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OREGON CITY, OREGON, THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 1914

# SMELLS DEEP-LAID CONSPIRACY

# THE ENTERPRISE HAS IT BAD

Warns Citizens to Turn out Saturday Night and Stop the Thieves

There are always those who can see a "deep laid plot" behind any movement, and there are those who think they see about seventeen different complected niggers hidden away in the movement to reform the system under which Oregon City is now mismanaged.

To those who fear this is a scheme to hand the city over to the Phillis-tines, to form a combination in defiance of the anti-trust laws, and let a few of the chosen in on the ground floor, the Courier would ask them to be sure and attend Saturday's meet-

The Enterprise says the purpose of the meeting is the organization of a citizen's league.

Wonder how it got this advance information and scooped the plot, As we understand it, it is simply a call for the people to get together, the matter of organization to be determined by them.

The Enterprise says to a prospec-tive signer Mr. O'Donnell has recited tales of gross neglect and carlessness which have in turn been told to him by some outraged citizen, of the Fifth street, Main street, the recent gas franchise, the elevator, and other matters, and that "the bulk of the statements are the most unreliable

We don't know what the "other matters" are that the Enterprise holds in the background, but in them must certainly be embraced the "bulk of the statements" if, as that paper states, they are "most unreliable hearsay.

Fifth street, the elevator, the gas franchise and Main street are making The Enter their own statements. prise doesn't need to talk for or apologize for them. They are making their own noise—and it is some noise.

The Enterprise says the petition of 400 names asking for a change in the city' management cannot be taken as a reliable guide as expressing senti-

This is simply a statement, and the signatures of the men count heavier. Perhaps Mayor Jones didn't know what he was signing; perhaps City Attorney Scheubel had something slipped over on him; perhaps Recorder Loder thought it was the "easiest way to settle the matter;" perhaps o, Staats, C. H. Dye, G. B. Dimick, Huntley Bros., and scores of others didn't really know what they were asking for when they called this

AND PERHAPS THEY DID. And until Editor Brodie cites a list of men to back his bare statement we are inclined to think these petitioners are not yet in need of guar-

The Enterprise says some believe who are this "some?" This statement against Mr. O'Donnell should

interests to grab the government of Oregon City and run off with it, it should be exposed instanter, and the Expositor down the street owes it to Enterprise man called me Oregon City to stop the larceny.

the people to see if a more economical and more responsible form of bear me out. Then he asked me city government cannot be put into what I thought about Dr. Calvin

practice in this city.
It is an open meeting, every man may have a voice in it, and we do not believe that there is any object in view but the honest one to better govern the city; we do not believe there is any frame up, and canned program arranged or any steamroller nethods in preparation. If there are, if O'Donnell is a tool

for the wiley politicians and schemers, the people can break it up at the Starting.

Doubtless the meeting will be one

of suggestions, after which a com-mittee will be chosen to formulate a different form of government, to be later on submitted to the people. And is is our opinion you will be fully safe to leave your gun at home, and that the meeting won't break up

Big reduction on all trimmed hats. Miss C. Goldsmith.

# Girls Wanted!

(Over 18 years of age)

To OPERATE SEWING MACHINES IN GARMENT FACTORY

Watchful Waiting Again The elevator matter is once more in the courts this time to the supreme bench, and the people can do the "watchful waiting" stunt for a few more weeks—after which will come the contest with the water comission-

### Was Delightful Outing

AND SEES PLOT OF PHILIS-TINES TO SWIPE GOVERNMENT

The excursion trip from Oregon City up the Columbia Sunday, was one of the most pleasant and orderly excursions that ever went up the iver, and the promoters Frost and Jones, are being heartly complimented for the splendid management and splendid time. There was no drinking, no rowdyism and all thoroughly enjoyed the day's outing. Over 350 tickets were sold.

A FUTILE ATTEMPT AT DETAILS

Features by the Dozen to be Enjoyed

## Dr. Guy Mount Injured

Sunday night when Dr. Guy Mount and John Beatie were coasting down and John Beatie were coasting down a hill near Beaver Creek, the auto struck a deep rut, throwing it out of the read, completely overturning it and throwing both occupants from the car. Dr. Mount struck on his saked that we splurge again with the farmers are paying practically all of the taxes. On the other hand there are many farmers who honestly believe that the farmers are paying practically all of the taxes in the county. Beatie was unhurt. A passing auto took the doctor to Hal Lindsey's, and the was later brought to the hospital. He will be laid up for three of four weeks. Dr. Fox of Portland is taking care of Dr. Mount's practice.

