

25TH CONVENTION SUNDAY SCHOOLS BROUGHT TO END

DELEGATES ELECT, PASS RESOLUTIONS DISCUSS WELFARE THEN ADJOURN.

REPEAL OF SUNDAY CLOSING LAW IS OPPOSED; PROHIBITION FAVORED

C. F. Romig Again Is President of Clackamas County Sunday School Association — Program Arranged for Teachers.

After electing officers and adopting several resolutions, the 25th annual convention of the Clackamas County Sunday School Association was brought to an end Saturday afternoon.

The officers named are: President, C. F. Romig; vice president, Mrs. D. M. Rhanks; secretary, Mrs. B. A. Hoag; assistant secretary, Miss Alma Moore; treasurer, Mrs. W. A. White; secretary educational department, Mrs. H. R. Smith; secretaries, teen age department, boys, Eberly Clark and John W. Loder, girls, Mrs. R. L. Badger and Mrs. Jack Hooper; secretary adult department, Mrs. E. H. Andrews; secretary temperance department, Mrs. Cora Eberly; secretary elementary department, Mrs. Smith; secretary of evangelistic department, Rev. A. J. Ware.

Parade Is Big Success.

The feature of Saturday's program was a parade at 11 o'clock this morning. Eight hundred pupils of Clackamas county Sunday schools, delegates and pastors, headed by the Oregon City boys' band paraded down Seventh street from the Presbyterian church, where the convention was held, to Main street and down Main street to Third. The parade was 10 blocks long. The Oregon City Baptist and the Presbyterian churches each had about 150 children in line.

Saturday morning's program was arranged to be of special interest to school teachers. Rev. J. R. Landis, pastor of the Presbyterian church, spoke on "The Place the Bible Should Have in Our Schools," and Nelson Howland, principal of one of the local grammar schools, spoke on the same subject as viewed by a school teacher.

Saturday afternoon William Miller lead a discussion, "The Sunday School From a Young Man's Standpoint," a number of five-minute talks were made by delegates and reports of various committees were read.

Bill's Repeal Is Opposed.

Resolved, that the Clackamas County Sunday School convention endorses our present Sabbath law and recommends that everything be done possible to defeat the bill proposed to destroy our Sunday law.

Resolved, that we extend a vote of thanks to the officers of the Clackamas County Sunday School association for the excellent arrangements of the program for the 25th annual convention, and to all who assisted in any way to make the program a success.

Resolved, that we extend a vote of thanks to the Presbyterian church for the privilege of holding the convention in their church, and to all the ladies who so ably assisted in the entertainment.

Resolved, that we extend a vote of thanks to Mrs. McDonald, who so successfully arranged and carried out the parade.

Resolved, that this convention endorses the dry measure and that we use our influence to elect men to office who will stand for that measure.

The resolution committee was composed of Mrs. B. A. Hoag, Roy N. McIntyre and A. G. C. Brown.

The committees which arranged for the convention wish to express through The Enterprise their appreciation of the help given by local business men.

THREE SHERIFFS HUNT FOR BAD CHECK ARTIST

WORTHLESS PAPER IS PASSED ON MERCHANTS IN SIX TOWNS IN ONE DAY.

The sheriffs of three counties, Clackamas, Washington and Marion, are hunting for a forger who has just completed a successful forage among county stores in the northern part of the Willamette valley. In one day's time he visited six stores and cashed \$93 in alleged bad checks.

His victims are the Stafford store, the Aden store at Wilsonville, Ben Day's store at Mulloy, Carlton & Sherk at Sherwood, J. Manly at Tualatin and the Tigarville store. Each of the checks was on the United States National bank, and made out in the sum of \$15 excepting the one cashed at the Stafford store which was for \$18. The name of J. Johnson was signed to a majority of the checks.

Dressed as a laborer, the man would walk into the store and explain that he had been working in the neighborhood and had just been paid with a check. He would order several dollars worth of merchandise, and calmly walk from the store.

The same man is believed to have operated in the Willamette valley several months ago. He is about five feet and seven inches tall, is dark and about 32 years old. On last trip he went about from town to town, but in previous trips it is believed that he traveled with a horse and buggy and was accompanied by a woman and two children.

