

# SHORT WEIGHTS TO BE EXPOSED

### DEPUTY SEALER APPOINTED TO CHECK OVER SCALES AND CORRECT THEM

### MERCHANTS IGNORANT OF FAULT

Many Do Not Know Condition of the Balances Upon Which They Measure Out Goods to Their Customers.

In accordance with the promise that had been made to the Live Wires and other organizations of the city, the county court Tuesday appointed William Grisenthwaite of Beaver Creek, deputy sealer of weights and measures.

The action of the court was taken upon the recommendation of the Live Wires and the authority given to the court by the new state law. The statute allows the county court to appoint a deputy sealer for the county and to give him such pay as may be proper in the judgment of the county officials.

The appointment does not take effect until after the first of the year. Some complaint has been received from various parts of the county that dealers were not giving the correct weight or measure in their transactions with their customers. In order to show the merchant just where his scales are at fault or his measures short, the dealer will be furnished with a standard set and will check up each store that he visits. Those who have favored the appointment of such a deputy have believed that many of the merchants who have been complained of by their customers have not really known that their scales were short.

In order to show them where they have been wrong, the sealer will compare the scales with the standards that he receives from the state department and will make such corrections as may be needed to bring them up to what they should be. In case he finds that such a course is impossible, he will have the authority to condemn the weights or measures until such time as they are properly corrected or new ones are bought.

# OLD WARRIOR'S COUSIN DIES

### MRS. C. W. SCHULTZ PASSES AWAY AT HOME AFTER YEAR'S ILLNESS

### STOMACH CANCER CAUSES DEATH

### Funeral Will Be Held in Portland Under Direction of Rector of Episcopal Church—Here Nine Years

Mrs. W. Chambers Schultz, wife of Dr. W. C. Schultz, died at 11:02 o'clock Friday night at the home of her son in Gladstone, after an illness of one year. Death was caused by cancer of the stomach. The funeral will probably be held Sunday at the Portland Crematorium in Sellwood, and Rev. C. W. Robinson, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church of Portland, will officiate at the services.

Mrs. Schultz was born in Iowa December 9, 1855, and was 58 years of age. She came from a prominent family, her maiden name being Miss Marie Sherman. She was a cousin to General William T. Sherman and to Senator John Sherman of Ohio. Nine years ago she came with her family to Oregon City.

She is survived by her husband and three children, Dr. Fred P. Schultz, of Port Dodge, Ia.; Mrs. H. C. Wright, of Husum, Wash.; and Will S. Schultz, of Gladstone, and one grandchild. All of her children were at her bedside when she died. Mrs. Schultz was a singer and pianist of ability and had a broad musical education.

# PENSION BILL GETS CONSIDERATION SOON

Meade Post number two has appealed to Congressman Hawley and Senator Chamberlain in behalf of Oregon Washburns for an increased pension and the delegation in the national capitol has quickly responded with a bill instructing the secretary of the interior to enlarge the pension.

# CLASSMATES ATTEND FUNERAL OF GIRL

Gladstone, Ore., Dec. 19.—(Special)—The funeral of Bertha Lowe was held this afternoon at two o'clock at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lowe, Rev. Roy L. Dunn, officiating. Interment was made in Mountain View cemetery.

# Thirteenth Is Bad Day For Wife of Cruel Husband

February 13, 1913 was an unlucky day for Bathryn Hamilton. Out of her married life, she has had but one month of happiness. She avenges in her complaint for divorce filed in the circuit court of the county Tuesday that her husband, William W. Hamilton, beat and choked her every time he went into a fit of rage and that he used vile and indecent language in her presence.

# COMPANY TAKES LAST MINUTE TELEPHONE LINE ALMOST LOSES FRANCHISE TO OPERATE ON GLADSTONE STREETS

# STRINGENT CLAUSES OF ORDINANCE PROVISIONS PROTECT ALL INTERESTS OF TAXPAYERS, BUT GIVE CONCERN GOOD CHANCE TO CONDUCT BUSINESS

On the last hour of the last day, the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company accepted the franchise passed by the city council of Gladstone some time ago.

Shortly after the council passed the two ordinances, the Home Telephone company accepted its provisions without argument or quibbling. The Pacific company, however, has taken the last minute that the council gave it in which to file its acceptance of the provisions of the ordinance.

