral arrangements are made. His body is at Larkin & Sons' morgue.

Eva, the seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Stoddard 58 Minnedoka, Ida, died yesterday of spinal meningitis at 439 Thirty-fourth street, this city. The body was taken to Hooper this morning, where funeral services will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The Stoddard family, formerly lived at Hooper.

BIG DAMAGE SUIT

A \$15,200 damage suit has been filed in the second district court by Atty. C. E. Richards for Regina Otterson et al against the Oregon Short Line and Union Depot company.

The complaint alleges that July 23, 1934, Peter Otterson was walking along the track in the depot yards near Twenty-eighth street, when he was struck by an engine, knocked down and died as the result of the injuries, which plaintiffs allege were caused by the carelessness of the company.

WATER WORKS REPORT

Tonight at 8 o'clock a public meeting will be held at the county courthouse at which time the committees of the Civic Improvement league, the Ogden city council and the Water Works company will make their report on the decision they have reached concerning the water litigation that has been going on for years between the city and Water Works company, and the best methods to pursue in order to get the matter settled.

TWO COUPLES WED.

Licenses to wed were granted by the county clerk to the following couples:

L. A. Davis of St. Anthony, Ida, and Miss Josie Singleton of Ogden.

E. C. Summerson and Kathleen M. Gardner, both of Ogden, and all of lawful age.

BRIEFS AND PERSONALS

Mrs. T. A. Reid and children have gone to Wyoming to spend a few weeks pleasuring.

County Clerk Mattson will employ extra help for a short time in his office extending the tax rolls at a salary not to exceed \$3 per day.

Prof. W. M. McKendrick visited the camp of the state industrial school pupils in South Park canyon and delivered a very interesting talk, giving many practical suggestions.

CITY COUNCIL FIXES TAX LEVY

Thirteen Mills Considered Ample For All Purposes—Nearly Three Mills Increase.

WATER BONDS ORDINANCE

New Light Proposition Made to Salons—Committee Named to Aid Building Inspector.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Provo, Utah Co., July 17.—A communication from E. H. Rollins & Sons to Mayor Frisby was read at the meeting of the city council last evening.

Messrs. Rollins & Sons stated that the bonds bought from the city were ready for execution awaiting the passage of the ordinance by the council. The ordinance authorizing the issue of \$35,000, 4 1/2, 10-20 bonds was unanimously passed.

Building Inspector Craven asked that a committee be appointed to act with him in the inspection of buildings, considered not safe. The following members were appointed: Miller, Van Wagenen and Partridge; the committee will also investigate the matter of amending the building ordinance so as to give greater power to the building inspector.

The committee on streets and alleys reported on the petition of Robert Birkin to have certain sidewalks in the west part of the city put in repairs. The committee recommended that the street supervisor be instructed to notify persons who had caused the injury by neglecting to put their ditches in repair to place the sidewalks in good condition.

A. Hatch, Jr., of Heber, presented the merits of a gasoline street light, which will produce a 2,000 candle power light at a cost of 2 cents an hour, with a reduction in cost when denatured alcohol can be used, according to the statement of Mr. Hatch. The matter was referred to the committee on electric light. Mr. Hatch had a lamp on exhibition in front of the courthouse, which was viewed by the members after adjournment. The lamp gave a very fine light; the cost of each lamp with post will probably be about \$50.

The committee on finance presented an estimate of expenses and receipts of the city for the year 1937, as a basis for taxation for 1936.

The expenses are estimated at \$40,225, and an estimate of \$19,000 to be collected from licenses leaves \$21,225 to be raised from taxes. The assessed valuation of the taxable property is estimated at \$2,445,000 and the following levy recommended: Contingent expenses, 5 mills; waterworks, etc., 3 mills; streets, 2 1/2-12 mills; interest on bonds 2 1/2 mills; library fund, 1-1 mill; total, 13 mills.

Considerable discussion followed the report. Messrs. Poulton, Bott and Poulson favored a 15-mill levy, and called attention to the fact that from \$2,500 to \$3,000 would be needed to make sufficient improvements on the city's power site to hold it, and \$2,500 to \$3,000 on the east drain and other amounts needed for which no provision had been made. And also that the city is now compelled to borrow money at the close of each year, and they did not consider it a good policy for the city to pay interest; they were of the opinion that the city should get on a basis where it would not have to pay interest.

The other members, however, felt that as there was an increase of 2-3 mills in the estimate over last year, they did not feel to vote to amend the report to have it read 15 mills, and the report was adopted.

An ordinance levying a tax in conformity with the report was passed.

An ordinance was passed granting a franchise to the Startup Candy company to construct a spur from the railroad track to its candy factory. A charge of \$50 was made for the franchise.

On motion of Councilman Miller the city marshal was instructed to have the grounds at a slaughter house west of the city put in sanitary condition.

The contract for building a bridge at the foot of Academy avenue was ordered let for \$302.

STEWART-CORLESS WEDDING

A marriage license has been issued to Robert E. Corless of Salt Lake, and Lulu R. Stewart of Benjamin.

TRAMP SHOTS AT BRAKEMAN

Deputy Sheriff Barnett went to Springville today to look for a tramp who shot at brakeman Moore on the D. & R. G. No. 8 at Goshen Sunday evening, after being put off the train several times by the brakeman. The bullet did not strike Mr. Moore but passed through a car window and came near striking a passenger. The tramp did not trouble the train any more after that, but left as hurriedly as possible. A suspect who gives the name of Lawrence Krvin was arrested and brought to Provo, where he will be suspected for identification by Mr. Moore.

GARDEN CITY NOTES

Dr. J. H. Slater has received from Chicago a fine standard-bred mare. The animal is only a three-year-old, but is broke to harness and is already an excellent driver.

One of the biggest real estate deals in this city for some time is the purchase by the Inland Real Estate and Investment company, this city, of the Hines business block, corner of Center and First West streets. The property is 30x120 feet and brought \$16,100. The sale was made by W. H. Ray & Co.

Mrs. Coral Black, formerly of this city but now of Portland, Oregon, is here visiting her mother, Mrs. Ellen Jakemst.

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We also respectfully invite the attention of the mayor and city council to the condition of the shelving for the books which is now in the library building, and in order that you may have a proper idea of its condition we would request that you visit the library and inspect it, and we think you will then agree with us that such shelving for the books that belong to the public is a disgrace to this institution and to the city of Ogden. We would therefore request that you make such a levy as will permit during the coming year of the purchase of some shelving which will be reasonably appropriate to contain our books and harmonize with the beautiful building that is ours.

One thousand and eighty-six readers have been registered, of which 546 are children.

Respectfully submitted,
P. M. CUSHNAHAN,
President.

WANTS RESTRAINING ORDER

William Darst Sues Geo. A. Snow et al Through Illinois Court.