

## WANT TOWN OF OSWEGO

### Numerously Signed Petition For Incorporation Presented to County Court

## REMONSTRANCE FILED

### Objectors to Proposition Represented by Attorneys—Road Business Is Disposed of At Wednesday Morning Session.

A large delegation of Oswegians are before the county court Wednesday, some supporting, others opposing the proposition to incorporate the town of Oswego.

A petition was presented with over 800 signatures praying for the incorporation under the act of 1893. It states that the territory proposed to be embraced within the town limits contains over 500 inhabitants. U'Ren & Schuebel appear for the petitioners. Hodges & Griffith appeared in behalf of the signers of a remonstrance to the plan to incorporate, and the Oregon Iron & Steel company, which is also in opposition, has an attorney to state its objections.

Previous to taking up the Oswego matter, the court disposed of road business as follows.

Report of county board of road viewers on Jacobson (near Clackamas), and Elliott (near Damascus) roads read first time and laid over for second reading.

The bonds accompanying the petitions of Woodie et al, and Kitzmiller et al, for county roads, the former in T 3 S, R 4 E, and the latter in T 3 S, R 4 E, were approved and the petitions referred to the county board of road viewers.

The bond accompanying the petition of Schaber for vacation of a county road, was approved and the petition referred to the county board of road viewers. The road desired to be vacated runs from the beginning point of the Kollermer change on the Oregon City and Dayton road, westerly to the intersection of the Oswego, Aurora and Boone's Ferry road.

The meeting of the board of district school boundaries was postponed until Thursday.

### SUED ON ACCOUNT.

Mrs. Lizzie Roppell has brought suit on account against George C. Brownell for \$4000 and interest at 6 per cent since February 24, 1906. A Portland firm are her attorneys.

She claims that at an accounting February 22, 1906, it was found that \$5000 was due her from Mr. Brownell; that on February 24, 1906, he paid her \$1000, but has since failed, neglected and refused to pay her, the balance.

When asked about the suit, Wednesday, Mr. Brownell said he does not now nor never did owe the woman a dollar.

## GOOD ACTING MARKS SATURDAY CLUB PLAY

### CROWDED HOUSE ENJOYS PRESENTATION OF COMEDY AND PANTOMIME AT SHIVELY'S

The entertainment given by the Saturday club of the Congregational church at Shively's opera house Tuesday evening was greeted by a full house. Mrs. William A. White, who had charge of the colonial pantomime read the story in a clear, well modulated voice, and the acting was cleverly done. The three characters wore colonial dress. Miss Florence Grace, as Grandmother Sims, had her hands full in governing her grand-daughter, Ophelia, and Ophelia's lover, but decided he was all right when she found he had "gold." The part was well acted, Ophelia, so solicitous for her grand-mother's comfort and so devoted to her lover, was exceptionally well done by Miss Clara Fields, while Harry McClure, in the role of lover, pleased every one.

The excellent one-act comedy-drama, "My Turn Next," was well received, full of local hits and interspersed with specialties. The songs

of Miss Iva Roake and Mr. Earl Latourette were heartily enjoyed. William R. Logus, Traxicum Twitters (a village apothecary) showed decided talent in the enthusiasm he put into his lines. When he thought he was the sixth husband of the lady he had just married and that the others had mysteriously disappeared, he said, "It's My Turn Next," in a very realistic way. Earl Latourette, as Tim Bolus (his professional assistant) had a hard comedy part and kept the audience in an uproar of laughter. Emil Gordon acted the part of Tom Trat, (a commercial tourist) and did well. Farmer Wheeler (from Banbury) was treated in a creditable manner by Gaylord Godfrey. Twitters' wife, Lydia, was sustained by Miss Myrtle Buchanan, who looked charming enough to captivate six husbands, in her trig traveling suit or drawing-room costume. Her sister, Cicely, was taken by Miss Iva Gordon, who did equally well in her character. Miss Ivy Roake (Twitter's maid and house-keeper) had designs on Twitters, herself, and was loth to let him go. Miss Roake displayed a great deal of originality and showed she had studied the character she impersonated. Musical selections by Miss Edna Daulton, pianist, and Charles M. Stow, violinist, were first-class and added greatly to the success of the entertainment. To Mrs. T. W. Clark, who directed the play, belongs much of the credit for the performance. After the play the cast of "My Turn Next," the orchestra and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. White, were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Clark. A chance to talk over the play together as well as the delicious luncheon were very much appreciated by the company.

