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DR. GEO. P. EDWARDS RESIGNS AS PRESIDENT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

C. H. YOUNG ELECTED AND AS FIRST OFFICIAL ACT USES VETO POWER ON ORDINANCE 85

The regular meeting of the board of trustees held last Monday night was full of interest.

City Surveyor Ford made a report on grades and recommended taking the elevation of the streets of a large portion of the town before establishing many permanent grades. He also gave the trustees information on the quality of the water of Munsel creek and elevation of Clear lake, stating an easy fail could be secured from this lake with a final elevation of about 75 feet for a reservoir.

The resignation of Dr. Geo. P. Edwards, as president of the board of trustees, was read and accepted. Dr. Edwards gave as his reason, that city affairs interfered with his professional duties. C. H. Young was unanimously elected to the office.

A quit claim deed was presented by Wm. Kyle & Sons Co. to the City of Florence, conveying title to a portion of Front street in front of the cannery property. There seems to have been a mix-up in the plats, and this deed was made so the town would have clear title to the street.

The council ordered the advertising of intention of improving

Front street from Lincoln to Jefferson, Washington from Front to the Siuslaw river, by planking full width; Jefferson street from Front street to Second street, by planking 20 feet wide; and Garner Avenue from Second street to Pacific Avenue by planking 12 feet wide.

Ordinance No. 85, known as the stock ordinance was passed, all trustees present voting for it. By some misunderstanding this ordinance was placed on record as having been passed at the previous meeting, but the trustees claimed it had not been voted on and called it up for final action.

Numerous details of city affairs were also discussed and disposed of before adjournment.

On July 1st a referendum petition was filed against ordinance 85, the signers thinking that it had been passed. The passage of the ordinance left the referendum without effect. Tuesday soon after Mayor Young qualified he was handed the ordinance to sign, but that evening he returned to the recorder's office with his veto, giving as a reason "that the boundaries were unjust to the citizens of Florence."

C. H. YOUNG ANSWERS LETTER BY ACTING FORESTER

To the Editor of the Pilot

There appeared in the columns of your paper last week a letter signed by Mr. Potter, assistant Forester of the United States, in which he gives the position of the Forest Service in the Bert Frohmader homestead case.

Since he has mentioned my name I feel free to say that I was requested to make the examination and report upon this claim, and did so last September. My report was favorable in every respect for Mr. Frohmader. There was never any doubt in my mind about his entry and I had supposed it was passed for patent, and was very much surprised when I received notice that his entry had been cancelled.

It was on the thinnest kind of a technicality, and no doubt the decision was rendered by a new clerk in the U. S. Land office who was following closely printed instructions.

I have known Bert Frohmader and his land since May 1907. I have had occasion to know more about this homestead than of

many others and am free to say that I consider the action taken by the General Land office unfair, unjust and wrong. Bert Frohmader told the truth about his settlement and residence upon his claim and was turned down, when by changing one or two words the meaning would have been very much different and no doubt would have passed.

I had occasion to be in Eugene this spring and looked over the records in this case in the Supervisors office and find that Mr. Cohoon approved my report and passed it on. I have every reason to believe that Mr. Cecil, the District Forester, also approved it and passed it on. Mr. Potter says it went to the Interior Department clear, and I believe it did.

There are many things that may be charged to the Forest Service, but some of the officers of the Forest Service, but this case is not one of them and I trust the good people of this vicinity will give the Service credit for doing its full duty in this case.

CARL H. YOUNG

Art Johnson started Monday to mow his crop of velvet grass hay. He has about 8 acres on his North Fork ranch.

The electric light plant will be shut down for about a week, while improvements are being made to permit them giving longer service.

The apartments upstairs in the store buildings erected by W. H. O'Kelley and Geo. Melvin Miller will be occupied, one by Mr. and Mrs. Alles, who have moved in, and the other by Capt. A. Erickson and wife, who received their household goods on the Patsy its last trip and will soon be settled.

MERCER LAKE CELEBRATES INDEPENDENCE DAY

For the first time in history the people of Mercer lake celebrated Independence Day. Owing to reasons best known to themselves, the celebration was held on the sixth of July. The plans were to hold an outdoor picnic but as the weather turned out rather inconvenient, they were changed to meet the occasion, and it was held in one of the large ranch houses.

At eleven o'clock all being assembled, the program was opened with the reading of the Declaration by the Goddess of Liberty, which was as follows: "When in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for the people of Mercer lake to celebrate the Fourth of July, on the following Sunday; a decent respect for the opinions of womankind, requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to this action.

First—Because the women-folks had so much cooking to do that it took them two days longer than necessary, as is generally the case with them.

Second—Because it being hay-time the men folks ate so much that they couldn't cook anything ahead.

