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COURT DEFENDED BY JUDGE BEATIE

CHARGES ARE ANSWERED AT BIG MEETING OF TAXPAYERS OF COUNTY

ACCUSATIONS ARE MADE BY OLDS

Committee Appointed to Make Investigation of Expenditures—Question Quickly Answered

Whereas, charges have been made that county bridges were built at an excessive figure, and contracts therefor let contrary to law...

Whereas, the cost of repairing the court house was about double what the contractor offered to do...

Whereas, Mr. Beatie and Mr. Campbell object to the Farmer's Society of Equity using the courthouse...

Whereas, the contract has been let to cruise the timber of Clackamas County at a figure that appears excessive...

Therefore, we your committee on resolutions, recommend that a committee of three be appointed to investigate the above charges...

Judge Beatie said that the cruise of the timber would much more than pay for the work in increased taxes...

The speaker said the timber companies were willing to furnish cranes without charge...

Judge Beatie explained that there had been some criticism of the court because it had not advertised for bids for bridge work...

Judge Beatie then gave figures showing that the cost of the metal in the bridges and indicating the profits to the contractor...

The speaker announced that the grand jury had made an investigation of the improvement of the courthouse and found the cost to be no more than it should have been...

Mr. Lee, of Canby, insisted that the resolutions were not fair. He said that the thing to do was to make an investigation and if anything wrong was discovered to act...

Mr. Olds, who has bid on several bridges without getting any contracts, said several of the bridges built by the court were not used. He declared that the court had stilled competition and had always favored the Coast Bridge Company...

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JURIES FOR APRIL TERM ARE CHOSEN

The jury list for the April term of court has been completed. The first eleven men drawn from the following list compose the grand jury...

BEATIE EXONERATED BY HIGHER COURT

Circuit Judge Campbell has dismissed the contempt proceedings against County Judge Beatie in the suit involving the estate of a man whose body was found near Springbrook Schoolhouse, near Oswego, five years ago...

BEATIE HEADS LIST FOR U. S. MARSHAL

SENATORS CHAMBERLAIN AND LANE SEND NAMES TO PRESIDENT

HEDGES IS AFTER ATTORNEYSHIP

All Applications, Letters of Indorsement and Petitions are Turned Over to the Attorney General

WASHINGTON, April 3.—Senators Chamberlain and Lane have agreed on practically every Oregon appointment except a few postmasters...

Chamberlain today sent to Attorney General all applications, letters of endorsement and petitions received by him in behalf of the following named candidates for positions in Oregon under the jurisdiction of the department of justice...

He also sent to the secretary of the interior applications of the following candidates for surveyor general of Oregon: Seth Catlin, George Garrett, R. W. Hagood, E. G. Worth, John A. McQuinn, all of Portland...

RESTRAINING ORDER IN DIVORCE SUIT GRANTED

In the divorce suit of Mary Kline against George E. Kline, an order was issued Saturday restraining Kline, the defendant, from selling real and personal property and disposing of a promissory note for \$3500.

HALTAMONT TO BE IN BOOSTER HORSE SHOW

Haltamont, probably the best race horse ever raised in Oregon, will be one of the attractions at the horse show and booster celebration to be given in this city April 25 and 26...

WIRES TO AID IN BIG COURT PROBE

EBY, U'REN AND LODER WILL ASSIST COMMITTEE NAMED BY FARMERS

DISINTERESTED MEN ARE DESIRED

Organization Members Delighted Over Appointment of Griffith Head of Portland Railway, Light & Power Company

The Live Wires of the Oregon City Commercial Club, at their weekly luncheon Tuesday, took a hand in the game of investigating the county court and authorized the appointment of a committee of three to cooperate with the three named at a mass meeting held here last Saturday...

INCOME TAX-BILL GOES TO CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, April 7.—Included in the Democratic tariff revision bill introduced into Congress today is an income tax section which would require every resident of the United States who earns more than \$400 a year to pay a tax of 1 per cent on his earnings in excess of the exemption...

PROF. HOWE LAUDS OREGON CITY SCHOOL

Professor Howe, of the Department of Literature of the University of Oregon, addressed the student body of the high school at its assembly Friday on "Literature of the Present as based on the Social Life."

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COLLECTION OF TAXES SETS NEW RECORD

Sheriff Mass has made the following report of his office for six months from October 1 to March 31, Cash on hand October 1, 1912, \$3,477; tax collections prior to 1913 roll, \$29,594.69; tax sales, \$5,301.75; tax collections, current year, \$526,644.55; fees collected, \$238.45; total cash collected, \$561,961.89; paid county treasurer tax sales, \$5,316.95; paid county treasurer tax collections prior to 1913, \$29,182.29; paid county treasurer tax collections current year, \$520,725.25; paid county treasurer fees collected, \$338.45; cash on hand April 1, \$6,395.04; total, \$661,961.89. The collection of taxes so far this year sets a new record.

