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CAMPAIGN FOR MEMBERS

Two Teams Will Hunt New Members For Club.

CAMPAIGN END MIDDLE OF DECEMBER

John Oliver is Captain of One Team and Robert Smith Leads The Other Team—One Side Reds; One Greens.

What promises to be the most interesting contest ever conducted in Roseburg was started last night when John Oliver suggested that the Commercial Club start a campaign for membership. His plan was adopted and provided for the selection of two captains, each to lead one team into the field for new members.

The two captains then announced the other special members of their teams. The Oliver team is composed of J. E. McClintock, A. G. Sutherland, Henry Harth, Harry Pearce and J. F. Hutchison. The Smith team is made up as follows: Joseph Micelli, Clark Bargar, T. A. Rafferty, J. Wendell Wright and B. W. Strong. The Oliver team will be known as the Reds, and the Smith team as the Greens, and on account of the ribbons or badges which each member will wear. Whenever one team gets a new member for the club a ribbon of the color of the team which gets him is pinned on him and he henceforth becomes a member of that team.

The Commercial Club has now a membership of about 150 and the two teams met this afternoon and each chose up sides and enlisted the entire membership in one or the other teams.

The contest will continue till about the middle of December. The losing team and its members will banquet the winning team and its members at the conclusion of the contest.

The teams, although not completely organized as yet, have already signed up some fifteen new members. It is expected that this campaign will bring about a great revival of interest in the club and will bring the membership up to over 400.

COUNTY COURT MAKES TWO ORDERS LATE YESTERDAY—ADOPT REPORT

District No. 43 Is Allowed to Proceed and Expend Special Tax In Improvements.

The county court late yesterday afternoon approved the special tax levied in road district No. 43. The tax raised approximately \$1,200, which will be used in improving the roads and erecting a bridge in the said district.

Reconsideration of a former petition of J. M. Cunningham et al was denied.

REJECT PROPOSAL OF EVERFRESH COMPANY HERE

Committee Reports That The Concern Is All Right But The Method of Organization Is Not Acceptable.

At the regular meeting of the Commercial Club held in the club rooms last night the committee which had in charge the Everfresh matter reported through its chairman, Mr. A. J. Liburn, that while the company and its business was a good one, still the committee could not recommend the proposition made by the company. It will be remembered that about a month ago the company's officers were here and offered to take 49 per cent of the stock of the local company should be organized, in payment for the use of the patents of the parent company. It was this feature of the proposal that the committee could not accept.

While no particular action was taken on the report it is generally understood that no further effort will be made to locate here.

W. C. HARDING RETURNS HERE AFTER MONTHS SPENT IN THE "SUNNY SOUTH"

Real Estate Agent Says Oregon Climate Is Far Superior to That of Mexico.

W. C. Harding, for several years engaged in the real estate business in Roseburg, but of late of Mexico, arrived here last evening. He left for the midnight train for Portland where he has business matters needing his attention.

When seen at the Umpqua hotel last night, Mr. Harding said that his business was good in Mexico and that the country was fast developing under the direction of thrifty Americans. While the climate cannot be compared with that found in Oregon, Mr. Harding says the opportunities for making money are probably better there than here.

ness in Mexico Mr. Harding still recognizes Roseburg as his home. In fact, he says he intends to return here at some future date with a view of remaining permanently.

PORTLAND MAN INDICTED FOR SHOOTING VALUABLE DOG HERE LAST SUMMER

Bench Warrant Is Issued This Morning—Portland Officers Wired to Arrest Accused.

The grand jury last night returned an indictment in the circuit court charging F. W. Jennings, of Portland, with shooting and seriously injuring a valuable dog belonging to Ike Gervais, who lives near Reston. It appears that Jennings and a party of Portland friends were enjoying a hunt at Reston last summer, when one of their number challenged Jennings to shoot the dog. To illustrate his marksmanship, Jennings took aim and fired. The bullet struck the dog with the result that the animal will be maimed for life.

Since that time an effort has been made to settle the case through a monetary consideration, but as yet the parties involved have failed to reach an agreement.

To bring the matter to a focus Gervais appeared before the grand jury, and an indictment against Jennings followed.

Jennings will be arrested, probably today, and will be brought here to stand trial.

