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JAMES' STATEMENT PROMPTLY REFFED

ESTACADA PRINCIPAL SAID TO AGREE TO POSTPONEMENT OF JOINT DEBATE.

PROMISED EXPLANATION NOT GIVEN

Superintendent of Oregon City High School Writes Complete Resume of Facts Relative to Debating Protest.

Oregon City, Or., May 6.—(Editor of the Enterprise): It is with genuine reluctance that I ask you to print the following. There is usually very little to commend in bitter public accusations and personalities such as appeared in the article signed by my old friend from Estacada, in Friday morning's Enterprise. The public usually take but a passing interest in such controversies and are often led to biased judgment, however, sincerely a controversy is portrayed. It was with a desire to confine the protest of the Oregon City team to the league itself and to official acts that I insisted that members of the team and others interested should withhold criticism from print and await the decision of the executive committee of the league whose duty it is to pass judgment and render decisions upon all protests submitted to them.

A copy of the protest appended was submitted to each officer of executive committee, March 20, or ten days after the date of the Mt. Pleasant-Estacada debate. I also wrote a note to the president of the debating department at Estacada, as a matter of courtesy to him at the same time, regretting the necessity of protest. His first reply to note or protest was this morning's vituperative communication.

The chairman of the executive committee had found it impossible to get the members together so far and so when the superintendent of schools was asked over the phone by the Enterprise editor about the protest, having been informed that the debate between Estacada and Parkplace had been advertised and held as a championship debate, the executive committee's authority being thus ignored, he promptly replied that by the rules of all contest organizations there could be no championship title to any team before the decision of the executive committee had been rendered. The committee must feel very highly complimented, however, by the following advance notice—the Estacada principal's own words, published in this morning's Enterprise: "Parkplace—won the county championship debating League. I declared them such and I will see to it that they retain the title, etc."

With what feelings of dignity and pleasure a presiding judge would receive such notice from a defendant in a case! What a splendid example of democracy is this in this county educational institution under this dictatorial policy! We protested our indignation against Parkplace and the press misunderstood our attitude when it stated that we desire to debate with her so near the close of the year when there is so much work to be done in all departments in both schools.

Permit me to further speak of a few statements in Friday morning's Enterprise that were evidently intended to put me in the distinguished company of Roosevelt and his celebrated club.

(1) The sarcastic comment that Tooze had more important business on hand than to attend the election in Portland falls flat. No business transaction at the State Teachers' meeting was, in my judgment, more important than to inaugurate a system of debating in our schools. I expressed my regret at not being present to the county superintendent of schools and others. During that time I gave an address on arithmetic as a part of the general program of the meeting.

(2) It is intimated in paragraph two that it was only then the impertinence of our friend that the O. C. H. S. was induced to enter the debates. As a matter of fact, I did not understand from the communication received concerning the matter that definite arrangements had been made for our school, until at the Canby meeting. I referred to the meeting made only to our grades. Gladly I took up the matter at once. It is true as was claimed, however, that I would not then or now force a contest of this kind upon any student or students. Such work must be voluntary for both sides to try for the team plans and to do their part in all other educational functions of the county. The team was selected less than two weeks before the date of the general contest.

Only three days before the team was to go to Estacada, one member of it withdrew on account of her mother's illness, and the alternate left school for the remainder of the week, sick. I phoned these facts to the president at Estacada at once and he without hesitation, himself, set the time for the next Friday evening, March 17. I offered to pay for any advertising and other necessary expenses incident to the postponement of one week. "Mr. Tooze" whose ignorance is skillfully portrayed as asking for a week extra did not plead for extra time. He simply phoned the conditions of the team. He could have either responded with the team as it was or he could have forfeited the game. The president who claims power to declare titles even over the heads of the executive committee could have demanded them a default in favor of his own team. Did he do it?

On the contrary, he set the date one (Continued on Page 4.)