The franchise is a rather stringent one and protects all of the city's interests and gives the council complete control over the company at all times. Among the features are provisions that the company must get permission to erect poles on streets where they now exist, the city council reserves the right to regulate and control the erection of the poles and lines, prohibits the destruction or defacing of any trees without permission, requires one per cent of the gross revenues as a bonus to the city for the franchise annually, contains a common user clause, and requires that the company shall maintain the same rates that are maintained in Oregon City.

The franchises have been pending before the city council of Gladstone for sometime and were passed at a recent session. The companies were given 30 days in which to file their acceptance of the provisions. The last hour was 5 o'clock Friday afternoon and the acceptance was filed with the city recorder, John N. Seivers, at 4:30 o'clock.

# LIBRARY POPULAR PLACE, SAYS REPORT

An increased circulation of 1800, a total of 285 books received as donations to the library, and the suggestion that \$100 ought to be spent for volumes for the winter season are some of the features of the report of Helen L. Price, the librarian.

The institution has been through the year and still remains free to all residents of the county and the officials have made arrangements to give answers to reference questions by mail or telephone to all who want puzzles answered. Magazines are also offered to the ill and are to be given to residents in all sections of the county.

The libraries of the state university and other sources are being called upon to assist the work here and the German people of the county are receiving shipments of new books in their own language.

Summary of library statistics: Total number of volumes in the library, Number of volumes added during the year, Total circulation during the year, etc.

# WEST LINN INVITES ITS NEIGHBOR TO UNITE FORCES

West Linn's city council Saturday night invited Willamette to join with it under one form of government, believing it to be the best for the interests of all of the west side.

# LIQUOR CASE IN HIGHEST COURT

### DRY FORCES ARE NOTIFIED OF APPEAL MADE TO VOID DECISION

### ATTORNEYS ARE LOADED FOR BEAR

Believe Litigation Will Prove Interesting Before Fun Is Over and Issues Determined at Hearing

The Oregon City liquor cases are now pending in the supreme court of the state. With the Salem case and all of the others where the towns voted dry and the election was contested, the Oregon City suit will be determined by the highest court of the state.

Service was made on the attorneys for the dry forces and the transcript of the case has been filed in the highest court. Briefs will be filed within the next few days and the oral argument before the court may be set before the end of the year.

Because Gilbert L. Hedges is over crowded with work from the investigations of the grand jury and other business, the county court Tuesday appointed B. N. Hicks as its representative in the suit. The action is brought by Lawrence Ruonick against the county court asking that the declaration of the voters in the city during the wet and dry campaign here be set aside.

# TELEPHONE COMPANY BUSY IN GLADSTONE

Because the franchise had to go to the headquarters of the company in San Francisco, Manager Hall says the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company delayed its acceptance of the Gladstone ordinance. He claims that the company would have accepted the ordinance sooner but the matter had to be submitted to the headquarters of the concern and was several days on the road.

He approves the measure, personally, and did not quibble over the terms that the city council of Gladstone had made with the company before the franchise was granted.

Thirty contracts for the phone have already been signed in Gladstone and they will now be installed at once. The manager says his men have been held up by the time that it took the company to approve the franchise that had been submitted.

# CONTRACTORS CLOSE ON BIDS

Center Street Prices Are Different Only by Small Margin

Cross Assessments Considered

Bids for improvement work that the city council has in mind on Madison and Center streets were received at the meeting Friday night.

# DOCTOR EXPLAINS HOW IT HAPPENED

"Father J. J. Conway told me, when I dressed his wound, that he was hurt when lowering a sack at his home about 11 o'clock Thursday night. I can tell by the nature of the wound that it was not caused by a bullet, but probably by the ragged edge of glass."

# BLAZE STARTS AT HIGH SCHOOL

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Janitor at once located the cause of the trouble. No damage whatever was done. Had not the fire been found in time, it is possible that the entire building might have been destroyed even if all of the children managed to get away from the burning structure in time.

# STOCK IS DESTROYED

# Fire Rages Fiercely In Building of George A. Harding

One building destroyed, others more or less injured, a total loss of \$7000 on fixtures, stock and property is the story of the fire that gutted the business block of George A. Harding on Main street at 12 o'clock Sunday morning.