JAIL SENTENCE

Brown Hansard, Bootlegger, Gets a Severe Jolt.

FINE AND JAIL SENTENCE IS IMPOSED

Hansard Informs Sheriff Quine That He Got Off Much Lighter Than He Anticipated—Previously Convicted.

Brown Hansard, of Yoncalla, recently convicted in the circuit court on a charge of "bootlegging" was this morning sentenced by Judge J. W. Hamilton to pay a fine of \$350 and serve a term of 30 days in the county jail.

When arraigned for sentence Hansard remained silent, and appeared to accept the punishment indifferently. Judge Hamilton imposed sentence without comment.

Enroute from the courtroom to the county jail Hansard informed Sheriff Quine that "he got off lighter than he expected". In fact, Hansard told the sheriff that he expected a fine of not less than \$500 and a jail sentence of 60 days.

Hansard was locked in the county jail immediately following the passing of sentence and will occupy what is known as the "bootleggers quarters" on the second floor.

Practically without money, Hansard will probably be compelled to serve 180 days in jail, such representing the fine and imprisonment imposed by the judge. Hansard is an old offender, and was twice convicted of bootlegging while living at Lebanon. Later he was arrested and convicted of "bootlegging" in Lane county and served a term in jail.

IRVINE GARDNER AND SEVERAL OTHERS WIN AFTER MONTHS OF LITIGATION

Government Decides that Homesteaders Are Entitled to Their Respective Tracts.

According to a decision received today from the secretary of the interior, Irvine Gardner and eight or nine others have won their cases against the government. Mr. Gardner and the others referred to above took up homesteads in the Bucks Park vicinity only to have their proof rejected by the government on the grounds that they had not complied with a new law in clearing 20 acres of their respective tracts.

The litigation was instituted in the local United States land office, and was later appealed to the commissioner of the general land office. In final determination, the case reached the secretary of the interior.

CIVIL CASE ATTRACTS ATTENTION OF CIRCUIT COURT DURING THE DAY

Case Given to the Jury at a Late Hour This Afternoon—Other Cases 54/101

A jury in the circuit court today listened to the evidence in the case of the Middle State Bank vs. R. V. Hutchinson and The Alder Creek Lumber Company. The plaintiff brought suit to recover the sum of \$121, alleged to be due on a promissory note.

Late this afternoon the jury decided in favor of the plaintiff, awarding a judgment in the sum of \$121, with 12 1/2 per cent attorney fees.

OVER \$150,000

Sheridan's Liabilities Total Princely Sum.

MANY LOCAL PEOPLE ARE HEAVY LOSERS

Assets Will Probably Total \$30,000 Which Will Guarantee Payment of About 15 Cents On The Dollar.

A complete inventory of the liabilities and assets of T. R. Sheridan and wife, who yesterday made a voluntary assignment in favor of the former's many creditors in this vicinity shows that his liabilities will total something over \$152,000, while the assets will probably not reach a total of \$30,000. Basing a settlement on these figures, after deducting the expenses incurred in effecting a settlement of the assignment, it does not appear that the creditors will receive over 15 cents on the dollar.

Inspection of the liabilities shows that the First National Bank, of Portland, will be the heaviest loser, Mr. Sheridan having owed that institution something over \$20,000. In many instances the claims are for borrowed money, notes having been executed by Mr. Sheridan in favor of the lenders. Following the assignment these notes are valueless.

The assets set out by Mr. Sheridan include a few parcels of land, from which may be realized several thousand dollars. Most of the personal property assigned by Mr. Sheridan includes stock in various mines and milling companies and are considered of little value.

All attachments levied on property of Mr. Sheridan within four months prior to the assignment are rendered void, and consequently those responsible for the attachments are without legal redress.