WILSON CHEERED READING MESSAGE

PRESIDENT FIRST SINCE JOHN ADAMS TO EXERCISE GREAT PRIVILEGE

HOUSE CHAMBER HOLDS VAST THRONG

Envoys of All Nations and Women of Congressmen and Senators Fill Big Gallery

WASHINGTON, April 8.—President Wilson stood on the Speaker's rostrum in the hall of the House today and personally read his first message to Congress, the first President since John Adams...



Woodrow Wilson, first President to read message to Congress, since John Adams.

Identified since John Adams, who was inaugurated in 1797, to exercise that privilege.

The renewal of a custom of a century abandoned and now surrounded by such wide differences of opinion among members of Congress itself, attracted to the Capitol an assemblage necessarily less in numbers but certainly no less distinguished than the company which attended the President's inauguration.

A moving picture machine was installed to preserve a record of the historic event for the government's archives.

President Wilson slipped away from the White House quietly after the Cabinet meeting, accompanied only by his secretary and one secret service man, and upon arriving at the Capitol was escorted to the rostrum in the House, where Speaker Clark sat at once side and Vice-President Marshall at the other.

CLUB DECIDES TO BUILD SIDEWALK

The Mount Pleasant Civic Improvement Club Tuesday night decided to build a sidewalk on the east side of the road as far as the material on hand would go, providing the residents would agree to build the walk to the cut-off. It was decided that the sidewalk committee should investigate the planting of telephone poles, digging of ditches, etc.

JUDGE CLEARS UP COURT CALENDAR

62 ACTIONS DISMISSED OWING TO FAILURE OF LITIGANTS TO COME TO TRIAL

OLDEST OF SUITS FILED IN 1895

Cases Embrace Every Variety, Including Divorces, Recovery of Debts and Damages

Circuit Judge Campbell on Wednesday cleared the court docket of over three score cases that have been cluttering up the records from as far back as 1895. These cases have never been brought up for trial, attorneys in them either asking for delays or having made settlements before the litigants reached the bar.

HACKETT PRAISED FOR HILLSBORO WORK

C. E. Hackett, of Oregon City, Saturday evening, filed his report on the books of the officials of Washington County, covering the last term of office, and the present term as far as the tenure has extended. He was assisted by T. S. Weathered, and commends Mr. Weathered's work very highly.

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PLANS FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL MEET MADE

Plans have been completed for the Oregon State Sunday School Convention which will be held in this city April 24, 25 and 26. Speakers from all parts of the state will be in attendance as well as delegates from virtually every Sunday school in the Western part of the state.

RAILWAY BOUGHT BY P. R. L. & P. COMPANY

A deed conveying from the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company to the Portland, Eugene & Eastern Railroad of way and equipment from way Company the electric railway Willamette to Oswego was filed in Recorder Dedman's office Thursday.

BOOSTING GREAT THING, DECLARES O. D. EBY

O. D. Eby was the principal speaker at a big meeting of the West Side Improvement Club in the schoolhouse at Bolton Thursday night. The house was crowded and Mr. Eby's address on "Boosting" was interesting and thoroughly appreciated.

GRIFFITH NAMED RAILROAD HEAD

FORMER OREGON CITY MAN TO BE PRESIDENT OF P. R. L. & P. CO.

LIVE WIRES HIS FIRST INDORSERS

Honor is Deserved by Man Who Studied Law While Working in Mills and Became Great Advocate

Franklin T. Griffith, for years general attorney of the Portland Railway Light & Power Company, and a resident of Oregon City for years, Monday was elected by the board of directors as vice-president, and will, upon July 1, succeed B. S. Josselyn as president. The selection was made, it is announced, for the purpose of meeting the wishes of the community that a local man be appointed to direct the policies of the company, when Mr. Josselyn retires.

MONTAG FAVORED FOR U. S. MARSHAL

SENATORS LANE AND CHAMBERLAIN REPORTED AGREED ON PORTLAND MAN

MYERS PICKED FOR POSTMASTER

Reames and Worth in Lead for Big Offices—Burke to be New Collector of Customs

WASHINGTON, April 5.—There has been no little disappointment over the decision of the Oregon Senators not to make public their recommendations for appointment for federal berths. At the offices of the various cabinet members there is no greater disposition to reveal the names recommended than is shown by the Senators, and the distress of the applicants is plainly manifest even this far from Oregon.

GRASSY WOODS TO BE OPENED

Grassy woods on the east side of the city will be opened for settlement by the Oregon City Commercial Club.

REAR END COLLISION SUIT

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