

BOOKS EXPLAINED AT NEW ERA

T. W. SULLIVAN AND JUDGE G. B. DIMICK TELL MERITS OF HARD SURFACE

EXCELLENT PROGRAM PRECEDESTALKS

Every Detail From Business and Economic Standpoint is Clearly Told by the Two Road Speakers

Warner Grange of New Era had an interesting meeting Saturday and immediately after the noon hour a program was rendered consisting of musical recitations and some short readings on Lincoln.

T. W. Sullivan and Grant B. Dimick of Oregon City, who were previously invited to be present and discuss the road bonding problem responded to the call of the lecturer and carefully outlined every detail of the road bonding question from an economic and business standpoint.

Mr. Sullivan Shows Waste. Mr. Sullivan, being an able and experienced engineer and not having any personal interest in the road question, other than pride for the welfare of his county, gave an interesting address on the economic waste of our present road system, as compared with the economic saving to the producer under well built hard surfaced roads over which the traffic of the county must be carried. He showed how Jackson county was building reinforced concrete roads sixteen feet wide under the bonding system by contract for nine thousand dollars per mile, and that Clackamas roads would not have to be that wide and therefore the cost could be brought below six thousand dollars per mile. Mr. Sullivan gave examples as to what other states were doing along the lines of permanent road improvement and the average cost per mile for the work. He was given close attention during his entire speech.

Tells How to Decrease Taxes. Judge Dimick first took up the history of the bonding law from the time it was proposed by the state grange to the present time, and the necessity of good permanent roads from the agricultural districts to the market places. He showed the average cost per annum for the repair and improvement of about ninety miles of the heaviest traveled roads in the county, and their present condition, and the economic saving that would accrue to the producer if the ninety miles were improved. He pointed out how this could be done without increasing the rate of taxation, or making it an additional burden on the taxpayer. Mr. Dimick enjoined the members of the grange not to fight the improvement of the roads on the ground that taxes are getting too high, but to cure the evil of increasing taxation by removing the cause and that can only be done by exercising more care in the selection of the members of the legislature and not send men there who will vote for every costly and expensive appropriation.

Judge Ryan of Salem was present and said that he was originally against the bonding for good roads, but after studying the question carefully, he had become convinced that the bonding for roads was good business policy and he made a strong argument in favor of it. A number of taxpayers were present who had never heard the question discussed and were opposed to the bonding the county for roads, but after hearing it carefully explained, stood up in the meeting and said that they understood the question now and favored it.

Responsibilities Rest Heavy On American Citizens, Says Dr. Ford

In Prelude to Sermon Sunday He Shows the Duty Which is Placed on Every Voter—Points Out Questions Which Must be Settled

In a prelude to his sermon last Sunday evening Dr. T. B. Ford, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church, spoke on "Responsibilities of the Citizen in the Present Political Crisis." He said: "Citizenship is acquired by birth, or naturalization. The acquired relation involves rights and responsibilities, the latter commensurate with the former. The responsibilities can not be thrown off, nor disregarded, nor trifled with, without culpability of the individual, in justice to other members of the social compact, and injury to the state. "Old political lines are breaking up, new alignments are being formed. Old issues are dead; new issues are to the front. "The birth of political parties has marked the opening of new eras in the development of our national life. Some of these parties have passed; others are in the process of change, or decay. Some have made history. Some have left no monument. Parties never die, principles never die. Parties may be effected from the tablets of time, works abide. When the arm that bore the banner was too feeble to carry it to the summit of triumph, other hands have taken the standard and borne it aloft until victory perched upon it. "The leaders of the old abolition party were prophets and ready for martyrdom, and the principles they announced were immortal, but the party passed, and the Republican party under the leadership of Abraham Lincoln, philosopher, statesman, philanthropist, took up their cause and saw it glorified. The foremost men of the Populist party were seers, and started a great movement but the Democratic party set a vision and following that intrepid leader, William Jennings Bryan, took the banner of the people's party, and were marching to victory only to discover that the Republicans under Roosevelt, were incorporating in their administration about all that was worth contending for, and if the Taft administration has not proved a colossal failure the Democrats might not be in control of the national government to-day. Mr. Taft retired and with him the old stand-paers, and Mr. Wilson, succeeded to the presidency, and by a strong personality, and the use of other "effective means" has given us an unprecedented administration thus far, and enforced politics and legislation that will open a new epoch in Americanism, and may prolong Democratic supremacy. "Is there a 'present political crisis'?" "The facts to which I have already referred are sufficient to justify the

BOARD OF CONTROL RELEASED BY COURT

SALEM, Ore., March 3.—Governor West, Secretary Olcott, State Treasurer Kay, constituting the state board of control and arrested by Labor Commissioner Hoff in the charge of violating the eight-hour law by working employees at the Insane Asylum and penitentiary more than eight hours a day, were ordered discharged from custody by the supreme court today, the court holding, in an opinion written by Justice Frank A. Moore, that none of the employees covered by the complaints labored more than eight hours a day.

