

DEGREE IN GASOLINE CASE GIVEN COUNTY

Commissioners to Pay for Oil Not Used in Work.

COUPONS TO BE RETURNED

Multnomah County Board Members Have Power to Make Proper Division.

The contract with themselves by which two Multnomah county commissioners agreed that gasoline and tires for their private automobiles should be paid for by the county...

The suit was brought by John W. Beato, a local attorney, to restrain County Clerk Beveridge from issuing warrants at the order of the county commissioners in payment for gasoline coupon books...

Injunction Is Granted.

The permanent injunction asked for was granted. Under terms of the decree the commissioners and county must reimburse the gasoline companies by paying "reasonable value" of the gasoline furnished on the coupon books.

The decision also permits the commissioners to determine that portion of the gasoline which was used for county business and the percentage used in private business.

Should they wish to do so, under the decision they might assert that to the best of their knowledge and belief only one gallon was used on personal business and the remainder on county affairs.

Book Ordered Returned. Commissioners Hoyt and Muck have used up all their coupons, but Commissioner Holman has on hand a book of coupons for the value of \$30, which he is ordered by Judge Kelly to return to the company from which it was obtained.

The salient provision of the decree of Judge Kelly decides that the agreement to purchase the gasoline for use in public business, the county should furnish the gasoline and other supplies to the commissioners, is void because against public policy.

As the suit was held to be prosecuted in the interest of the protection of Multnomah county, Judge Kelly decreed that the county should stand the costs and disbursements of the action.

1300 TEACHERS GATHER CITY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT ADDRESSES SESSION.

Educational Head Urges Loyalty and Close Application Among Instructors.

More than 1300 teachers, principals and superintendents assembled yesterday morning at the Lincoln high school for the annual meeting at the close of the first week of school.

"The continued success of public education depends upon the interest, zeal, fidelity, energy and confidence of the workers," said D. A. Grant, city school superintendent, in addressing the gathering.

Children are not in school for mental discipline, but for life discipline; not to fill their heads with facts, but with ideas; not to learn rules of conduct, but to gain ability to conduct themselves properly and to carry into their adult life those qualities of childhood, frankness, kindness and sincerity.

Mr. Grant urged the teachers to be loyal, saying that it was particularly necessary at this time, when there are many false philosophies.

Reports were made by those who attended the National Educational association convention at Salt Lake City and E. H. Whitney, assistant superintendent, gave a talk on "A Good Basis for Work."

Kelso Man Weds in Boston.

KELSO, Wash., Sept. 11.—(Special.)—George Oyster Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. George Oyster of this city, and Miss Florence Vaughn, of Boston, Mass., were united in marriage at the home of the bride's brother in Boston, Sunday, September 4. They became acquainted when Mr. Oyster was stationed at Boston with his naval unit before going overseas. They are now at home. Mr. Oyster is manager of the Mitchell Tractor company's branch house in Spokane.

Prowler Frightens Woman.

While burglars ransacked the home of M. Welkell, 1346 East Sixth street north, early yesterday morning, Mrs. Nora Dobbs, Welkell's sister-in-law, watched them at their work but was so frightened to call for help until the prowlers had departed, according to the story told the police yesterday. A gold watch is the only article known to have been taken.

CITY JAIL INMATES SHINE UP 100 BLOCKS WHERE WEEDS TURN LOTS INTO JUNGLES

1000 Places in Portland Need Overhauling by Chief Jenkins' Crew of Trustees and at Present Pace This Area Will Be Spotless Before Rainy Season Is Ushe red In.



UPPER—TRUSTEES' FROM THE CITY JAIL CLEARING THE SIDEWALK ON STANTON STREET. LOWER—LOOKING NORTH ON EIGHTEENTH ST REET.

MANY moons ago, when Portland had not yet attained the present place held in the front rank of coast cities, there were vast areas of vacant city blocks where weeds, brush and other vegetation sprang up and flourished to such an extent that the sidewalks were almost submerged and passage was difficult for the long-suffering pedestrian.

At that time enterprising city officials undertook to correct the evil, but the consequences were disastrous to the city's budget.

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work accomplished. The "trustees" who do good work are given two days for one in their sentence. In other words, an inmate who is serving a 20-day sentence is allowed to work 10, and if his work has been satisfactory and he has conducted himself in an orderly manner, the remaining 10 days are commuted and he is allowed his freedom.