## APRIL WEATHER LAST 35 YEARS

Lower Willamette Valley weather for last 35 years, compiled from U. S. Weather Bureau records at Portland: Temperature, mean 51.6°; warmest month (1906) 55.6°; coldest (1872) 45.6°; highest 89° on the 17th, 1897; lowest 28° on the 7th, 1875.

Precipitation, average 3.10 inches; greatest (1883) 7.88 inches; least (1885) 1.12 inches.

Clouds and weather, average number clear days 6; partly cloudy 10; cloudy 14.

Wind, prevailing from northwest; average velocity 6.3; highest velocity 46 miles from southeast on 3d, 1895.

## 31 DIVORCE CASES NOW ON DOCKET

April 15, being the third Monday of the month, the Clackamas County Circuit court will meet on that day in the courthouse. The jurymen have been empaneled and all is in readiness for the opening day. There will be quite a number of cases to be tried. The number of divorce cases up to date for this term of court reaches eighty-one.

### NEW FIRE HOUSE.

The house for hose company No. 6, the new company to be organized in Green Point, will be ready for occupancy by next week. The house, which was donated to the city by the Oregon City Mill & Lumber company, was recently moved from its former site on the company's property to the city's property just across the street. The equipment for the company at present consists of a hose cart and 400 feet of fire hose. As yet the company has not been organized, but a large number of Green Point residents are reported as anxious to join it. The company will be probably organized and the officers elected as soon as the house is completed, it is said.

### POURING INTO OREGON.

From Springfield (Mass.) Republican. Reports come from Portland, Or., that settlers are pouring into that city at the rate of 1000 a day, and that within the months of March and April, when the low colonists rates are in effect, a total of fully 25,000 will have arrived in Portland for the purpose of settling permanently in the state. These settlers are described as being largely mechanics and members of the skilled trades, who have left more easterly parts of the country to seek new homes in the rich Willamette valley or the famous "Inland Empire." It is said that in the eastern states there has never been so much interest in colonist travel to the Pacific Northwest.

When in Portland see The Blsmark, 216 Alder, between 2d and 3d. C. W. Kelly, proprietor.

## CREDIT DUE TO BOWERS

### Clever Capture of Hardware Store Burglars By Young Man of Town

## WORKED CASE HIMSELF

### Gained Confidence of Leader of Gang, Arranged Trap and Snared Both At Point of Revolver.

The two men, Frank J. Dillon and W. H. Roberts, arrested Monday afternoon on charge of robbing Wilson & Cooke's hardware store Friday night, will not be given their preliminary hearing for a day or two.

Practically all the loot was recovered when the clever capture was made Monday by Gallagher Bowers, including 106 knives, ten razors and six or seven pair of shears. Possibly a dozen knives and three or four razors are missing, the exact number not being known as the firm does not know exactly how many were taken. One razor was located in a saloon where it had been traded for a bottle of booze.

Only \$20 of the \$35 used in "buying" the goods from the men have been found. The other \$15 they have skillfully concealed so far.

Dillon has been around town for two or three weeks, having registered at the Oregon City House about a fortnight ago. He claims to be 34 years of age and to have come from Noma to secure work in the paper mills here. Roberts is an Englishman who says he has been up the Columbia during the winter. He struck town only a few days before the robbery.

Both men did work a few days in the paper mills, Dillon quitting because of an injury to his hand received while at work, and Roberts was also hurt while on duty, being knocked over by a load of wood. Both were drawing accident pay, \$110 a day.

Dillon is thought to be the leader by those who knew the men around the hotel. It is presumed he was robbing the store while Roberts and another man were talking to Nightwatch Cook about 11 o'clock Friday night.

Whether there was a third man connected with the affair is a mystery. Dillon and Roberts claim they did not rob the store but simply took care of the plunder for a third party, the real robber. "Bowers deserves all kinds of credit," said R. D. Wilson, Tuesday, "for his clever and nifty work." That is the general opinion around town.