The Courier man took a mental splurge in the realm of Chautauqua a press agent to the effect that the farmers of the county only paid one third of the taxes.

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On the other hand there are many farmers are paying practically all of the taxes in the county. Tength to enter any house in this city and inspect the with the difference of the lie direct, and some interchange of pleasantries and personalities below the lie direct, and some interchange of pleasantries and personalities below the county of the lie direct, and some interchange of pleasantries and personalities below the county of the lie direct, and some interchange of pleasantries and personalities below the county of the city council in report to the division of the care of the city council weeks the county, the count of the taxes.

The Courier man took at the county, the council ment of the city, but it won't make insurance areas any cheaper. Moreover this ordinan

Were unable to meet the high cost of living.

Fees connected with the work have practically covered the expenses of maintaining a dog catcher. In addition to this practically all dogs in the city have been licensed, making conditions radically different from the way they used to be before a dognatcher was installed. Then there were but about 30 licenses issued each year, and the streets were overrun with stray canines.

charm and exhilaration of the circus, one wit of the stage, the wisdom of the platform and the eloquence of the bulpit, with the beauty and healthfulness of outdoor life.

An ideal combination—don't you think?

The Chautauqua is an assembly where the patrons may enjoy a decing inful two weeks of social contact with the greatest orators, the deepest scholars, and the best entertainers of run with stray canines.

White, the vote being 150 to 84.

When the large tition of Mrs. White's was filled there may, thus making a most interesting Sands-Hayden Lumber was consternation in the Eby Camp day. petitioners voted as they signed, it would take some hardfighting to preent her election. So Sunday Eby supporters got out in full force and the city was given a house to house canvas, one man stating to the Courier that four different persons called at his house during the day, campaigning for Mr. Eby. The city was pretty thoroughly combed.

The women failed largely in their

support owing to the qualifications necessary to voters. One had to be the owner of property that paid taxes on the last assessment roll to be a vo-ter, and this disqualified many women After the election Mr. Eby was sworn in as director, E. E. Brodie was again elected clerk and the financial statement was read.

# DR STRICKLAND MISQUOTED

Physician Blames Morning Paper for Faulty Impression of Position

Dr. M. G. Strickland was quoted in a recent issue of the Courier as say ing that his stand in the controversv in regard to the legality of the county health officer's appointment was "none of the public's business." Mr. O'Donnell is merely" a tool to was "none of the public's business." Create public sentiment for or against This week Dr. Strickland told a Cour ier reporter that he had expressed no such sentiments in regard to the public or their natural not be made without some backing the legality of the appointment of Dr. for it. If it is a conspiracy of certain Van Brakle by the county court. His explanation is as follows:

"Dr. Meissner was sitting in my

office with me one evening and the the Van Brakle case. I told him that The meeting Saturday is a call of the matter, and Dr. Meissner will bear me out. Then he asked White's order in regard to making reports, and I told him again that had nothing to say. He persisted and asked me what was my stand in the matter, and I told him it was none of his business. Then he told me that the public was anxious to know what I thought about it, and I told him distinctly that my stand in the matter, or my opinion of the contro-versy, was of no concern to the public and would have no bearing on the question involved. I added that I was deeply interested in seeing a adequate settlement of the difficulty the supervision of the regarding county health as anybody else was, and that when the present contro-versy was settled I would be glad to state how I stood and to account for any action that I might have taken. until the matter was settled 1 told him I did not care to be quoted; and then the square-head went and reported me as saying it was 'none of the public's business.' "

oard, but not even a voter in the district or in Clackamas county, succeeded in having Miss Moore Mrs. Chapman, residents of the city, eliminated as election judges, be cause they were not qualified voters.

