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## OREGON CITY IS DISQUALIFIED IN IMPORTANT RACE

### NEW YORK TEST GOES TO CORVALLIS BECAUSE LOCAL TEAM FAILS TO CONNECT HOSE.

## BOY IS HURT WHEN WILD HOSE CART HITS HIM ON HIS LEG

Firemen, City Officials and Invited Guests Gather at Banquet in the Electric Hotel—Water Fight Popular Event.

Probably no town in the state of Oregon is better supplied with firemen today than Oregon City. The departments of three towns—Corvallis, St. Johns and Oregon City—are gathered here to compete in the New York test, the stinace race, the patching leaky hose contest, the water fight and other sports close to the heart of every volunteer fireman.

In number of points secured yesterday, St. Johns is leading with Corvallis second and Oregon City third. The Multnomah county town has secured two first and two thirds making a total of 16. Corvallis has 15 points and Oregon City 12. The tournament will be completed today.

### Tournament Opened by Parade.

The tournament was opened at 9:30 o'clock Monday morning with a parade. Two bands, the Oregon City Moose and the Corvallis Firemen's organization, were in the line of march. The Fall-sarians and the visiting firemen with their apparatus and several automobiles completed the parade. One of the most interesting features of the day was the exhibition drill by Corvallis firefighters. The Masonic building, the largest business block in town, was used. Nimble firemen scaled the structure, story by story, with the greatest ease. Others slid down ropes and an exhibition of jumping into a life net was given.

The New York test, one of the most complicated races of the tournament, was the feature of the day and taken by Corvallis in one minute, 8.4 seconds. Oregon City made the event in 1 minute 17 seconds but was disqualified. Thirteen men constitute a team in this event with 450 feet of hose on a cart. The team runs 100 feet to hydrant, lays out seven lengths, sets water from hydrant through nozzle, shuts down, exchange first and seventh sections and get water through nozzle again. The time is taken from the start of the cart until water is secured the second time.

The Corvallis team took the event last year at St. Johns and will have possession of the Natt-Joselyn trophy another year. The team winning this cup three years, takes it permanently.

### Boy Is Hurt.

There was only one accident to mar the day's success. Harold Cooke, the 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Cooke, of Campine, a station on the Willamette Valley Southern, was struck by a wheel of the Oregon City cart while watching a race at Seventh and Main streets. No bones were broken but the boy's right leg was severely cut and the flesh partially torn from the bone.

The results of Monday's races and the time of the winners follows: Straightaway wet test—First, St. Johns, 36.5 seconds; second, Corvallis, and third, Oregon City.

Slamrace—First, Oregon City, 31 seconds; second, St. Johns; third, Corvallis.

New York test—First, Corvallis, 1 minute, 18.4 seconds; Oregon City and St. Johns disqualified.

Patching leaky hose—First, Oregon City, 7.5 seconds; second, St. Johns; third, Corvallis.

Ladder race—First, St. Johns, 20 seconds; second, Corvallis; third, Oregon City.

From a standpoint of popularity, the water fight, fought with mixed teams, was by far the most popular, although several of the most ardent admirers of the combat were thoroughly drenched. It was 20 minutes before the winner could be determined.

The firemen, members of the Oregon City council and others gathered at a banquet in the Electric hotel last night.

## CHAMBERLAIN WILL SPEAK AT MOLALLA

Scout George Chamberlain will be the speaker of the day at the Molalla picnic picnic, September 18, and will talk at 1:30 p. m. Charles Spence, state grange master, will deliver the opening address in the morning.

## EXCITING RACES BETWEEN VALLEY TEAMS ARE RUN

### RELAY WON BY OREGON CITY BY NARROW MARGIN; 2 DEPARTMENTS WELL MATCHED.

### REARDON ON BENTON COUNTY TEAM RUNS 100 YARDS IN 10 SECONDS

#### Firemen Respond to False Alarm and Give Exhibition of Ladder Work on Building—St. Johns Team Stays Home Tuesday.

In pure excitement and closeness of races the second day of the firemen's tournament, Tuesday, exceeded the first, even though St. Johns squad was able to present only Monday.

