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GRANGE DEFENDS PRINCIPLE OF LAW

PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY STRONG IN SUPPORT.

DENOUNCE CLUB RESOLUTIONS

Pomona Grange Starts Fight in Defense of Initiative and Referendum and Will Prepare Memorial to People of the State to Uphold It.

War over the initiative and referendum is brewing in Oregon, and the first outcropping came with the carefully prepared set of resolutions introduced by J. W. Campbell at the Sellwood Republican Club. The first to jump to the defense of the law is Multnomah district, Pomona Grange, which held a session last week at Lents, and, with 200 people in attendance, passed resolutions denouncing the action of the Sellwood club in the following language: "Resolved, That we denounce the resolutions adopted by the Sellwood Republican Club aimed at the initiative and referendum law, and reaffirm our support and defense of this law, believing the action of the club part of a scheme to destroy the law; therefore be it

"Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to prepare a suitable memorial to the people of the state in defense of the law and against the attack made upon it."

These resolutions were suggested by J. J. Johnson, state lecturer, and the committee appointed to prepare the memorial for the people consists of J. J. Johnson, Ray Gill and H. A. Darnall. When they have prepared their statement it is to be given to the newspapers of the state for publication.

In discussing the initiative and referendum and the attack made by the club at Sellwood, the state lecturer of the Grange declared that the Patrons of Husbandry stand for the initiative and referendum if they stand for anything at all. The Sellwood resolutions were stigmatized as part of a deep-laid plot to destroy the law. The principle of the law is one of the principles of the Grange.

Old-line politicians are delighted with the action of the Sellwood Club, for they are opposed to the initiative and referendum, the direct primary and a few other of the new political ideas of Oregon. The chief defenders of the law will be the State Grange, a strong organization, which has the votes and can be depended on to fight back just as hard as the ward club politicians.

The "progressive" Republicans, as distinguished from the "reactionaries," will also uphold the initiative and referendum. The progressives, admitting that the initiative has been overworked and has been subjected to frauds and forgeries in the manner of securing signatures, are opposed to abolishing the law.

Given Another Chance.

Midshipmen Barrett, of Hillsboro, and Roesch, of Pendleton, Oregon, who recently failed in mathematical examination at Annapolis Naval Academy, and who are now on the annual cruise, will, through the efforts of Representatives Hawley and Ellis, be given another mathematical examination when they return to the academy in September. If they pass this their standing will not be impaired.

Governor Benson Will Attend.

Governor Benson has accepted an invitation to attend the exercises at the laying of the cornerstone of the new Odd Fellows' hall in McMinnville Saturday. Judge George H. Burnett, of Salem, will deliver the address.

Another Trust Has "Busted"

The Pacific Cascara Company, better known in the local bark trade as the "Cascara Trust," has gone out of business. Internal dissensions in the company are said to have caused the trouble, says the Portland Oregonian.

The Pacific Cascara Company was organized last year by half a dozen Oregon and Washington dealers in this bark for the avowed purpose of handling cascara on a large scale. Merchants outside the combination declared its purpose was to keep down the production of the commodity so that the members, all of whom were carrying large stocks, could dispose of their holdings at a profit. The weak point in the scheme, however, was the fact that the company could exercise no control over the small independent bark dealers in the Northwest, and these independents were enabled to dictate the price at which the cascara was bought, and at the same time the Eastern demand, while the big company was keeping its stock off the market.

Some of the members of the company, it is said, finding they had to pay good prices for new bark and being restricted by the rules of the concern from disposing of their supplies as they wanted to, undertook to conduct selling operations on a private scale. This led to a disruption of the whole scheme and at a meeting recently it was decided to disband the company and go out of business, which was done.

Peeling is under way now in the coast districts, and a considerable quantity of new bark is finding its way to market, for which buyers are paying five cents a pound. The total peel will probably be of the average size. The Eastern and foreign demand continues slow.

SMALLER CUT OF LUMBER

PANIC CAUSED BIG REDUCTION IN OUTPUT

OREGON RANKS AS EIGHTH

Washington Leads All Other States in the Industry With Louisiana Second—Total was 33,239,369,000 Feet Mostly Yellow Pine.

During the year 1908 31,231 sawmills in the United States manufactured 32,239,369,000 feet of lumber, according to a preliminary report just issued by the Bureau of the Census. These mills also cut 12,106,483,000 shingles and 2,986,684,000 lath. Lumber manufacturing, like every other industry, felt the effects of the business depression which began in October, 1907. Consequently the production in 1908 was below that for the previous year. In 1907 the cut of 28,850 sawmills was 40,253,124,000 feet, the highest production ever recorded. Notwithstanding, therefore, that in 1908 reports were received from 8 per cent more mills than in 1907 the decrease in lumber cut reported by them was slightly over 17 per cent.