### Gallagher's Story.

Gallagher Bowers gives an interesting story of the affair. He met Dillon in an up-town saloon and the stranger being about three sheets in the wind became confidential. Whether Bowers had an inkling or just "smelt a mouse," he doesn't say, but he also became confidential and told Dillon what a big crook he was himself. Dillon finally told right out that he and a pal had robbed a store and couldn't dispose of the loot. Bowers sympathetically offered to help them out, and the fixed up a plan to sell the stuff back again to Wilson & Cooke, the delivery to be made after the rogues had left town. Then after also laying a plan to rob the Commercial Bank, they separated.

Bowers sought his friend, Deputy Master Fish Warden H. A. Webster, who advised as to the next moves. Bowers told R. D. Wilson his story, who gave him \$35 to "buy" the goods. Then securing a deputy's star from Sheriff Beattie and the latter's revolver, he met Dillon at the hotel. Here Dillon took the \$30 and told Bowers to only offer \$5 for the goods when they went to the room where Roberts was. He was going to double-cross his pal.

This was done and the thieves secured the plunder from a loft over their room and gave it to Bowers, who placed it in his valise and then walked to the door and calmly pulled his gun, exhibited his star and compelled the men to walk down stairs into the arms of Sheriff Beattie and Warden Webster, who were waiting below.

### COUNTY SCHOOL FUNDS.

Superintendent J. C. Zinsler will this week make an apportionment of the county school funds, probably \$3 per capita on basis of last year's school census.

## BURDETTE WILL COME

### Famous Humorist Will Be At Gladstone Park Chautauqua Next Summer

## TALENT NOW ENGAGED

### Governor and United States Senator In List—Hold Organization Meeting of New Association Next Monday.

Robert J. Burdette, humorist and lecturer, famous in two continents, has been engaged to deliver two lectures and one sermon at the Willamette Valley chautauqua in Gladstone Park next July.

"Bob" Burdette was for many years the star of the lecture bureaus and lyceums, though now living partly in retirement in Los Angeles, but going out occasionally where his wishes coincide with the proffered engagement.

He first gained fame as the editor of the Burlington Hawkeye, making that sheet the most quoted paper in the United States during the early seventies. Later he went on the platform and all America was convulsed with laughter over his famous talk on "The Rise and Fall of the Moustache." It will be a treat to hear him next July and the program committee deserves congratulations for securing him.

By the way, the attractions at Gladstone next summer will eclipse all previous seasons. Besides Burdette, there are already engaged the famous Governor Bachtel, of Colorado, United States Senator Elmer J. Burkett, of Nebraska, Rev. Stanley L. Krebs, the famous psychic lecturer (return engagement), Dr. Waters, who delivers the great address on Daniel Webster, James Hoffman Batter, lecturer, and W. Eugene Knox, elocutionist and impersonator.

The organization meeting of the new Chautauqua association will be held in the courthouse next Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Already there are 50 stockholders, and it is expected from the interest being taken that nearly all will be present or represented. Congressman Hawley, president of the old association, writes that he will come if possible.

Secretary Cross is very hopeful of having one of the most successful sessions next summer ever held in Gladstone Park. The certainty of the street car track being laid to the grounds insures a larger attendance than last year, if favored with pleasant weather. The dates of the 1907 Chautauqua are July 9 to 21.

## SUES UNFORTUNATE EAGLE CREEK MILL

A. E. Alspaugh, through his attorney, George C. Brownell, has brought suit against the Eagle Creek Lumber company, a corporation, and against W. E. Bohn, C. H. and H. F. Lindeman to recover money alleged to have been advanced them on a promissory note dated December 12, 1906 for \$1250.

The note is said to have fallen due on March 28, 1907, and it is alleged that no steps have been taken by the

mill company to pay it. The plaintiff asks judgment for the amount of the note and for \$100 attorney's fees.

This is the lumber company that lost its mill last week by fire. County Clerk Greenman issued a writ of attachment on all the property owned by the defendants in the county, Saturday, and it was given over to the sheriff to serve.

## MINERS GREATFUL TO CLACKAMAS MEMBERS

C. H. Dye, J. U. Campbell and Linn Jones have all received letters from Daniel Evans of Bourne, Or., thanking them for their efforts in behalf of the federation of miners at the last session of the legislature.