As far as the honors of the meet as judged by the number of points secured, Corvallis came out ahead with 46 points. Oregon City had 35 and St. Johns 17.

Practically every race ran Tuesday was close. The first contest of the day, a race against time, was a tie until the two teams ran hub and hub and even then the Benton county team was able to secure a lead of only a few feet.

The relay race was captured by the local firemen, largely through a spurt of Kent Wilson, who ran the last lap. Wilson started his dash a few feet behind the Corvallis man but caught up and passed him before the end of the race. The relay was one of the most exciting contests of the day.

The official time of the 100-yard dash, won by Reardon of Corvallis, was 10 seconds flat. Bob Green took second place and finished the race only a few feet behind Reardon, although he had trained but little. A Corvallis man took third place and an Oregon City man fourth. The winning relay team was composed of Bob Green, Kobolink, Clyde Green and Wilson.

At 2:10 o'clock in the afternoon, the fire alarm was sounded. At 2:12 the combined Oregon City and Corvallis fire departments reached the Electric hotel and about one minute later ladders were erected to the top of the building.

The fire alarm was an unannounced feature of the day's program and hundreds followed the firemen down Main street to the hotel building. The exhibition of ladder work and the jump into a life net of 75 feet held the crowd long after it was discovered that the alarm was framed-up.

St. Johns team was unable to appear in Tuesday's tournament although the firemen from the Multnomah county town lead in Monday's results.

The tournament will probably go to Corvallis next year, although this has not been definitely decided. The Corvallis team left for home Tuesday night.

The results Tuesday follow: Race against time—Corvallis, 12 seconds.

Hose coupling contest—Corvallis, 19 seconds.

Relay race—Oregon City.

Ladder race—Corvallis, 11 seconds.

Hose and ladder race—Corvallis, 11.3 seconds.

Hoskey box test—Corvallis, 9 seconds.

100-yard dash—Won by Reardon of Corvallis in 10 seconds flat.

## A. KNIGHT CALLS PAVEMENT AT \$1 A YARD TOO HIGH

### 50 TAXPAYERS WHO PLEAD TRIAL OF HARD SURFACE ARE TURNED DOWN.

## CONTRACTOR OFFERS TO TURN OVER BOOKS TO SHOW COSTS

Representative of W. H. Worswick Willing to Lay Road for 10 Per Cent Profit and Let Court Examine Company's Books.

The appeal of about 50 taxpayers who asked that the county pave the road from Oregon City to Gladstone, a distance of slightly over a mile, was turned down Friday by the county court. The court did not deliver a positive answer but the defeat of the plan, which has been agitated for the last two weeks, is considered certain.

The Worswick company, which is paving Main street, had made a proposal to hard surface this road a width of 16 feet, an improvement of about 11,000 square yards, with a four-inch pavement for \$1 a yard, or, as an alternative proposition, to make a six-inch improvement for \$1.20 a yard. Residents of this community, who have been trying for years to convince the county court that a few miles of actual hard surface should be laid each year as a demonstration of the waste of laying gravel and macadam on trunk highways, backed the offer almost solidly, but without avail.

Earnest appeals to the court were made by T. W. Sullivan, president of the Oregon City Commercial club; H. E. Cross and H. E. Williams, of Gladstone; J. T. Apperson and E. L. Pope, of Parkplace, and Frank Busch, E. R. Brown and C. Schobel, of Oregon City. Mr. Schobel appearing to back up the endorsement by resolution of the Oregon City council, the proposal to hard surface the highway.

