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WASHINGTON'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS

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Our First President's First Inaugural Address Delivered at New York April 30, 1789

Among the vicissitudes incident to life, no event could have filled me with greater anxieties than that of which the notification was transmitted by your order, and received on the fourth day of the present month. On the one hand, I was summoned by my country, whose voice I can never hear but with veneration and love, from a retreat which I had chosen with the fondest predilection, and, in my flattering hopes, with an immutable decision, as the asylum of my declining years; a retreat which was rendered every day more necessary as well as more dear to me, by the addition of habit to inclination, and of frequent interruptions in my health to the gradual waste committed on it by time; on the other hand, the magnitude and difficulty of the trust to which the voice of my country called me, being sufficient to awaken in the wisest and most experienced of her citizens, a distrustful scrutiny into his qualifications, could not but overwhelm with despondence one who, inheriting inferior endowments from nature, and unpracticed in the duties of civil administration, ought to be peculiarly conscious of his own deficiencies. In this conflict of emotions, all I dare aver is that it has been my faithful study to collect my duty from a just appreciation of every circumstance by which it might be affected. All I dare hope is, that if, in executing this task, I have been too much swayed by a grateful remembrance of former instances, or by an affectionate sensibility to this transcendent proof of the confidence of my fellow-citizens, and have thence too little consulted my incapacity as well as disinclination for the weighty and untried cares before me, my error will be palliated by the motives which misled me, and its consequences be judged by my country, with some share of the partiality in which they originated.

Such being the impression under which I have, in obedience to public summons, repaired to the present station, it would be peculiarly improper to omit, in this first official act, my fervent supplications to that Almighty Being, who rules over the universe, who presides in the councils of nations, and whose providential aids can supply every human defect, that his benediction may consecrate to the liberties and happiness of the people of the United States, a government instituted by themselves for these essential purposes, and may enable every instrument employed in its administration to execute, with success, the functions allotted to his charge. In tendering this homage to the Great Author of every public and private good, I assure myself that it expresses your sentiments not less than my own. No people can be bound to acknowledge and adore the Invisible Hand which conducts the affairs of men, more than the people of the United States. Every step by which they have advanced to the character of an independent nation seems to have been distinguished by some token of providential agency. And, in the important revolution just accom-

plished, in the system of their united government, the tranquil deliberations and voluntary consent of so many distinct communities, from which the event has resulted, cannot be compared with the means by which most governments have been established, without some return of pious gratitude, along with a humble anticipation of the future blessing, which the past seems to presage. These reflections, arising out of the present crisis, have forced themselves too strongly on my mind to be suppressed. You will join with me, I trust, in thinking that there are none under the influence of which the proceedings of a new and free government can more auspiciously commence.

By the article establishing the Executive Department, it is made the duty of the President "to recommend to your consideration such measures as he shall judge necessary and expedient." The circumstances under which I now meet you will acquit me from entering into that subject further than to refer you to the great constitutional charter under which we are assembled; and which, in defining your powers, designates the objects to which your attention is to be given. It will be more consistent with those circumstances and far more congenial with the feelings which actuate me, to substitute, in place of a recommendation of particular measures, the tribute that is due to the talents, the rectitude, and the patriotism which adorn the characters selected to devise and adopt them. In these honorable qualifications, I behold the surest pledges, that as, on one side, no local prejudices or attachments, no separate views nor party animosities, will misdirect the comprehensive and equal eye which ought to watch over this great assemblage of communities and interests—so, on another, that the foundations of our national policy will be laid in the pure and immutable principles of private morality; and the pre-eminence of a free government be exemplified by all the attributes which can win the affections of its citizens and command the respect of the world.

I dwell on this prospect with every satisfaction which an ardent love for my country can inspire; since there is no truth more thoroughly established than that there exists, in the economy and course of nature, an indissoluble union between virtue and happiness; between duty and advantage; between the genuine maxims of an honest and magnanimous policy and the solid rewards of public prosperity and felicity—since we ought to be no less persuaded that the propitious smiles of heaven can never be expected on a nation that disregards the eternal rules of order and right which heaven itself has ordained; and since the preservation of the sacred fire of liberty, and the destiny of the republican model of government, are justly considered as deeply, perhaps as finally staked, on the experiment intrusted to the hands of the American people.