CLACKAMAS BERRY IN BIG DEMAND

MANY DEALERS EAGER TO TAKE ENTIRE CROP OF OREGON CITY UNION.

CAR OF BOXES READY FOR DELIVERY

Better Fruit Expected to Be Grown This Year Than Ever Before—Methods Are Improved.

The directors of the Oregon City Fruit & Produce Union met Tuesday night in the office of the manager. Those present were George W. Waldron, president, O. D. Eby, B. Kupper, George M. Lazelle, A. J. Lewis, C. W. Swallow, George De Bok and M. J. Lazelle.

The most important matter considered was the disposal of the strawberry crop. Several buyers were present and anxious to obtain the entire crop of the Oregon City Union, as the berries produced in this section are of a very fine flavor and quality and are sought after by the dealers. It is understood that in all probability the strawberries of this section will be purchased by the K. F. Hooking Company, of Portland, although as yet no papers have been executed.

Manager H. G. W. Miller reported that the members had used 2000 gallons of lime sulphur spray already this year and at present he was distributing arsenate of lead. This shows that the Union is having effect upon the methods of the growers and prospects are that more good fruit will be produced in Clackamas County this year than ever before.

The Union has just received a carload of strawberry boxes from the factory and will distribute them among the growers. Each grower must have his name and number on the crates and after the berries have been inspected by the manager, the stamp of the Union will be placed on the crate.

WORK OF PUPILS TO BE EXHIBITED

PUBLIC DISPLAY OF WHAT SCHOOL CHILDREN ARE DOING BEGINS FRIDAY.

TEACHERS TO WELCOME VISITORS

Object is to Acquaint Citizens With What is Being Accomplished—Exhibition in Weinhard Building.

Specimens of the work of every child attending the public schools of Oregon City will be shown at a public exhibition which will be opened Friday afternoon in the Weinhard Building. This will be the first public exhibition on an extensive scale of the work of the school children of this city.

The object of the exhibition will be to acquaint the parents of the children and other residents of the city with what is being accomplished in the schools. Teachers will be present to welcome the visitors and explain the plans of work. Superintendent Tooze will also be on hand most of the time.

In order that every one may have a chance to see the work of the children two days have been set aside for the exhibition. It will begin at 1 o'clock Friday afternoon, and the doors will not be closed until 9 that evening. The exhibition will be open to the public from 9 o'clock Saturday morning until 9 o'clock that evening.

In the grades work in the following subjects will be shown: Arithmetic, language, geography, history, manual training, physiology and hygiene, spelling, civics, nature study, maps, drawing and penmanship. In the high school specimens of the work in the following will be shown: English compositions, history and civics, mechanical drawing, Latin translation, composition and grammar forms, mathematics, physiology, botany, chemistry, physics and German translations.

TO HAVE GANE FOURTH. Permission May Be Given For Harmless Display.

The Gladstone city council met in regular session on Tuesday night, and among the important matters given attention was the passage of an ordinance prohibiting fireworks in the limits of Gladstone. This was in response to a demand for a sane Fourth of July this year. Special permission may be given for a harmless display of fireworks in the evening.

PLANS MOST READY FOR COUNTY FAIR

SHOW THIS YEAR WILL BE MOST SUCCESSFUL EVER HELD IN COUNTY.

ACCIDENT BENDS HEAVY IRON BARS

Young Beast Falls Through Opening and is Badly Mangled When Found—Was Pet of Show.

Arrangements are being made for the coming county fair, and from all indications this year's fair will be one of the most successful ever held by the Clackamas County Fair Association. There promises to be more attractions than ever. One of this year's features will be a merry-go-round, and Paul Tragilo, of Salem, has already applied for the rights, which have been given him.

