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***** ACTION — NOT GOING TO — MEANS SUCCESS, says the Shower of Gold editor. *****

2000 VISITORS IN OREGON CITY ON ROAD'S OPENING

CLOUDS AND SHOWERS DO NOT CUT INTO SUCCESS OF W. V. S. DAY

HUNDREDS INSPECT PAPER AND WOOLLEN MILLS AND GO ON RIVER

Four Bands Take Part in Program of Day—Stock Holders of New Line Meet in Commercial Club Parlors

Threatening clouds and showers did not lessen the enjoyment of the two thousand visitors in Oregon City Saturday, when the completion of the new electric road, the Willamette Valley Southern, was formally celebrated.

Eight hundred people living along the route of the line from Oregon City to Mt. Angel came in on special trains shortly after 10 o'clock in the morning when the formal celebration of the day began. A delegation of two hundred, headed by a band, came from Mt. Angel and Molalla, Molino, Monitor, Beaver Creek and other towns along the line each had representative. The Molalla town band was present. Hundreds of others came in over the Southern Pacific and by automobiles and buggies.

Many Events Are Free. The celebration was unusual in that Oregon City was a host in every sense of the word. The three moving picture theaters were thrown open to all visitors; the steamer Lang of the fleet of the Willamette Navigation company took large parties on tree excursions to the Willamette falls and the Clackamas rapids; the Oregon City Woolen mills and the plant of the Hawley Pulp & Paper company were open for visitors; a free reception was held in the Commercial club parlors and a free dance drew hundreds during the afternoon to Busch's hall.

The formal program of the day began at 10:20 o'clock when Mayor Linn E. Jones delivered an address of welcome upon the arrival of the special trains over the new road. At 10:30 o'clock Judge Gray, U. Dimick, president of the line, drew the golden spike from the track that had been driven upon the beginning of construction and presented it to Mayor Everhart of Molalla, who, in turn, gave it to Mayor Fuchs of Mt. Angel.

River and Mills Visited. From the terminal yards of the Willamette Valley Southern, the visitors together with the mayors of the three towns, the Oregon City council, the officials of the new line marched down Main street to Third street. Three bands, the Molalla and Mt. Angel town bands and the Oregon City Moose band, took part in the parade. The Beach boy band, with the three other musical organizations, later gave open air concerts.

At the corner of Third and Main streets, the line of march was broken up and the men, escorted by expert paper makers as guides, were taken through the plant of the Hawley Pulp & Paper company and the women through the Oregon City Woolen mills.

From 11 o'clock until noon the steamer Lang carried seven hundred up the river to the falls and down to the Clackamas rapids. Four trips were made. From 11 until 5 o'clock, the three moving picture theaters, the Grand, the Rainbow and the Star, were open to all visitors and Busch's hall accommodated hundreds at a free dance.

Stockholders Meet. Two hundred stockholders in the newly completed line gathered in the Commercial club rooms in the afternoon and suggestions for the improvement of the service and for changes were made to the officers. Judge Dimick made a short talk in which he reviewed the history of the line and outlined the plans for the future. He declared that the purpose of the Willamette Valley Southern is to serve all the communities through Clackamas and Marion counties along the road so as to deserve the trade of every business man and farmer.

"It is your road," he told the stockholders. "We want to give you such service that will deserve your confidence and trade. Any suggestion that you make today will be carefully considered by the board of directors and acted on if possible."

T. W. Sullivan, president of the Oregon City Commercial club, acted as chairman. Others who spoke were: O. D. Eby, Father Dominic, Mayor Everhart, of Molalla; Councilman Ebner, of Mt. Angel; Mr. Keber, of Mt. Angel; Mr. Gillis, of Monitor; Mr. Robbins, of Molalla, and County Judge H. S. Anderson.

The events of the day ended at 4 o'clock when the special trains left Oregon City on the return trip.