Judge Anderson explained that the county had no funds available to make the improvement, and that he felt the county had no right to go into debt, as no provision had been made in last year's budget and there was no surplus for any new improvement in the road fund. Commissioner Knight declared that the proposal of the Worswick company was not as cheap as contended, whereupon Joseph Pepsco, acting for the company, offered to do the work at cost plus 10 per cent, and permit the county court to examine the books of the concern.

The action of the county court is a great disappointment to many advocates of permanent road construction, who feel that the opportunity was ripe for the improvement, and that the price is much less than is usually paid for this type of hard surface.

## OSWEGO PAVEMENT NOW BEING LAID

Thomas Fox, who has been a resident of Oswego for the last 25 years was in Oregon City Thursday. Mr. Fox said that work started Thursday morning on the hard surface paving of the main street of the town. There will be 600 linear feet of pavement laid.

Near Oswego, on Elk Rock, toward Palentine Hill, Elliott Corbett and Harry Corbett are constructing country homes. The former has 14 acres and the latter about 16 acres. About \$75,000 will be expended upon the property.

## UNION HIGH SCHOOL ELECTION SEPT. 15

### SECOND ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO BRING TOGETHER GLADSTONE AND PARKPLACE.

September 15 was the date set Friday by the district boundary board for a second union high school election for the Gladstone and Parkplace districts. A petition from Gladstone was presented to the board Thursday and another from Parkplace Friday morning.

H. E. Cross' offer to donate three acres in Gladstone park still holds good but if the issue carries it is not planned to build a school until next spring and summer. The school during the first year would be held in the present buildings.

## SUPERINTENDENT OF WORSWICK COMPANY BOUND TO GRAND JURY

### W. V. WELLMAN IS CHARGED WITH VIOLATING MUNICIPAL 8-HOUR LAW.

As a part of the campaign of O. P. Hoff, state labor commissioner, to force paving companies operating in the state to respect the municipal eight hour law, W. V. Wellman, superintendent of the Worswick company, now paving Main street, was arrested Saturday and bound over to the grand jury. He waived preliminary examination before Justice of the Peace Sievers and was released under \$100 bail.

The information that the contractors were working their employees at the mixing plant 10 hours a day was communicated to the state labor commissioner's office by a discharged employee. The company disclaims any intention of ignoring the eight-hour law and declares that it was necessary to run the plant 10 hours a day to keep the men on the street busy eight.

City Attorney Schobel appeared for Wellman as the Worswick company is working under a contract with the city, and District Attorney Heedes appeared for the state. It is probable that Wellman will not fight the case, which must go through the regular channel of the grand jury before being finally disposed of. The arrest was made after more than half of the work of the Worswick company here was completed.

## MILITIA DRILLS AT CLACKAMAS RANGE

Oregon National Guard field day at Clackamas was well attended. Two special trains and many automobiles conveyed several hundred members of the National Guard and their families to the grounds. Most of the morning hours were devoted to the field problem of attack and defense. The enemy was supposed to be in the hills and a provisional battalion under Major L. A. Bowman, assisted by Captain Willard F. Daugherty, Captain Frank W. Wright, Captain Daniel E. Bowman, Captain Leo J. A. Pironi and Lieutenant George B. Otterstedt of the field artillery, made up the attacking party.

There were detachments and squads present from Oregon City and Salem. The Oregon naval militia, under Ensign L. S. Spooner, was well represented and the naval uniforms made the "jackets" conspicuous. The big state rifle shoot begins Thursday and there will be practice shooting on the grounds to teams from all over the state today and tomorrow preparing for the official tests.

## RIDDLED BODIES OF 2 ARE FOUND IN BED OF LAKE

### UNITED STATES INFANTRY ROUTS PARTY OF 16 MEXICAN RAIDERS.

## ONE IS SLAIN AND OTHERS FLEE, LETTING THEIR PRISONERS GO

Aniceto Pizana, Who Has Been Active in Inciting Countrymen to Rise Against Americans is Said to Be Leader.

