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OREGON CITY COURIER

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OREGON CITY, ORE., FRIDAY, MAR. 21 1913.

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WAS NOT THIS NEGLECT CRIMINAL

DIDN'T SOMEONE PLAY BALL WITH HUMAN LIFE?

TWELVE MILES, SIX WEEKS

Rather Slow Time When City Was Stricken with Fever.

Recently it was reported to this office that in the recent typhoid epidemic here the state laws were openly violated in not complying with the following state law:

It shall be the duty of each county health officer to furnish to the secretary of the State Board of Health, on or before the tenth day of each month, a report of all marriages, contagious diseases, births and deaths, occurring within the limits of the county during the next preceding calendar month. All cases of smallpox or other contagious disease of alarming proportions must be reported at once.

To verify or prove false these charges the following letter was written to the State Board of Health by the Courier:

Oregon City March 14. Dr. Calvin S. White:

Will you kindly inform this office whether or not you were notified of the epidemic of typhoid fever in Oregon City this fall, and if so how long after it broke out? Also how long had your board to wait for samples of water for analysis?

Yours truly, M. J. BROWN.

Portland, March 15.

Answering your inquiry, the information I got of the epidemic of typhoid in Oregon City was first thru the public press and the analysis of infected water sent December 3rd and completed December 6.

Yours very truly, CALVIN S. WHITE, State Health Officer.

Typhoid fever broke out in this city IN OCTOBER and the water was not received for analysis until December 6, about SIX WEEKS AFTERWARDS.

In the first issue of the Courier in December we made the open charge that physicians HAD HELD BACK THEIR REPORTS and we called upon the officials to take up this matter.

What do you think about it now? What do you think of the lax and criminally carelessness under which the state board of health has to depend on newspaper reports, published a full month after the outbreak, for its information of a dangerous epidemic?

Don't you think there is something besides pure water and sanitary conditions that need investigating while we are at it?

A Wrong Inference.

Editor Courier:—An article has been called to my attention which appeared in your issue of Friday, March 14th, and from which the inference was drawn that net fishing could be carried on in the Willamette River until April 15th.

For the information of your subscribers will say that Section 5239 of Lord's Oregon Laws closes the Willamette River and its tributaries below the falls at Oregon City from noon on March 15th to noon on April 15th, and the notice of the board published in your paper merely provides for an additional closed season from noon on April 15th until noon on May 1st. If you will kindly give this matter publicity, same will be greatly appreciated.

R. E. CLANTON, Master Fish Warden.

LIKE TO BE SKINNED?

Are you a Bunch of Lambs and Like to Feel the Big Shears?

Last fall the voters of Oregon passed a law putting the telephone companies under the jurisdiction of the railroad commission, and this law expressly provided that the rates should be no higher than the rates charged in 1911.

But absolutely no observance is made and the companies go right on charging higher rates and discriminating rates, and you can find such violations right here in Oregon City.

Now what earthly use is there in passing laws, of what earthly use is the commission, of what use are district attorneys and grand juries when the plain provisions of a law made a law by the voters of a state are simply winked at and ignored?

The Courier can cite any district attorney to where in one case a telephone patron would not stand for the gaff at \$1.50 per month for a four party line (when his neighbor was paying \$1.25 and where the company accepted his \$1.25 and continued the service and it can show where a new renter who refused to pay the extra 25 cents was informed he should pay it or his phone would be taken out.

In the home of the editor of this paper is a two-party line phone for which \$1.50 per month is paid, and across the street the Pacific Company demands the same rental for a four-party line, which service is 25 cents a month less.

The city has full power under its

charter to stop this abuse, and the council should stop it. Why doesn't it? The state commission has full power given it by the voters last fall. Why doesn't it?

The district attorney has the right and it is his duty, to take up such violations of the law. Why doesn't he? The grand jury has the right, and it is its duty, to take up such cases and investigate them. Why doesn't it?

