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ASKS HIS MOTHER TO FORGIVE HIM

WRITES LETTER TELLING OF IMMEDIATE RETURN TO THE STATE

FRIENDS BELIEVED HIM TO BE DEAD

River is Dragged and Posses Sent Out to Search for Him Over Route He was Thought to Have Taken

After disappearing from his home in this city the latter part of March, 1912, and being rumored as dead by his friends and relatives, Lloyd E. Williams, former recorder for Clackamas county, has at last been heard from in Australia.

On March 31 last year, Williams announced to his friends that he was going fishing on Clackamas river and Clear Creek, he told his wife and friends that he was going to the Golf Links and there transfer to a car which would carry him to the fishing grounds. At the time of his departure he carried a fishing outfit and was dressed in the clothes he usually wears when he went on such an expedition. His family expected his return on the next Tuesday but he failed to appear. Wednesday a quiet search was started, but without results and the sheriff was notified later on in the week. The entire county side was searched, the Clackamas river was dragged, and all those living of the county were examined, but no clue could be found concerning the missing man.

Victim of Accident?

It was thought at the time that he was the victim either of foul play or of an accident. He was dressed in old clothes and at the time of his departure had only six dollars with him.

Thought Him Dead.

The family mourned him as dead as every indication appeared to point to that conclusion. His mother and friends had given up hope of ever seeing him again.

Goed to Australia.

The letter told of his sudden departure from this city and his arrival in San Francisco on April 3. From that city he sailed at once for Australia, arriving there sometime during the month. According to the letter, he was destitute at the time of his landing on that continent and secured work. Soon after his arrival, however, he was taken down with pneumonia and confined to a hospital for a number of months. It is thought probable that it has been only recently that he was able to resume work of any kind.

WHOLE DELEGATION FROM ALL PARTS OF STATE WILL VISIT HERE

LIVE WIRES TAKE THEM IN TOW

Program Will Make Things Hum for Two Days of Exciting Session

Next Year—President Accepts Invitation

One hundred editors, representing many newspapers of the state will meet in the 1914 session of the Oregon State Editorial association in Oregon City next September.

VAN BRAKLE WINS FIRST LEGAL POINT

The first step in the battle through the courts between Dr. J. A. Van Braakle, county health officer, and the Clackamas County Medical society broke Friday when Judge J. U. Campbell sustained the motion of the defendant and struck out certain sections of the complaint.

CANBY MAN IS KILLED ON TRIP

BIRD FLIES UP BETWEEN HUNT. ERS AND TWIG GETS HOLD ON GUN

MEDICAL AID ARRIVES TOO LATE

Death Follows Instantly—Body is Taken into City to Await Coming of Coroner—Leaves Several Relatives

CANBY, Ore., Nov. 18.—(Special)—Louis Myers, of this city, was accidentally shot and killed this afternoon at 5:30 o'clock while hunting in the Pudding river bottom about five miles from here.

He was hunting with three companions, Claude Dick, Chester Will, and a man named Kruger. The four were walking single file through the thick brush in the river bottom when a bird flew up between Will and Myers. Both hunters raised their guns to shoot but the weapon of Will caught on a twig and was discharged.

The lead struck Myers in the back and many of the shot penetrated through to the spinal column. As soon as possible after the accident was sent to Canby and Dr. Wang hurried to the place in an automobile. But he was too late for the victim of the accident was dead before aid arrived.

Myers was about 26 years old and had lived in this part of the country most of his life. Besides his mother, he leaves two brothers, Herbert and John, and one sister, Mrs. Hattie Myers, of Portland. He was well known in Canby and the surrounding country having graduated from the Canby school and worked in and around this city ever since.

Coroner William Wilson was summoned from the county seat and arrived here between nine and ten o'clock.

SHOOTING IS HELD TO BE AN ACCIDENT

CANBY, Ore., Nov. 19.—(Special)—Coroner Wilson arrived in this city this morning to hold an inquest over the body of Louis Myers, who was accidentally shot yesterday afternoon while hunting with four companions in the Pudding river bottom about five miles from here.

The verdict, in substance, was that the shooting was purely accidental and the Chester Will, who had the gun, was free from blame.