And after the election the school board unanimously re-elected him as clerk of the board, in open violation

SECOND MENTAL SPLURGE ON "CHAUTAUQUAS"

Features by the Dozen to be Enjoyed at Coming Assembly

LICENSES BRING IN

OVER \$200 DURING YEAR

famous "mother Chautauqua" at Chautauqua Lake, New York, and without stretching it one whit he can

be sure and attend Saturday's meeting, get up on the front rows, be armed with concealed fly swatters, and just the minute a conspirator shows his head and attempts to spring his combination program, swathin, flatten him to the wall and break up the game at its inception.

The Enterprise sprang one of its characteristic editorials Tuesday in which it stated W. E. O'Donnell had invited the people to attend the mass meeting.

Mr. O'Donnell was the circulator of the petition—the people did the inviteding, they called the mass meeting, and on the petition is a majority of the city council.

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Even connected with the work have

The Chautauqua is an assembly Oregon and California R. R. with the greatest orators, the deepest scholars, and the best entertainers of scholars, and the best entertainers of the day. Vital subjects of the day, necluding social, economic and health problems, are discussed by able men and women during the morning hours, while the youngsters cavort about on the playgrounds, in the kindergarten or at their supervised gymnastic work. In the afternoon and of the Board of Education Monday by a majority of 66, over Mrs. W. A. White the yote being 150 to 84.

or those who come by the day only.

Annually hundreds camp at the park at Gladstone, certainly a most ideal camping site, where pure water. E. J. Cornwell Lumber. wood, provisions, ect., can be secured Geo. S. Lacey right on the grounds. The camping feature is one of the drawing cards Chas. and Geo. Forster .. at the Willamette Valley Chautauqua for the simple reason that camp-life Total Timber holdings. in that beautiful park approaches the deal outing.

Among the many features at the coming assembly might be mentioned The Dixie Jubilee Singers; Plattenlecturer; Lochwitzky, a Russian Exile, lecturer; Dr. L. G. Herbert, lecturer; Ash Davis, celebrated car-toonist; the Chicago Glee Club; Dr. Edna Eugenia Lowe, reader and health lecturer, Dr. W. B. Hinson, of Portland, lecturer; Dr. Thomas E. Green, lecturer, Prof. Lee Maynard Daggy, lecturer; the Simpson Univer-sity Combined Glee Clubs of 50 voices; Dr. Fletcher Homan, lecturer; Total Ng. Poon Chew famous Chinese ora-tor; Samuel Hill, "good roads evan-gelist; Mattie Hardwicke Jones of McMinnville, noted Oregon reader, in 1914.

and other attractions. Parson's Orchestra of 15 pieces, which will give two concerts daily; Mr. Stuart McGuire, Chautauqua so-loist and Prof J. H. Cowen, who will

direct the chorus work. There will be over fifty summer school sessions, and eleven interesting forum hours in which the state college will all vie for honor.

The daily baseball games will played by the five best teams in the y, Cackamas, Estacada, Macks-Oregon City and Molalla.

All comforts and conveniences are provided for campers. Provisions are made for the accomodation of auto parties, while the P. R. Is. P. cars by fire early Wednesday morning and run directly into the park gates every half hour during the day and evening destroyed. The flames spread rapidfrom both Oregon City and Portland. ly through the building, and though Local trains on the S. P. stop within members of the local fire department a stone's throw of the park.

and get one of the booklets. Off to Hawaiian Islands

M. J. Brown, of the Courier, will leave Portland Friday of next week for a vacation trip to the Sandwich Islands, sailing from San Francisco July 1, and he will write a series of articles to the Courier and a syndicate of eastern newspapers, of the interesting and out-of-the-way places of the archipeligo—native life, leper colony, the jungles, the lake of fire, old ruins and other interesting places. He will not follow the tourists' paths, but will spend considerable time on islands of Kauai, Molokai and Lanai, that are not regular ports for passenger steamers, and where Ha-waiian native life is much as it was when Cook found the islands 136

Oregon City Woolen Mills

years ago.

### WHO PAY THE TAXES J. O. Staats Shows Who do in Some Very Interesting Figures

The problem of taxation has always been of especial interest to every loyal American citizen.