And the common mutt has a right to tender the Pacific Co. what the law says he shall pay, no more and defy the company to remove his phone or stop his service. Why doesn't he?

Mt. Pleasant Local.

The Mt. Pleasant Equity Local will meet this (Friday) night, and there is important business to come up.

Let's We Forget.

The trout season is from April 1 to Oct. 31, the limit being 75 fish or 50 pounds in one day. Catching trout under six inches is unlawful.

Wait for the Decision.

The county court has forbidden the road supervisors to draw special road tax money until the courts shall pass on a law passed by the recent legislature.

Old Pioneer Gone.

Mrs. Mary Rickmarry, a former resident and pioneer of this county, died at Eugene last week and the remains were brought to Clackamas Monday for burial.

Down Again.

Hope springs eternal, and if we hope long enough and prod our representatives sharp enough, perhaps we will get a postoffice building some day.

Mr. McBain reported Tuesday that a letter from Congressman Hawley said our hopes for national aid was lost.

Gun Club Organized.

Monday night a bunch of gunmen got together and elected officers for the Rod and Gun Club as follows: President, Tom Myers; vice president, Ed Schwab; secretary and treasurer, C. F. Bollinger, Executive committee: Theodore Osmund, Charles Wright, Dr. Ice, J. C. Pollenz, John Clark and George Pusey. The club has over 100 members.

Crowded Out.

From the Christian Science Monitor, published in Massachusetts—and by the way one of the highest grade, cleanest, best edited newspapers published today—we clipped and re-set a splendid article on the beauty, industry and progress of Oregon City, but for want of room it has had to join others in a weeks' lay over.

It Won't Down.

At the Live Wires Tuesday Recorder Stipp presented a long petition of names asking that the city provide hitching posts for horses and the men groined. It seemed so strange that this matter could not be settled once and for ever, but it always ends in the same old way. The matter was referred to L. Adams, Frank Busch and Clyde Huntley.

Commercial Club's Mask Ball.

The 5th annual ball of the Commercial Club of Oregon City to be held Tuesday, March 25th, promises to be a record breaker in every way. The committee in charge has arranged for prizes as follows: Best original character, team or couple \$10.00; best original character woman \$5.00; best original character man \$5.00.

There will be the best music obtainable and plenty of it as well as a good time for all whether masked or not, although the floor will be reserved for maskers until the grand march at 10 M. Refreshments will be served. The committee in charge is: M. D. Latourette, Dr. Clyde Mount, C. W. Evans and B. T. McBain.

SHOWING THE GOODS

Clackamas Southern Is Making Good and Proving It.

Two years ago in Live Wires Harvey Cross started something. Those of you who went on the inspection trip over the completed portion of the Clackamas Southern railroad last week or last night saw what he started.

Nearly four miles of the worst and most expensive part of road building is completed, except ballasting and ready for service.

The road started without a dollar in the treasury but with millions of faith in the country and the people.

Today, every rod built and all work done is paid for and the construction is almost to the level country of Maple Lane. From which on, the expense will be small and the work will go so much faster.

From Oregon City to Maple Lane the road bed covers a continuous series of cuts, fills, curves and bridges.

For 25 years railroad men have looked over the rich Molalla country laid out on paper, then sized up the only way to get up to this rich country, and quit.

A dozen men in Oregon City tackled it without a dollar and have surmounted the obstacles the capitalists have backed up on for 25 years.

HUNDREDS OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY VOTERS ASK FOR INVESTIGATION OF COUNTY COURT AND OFFICERS

WANT TO KNOW ALL ABOUT THE BRIDGE CONTRACTS, TIMBER CRUISING AND THE DISCRIMINATION CHARGED IN THE MATTER OF WHO SHALL USE THE COURT HOUSE

A PUBLIC MASS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN WOODMAN HALL SATURDAY, APRIL 5 AT 2 P. M.