A complete list of the liabilities and assets of Mr. Sheridan follows:

- Schedule of Liabilities.
George A. Smith Camas Valley \$7,400.
Mrs. Sonnemann, Portland, \$5,000.
A. Walsh, \$2,000.
First National Bank, Roseburg, \$5,250.
F. W. Minard, Portland, \$2,500.
W. P. Reed, Gardiner.
E. B. Preble, Roseburg, \$4,000.
J. P. Sheridan, Roseburg, \$1,500.
H. C. Keating, \$10,000.
E. B. Waite, Sutherlin, \$14,000.
E. G. Young & Company, Oakland, \$10,000.
Douglas National Bank, Roseburg, \$5,500.
Dr. Little, Oakland, \$8,000.
A. J. Roberts, Roseburg, \$750.
Mrs. W. H. Carroll, Roseburg, \$2,000.
William Carlon, Roseburg, \$1,500.
Mrs. John Byron, Oalla, \$3,000.
Mrs. Boggs, \$2,000.
B. C. Age, Roseburg, \$8,000.
Mrs. Fitzgerald, \$4,000.
W. E. Chapman, \$600.
David Hull, Roseburg, \$1,312.50.
E. E. Haines, Elkton, \$2,000.
M. S. Doerster, \$6,500.
W. A. Pearce, Roseburg, \$9,381.
Emma Arzner, Roseburg, \$1,000.
Henry Lander, Roseburg, \$4,000.
E. C. and J. C. Marks, Roseburg, \$5,000.
E. C. Marks, Roseburg, \$937.57.
A. J. Roberts, Roseburg, \$754.25.
J. E. Pelton, Roseburg, \$2,500.
J. M. Mostof, \$500.
First National Bank, Portland \$20,000.

List of Assets.
The northeast quarter of section 19, township 27, south of range 13, Coos county, Oregon.

An undivided one-half interest in lot No. 5, section 17, and the west one-half of the northwest quarter of section 16, township 29 south, range 8 west.

An undivided one-fifth interest in tract of land opposite Marshfield, Oregon.

An undivided one-fifth interest in tract of land near Light House, in Coos county, Oregon.

An undivided one-fifth interest in tract of land in Marshfield, Ore.

An undivided one-half interest in lots on Jackson street, in Roseburg, Ore.

Lot 10, in Oaks Addition to Roseburg.

Lot 8, block 28, Reedport, Douglas county.

One-fifth interest in city lots and other lands at Myrtle Point.

An undivided one-half interest in two lots in block A.

14 lots in block C, 17 lots in block D, 2 lots in block E, 1 lot in block F and 2 lots in block M, near Oakland, state of California.

Contract to purchase for lots 23 and 24 in block 5, Miller's Addition to the City of Roseburg, upon which the total sum of \$200 has been paid on a contract price of \$300.

Personal property—
Thirteen shares of the revised stock of the First National Bank, of Roseburg.

Three shares of the capital stock, Athmore, San Francisco.
16,666 shares of the capital stock of Glendale Mining and Milling Company.

LEAVE FOR VIRGINIA.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Kelly, well known residents of Roseburg, leave in a few days for the former's old home in Virginia where they will spend several weeks visiting with friends and relatives. Mr. Kelly has not visited his old home for more than 30 years, and anticipates that he is looking ahead to the journey with delight. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly expect to be gone for several weeks.

FALLS ON PLAY GUN AND INJURES THROAT; PHYSICIANS SUMMONED

Little Son of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Bates Painfully Injured While Playing.

Ross, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Bates, was quite painfully injured last night while playing about the family residence at the corner of Douglas and Ella streets.

It appears that the child was romping about the floor of the living room, when he stumbled in such a manner as to allow a toy gun to penetrate his throat. The flesh of the throat was torn, and the injury proved very painful.

Physicians were summoned, and the child is now resting as easy as could be expected.

GRIDER PLEADS

Says He is Guilty of Lewd Cohabitation.

JOHN BURNELLE SENTENCED IN COURT

Woman With Whom Grider Is Alleged to Have Lived, Will Be Taken to Portland and Given Employment.

John Burnelle, who was arrested a few weeks ago on a charge of stealing a motorcycle from Shirley Goodman, a local electrician, and who yesterday entered a plea of guilty, was this morning sentenced by Judge J. W. Hamilton to an indeterminate term of from one to 10 years in the state penitentiary. Sentence was suspended during the good behavior of the accused.

When arraigned for sentence Burnelle had nothing to say. District Attorney Brown, however, made an appeal for the accused and asked that sentence be suspended. The wish of the district attorney was granted. Burnelle is a half-witted lad, and the district attorney considered that he had already received sufficient punishment for his crime.

Grider Pleads Guilty.