At this session certain measures were introduced for the benefit of the miners, among them one that provided for the appointment of a mine inspector. The representatives named voted for the measure, and Evans shows his gratitude by writing them a personal letter of appreciation. C. G. Huntley is not included among those to whom the miners are grateful. He did not vote in favor of the measure, and in fact was the only representative voting against the mine inspector measure. He states that his heart is not broken because he did not get a letter.

## TWO S. P. CARS JUMP TRACK AT CANEMAH

### BROKEN FLANGE CAUSES ACCIDENT THAT DELAYED TRAVEL ALL SUNDAY A. M.

Two cars of the north bound morning freight left the track near the Hedges residence in Canemah, Sunday morning at 5:04 o'clock. The flange of one of the car wheels was broken near New Era, but the accident was thought to be of no consequence and the train started for Portland without repairing it. The car with the broken flange left the track near the Hedges' residence and with the car in front of it, which stayed on the track, plowed it way past the Quinn residence, breaking and splintering the ties it passed over. When they reached the steps leading to Canemah Park, the other car also left the rails. This stopped both cars.

A wrecking crew from Portland arrived on the scene with a derrick and succeeded in clearing the track by 12:30 p. m. There was no one on the cars at the time of the accident. The car that left the track first was loaded with lumber. All the morning trains were delayed by this accident, none of them arriving till after one o'clock.

### LEFT ESTACADA PROPERTY.

Papers appointing Elizabeth McKown administrator of the estate of Charles Samuel McKown were filed with the county clerk Thursday.

McKown died at West Salem, Wisconsin, January 6, 1906, and left a two-third interest in two lots in Estacada. There are two children heirs to the estate besides the wife, and both live in Portland. One is a grown up daughter. The estate is valued at \$2500.

### NEW PLANNER FOR MILL.

The Oregon City Mill & Lumber company is busily engaged in the work of installing a new planer in their plant. This will greatly enlarge the daily capacity of the planing mill. It is expected that the new machine will be in operation by next Monday morning.

## KING-BELL SENTENCED

### Bogus Check Swindler Given Indeterminate Term In State Penitentiary

## SAYS "OH! I'LL BE GOOD"

### Only Remark Prisoner Made When Court Pronounced Sentence—Will Be Remembered In Oregon City and Woodburn.

Salem, April 3.—William Bell, alias John King, alias any old name, was brought into court this morning and changed his plea of not guilty to guilty.

He was given an indeterminate sentence of from one to five years. The only remark he made was, "Oh, I'll be good."

The man referred to in the above dispatch is the old chap who dropped into Oregon City a few weeks ago, pretending to be a retired capitalist of Los Angeles. He made a bluff at buying the Charles Albright residence, giving a worthless check for \$700 on a Los Angeles bank to bind the bargain. He afterwards gave another worthless check for \$20,000 to the Bank of Oregon City for collection. He secured \$20 cash on a check on a Portland bank from Louis Nobel, and soon after skipped town. Mr. Nobel swore out a warrant for his arrest.

From here King went to Woodburn where he posed as Wm. Bell, of Montreal. He succeeded in getting \$50 from the Woodburn bank, and other small amounts from merchants. He was arrested March 27 at Salem.

## PROGRAM ARRANGED FOR APRIL MEETING

The program of the meeting of the Horticultural society to be held in the county court room in the court house of this city, April 13, has been arranged. Superintendent Zinsler of the schools has been busy getting speakers, and has succeeded in arranging for a program that will be of great interest.

W. K. Newell, the president of the state board of horticulture will give an address, but he has not yet announced his subject. Professor E. R. Lake, head of the department of Botany and Forestry at the university in Corvallis, will speak on Pollenization, or bees as a side line for horticulturists. T. E. Beard of Mount Pleasant, president of the local horticultural society will give some horticultural notes on the propagation of plants, and A. J. Lewis, county fruit inspector of this county will give a report on strawberry acreage.

It is expected that many horticulturists from various parts of the state will be present at this meeting to hear the excellent program that has been prepared. Mr. Zinsler says that the ladies especially are invited to the session.

### Money to Loan.

On real estate, \$2,000, \$1,000, \$500, \$300 and other sums to suit convenience of borrowers. C. H. Dye, 13-m-1

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