In a mysterious way, fire broke out in the rear of the Chicago Clothing store at 12 o'clock Sunday morning. It had evidently been burning there for sometime. Suddenly and without warning, the flames burst through the front glass doors of the building and smoke poured from the roof and upper windows.

The old stables were burned out during the summer months and construction of the new was started soon after on the same site on the corner of Main and Fourth streets. The building has not yet been completely finished in the second story but the first floor, occupied by the Elkhorn stables has been ready for several days.

The new place is one of the most complete in the county, being almost fire-proof and equipped with many modern conveniences. There is room for 40 horses and space enough for many automobiles and wagons.

# BURGLAR SHOOTS CATHOLIC PRIEST

### ATTEMPTS ROBBERY BUT FIRES WHEN HE IS DISCOVERED BY FATHER CONWAY

### TWO BULLETS TAKE EFFECT IN ARM

### Wounds Are Not Considered Serious Nature But Loss of Blood Causes Pastor to Faint Before Help Comes

Father J. J. Conway, of the New Era Catholic church, was shot in the hand and wrist by a burglar who entered his home at an early hour Friday morning. He was taken to an Oregon City doctor and the wound, which is not serious, was dressed.

About one o'clock in the morning the man broke in the house and began a search of the rooms. Father Conway was asleep but the noise made by the intruder awoke him and he started to arise. As soon as the unknown man saw that the father was awake, he pulled a gun and fired three shots, two of which took effect.

One shot struck the priest on the wrist and the other in the hand. The former bullet nearly cut an artery and the loss of blood caused Father Conway to faint.

# MANY DIVORCES ARE FILED AND GRANTED

Charges that he choked her and beat her, times are made in a complaint for divorce that has been filed in the circuit court by Wanda Jacobs against Rudolph. They were married at Altona, Germany, February 16, 1913. She asks for the decree and the custody of the minor child, Emmy.

# POPULAR GLADSTONE GIRL DIES AT HOME

Gladstone, Ore., Dec. 18.—(Special)—Bertha Lowe, the 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lowe, died at one o'clock this morning at the home of her parents in this city. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at one o'clock; Rev. R. L. Dunn officiating.

# COUNTY LOSES TWO ROAD SUITS

### ACTIONS BROUGHT BY HOLDERS OF LAND RESULT IN RESTRAINING ORDERS

### ADVERSE POSSESSION IS THE CLAIM

Litigation Starts When Old Court Takes Steps to Set Aside Strips For Public Uses and Farmers Object

Clackamas county lost two suits in the circuit court Thursday when Fred Molt and Matt Schweiger were granted restraining orders against the commissioners.

The actions in the court were brought by the plaintiffs to prevent the county from appropriating several strips of land running through their property for road purposes. The plaintiffs declared that the land was private property and that it had never belonged to the county which the officials alleged that the strips were public holdings because of adverse possession.

The matters have been pending in the court for sometime and were originally brought against the old county court. Maps and plats of the land in question were introduced during the progress of the trial before the circuit judge and the orders were signed in the suits Thursday.

# STABLES MOVE INTO NEW CONCRETE HOUSE

The work of moving the Elkhorn stables from their temporary quarters to their new two story concrete building has been completed, and the demolishing of the old structure is being finished. The Elkhorn stables are owned by W. J. Wilson.

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Molalla has come to the front for the Pacific Highway.

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The club asks the county court to make an appeal to the State Highway commission for a portion of that \$238,000 that has been raised by the tax of one-quarter mill on all of the property of the state. It believes that a better highway through the counties of Multnomah, Clackamas and Marion will bring the tourists of the east through this section of the state and will show them some of the advantages that the state possesses and which it has been advertising for several years.

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Resolutions Are Passed. Following are the resolutions passed by the Molalla Commercial club: "Whereas, the Pacific Highway is a main road leading from Alaska through the states of Washington, Oregon and California to Mexico. This road is to be used by the public traffic."

"Whereas, efforts have been made to direct this highway on the west side of the Willamette river through Newberg, etc."

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# Vags Must Work If City Buys Them A Hot Breakfast

The city council at its meeting Friday night instructed the chief of police, Ed Shaw, to place the men on the streets and have all of the thoroughfares through the city cleaned every day.

The chief made his weekly report to the council in which he said that the vagrants were given two cups of coffee and two large rolls every morning, costing the city six cents for each man. The council also passed a motion instructing the mayor to handle all cases of vagrancy in order to cut down the expense of their maintenance.