Charles Grider, recently returned here from Winnemucca, Nev., on a charge of non-support preferred by his alleged wife and yesterday indicted by the grand jury on a charge of lewd-cohabitation, appeared in the circuit court this morning and entered a plea of guilty. Sentence will be passed by Judge Hamilton tomorrow.

The woman with whom Grider is alleged to have lived as man and wife, and the latter's child will be taken to Portland where the child will be admitted to a charitable home. The mother will be furnished employment in order that she may support herself and offspring.

WEDDING DAY IS NEARING

Just two weeks prior to the date set for her wedding, a young lady by the name of Ewart, was taken in custody by C. H. McLaren, of Portland, last evening and brought to Roseburg where she today appeared in court before the grand jury. Mr. McLaren is the gentleman who recently came to Roseburg to investigate a number of delinquent children.

The young lady, who is apparently about 18 years of age, declares that she was soon to be married to a young gentleman friend at Myrtle Creek, and that preparations for the wedding were at present under way. When taken in custody she was attending a moving picture theatre at Myrtle Creek. It is understood that the grand jury may indict McLaren or more Myrtle Creek young men, and that indictments may follow.

The girl is at present housed at the residence of Sheriff George Quine. Her mother lives in Southern Oregon. The officers refuse to give out any information regarding the case.

OFFER PROTEST

Local Merchants Present Facts to Commission.

ACTING SECRETARY WRITES LONG LETTER

Resolution Is Passed Urging All Stores To Close on the Afternoon of December 4—Other Business.

The members of the Roseburg Merchants Association held a very enthusiastic meeting at the Roseburg Commercial Club rooms last evening, at which time a number of important matters were discussed.

One subject, which was considered at some length was the contemplated action of the Oregon Industrial Welfare Commission in fixing the minimum wage, maximum hours, and the latest hour which a woman or minor may be compelled to work.

Acting Secretary Boom reported that he had received a letter from Mr. Merriek, secretary of the Oregon Retail Merchants Association, at Portland, asking for an expression of the merchants of Douglas county relative to their attitude in the proposition.

The merchants of Roseburg are indignant as to the maximum hours which a woman or minor may work, but protest against the contemplated action of fixing the latest hour which a woman or minor may work at six or even eight o'clock in the evening. Local merchants argue that they have made a practice of keeping their respective establishments open until nine o'clock on Saturday nights, and will continue to do so regardless of any action that may be taken by the industrial commission. Mr. Boom reported that he had written Mr. Merriek the following letter, which will be presented to the industrial commission at the time of its meeting on November 11: "Mr. L. R. Merriek, Secretary, Oregon Retail Merchants Assn., Portland, Oregon.

"Dear Sir: On behalf of the women and minors employed by the retail merchants of the city of Roseburg, as well as on behalf of such employers, we do hereby most earnestly protest against any fixing by the Industrial Welfare Commission of any hour as the latest hour that women and minors may work during any evening.

"The question of the fixing of a minimum wage is of little or no interest to us, for while everyone concerned, both employer and employee, in this city are entirely satisfied with the existing conditions, they also feel certain that the wages being paid are far in excess of any minimum that would be fixed by the commission; but it must also be remembered that a minimum which would be necessary and proper for cities like Portland, might be entirely unnecessary and improper for cities like Roseburg.

"Nor would the question of the maximum number of hours which the employe should work for the minimum wage be of such vital interest to all concerned.

"When however, it is proposed to fix the time in the evening of any day at which the maximum number of hours work for the day shall be completed we are certain that not only would every employer of women and minors in this city be affected, but that the welfare of every woman employe would also be seriously and adversely affected.

"It is the practice of every store in this city where women are employed and otherwise, to close on every day in the week, except Saturday, at 6 o'clock p. m., as it is the practice also to keep open on every Saturday until 9 or 9:30 p. m.

"This keeping open is absolutely necessitated by the fact that a great part of the day's business is done after 6 p. m. on Saturdays, and owing to the conditions which exist here as well as in most of the other cities and towns in the state, that will always be the fact, regardless of what time in the evening the commission may fix as the time when women shall cease working.