Petition is Signed Largely by the Farmers of the Different Parts of the County.—Considerable Public Sentiment has Been Stirred up Against County Court, and Much Criticism has Been Expressed.

TO THE TAXPAYERS OF CLACKAMAS COUNTY:

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED TAXPAYERS and legal voters of Clackamas County, respectfully petition that a mass meeting be called in Oregon City, Ore., in the near future, for the purpose of formulating plans for an investigation of the County Court and other public officers of the county, the financial management of the taxpayers' funds, and that general invitation be extended to all taxpayers and legal voters of the county to attend said meeting.

WE ASK THAT THIS MEETING be called, because of the charges made of mismanagement of the public funds in the purchase of county bridges, and that a thorough investigation of these charges be made. And further that the contract recently entered into with Mr. Nease, of Portland, for timber cruising, be investigated and the reasons for this work be shown. And further, that the matter of discrimination in the use of the court house for farmers' meetings be taken up and discussed:

- P. W. Meredith, Oregon City.
- John Christensen, Oregon City.
- M. C. Reopelle, Oregon City.
- L. R. Pulen, Oregon City.
- A. A. Pease, Oregon City.
- S. M. McDonald, Oregon City.
- E. F. Portnow, Oregon City.
- W. R. Osburn, Oregon City.
- M. C. Strickland, Oregon City.
- H. C. Stevens, Oregon City.
- H. W. Trembatt, Oregon City.
- J. A. Bonke, Oregon City.
- J. D. Taylor, Oregon City.
- T. A. Pope, Oregon City.
- L. L. Pickens, Oregon City.
- S. S. Walker, Oregon City.
- J. H. Darling, Oregon City.
- Jno. W. Loder, Oregon City.
- G. A. Schubel, Oregon City, R4.
- Elmer Swope, Oregon City.
- Hugo Hansen, Oregon City.
- Jas. B. Beeson, Oregon City.
- Chas. A. Menke, Oregon City.
- Robert Moehnk, Oregon City.
- D. F. Moehnk, Oregon City.
- H. Hettman, Oregon City.
- Chas. Hall, Gladstone.
- M. J. McFarland, Gladstone.
- H. H. Zrich, Gladstone.
- S. Gray, Canemah, Oregon.
- A. H. Mulkey, Gladstone.
- A. V. Wicklin, Clackamas.
- J. B. Ford, Gladstone.
- R. P. Burns, Gladstone.
- T. N. Burns, Gladstone.
- J. N. Wallace, Gladstone.
- W. R. Wilson, Gladstone.
- Nathan Plate, Gladstone.
- C. W. Parrish, Gladstone.
- W. R. U'Ren, Gladstone.
- F. J. U'Ren, Gladstone.
- W. R. Dann, Gladstone.
- Levi Stehman, Gladstone. O. C.
- Chas. Gelbrich, Macksburg.
- J. S. Roberts, Jennings Lodge.
- G. M. Rose, Jennings Lodge.
- J. E. Seeley, Gladstone.
- R. T. Stover, Jennings Lodge.