WOMAN AT SANDY TRIES TO KILL HUSBAND; FAILS

BULLETS IMBEDDED IN WALL AS MAN STANDS TALKING OVER TELEPHONE.

ARREST AND THEN PRELIMINARY HEARING FEW HOURS AFTER SHOOTING

"He Ruined Me," Wife Tells Sheriff Wilson on Way to Oregon City — Divorce Suit Pending in Local Courts.

Mrs. Catherine Fisher, aged 50 years, made an unsuccessful effort to kill her husband, William Fisher, a Sandy farmer, at his home at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon because of real or fancied wrongs. A divorce suit brought by her on grounds of cruelty is pending in the Clackamas county circuit court. She was arrested a few minutes after the shooting by Deputy Sheriff Deaton of Sandy. Sheriff Wilson was at Sandy an hour after the near tragedy. Mrs. Fisher was bound over to the grand jury before Justice Pomeroy on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon and at 1 o'clock this morning she was in the Oregon City county jail in default of \$2000 bail.

Mr. and Mrs. Fisher, who have lived in the Sandy district for about 10 years, have not been living together for some time. Late Saturday afternoon she went into his home while he was talking over the telephone and fired two shots at him. One went wild, but the other was imbedded in the wall close to the phone. She tried to fire a third shot, but failed.

Fisher left the phone and grabbed the gun from her hands. She ran to a neighbor's house where Deputy Sheriff Deaton found her. She greeted the deputy sheriff with the remark that she was about to go to the authorities and give herself up.

Mrs. Fisher told Sheriff Wilson and Deputy Sheriff Deaton on the ride to Oregon City that she wanted to kill her husband because he had ruined her.

HUGHES IS BEST FRIEND OF LABOR SAYS ESTABROOK

NEW YORK ORATOR IN PORTLAND CONTRASTS RECORDS OF TWO CANDIDATES.

WILSONS CRITICISM OF LABOR UNIONS IS QUOTED BY SPEAKER

Adamson Act Is Called Gold Brick, Drawn With Sole Purpose to Get Votes—Constitutionality of Measure Doubted.

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 17.—Why the laboring man should vote for Hughes, might well have been the title of the address at the Eleventh Street theater tonight by Henry D. Estabrook, noted New York orator, speaking on behalf of Hughes and the Republican ticket.

Mr. Estabrook, in stentorian language—for he is a polished orator—reviewed Hughes' labor record and quoted labor leaders and labor publications themselves to substantiate his declaration that the Republican nominee always has been the true friend of labor.

By way of contrast he held forth the public utterances of Woodrow Wilson—before Wilson became president—knowing that the president during his college professorship days was violently opposed to, indeed, a "ferce partisan" against organized labor.

"Mr. Hughes," he asserted, after a running fire of humorous anecdotes, apt stories and burning thrusts at the Democrats had served to place his audience in good humor, "Mr. Hughes has been the greatest, wisest and most loyal friend to labor that this country ever had."

"Contrast this," he continued, "with this tribute to labor paid by Mr. Wilson in a baccalaureate sermon preached by him in 1907." And he read the following:

"You know that the usual standard of the employe is in our days. It is to give as little as he may for his wages. Labor is standardized by the trades unions, and this is the standard to which it is made to conform."

Next he tore into the Adamson act and insisted that it does not, in any way, prove or pretend to prove that President Wilson is a friend of labor.

"The Adamson act," he continued, "shows that Mr. Wilson thinks labor is stupid—so stupid that it can be purchased with a gold brick. For that is what it is."

"Congress has no more right to dictate what wages a railroad should pay its employes than to dictate what wages I shall pay my stenographer. It will be declared unconstitutional by the first court in which it is contested. It is a gold brick, I tell you, and in my opinion was known to be by those who gilded it."

AGED FATHER CHARGES SON CHEATED HIM OUT OF A VALUABLE FARM

FRITZ TIMMERMAN ASKS DEED BE SET ASIDE—CARL TIMMERMAN IS DEFENDANT.