"If, therefore, the commission should see fit to both fix the maximum number of hours which women should work and the time in the evening when such work should cease the result would inevitably be that every merchant employing women would be compelled to defend himself against his competitors in business who do not employ them, by dispensing with the services of his woman employes so far as is possible, if it is certain that few, if any, of such women would be worth any minimum wage that might be fixed, as against men employes, the latter not being handicapped and restricted by an arbitrarily fixed hour not of their choosing at which their maximum day shall have been completed.

"The subject resolves itself, therefore, into the question as to whether the industrial and moral welfare of the women and minors of this city would be best subserved by making their employment practically prohibitive, or by permitting their employment of a maximum number of hours per day, such hours to be of their own choosing.

"A thorough and careful canvass among all parties interested both em-

SHERIDAN CASE.

The grand jury this morning began an investigation of the affairs of T. R. Sheridan, who yesterday made a voluntary assignment. Numerous persons, including several of Sheridan's creditors, appeared and gave evidence before the grand jury.

ployer and employe, fails to show a single dissenting voice to the above statements, and we hope you will use this statement in whatever manner you deem best in presenting the matter to the commission for its consideration.

"You will observe that we protest against the fixing of any hour at all as the latest hour that women and minors may work during any evening, even if the commission has such power.

"If however, the commission has such power and should insist upon fixing some hour, we would urge for the reasons given above that such hour be fixed not earlier than 9 o'clock p. m.

"Very truly yours, "Roseburg and Douglas County Merchants' Association.

"E. C. BOOM, "Acting Secretary."

The merchants also went on record last night favoring the big "boost" meeting to be held here on December 4. To express their endorsement of this meeting every store in the city to close during the hours of the meeting on the afternoon of December 4.

"The resolution follows: "WHEREAS, a meeting has been called to be held at the city of Roseburg on the 4th day of December, 1913, for the purpose of furthering and promoting the project of holding an exposition or exhibit at the city of Ashland during the year 1915, at which exhibits of the products and resources of the State of Oregon may be shown to advantage to visitors going to and returning from the Panama-Pacific Exposition to be held at San Francisco during that year, and

WHEREAS, large and representative delegations from different parts of the state have signified their intention to be present at such meeting, the Roseburg and Douglas County Merchants' Association does hereby

"RESOLVE, that it is heartily and unanimously in favor of and in accord with the object and purposes of such meeting and does hereby pledge itself, as such association, to do all in its power to further such objects and purposes; and it is further "RESOLVED, that in order to more properly entertain the visiting delegations in attendance at this meeting, and as an expression of the unanimity and sincerity of purpose with which we endorse the objects and purposes of the meeting, it is urged that every business house in the city be closed on the afternoon of December 4th, 1913, during such hours as such meeting shall be in progress."

Other business transacted at the meeting was of a private nature and in no matter concerns the public.

The meeting was well attended and unusual interest was manifested in all matters coming up for discussion.

SPRINGSTEAD GETS A VERDICT AGAINST JOHNS IN CASE RECENTLY TRIED

Springstead Files a Cross-Complaint and Wins—Gets Judgment For \$54.

After a deliberation of several hours a jury in the circuit court late yesterday returned a verdict in the case of I. S. Johns vs. J. I. Springstead. In the verdict the jury allowed Springstead, the defendant, a judgment in the sum of \$54.

The action was originally brought by Johns to recover the sum of \$163, alleged to be due through various contracts. Springstead filed a cross-complaint, in which he claimed Johns was indebted to him in the sum of \$140. After hearing the evidence and the instructions of the court the jury found a verdict for the defendant.

Johns was represented by Attorneys Buchanan and Porter, while Attorney C. L. Hamilton appeared for Springstead.

ROBBERS WOULD ENTER THE HOME OF A LOCAL LINOTYPE OPERATOR

Break Glass in Front Door But Fail To Enter Home—New Crew To Perpetrators.

Some unknown person or persons made an unsuccessful attempt to enter the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Humphrey, a local linotype operator, some time last night.

In an apparent attempt to remove the large glass from the front door of the residence they allowed some of the glass to fall to the porch with a crash. The noise undoubtedly caused the robbers to become frightened and they left the scene in haste.

Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey discovered the attempted robbery this morning. Nothing was missing from the home, and as a result it is apparent that the robbers failed to effect an entrance.

Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey sleep on the second floor and consequently were not awakened by the commotion.