Because of unjust taxation our forefathers rebelled against the mother country and founded this na-

Since that time the question has been raised, and in recent years has become more and more acute, especbecome more and more acute, especially among the farmers and wage earners, that the large monied interests are not paying their just proportion of the taxes that are raised to defray the expenses of municipal, county and state government.

This is especially true in Clackamas county.

We recently noticed an assertion in a local paper to the effect that the farmers of the county only paid one third of the taxes.

e	Cities—	
y -	Canby	337,682.91
÷	Estacada	198,274.00
	Gladstone	338,828.95
d	Milwaukie	567,953.53
-	Molalla	110,305.00
	Oregon City	2,795,337.64
s	Oswego	297,491.10
	Sandy	49,775.00
	West Linn	2,425,133.25
e i	Willamette	91,172.00
201	Total Cities	\$7,211,953.38
e -	Public service corporation	ns outside of
u	city limits:— Northwestern Long Dis-	

tance Tel. Co. right of way, roadbed and

Oregon Electric R. R. Pac. Phone and Tel. Co. 223,513.50 

\$3,987,014.84 nominating pe- concerts, base ball, etc., as the case Weyerhauser Land Co. E. J Cornwell Lumber Co

> Waverly Golf Club 200,975.00 Canemah Park .

> This gives us a total valuation outside of farm lands in the county as follows:-(Outside city limits) Timber Companies...

Amusement Parks ...... 2131,75.00 ra-tion in the county of \$15,818,369.90, of on which the farmers paid the taxes

In studying these figures the fact Musically the coming session will must be kept in mind that the valu-be a banner year. "Headlining" will ation given of the public service corporations is only that portion of them outside of the incorporated limits of the towns aer included in the

city valuation.
The valuation of the various farmers' telephone lines are included in the farm property, as they are own-ed almost exclusively by the farmers. J. O. Staats.

# HOUSE IS TOTAL LOSS

Firemen Work Hard to Save Property but Crowd Hinders Efforts

The home of John Berry, at Tenth members of the local fire department worked hard to save things, their Now-if you still want details, efforts were seriously hampered by better drop a line to Secretary Cross, the crowd of spectators that gather-At one time it was necessary for the fire-fighters to turn the hose on the onlookers in order to clear space in which to work.

With practically all the available apparatus stationed at the foot of the

hill, some slight delay was occassion-ed in reponding to the alarm, but by hooking hosecarts and chemicals on the rear of automobiles, the best time possible to the scene was made. Street traffic also added to the delay to the firemen in reaching the fire.
As one piece of apparatus awas dashing under the Southern Pacific bridge on Twelfth street, en route to the blaze, a derrick hoisting a heavy steel girder broke, and the great

mass of metal crashed to the ground just behind the hurrying apparatus. Had the derrick broken a second soonextra oiling. Then Councilman Mey-er moved an appropriation of \$500 to cover the expense. er, firemen occupying the automobile dragging the hosecart would have been crushed to death under the gir-

Big reduction on all trimmed hats. Miss C. Goldsmith.

# WARLIKE SPIRITS

WIRING INSPECTION LAW IS

Templeton, Metzner and Hackett Hold Star Role in Various Scraps

The Courier man would rather talk Chautauqua than most anything else. Time and again he has visited the famous "mother Chautauqua" at Chautauqua Lake, New York, and without stretching it one whit he can trathfully say that our own assembly and the transcription of the public service corporations inside the city of the decided we were not ready for a change, and we are not ready for a change and decided we were not ready for a change. The figure of the city of the corporations inside the city in the protect of the city of the corporations inside the city in the protect of t

"Mr. Mayor, I don't think the council should take this action just bestreet have gone to Mr. Metzner and told him what they want. Let them come in and tell the whole council the way they should do. There has been too much one-man work recent-

told him what they want. Let them come in and tell the whole council the way they should do. There has been too much one-man work recently."