MISS FERN HOBBS RESIGNS
SALEM, Ore., Feb. 24.—Miss Fern Hobbs, member of the state industrial accident commission, today tendered to Governor Withycombe her resignation, to take effect May 31, 1915. When there was a prospect of the senate crippling the compensation act in the interest of the casualty companies, Miss Hobbs offered to resign on condition that the Schuebel house amendment, which would strengthen the compensation act, were passed.

RUSSIAN FORCES TORN TO PIECES IN LAKE COUNTRY

REMAINS OF TENTH ARMY UNDER CZAR POWERLESS BEFORE THE GERMANS

RETREATING RUSSIANS DROP GUNS IN HURRIED FLIGHT

Kaiser's Men Win Great Victory After Terrific Fighting and Forced Marches—Von Hindenburg Leads Victors

SIWALKI, Poland, via Berlin and London, Feb. 20.—The remains of the Russian tenth army, torn to remnants in the Masurian Lakes country by Field Marshal von Hindenburg's East Prussian force, comprise but a negligible quantity in the operations that are now under way.

The recent overwhelming victory of the Germans was accomplished by the most terrific fighting after striking forced marches.

This fighting has been described as the February campaign in East Prussia and northern Poland, and it is regarded here as a second Tannenberg. The Russians composing the tenth army were under command of General Pleviers. It is true that this commander, by a skillful use of the railroads at his disposal and by the sacrifices at times of entire battalions in order to bring off a few guns, succeeded in saving a greater part of his artillery, but no fewer than 60,000 of his 150,000 men are already counted among the German prisoners, while his killed and wounded in the four days' battle with which these operations were inaugurated and the subsequent running fights are estimated at 30,000 men.

On the streets of Suwalki there could be heard yesterday and today the sound of artillery from a swampy region to the southeast, where an isolated Russian division, perhaps 10,000 men strong, has been completely surrounded, but is still offering resistance.

Several thousand more Russians probably remain in small scattered bands, or are wandering as stragglers within the ring which the German troops have now closed around the woods and swamps between Suwalki, Augustowo and the German frontier, but the capture of these wanderers is expected here and is regarded as merely an incident in a campaign to which this great success is called only the prelude.

It is not believed among German army men at Suwalki that General Sievers will be able to bring one-fifth of his troops safely behind the fortress at Grodno—a safety which may not be of long duration.

"WE DID OUR BEST" SAYS REPRESENTATIVE

C. SCHUEBEL REVIEWS WORK OF LEGISLATIVE SESSION JUST ENDED

"We did the best we could," said Representative Chris Schuebel at the Live Wire luncheon Tuesday noon. Mr. Schuebel was called upon by Main Trunk Line Osmund to tell the wires what the recent legislature had accomplished, and the colon admitted that he had made a lot of noise at Salem and had talked a great deal, and felt he had earned a rest.

"The only criticism I have to offer of the legislature," said Mr. Schuebel, "is that it created some unnecessary jobs. Two bills are now in the hands of Governor Withycombe affecting our own judicial district. One creates a separate district of Clatsop and Columbia counties, and the other establishes a new district of Washington and Tillamook counties, leaving Clackamas a district by itself. Before I left Salem, I went to the governor and urged him to veto both of these bills.

"I want to take this opportunity to pay my respects to the Multnomah delegation. The members from Portland were a hard-working lot of men, and of much better material than at the previous session. I say this now, because I went to Salem prejudiced against the Multnomah delegation, and I am very agreeably disappointed." Representative C. W. Risley, who answers to the call of having been the democrat elected in Clackamas county last November, made a very brief talk, and said he had tried to do his duty in the legislature.

MRS FREYTAG LEAVES
Mrs. O. E. Freytag left Oregon City Tuesday night for San Francisco where she will join her husband who is the special representative of the county at the Panama Pacific exposition.