Among the firms of this city that will have exhibits at this year's fair will be the Oregon City Enterprises, J. Levitt, Huntley Brothers' Company, Oregon City Carver, C. G. Miller, Wilson & Cooke, Burmeister & Anderson. There will be a prize offered for the best exhibit. The Oregon City Enterprise won first prize last year, and there is no doubt but there will be great rivalry for the prize this year, which will be \$10, the same as last year. Clairmont, Gladstone, Barlow, Maple Lane Grange, Warner Grange have already applied for space in the big auditorium. One of the advantages of this year's fair will be the installation of the electric lights before the opening of the fair, which no doubt will be greatly appreciated by the exhibitors, as the lights used in previous years were not satisfactory.

M. J. Lazelle, the secretary of the Clackamas County Fair Association, in his communication of several attractions that will no doubt be put on this year. Last year there was some disappointment as to some of the attractions that were booked and did not show up, but Mr. Lazelle intends this year to have those arranging to show to fill their engagements.

EBY RECEIVES COPY OF BILL FOR POST OFFICE

SENATOR CHAMBERLAIN INTRODUCES MEASURE FOR \$75,000 STRUCTURE.

O. D. Eby, who was appointed by the Live Wires as a committee to look after obtaining a federal building for Oregon City, has received from United States Senator Chamberlain, who introduced the bill, a copy of the measure, which follows: "A bill to provide for the purchase of a site and for the erection of a public building thereon at Oregon City, Oregon.

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to acquire, by purchase, condemnation, or otherwise, a site, and cause to be erected thereon a suitable building, including fireproof vaults, heating and ventilating apparatus, and approaches, for the use and accommodation of the United States postoffice and other federal offices at Oregon City in the State of Oregon, the cost of same not to exceed seventy-five thousand dollars."

CLEMMONS BREAKS PAROLE. Chicken Thief Must Serve Year's Sentence in County Jail.

Having broken his parole, Grover Clemmons will have to serve a year's sentence in the county jail. Some weeks ago Clemmons was convicted on a charge of stealing chickens from H. G. Starkweather, of Oak Grove, and Judge Campbell paroled him.

It was not long until Clemmons was arrested in Portland and sent to Kelly Butte. He is now in the Clackamas County jail serving his sentence.

ELEPHANT UPSETS CAGE; CUB KILLED

ACCIDENT BENDS HEAVY IRON BARS

SHERIFF EASY MARK FOR THIEF AT CIRCUS

MAN WHOSE BUSINESS IS TO LOOK OUT FOR EVIL DOERS LOSES BUGGY ROBE

A tragedy marked the arrival of the Al G. Barnes Wild Animal Circus in Oregon City Sunday night. It was only a baby lion that was killed, but it was the pet of Mr. Barnes and his legion of employees. The little animal was devoured by another cub only a few weeks older than its victim, and "Ruth," one of the performing elephants was indirectly the cause. Every person connected with the circus was affected by the death of the little animal.

The baby lion that was killed was born three weeks ago. "Nellie," its mother, in a fierce beast, and Mr. Barnes, fearing she would kill the cub, there were three of them—had them removed from the cage. At Medford he bought a mother of a litter of puppies and she became the foster mother of the little lions. She and her adopted brood were placed in a cage divided in the center by iron bars. The other half of which were "Juliet" and her family of little ones.

When the wagon-cage was taken off the railroad track and "Ruth," who is relied upon in an emergency of that kind, was put to work. The big beast put her trunk to a hind wheel as is her custom, but instead of pushing the wagon forward, turned it over. It was finally righted, but when opened on the show grounds, the poor little animal had almost been devoured by its young neighbors. It was found that two of the bars in the pen had been bent when the cage turned over, and through this the baby lion had fallen.

HOSPITAL WILL BE READY VERY SOON

BUILDING IS TO BE READY FOR OCCUPANCY IN TWO WEEKS.

Oregon City will at last have a hospital, and this will be located in one of the most desirable locations in this city, which overlooks the town, and having an excellent view of Portland and old Mount Hood besides many of the other mountains in the distance. The old Heulst place has been sold for this purpose and the building has been thoroughly renovated, having a ward, private rooms and surgery, the latter is as well equipped as any surgery of any hospital. This will be known as the "Wildwood Hospital."