Alleging that his son took advantage of his age and infirmities in inducing him to sign a deed to a \$10,000 farm in the northern part of Clackamas county, Fritz Timmerman, aged 77 years, Monday filed in the Clackamas county circuit court an action against his son, Carl Timmerman, and his son's wife, Harriet C. Scheubel, as trustee, also named as a defendant.

The aged father alleges that his son told him that the deed in question was a lease to the property and that he signed it with the understanding that the document was a lease. The old man says he is ill, that he cannot read English and that he is deaf. He charges that his son induced him to sign the paper without giving him an opportunity to consult an attorney. The action was filed by Milo C. King, a Gresham attorney, and is the second brought in the local court in the same case. The first was dismissed.

Fritz Timmerman is a native of Germany and came to this country 40 years ago. For the last six years, he says, he has been suffering a nervous breakdown. His son, the old man alleged, collected \$13 insurance when their house was partly destroyed by fire, and accused his father of setting the fire, as well as all other fires in the neighborhood. He was forced to live with his son and daughter-in-law, whom he charges is a "fortune hunting widow from California with numerous children by a former husband," until threats to commit him to an asylum forced him to go to St. Joseph's home for the aged in Portland.

Julius, another son, voluntarily dismissed a mortgage for \$2500 on the property.

Fritz Timmerman asks that the deed conveying the property be set aside.

SUIT AGAINST COUNTY SUBMITTED IN BRIEFS

SUIT OF COLTON FARMER FOR INJUNCTION AND DAMAGES RESTS WITH COURT.

District Attorney Gilbert L. Hedges, representing the county, and Attorney G. C. Brownell and C. D. Latourrette, in the suit of Hiram Hoskins against Clackamas county, will submit briefs to Circuit Judge Bagley within 20 days. Hoskins, a Colton farmer, asks for a mandatory injunction compelling the county to deepen a ditch which, he says floods his lands and for \$2400 damages.

The county dug a ditch on the county road past the Hoskins property, because this ditch is not deep enough he claims that the overflow covers his land and makes it impossible for him to cultivate it.

The case was tried this week before Circuit Judge Bagley, of Hillsboro, was on the bench in the local court for this one case. Monday the court and the attorneys went to Colton to view the premises and arguments were completed Tuesday afternoon.

SAME OLD PLEA FOR G.O.P. VOTES IS MADE BY WEST

EX-GOVERNOR SPREADS NONPOLITICAL BUNK FROM A MAIN STREET CORNER.

BEER AMENDMENT IS CRITICIZED, AND TAX LIMITATION IS PRAISED

"I Don't Care What You Belong to So That You Vote For The Democratic Ticket," Says Oswald West.

Maybe it was a mistake. Perhaps Oswald West's tongue accidentally slipped and for once he spoke the truth. At least some Republicans were much surprised to hear the ex-governor of Oregon declare from the rear end of an automobile at Seventh and Main streets Monday night, "I don't care what party you belong to so that you vote for the Democratic ticket."

After getting this out, West went on to remark that as far as voting was concerned he was non-partisan, but, of course, Democratic nominees received his vote.

Democratic office-seekers from Wilson down to Mark Weatherford, Democratic aspirate for Congressman Hawley's seat in the house of representatives, received his praise. Republican policies, candidates and accomplishments got his abuse. Otherwise, he was non-partisan.

Glittering generalities such as "more constructive legislation in favor of the common people has been enacted during the Wilson administration than in the last 40 years," were sprung time after time on two hundred and fifty men who crowded around his machine. The tariff, he declared, was out of politics and in the hands of a tariff board. The Adamson act and the seamen's measure also met his praise.

The scope of Oswald West's talk was broad. After praising the Democratic candidates for state and national offices, he jumped onto the so-called brewers' bill.

"The battle that has been waging for centuries is the battle to better conditions, and you can't fight when you are full of booze," he said. Booze is a battle between home and certain selfish interests, of which Paul Westinger is a type.

"I am an I. W. W. as far as booze is concerned, and I believe in direct action. If we don't get the wet crowd this time we'll get them the next or the next. We'll keep at them until we get them."

Mr. West praised the tax limitation bill, declaring that its enactment will prevent constantly soaring levies.

DR. TODD FILES DEMURRER.