Washington, as for several years past, still ranks first among the states in lumber production, its cut in 1908 being 2,915,923,000 feet—a decrease of 22.3 per cent from the cut in 1907. Nearly all the lumber manufactured in Washington is Douglas fir, the market for which was seriously affected by the panic.

Louisiana ranks second, with 2,722,421,000 feet, a decrease of 250,000,000 feet, or 8.4 per cent from the cut in 1907. Louisiana is first in the production of both yellow pine and cypress. Cypress is a particularly useful and valuable wood, and apparently the manufacturers of it did not suffer as severely from dull times as did the manufacturers of yellow pine and Douglas fir.

Mississippi was the third state in lumber production in 1908, with a total of 1,861,016,000 feet a decrease of 11 per cent from the cut in 1907.

Arkansas ranked fourth, with 1,656,991,000 feet—a decrease of nearly 17 per cent, and Wisconsin fifth, with 1,613,315,000 feet against 2,003,289,000 feet in 1907.

In Texas, where the lumber industry is confined almost exclusively to yellow pine, the falling off was very heavy. The total cut of the state in 1908 was 1,624,008,000 feet—a decrease of 31.6 per cent in 1907.

Eight other states manufactured more than 1,000,000,000 feet each of lumber last year. In the order of importance they were: Michigan, Oregon, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Alabama, North Carolina and Maine, other states which reported more than 1,000,000,000 feet each in 1907, went just below that figure in 1908.

End of Episcopal Convention

The twenty-first Diocesan Convention of the Episcopal Church was brought to an end Sunday. Bishop Chas. Scadding, delivering his annual address at Trinity Church, congratulated the convention on having attained its majority and then briefly reviewed the work accomplished by the church during the past 21 years.

Bishop Scadding did not think the church had kept pace with the commercial prosperity of the state, and urged his people to renew personal consecration and effort. He referred hopefully to the work of St. Helen's Hall, the church for girls, and by the good work being done by the Good Samaritan Hospital. While this is a church hospital, it is no wise limited in its rules of service to Episcopalians, he said, but reaches out to all the suffering and needy, irrespective of their religion. The demands upon the hospital are greater than it can well meet, and the bishop strongly advocated the building of a city hospital.

"Our policy as a church must be one of optimistic aggressiveness," he said, "and I charge every layman and clergyman to renew his efforts in the confidence of a certain faith."

The bishop advocated better salaries for the clergy. "Nine hundred dollars a year and no house," he said, "is about the wages of a skilled mechanic, but no parish will be content for its pastor to live or dress as does a mechanic. Parishes should see to it that in these days, when the cost of living has increased 37 per cent over ten years ago, that an adequate increase should be made to the pastor's salary. Rally around your clergyman, encourage him, pray for him. He is God's ambassador to you and to your children; sympathize with him, give him of your loyal support, and remember that in the ministry, as in other fields of service, 'the laborer is worthy of his hire.'"

News From Newport

FROM EXCHANGES

The Summer tourists residing in cottages at Seal Rocks, ten miles below here, had a shock Sunday morning when they discovered a number of tents resembling a circus pitched in their scenic landscape. The intruders were members of the United States Engineer Corps in command of Lieutenant Havden, U. S. A., who are surveying the Coast for a war map. When assured by the soldiers that war had not been declared they were much relieved and swapped stories with the engineers, who lately were stationed in Cuba, Ex-Governor Lord, Mrs. Breyman, Squire Farror, J. O. Baker, of Salem, and Professor Hawthorne, of the University of Oregon are the regular visitors to that quiet resort. An enthusiastic meeting of the local Board of School Directors was held Tuesday when T. C. Holleck was elected chairman to succeed S. G. Irvin. Dr. Minthorn and H. D. Blakely being retained. The citizens of Newport want the city to be a place for homes as well as for tourists, and in consequence have built up a thorough educational system. To the present courses in the high school, namely, scientific, classical and commercial, have been added a department of manual training and school of music.

Drain Normal Is Utilized

With an abandoned state normal school on their hands the plucky people of Drain have decided to open a first-class high school. They have engaged Prof. A. J. Garland and Mrs. Garland to conduct the school, with a full four-year high school course of study. Men like N. D. Cool, W. C. Edwards and J. W. Spaulding as directors, Ira W. Wimberly as clerk, are of the never-say-die kind who will win out under most circumstances. They have a valuable plant for educational purposes and it is commendable to give that part of the state the advantage of something besides the "eighth-grader" that in future will be Oregon's main reliance for supplying school teachers.

Mr. and Mrs. Myer, of Albany, were the guests of Phillip Phile yesterday.

INDEPENDENCE DAY EXERCISES

BIG DOINGS PLANNED FOR JULY FIFTH

PLENTY OF PLEASING FEATURES

Corvallis Will Have the Greatest Celebration This Year of Any City in the Valley---Committees Preparing Program Full of Entertainment.