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MAYOR ISSUES CALL FOR LOCAL SINGERS

Portland Talent to Present "The Mandarin."

ELKS WILL HAVE CHARGE

Plans for Performance to Provide Money for Christmas Tree for Needy Are Announced.

Portland's musical and theatrical talent is to be used in staging a mammoth production of De Koven's operatic masterpiece, "The Mandarin," at the Auditorium November 5 and 6, to raise funds for a great municipal Christmas tree for needy children of the city.

The production of "The Mandarin" as a means of raising the necessary funds for the municipal Christmas tree was decided upon a week ago and the machinery set in motion.

The mayor, who is also chairman of the committee having the affair in charge, says in his announcement: "The remarkable success achieved by the Portland lodge of Elks last year in financing and staging the great Christmas tree for the needy children of Portland has prompted me as head of the necessary funds to call upon the 'antlered herd' to render similar service this year."

Major Calls for Support. "Deeming it inequitable and unfair that the Elks should bear the entire financial burden attendant upon bringing sunshine and cheer to the needy children of the city through the medium of a Christmas tree, the committee has decided upon a spectacular production of Reginald De Koven's wonderful opera, 'The Mandarin,' at the Auditorium on Friday and Saturday nights, November 5 and 6, as a means of raising the necessary funds.

DISEASE SURVEY NEAR END

FOUR EASTERN COUNTIES OF OREGON COVERED.

134 Living Cases of Tuberculosis Reported in District—Twenty-Six Are Children Under 16.

The special eastern Oregon tuberculosis survey is being conducted by Robert W. Osborn, field worker for the Oregon Tuberculosis association, who arrived here today after having completed three-fourths of the survey in Union, Baker and Willowa counties.

Statistics for these three counties show a total of 134 living cases, 73 of which are active or advanced, 48 incipient and 14 other types of the disease.

At an informal meeting of the board yesterday, H. E. Brown, secretary of the Pacific Reduction company, was invited to submit a proposal for the erection and operation of a reduction plant in Portland.

It is expected that at least six firms will bid for the privilege of entering into contract with the city for the disposal of garbage and it is planned to submit the best proposal to the voters, together with a plan for municipal collection of garbage at the November election.

Attorneys to Assemble. Attorneys from over the entire state will gather in the grill of the Portland hotel Tuesday, September 21, to honor the 70th birthday of Judge Martin L. Pipes.

Establishment of the unit at the local college was considered a high compliment in view of the fact that North Pacific is the only independent college of dentistry so chosen, all the other ten being large state or private universities.

North Pacific college was recently designated by the federal government as one of ten institutions in the United States for the location of dental units of the United States army reserve corps, and the local unit will be organized in October.

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THE OWL DRUG CO. A Business vs. An Institution. WELL-FOUNDED principles, rigidly followed with the thought of profit far in the background, will eventually mold a mere business into an institution. One business can be patterned after another, but an institution has a distinct individuality which cannot be successfully imitated. This 28-year-old institution measures its success by the increasing number of customers it serves rather than by the amount of money involved in the transactions.

ton Saturday to start his survey of Umatilla county. 2660 in Aberdeen Schools. ABERDEEN, Wash., Sept. 11.—(Special).—Records for enrollment in the public schools of Aberdeen were broken, 2660 having been enrolled in the first four days of the school year.

Timely Treatment Saves Many Teeth. If Dentists spent more time on examinations fewer people would be wearing plates. DR. E. G. ASPLUND, MGR. My Practice Is Limited to High-Class Dentistry Only, at Prices Everyone Can Afford.

You are the Master Pianist. With a Cecilian in your home, all music is yours to play. For the Cecilian is "the piano that any one can play." Seated at its keyboard, you become a pianist capable of producing any musical effect. The player furnishes the notes and, through its remarkably responsive controls, you furnish the expression. Your own ideas, your own interpretations, govern every note, so that the music is truly your own. You can't know how good a player-piano can be until you have seen and heard the Cecilian. Will you come in and let us show you? Cecilian Player-Pianos Made by BUSH & LANE. Bush & Lane Piano Co., Portland, Oregon.—Without obligation on my part kindly send me Catalogue of Cecilian Player-Pianos. Name Address GET MY 15-YEAR GUARANTEE OUR MOTTO: "Every Patient Must Be Absolutely Satisfied" Open Nights Electro Painless Dentists IN THE TWO-STORY BUILDING Corner Sixth and Washington Sts., Portland, Oregon