Mayor Jones told Mr. Hackett state that a petition had been regularly presented to the council at a prevent and Mr. Hackett subsided. However, with things started, Council man Templeton got into the game, and asked that Mr. Shea, now doing work on High street, be given the job of improving Third street at the same prices as the city was paying for High street. Mr. Templeton added that he would like Mr. Shea to have the work "if we could legally give it to him." The mayor told Mr. Templeton amended it to the work "if we could legally give it to him." The mayor told Mr. Templeton amended the motion, and Councilman Templeton amended it to the ext meeting. Councilman Hackett accomed the motion, and Councilman Templeton amended it to the effect that in the meantime a copy of the council and tried to say something in self defense, and all there was to it was that the cordinance be furnished each councilman. More discussion followed and the return of the matter and he meantime a copy of the council and tried to say something in self defense, and all there was to it was that the cordinance be furnished each councilman. More discussion followed and the intimation was made that the underwriters. The city charter plainly states that crushed rock shall be bought from the lowest bidder under contract, and the recity became and know what I'm talls and I'm talls an

improvement of that thoroughfare to 537,345.00 the city limits, showed that the property would bear about 40 per-29,010.00 cent of the cost of the work, and that 686,170.00 the city would have to stand the rest. As Councilman Meyer expressed it, this will mean that the prop-114,740.00 erty will be able to pay for the curb-91,180.00 ing and the sidewalks, and the city street committee.

a cemetery was given the city dads in a letter from Howard Earl Reade, of Beaverton. Mr. Reade had made wanted to. Councilman Templeton Mountain View cemetery, and the against him in particular. The mocouncil adopted his plans with cer-tain reservations of their own and opposing. ordered that he be paid \$201.40 for

his work. pany in which the concern said that at the request of Councilman Templefor oiling Seventh street with extra heavy road oil. This amount would required for the job, the letter said, and would also leave over 1,000 gallons that the city could put some-where else. Mr. Templeton explainwhere else. Mr. Templeton explain-ed that he had asked for figures on this job because Seventh street was but newly improved, and said that he thought it ought to be "well oiled and rolled in" as soon as the improvement was completed.

"It's too bad we didn't think of that when we let the contract for the improvement of the street, then we could have made the property own-ers pay for it," said the mayor. "Are the other streets given this kind of oil, Mr. Templeton?" asked

were not, that the heavy oil Seventh street was to be something

Property owners and councilmen

then engaged in the first real "go"

of the evening. The general opinion seemed to be that as soaking Seventh extension of 60 days time to complete of the evening. The general opinion seemed to be that as soaking Seventh street with ordinary oil would cost \$200 approximately, and that as the street was new, the city might as well spend an extra \$200 and get an extra spend an extra \$200 and get an extra good job done. In the course of the

"We have been doing some of that," said Mr. Meyer, "and we've heard a good deal about it, too,

Mr. Hackett finally withdrew his at the meeting. Mr. Templeton moved that Seventh street get the

Quiet reigning once more, Mr. Loder read a proposed ordinance provid-ing that the city engineer inspect all electric wiring in the city and that the city adopt the "National Elec-tion of the throat Tuesday morning."

quirements. This ordinance was introduced a year ago at the request of the Board of Underwriters, but was allowed to die. In the meantime similar ordinances have been adopted in 22 cities in the state. A representatric Code" as the standard of its re-22 cities in the state. A representa-tive of the board was present to ex-plain it. When he got through ex-plaining it, Councilman Metzner bobbed up.

BONE OF CONTENTION

BOAD OILING CAUSES STRIFE

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ARE THEY NONE OF THE DEAR

"The city engineer knows nothing," said Mr. Metzner. "He is incompetent to handle this extra work. He has too much to do now, so why load more stuff on him? Besides that you can't learn about electricity right off quick—this man here says that a man here says

can learn enough to be an inspector in six nights. Such talk is foolish. This ordinance, if adopted, will simply duplicate the work that the Board of Underwriters is doing now, and work that they are paid for. It will work that they are paid for. It will take the inspection off their hands and saddle it on the city, but it won't

the underwriters contradicted some of Mr. Metzner's statements and Councilman Metzner referred to spe-cific instances where in Oregon City wiring had been torn out two and three times and relaid at the orders of the underwriters. Finally Mr.

the intimation was made that the underwriters changed their code at the explain the matter himself, to his behest of the manufacturers of electrical material, so as to help trade. At this the representative of the underwriters left the council chamber. He The Metzner motion was then voted record.

