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COUNTY MULCTED OUT OF QUARTER MILLION DOLLARS

SCHOOL ELECTION NEXT BIG EVENT

Saturday the 18, 1 to 8 p. m. the Date. Taxpayers Only Eligible Voters. Owning Property in Partnership Qualifies.

The next event of the season is the annual school election. It is unfortunate that so many elections deplete the treasuries and that people have to be annoyed so often, but there are arguments on the other side of the question. The present day school election date is general throughout the state, and consequently cannot accord with town elections which vary in time, depending on the incorporation of the several municipalities. Then the setting of the school election independent of other elections was supposed to protect it from partisanship and political influences. It was hoped that school elections would be more prominent if the election of school officers were made the only issue, instead of making their election a minor part of some larger event.

About the most important feature of the present election date is the qualification of voters, and in cities of the first class, the additional duties that have been added to the office of director. The last legislature passed a law that eliminates the annual tax levying meeting, heretofore held in Portland in December. The meeting had grown to be a failure owing to the unwieldy size of the attendance. In choosing a director this time the people choose a man to whom will be delegated the authority to levy the annual school tax, at least he will be one of the five who will decide on that assessment.

As to the qualification of voters, it is to be regretted that Oregon still clings to a property qualification of voters at school elections. If your name does not appear on the tax roll, or if you cannot show that it should, by owning property or being a partner in taxable values you are disqualified to vote. The mere fact that a woman is wife to a property owner does not qualify her; or that a man's wife has property in her name does not qualify him as a voter. The records must show that the deed is in the name of both.

Persons claiming property on contract cannot vote, unless the contract is recorded and the property is assessed to the person paying on it. In fact according to the law the deed does not have anything to do with it, the whole question involving about your status on the tax roll. Perhaps you have your property held jointly and you pay the tax in your own name. Better call the Assessor up and see if both man and wife are credited with the property on the assessment roll, if you want to vote.

Thus this will be an annual election. The candidates for directors are Dr. Sommers, the present incumbent, and Mr. S. P. Lockwood, a prominent business man of the town and a man of excellent standing. The substantial difference in the two candidates as to views relative to school matters is that Mr. Lockwood favors strong support for the city superintendent, and large powers for his office. Dr. Sommers' attitude has been of a negative nature. Both candidates agree on the selection of a highly qualified men for the office of city superintendent but they disagree as to his duties in selection of teachers. The difference in views seems to be distinct and there should be no mistake on the part of any one who attempts to inform themselves.

FOURTH OF JULY AT LENTS PLAYGROUND

Altho no formal celebration will be staged at Lents this year, plans are being laid to make the Fourth interesting to the younger element at Lents. The playgrounds will be open throughout the day and a program of athletic features is being worked up by the park attendants that will interest all the boys and girls of the community. There has been a considerable amount of new material added for the playgrounds and the wading pool will be in shape for operation. That will furnish oodles of fun for many of the children. There will be shade enough for some picnicking and plenty of water to supply the crowd.

HERALD OFFERS VACATION JOB

Handsome Prizes for Vacation Workers Who Need Employment. Prizes Worth Any Effort They May Attract.

This may, in one sense, be an inopportune time to start a subscription contest but it should also be the best sort of a time. Usually there are so many attractive summer jobs that it is not difficult to get connected up with something that will be profitable. But this summer it may be different so the Herald is doing a good service to any one who is looking for a chance to make a few dollars. It is offering handsome prizes that will far exceed in value what any one who undertakes to secure them would be likely to earn if they were to work at mere day wage.

There are always people who want a good piano. Even if you did not want it yourself a piano is something that can be converted into cash and a four hundred dollar piano for six weeks work would be exceedingly good pay for a summer's work. It would exceed in value returns anything likely to be earned by any young person in the county, in double or quadruple the time. This piano is one of the finest the Herald has ever offered. Indeed we think it is the very best, fine mahogany case, excellent tone, and of a style that will fit into any parlor and help to make the home attractive. It is on exhibit at the home of the Holt Piano Company, 333 Morrison street, and if you are interested you may call there and see it. It will be on exhibit at the Herald office after July first.