There are seven lots surrounding the building, and these are to be taken first, where the patients may be beautiful and may enjoy the sunshine. The nurses in charge are Miss V. C. Parkes who is president of the institution, Mrs. R. B. Nesney and Miss Bailey, all graduate nurses from the Illinois Nurses' Training School. These nurses come here with the highest recommendations, and will no doubt give their patients the best of care while under their charge.

This institution will be ready for business in about two weeks, when the city water will be taken there. This has caused some delay, and the pipes are being laid from the city reservoir at Mountain View, which is in the neighborhood of the hospital.

Going to Mexico by Team. Going all the way to Mexico by team will be the unusual experience of Merritt Veto, son and daughter, of Centralia, Wash., who passed through Oregon City Friday. Mr. Veto is a cousin of E. F. Veto, of New Era.

STEREOPTICAN TO ADVERTISE COUNTY

A. S. ASHLEY TO SHOW MANY CLACKAMAS COUNTY SCENES IN THE EAST.

BOARD REELECTS SUPERINTENDENT

DIRECTORS CHOOSE TOOZE TO HEAD SCHOOLS FOR ANOTHER YEAR.

A. S. Ashley, of Baker, was in this city today and visited M. J. Lazelle, secretary of the publicity department of the Oregon City Commercial Club. Mr. Ashley, who is publicity manager of the Commercial Club of Baker, and formerly secretary, is arranging to leave on a trip through the United States on a lecturing tour. He will take with him over 250 views of Oregon, including many from Clackamas County as well as some of this city, including the paper mills, woolen mills, electric light plant and the falls, giving the people in the far East some idea of the county. He will also have views from Portland. These will be used with his stereopticon lectures, which he contemplates giving in many of the Eastern cities.

Although Mr. Ashley has been a resident of Oregon but a few years he is well posted on the advantages of the state. He was formerly in charge of the Home-seekers' Bureau of the Harriman lines with headquarters at Portland, and has been two years a resident of Baker, where he has been one of the prominent members of the Commercial club of that city. He will make the trip by automobile, traveling in one of the Hudson cars, and will leave Portland about the middle of May, expecting to be gone about six months and possibly longer.

Mr. Ashley has already been extended many invitations to give his stereopticon lectures in many of the cities here in to visit, one of which is before the National Land Men's Association of Chicago, and also before the Land Show to be given at Omaha in October. These lectures will no doubt tend to bring many to the state of Oregon. All points of interest in Oregon, including many of the Southern Oregon towns as well as Eastern Oregon and Central Oregon towns will be shown.

SCHOOL CONTESTS AROUSE INTEREST

EULA SCHUEBEL OF OREGON CITY, WINS PRIZE IN BIG ORATORICAL EVENT.

PARK PLACE BOY GETS PRIZE ESSAY

Five High Schools and Four Grammar Ones Are Represented in Competition—Prof. Vedder Presides.

The Third Annual Contest of the Clackamas School League, which was held at Gladstone Hall Saturday night, was one of the most interesting and exciting in the history of the Clackamas County schools. The essay contest in the high schools was won by Marion Money, of the Oregon City High School, the subject being, "The Work of Jacob Rlis." Eula Schuebel, of the Oregon City High School, won the oratorical contest, her subject being, "The Judgment Day."

The judges of the High School contests were Superintendent Gary, Professor C. F. Anderson, of the West Oregon City schools, and Professor J. E. Calavan, of Maple Lane. The grammar school contest judges were Mrs. Shaw, principal of Milwaukie school, Mr. Anderson and Superintendent Gary.

All the speeches and essays were excellent. Five high schools and four grammar schools were represented in the contest. Professor Vedder, principal of the Gladstone school and president of the Clackamas County school league presided.