Corvallis is going to celebrate the Nation's birthday this year in good old-fashioned style. That means speeches, music by the band and the sweetest singers in town, a parade that will astonish everybody by its attractive features, all kinds of sports and plenty of fireworks.

Of course there will be lots of noise. The Fourth wouldn't be genuinely celebrated without it, but nobody minds that, and if they do, what's the difference? American patriotism must have an escape valve once a year at least and now is the time to make a noise like being glad that there is such an anniversary as Independence day. The committees are doing their utmost to fix up a program that will be one long round of excitement from the boom of the sunrise gun to the flash of the last rocket and they deserve a lot of credit for the thought and time they are giving to please the people.

The parade is going to be a wonder. Beside the magnificent float, with the Goddess of Liberty, and long line of decorated vehicles and autos, there will be a long cavalcade of horseback riders, both ladies and men, the entire country to be represented and a handsome prize given for the best troop.

Get ready to celebrate and make a day of it that will long be remembered.

Excursion to Newport.

The Corvallis & Eastern will run an excursion to Newport Sunday, June 27. Train leaves Corvallis at 8 a. m., arriving at Yaquina at noon. Train leaves Yaquina for return at 6 p. m., arriving at Corvallis at 9:50 p. m. Fare \$1.50 for round trip. 6-23-4t

R. C. LINVILLE, Agent.

Fruit Shippers Given Hints

Representative Hawley has received the following letter from the Secretary

of Agriculture in response to a recent recommendation on behalf of the shippers of apples, pears, peaches, prunes, grapes and other fruits grown in Oregon:

Your esteemed favor of the 10th instant is at hand, requesting that a competent man be assigned to Oregon for the purpose of teaching the people of that state how to ship various kinds of perishable fruits. This department is carrying on extensive investigations along this line in different parts of this country and it has been our desire for some time to extend the work in the extreme Northwest, but up to this time we have not been able to do so. G. Harold Powell, who is in charge of the fruit transportation and storage investigations, is planning to take a trip to Washington and Oregon during the present summer in order to become acquainted with the problems of this nature that need developing in those states. It is Mr. Powell's intention to visit Oregon on this trip.

It will not be possible to carry on definite investigations in the Northwest during the present summer, but I can assure you that our investigations will be extended to that section just as soon as it can be done.

Government Slights Oregon

Under a river and harbor resolution that passed the House Monday, Oregon will derive no benefit. In view of the ruling of the Controller in regard to the Coos Bay appropriation secured through Representative Hawley, the unexpended balance of the old Coos Bay appropriation remains available for use without further Congressional action.

The engineers have recently reported that the balance of the appropriation for the Columbia River below Tongue Point, amounting to \$24,257, is not needed, so that amount will go back into the treasury on July 1.

Laid to Rest.

This afternoon at two o'clock the last sad tribute of respect was paid to the memory of Mrs. Vidella F. Miller, beloved wife of F. L. Miller, at the family home on North Fifth street, and at the conclusion of the touching service, conducted by Rev. J. R. N. Bell, the casket was borne to Crystal Lake cemetery and tenderly committed to the grave while the solemn and impressive burial service of the Order of the Eastern Star was said as all that was mortal was peacefully laid to rest. The floral offerings were many and beautiful, all conveying a silent, yet fragrant tribute to the dear departed and emblematic of the bright beyond to which the spirit had wended its flight.

Sadie E. Wright, who has been visiting at the George B. Keady home will leave for the Seattle Exposition Friday. She will be accompanied on the trip by Miss Edith Keady.

STAR THEATER

A ROAD TO LOVE

A story of love and adventure in Central America.

A young American engineer is sent to Central America to build an electric road and is prevented surveying over the plantation of a wealthy planter. The engineer goes to the planter's home to plead his cause. While there he meets the planter's daughter and her suitor, an army officer. The engineer's visit proves fruitless and he determines to push the work after night, but is discovered. The daughter, in her father's absence, goes armed to prevent the work. She is surprised to find the engineer, for whom she has conceived a liking, in charge. But duty forbids sentiment, and she tries to be very masterful in her opposition. They parley, and the daughter, while trying to be firm, is not obstinate. She invites the engineer to lunch with her. Her father and the officer return and find them eating. She is sent to the house while the engineer and his workmen quietly depart. The officer shoots the engineer and fires the brush. The daughter rescues the engineer and takes him home. He loses his mind and she finishes his work for him. They walk out to view the works and his mind returns. He has not only got the road through but has won the planter's daughter.

WHAT DRINK DID

A powerful moral lesson in Biograph pictures

This is a most interesting subject with a strong moral. It shows how easy it is for a man to fall into intemperance through the thoughtless invitation of his friends. One drink starts him on the downward path, making a veritable brute of him; failing to realize his loathsome sinister condition until during a saloon brawl he is the cause of the death of his own child.

Three different subjects of talk pictures and 2000 feet of regular pictures at the Palace Friday and Saturday

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