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## PAGET FILES AN ARGUMENT

TELLS VOTERS OF OREGON WHY CLACKAMAS SHOULD BE SPLIT IN TWO.

## GROWTH IS RETARDED

Portland Banker Says Opponents of Annexation Are Oregon City Office Holders and Ambitious Politicians.

The committee of the Oregon City Commercial Club, appointed to take charge of the movement to resist the attempt to divide Clackamas County, by attaching the eastern portion to Multnomah County, held a meeting last week and discussed the situation. The committee, consisting of County Judge Grant B. Dimick, O. B. King, J. R. Jack, T. J. Dury and Gilbert L. Hedges, has asked the Commercial Club for an appropriation of \$162.50 to cover the expense of inserting an answer covering two pages in the official pamphlet issued by the State.

The Multnomah-Clackamas Annexation Association has filed with the secretary of state a 358-word argument in favor of the division of Clackamas County. In which it is stated that the Clackamas River is the natural and should be the actual dividing line, that the territory is tributary to Portland, that grades and roads lead to Portland, that the present county line is retarding the growth of the city of Portland in a southeasterly direction, that a great economy of time will be effected with the county records kept at Portland, that Multnomah County will have control of the Mount Hood road, that at present the transportation facilities are inadequate and the fare inequitable.

## STREIB CASE TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT

SON OF MILWAUKIE'S MAYOR CHARGES WIFE WITH GIVING FALSE EVIDENCE.

Circuit Judge Campbell has taken under advisement the suit of Philip Streib, Jr., of Milwaukie, against Vonnie U. Streib for a decree of divorce. The case was tried here last Friday. Young Streib is the son of Mayor Streib, of Milwaukie, and charges his wife with testifying falsely in the suit for \$30,000 damages that she brought against his father and mother upon a charge of alienation of the affections of her husband. In that suit young Mrs. Streib said that Miss Emma Wetzel had introduced her to her mother-in-law at the home of the latter before her marriage to young Streib, and in the divorce suit Miss Wetzel denied the story. The mayor's son says his wife called him a "dirty dog" and told him she would not wipe her feet on him. The suit is the outcome of the young woman's action for damages, in which the jury awarded her a verdict of \$4,000. The case was compromised for \$1,800. George C. Brownell appears for Streib and Jeffreys & Lenon for Mrs. Streib.

Council Passes Bond Ordinance.

The city council held a special meeting Monday night and passed the ordinance authorizing the sale of bonds for the improvement of Eleventh street.

## RUMORS OF ANAESTHETIC RAILS TO FLY

NEW MOLALLA PROJECT OF G. C. FIELDS CAUSES SWIFT PEOPLE TO HUSTLE.

## IS MORRIS IN DEAL?

Property Owners Want Line Constructed and Are Weary of Much Idle Talk from Promoters.

Property owners interested in the construction of an electric railway from Oregon City to Silverton through the Molalla Valley, and stockholders of the Clackamas Southern Railway held a conference Friday night with G. C. Fields, who is promoting the proposition, and came to agreement relative to important features on the project. The result of the meeting is said to be that actual construction of the road will be started within a month and that the line will be pushed to completion as fast as possible.

Bonds will be sold in New York City and in Clackamas and Multnomah counties. It is understood that \$20,000 has already been pledged from Portland and Oregon City, and that a market for the bonds will be found without difficulty.

An agreement has been made between the stockholders of the road that the majority of the board of directors shall be Oregon City people thus keeping in the territory where the operations are located. There will be a provision inserted in the by-laws prohibiting the incurring of any indebtedness for any purpose, with the sole exception of the bonded indebtedness and the interest thereon, but the company will be permitted to incur indebtedness when there is money in the treasury of the road to cover it.

It is stated that the notes covering stock subscriptions will be returned and new pledges asked, and there is a general idea that the promotion of the road shall proceed in active cooperation with the people who are financially interested along with Mr. Swift.

Railroad rumors are flying thick and fast in and about Molalla during the last few days. Little is known of the G. C. Fields project, but it is reported that Mr. Fields is backed by no less a personage than Fred S. Morris, who formerly controlled the Oregon Water Power and Railway Company before its absorption by the Portland Railway, Light and Power Company. While Morris is prevented from floating railway projects in Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington counties, he is in close touch with the New York money market and it would not be difficult for him to float any kind of a railway proposition with the assistance of Mr. Fields, or any other men whose discretion is to be relied upon.

Property owners of Oregon City and Clackamas County generally care very little who builds the road, but they want the line constructed, and the getting weary of so much idle talk. The Molalla project has been discussed for many years, and there is no doubt that a line into that rich valley would be a paying proposition. The Oregon City people believe that the direction of the Hill interests left Monday for their home at will eventually be turned in that section, and when this occurs there will probably be an extension run into the Molalla Valley from Wilsonville, tapping the Oregon Electric at that point. This would leave Oregon City on the cold outside, so far as the Molalla trade is concerned, unless a line is constructed to connect the Molalla section with this city.

