OREGON CITY ENTERPRISE, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1907. THIP Blate University ESTABLISHED 1866.

CHARTER AND EXCISE LAW FORCES UNITE.

Will Hold a Joint Love Feast at Shively Opera House This Evening.

\$50,000 FLOATING DEBT!

Would Be Refunded But for Other Distasteful Clauses in Charter--Eleventh-Hour Candidate.

"The fact that there was to be stren- the trouble might come from legislauous opposition to the proposed Ex. tion passed before their time. In fact cise Law was known from the outset. But the plans for changing the Char- how things are." ter dld not bring out opposition at the outset, and in consequence the friends of the proposed Charter fought shy of those who were pushing the new Excise Law.

But conditions have changed. It is easy to see that something must be done to win and the followers of the Baal of Excise Law have finally captured the coat-tails of the friends of the new Charter and as a result there is to be a love feast in Shively's theater this evening;

gram correspondent has this to say: ment:

The first announcement that the advocates of the proposed Excise Law had combined with the supporters of contemplated, to be paid for by the the proposed Charter amendments individual owning the property abutcame Saturday when the excise ad- ting or otherwise benefitted, Council herents gave notice that Mayor Cau- asks permission to post the announcefield and other citizens would appear ment of the improvement on a bulleon the platform next Friday night at tin board on the door of the city build-the Shively theater, with L. C. Otto, ing, and not be compelled to publish ex-chief of police of Lincoln, Neb., who in a newspaper. Nothing need be said comes at the instance of the moral in the paper that you and your neighelement to explain how the law has bors read as to the improvement, operated in his state. At the same which you must pay for, simply post a time arguments in favor of the Char- notice on this board. And the proter amendments that have been pro- posed Charter provides that an error posed by four men will be advanced in the notice-even if you see itby Mr. Caufield and others, which which gives you misinformation as to lends color to the belief that the excise people and those behind the you from paying. How do you like amendments have joined hands and that? You are given one privilege, leading business men and propertywhich are advocated by Mayor Caufield, J. U. Campbell, Franklin T.

it takes considerable courage to continue to sit as Councilman knowing

Another said; "I would not be a Councilman for \$5 a meeting. People only half understand what Council has to contend with at this time, and a majority don't care. Our Council has a heavy load to carry at this time and it is no wonder no one wants the job. should like to vote to help out but some things don't look good to me."

But the final decision, when all the evidence is in, must hinge on the proposition, shall we vote yes or no on Writing on this subject the Tele- the Charter. Look at it for a mo-

In matters where street, sidewalk, sewer and other improvements are what is to be done, will not relieve will stand or fall together. Prominent and that is comforting, you can walk candidates for municipal offices and up and pay for something you wanted, or something you did not want; it's

And the paving of his street will be of little value to men living on streets already paved, who are enjoying the benefits of what he was forced to do, and they will not reciprocate and will defy any one to show wherein they are benefitted.

The proposed Charter gives Councll too much power. There are not enough safeguards thrown around the man with the small home. An honest Council may not do harm, but how soon may there be men chosen to Council who have an ax to grind, and what would be the outcome. With the city carrying a floating debt of \$50,-0000 and a belief that her City Fathers have been honest, but not wise, is it not a good time to consider the necessity of all the safeguards that can be devised?

If our Councils have ignored the Charter in the past, and this is conceded by members of the charter commission, what's to hinder them doing It again? Isn't it a wise thing to lock the door before the horse is stolen at this time, having lost a valuable ani-

mal so recently? It seems to be a good time for the people of Oregon City to be certain as year 1907, with a showing of what to the next step to take, when the has been accomplished since the proleaders in a move for good government confess to the setting aside of law isn't it time to stop and consider what kind of a law one can make that wont be set aside?

The Telegram has the following to in charge of Army engineers. say concerning the Charter contest here:

The three amendments to the city city. making street assessments is proba-bly the biggest blunder of them all. Panama and Colon and the re-equip-Its lengthy passages of "whereases" and "what is" are not sufficiently intelligent for the voters to understand. Dr. W. E. Carll, who will unquestionably be elected Mayor of Oregon City next Monday, is strong in his denunciation of these amendments and interview he says:



HAS COST UNITED STATES \$98,-000.000 AT PRESENT STATE OF CONSTRUCTION.

WORK MOVES RAPIDLY

During the Past Nine Months-Labor Has Been Scarce-New Condi-

> tions Likely to Aid In Finding Help.