Alleging that the time for legal action has expired by limitation, Dr. E. R. Todd, Molalla physician sued for \$10,000 by Frank C. Scott, on grounds of malpractice, has filed through his attorneys, Dimick & Dimick, a demurrer to the complaint. Scott claims that through carelessness of Dr. Todd in treating an injured hand his injury was made permanent.

OREGON AGGIES WIN.

PULLMAN, Oct. 14.—Oregon Agricultural college emerged victor today over Washington State college in one of the most terrific gridiron struggles ever seen on Rogers' field.

Tuffy Conn, Coach Pipal's brilliant young half-back, drop-kicked the ball squarely between uprights twice, and Gill raced 20 yards for a touchdown after picking up Boone's fumble five minutes after the beginning of play. Conn kicked goal.

CHARLES HUGHES MAKES POSITION ON ISSUE CLEAR

REPUBLICAN NOMINEE SAYS HE WOULD HAVE PUT STRIKE UP TO PEOPLE

SURRENDER SUCH AS ADAMSON LAW CANNOT BE REPEALED, HE AVERS

Low Audience Roars Approval When Speaker Says He Will Represent No One Group But All Of The American People

SOUIX CITY, La., Oct. 17.—"A surrender cannot be repealed," Charles Hughes replied tonight to a question from his audience as to whether he would repeal the Adamson law if he was elected president.

"If arbitration had been refused," Mr. Hughes replied, "I should have gone right to the American people, stated the facts and put the responsibility where it belonged."

"I should, at the same time, have secured a commission of inquiry so impartial, so fair, as to command the respect of the entire country and, directing public opinion to that end, there is no group of men in the United States that would have dared hold up the instrumentalities of commerce if that were done."

The heckler still had another question to ask.

"Mr. Hughes," he said, "You would have done all that within 24 hours?"

"Why, sir," the nominee replied, "the business men of the United States, through the chamber of commerce of the United States, on July 29, sent a telegram to the president asking for an inquiry. A resolution was introduced in the senate for an inquiry and was laid on the table. For months the business men of the United States asked for an inquiry as to this very matter, and the crisis was allowed to be developed, when it was unnecessary that it should have been developed and there was adequate time to ascertain what the facts were."

The heckling was attended by the utmost confusion. The audience, which had cheered and applauded loudly in the earlier parts of Mr. Hughes' address, apparently was incensed at the interruptions and there were many cries of "Put him out!" "Sit down" and "Shut up."

GRANGERS CALL UPON INTELLIGENT VOTERS TO KILL LAND BILL

RESOLUTION DECLARES TITLES TO FARM AND HOMES WOULD BE EMPTY IF PLAN PASSES

The Clackamas County Pomona grange has taken no uncertain stand on the so-called land and loan bill, which will be on the ballot November 7. After C. Schuebel, ex-legislator and city attorney, had explained the measure and several of the grangers had expressed their views a resolution was passed Wednesday at the meeting of Pomona grange at Parkplace condemning the measure.

Mr. Schuebel, who is leading the Clackamas county campaign against the bill, is a former law partner of W. S. U'ren, who is advocating the plan. The two attorneys, who worked together for years and whose ideas were much the same along the lines of radical legislation, at one time, have widely divergent views of the land and loan bill.

The resolution follows: "Whereas the so-called people's land and loan bill, if adopted by the popular vote in November would become a part of the constitution of Oregon, and

"Whereas, it would make the farm owners and home owners mere tenants of the state, possessed of empty titles and burdened with obligation of paying each year the full rental value of their homes and land into the public treasury; and

"Whereas, by each provision for loaning \$1500 cash without interest for five years to anyone who with his family has failed to accumulate property of the total value of \$2250, it penalizes thrift and thrusts the premium upon the shiftlessness and extravagance at the taxpayers' expense.

"Therefore, be it resolved that we urge all members and all other intelligent persons to vote against this measure, so it may be voted down by so large a majority that the promoters of his single tax legislation may be brought to realize the futility of encumbering the ballot with visionary and dangerous schemes at every general election."