Third—Because it being rainy weather the men could not, hay so they sat in the house and ate and ate and ate.

Fourth—Because the population of Mercer lake had increased and the patriotic feeling which was growing rapidly among the young people could no longer be suppressed.

Fifth—Because the people of Mercer Lake are so few and far between, they feel that they ought to call a great gathering once a year at least, to take a census of the population, and indulge in an annual feast of gossiping.

Sixth and last—That the

people of the surrounding towns and country might hear of the important greatness, depth, width, length, breadth and thickness of the hearts of the people of Mercer lake.

Post-amble: "We the people of Mercer lake in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquillity, provide for the common defence, promote the common sense, and in order to secure the pleasures of these patriotic meetings to ourselves and our posterity forever more, do ordain that yearly we meet in some secluded spot at dear old Mercer lake.

This was followed by the singing of patriotic songs, and some who were present, gave a few choice selections on the violin, organ and guitar.

About one o'clock the ladies brought out a munificent picnic dinner.

In the afternoon the sun came out, and all assembled on the lawn, where they enjoyed themselves playing old time games. Among those who took part in the games were several noted personages such as "The Lady of the Lake"; "The Queen of Clover Blossoms"; "The Princess of Waves"; "Oregon" and "Wokas", queen of Water Lillies.

ANNUAL PICNIC ON TSILCOOS LAKE

Each year the people of Maple creek, Fiddle creek and the lakes south of Florence meet in an annual gathering.

This is held on the 4th of July or as near as the weather will permit. This year they gathered on Sunday July 6th. The Florence band was invited and quite a number of Florence people attended.

Nearly 150 people had assembled and the day was spent in listening to band music, and a picnic dinner, the menu carrying a delicious list of dishes, chicken and strawberries being quite prominent.

Those attending report a very enjoyable time.

The Launch Beaver made an extra trip to Mapleton Tuesday afternoon and brought the

\$4500 TO BE EXPENDED ON CAPE PERPETUA

The Siuslaw forestry service now has available \$2500 more of what is known as the 10 per cent money, for use in laying out the Cape Perpetua road, which is so badly needed by the residents of Lane and Lincoln counties on the coast. This makes \$4500 all told which can be used for that purpose.

The additional sum will be used immediately to increase the force and rush the work. It is expected finish a large part of the road by next fall.

MAPLETON CELEBRATES FOURTH OF JULY

Several weeks prior to July 4th announcements had been made that Mapleton would celebrate the Nations birthday. The Florence band had been engaged for the occasion and arrangements made for a dance and show.

A few days before the Fourth conflicting rumors were numerous and the people of Florence could not learn definitely whether there would be a celebration or not.

The stormy weather on Wednesday and Thursday caused many to decide not to leave home to attend any celebration yet Friday morning the Florence band and quite a number of people left on the boats for Mapleton.

The weather and condition of the streets and grounds made it impossible to have any program and the visitors amused themselves as best they could during the day. In the evening a dance was given and a show in the afternoon and evening.

To the Pacific Northwest goes the honor of providing a man to head the American Association of Nurserymen for the coming year. The convention of the association held in Portland last week was the first meeting of the organization ever held west of the Rocky Mountains, and at its final business session, Friday morning, J. B. Pilkington, of Portland, was unanimously elected president. The 1914 meeting will be held in Cleveland, Ohio, and at that time a strong effort will be made to bring the association to San Francisco for its meeting in 1915.

Oregon is likely to become the center of a great fishing industry within the near future if the investigations of the Government confirms the report of extensive halibut banks off the coast of Lincoln County. A large number of launches are now being fitted out at Newport, on Yaquina Bay, for the purpose of exploiting these recently discovered banks, and those which have already started operations are, returning to port with capacity loads of splendid fish. The extent of the banks is stated to be sufficient to supply the Pacific Northwest with fish for years to come.

Under a joint agreement of the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe railroads, it is announced that a new railroad will be built along the Oregon coast, construction to begin at the present northern terminus of the Northwestern Pacific line at Sherwood Cal. The road will be built up the coast to Myrtle Point, in Coos County, and will then proceed up the valley of the Rogue River, connecting with the So. Pac. main line at Grants Pass. It is stated that work will begin this present Summer.

WILLAMETTE PACIFIC NOW TO ELMIRA

Twohy Bros. are loading a car today with materials to ship tomorrow over the line of the Willamette Pacific railway to Elmira. This is the first carload of material shipped over the new line. Twohy Bros. have a station at Elmira and will use that as the base for freighting to the front until the line is completed to the tunnel. This will not be long, in the event that there is a clearing up of the weather.