Full details of the work done on the Panama Canal during the fiscal ject has been in American hands, are disclosed in the annual report of the Isthmian Canal Commission, made public Tuesday. It is the first report made of the operations on the isthmus since construction work has been

Aside from the \$50,000,000 paid to the French company and to Panama, an aggregate of \$48,285,110 has been Charter will be swept clear out of expended by the Government on the sight in the election next Monday. project adopted by Congress and This is the belief of nearly every pro- which it was estimated by a board of perty holder and business man in the consulting engineers would ultimately 12. That there is evil hidden in the cost \$139,705,200. This estimate, howamendments is common report. The ever, did not include sanitation and amendment changing the manner of expenditures of the Zone Government,

ment of the Panama Railroad. There is no reference in the report to the proposition which has been brought forward to extend the width of the locks to 110 feet, so as to accommodate without difficulty the ex-

treme breadth in the development of says they will be defeated from top to shipbuilding, and this will be made bottom, as they ought to be. In an the subject of a special, report from the Commission. A strong position The creation of these amendments is taken favorable to the policy of the reminds me of the story of the hen, doing the work by hired instead of land. who had no egg to set on, and she by contract labor, a step at one time owners have gone on record as op-posed to the Charter amendments, when it is a matter that the city is a door knob. The tale fits the case tration, and many arguments are pre-tration, and many arguments are prehunted around until finally she found seriously considered by the adminis- Mrs. E. T. Judd, Salem. interested in to the extent of wishing exactly, for it is well known that the sented to justify the Commission in for the widest possible publicity, it present Charter is entirely satisfac-must be advertised in a paper. That tory, and there is no demand for a built better, cheaper and more quickly Sanitation, upon which so much de-

dlans. To maintain this force of laborers, and also provide the Panama Railroad force of abut 5000 laborers, 6899 Europeans and 10,974 West In-dians were brought to the Isthmusan average of nearly 1500 men per month-to meet the demands of the work for common labor during the year.

The total force of skilled and un skilled laborers of the Isthmian Canal Commission and Panama Railroad on June 30, 1906, was 19.600, and on June 30, 1907, it was 29,446-an increase in the total of 10,000 men. During this period 20,884 men were brought to the Isthmus from United States, Europe and the West The labor problem is still an Indies, unsolved one, but the experiments of the past year with a diversity of races and nationalities has improved the efficiency of the force and promises to make the term of service importunities of Guilty Men Not to longer,

The rebuilding of the Panama railroad is completed, and the double track almost completed. The heavy traffic has caused the Commission to begin laying 90-pound rails

GOOD PROGRAM BEING ADVERTISED

CONVENTION WILL BE HELD IN PORTLAND DECEMBER 12 AND 13.

the Oregon Dairymen's Association will be held under the auspices of the Portland Commercial Club at Portland, Oregon, on December 12 and Heney cannot get away from San

Following is the program: Thursday, Dec. 12, 10:00 a. m.

Address of Welcome, Tom Richardson, Portland Commercial Club, Response, Annual Address, Presi-

Bleuer, Brooks.

"Winter vs. Summer Dairying," John Dinwiddie, Woodburn. "Necessity for Clean Milk,"

Ziemer, Tillamook. Thursday, Dec. 12, 1:30 p. m. Furt "The relation the Dairy Industry say."

Bears to the Commercial Business of This was the only statement that the Country," T. S. Townsend, Port- W. C. Bristol, United States Attorney, Bears to the Commercial Business of "Care of Cream for Shipment."

Discussion, fifteen minutes.

Schulmerich, Hillsboro

Disturb Plans of Attorney In Charge of

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FRAUD CASES WOULD

HAVE BEEN UNDER WAY

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the Work.

An Associated Press dispatch says: Further postponement of the trial of the Oregon land-fraud cases is not to be tolerated. Because of complaints and criticisms, the Department of Justice has decided to take radical steps, which will force trials at an early date, and it is expected that District Attorney Bristol will soon receive instructions to proceed.

Only recently John Hall, under indictment, wrote the President, asking for trial. His request was transmitted to the Attorney-General and The sixteenth annual meeting of thence to Mr. Bristol, who replied that he could not proceed, as that was one of F. J. Heney's cases.

The Department says that, if Mr. Francisco long enough to prosecute Hall and Binger Herman, some one else will be found who can take up this work. In fairness to those under indictment, the Department believes these long-delayed cases should be response, Add, Turner. "Testing Milk on the Farm," Dan Bloner Brooks. tried. It is probale that all. In the will be instructed to prosecute Hall and Hermann, as well as all others under indictment for land frauds.