Mrs. George S. Jeffery, of Chico.

Mrs. George S. Jeffery, the only daughter of Mrs. E. C. Hackett, of Baker's Bridge, Clackamas County, was buried last Thursday at Chico, Cal. Mrs. Jeffery was Miss Kittle Welch, and she is survived by a number of relatives living near Clackamas Station.

Patton to Serve One Year.

George Patton was last Saturday sentenced to serve one year in the penitentiary. He was charged with larceny and was indicted by the grand jury on three counts. Patton broke into a South end saloon a few weeks ago.

## ANAESTHETIC KILLS GIRL

VERA HALL DIES ON OPERATING TABLE IN OFFICE OF A PORTLAND DOCTOR.

## BODY IS SPIRITED HOME

In Effort to Conceal True Condition of Unfortunate Girl, Physician Brings Body in an Automobile.

A post mortem examination on the body of Vera Belle Hall, who died on the operating table in the office of Dr. J. J. Rosenberg last Sunday night, proves conclusively the truth of Dr. Rosenberg's statement that the girl died while under the influence of an anaesthetic, that her heart was weak, that a criminal operation was not performed, though it is possible that one might have been intended.

The autopsy was performed Tuesday morning by Dr. E. A. Sommer, of Portland, representing the Multnomah County district attorney's office, and Dr. Hugh S. Mount, of this city, and set at rest the mysterious circumstances that surrounded the death of Miss Hall, whose dead body was brought up from Portland in an automobile by Dr. Rosenberg, after he had yielded to the entreaties of the girl's mother, Mrs. Charles Hall, and Elmer Erickson, who is said to be responsible for the young woman's condition, to hush the matter up. The post mortem will likely end the whole matter, as the authorities have no actual evidence to warrant their proceeding against young Erickson.

The funeral of Vera Hall was held at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning from the family residence in this city.

In the dead of night Sunday the body of Miss Hall was taken from the office of Dr. J. J. Rosenberg, 524 1/2 First street, and conveyed surreptitiously to Oregon City in an automobile driven by the doctor, accompanied by the girl's mother, her former sweetheart, and a friend of Dr. Rosenberg. The girl had died a few hours previously on the operating table in the doctor's office, almost immediately after the administering of chloroform.

The physician, in a statement made to Deputy District Attorney Fitzgerald, said that he first saw the girl one day last week, when she came to his office, accompanied by Elmer Erickson, a youth employed at a billiard hall at 405 Hawthorne avenue.

Rosenberg says that he assumed that the girl was Erickson's wife and addressed her so, without demur from herself or from Erickson. She complained of illness, and after questioning her at length, Dr. Rosenberg was told her that if her operation was as stated, only an operation could help her. He suggested that she should go to a hospital.

Dr. Rosenberg says that the girl complained of pain and he decided to administer an anaesthetic. He sent to a drug store across the street and purchased an eight-ounce bottle of chloroform.

Saturating a sponge with something less than two ounces of the fluid, he applied it to the girl's nostrils and began administering treatment. Before he had proceeded any length he raised the girl gave a gasp and he raised the sponge. She gasped once or twice more and expired.

While administering the chloroform which he did unaided, Dr. Rosenberg says that he kept close watch on the girl's pulse and found that it was to 100 a minute.

There was present at the time Erickson and a friend of Dr. Rosenberg, Richard Grayson. As soon as he realized that the girl was dead, Rosenberg turned to Erickson and said, "Your wife is dead." Erickson then broke down and said that the girl was not his wife. "It was then,



ASPIRANT FOR RECORDER.

E. P. Dedman, who has announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination of Recorder of Conveyances for Clackamas County, is a well-known Republican and a resident of Clackamas. For three years he was chief deputy recorder, and is entirely familiar with the work of the office. Mr. Dedman has been a resident of Clackamas County for 12 years, and has always been a staunch Republican. He takes an active interest in educational matters, having been clerk of the Clackamas school district for 18 years. He promises efficiency in the Recorder's office if nominated and elected.

John Lewellen, county commissioner of Clackamas County, has made formal announcement of his candidacy for the Republican nomination for county judge. It is expected that John P. Clark, a well known Oregon City attorney, will file his initiative petition this week. Frank Jaggard, who has been mentioned in connection with the Republican nomination for judge, has stated that he will not enter the race. Captain John T. Apperson of Parkdale, will probably be a candidate for the Republican nomination, and George L. Story, and W. W. H. Samson of this city, and Charles T. Tozay, of Gladstone, have been mentioned. The Democratic nominees will be R. B. Beattie, whose second term in the sheriff's office expires January, next.