As second prizes the Herald will offer two free trips to the Panama Pacific Exhibition, at Frisco, sufficient to make a week's stay at a reasonable priced hotel. Or if the winner prefers \$50 in gold they may have their choice.

The third prizes will be \$25 in gold. Full details of the plan of procedure, nomination blanks, rules, etc., will be seen on the 8th page of this issue of the Herald. Don't fail to read the explanation all over in full and if you want to enter into it send us word at once.

If you know of some one who would be a good nominee for the contest send in the name and that will count 4000 votes as a starter. Don't neglect this as a little delay might mean a lot to your favored candidate. Begin today and you will not regret the effort.

SYCAMORE WOULD-BE ROBBER CAUGHT

John H. Montonye, a young man who has been staying at his father's place near Sycamore got himself into trouble Monday morning. He wanted to go to Portland and asked his father for some money. The father was suspicious of his son and declined to assist him. The son started off threatening to get it any way. He met two neighbors on the road and asked them both for a quarter each and got it, and then he approached a man by the name of Braswell near Jenne Station. He first questioned Braswell about having money, and when he admitted having some he drew a revolver and ordered him to hand it over. Braswell had an umbrella handy and struck Montonye and a struggle ensued during which the revolver was discharged and Braswell's son, 17 years of age, was shot in the leg. Montonye went on to the county hospital and reported that the Braswells attacked him with the umbrella, driving him away, and the shot was fired while he was trying to get away.

There will be a Prohibition meeting in the Friends' Church next Sunday evening, June 20th at 8:00 o'clock. The speaker will be J. Sanger Fox, executive secretary of the Oregon Prohibition State Committee. There will be special music. It is hoped that all dry voters will make a special effort to attend at this time.

Miss Jennie Huggins and Mr. H. O. Pfander have been appointed attendants at the Lents playgrounds for the summer. Both these young people were connected with the playground work last season and their reappearance meets with public approval.

TIME TO WAKE UP.



—Bartholomew in Minneapolis Journal.

COMMISSISNERS, ROAD MASTER, BIG INTERESTS JOIN IN LOOTING TREASURY

The awarding of road contracts was made Thursday morning. Altho the Commissioners knew that a big delegation of people from the country were coming in to support concrete they hurried their decisions and made the awards before the very people who came to present their wishes. They were busy all night Wednesday night making final decisions and then changed some of them before making the awards. Reports were circulated that Powell Valley, Foster, Capitol Hill and Canyon Road were to go concrete. The commissioners excuse themselves for the change by saying that a petition from the Gresham City Council changed their views on Powell Valley. Benson probably changed their views on Canyon. By the awards the County is roundly beaten out of \$240,000 and probably more. Just as good a pavement could have been laid for a sum approximately \$248,000 less money and the only thing the commissioners could offer in opposition to the award was that the Warren Construction Company threatened to sue on account of their claimed patents. The District Attorney has on file over thirty similar cases where the Warrens have withdrawn their suits. As to the guarantees given, the county pays additional 2 1-2 cents a square yard for maintenance for ten years. The county pays the maintenance and it could have easily saved \$60,000 on this by taking the lower bid and providing its own maintenance.

TREMONT CARPENTER TRIES SUICIDE

People in the vicinity of 6923 Fiftyninth Ave., S. E. were aroused at 6:30 Wednesday morning with the cries of distress from the home of Chas. L. Duboraw, a carpenter and painter. It was discovered that Duboraw had struck his wife with a hammer, his youngest child, and had then tried to kill himself by cutting his throat with a razor. The police department was notified and the wounded people were all hurried to the hospital. Mr. Duboraw was found not seriously wounded. The daughter was in the worst condition, while the man has a good chance to recover.