FREYTAG WORKS FOR ONE LARGE EXHIBIT

O. E. Freytag represented Clackamas county at Salem at a meeting of the valley counties for the purpose of planning a joint exhibit at the Panama Pacific Exposition at San Francisco. The counties organized under the name "The Willamette Valley Exposition Association," and there was an enthusiastic attendance from all eight counties, and a lively interest was manifested.

Mr. Freytag was appointed one of the executive committee, the first meeting of which was held at Imperial Hotel in Portland Tuesday at 2:30 p. m.

LINEN FACTORY MAY BE BUILT

PORTLAND ATTORNEY TALKS OF FLAX AND A MILL TO HANDLE PRODUCT

TO START WORK ON A BIG SCALE

Figure on Original Capital of at Least \$200,000 and a Payroll of One Hundred Men—Later Enlarge Force

An industry that will start out with a capital of \$200,000 and grow to a business of \$1,000,000 may be started in Oregon City by Charles R. Ritter, a Portland attorney, and his backers. At a meeting of the Live Wires Tuesday, Mr. Ritter spoke of the advantages that this climate offers for the production of flax and said that the country is the native home of the product. The mill would be the only one in the state as the one that formerly ran at Salem was burned and has never been rebuilt. The plan now includes a capitalization of \$200,000 as a starter and means that the greater proportion of this money would be raised in Portland and the remainder, possibly 25 per cent, would be taken from the town in which the mill is located.

Eugene Basse, one of the foremost flax authorities of the country and owner of the Salem mill, is interested in this proposition and is supporting the men who are promoting it. They believe that the Willamette valley is the ideal spot for the production of flax and that a linen mill of this kind, located in the heart of such a valley where the crop can be so easily produced, would be a paying investment for the stockholders.

The plan now included the employment of 100 men to begin the operation of the plant and an increase in the force and payroll as soon as the business conditions justify such an enlargement. If the plant is located at Oregon City, it means the marketing of all of the flax production of the valley at this point, it is claimed, and the bringing into the town a large volume of business here every year.

COUNTY TO SEND OUT CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Clackamas county is going to send Christmas greeting to a whole lot of people who so far haven't been sure whether Clackamas was the name of a county or of something good to eat. At last such is the plan of O. E. Freytag, publicity manager of the Oregon City Commercial club, who wants everybody in the county who has come here from outside to send him at once the name and address of some friend or other person "back home."

Once having received these names, it is the intention of Mr. Freytag to send next month to each person so indicated a pretty Christmas card, bearing a Clackamas county view upon its face, and usual Yuletide decoration of holly and berries. On this card will be printed an inscription somewhat as follows:

"Christmas greeting from Clackamas county, Oregon, where you ought to live and be happy. Write to the Oregon City Commercial club for information regarding this land of promise, and then you will see why you ought to come to the farthest West and grow up with the county."

Mr. Freytag expects that there will be a ready reply to his request for names, and assures everyone that the Christmas cards will be attractive in every way—for they are to be printed in Oregon City.

JUDGE SLOWS UP ON INJUNCTION ORDERS

Judge J. U. Campbell has refused to grant a temporary restraining order in the Hilshor case out of the circuit court on the ground that the complaint did not allege fraud and that he would issue no injunction until both sides had had an opportunity to present their facts.

The town went dry at the last election and the wets brought in a complaint asking the court to restrain the county court from filing the order. The facts set forth were about the same as in the Oregon City suit.

JUDGE WILL SELECT A COUNTY SEALER

Clackamas county is to have a deputy sealer of weights and measures as soon as the required apparatus arrives from the east, according to the plan of Judge H. S. Anderson.

Under the state law, the county court may fill that position but he will be under the control of the state treasurer, who has charge of that department.

LOYD E. WILLIAMS



Former County Recorder, who disappeared mysteriously and is returning to his family.

OFF TO CHICAGO WITH EXHIBIT

STATE'S DISPLAY AND ITS DELEGATES GO TO LAND SHOW THIS YEAR

CLACKAMAS COUNTY HAS MATERIAL

Takes Prominent Part in Features of Resources and is a Credit to Produce of Valley But Has No Agent

The executive committee of the Willamette Valley Exposition association met Tuesday afternoon in the parlors of the Imperial hotel in Portland for a conference. Some matters were taken up when an invitation was received from O. M. Clark, president of the Oregon State commission of the Panama Pacific exposition, to meet with him in his office. The meeting adjourned to Mr. Clark's rooms, and the conference was continued with Mr. Clark present.