The political pot is beginning to boil, and the alignment of candidates is now being made. George C. Brownell will have no opposition for the Republican nomination for state senator. The names of Joseph E. Hedges, Gilbert L. Hedges and O. D. Eby, have been suggested for the Democratic nomination. The Republicans expect to elect their entire party ticket this year. The terms of two Democratic office holders will expire, State Senator J. E. Hedges and Sheriff R. B. Beattie. Ernest Mass, of Willamette, will be the Democratic candidate for sheriff, and the Republican aspirants so far announced are D. R. Dimick, of Canby, and E. C. Hackett, of Stone.

The names of a number of Republicans have been mentioned for county commissioner: J. J. Mallatt, of Multno, is already in the field for the nomination. A. W. Cooke, of Damascus; W. P. Kitchem, of Logan; R. S. Coe, of Canby; Bud Thompson, of Steady; and Nicholas Blair, of Killin, are being discussed.

There are few candidates for the legislature, but many heads are expected to bob up within the next few weeks. Walter A. Dimick has good prospects of succeeding himself, and Linn E. Jones may also conclude to ask for another term. Both are staunch adherents of the direct primary law and Statement No. 1. J. C. Paddock, the present county treasurer, is expected to seek the Republican nomination. J. L. Kruse, of Willsonville, and E. D. Olds, of Oak Grove, have been mentioned.

W. L. Mulvey, of Oregon City, and C. M. Lake, of Boring, are in the race for county clerk. The only man in the field for treasurer is J. A. Tuffa, who came within a few votes of securing the nomination four years ago. E. P. Dedman, of Clackamas, and L. E. Williams, of Oregon City, are seeking the nomination for recorder. Mr. Dedman was a candidate four years ago and nearly secured the nomination. Mr. Williams is the present deputy recorder of conveyances.

Clackamas County will not elect an assessor nor a county school superintendent this year. There are two aspirants for the Republican nomination of surveyor, Thompson Meldrum, a son of Judge John W. Meldrum, and F. M. Roth, of Canby. H. H. Johnson has been mentioned.

Helvey Murder Trial Set.

On Tuesday, September 6, Curtis E. Helvey will be placed on trial for his life in the Clackamas County Circuit Court. Helvey killed George Smith, near Carus, a few weeks ago, and was indicted by the grand jury on a charge of murder in the first degree. He entered a plea of not guilty last Saturday, and claims the killing was in self defense.

## No "Crying" Need for Dismemberment

If Portion of Clackamas County Is Annexed to Multnomah Portland Would Become Dictator in Legislative Matters.

The Multnomah-Clackamas Annexation Association was born at a meeting held in February last at Oak Grove. This meeting was conducted by program and the influence of a few men predominated. Although many representatives were present from all parts of Clackamas County when it came to a vote on the resolution previously prepared the chair for the dismemberment of Clackamas County the great majority of the citizens and voters of Clackamas County are opposed to said division, and especially opposed to the high-handed and arbitrary method employed to create an association whose object is to destroy the present boundaries of Clackamas County. Had the meeting held at Oak Grove been conducted fairly and had full deliberation and discussion been allowed, the true sentiment of the residents of

the county could have been easily ascertained. For reasons known to themselves the managers of that meeting desired to hear from only a selected few, and denied the right of ballot to all the citizens of Clackamas County south of the Clackamas River. The Oak Grove meeting then was in no sense representative, and it follows that the Multnomah-Clackamas Annexation Association created according to an act and tried program at that meeting represents only the sentiment and desires of its promoters.

Those living in the territory north of and adjacent to the Clackamas River, are at present but a few minutes' ride from Oregon City, the county seat. If the dismemberment of Clackamas County be realized these people will be compelled to travel much farther to the county seat and at a greater loss of time and money; for, contrary to the iron logic of the Multnomah-Clackamas Annexation Association, altering county lines will neither increase the speed of trains nor reduce railroad fare.

There is also a proposition before the voters to add a large portion of Washington County to Multnomah County. If both of these dismemberment schemes succeed, Multnomah

County, by reason of her greatly increased population, will be entitled to many more members in the legislature. With this added power she could then dictate in legislative matters to all of the other counties. It will cost at least \$100,000 to transcribe the official records. Inasmuch as the promoters of county division are unwilling to pay this amount, most of it must be paid, in the event of success, by the taxpayers of Multnomah County.

The commercial bodies of Clackamas County, during the past year, have spent large sums of money in advertising this section. Our county is prosperous. With united effort we shall continue to grow in population, wealth and influence.

There has been no good or valid reason given for destroying the integrity of Clackamas County, and we therefore respectfully ask the voters of the State of Oregon to vote against the measure which proposes the annexation of a part of Clackamas County to Multnomah County.