"If John Hall is running the Department of Justice, the sooner the people of Oregon find it out the better. Further than this I have nothing to

would make when the above dispatch was read to him last night.

It is evident from the dispatch that some one other than Attorney-Gener-"Succulent Feed for Winter," Wm. al Bonaparte did the talking, for ne time in Septetmber the Attor-

ney-General, Mr. Heney and Mr. Bris

In this report Mr. Heney told of be

of the Tirey L. Ford trial, and prom-

ished with that trial he would return

At the time the joint report was

Land Commissioner Ballinger - the

legal holidays that have been declar-

ed in California and elsewhere were

not dreamed of. When the holidays

were declared in CaliforniaM r. Heney

was within a week of closing up the

Ford trial. The closing of the courts

naturally stopped the Ford trial. But

for this Mr. Heney would have been

that are clamoring so loudly for trial.

The reported decision of the United

Griffith and W. S. U'Ren.

When the law placing in the hands of the people the power to enact their own charters had become operative, the Mayor appointed a charter commission, consisting of the municipal office holders and several prominent citizens. After its appointment the apathy was so marked that the commission culd not obtain a quorum, and to provent its dissolution a subcommittee was named to draw up amendments to the existing charter. These amendments are now submitted to the voters of Oregon City for their approval or rejection at the annual election next Monday. While there is no general antagonism to the proposal to take up the city's floating indebtedness with an issue of bonds, the measure changing the method of improving streets has met with disapproval from the men who have in the thousands of dollars for the improve-

perty, and object to the additional expense of improving property in which they have no direct interest.

Many of the more substantial citizens are discussing the proposal to object; then when that is spent and friends to do the same thing. I bechange the city's foating debt of \$50, the work half done it can "Make a 000 into a fixed debt at a five per cent second haul" and you foot the bill. rate of interest, and the discussion And there is no way to get out that don't add to the good feeling of those promises an even chance to evade the who discuss it.

Certain citizens feel that the debt may have been unavoidable, but they would like the facts in the case. Why out if you pass the ordinance. The was the fact that this indebtedness fact that oCuncil's intentions were was being allowed to plle up kept from the public? is the question asked fifty times daily

Considerable criticism has been directed toward the Councilmen of the not.

past: not that these man may not have done the best thing to be done making improvements by under the circumstances, but that they, would be a good move. did not sound the alarm. Certain who have been criticised have retaliated ignorant of actual conditions when up the burden as City Father.

It can be said in favor af the present Council that with all these diffi- either; it is true some have a say, but culties staring them in the face an efhe may be included in a district the majority of frontage is benefitted and fort has been to keep as bold a front as possible in the hopes of getting because he is included in the district things straightened up before the time he is outvoted and assessed even if came to lay aside the mantle which he can see no good to himself. And they have continued to wear because the fact that he has been included in of the necessity for some one to act, one district does not preclude count-

and not because the work appealed to ing him in on a second. As an example: He lives on a street them. between two that are being improved. One business man said: "I wish there was some way to adopt the This year he is counted in on the imitems in the proposed Charter that provement of one and next year he is appeal to me and vote down those that saddled to the one on the other side. do not. It is my opinion that the What chance is there that his street floating debt should be bonded and the will be improved if those on either sinking fund established for its pay- side are put into good repair this sea-But there are other things I son and next and he counted in on the ment. do not like and I hate to sanction one work? He is made to help them improve, because it is "nice to get on to in order to get the other.

"Our Council has been compelled a paved street by going one block," to carry a heavy load the past few and the contention is good that it is years and it is becoming an imposi- of some value to him. The trouble tion to ask a man to serve in that ca-1 comes in assessing him too high, and pacity. If trouble should come be- his protest weighed against those on

is wise, we concede, but so is it wise change. The men who made these by the Government. to publish the other-wise for him amendments simply found the door who may otherwise be improved out knob. of his home and he known nothing of it until tool ate.

cation must be in the newspaper and the necessity of an amendment to the improvements and might oppose them, that don't need any notice in the is the most injurious and opens a way newspaper. If there is a plan on foot for graft on the part of the city engifind out in time to pay his assess-

ment And in case Council dop't cut in ing over the whole matter to the city last year paid out in the aggregate deep enough the first time it can try engineer, whose recommendations the former Commission is compliwould be adopted. Too much oneagain on the same improvement, And man power is bad for any city and the ment of streets adjacent to their pro- all this time this valuable news is posted on this little bulletin board. If Charter amendments are the limit for there is fear some may object to a this. "I intend to vote against all these \$10,000 improvement, Council can set

amendments and shall advise my out to spend \$5,000, and no one will lieve they will be defeated and there is no doubt they ought to be. second assessment.