CAVILL DIES IN WATER

FORMER INSTRUCTOR AT M. A. A. C. ATTEMPTS LONG SWIM

SEATTLE, March 2.—Arthur Cavill, former swimming instructor of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic club, was practically frozen to death during his attempt to swim across the Seattle bay. This statement was made by the physicians who attended the famous swimmer after he had been taken out of the water.

A strong current carried Cavill out of his course and he swam full four miles during the hour and ten minutes that he was in the water. He was but 500 yards from the finish when those who were following in a row boat noticed that he was getting weak and tired.

As the boat came close to him, Cavill grabbed it and then became unconscious. He died shortly after reaching the shore without regaining consciousness.

SIX ENTER RACE FOR LEGISLATURE

Five Republicans have announced their candidacy for nomination for representative in the legislature; C. Schuebel, who was in the house last session; Guy T. Hunt, of Garfield; Franz Kraxberger, of Mackburg; E. D. Olds, of Beaver Creek, and William Grisenthwaite, of Beaver Creek. H. S. Clyde is a candidate on the Progressive ticket. There are no Democrats in the field. State Senator W. A. Dimick has given notice of his intention to become a candidate to succeed himself in the Republican primaries. No opposition has developed.

POST OFFICE MOVES IN RECORD TIME

MILWAUKIE, Ore., Mar. 2.—(Special)—Postmaster Hageman, with a force of men, made a record move on Saturday evening and transferred the office from the old location on Main street, to the new building on Monroe street. The new office is equipped with combination lock boxes, and will have no call or key boxes.

The furnishings of the new office are of the latest design and are handsome in appearance.

The building is just completed at a cost of \$6000.00 and is considered one of the neatest offices in the state.

Postmaster Hageman reports that business has increased 20 per cent since the first of the year.

STORM LESSENS IN NEW YORK

TEMPERATURE RISES AND FAIR WEATHER PROMISED IN EASTERN STATES

WORSE SINCE 1888 SAY RAILROADERS

One Telegraph Company Estimates Its Loss Alone at \$200,000 and Others Claim They Cannot Even Guess

NEW YORK, March 2.—With temperatures rising and fair weather promised, New York and vicinity began tonight to emerge from the storm which railroad and telegraph company officials assert has been the most destructive in this section of the country since the memorable blizzard of 1888.

Reports from other cities showed the damage caused by wind, snow, rain and sleet to be widespread. From Cleveland on the west and Baltimore on the south, to the Canadian and Nova Scotian border, the storm has been general. In New England further damage is expected from rivers and streams swollen by melting ice and snow. In and near New York 11 persons perished yesterday and today and several fatalities were reported elsewhere.

Except by roundabout routes and with the aid of a few wires running underground, commercial New York still remained tonight cut off from telegraph communication with the west and south.

The public service corporations reached Philadelphia by way of Montreal and had a few wires to Washington, Baltimore, Pittsburg and Scranton, Wilmington and Richmond and Reading. For the most part these were telephone circuits. It will be at least a week, it was stated, before service can be restored to normal conditions.

Telegraph company officials said they could not estimate the cost of making repairs. The loss to one company alone was placed at \$200,000 for New York and vicinity.

Wants a Divorce After Fifteen Days Of Wedded Life

Charging that his wife drunk immediately after their marriage on the fourteenth of last month, Roy A. McInnis filed his petition for a divorce with the county clerk Monday. The couple were married on February 14 in Portland.

Keen For Bonds. ASTORIA, Ore., March 3.—Clatsop county agreed today to sell its proposed issue of \$400,000 worth of road improvement bonds at a figure that amounts to a premium and interest saved to \$10,381.

QUESTION CHANGED FOR ALBANY DEBATE

At the request of the Oregon City debating team, the question which was to have been used in the coming contest between the local school and Albany was limited and modified. As originally worded the question applied to the Democratic tariff in a general way and its effect upon the country, but it is now worded, "Resolved, that the general welfare of the United States would be fostered by a complete application of tariff for revenue only." The opposition of the Oregon City team was to the question as first stated that the two sides of the argument was not equally divided.