DISTRICT DISPLAY PLANNED

Many Sections To Have Exhibits at Clackamas Fair.

Secretary Lazelle, of the Clackamas County Fair Association, announced Wednesday that arrangements had been made for the district displays at the fair to be held on September 27, 28, 29 and 30. Maple Lane, Warner Grange, Barlow, Gladstone and Oak Grove are among the districts that will be represented. It is also thought that Mount Pleasant and Willamette will have displays.

MEETING CALLED TO AID RAILROAD

DIRECTORS OF CLACKAMAS SOUTHERN TO EXPLAIN BENEFITS ROAD WILL BRING

PROGRESS SO FAR MOST GRATIFYING

All Citizens of Oregon City Are Invited to Attend Meeting at the Commercial Club Rooms Friday Evening.

The directors of the Clackamas Southern Railway Company have been holding meetings in the county districts, which will be directly benefited by the building of the railway line from Oregon City to Molalla, and at those meetings, the people have demonstrated by their subscriptions to the capital stock that they mean business, and will assist in carrying out the plans heretofore endorsed by the Live Wires of the Oregon City Commercial Club, and which plans, the board of directors are strictly following.

At the county meetings, a great many people ask, "What are the Oregon City people doing?" and in order to show that the Oregon City people are alive to the situation, the board of directors have called a meeting to be held next Friday evening, in the rooms of the Oregon City Commercial Club, for the purpose of fully explaining to the Oregon City people what is being done by the company in carrying out the work.

Road to Aid Oregon City. Oregon City will be directly benefited in a great many ways: first, it will make a large territory of country which has heretofore been isolated, directly tributary to this city, and it will stimulate values of real estate in all parts of the city and greatly enhance the value of real property throughout the country tributary to the line. It will also make a market for thousands of car loads of cordwood, pulp, lumber and saw-logs that are practically inaccessible at present time, and it will greatly assist in building up Clackamas County in general.

The directors who consented to put in their time on this great project absolutely without salary, are entitled to the assistance of every business man in Oregon City, and in a few months, they will be able to see that their efforts have not been in vain.

The directors promised when they started in this work that every dollar paid in on stock subscriptions would be used in the construction work, and not a dollar would be used for salaries of the officers of the company, and they are carrying out that promise to the letter, and now they ask the business men in Oregon City to come forward and assist them in carrying on this work.

Many Inspect Grading Work. During the last few days a number of persons who live outside of Clackamas County, have inspected the grading work now being done on the line out of Oregon City, and all of those who have seen the work, expressed themselves as being surprised at the large amount of work accomplished for the money expended.

Every man and woman in Oregon City who is interested in this work should meet the board of directors at the Commercial Club rooms in Oregon City next Friday evening, when every detail of the construction work will be carefully explained.

MOLALLA TO CLIMB INTO BAND WAGON

CLACKAMAS SOUTHERN WILL BE PUSHED FROM THAT PLACE TOWARD TOWN.

The railroad meeting held at Molalla Saturday by the directors of the Clackamas Southern Railroad, was very well attended. More would have been out but the notice of the meeting was delayed and many could not arrange to be present.

The people of Molalla have been on the fence in the railroad matter for several weeks owing to the rumors emanating from Canby that a road is to be put into their country from that town by outside interests. This decision put something of a damper on the earlier part of the meeting but when the directors made it plain to those present that work would be started at Molalla and carried on from that end of the road just as soon as they themselves showed their intention of boosting the stock along with subscriptions for work either in money or work they fell off the fence on the Oregon City side in a hurry.

L. W. Robbins, J. W. Thomas and L. M. Toliver were appointed a committee to rustle stock subscriptions and arrange for another rally in a few days. The directors announced that work could begin at the Molalla end of the road within three or four days of the time the subscription list is brought to the point where it will pay for the grading of the line from the Molalla end back to a junction (Continued on Page 2.)