- A. D. Soesbe.
- B. S. Soesbe.
- H. H. Batdorf, Jennings.
- R. Hinds, Jennings Lodge.
- Henry Suter, Oak Grove.
- G. H. Hanson, Oak Grove.
- C. H. Skoug, Oak Grove.
- W. A. Snivelli, Oak Grove.
- Isaac Hill, Oak Grove.
- G. E. Emmonson, Oak Grove.
- G. H. Dedrick, Oak Grove.
- John Feldman, Oak Grove.
- B. Warren, Oak Grove.
- W. Knehl, Oak Grove.
- S. C. Alexander, Oak Grove.
- B. Lee Paget, Oak Grove.
- E. Shubert, Oak Grove.
- F. E. Goodman, Oak Grove.
- L. A. Bullard, Oak Grove.
- T. R. Blackesby, Oak Grove.
- Guy M. Headley, Oak Grove.
- Jas. R. Kahler, Oak Grove.
- J. H. McArthur, Oak Grove.
- A. L. Kuehl, Oak Grove.
- A. T. Skovy, Oak Grove.
- Jas. Colosky, Oak Grove.
- J. H. Shupe, Oak Grove.
- G. L. Gibbs, Milwaukie.
- G. L. Gibbs, Milwaukie.
- C. A. Lewis, Oak Grove.
- W. R. Allen, Oak Grove.
- G. A. Jahn, Oak Grove.
- Chas. F. Terrill, Maple Lane.
- W. A. Rivers, Gladstone.
- Joe Frominger, Oak Grove.
- A. E. Goetz.
- L. S. Johnson, Clackamas.
- J. P. Davis, Clackamas.
- Geo. Johnson, Clackamas.
- Frank Otter, Clackamas.
- A. H. Reed, Clackamas.
- Lawrence Gibson, Clackamas.
- Ed Ott, Clackamas.
- C. Berner, Clackamas.
- W. Licht, Clackamas.
- M. C. Colson, Clackamas.
- J. A. Liebon, Clackamas.
- F. Schoppert, Clackamas.
- R. P. Grady, Clackamas.
- E. E. Oehlschlaeger, Clackamas.
- J. N. Berselben, Clackamas.
- John Heinz, Macksburg.
- F. J. Kraxberger, Macksburg.
- C. J. Cameron, Macksburg.
- Chas. E. Stevens.
- H. Jackson, Macksburg.
- FF. P. Bensch, Macksburg.
- A. B. McCoy, Macksburg.
- P. H. Miller, Macksburg.
- E. M. Koebel, Macksburg.
- E. N. Koebel, Macksburg.
- Mike Welch, Macksburg.
- J. W. Willbrod, Macksburg.
- C. H. Lorenz, Macksburg.
- H. B. Dreier, Macksburg.
- G. E. Petratz, Macksburg.
- S. S. Stumling, Macksburg.
- Johnnie Brusik, Macksburg.
- C. D. Keesling, Macksburg.
- Geo. Kalb, Macksburg.
- Geo. E. Oglesby, Macksburg.
- Aug. Rotenberg, Macksburg.
- F. W. Barth, Macksburg.
- P. M. Graves, Macksburg.
- G. F. Pottratz, Macksburg.
- J. H. Hepler, Macksburg.
- Leonard Wehner, Macksburg.
- John Bradbury, Macksburg.
- Peter North, Macksburg.
- N. P. Adams, Macksburg.
- H. T. Kister, Macksburg.
- F. M. Mathews, Macksburg.
- D. Harms, Macksburg.
- L. E. Bowers, Macksburg.
- J. E. Wells, Macksburg.
- J. W. Smith, Macksburg.
- A. J. Lewis, Maple Lane.
- E. W. Swallow, Maple Lane.
- E. A. Anderson, Maple Lane.
- W. M. Rumery, Maple Lane.
- G. H. Mighells, Maple Lane.
- Chas. E. Reynolds, Maple Lane.
- Jos. Thias, Maple Lane.
- K. Swiatkowski, Maple Lane.
- Don Lewellyn, Milwaukie.
- F. E. Olson, Milwaukie.