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Sept. 2.—The bullet-riddled bodies of two Americans, who were early today kidnapped by Mexican bandits about 12 miles north of here, were found today in the bed of a dried lake.

They were Earl Donaldson, a farmer who came here from Fayette, Mo., two weeks ago, and an engineer named Smith, engaged in concrete construction work on an irrigation canal. The bodies were brought to Brownsville tonight.

Donaldson, Smith and Stanley Dadds, a contractor building an irrigation pumping station, were captured by the Mexicans. Because one of the band told the others that Dadds was a German he was not harmed, but his hat and shoes were taken. The pumping station and an automobile were burned by the bandits.

Later in the day the Mexicans became engaged in a running fight with a detachment of half a company of United States infantry, and in the excitement Dods escaped. He telephoned from a distant ranch house tonight that he was safe.

The fight between the Mexicans and the American detachment resulted in the death of one Mexican and the escape of 15 others, who composed the band. No American was hurt.

Lieutenant Faulkner, who commanded the detachment, reported that the automobile trucks bearing the Americans were traveling along the old Alcega stagecoach road when the Mexicans were seen. Called upon to halt, six of the band showed fight, using an irrigation ditch as a trench, while 10 escaped down the canal. Five of the six finally escaped, leaving their dead comrade.

Following a flight this afternoon, Aviation Lieutenant Joseph C. Morrow, pilot, with Lieutenant B. O. Jones as observer, reported that United States cavalry and infantry were well disposed throughout the section in which there are believed to be from 50 to 60 Mexican bandits. Further fighting is expected.

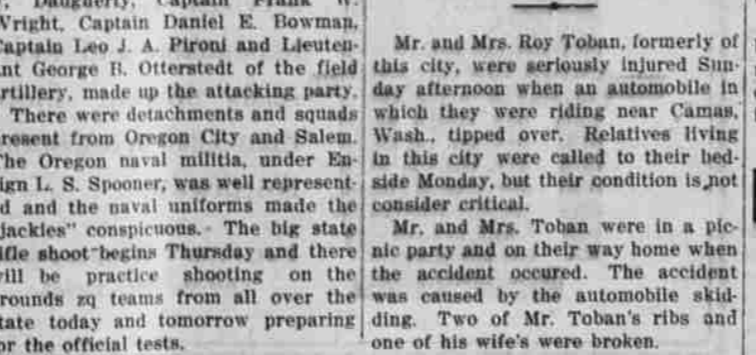
The band, to which was ascribed the burning of a railroad trestle north of here last night, today burned a pumping station and made prisoners of three Americans.

## MR. AND MRS. TOBAN HURT NEAR CAMAS

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Toban, formerly of this city, were seriously injured Sunday afternoon when an automobile in which they were riding near Camas, Wash., tipped over. Relatives living in this city were called to their bedside Monday, but their condition is not considered critical.

Mr. and Mrs. Toban were in a picnic party and on their way home when the accident occurred. The accident was caused by the automobile skidding. Two of Mr. Toban's ribs and one of his wife's were broken.

## A GENTLE HINT.



## DELEGATES NAMED TO GRANT CONFERENCE

Captain J. T. Apperson, of Parkplace; Charles Holman, of Meadowbrook, and Charles Pope, of Oregon City, were named Clackamas county representatives at the Oregon & California land grant conference at Salem September 16 by the county court Saturday. The county is entitled to send five delegates. The fourth representative will be named by the Commercial club and either County Judge Anderson or Commissioner Knight will be the fifth.

## 1915 CROPS WILL MAKE HALF DOZEN HIGH RECORDS

### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ISSUES FORECAST OF PRACTICALLY ALL YIELDS.

## OATS STILL HAS CHANCE OF EXCEEDING PREVIOUS FIGURES

### Condition of Potatoes Shows Decided Slump in August—Apples and Peaches Far Above Average in Production.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Bumper crops this year, with a half dozen new production records, now seem assured. Basing predictions on a canvass made September 1 by its thousands of agents throughout the United States, the department of agriculture today issued forecasts showing the prospects of practically all the principal farm products except potatoes and rice improved during August.