Besides the ordinary objects submitted to your care, it will remain with your judgement to decide how far an exercise of the occasional power delegated by the fifth article of the Constitution is rendered expedient, at the present juncture, by the nature of objections which have been urged against the system, or by the degree of inquietude which has given birth to them. Instead of undertaking particular recommendations on this subject, in which I could be guided by no lights derived from official opportunities I shall again give way to my entire confidence in your discernment and pursuit of the public good. For I assure myself that, while you carefully avoid every alteration which might endanger the benefits of a united and effective government, or which ought to await the future lessons of experience, a reverence for the characteristic rights of freeman and a regard for the public harmony will sufficiently influence your deliberations on

CONTEST ON IN EARNEST

Rivalry Becomes Keen in Good Natured Race for Valuable Prizes

Miss Laliberty Leads, Several Others Are Close Seconds and Each Confident of Victory

The Thousand Dollar Prize Voting Contest being conducted by the Monitor in connection with Drexler & Alexander, L. A. Cary, Red Cross Pharmacy, Rowes Jewelry Store, Gaine's Cigar Store, Klydes Kandy Kitchen, Schow's Cleaning and Pressing Parlor, The Monmouth Herald and Star Theatre, who will give votes on purchases, is now on in earnest and promises to surpass in interest any proposition of like nature ever conducted in this part of the state.

Candidates are becoming alert with feverish excitement, and the Contest Department is deluged each day with inquiries from interested friends of the contestants wanting to know how their favorite stands. This is evidence conclusive that every Candidate in the race have numerous friends interested in their campaign who will stand by them to the closing hour, 9 P. M. March 29th.

Good natured competition are the words which express the sentiment prevailing in this merry tug-of-war. The best of friendly feeling towards each other is entertained by the Candidates, although each is looking out for number one and striving hard to out distance her competitors.

At this moment Miss Grace Laliberte is leading by a few thousand votes in district no. 1.

the question how far the former can be more impenetrably fortified, or the latter be safely and more advantageously promoted.

To the preceding observations I have one to add, which will be most properly addressed to the House of Representatives. It concerns myself, and will therefore be as brief as possible.

When I was first honored with a call into the service of my country, then on the eve of an arduous struggle for its liberties, the light in which I contemplated my duty required that I should renounce every pecuniary compensation. From this resolution I have in no instance departed. And being still under the impressions which produced it, I must decline, as inapplicable to myself, any share in the personal emoluments which may be indispensably included in a permanent provision for the Executive Department; and must accordingly pray that the pecuniary estimates for the station in which I am placed may, during my continuation in it, be limited to such actual expenditures as the public good may be thought to require.

Having thus imparted to you my sentiments, as they have been awakened by the occasion which brings us together, I shall take my present leave, but not without resorting once more to the benign Parent of the human race in humble supplication, that since he has been pleased to favor the American people with opportunities for deliberating in perfect tranquillity, and dispositions for deciding with unparalleled unanimity, on a form of government for the security of their union and the advancement of their happiness, so his divine blessing may be equally conspicuous in the enlarged views, the temperate consultations, and the wise measures on which the success of this government must depend.

with Mrs. Elwood Hartman a close second. Miss Tennie Chaney heads the list in district no. 2 by a small margin, several others are coming to the front rapidly, and the next count may witness the present leaders at the bottom of the list. The race is in its infancy as yet and who the winners will be, not even the Contest Manager himself could hazard a guess with any degree of certainty.