- F. C. Harlow, Milwaukie.
- Lydia A. Harlow, Milwaukie.
- J. W. Kinzel, Milwaukie.
- M. A. Johnson, Milwaukie.
- E. P. Houser, Milwaukie.
- N. B. Birkemeier, Milwaukie.
- Don Quant, Milwaukie.
- J. E. Wetzler, Milwaukie.
- Mrs. M. Wetzler, Milwaukie.
- G. W. Comert, Milwaukie.
- J. D. Stevans, Milwaukie.
- W. S. Hauberan, Milwaukie.
- E. L. Garbett, Colton.
- P. E. Berglund, Colton.
- O. G. Nyquist, Colton.
- A. E. Anderson, Colton.
- A. N. Swanson.
- J. J. Jones, Colton.
- J. G. Erickson, Colton.
- Emil Potterson, Colton.
- Math Peterson.
- J. A. Johnson.
- U. S. Dix, Colton.
- J. E. Sandall, Colton.
- Alfred Wall, Colton.
- G. A. Gottberg, Colton.
- Otto Sorenson, Colton.
- W. E. Bonney, Colton.
- S. D. Barney, Maple Lane.
- John Waldow, Maple Lane.
- J. K. Morris, Oregon City.
- W. W. Myers, Oregon City.
- Thos. Meyrick, Oregon City.
- August Splinter, Oregon City.
- S. H. Derrick, Maple Lane.
- D. J. Thorne, Maple Lane.
- F. A. Schmidt, Maple Lane.
- F. E. Parker, Maple Lane.
- W. N. Horton, Maple Lane.
- G. F. Mighells, Maple Lane.
- H. Olson, Maple Lane.
- Geo. Bliss, Oregon City, R. 3.
- Noah Christner, Oregon City, 3.
- C. Piepka, Canby, R. 1.
- H. Dietrick, Canby, R. 1.
- R. Schuebel, R. 1, Canby.
- S. L. Casto, Oregon City, R.3.
- Robert Vorpahl, Carus.
- P. Heilmann, Carus.
- F. Gellman, Carus.
- H. Johnson, Carus.
- M. Strejz, Carus.
- F. P. Grimm, Carus.
- Almon Johnson, Carus.
- M. Irish, Carus.
- M. M. Richter, Carus.
- F. W. Blanchard, Carus.
- Chas. Bannon, Carus.
- C. H. Wilson, Carus.
- J. M. Evans, Carus.
- M. Hniras, Carus.
- R. Strejz, Carus.
- R. L. Inglis, Carus.
- E. Gellrich, Carus.
- Christ Kraft, Carus.
- M. Povelitz, Carus.
- A. G. Phelps, Carus.
- Siver Olson, Carus.
- S. W. Bonny, Carus.
- John Satter, Carus.
- Frank Thiel, Carus.
- C. F. Stetz, Carus.
- Roy A. Caviness, Carus.
- F. G. Holyday, Carus.
- Peter Krast, Carus.
- Wm. Tice, Carus.
- E. C. Brown, Carus.
- J. Rapp, Carus.
- F. J. Reese, Carus.
- J. Aug. Kristenson, Carus.
- O. F. Frentuss, Carus.
- Jno. Robbins, Carus.
- A. W. Blanchard, Carus.
- H. D. Harms, Carus.
- J. Zell, Carus.
- A. B. Johnson, Carus.
- A. J. Kehnhofer, Carus.
- L. C. S. Kellenger, Boring.
- G. R. Hunter, Boring.
- John Abborell, Boring.
- Adolph Russel, Boring.
- Fritz Burns, Boring.
- Frank Donley, Burns.
- Ennice Bevan, Boring.
- B. M. Deardorff, Boring.
- F. O. Cooke, Clackamas.
- O. A. Stolle, Jr., Boring.
- O. O. Parret, Boring.
- Otto Vogel, Boring.
- F. J. Arnett, Boring.
- A. C. Hunt, Boring.
- John Garner, Boring.
- M. Henrich, Boring.
- E. Thebo, Boring.