FAMOUS BRITISH CARTOONIST DIES

LONDON, Feb. 26.—Sir John Tenniel, for many decades the leading British cartoonist, died today at the age of 94.

Sir John Tenniel was the famous English cartoonist who so mercilessly caricatured Abraham Lincoln during the Civil war. He was the dean of the world's greatest political cartoonists.

SUFFRAGETTES BURN FAMOUS OLD CHURCH

DUNBAR, Scotland, Feb. 26.—An arson squad of militant suffragettes burned to the ground today the historic parish church of the village of Whitekirk.

The church was erected in 1297 and contained many relics of the battle in which the Scots were routed by Oliver Cromwell's forces in 1650.

PEOPLE TO VOTE ON WATER BONDS

SPECIAL ELECTION WILL TAKE PLACE HERE WITHIN SIX WEEKS

CHARTER AMENDMENTS ARE DRAFTED

Committee Named to Handle Bond Sale of \$325,000 and to Construct Pipe Line to Clackamas Fork

Should the plans of the Oregon City Pure Water league materialize, the special election to vote bonds to the amount of \$325,000 for the construction of a pipe line to the south fork of the Clackamas river will be held within the next six weeks, and at the next meeting of the city council there will be presented the draft of charter amendments necessary to authorize the bonds. The proposed amendments provide that William Andrews, as chairman, W. A. Long and M. D. Latourrette shall be clothed with authority to construct or purchase water works and to issue and dispose of bonds therefor. The committee may employ a secretary and fix his compensation. Each member of the committee must file a bond for \$10,000, the committee shall qualify and organize for the transaction of business within 15 days from the passage of the amendments, and it must hold monthly meetings and make a monthly financial statement to the city council. The city treasurer shall be treasurer of the committee and file an additional bond in the sum of \$10,000.

Committee Given Wide Authority. The charter amendments provide that the committee shall have wide authority and it may employ and discharge agents, workmen, laborers and servants of any character and fix their compensation, giving preference to the citizens of Oregon City. The committee is expressly authorized to issue and sell bonds in a sum not to exceed \$25,000, for acquiring or constructing and maintaining a system of waterworks. These bonds shall be in denominations of \$500 or \$1000 each, bearing 5 per cent interest. For the first 11 years there shall mature \$10,000 each year after the first year; for the next five years \$12,000 each year and for the last four years \$20,000 each year. Any proposition for additional bonds must first be submitted to the approval of the people of Oregon City. As soon as the water system contemplated shall be fully completed, approved and accepted by the committee, and all debts are paid, the system shall be turned over to the properly constituted authorities of Oregon City. The authority given the committee is expressly confined and limited to the acquisition of necessary water rights or title to a water supply on the south fork of the Clackamas river by outright purchase or condemnation and for the construction of necessary mains and pipe lines.

Vote Necessary to Sell Water. The amendment prohibits the city from contracting to sell water to individuals, corporations or communities outside the corporate limits of Oregon City, without first submitting the proposition to a vote of the people for approval or rejection, and no extensions shall be made unless it first be reasonably determined that the revenue derived from such extension shall be sufficient to pay a net return of at least 6 per cent per annum on the cost of such extension. Authority is granted to the city council to levy a tax for the payment of either the interest or principal on the bonds.

SAVES MAN FROM DROWNING

Intoxicated Stranger Falls in River; Pulled Out by S. A. Borland

Milwaukie, Ore., Mar. 2.—(Special)—Refusing to reveal his identity, a stranger who after falling in the icy Willamette, was rescued by S. H. Borland Monday night. The man was intoxicated and had wandered to the water front while in this condition.

"Looks Like Jeff, Is Tall" Description By Linn Sheriff

"He looks like Jeff of the firm of Mutt and Jeff. Is tall, has a long nose and is slender," was the description which Sheriff Parker of Linn county sent Sheriff E. T. Mass, of Clackamas, Monday afternoon in describing a man who is thought to have stolen signed checks and cash to the value of several hundred dollars.

In the meantime the local officials are confused. In this escaped thief tall and slender like the description or is the man short like Jeff is the question which Sheriff Mass is attempting to solve. All the police officers and the banks have been notified and a close watch is being kept for the "man with the mixed description."

100 ENGLISH FAMILIES MAY COME TO OREGON

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 26.—Disappointed with conditions in Canada and believing better opportunities await them in Oregon, 100 English families are planning on coming here in a body this spring or during the summer. Their representative is now in Portland looking into the possibility of securing a body of government land of sufficient area. He has already found tracts he believes will prove satisfactory.