don't count; and you will find this good is all that is necessary; you've got your improvement now pay for it whether you wanted, it or not, or whether you wanted it at the price or

this proposed Charter? We think not. with the statement that they were According to the present plan a man may be included in assessment dischosen, and it is freely commented tricts galore, and he will never know that certain Councilmen have said when he has seen the last of it. And that had they known the condition no he has little to say as to whether his one could have induced them to take property is benefitted by the contemplated improvement, and his neigh-

LIVE STOCK SHOW And errors on the part of Council The Portland Country Club & Live Stock Association, recognizing the importance of the development of the

live stock interests of this State, have arranged for the greatest fair yet With wise safeguards the plan of held west of the Missouri river, for districts 1908. There are \$40,000 in prizes, But have equalling those offered by the Lewis those wise safeguards been put into & Clark Exposition in 1905. To this wil lbe added \$10,000 or \$12,000 by the different breeders' associations in attendance upon the International Live Stock Show at Chicago, November 30 bors may not have anything to say.

to December 7, where M. D. Wisdom will go as a special representative to arrange a date and to secure the presence here of the most famous herds in America.

BURGLARS AT VANCOUVER.

FOR PORTLAND.

The residence of Henry Van Atta, proprietor of the Baltimore cafe, of Vancouver, was entered and ransackuntil after midnight each night, and about four feet long. the looters took advantage of this torn up and the house completely upfor no silver and glassware was taken. the police that it had been entered.

pends for the comfort and health of "It is all rot to prepare an amend- the employes, is treated of, a statement to refund the city indebtedness ment is made of what has been done burg, Ohio. In case a corporation wishes a fran- by issuing bonds. These bonds are all and the declaration made that there chise, which must be published and right but they can be issued at any was no yellow fever originating on paid for by the corporation, the publi- time through an ordinance without the Isthmus during the year.

As bearing on the question of the

"The street assessment amendment consulting engineers, who made personal examination of the material at the lock sites, and which found to make him pave, lay a sidewalk, or neer. It is provided that a committee that all of the locks of the dimensions build a sewer, post it on the bulletin shall create a district whenever a then proposed (185-foot level canal) board, he'll know soon enough; he'll street is to be improved. Now, just would rest on rock of such a charac-find out in time to pay his assess- take the average committee. It would ter as would furnish a safe and stable probably shirk responsibility by turnfoundation.

The work of preparation done by mented as having contributed to the great volume of work done in the Cu lebra cut in six months ending June

30, of the total of 5,570,432 cubic yards moved during the fiscal year, 4,047,071 cubic yards were moved between January 1 and June 30. Since the close of the fiscal year yardage moved has been: July, 770,570; August, 786,866; September, 753,468. The

total for September was greater in proportion to the number of steamshovels and days' work in July. The Commission has finally decid-

ed upon the method of filling and emptying the locks and the number and type of gates. The gates are in dupli-

cate and of the miter type, except that the rolling gate similar to that now in use on the Ohio river will be substituted for the duplicate set at lock. In addition there will be provided an auxillary pair of gates at the lower end of each flight for use as cofferdams in case it may be necessary to pump out the locks, and it has been determined tentatively to adopt a swing-bridge type of dam for emergency use

In the cities of Panama and Colon. towns along the zone, the paving of streets and construction of waterworks and sewer systems, roadmaking and grading have been done.

Over 600 horses and mules, with wagons, carts, carriages and ambulances, are used. The report says: A. geological survey of the canal

have been made of the zone boundary Van Atta and his wife are at work ments of 4-inch wrought-iron pipe,

The skilled labor force is recruited fact. It is evident that there were in the United States, and on June two men implicated. The house was 30, 1906, was about 2500, and on June entered my a rear window and every 30, 1907, was about 4404. To secure room was thoroughly searched. Bu- this nicrease of 1904 and fill vacanreau drawers were opened and the cies, 2038 men were taken from the contents strewn about. Carpets were United States. The Commission says: The unskilled force is brought from set from cellar to garret. The thieves the West Indies and Europe, Recruitseemed to be after nothing but money, ing agents are located in Barbardos and Martinque, and a representative Mrs. Van Atta entered the house in Paris, France, to keep in touch about midnight, and at once notified with European labor conditions and with European emigration. On June

30, 1906, there were on the canal began and that as soon as the van-work 500 Europeans and 13,625 West guard of the present horde reaches he was in love. There is always a pacity. If trouble should come be cause of errors in the past those hold-ing seats in Council would be given ing seats in Council would be given bis being assessed as nearly to their face to demand a price like that?