The foregoing is only a partial list of the petitioners, the only ones available at the time the paper went to press, and there are several papers yet in circulation.

On the strength of the above list of names of taxpayers and voters, and because of the county-wide sentiment for an investigation of the matters outlined in the petition, a public mass meeting has been arranged for, to be held in Woodman hall, Oregon City, on Saturday, April 5, where the propositions will be taken up, discussed and some action taken.

NOTE—The signatures to the above may not all be literally correct in the spelling, as many are difficult to read, but they may be verified by the original petitions.

benefit as well as investment. He stated the road could be completed to Mt. Angel by winter and that it would not cost over \$10,000 a mile; that the Oregon Electric was bonded for \$63,000 per mile and paid a net profit of \$4,000 a mile; that the Clackamas Southern would run through a much richer country than the Oregon Electric— that the people could do their own figuring as to whether our road road would be investment or not.

Mr. McBain said if the city would only do half as well as the country the rest of the work would be easy, and that his judgment was that every man who invested a dollar in the Clackamas Southern would get \$2 back.

Mr. Cross stated that the money was provided for the entire grading to Molalla; that all the steel was provided for to Mt. Angel; that the directors wanted the people to own this road instead of having to bond it, and that if we would all take a hand in the work of selling a little more stock the rest would be easy. He showed up the cord wood industry, how a half-million cords would be ready for Portland as soon as the road was ready for the wood; how the big Atkins Mill was ready to start as soon as the

road could bring the logs, and that the money for all the Molalla country output would come back to this county and be used over and over again. He stated that G. B. Dimick alone had put \$9,000 in cash into this road. G. B. Dimick outlined the conditions that this county would be in if the Clackamas Southern was not in prospect; showing how this city would lose to Canby all the Molalla business which would have to come over the P. & E. now building in from Canby; that we needed but \$50,000 to complete the road; that while Portland capital was becoming interested in the road, yet we wanted most of the road owned here; that the directors were going to ask for an advisory committee to go through the books and let everybody know the full condition of the work. Mr. Dimick closed by saying that the work itself would take the doubt out of any man who would see enough of it, and that the earnings in two years would pay back every dollar invested.

And the work goes on. Every day it looks brighter because the hardest of the work is over. It is now but a question of days almost when the road will be finished to Maple Lane and from the hour it is finished to there

comprehensive and of much value for the city.

After the report the public dock matter came up, when Chris Schuebel asked that while he favored the dock proposition, he thought that the water matter should be settled first; that it should not be side-tracked and should take the council just one minute to favor the engineer's suggestion.

B. T. McBain backed Mr. Schuebel. He said we had had 154 cases of typhoid, 12 smallpox, 35 scarlet fever; that last year we had 12 typhoid cases; that conditions were worse now than when the filter was put in 12 years ago, and if it continued so for another 12 years we would not have anybody here to catch it; that \$1,000 was a small sum as measured against one death.

Councilmen Long and Metzner urged this same action.

Councilman Albright proposed that before the Mt. Pleasant should be taken up that the people vote on it, and Councilman Holman urged the same action. Albright said it would only cost \$60 and that he was not convinced the people wanted to spend any more money.

Councilman Horton opposed this. "Make the test, the people expect it of us," and Long stated he knew the people would back the action.

Rev. George Edwards said we could not afford to take the risk of going on with our present system; that the people are not coming here, they are frightened.

Dr. VanBrakle stated that there was any amount of backing behind the council to go ahead for a pure water test.

Mr. Fuge said there was no hope from filtration and that his part of the city would back a new water supply.

Mr. Schuebel asked the council what they got the engineer for if it was to halt now; asked why they did not submit hiring him to the voters. He said he would pay the expenses of a special election if over 10 per cent of the people voted against investigating Mt. Pleasant water.

Rev. Milliken said it would be stopping in the middle of an investigation. C. H. Dye said the cost on \$1,000 valuation would be put 40c to expend \$1,000; that it was up to the council to go ahead; that the city was being injured \$1,000 a day by typhoid conditions, and we could not afford this.

T. W. Sullivan said the by-chloride plant had been purchased, was being installed; that he thought we would get reasonably good water but that we should go ahead with Mt. Pleasant proposition, and later on let the people decide by vote on present or new system.

The vote was unanimous for the appropriation of the \$1,000.