HUNDRED MILLION CARRIED IN ARMY BILL BY CONGRESS

SENATE URGES SCIENTIFIC MANAGEMENT IN GOVERNMENTAL SHOPS

DEBATE IS SHARP OVER THE PROPOSED CHECK ON WORKMEN

Butler Makes Appeal Against Any Act That Might Lead to War—Committee Action Sustained.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—Without a dissenting vote the senate today passed the army appropriation bill, carrying approximately \$103,000,000, while the house aided in cleaning up legislation for the session near the close by passing the \$6,000,000 fortifications bill.

The only debate on the army bill related to action of the senate committee in striking out of the house bill a provision which would prohibit the use of stop watches and other so-called scientific shop management methods in government plants and deny appropriations for payment of bonuses to employees.

Senators Hughes, Martin and others urged restoration of the provisions, while Senator Root, declaring the committee should be sustained, made an appeal for the rewarding of ambition. The committee was sustained.

An all-day discussion of the national defense marked the passage of the fortifications bill in the house. Representative Sherley, of Kentucky, in charge of the measure, declared there was no danger that American fortifications would be destroyed by a hostile fleet; that the fleet of an enemy would seek to reduce fortresses if it had control of the sea, and would not waste ammunition shooting from a range of 21,000 yards.

Mr. Sherley admitted that there might be danger of bombardment of some cities, but insisted that the cost of fortifying all coast cities would be too tremendous to consider. Representative Butler, of Pennsylvania, made an appeal in the house against any act that might involve war. With the sinking of the Evelyn as a subject, he said the American people should be made to understand by resolution or otherwise that congress will not vote money or enlist troops for a war of revenge brought about by commercial interests sending ships where they should not go, into the war zone.

ANGUS M'KINNON IS HELD TO GRAND JURY
Angus McKinnon, who is charged with giving whiskey to Charles Edward White aged three years, the day of his death from alcoholic poisoning, was bound over to the grand jury Saturday by Justice of the Peace Sievers. He waived examination. McKinnon has retained George C. Brownell as his attorney.

WATER CAMPAIGN IS NOW ON IN 2 TOWNS

MEETINGS HELD IN BOTH OREGON CITY AND WEST LINN WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Wednesday night saw the beginning of the road campaign for the South Fork project in both Oregon City and West Linn.

At Mountain View, the firehouse was well filled to hear a discussion of the project by the Pure Mountain Water league's representative Mayor Linn E. Jones acted as chairman and Dr. L. A. Morris, Engineer H. A. Rands and L. Stipp thoroughly explained the plans from every angle and answered many questions.

IDAHO GOES DRY BY LEGISLATIVE ACTION
BOISE, Ida., Feb. 23.—Idaho will be a prohibition state on and after January 1, 1916. The senate of the thirtieth Idaho legislature this afternoon passed the house prohibition act, house bill No. 142, and sent it to Governor Alexander for his signature. The chief executive is pledged by his message to the legislature to sign the act, for he recommended its passage in the strongest possible terms.

TEASEL CREEK NOW IS STANDARD SCHOOL
A standardization rally was held Wednesday afternoon at Teasel Creek school. Superintendent Calavan spoke on "Standardization." O. R. Daugherty on "A Teacher's Term;" Supervisor Vedder on "The Value of Parent-Teachers' Association."

MODERN WARFARE



PURE WATER NEEDED, HE SAYS

MOLALLA, Ore., Feb. 22.—(Editor of the Enterprise)—Our community was well pleased with the royal entertainment given by Oregon City on Willamette Valley Southern celebration day. Among all the good things said and done that day, the words of Mayor Jones stand out in bold relief as a "golden spike," as tall as the city's elevator, dazzling in the noonday sun and attractive to the mind's eye on a rainy day, via: "When Oregon City gets pure water we will have a grand celebration and again welcome you to our town." Indeed, pure water for Oregon City means more than two railroads could accomplish for the betterment of her people, and mankind in general, that wish to travel that way and quench their thirst with nature's uncontaminated beverage without fear of jeopardizing their health. J. W. T.