BRITAIN NOT TO FORCE AMERICA

UNITED STATES NOT BLAMED FOR BENTON INCIDENT IS ANNOUNCED

OFFICIAL STATEMENT RELIEVES STRAIN

Sterner Policy in Treatment of Situation is Indicated—President Confers With British Statesmen

WASHINGTON, March 3.—A pronouncement today by Great Britain through Sir Edward Grey that the United States was in no way responsible for the recent execution at Juarez of William S. Benton, a British subject, and that the American government would not be asked to resort to force as a result of the incident was the chief factor today in the Mexican situation.

President Wilson in a conference tonight with Sir Cecil Spring Rice, British ambassador, and Sir Lionel Garden, British minister to Mexico, is understood to have expressed his approval and appreciation of the British foreign secretary in the House of Commons.

Tension which had been felt over the killing of Benton arose largely because it was believed Great Britain might press the United States into taking drastic steps to secure reparation. The British view that the United States is not obligated to demand reparation for Great Britain relieved this tension to some extent, although it is clear that the Benton incident has developed an intention on the part of the American government to take a more aggressive attitude toward the contending factions in Mexico.

The situation was discussed by the president in his conference with the two British diplomats. It was the first time the British ambassador had called on the president since the Benton execution, all his conferences having been with Secretary Bryan.

G. C. FIELDS MADE SUPERINTENDENT

OREGON CITY MAN IS GIVEN RESPONSIBLE POSITION WITH P. R. L. & P. CO.

FORMERLY ACTIVE HEAD OF O. W. P.

Operated First Freight Line Between This City and Portland—Was With Old East Side Railroad

G. C. Fields, a native of Canemah and a former resident of Oregon City, was appointed superintendent of the Interurban lines of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company Thursday afternoon.

He was born in Canemah and lived in that town during his boyhood days. In 1892 he began the first freight service between Oregon City and Portland on what was then the East Side Railroad company and was later appointed freight agent for that company in Oregon City. From this position he rose to the more responsible place of freight manager.

In 1901 the east side line was sold to the Oregon Water Power company with W. H. Hubert as president and Fields was given the position of assistant superintendent. He retained that place until 1903 when he became superintendent. He retired from that railroad business in November 1908 and since has been engaged in the real estate business in Portland. Mr. Fields has always retained Oregon City as his legal residence and is a voter here.

KING OF ENGLAND IS BASEBALL FAN

LONDON, Feb. 26.—The king of England, as a baseball fan, experienced today the thrill that comes as the result of a spectator hit which breaks up an extra-inning game.

Seated within a wire-enclosed box behind the home plate of a diamond laid out on Chelsea football field, his majesty saw, in the second half of the eleventh inning, Tommy Daly of the Chicago White Sox, drive a fast ball delivered by Faber, of the New York Giants, into the topmost bleachers for a home run and win the game for Chicago, 5 to 4. The king applauded vigorously as Daly trotted around the bases, and the other 30,000 spectators followed his example.

HOMESICKNESS LEADS WOMAN TO INSANITY

Homesickness is thought to have been the cause of the insanity of Margarette Leidhold, a native of Switzerland, who was committed to the state hospital for the insane Tuesday.

She lived on a farm near Oregon City with her husband. Neighbors complained of her actions and the case was brought before County Judge Anderson. She was examined for sanity and her commitment followed. She is 35 years of age.

SUIT IS FILED TO FORECLOSE MORTGAGE

J. P. and Peter Henry have brought suit in the circuit court against W. T. and Gertrude Kinsey, M. B. Ragan and Mary Ragan and Gilbert and Robert Conrad for the foreclosure of a mortgage on 64 acres in section 4, township 2 south, range 3 east and certain personal farm property. The amount involved is \$10,144, exclusive of interest, taxes and attorneys fees. Gilbert and Robert Conrad are made parties to the suit because they have some claim to the property. Dimick & Dimick and Jeffrey and Lenon appear for the plaintiffs.

WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Oregon Development News in Line of Industries, Payrolls and Products of Labor and Enterprise.

The Meier & Frank stores at Portland are to be raised to twelve stories for the entire block which they occupy at a cost of \$1,250,000.

A committee of citizens of Drain in northern Douglas county has inspected the Eugene Cannery and will proceed to act at Drain.

F. M. Fletcher has been on Coos Bay prospecting for the location of a Beaver Compo Board plant—a line of building material.

There is a general movement among sawmill men to resist encroachments of labor organizations and conduct their industry on open shop lines.