100 HEAR FULTON AT MILWAUKIE CITY HALL

EX-SENATOR TELLS OF BROKEN PLEDGES OF SPINELESS DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

Broken platform pledges, lack of capacity to transact the business of the country, and a spineless and vacillating foreign policy on the part of the Democratic administration were exposed at Milwaukee Thursday night by Ex-United States Senator C. W. Fulton, in one of the ablest political addresses ever heard in Clackamas county.

More than 100 persons were in attendance at the City hall and applauded to the echo. Mr. Fulton did not mince his words, but took the Democratic platform, plank by plank, and showed how the Wilson administration had wilfully and flagrantly violated them. He demonstrated that only the European war had rescued this country from industrial stagnation and scored the Democracy for its Mexican policy, which had killed scores of American soldiers and had availed nothing.

The Milwaukee Volunteer Fire department band furnished the music for the meeting, which was addressed briefly by George C. Brownell, candidate for representative; William M. Stone, for district attorney; W. W. Everhart, for assessor; H. A. Lewis, for joint senator and A. H. Burton, for joint representative. B. G. Skinsason, of Milwaukee, introduced the speaker.

W. V. S. IS PAYING OPERATING COSTS, TAKING UP DEFICIT

WAY NOW IS OPEN FOR WORK ON PROPOSED EXTENSIONS UP THE VALLEY.

BOTH FREIGHT AND PASSENGER BUSINESS GROWING STEADILY

With Traffic Growing, Expenses Decrease As Roadbed Is Improved — 148 Cars Cordwood Are Handled in A Month.

The Willamette Valley Southern, the valley's newest electric road is on a paying basis. The road was put in operation in February, 1915, and the business of the line has grown until today it is paying operating expenses and taking up the deficit which accumulated during the first months, when it did not pay.

The fact that the Willamette Valley Southern is on a paying basis is important because through an agreement with bondholders the proposed extensions to Salem or other up-valley cities cannot be completed until the road was meeting all expenses.

During the month of September, the Willamette Valley Southern carried 8,225 passengers. Included in the shipments of freight during the month was two carloads of poles, used in Oregon's new industry, shipbuilding. One hundred and forty-eight cars of cord wood were hauled into Portland during the month of September, and the total of car lot shipments north bound over the road during the month was 197. The Willamette Valley Southern handles more express matter than any electric road operating into Portland.

Although each month sees an increase in the amount of business handled, the operating expenses of the road is steadily decreasing. The road bed had been ballasted from one end to the other with river gravel and two gangs of track workers withdrawn. The road is now running several trains direct into Portland over the Portland over the Portland Railway Light & Power company's lines.

GRANGERS HEAR PROGRAM.

Among the music and literary numbers given at the evening session of the Pomona session at the Abernethy grange hall at Parkplace on Wednesday evening under the supervision of Mrs. Frank Bernier, worthy lecturer, were as follows: Recitation, Miss Lillie Anderson; vocal solo, Miss Myrtle Holmes; recitation, Pearl Jones; vocal solo, Miss Wallace; and duet, Ralph Smith and Miss Myrtle Holmes. Previous to the entertainment a supper was served to 65 persons and at 12 o'clock there were 100 served by the women.

EXECUTOR AWARDED JUDGMENT

William Kraus, executor of the will of Rebecca Scholl, Friday secured a judgment against Karl Bergren, Greta Bergren, E. Netter and L. H. Hamberg for \$500 and interest and \$60 attorney's fees. The decree orders the sheriff to sell lots 11 and 12 in block 2, Barlow.

LEONA AND E. R. CASE WEDDED, IS COURT'S FINDING

SHADOW ON NAME OF DORTHY CASE, AGED TWO YEARS, IS REMOVED.

COMMON LAW MARRIAGE PROVED BY DEEDS, LETTERS, MORTGAGES

Picture of Murdered Man Holding His Child, Now Dead, is Introduced in Court As Evidence—Homer Ford Case Cited.

Another page in the tragic history of the Case families—a history of hatred and murder in which brother was against brother and sister against sister—was written Monday by County Judge Anderson who held that there was a legal common law marriage between Leona Case and the late Ernest R. Case. By his decision, Judge Anderson removed any question of doubt as to the good name of little Dorothy Case, aged two years, and made certain that she would share the estate of her murdered father.