The affair seems to have developed from the man's inability to secure work. He has been greatly worried about it and as a consequence it is probable that his mind was affected. It seems, too, that he has been having some domestic troubles, probably due to the nerve reeking experience of being so nearly destitute. He seems to have been afraid of his own conduct and tried last night when visiting his mother to get her to go home with him but she did not go. It is said that he first struck his wife with his hand and that he then hit her with a hammer. She dodged and by so doing probably saved her life. That he did not attack the other child seems a mystery.

Three points handy from which alarms may be given for fires have been located in Lents. The alarm may be given from the Oddfellows building near the apparatus room, from the police box at car station, and from the telephone station.

TOM COWING SOME SLEUTH

Tom Cowing—our Tom—is getting to be some sleuth. Tom was out to the county farm Monday morning and when on the way back was hailed by a couple of fellows near Fairview. They offered him fifty cents to go back to the Rose City car line where they claimed to have a car waiting. When they got to the end of the line they proposed to go on into town. When they reached 28th street they passed a saloon and proposed to stop. They paid Tom in dimes and nickels and gave him a tip besides. The appearance of so many nickels made Tom suspicious. He connected up the peculiar conduct of the men and grew doubly sure he had made a strike so he reported the men to Deputy McCullough and Deputy Nicholson. The men were found in a Grand avenue rooming house and arrested and are being held for trial. There is reason to believe they are the men who robbed an Oregon City electric train Sunday evening. If it is proven they are the men Tom will take all his friends for a free trip over the Columbia Highway for the job will net him about \$60. It is peculiar about Tom's luck.

A. D. Kenworthy and wife rejoice in the birth of an eight pound daughter, Friday the 11th. Mr. Kenworthy already begins to wear the worn physiognomy of an ancestor. He says he is not to be classed with the 'boys' any longer. Evidently Miss Kenworthy's name is not useless, as the 'old gent' complains about losing considerable sleep.

MR. YEON REPORTS FOR BITHULITIC

Anticipated Position of Roadmaster Shown in Matter of Recommendations. Bids Strongly Favorable to Concrete Turned Down.

After almost a week of work on the bids for the proposed road improvements the hundred or more bids have been tabulated and that Commissioners and Roadmaster and District Attorney held a conference Tuesday afternoon and went over the various offers. Some exceptionally good offers have been made. By far the cheapest paving ever offered in this county have been made and there is no question that the county has it in its reach to save all the way from \$200,000 to \$250,000 and perhaps more on the work.

Two main companies bid on practically the entire job, the Warren Construction Company and the Montague-O'Reilly. In spite of the advantage offered by the Montague-O'Reilly Company of \$140,000 on concrete as laid in Washington, and an additional saving of about \$40,000 on crushed rock and of approximately \$280,000 on non-patented bithulitic, Roadmaster Yeon has recommended to the commissioners that the entire job except a small section on the Columbia Highway, which he suggests be laid in brick and about a mile of the Capital Hill road be concrete, be let to the Warren Construction Company. That would mean about 60 miles of Warrenite, a mile of brick, a mile of concrete, some wood block, and other things in an experimental way.

It is a safe bet that the awarding of the contract to the Warren Construction Company will cause one of the biggest stinks that have ever been stirred up in the county. If it goes to them it will be because of the frame-up that has long been believed to exist between Roadmaster Yeon, Mr. Holman, a number of the financiers of the county who hope to break even for the time they spent in getting this piece of work before the people. There is evidence enough loose around the county to show that the Warren people have felt for some time that they had everything coming just their way. They would not have expressed themselves as they have unless they had had an understanding with some of the officials in regard to results. The only question that they have had in mind about whether they would get the contract was the one of raising the funds. When the bonds were voted they were very safe as to results and they would have had little trouble if the farming people of the county, urged by the Herald, had not done a little first hand investigating. It did not take much to discover that the thing might be done better and cheaper in some other way. But the farmers who have given the matter any thought have very decided views in opposition to asphaltic pavements on account of their being soft and heavy in the warm season, and hard and slippery when the roads are cool or wet or frosty.