Those of you who are in the lead stay there if you can, those of you who are at the bottom of the list overtake and beat them if you can. Now if some other Candidate happens to have a few more votes than you at this time you should not become discouraged, they may have had better luck in securing subscriptions and votes than you this week, but there is plenty of time and you may secure more than they from now on. Go after votes and subscriptions in earnest, let all your friends know you are in the race to the finish. Everyone likes to help an ambitious Candidate and when your friends and acquaintances learn that you are in earnest, going to give your competitors the race of their lives; you'll be surprised at their readiness and willingness to assist by saving their votes for you and subscribing to the Monitor. This reminds the Contest Editor of a remark made to him by a Candidate in a former contest i. e. "I never knew people were so kind and that I had so many friends until I entered this contest." This happened in Oregon not far from Independence and your experience will be just the same when friends realize that you are in earnest.

Those of you who are at present in the lead must not be too sanguine, many battles have been won and lost in a day. You may be confident, which is a good thing, as confidence and success are synonymous terms, but there are others just as confident as you, don't waste a minute which may be devoted to the contest, for while you are idling you can just bet your competitors are on the job and piling up votes. Take Sunday off and get a good days rest but be on the job Monday morning and crack your whip with a report that will sound like the explosion of a cannon and not like a toy airgun.

BAND BOYS BIG DANCE

February 28, at the Opera House. Fine Music is Planned

Announcement is made this week of a grand ball at the Opera House Feb. 28th.

Special music has been secured and the regular orchestra will be increased to 12 members. Tickets will be \$1.00 and can be secured from any of the boys of the band.

The dance will be a large one and many have indicated an intention of being present from nearby towns.

MONMOUTH DORMITORY IS GOING UP

The new dormitory building for the girls of the normal is being rushed right along and is now almost completed in so far as the outside work is concerned. It is practically enclosed and makes a fine appearance. It will be one of the finest structures of the state when completed.

Seats for the Portland Symphony Orchestra Concert held in Salem, March second. Now on sale at the William's drug store. One section is reserved for outside patrons.

A 20 PAGE BIG SPECIAL

Monitor Starts Next Week on Most Complete Edition for Polk Co.

Development, Transportation, History, Community Write-ups, Sketches and New Photographs Some of Features

A 20 page edition, profusely illustrated with local views and portraying the development, history and resources of Polk county will be published from this office under the supervision of able writers, who will personally secure the data from each community.

Pioneer history will be a feature and the story of the growth of the different communities will open to your view the tremendous growth and the immense future possibilities of this county.

The story of our railroad development, from the days of the stage coach to the fast electric line now being inaugurated will make up a page of intense interest to the eastern home seeker and investor.

Every branch of industry, hop raising, agricultural and manufacturing, stock raising, dairying, poultry, intensive farming, etc., will be given space.

Every one in the county should join hands with the Monitor in this undertaking to give Independence and Polk county the representation they deserve among the well advertised communities of the great Willamette valley.

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

If you are familiar with any incidents connected with the early history of Polk county, founders of its towns early pioneers etc. that would be of interest to readers kindly communicate with the Monitor either in person or by letter, or phone and a representative will call on you. It is our aim and desire to issue an edition that not only ourselves but every resident of Polk county may well feel proud of, one that you will take pleasure in reading and sending to your eastern friends and relatives, one that will be the direct means of bringing a portion of the tourists who migrate to Oregon each spring to Polk county.

Five thousand copies will be printed and a number placed at the disposal of the organizations of the county and the Portland Chamber of Commerce to mail to eastern people who inquire about the Willamette valley. The balance will be distributed in the homes of Polk county to be mailed to friends and relatives in the east. The benefit to be derived by Polk county from this publicity will surpass the expectation of the most sanguine and it is to the interest to everyone to put their shoulder to the wheel and help make this the greatest booster's edition ever published.

Help Your Favorite

STANDING OF CANDIDATES FEBRUARY 20, AT 2 P. M.