The committee asked the state commission for space 20x100 feet in the Oregon building. A space 20x100 feet is to be asked for in the Agricultural hall for placing a competitive exhibit which will be entered for premium.

Arrangements have been made for a great display of processed fruits from the valley counties and with the available supply to draw from this will be an attractive feature of the exhibit. Arrangements have been made for the accommodation of the county representative in the Oregon building.

Plans and profile of the Oregon building are on file in the rooms of the Oregon commission, 418 Commercial club building, Portland, and may be seen there. The commission is taking a lively interest in, and is cooperating with the counties in their work of arranging for fine exhibits.

After the meeting adjourned a number of the delegates left immediately to be asked for in the Agricultural hall for placing a competitive exhibit which will be entered for premium.

CONVENTION ELECTS LIST OF OFFICERS

The Clackamas County Sunday School association on Tuesday night closed a very successful convention at Milwaukie, and elected the following officers: Mrs. W. A. White, Oregon City, president; Burgess Ford, Estacada, first vice-president; A. J. Burdett, Canby, second vice-president; Rev. E. A. Smith, Oregon City, secretary; Mrs. Carl Smith, Jennings Lodge, elementary department; Mrs. E. B. Andrews, Oregon City, secondary department; John W. Loder, Oregon City, adult department; Mrs. J. R. Nash, Milwaukie, home department; F. J. S. Toole, Oregon City, teachers' training department; Samuel L. McDonald, Oregon City, temperance department; Mrs. W. H. Lucke, Canby, missions; E. M. Smith, Sandy, evangelistic department.

ENJOYABLE PARTY AT GLADSTONE HOME

A merry party gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Catto in Gladstone Saturday in honor of the eighth birthday of their son Everett. The afternoon was spent with games and music, after which light refreshments were served. Those present were: Leonard Thome, Reggie Russell, Charles Calkins, Randolph Surface, Oscar Berg, Eldin Schooley, Ernest Schooley, Myrtle Howell, Cleo Howell and Elvin Catto.

ACTION FILED JUST TOO LATE

WETS LET TIME SLIP BY WHILE MATTER IS DEBATED AT SALEM

THEY WANT A RESTRAINING ORDER

Claim Election Was Held Illegally and Taxpayers Will Have to Meet Increase in Taxes in the City

Forty-five minutes after the order had been entered by the county court prohibiting the sale of liquor in the city limits after January 1, Lawrence Ruonleth brought a complaint asking the circuit court to restrain the county officials from declaring the election results.

The complaint asks that the court restrain the county court from entering such an order on the ground that the submission of the question of prohibition at a special election was "illegally" and the results of that "pretended" election void. He also alleged that the loss of the \$10,000 revenue from the saloons would necessitate higher taxes in the city and the property owners would be compelled to pay more money into the city treasury following the loss of this material source of revenue.

The complaint recites all of the acts done by the city and county officials in submitting this question to the people of the municipality at this time. It mentions the appointment of the judges and clerks of the election and the fact that the returns were certified to the county clerk. It also points out that the time at which this election was held was not the regular date for a city election and that the question of prohibition was submitted to the people at a special time.

The complaint finally concludes by asking the court to restrain the county court from entering its order and declaring prohibition in effect in the city after the first of the year.

The county court met Saturday morning and certified the returns. It then issued an order prohibiting liquor within the city limits of Oregon City after January 1 and declared the election of the county under the provisions of the local option law.

The order was filed at 9:45 o'clock. The complaint was filed at 10:30 o'clock. Attorneys say that the complaint is worthless as it asks the court to restrain the officials from doing what they have already done. They say that the only hope the wets have in this county is to bring an action in the circuit court asking for an order setting aside the decision of the lower court. The hearing on the complaint will be had before Judge J. U. Campbell next Saturday.

TURNER WILL PROBABLY ACCEPT PRESIDENCY

HARRISBURG, Pa., Nov. 19.—While Governor John E. Tener, of Pennsylvania, has given no public intimation as to what he intends to do, it is believed by those who know him best that he will accept the presidency of the National Baseball league, which was offered him here today by a majority of the club presidents of that organization. Every club in the league, with the exception of St. Louis, whose president was unable to attend, was represented in the meeting at which the offer was made.