down, and the ordinance was placed on first reading. erty will be able to pay for the curbing and the sidewalks, and the city
16,710.00
91,180.00
16,710.00
93,005.00
68,025.00
124,955.00
124,955.00

or the curbing and the sidewalks, and the city
will pay for the roadbed and whatover kind of surfacing is put on it.
Councilman Hackett objected to the
improvement of the street with conditions as they were, and suggested that as a substitute the city lay a gravel road there. His suggestion was turned down, and Division street and delay the trial until enxt winter. was referred to Mr. Templeton's Councilman Long moved that the street committee, the street superin Advice on how to run and care for tendent, the city engineer and the city

> Mr. Templeton then registered pro work.
> City Recorder Loder then read a test against the smell coming from the experimental fish-oil factory opletter from the Pacific Road Oil com- erated by James Kelly on the river bank, and moved that the permit for the plant be revoked . Councilman ton it was submitting the bid of \$415 Metzner seconded the motion. Coun-for ciling Seventh street with extra investigated things and found give the city the 5,500 gallons of oil changes had been made so there required for the job, the letter said, would be no further smells, Mr. Kelly promised there would be no more trouble. Councilman Meyer spoke on pleton charged bad faith on the part of the promoters, and said that if he had his way he would close the thing up at once. "I have had enough of up at once. "I have that smell," he said.

"You can smell lots of things or the street committee that don't smell good, too," said Councilman Van Auk-en, and the city dads howled with glee. Mr. Templeton subsided, and his motion was voted down. The mayor then referred the matter to the street committee, with power to close the Councilman Templeton said they plant if offensive smells came forth again,

Ordinances making the top speed for automobiles within the city limits special.

"Mr. Mayor, I move you that Seventh street be treated just the same as any other street," said Councilman Hackett.

for automobiles within the city limits 18 miles per hour, and prohibiting the driving of cars with their cut-outs open or leaving of autos more than 30 minutes in any one place, were put on first reading.

petitions for a mass meeting Saturday night to start plans for remodel-ing the city government, invited the that the mayor instruct the chief of

# PLETON DODGES

Number 10

ARE THEY NONE OF THE DEAR

Is this City Governed by Charter or is it Run by One Man?

Street Commissioner Babcock went ahead with the work in open viola-tion of the city charter and without authority from the city? Why doesn't he? Why doesn't he show under what

signature.

He doesn't seem to like to go on He flatly said to the Courier editor "I did not order the work done on Fifth street and I do not know who did," yet when asked if he would sign such a denial he as flatly

Just keeping still on these charges The taxpayers of the city who will have to buck up the \$1700 for Fifth

street's work want something beside silence. They want to know how Mr. Templeton could have the street he owns property on resurfaced, after the city had refused it, and then the general taxpayers to buck it up.
You bet they want to know. It's
their right to know, and any city
official owes it to them to let them

They don't believe that Street Commissioner Babcock "slipped this job over" without any from the chairman of the street committee, Mr. Templeton, or any orders from the city council.

If he did, the people want to know

If he did not, he should not have to stand for blame and considerable criticism that is spoken of him. He should come squarely out and tell the people just what there was and is to the Fifth street deal, and other matters. He owes more to the city than to Mr. Templeton. And in the meantime the Courier

is open to any of the nine men on the city council to defend themselves of the charges this paper has made.

This paper will not knowingly be unfair to any man. Don't stand back and yell "liar" but show the paper to as a light and bod it up to subper up as a liar and hold it up to publie scorn, if it is such

Can any of you get away from this Dare you stand back and call names now?

WITHYCOMBE'S STAND Looks as if he Would be the Candidate of the Liquor Men

Gossip has been current that one reason the "wets" dropped the proposition of nominating an indepe candidate for governor was that Dr.

good job done. In the course of the remarks, Mr. Hackett said that he'd be willing to vote for the extra expense if the council would agree to charge all streetwork to the general fund hereafter.

"We have been doing some of that "said Mr. Mever "and we've that" said Mr. Mever "and we've petitions for a mass meeting Saturviews on some matters of par-ticular importance just now. His he took pains to give the hop growers to understand that, so for as he was concerned, the hop industry would not suffer at his hands. All of which, no doubt, was good news for those interested in this line of busi-

Every trimmed hat greatly reduced.