The cut at Portola is rapidly disappearing and work there will be finished in a few days. The line of road is now far beyond Elmira and will arrive at Portola about the time that Twohy Bros. finish their work there; so that there will be no need to stop laying steel until the Noti tunnel is reached.

The tunnel itself presents the greatest problem. So far all efforts to get under ground at the west approach have proven futile on account of the continuous rains. The tunnel is now more than 2000 feet under ground from the east end and is progressing steadily, but not very rapidly, as the difficulties in the way have been unexpected at several stages. Should the weather clear, so that it will be possible to get under ground at the other end, it will not take long to scoop out the distance of between 400 and 500 feet now remaining.—Eugene Guard.

SEVERAL CANDIDATES MENTIONED FOR P. M.

Since the publication of the resignation of Wm. Kyle as postmaster considerable interest has been taken in regard to who will be appointed and a number of prominent citizens have been mentioned.

Among possible candidates mentioned are J. K. Lowe, C. Buchanan, D. B. Sawyer, J. U. Goude, W. J. Weir, Tom Wolf, Mrs. J. W. Hurd, J. A. Morris, J. U. Goude, and J. U. Goude.

It is generally expected that all of those who personally desire the position, their friends have suggested the consideration of their names.

This office is Fourth class and the postmaster comes under the civil service rule. No doubt those who become active candidates for the place will have to take an examination and a choice will be made from the ones passing with highest percentage.

Rev. John Drump has been exhibiting quite a long scar on his face this week. We have been careful not to ask the cause.

METAPHYSICS.
That the spirit of man will ever wholly give up metaphysical investigations is just as little to be expected as that in order not always to be breathing bad air we should stop breathing altogether. Metaphysics will always exist in the world and, what's more, exist with every one, but more especially with reflective men, who, in default of public standard, will each fashion it in his own way. Now, what has hitherto been termed metaphysics can satisfy no acute mind, but to renounce it entirely is impossible; hence a critic of pure reason itself must be at last attempted and when obtained must be investigated and subjected to the universal test, because otherwise there are no means of relieving this pressing requirement, which means something more than mere thirst for knowledge.—Immanuel Kant.

Tide Tables

Corrected to read for the Siuslaw bar—One hour after for Florence

HIGH TIDES				LOW TIDES			
Day	Time	Height	Day	Time	Height	Day	Time
Tue. July 1	1:10	6.1	10:00	9.1	Tue. July 1	1:10	6.1
Wed. July 2	1:55	6.5	10:55	9.4	Wed. July 2	1:55	6.5
Thu. July 3	2:40	6.9	11:40	9.7	Thu. July 3	2:40	6.9
Fri. July 4	3:25	7.3	12:25	10.0	Fri. July 4	3:25	7.3
Sat. July 5	4:10	7.7	1:10	10.3	Sat. July 5	4:10	7.7
Sun. July 6	4:55	8.1	1:55	10.6	Sun. July 6	4:55	8.1
Mon. July 7	5:40	8.5	2:40	10.9	Mon. July 7	5:40	8.5
Tue. July 8	6:25	8.9	3:25	11.2	Tue. July 8	6:25	8.9
Wed. July 9	7:10	9.3	4:10	11.5	Wed. July 9	7:10	9.3
Thu. July 10	7:55	9.7	4:55	11.8	Thu. July 10	7:55	9.7
Fri. July 11	8:40	10.1	5:40	12.1	Fri. July 11	8:40	10.1
Sat. July 12	9:25	10.5	6:25	12.4	Sat. July 12	9:25	10.5
Sun. July 13	10:10	10.9	7:10	12.7	Sun. July 13	10:10	10.9
Mon. July 14	10:55	11.3	7:55	13.0	Mon. July 14	10:55	11.3
Tue. July 15	11:40	11.7	8:40	13.3	Tue. July 15	11:40	11.7
Wed. July 16	12:25	12.1	9:25	13.6	Wed. July 16	12:25	12.1
Thu. July 17	1:10	12.5	10:10	13.9	Thu. July 17	1:10	12.5
Fri. July 18	1:55	12.9	10:55	14.2	Fri. July 18	1:55	12.9
Sat. July 19	2:40	13.3	11:40	14.5	Sat. July 19	2:40	13.3
Sun. July 20	3:25	13.7	12:25	14.8	Sun. July 20	3:25	13.7
Mon. July 21	4:10	14.1	1:10	15.1	Mon. July 21	4:10	14.1
Tue. July 22	4:55	14.5	1:55	15.4	Tue. July 22	4:55	14.5
Wed. July 23	5:40	14.9	2:40	15.7	Wed. July 23	5:40	14.9
Thu. July 24	6:25	15.3	3:25	16.0	Thu. July 24	6:25	15.3
Fri. July 25	7:10	15.7	4:10	16.3	Fri. July 25	7:10	15.7
Sat. July 26	7:55	16.1	4:55	16.6	Sat. July 26	7:55	16.1
Sun. July 27	8:40	16.5	5:40	16.9	Sun. July 27	8:40	16.5
Mon. July 28	9:25	16.9	6:25	17.2	Mon. July 28	9:25	16.9
Tue. July 29	10:10	17.3	7:10	17.5	Tue. July 29	10:10	17.3
Wed. July 30	10:55	17.7	7:55	17.8	Wed. July 30	10:55	17.7
Thu. July 31	11:40	18.1	8:40	18.1	Thu. July 31	11:40	18.1