GARY APPRECIATED BY FELLOW WORKERS

The teachers of the West Linn schools have sent to retiring Superintendent T. J. Gary a letter of appreciation. It is signed by C. F. Anderson, principal, Ethel Tripp, Pearl Bailey, Rhea Benson, Hattie Nichols, and Lola Cooley. It is as follows: "We, the teachers in the West Linn schools, desire now upon your retirement from the office of superintendent of Clackamas county to express again our gratitude for your services in that office."

"During your six years' service, teachers, patrons and pupils have received not only fair but generous treatment by your office. You have promoted such school enterprises as are wholesome and progressive. "With the clamor of prejudice you have dealt gently and wisely. Both the county and the state are the better for your example and your administration. You will live long in the chambers of memory."

MEN'S CLUB SHOWS APPRECIATION OF GARY

Twenty-two members of the Clackamas County Men's Teachers' club held their regular meeting at the Wichita school Saturday night and informally discussed several matters of general interest to the county schools. The club presented to T. J. Gary, the retiring county superintendent, a pair of cuff links, stick pin, and a tie clip. The appropriate remarks accompanied the presentation and a general expression of appreciation for the work that the former superintendent had done.

J. E. Calavan, who takes over the office Monday was present at the meeting. After the business of the evening was over, the ladies gave the men a banquet. The next meeting will be held January 3 at Concord.

WEST LINN IS BUSY WITH ITS ELECTIONS

West Linn is busy with elections for next month and politics is humming across the river. On December 2, the city will vote for its new officers and on the twenty-ninth it will vote for a city charter.

There are several candidates in the field for every office except mayor, no opposition appearing to J. B. Lewthwaite. The others whose names are either mentioned in petitions already filed or that will be before November 26 are, recorder, L. L. Porter and J. Nichols; treasurer, Meta Finley Thayer, Michael E. Clancey; marshal, P. J. Winkle, J. Endres, H. C. Green; alderman, select six, L. L. Pickens, I. S. Lyssell, Charles S. Shields, N. T. Humphries, S. B. Shadle, K. McLarty, F. A. Hammerle, and A. Volpp.

Should the charter election carry, the new city would have charge of the funds for the road district and would spend \$25,000 for the improvement of the roads inside of the city limits.

CARVER WINS IN PORTLAND FIGHT

COMMISSION GRANTS HIM FRANCHISE THROUGH THE CITY'S HEART

OREGON CITY IS KEY TO NEW LINE

Last Point to Consider Franchise for Road and Nearly All of Right-of-Way Has Now Been Given Company

By unanimous vote the Portland commissioners yesterday granted a 25-year franchise to the new Portland & Oregon City Railroad company. This is the Carver road which has a franchise pending now before the city council of Oregon City to enter this place via Water street. The franchise as granted by the Portland commissioners, terminates in the very heart of Portland via the Hawthorne bridge, and entering the metropolis at the city limits on East Seventeenth street. The route as granted in Portland, will be as follows:

From the city limits on the south on East Seventeenth to Mall street, to East Fifteenth, to Beacon, to East Tenth, to Brooklyn, to East Ninth, to East Market, to East Third, to East Morrison, to East Third to Hawthorne avenue, across Hawthorne bridge, to Front, to Salmon, to Fourth, to Flanders, to Twelfth.

With the granting of the Portland franchise the right-of-way for practically the whole distance between Oregon City is assured, as Gladstone and Milwaukie have both previously granted franchises to Mr. Carver, and the right-of-way in the country has practically been secured for the whole distance. About four miles of the grading on the new line has been completed and a large force of men is at work now. The bridge across the Clackamas river between Gladstone and Parkplace has already been started, as the company desired to get the concrete piers in before the high water sets in for the winter.

The franchise which comes up before the Oregon City council Friday night enters Oregon City by way of Center street, thence along Center to Fifteenth, thence from Fifteenth to Water, and there along Water street to the southerly terminus thereof.

According to the franchise, work is to commence within three months and completed within eighteen months thereafter and cars must be in operation by that time. With favorable action by the council Friday evening, active work will start in this vicinity at an early date.