The wheat crop is placed at 981,000,000 bushels, 30,000,000 more than last year's record crop. Wet weather has damaged winter wheat and delayed threshing. In Kansas not more than half the crop has been threshed. Additional inquiries by crop reporters this month, however, resulted in the crop reporting boards making no change in its August prediction of 655,000,000 bushels of winter wheat.

Conditions for the spring wheat crop have been ideal lately, and threshing discloses yields above the average and a excellent quality.

As a result of the favorable conditions the spring wheat production forecast was increased 15,000,000 bushels to a total of 325,000,000 bushels. When the final canvass is made the entire wheat production probably will reach one billion bushels.

Corn production prospects increased 67,000,000 bushels during August, the forecast now being 2,985,000,000 bushels. Although that exceeds last year's crop by more than 110,000,000 bushels, it falls 139,000,000 bushels short of the record crop of 1912.

Oats may reach a record, the September forecast being 1,408,000,000 bushels, which is 167,000,000 more than was harvested last year, but 16,000,000 bushels below the record crop of 1912.

Indications point to record crops of barley, rye, sweet potatoes, tobacco, rice and hay. The apple and peach crops also are far above the average in production.

## LIQUOR RAID MADE AND ONE ARRESTED FOR BLIND-PIGGING

### F. A. MAARS SIGNS STATEMENT HE SECURED THREE BOTTLES OF WHISKEY IN WEEK.

John Dickens was arrested Monday night on a charge of illegally handling liquor and his rooms in the second story of a building on Fourth and Main streets were searched by Chief Shaw and City Attorney Schobel. Eight full quart bottles of whiskey were found.

Earlier in the evening Patrolman Woodward saw F. A. Maars from the place with a bottle and took Maars to the city jail. Maars confessed that he had been securing whiskey from Dickens and signed a statement that he bought a quart from him Monday for 75 cents. City Attorney Schobel said that Maars had secured three bottles of whiskey this month and a charge will be made for each. Dickens was released under \$225 cash bail.

Patrolman Cooke and Woodward and Chief Shaw have been keeping a watch on the place for several weeks. Detective Bradley, who was here last spring, said before leaving town that if he could stay in Oregon City a few days longer, he could secure a conclusive evidence against a man in the building on Fourth and Main streets.

Corvallis grants franchise for extension of West side electric interurban.

## DRY LAW IS BEST POSSIBLE CLAIMS DR. J. E. ANDERSON

### MORE DRASTIC MEASURE WOULD BE KNOCKED OUT IN COURT, SAYS THE DALLAS MAN.

## LEGISLATOR WHO INTRODUCED BILL REPLIES TO CHARGES

### Work of Preparing Statute Described by Representative—All Organized Prohibition Bodies Support Law, He Declares.

That the Anderson dry law is as drastic a measure that could stand the test of the courts and is considered by the state's leading advocates of prohibition as the best statute of its kind in the country, was the statement of Dr. J. E. Anderson, the man who introduced the prohibition bill, in the pulpit of the First Methodist church Sunday night. Dr. Anderson replied to statements recently made by George C. Brownlee, who denounces the bill as an insult to the people of the state, although the speaker Sunday night did not mention Mr. Brownlee's name.

Court Decisions Quoted. Both state supreme courts and the United States supreme court had held against prohibition laws which absolutely prohibited the shipment of liquor from a wet to a dry state, he said. He mentioned the Oklahoma law which was declared unconstitutional in the federal supreme court in a decision that one quart of whiskey, the limit under the statute, was an unreasonable restriction. The Oklahoma law now provides that not more than one-half gallon of liquor can be shipped into the state at one time.

