

HUFFMAN TELLS OF ARRESTS

City Marshal of Union Not Acting as a Spotter, He Says.

Union, Oregon, May 28, 1912.—Editor Observer—In answer to an article in your paper of the 22nd, which says that the city marshal of Union is making a spotter of himself in hunting up autos that do not bear the tag for 1912, I wish to say that someone has misrepresented facts and that I am willing for the guilty party to be shown up to the public. There have been no auto drivers in Union arrested by the city marshal. Two automobile drivers were arrested by Special Constable J. C. Crawford, acting under instructions from Justice Maxwell, upon a complaint first laid by W. T. Wright, a member of the Union County Automobile club. The people of Union are not embarrassed over the action of the city marshal, nor that of J. C. Crawford, as they are law-abiding citizens and believe in a just enforcement of the law equally with all persons. That is just what we have been doing in these cases. The Union auto-men will tell you the same. I will admit that the city marshal has become a burden to one or two men on the city council for the reason that he wouldn't show favors to certain people. The city marshal was asked by members of the council to not prosecute certain cases for fear it might hurt the stock show. Constable Crawford was also asked to be at the head of the water system when the time came for hearing the cases of the violators of the vehicle law, who, by the way, live at La Grande. So far, so good. There have

been at least four city marshals of Union asked to resign for the very good reason that they would not enforce the law. I am one that has resigned because I was enforcing the laws in opposition to the will of a bunch of good fellows that the Observer speaks of from Union. The same parties whom the Observer interviewed and based the article on those interviews were asked by me to write a letter to the Observer and clear me from this slander? They have not done so. Why not put the blame, if there is a blame for enforcing the law, where it justly belongs. W. A. Maxwell told two of the councilmen, the evening before the train left with the boosters for Wallowa, that he was responsible for not to blame Constable Crawford.

It is easier to tell the truth at once than to square a misstatement. Further, that article in the Observer, of May 22nd, must be shown up in its true light. It misrepresented the Union marshals, from start to finish. We were never here as spotters, but to enforce the law without fear or favor. That duty we fulfilled. The people of the city of Union are with us, excepting the small bunch referred to before in this article. The reliable citizens of this place are not afraid of enforcing laws for fear of hurting the stock show. We invite everybody to come and take part with us and see the best show that Union county has ever known. I guarantee you that no man will be spotted unless he is a law-breaker or a criminal.

Respectfully,

G. S. HUFFMAN.

NOTICE OF STREET IMPROVEMENT

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a resolution adopted by the common council of the city of La Grande, Oregon, on the 22d day of May, 1912, creating improvement district No. 58, and designating Seventh street, as such district, and in pursuance of a resolution adopted by said common council on the 22d day of May, 1912, whereby said council determined and declared its intention to improve all that portion of Seventh street, in said improvement district as hereinafter described, by laying thereon west side, cement walk, the council will, ten days after the service of this notice upon the owners of the property affected and benefited by such improvement, order that said above described improvement be made; that the boundaries of said district to be so improved are as follows:

All that portion of Seventh street, from the south curb line of O avenue to the north alley line between N and O avenues.

(A) And the property affected or benefited by said improvement is as follows:

Lot 4, block 61, Chaplin's addition to La Grande, Oregon.

Notice is hereby further given that the council will levy a special assessment on all the property affected and benefited by such improvement for the purpose of paying for such improvement. That the estimated cost of such improvement is the sum of \$135.30. That the council will, on the 19th day of May, 1912, meet at the council chamber at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m., to consider said estimated cost, and the levy of said assessment, when a hearing will be granted to any person feeling aggrieved by such assessment.

La Grande, Oregon, May 29th, 1912.

CITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE.

OREGON.

By C. M. HUMPHREYS,

Recorder of the City of La Grande,

Oregon.

10th May 31 June 1 3 4 5 6 7 8 11 12

Notice to Contractors and Landscape Gardeners.

La Grande, Oregon, May 25, 1912.—Sealed proposals will be received by the district school board of school district No. 1 (La Grande), Union county, Oregon, until 7:30 o'clock p. m. of May 31, 1912, for the grading and furnishing of suitable earth for the high school grounds, La Grande, Oregon.

Plans and specifications may be seen and examined at the office of the school clerk, La Grande, Oregon. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

ARTHUR WILLIAMS,
School Clerk.

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