Discussion, fifteen minutes 'Milking by Machine," Mrs. S. A. tol reached an agreement as to when Yokum, Marshfield.

the Oregon land frauds were to be The Dairy Cow at Home and taken up for trial. The understand-Abroad," Jos. E. Wing, Mechanics- ing was reached after Mr. Heney and Mr. Bristol had made a joint report to Mr. Bonaparte, setting forth at

Friday, Dec. 13, 10:00 a. m.

"Advanced Registration for Dairy great length the conditions regarding the land fraud cases pending in Ore-Cattle," Prof. F. L. Kent, Corvallis. "Practical Dairy Suggestions," H. gon. This report was sent to the De cation must be in the newspaper and the newspape 24, in which the Attorney-General cona vallts. curred with the joint statement,

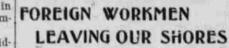
"Future of Dairying in Eastern Oregon," A. Bennett, Irrigon. Friday, Dec. 13, 1:50 p. m. ing held in San Francisco on account

Business session.

Reports of officers and committees, ised that just as soon as he had fin-Election of officers.

Address, J. W. Bailey, State Dairy to Oregon and resume the land-fraud and Food Commissioner, Portland, cases. This was acceptable to the At-Address, B. D. White, Dairy Divi- torney-General and he so wrote Mr. sion, U. S. Department of Agriculture. Heney.

Announcements of premium awards. written-and it was not written un-All railroads entering Portland will sell round trip tickets for this meet- til after Mr. Heney and Mr. Bristol ing, on the certificate plan, at one had visited Seattle and held a conand one-third fare. Full fare to be ference with Secretary Taft, and after paid going, and a receipt taken there both Mr. Heney and Mr. Bristol had for, upon which return ticket will be held a conference with Secretary of the Interior Garfield and United States issude at one-third fare.



grants will leave New York this week for European ports is far below the busy trying some of the defendants number that will probably sail, is the opinion expressed by Gustave H.

At least 60,000 and perhaps 70,000 will States. Steel Corporation to continue sail, according to Mr. Schwab's fig- the manufacture of material in spite ures. The Pennsylvania Railroad of the cancellation of orders is dealone brought more than 2000 to New serving the attention. The corporation has notified customers that it York today.

"Immigration regulates itself, and views the orders of cancellation mereneeds no stimulus from the steamship ly as postponements, having faith in companies," said Mr. Schwab. "When the present business situation, which times are good in America and there it believes certain to return to pros is plenty of work they come over, perous conditions in a few weeks. Ex-When there is a lack of work the la- amples of this sort are necessary if

borer returns to his own country." the American public is not to worry Every steamer sailing yesterday itself into a wholly unnecessary state filled to capacity with steerage pas- of business depression. A compansengers and although the steerage ion of the steel trust in this effort rate was again raised, this time from to restore confidence is one of the \$31 to \$36, it made no difference with largest New England banks which route has been made and surveys the number of people demanding tick- has notified all its branches and corets. Carrying passengers, even in respondents to renew credits and exed by burglars Wednesday night. Mr. lines, which are marked by monu- steerage, is more remunerative than tend others. carrying freight, and a number of

small lines are fitting up the holds of their ships for the accommodation of passengers and are leaving freight for the year ending November 1, 1907, behind. Several steamers that have shows that the total income from all heretofore carried only freight are sources was \$2596.44. November 1, now carrying passengers. This was 1906, there was a balance of \$129.07 the case with the Cambrian, of the on hand. The sources of revenue Red Star Line, which sailed yester- were taxes and licenses. From the day with 1000 steerage passengers.

that the number of immigrants arriv- license, ing in New York this month is greater were \$1269.67, leaving on hand than for any December on record. It \$1226.44. is believed that most of these made their plans before the great exodus

Report on Milwaukie Finances The financial report for Milwaukle

Milwaukie Country Club the receipts A curious feature of the situation is for the year were \$1300. From liquor \$500. Total expenditures

A Tacoma man, about to be incar

That the estimate that 50,000 emlthe lower end of each summit-level Schwab, of the North German Lloyd.