The case of the state of Kentucky vs. the Adams Express company, which was carried to the highest court in the nation, was also discussed by Dr. Anderson. The express company won after being arrested on a charge of carrying liquor into a territory dry under the local option statute. The liquor was shipped from a neighboring state and the supreme court ruled that a state may not regulate traffic strictly interstate. In the Kentucky law, Dr. Anderson said, an attempt was made to make the place of delivery the place of sale, but this too, failed.

Wets Seek Invaluable Measure. As far as he personally was concerned, Dr. Anderson declared that he would like to have a law which would absolutely prohibit the sale, manufacture and use of liquor. "I would like to see the day when every drop was sent to perdition," he said. "I only wish that a drastic law was possible, one that would prevent the handling of liquor in any way." But such a law he thought impossible and with other dry leaders he accepted the present law.

Dr. Anderson declared that the liquor interests during the legislature exerted every effort to secure a drastic dry law, knowing that such a statute would soon be knocked out by the courts. "A copy of a paper called the Hop Growers' Journal, which was edited by a man named Cooper, was presented to every representative during the session," he said. "Cooper was the son of a saloon keeper and the principal plea of his paper was for a drastic prohibition law which would absolutely prevent the importation of liquor."

Law Carefully Prepared. The careful preparation of the measure, the weeks and weeks of painstaking work of the leaders in the state-dry movement were told by Dr. Anderson. The tentative prohibition bill was introduced in the house by Dr. Anderson after district attorneys, attorney general and other state officers in a dozen states had been consulted and a score of dry laws had been read. The bill was referred to the alcoholic committee for every night from 8 to 12 for almost four weeks, the committee met to work on the measure. The Prohibition party, the Committee of One Hundred, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and individual leaders had been called into consultation and their views had been worked into the measure before the bill was taken up again by the house. Dr. Anderson said that Oregon was profiting by the mistakes of other states and had a bill to be proud of.

In closing his address, Dr. Anderson read parts of the law and explained it. He showed that the affidavit did not compel every person who secured liquor or to swear that he was to use for sacramental purposes only and that a construction was the result of lack of study of the measure. He explained how blind pigging was made almost impossible, reminded his audience that one person or family could receive only 24 quarts of beer or two quarts of whiskey, made clear the rigid restrictions placed around drug stores which handled ethyl alcohol. Letters from the state's dry leaders were read which strongly commended the new measure.

## THREE COUPLES DIVORCED

Three divorce decrees were signed Tuesday by Circuit Judge Campbell. They are: Maggie Fay Roberts from James H. Roberts, Ethel Andersen from Adolf Andersen and Frank Smith from Etta Smith.

## BOYS CHARGED WITH THEFT ARE RELEASED

Chris Trost, aged 18, Ed. Basang, aged 14, Albert Compean, aged 13, and William Trist, aged 16 years, were arrested Wednesday by Constable Frost and were given a hearing before Justice of the Peace Sievers on the charge of larceny of a boat, on a complaint sworn to before Walter Jurgens of Aurora. The boys say they found the boat sunk in the river and they dug it out and advertised their find and three claimants appeared, among them being Jurgens, but the boys declined to give him the boat and said it was not his. Christ Trost was released on his own recognizance to appear before the grand jury, and the other boys were also released without bail to have a hearing later in the juvenile court.

## MAN CAUGHT WITH LIQUOR FINED \$25

The city treasury was enriched to the extent of \$25 Tuesday morning when John Doe (real name unknown) pleaded guilty to violating the city liquor ordinance and was fined by Recorder Loder. The culprit was arrested late Monday night by Officers Woodward and Cooke with a suitcase containing 12 bottles of beer and a bottle of Port wine in his possession. He came up from Portland on an interurban car.

John Dickson, who was arrested Monday night on a charge of selling whiskey to F. A. Maars, was given until September 10 to plead. He deposited \$225 cash bail for his appearance. Maars, who will be a witness for the city, was released on his own recognizance.