ROAD DISTRICTS TO RAISE \$64,000 BY SPECIAL LEVY

TAX SHEET BY ASSESSOR JACK GIVES MUCH PRACTICAL INFORMATION

OREGON CITY'S 10-MILL CITY LEVY WILL BRING \$28,000

Twenty-seven Clackamas county road districts will levy a special tax for road purposes, according to the annual tax statement prepared by Assessor J. E. Jack and made public Wednesday.

The special taxes levied in all the road districts will total \$64,612.21. The rate in the 27 districts varies from 2 to 10 mills. The sheet gives the total tax to be levied in the county for all purposes at \$784,372.64 and the total assessed valuation of all taxable property \$30,375,133.11.

Clackamas county's share of the state tax burden this year will be \$118,463.05 and the general county tax is \$97,200.46. The school, general and library tax totals \$103,275.50 and the general road tax, \$243,001.14.

According to the statement, Oregon City will receive from its 10-mill levy \$28,747.87 or approximately the amount figured on in the budget adopted by the council at the end of 1914. The county seat town will raise more money for municipal purposes than all other towns in the county combined. West Linn is second with \$4,871.14.

Almost every school district in the county will have a special levy this year and the total amount to be raised in all school districts is \$110,397.50. The highest rate is 15 mills.

The amount of tax, rate and valuation of all the towns in the county follows:

City or Town	Rate	Amount of Tax
Canby	.0075	\$ 2,547.75
Estacada	.005	981.03
Gladstone	.005	1,652.48
Milwaukie	.008	4,514.91
Molalla	.005	700.74
Oregon City	.010	28,747.87
Orwego	.010	2,952.56
Sandy	.005	275.40
West Linn	.002	4,871.14
Willamette	.005	473.06
Total		\$47,716.94

LIVE WIRES STUDY PLANS FOR SOUTH FORK WATER LINE

WEEKLY LUNCHEON IS WELL ATTENDED TUESDAY NOON IN CLUB PARLORS

DR. L. A. MORRIS EXPLAINS \$1.65 ESTIMATE OF PURE WATER LEAGUE

Figure Described as Conservative by Organization's Head—Public Meeting at Mountain View is Planned

That the 25 cent luncheons of the Live Wires are proving extremely popular was evidenced by the large number of business and professional men in attendance Tuesday. The proposed pure water plan to be voted upon March 3 was again the main subject of discussion and the talks were earnest and to the point. B. T. McElin, S. O. Dillman, T. L. Charman, Dr. L. A. Morris, T. W. Sullivan, E. R. Brown, M. J. Lee and C. H. Dye were the speakers, and they all had something good to offer.

Dr. Morris explained that the proposed monthly household rate of \$1.65 endorsed by the Pure Mountain Water league, of which he is chairman, is an outside figure, and that, in the judgment of the members of the league who had made a close study of the situation, the proposed rate is a maximum, and no consideration has been given to the natural growth of the city, an expected increase in the number of consumers nor the sale of water to Estacada nor to other communities that may apply for it.

Mr. Charman declared that his property in West Linn would be benefited very materially by a pure water supply, and that he would certainly not object to a heavy tax for that purpose. Colonel Dye, who is regarded as a careful and conservative man, gave his unqualified endorsement to the project. He said he had recently been in Forest Grove, Albany, McMinnville and Salem, and that everywhere he had found a curiosity about the proposed new water supply for Oregon City. He intimated that it was largely the reputation that Oregon City had obtained because of its present water supply that had made him a booster for the new plan.

It was stated that a public meeting had been arranged at Mountain View for Wednesday night of this week, and that a meeting would probably be held at the Shively theatre the latter part of this week, or on Monday of next week.

D. D. Clark, chief engineer of the bureau of water works of Portland, is expected to talk to the Live Wires next Tuesday.

DELANO RESIDENCE AT TWILIGHT BURNS

Damage estimated at \$1000 was suffered with the loss of the residence of George Delano, at Twilight, Saturday night. The building was burned to the ground and none of the loss was covered by insurance.