HIGH TIDES				LOW TIDES			
Day	Time	Height	Day	Time	Height	Day	Time
Fri. Aug. 1	11:57	7.2	11:30	9.5	Fri. Aug. 1	11:57	7.2
Sat. Aug. 2	12:52	7.5	12:35	9.7	Sat. Aug. 2	12:52	7.5
Sun. Aug. 3	1:47	7.8	1:30	10.0	Sun. Aug. 3	1:47	7.8
Mon. Aug. 4	2:42	8.1	2:15	10.3	Mon. Aug. 4	2:42	8.1
Tue. Aug. 5	3:37	8.4	3:00	10.6	Tue. Aug. 5	3:37	8.4
Wed. Aug. 6	4:32	8.7	3:45	10.9	Wed. Aug. 6	4:32	8.7
Thu. Aug. 7	5:27	9.0	4:30	11.2	Thu. Aug. 7	5:27	9.0
Fri. Aug. 8	6:22	9.3	5:15	11.5	Fri. Aug. 8	6:22	9.3
Sat. Aug. 9	7:17	9.6	6:00	11.8	Sat. Aug. 9	7:17	9.6
Sun. Aug. 10	8:12	9.9	6:45	12.1	Sun. Aug. 10	8:12	9.9
Mon. Aug. 11	9:07	10.2	7:30	12.4	Mon. Aug. 11	9:07	10.2
Tue. Aug. 12	10:02	10.5	8:15	12.7	Tue. Aug. 12	10:02	10.5
Wed. Aug. 13	10:57	10.8	9:00	13.0	Wed. Aug. 13	10:57	10.8
Thu. Aug. 14	11:52	11.1	9:45	13.3	Thu. Aug. 14	11:52	11.1
Fri. Aug. 15	12:47	11.4	10:30	13.6	Fri. Aug. 15	12:47	11.4
Sat. Aug. 16	1:42	11.7	11:15	13.9	Sat. Aug. 16	1:42	11.7
Sun. Aug. 17	2:37	12.0	12:00	14.2	Sun. Aug. 17	2:37	12.0
Mon. Aug. 18	3:32	12.3	12:45	14.5	Mon. Aug. 18	3:32	12.3
Tue. Aug. 19	4:27	12.6	1:30	14.8	Tue. Aug. 19	4:27	12.6
Wed. Aug. 20	5:22	12.9	2:15	15.1	Wed. Aug. 20	5:22	12.9
Thu. Aug. 21	6:17	13.2	3:00	15.4	Thu. Aug. 21	6:17	13.2
Fri. Aug. 22	7:12	13.5	3:45	15.7	Fri. Aug. 22	7:12	13.5
Sat. Aug. 23	8:07	13.8	4:30	16.0	Sat. Aug. 23	8:07	13.8
Sun. Aug. 24	9:02	14.1	5:15	16.3	Sun. Aug. 24	9:02	14.1
Mon. Aug. 25	9:57	14.4	6:00	16.6	Mon. Aug. 25	9:57	14.4
Tue. Aug. 26	10:52	14.7	6:45	16.9	Tue. Aug. 26	10:52	14.7
Wed. Aug. 27	11:47	15.0	7:30	17.2	Wed. Aug. 27	11:47	15.0
Thu. Aug. 28	12:42	15.3	8:15	17.5	Thu. Aug. 28	12:42	15.3
Fri. Aug. 29	1:37	15.6	9:00	17.8	Fri. Aug. 29	1:37	15.6
Sat. Aug. 30	2:32	15.9	9:45	18.1	Sat. Aug. 30	2:32	15.9
Sun. Aug. 31	3:27	16.2	10:30	18.4	Sun. Aug. 31	3:27	16.2

MAN'S DUTY.

The duty of a man is to be useful to his fellow men; if possible, to be useful to many of them; failing this, to be useful to his neighbors, and, failing them, to himself, for when he helps others he advances the general interests of mankind. Just as he who makes himself a worse man does harm not only to himself, but to all those to whom he might have done good. If he had made himself a better one, so he who deserves well of himself does good to others by the very fact that he is preparing what will be of service to men.—Seneca