The \$600,000 public auditorium for Portland has at last been located on Market block.

Guy L. Anderson, general manager of the Sumpter valley railroad, announces expenditures of \$100,000 on betterments of that line.

ASSESSOR APPROVES THE LARGEST TRACT

The largest plat ever filed in Clackamas county was approved by the county assessor Tuesday afternoon and will be before the county court Wednesday.

The tract which is about five miles northeast of Molalla contains 1188 acres and lies in sections 22, 23, 26, 27, 35, and 36, township four south and range two east. The tract is divided into 10 acres which will be placed on the market for truck farming. The tract is called "Saxon Garden" and was brought before the local officials by D. D. Stuart.

FANS WATCH RITCHIE

ARE CONVINCED THAT WOLGAST HAS HARD SCRAP AHEAD

CHICAGO, March 3.—After watching Lightweight Champion Willie Ritchie go through a few of his training spars, fight fans here were convinced today that Ad Wolgast will have to be as good, if not better, than he was to regain the title when he clashes with Ritchie in their scheduled 10 round bout at Milwaukee, March 12. Ritchie sparred two rounds with Willie Schaefer and two with Eddie Tanciel and visitors were astounded when told it was the first time the champion had donned the gloves since November 9.

Wolgast arrived in Chicago yesterday from Cadillac. He boxed four rounds with Ever Hammer and it was the consensus of opinion that Ad also is in splendid condition.

STORM LESSENS HOLD ON EASTERN STATE

NEW YORK, March 2.—Fresh supplies and milk from delayed trains were moved through the snow obstruction of the Erie main stem and above all, sunshine, came to New York and environs today in the wake of the great storm of Sunday and Monday. No more deaths were reported and at noon the mercury stood 36. Colder, but continued clear, is the prediction for tonight.

Of the eight barges adrift off the island, five were in tow for New York City today. Snow bound trains had to arrive.

The damage to telegraph and telephone lines in New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania will be many hundreds of thousands of dollars. Tens of thousands of poles were blown down by the wind and wires carried an average distance of 800 miles were snapped.

Business in the financial district continued much curtailed today because of the storm.

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With a foot of ice and snow packed hard on the heavy coating of snow left by two previous storms, the city is summing something like normal conditions after 36 hours of blizzard weather. The removal of snow from streets and sidewalks is the chief occupation of practically every person not otherwise employed.

INSTALL MACHINERY

Milwaukie, Ore., Mar. 3.—(Special)—The Automatic Call company began installing the machinery in their new factory building Saturday, and will ready to begin the manufacture of their product by the fifteenth of March. The new building was late finished by Wm. Shindler & Son at cost of \$6000.

Officers of the company report several contracts on hand and will be the work of installing the machinery.

A woman seldom nags her husband unless he is that kind of a husband.

The machinery for the new Booth-Kelley Lumber Co. sawmill at Springfield is arriving and being installed. Work has begun on the new Hunt Brothers cannery plant at Salem, to be one of the largest in the northwest and to employ 300 hands.

The date has been set for the Nelson County good roads bond election for May 15th, the date of Primary day.

The St. Helens Incubator Co. has a

STEAMER DELAYED BY RECORD FOG

GRAHAMONA FORCED TO ANCHOR AT FOOT OF CLACKAMAS RAPIDS

FIRST CASE OF KIND THIS SEASON

River Boats Have Managed to Anchor and Depart on Regular Time—Willamette at Fine Boating Stage

Coming down from Corvallis a steamer Grahamona, Captain John Clackamas Rapids for several hours early Friday morning on account of dense fog, and she did not reach land until 6 o'clock Friday morning. Just as she got down through the rapids she was accosted to leave and return trip. She did not get away from Portland for up-river points late in the afternoon. In one place she may get back on her schedule, but not go further up the river to Salem this trip.

The Grahamona ran into a bank of fog soon after she left Oregon City at 5 o'clock Thursday morning. Just as she got down through the rapids the fog was so thick as to be impossible to discern objects less than a boat's length away. It then was elided to wait for the atmosphere clear up a bit, and the steamer had remain there until about daylight.

This is the first delay of any consequence the steamers operating in upper Willamette have experienced this season. Heretofore the Grahamona, which plies regularly between Portland and Corvallis, has managed to arrive and depart close to scheduled time. It is the only steamer she has been obliged to eliminate of her route because of thick fog or other unfavorable conditions.

With the river at a fine boating stage the traffic by water between Portland and points up the valley reached considerable volume.

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