THE COMMERCIAL CLUB OF OREGON CITY.  
By T. P. RANDALL, President.  
M. D. LATOURETTE, Sec'y.

## CANDIDATES OLD SUBSCRIBERS' WEEK POPULAR

Old Subscribers Ask for Same Vote as New Subscribers One Week--Here You Are

## NEW CANDIDATES ENTER THIS WEEK

Realize Prizes Worth Working For and Plenty of Time Yet to Win Them

"BARGAIN WEEK" closes Saturday night. The scale of votes is five times larger than it has ever been, and it will never be so large again. Get in every subscription possible by Saturday night. Contestants just starting in the last day or two make use of your time allowance to catch up with leaders! You can easily do it.

The "BIG BONUS" offer also comes to an end this week. Hustle is the word to the wise. Several new contestants are entering the latter part of this week. They realize that the prizes offer big money for a little time, are indeed worth working for, and that there is plenty of time to win out still. There have been a lot of nominations and many names have appeared in the paper, but only three or four of them have been working. As there are seven prizes, and more may be offered if enough good workers enter, there is still room for a few workers to start even next week.

Many old subscribers, anxious to help their friends as much as possible, have asked that they have a time when they be given as many votes as new subscribers. So this next week we have made "Old Subscribers' Week." We trust every old subscriber in arrears will send in his subscription this week and help out one of their friends in the contest. It costs you nothing extra to give this help, and it is a little deed of kindness well worth doing. Your friend will appreciate it very much and it may mean the difference between winning a larger prize. Votes are sometimes very close.

We would call the attention of all readers to "Bargain" week, however, as the scale of votes is larger by far than it will be hereafter, and you have another day or two to take advantage of it. So that your subscription is mailed sometime Saturday, or next Monday on R. P. D. routes, it will count. Draft, money order, stamps or personal check accepted. Lest you forget, DO IT RIGHT AWAY.

No contestant shall have cause to think that any other worker has a better chance in any way than she has herself. For this reason we are not going to make any of these week-by-week single hour shorter for out-of-town contestants than for those in town.

Get in all the subscriptions you can by Saturday morning, but work all day Saturday to make the week as big and good in votes as you possibly can. They will count, PROVIDED THEY ARE SENT TO US IN AN ENVELOPE BEARING THE POST-MARK OF YOUR POST OFFICE AS HAVING BEEN MAILED BY 9 P. M., SATURDAY EVENING; except that contestants living on R. F. D. routes may send them in with the delivery Monday morning. You can enclose a personal check of some business man or your own if too late to get a money or express money order or bank draft.

In the same way any Oregon City contestant who has friends at a distance will be credited with subscriptions brought to us in a sealed envelope bearing postmark as above set forth.

THE FIRST PRIZE IN DISTRICT NO. 1 IS a merchandise certificate for \$50.00 at Huntley Bros. Co., walk-in store. This may be taken out in anything they carry except possibly one or two contract makes of photographs. This week we are illustrating a \$50.00 Columbia phonograph which would certainly be an excellent selection. But you can select other goods to the value of \$50.00, if you prefer. Huntley Bros. carry one of the best stocks of drugs, phonographs, Kodaks, stationery, toilet and leather goods, etc., to be found in the state outside of Portland.

THE FIRST PRIZE IN DISTRICT NO. 2 IS a merchandise certificate on J. Levitt's big store, located at the end of the suspension bridge, 7th and Main streets. Mr. Levitt is at present conducting a stupendous clearing-up sale of the entire stock of dry-goods, men's women's and young folk's clothing, shoes, furnishings, etc., notions, fancy goods, etc., etc. Most annual and sensational values are offered, and a big saving may be made by going to Levitt's gigantic sale. The sale ends August 6th.

"OLD SUBSCRIBERS' WEEK."

During the week ending August 6th, the following scale of votes will prevail for both new and old subscribers. After that date the old low schedule goes back into effect for the remainder of the Contest.

Two months' trial	0.25	200
Six months' trial	0.75	2,000
One year	1.50	5,000
Two years	2.00	10,000
Three years	2.50	20,000
Four years	3.00	50,000
Five years	3.50	100,000
Ten years	15.00	200,000

A special bonus will be given during the week also as follows: With five yearly subscriptions, 20,000 votes; with ten, 50,000 votes; with fifteen, 100,000 votes; with twenty, 250,000 votes.

### NOMINATE A CANDIDATE

NOMINATION BLANK—1000 VOTES

#### The Enterprise Great Circulation Contest

I nominate.....

Address.....

District No.....

Phone No.....

Only the first Nomination Blank counts 1000 votes; each subsequent blank 10 votes. Names of people making nominations will not be divulged.

### COUPON

#### THE GREAT CIRCULATION CONTEST

#### The Oregon City Enterprise

THIS COUPON WILL COUNT 100 VOTES.

For.....

District No.....

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