The property was unoccupied and neighbors believe that tramps found a shelter in the building and carelessly left cigarette stubs in the building. The house is off the main road and the fire was not discovered by neighbors until it was too late to save the building. The property has been rented to Mr. Neland, now manager of the Portland House here, but he left the place several months ago.

Public Markets Are Discussed Titus Studies Cost Of Food

There is good trolley or rail connection with outlying farms, the chance of keeping up regular and fresh supplies is much better.

A third essential is that the public give up its lazy reliance on delivery wagons, and carry their own bundles.

Efforts are being made all over the country by agricultural colleges, farm bureaus, etc., to interest city people in buying from the farmer by parcel post and express. Containers are being devised to carry regular supplies of eggs, butter, chickens, greens, etc. It is asserted that a group of city families should be able to pay five cents a dozen more for eggs, five cents a pound more for butter, than the farmer now gets, and still underbid the grocer five cents each. This seems to be a hope rather than a demonstrated fact. But there is something in the idea. The retail dealer, however, if he is entering in seeking opportunities for direct purchase of goods, and if he uses the aid of the newspaper to reach out and broaden his trade, occupies an impregnable position.

JURY FINDS DRINK OF LIQUOR CAUSE OF DEATH OF BOY

DISTRICT ATTORNEY HEDGES TO THOROUGHLY INVESTIGATE CASE AT ONCE

TRAGEDY FOLLOWS EXTENDED PARTY NEAR BEAVER CREEK

"Evidence Shows Plainly That Child Has Been Repeatedly Given Liquor Until Drunk," Reads Verdict

"Alcoholic poisoning from drinking whiskey," is given as the cause of death of Charles Edward White, the three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles White, of Beaver Creek, by the coroner's jury which Thursday afternoon thoroughly investigated the case. The verdict of the jury adds: "Said whiskey was left in the reach of the deceased by his father. The evidence shows plainly that the child has been repeatedly given liquor until drunk. From evidence the jury is satisfied that one Angus McKinnon gave some whiskey to the deceased on the day of its death."

The possibility of criminal action is not being acted by the county officials, although Acting Coroner John Sievers, Attorney Charles Sievers, Dr. Frank Mount and Sheriff Wilson did not return to Oregon City last night in time to turn their information over to District Attorney Gilbert Hedges. When told the principal facts in the case, Mr. Hedges said: "I will thoroughly investigate every detail of this matter as soon as possible. From facts that I now have, it is impossible to say whether there is grounds for a state case."

The child died at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon after being unconscious since about 9 o'clock that morning. A large party gathered at the home of George Lammers in the Beaver Creek district Tuesday night, when a keg of beer was opened. Wednesday morning, Angus McKinnon went to the White house to help empty a bottle of whiskey which was left over from the celebration the night before.

Mrs. Simon, mother of Mrs. White, who is staying with her daughter who is ill, testified that the two men were drunk Wednesday morning and that McKinnon offered the boy a drink from the bottle. While the family was eating breakfast, the lad left the table and went to a bureau on which the bottle had been placed and drank about half a teacup full. Shortly afterwards he became unconscious.

Mrs. White is ill, and Wednesday morning Dr. H. S. Mount, of this city, made a visit. He noticed the child and upon examination found him in a critical condition. As he left the home he told the parents that their son was seriously ill and unless he became better to send word to Oregon City for medical assistance.

Before Dr. Mount reached his office in Oregon City Wednesday afternoon, there was a call for him to return to Beaver Creek. Dr. Frank Mount and Dr. Hugh Mount returned and made every attempt to save the boy's life. The end came about 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

McKinnon denies that he gave the boy liquor, and White, who is greatly affected by the death of his son, says that responsibility for the lad's death cannot be placed on any person. Mrs. White is in a serious condition.

The boy was born in Clackamas county. Before moving to the Beaver Creek district, the White family lived near Oregon City on the Mt. Pleasant road.