Hereafter the tramps will have to keep the streets of the city clean and will be sent out in gangs under the direction of an officer. Several nights the departments has had as many as 30 tramps in the jail at the same time.

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"Whereas, by having a first-class hard surface highway through our county it means that practically all of the overland travel from California to Oregon will pass by our door, and thereby enabling our visitors to see what nature has provided us with. Many investors will seek land opportunities here, etc."

"THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that our county court be asked to apply to the State Highway commission for a portion of that \$238,000.00 highway fund to be collected and that the same be expended on the Pacific Highway through Clackamas county."

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this community express to the county court our sympathy for this grand cause, and that we tend to them our support on anything they do with in legitimate bounds."

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these resolutions be made a part of these minutes and a copy thereof be sent to the county court."

The cost of living doesn't bother the Walla Walla farmer who got check for \$137,632.24 for his wheat crop.

# TWO TOWNS GET NEW CHARTERS

### WILLAMETTE AND MOLALLA TO VOTE ON MEASURES SUBMITTED AT ELECTIONS

### BOTH CARRY BY BIG MAJORITIES

### People Favor Regulations and Adopt Them After Campaigns—West Side Celebrates With Fireworks

Two Clackamas county cities, Willamette and Molalla, adopted their respective charters Monday by large majorities.

In Willamette the vote was two to one in favor of the new charter of 1913 to 44. This is the second election within the past five weeks, the first one being held on November 17. At the first election the charter carried by a majority of 75 to 70 but the question of its legality was raised and the council, to be on the safe side, determined to hold another election at which the same charter would be voted upon for a second time.

James Downey, who raised the objections to the first election will, it is said, protest this second one on the grounds that the charter has been changed by numbering the sections differently. Mr. Downey has been able to nullify several charters which the voters of the town have passed upon in the past.

At Molalla the vote was light, probably due to the fact that there was almost no opposition to the new set of laws. The final vote stood 62 for the charter and 13 against it. This is the first regular election at which the women of Molalla have had the chance to express their views.

After the election at Willamette, when it was certain that the charter had passed by a large majority, the large crowd, which waited for the final returns, celebrated the victory by shooting off fire works in front of the polling place.

# WOMEN APPEAL FOR WATER FALLS

### BEG CITY COUNCIL TO SAVE BEAUTIES OF CREEK AND ABANDON PLAN

### CANYON IS ONE OF CITY'S SIGHTS

### Fathers Decide to Alter Program and Natural Drainage Way Will Be Left Intact Though Will Build Sewer

Because of its many natural beauties, Singer Hill creek will not be turned through a cement sewer and carried into the river.

Many women appeared at the city council meeting Friday night and begged that the creek be left as it now is. During the winter months, the falls in the creek before it drops into the river through its canyon are particularly beautiful. The volume of water is large at this season of the year and the women thought that the creek was one of the sights of the city and that its beauties ought to be maintained by the council rather than destroyed by sending the waters through a sewer pipe.

The city fathers followed the program that the women outlined and the plan to place a large pipe in the canyon and carry the water to the river through it, together with the drainage of all of that part of the city, was abandoned.

Under the present program, the council will, instead, build the sewer down the street to handle the surplus drainage.

The mayor and city recorder will be instructed under an ordinance that has been introduced to contract with the Oregon Engineering & Construction company for a sewer down Seventh and Center streets in Eighth street at a cost of \$2100.

# OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE FARMERS' WEEK

### December 8 to 13, 1913

This will be a notable event in the educational history of Oregon. Farmers' Co-operation will be the leading topic of a stimulating series of lectures. The week will be crowded with discussions and demonstrations in everything that makes for the welfare of the farmer and home-maker.

January 5 to 30, 1914. The College has spared no effort to make this the most complete short course in its history. A very wide range of courses will be offered in General Agriculture, Horticulture, Apiculture, Husbandry, Dairying, Poultry Keeping, Mechanic Arts, Domestic Science and Art, Commerce, Forestry and Music. Numerous lectures, and discussions on FARMERS' CO-OPERATION at home and abroad, will be a leading feature. Make this a pleasant and profitable winter outing. No tuition. Accommodations reasonable. Reduced rates on all railroads. For further information address:

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