Mr. McBain made a strong talk for favorable action in the public dock, and V. Harris and J. J. Cooke opposed it. The matter went to a committee.

ISN'T THIS SPLENDID?

Portland Offers this County a \$60,000 White Elephant Free of Charge

About the richest one ever proposed to old Clackamas county came out in the sections of the Sunday Oregonian the 15th.

It wasn't in a very conspicuous position and you might not have noticed it.

It was a proposition from E. Henry Wemme, vice president of the Portland Automobile Club to the county court here to please accept from Wemme the Barlow road free of charge, an absolute gift, and all the county court has to do is to expend \$12,000 a year on it for five years and thereafter keep the road in a passible condition.

The Oregonian refers to this offer as a "generosity which his friends say you can expect from him."

Isn't it grand, magnanimous, generous?

All we have to do is to take this Mount Hood auto road off the hands private parties who have fallen down on running it, pay them \$60,000 in five years and forever thereafter keep it in good shape for the tourists.

Grab it, fellows, before the silk stockings change their minds. Hop to it while it is cold, for it will be a real one later.

And if the county court does not think best to accept this splendid gift and the string tied to it, Mr. Wemme asks that they assist him in dumping it onto the state or getting his forest reserve to please father it.

But we should NOT let the state beat us to it. We have the first chance at this white elephant and we want to get it into our menagerie just as quick as the county court will permit it.

How we would feel if the state beat us to it and we could only pay a part of this \$60,000 and perpetual maintenance, when it was offered to us at first.

Get it. Wire acceptance of the great offer, and then let us call a ratification meeting and have red fire—the same as Oregon City did years ago when we succeeded in giving away in our great water power.

Call up Judge Beatie and the Commissioners and urge immediate acceptance of this offer—the magnanimity of which almost chokes one.

WANTED!
Girls and Women
To operate Sewing Machines
in garment factory.
Oregon City Woolen Mills

WAS THERE ANY DIRECT EVIDENCE

OF NEGLECT OR CARELESSNESS OF HEALTH LAWS?

HERE IS THE TESTIMONY

Read it, and See if the Courier is the Liar as Charged.

Last week the Courier had an article regarding the State Board of Health's investigation of the scarlet fever epidemic at Clackamas.

The article quoted from the Enterprise a statement which read in part:

No evidence was introduced which showed that Dr. Norris was guilty of willful neglect and that he had been careless."

To which the Courier made this comment:

The Courier editor has before him the report of the evidence introduced and certain it is that this evidence DOES show that someone was guilty of either neglect or carelessness, and there is no use in the Enterprise trying to dump a barrel of whitewash over evidence that is a matter of record.

Because of this comment the Courier editor has been vigorously round-up.

Flat denial has been made that this office had any truthful report of the evidence that showed neglect or carelessness and the statement was made that the Enterprise's report of the investigation was truthful, and that the evidence this office secured of the trial was false.

There was only one action to take under these circumstances and we took that action. From the office of the state board of health we procured a copy of the testimony and we herewith re-produce the evidence of the prosecution and submit the matter to the readers for a verdict as to whether or not there has been neglect or carelessness.

That readers may better judge from the evidence, we herewith give you in substance the laws of the state board of health and Lord's Oregon laws regarding contagious diseases: The county judge, county commissioners, mayor and common council shall constitute a county board of health, ex-officio, whose duty it is to remove all causes of disease, to take prompt action to arrest spread of contagious and infectious diseases.

State Board of Health has power to remove any officer for intemperance, failure to collect vital statistics, obey health laws, keep records, make reports or answer letters of inquiry.

All books and records kept by the secretary of the county board of health shall be filed with county clerk and open to free public inspection.

That county board of health shall at once have a quarantine flag displayed in case of scarlet fever and other diseases.

That health officer may employ as many persons as is necessary to execute his orders.

No person in a house where there is scarlet fever shall be permitted to attend school or public gathering until quarantine has been removed.