ELECTRICITY WILL SOON LIGHT MOLALLA

Molalla will probably have electric lights in a short time if the plans of the new interests which have bought out the Aurora Electric company are carried out.

The final details of the transfer of the ownership of the Aurora Electric company from the Hurst family to a Portland syndicate, said to be controlled by the elder brother of Walter Moore, was arranged this last week.

CREDITORS ELECT CONCERN'S TRUSTEE

Examination into the bankruptcy of the Takao Brothers was conducted before B. N. Hicks, referee, in the county court room Friday afternoon by the creditors of the defunct concern. The brothers are Japanese and have been engaged in the wood business in the county. Their liabilities are given as \$35,000 and their assets, covered mostly by mortgages, around, \$20,000.

FIRWOOD FARMER TAKES TWO LIVES

SPENDS DAY IN OREGON CITY AND FIRES SHOT BEFORE NEXT SUN

HE NOTIFIES HIS FATHER OF THE ACT

Aged Parent Does Not Realize the Meaning of Statements Until Too Late to Prevent Final Crime

"I have killed Amanda and now I am going to kill myself." With these words to his father, Thomas Francis McCabe, a farmer, age 34 years, living near Firwood, killed his child, and before his deaf and feeble father could realize what had happened, turned, walked back to his home, laid himself beside his wife, whom he had already killed, and shot himself through the brain.

The tragedy occurred on an early hour Thursday morning. It is thought that the wife who is 24 years old, was killed before day break, although McCabe did not visit his father's place until about seven o'clock.

They were in Oregon City Wednesday of this week until close to four o'clock when they started to drive back to their farm near Firwood. This town is seven miles beyond Sandy and about 30 miles from this city. The roads are reported in a bad condition and it is thought by Coroner Wilson that the couple probably did not reach their home until it was close to daylight Thursday morning.

Before Daybreak. It was probably before daylight that McCabe shot and killed his wife. The murder was committed in the second story of the house, in the hall. The wife was found with her head on a pillow and her hands folded on her breast.

After shooting his wife, McCabe went to his father's farm and told him of his deed and of his intention of killing himself. After doing this, he picked up his child, kissed him and walked back to his house. The old man is feeble and deaf and the meaning of his son's words were not realized until the latter had fired the bullet which ended his life.

Doctor Too Late. A physician was hastily called from Sandy but there was no use for his services as both of the McCabes had been instantly killed. The coroner and sheriff were notified and started for the scene of the crime about noon and arrived there close to four o'clock. At first it was thought that an inquest would be held over the bodies of the victims of the murder and suicide, but, owing to the circumstances of the crime, Coroner Wilson and Sheriff Mass returned late Thursday evening without doing so.

The McCabes had two children; a girl of three years and a boy of five. At the time of the tragedy, the boy was staying at the home of his grandfather, T. F. McCabe, but the baby girl was found with her parents, waiting for her dead mother.

Married Second Time. The couple were married about six years ago and were divorced sometime in 1912. In September of this year, the pair met again in a Willamette valley hop field and were married for a second time.

About a week ago McCabe visited Sheriff Mass, of Oregon City, and asked the procedure necessary to have his wife committed to the state asylum for the insane. The sheriff replied that it would be necessary to petition the county court and that an examination would be made, at which various questions would be asked concerning the age, birthplace, and other details of the life of the woman. The man seemed disappointed and replied that his wife could answer all such questions.

FOUTS LOSES IN FIGHT FOR NOTE

JURY DOES NOT ALLOW THE COLLECTION OF SUM FOR ATTORNEY FEES

BELIEVES IT WAS A MEMORANDUM

Given For Services if They Were Needed and Not to Be Donated Unless Work Was Done, is Court's Belief

Seneca Fouts received the cold shoulder in the circuit court Thursday when the jury refused to honor a note that he had presented through the Clackamas County Bank at Sandy.

Fouts is an attorney of Portland and was closely identified with the rioters there a few weeks ago. He received a note signed by F. J. Gertrude, O. and T. D. Phelps for \$500 which they claimed had been given to him as a memorandum of an agreement that the money would be forthcoming in case the Multnomah county grand jury indicted F. J. Phelps who was at that time being investigated.