DISTRICT NUMBER ONE		
Miss Grace Laliberte	Independence	56,430
Mrs. Elwood Hartman	"	54,810
Mrs. J. R. Simonton	"	36,275
Mrs. Robt. Mills	"	35,460
Miss Nona Saunders	"	27,815
Miss Emma Montgomery	"	27,400
Mrs. Homer Wood	"	26,920
Mrs. D. O. Taylor	"	23,430
Lola Morgan	"	22,335
Mrs. I. E. Hooker	"	20,970
Miss Grace Girard	"	20,635
Retta Cuthbert	"	19,915
Miss Gaye Buchanan	"	18,490
Miss Florence Sawyers	"	18,290
Miss Elsie Lamaster	"	17,655
Mrs. E. L. Baker	"	15,710
Vivian Whitaker	"	11,590
Mrs. Clint Moore	"	11,400
Lavilla Cooper	"	10,480
Vale Hiltbrand	"	8,650

DISTRICT NUMBER TWO

Tennie Chaney	Monmouth	31,760
Bertha Hamann	R. F. D. No. 2	26,530
Ta a Brown	Monmouth	25,860
Etta Edgar	Rickreall	20,300
Miss Francis Harrington	Monmouth	24,435
Bernice Wells	Buena Vista	18,980
Mrs. B. I. Ferguson	Eola	18,760
Edna Conn	Airlie	18,705
Miss Francis Quisenberry	Monmouth	16,420
Leonilla Smith	Buena Vista	15,840
Winnie Ballard	R. F. D. No. 2	15,535
Nellie Keyt	Perrydale	14,585
Ruby Fream	Monmouth	14,600
Lola Erickson	"	14,215
Mrs. J. O. Anderson	R. F. D. No. 1	12,865
Ina Fishback	Monmouth	12,630
Bertha Stapleton	R. F. D. No. 2	11,305
Miss Mable Johnston	Monmouth	10,560
Mamie Atwater	Airlie	10,750
Addie Riggs	Rickreall	10,480
Flora Grice	Mountain View	10,340
Gladys Hatcher	Suver	9,415
Buel Smith	Rickreall	9,365
Katheryn Fox	"	8,410
Blanch Fawk	"	8,105

COUNCIL HAS IMPORTANT MEETING

Hall Crowded With Interested Spectators, Some Wishing to Remonstrate

Council Decides to Go On with Plans, Getting Surveys and Estimates in Shape for Bids

While the session of the council Wednesday was soon over, there was plenty of work done while in session.

The ordinance for the width of paving designating Monmouth street to be paved was read and approved, after which the matter of employing an engineer to go ahead and get estimates came up. At that point a remonstrance was offered opposing paving, the council by a vote of 3 to 3 put the matter up to the mayor, as to what should be done. The council by the mayor's vote ordered the survey work completed, estimates secured, and the city engineer is instructed to go ahead and complete a survey and plan for the paving of Monmouth street.

About one hundred were present, the attendance being some what equally divided as to the paving and not paving.

The council voted as follows: Hanna, Spurling, Walker, favoring the paving of Monmouth street and Drexler, Irvine, and Dixon opposing. The mayor casting the deciding vote. Those voting in the negative state they are not opposed to paving, but he, have the engineer should not be employed in the face of a remonstrance, which has a strong following. Those favoring paving say, that no remonstrance should be considered until the cost of paving and plans were first outlined and laid before the council.

MUSICIANS ARE COMING

Benefit Independence High School

The Independence High School has secured Byrons Troubadours for Tuesday Feb. 25th.

The company is composed of some of the famous Philippine Band that toured the U.S. and Europe with great success several years ago.

The company comes highly recommended from all parts of the country and herewith we submit a telegram sent by W. E. Ferguson of Exeter, California. "Byrons Troubadours were in Exeter Cal. Feb. 1st. Best audience in town for years. Applause was terrific. Encores on most numbers went as high as three, four, five and six times. People in town generally pronounce them the musical wonders of the age. Byrons Troubadours includes Troubadours Grand Orchestra, Saxophone Quartette and Quintet, Vocal Solos, Duets, Trios, Quartettes and Choruses."

Among their many instruments is an old Italian Harp valued at \$1500, also a Byrondollin of their own invention and played by four persons. The Byrons Troubadours are sure to please and the High School asks your support in bringing them to our city.

Will trade Upright Piano for any thing of value. What have you? Address A. C. P. care of the Monitor.

Belgian Station for sale or exchange. A bargain. Inquire at this office