LENTS GRANGE HEARS CANNING EXPERT

The afternoon session of Lents Grange was devoted principally to a musical selection, a couple of drills by school children under the direction of Miss Chapman and a lengthy discussion of various processes of canning fruit by Prof. Griffin from the Agricultural College. This discussion was devoted largely to developing an interest in canning clubs and was a disappointment to many of those present as they expected to hear a pointed talk on methods of canning. Mr. Lockwood was present and by introduction by Dr. Hess was invited to talk for a short time and he gave a concise statement of his views on the duties of a school director.

Mr. Darnall gave a brief review of the month's progress on the road improvement questions.

Daily Mails

Mails at the Lents postoffice arrive and depart daily, except Sunday, as follows:

Arrive	Depart
6:00 A. M.	7:30 A. M.
12:50 P. M.	12:30 P. M.
3:30 P. M.	5:30 P. M.

SERIOUS CRIME DISCOVERED FRIDAY

Residents of Mt. Scott Admit Disposition of Illegitimate Child, Born May 9th, Died of Neglect and Probably Murdered.

What is believed to be one of the most serious crimes ever committed in Southeastern Portland was discovered last Friday when information which has been in possession of the authorities, was substantiated by the finding of the body of the child in a shallow grave in a raspberry patch near the home of Mrs. Bessie L. Fowle, 3411 54th St. S. E. The child is said to be the grandchild of Mrs. Fowle by her daughter Harriett, and Don Duffield of 59th avenue and 59th street S. E. All the persons named, Mrs. Fowle, Harriett Fowle, Don Duffield and Mr. and Mrs. Adam Wolfe, son-in-law and daughter of Mrs. Fowle, have been taken into custody and are held in jail for want of bail, charged with murder in the second degree. Pending the collection of information a charge of concealing a death was placed against them. Later Mrs. Fowle admitted the disposition of the child and other members of the family were implicated. It is probable that Wolfe and his wife had nothing to do with the crime but their knowledge of its having been committed will involve them in a minor way.

Dr. Robt. G. Hall performed an autopsy on the child Saturday and came to the conclusion that the child died from strangulation several hours after its birth.

Mrs. Fowle gave as her reasons for disposing of the child that she could not take care of it. She is the mother of ten children and is a poor woman. She has been conducting a small confectionery at 4121 Fifth street. Her husband, Wm. Fowle, has been conducting a store at Friday, Washington. He came Saturday to look after the family.

Their home on 54th street has been under mortgage until a couple of weeks ago when it was paid off. They seem to be a hard working family and the father is greatly depressed on account of the affair. Shortly after the officers took the family in charge the home caught fire and was completely destroyed. No explanation can be given for this. Two of the children were cared for by the officers of the juvenile court.

Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe have been released on \$500 bond.

FIRE DESTROYS BRIGHT PROPERTY

Lents was visited by another fire last Friday evening. This time a small house at 9517 belonging to the Bright Realty Co., was the sufferer, being burned to the ground. The loss was about \$275.

A fire at 3624 east 49th street the same evening destroyed the house of Mrs. Chas. Pleiter. Her house caught from an adjacent building which was burned down. Mrs. Pleiter thinks the other house was set on fire. She says there was indication of coal oil being used and that she saw a man leave the premises. These fires occurred during the time of the parades down town on Friday evening, when many of the local people were away.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Rutan returned Wednesday night from Skamokawa, Wash., where they attended the funeral of their relative, Mr. E. S. Hampson. The funeral which was well attended, was held in the Skamokawa M. E. Church and was in charge of the Grange at that place. Mr. Hampson was well and favorably known, being a prominent dairyman and president of the Skamokawa creamery.

The West Coast Life Insurance Company has opened up local offices in the Yott Building. The company recently absorbed the San Francisco Life Insurance Company. The local branch will be in charge of Mr. John E. Devine, who has had extensive experience in insurance business. Lents is fortunate in securing the offices of the company. Several men will be employed and the already good business will develop to the full limit.