"There is more than mere property rights involved in this case; more than a mere matter of dollars and cents," Judge Anderson said. "The good name of this little girl, Dorothy Case, is involved. All through this series of tragedies she has been the innocent pawn of circumstances, a victim at every turn. Through my decision she will escape a stigma which would follow her through life."

The common law marriage was proved largely through deeds, notes and letters from other members of the family in which Leona was always mentioned as Ernest's wife. Three letters from Mrs. Belle Booth, sister of the late Ernest and Sam Case, in which Mrs. Booth called Leona "Dear Sister," were introduced as evidence.

Pictures Are Evidence. A picture of Ernest Case, who was murdered by his brother Sam on the county road at Parkplace October 3, 1915, holding little Thelma Case in his arms was put in the hands of the court. Thelma died and a picture of the grave in Riverview cemetery, with its tombstone marked, "Thelma Case," was also introduced as evidence. Dorothy Case is the only surviving child.

The history of the Case family is as tragic as it is unusual. Sam Case and Ernest R. Case, members of a Polk county family, at several points standing, married sisters, both families living at Parkplace. A year ago this month, Sam killed Ernest. A month later Sam died in the Oregon City hospital following an operation on his stomach.

Marriage Is Questioned.

Probate proceedings were begun soon after Ernest Case was killed and the woman who had always been considered his wife, Leona Case, was appointed administratrix. Her own sister, Mary, who is also the widow of Sam, and Cassius Case, brother of Sam and Ernest, then began an effort to remove Leona Case as administratrix. Cassius filed a petition in the probate department of the county court, alleging that Leona and Ernest had not been properly married.

Evidence was introduced showing that Leona secured a divorce in the Clackamas county circuit court from a former husband in February, 1911. A few days after the decree was signed she and Ernest Case went to Vancouver, Clark county, Wash., to secure a license but the county auditor there explained that the statutes forbade a marriage within six months of a divorce decree. Leona on the stand acknowledged that she and Ernest then lived together until about August, 1911, when she told him that they would have to be married. The two went to Portland where a mock wedding was staged by his friends for her benefit.

In the arrangements Monday, Dimick & Dimick and O. W. Eastham, attorneys for Leona, read an Oregon law providing that an invalid marriage was binding upon either of the parties which considered it valid. News stories in Portland papers concerning the Homer N. Ford case, recently tried in Portland, was read by Attorney Eastham to show the court here that the Portland circuit court had upheld the validity of common law marriages. Cases from other states were also cited.

Ogelsby Young, representing Cassius Case, the petitioner, and Mary Case, who since the death of her husband less than a year ago married a man named Ralph Smith at Hillsboro, laid great stress on an alleged remark of Leona soon after the murder of her husband. According to Mary Smith, Leona acknowledged that she and Ernest were not wedded. At another time, Mary Smith said, she found Ernest beating Leona, and she asked for an explanation, and they replied, Mary Smith testified, that he was "teaching her to tell no one they were not married."

Conservative estimates place value of Hood River valley agricultural products at \$1,500,000.

What Kind Are You?

The opportunity will be offered to you and to every voter in Clackamas county on November 7 to vote a ticket that has been presented for your consideration by the Republicans of this county. It is a ticket composed of efficient nominees, candidates of the Republican party who are pledged to administer their offices economically, and to avoid waste.

On the other hand, there is a slip-easy Democratic ticket. Realizing their feebleness, the Democrats of Clackamas have left the field open in many places, and have concentrated their strength and centralized their energies for the avowed purpose of defeating one of the Republican candidates for the legislature, for district attorney, for assessor and for commissioner.

Now, the question is, how far are you going to let them go? Will you turn a deaf ear to their plaintive appeals for Republican support, or will you be fooled with the old story of "non-partisanship"?

There is only one answer to the question. "The Democrats will throw their entire party strength to their own candidates, for offices they are seeking. There will be few, if any, Democratic votes cast for the Republican candidates who are facing Democratic opposition. The local Democracy don't play the game that way. They nominate men of ordinary ability, and then have the crust to ask the Republicans to scratch the party ticket to help a few Democrats get a job. The answer is to strengthen the hands of the direct primary and

VOTE THE REPUBLICAN TICKET.