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WEST SIDE FOLK PLAN CIVIC RULE

INCORPORATION OF MANY COMMUNITIES PROPOSED BY IMPROVEMENT CLUB

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IS APPOINTED

Move is Made to Forestall Possible Annexation to Oregon City in Near Future—Much Territory Embraced

Oregon City will soon have a rival municipality close to its borders if plans launched at Thursday night's meeting of the West Side Improvement club are perfected. The scheme broached at this meeting, and eagerly adopted after an hour's discussion, is nothing less than the incorporation of West Oregon City, Sunset, Bolton and Willamette Heights, including the mills and power plant, in a separate municipality.

The meeting, which was attended by about 75 members of the organization, was held in the West Oregon City school, and at it a committee to prepare plans for incorporation was appointed. The committee is composed of B. T. McBain, president of the improvement club, J. Nichol, Ira P. Lyles, J. Dwyer, P. J. Winkel, M. Michael, L. McCarthy, G. L. Snyder, F. Doty, Dr. L. L. Pickens and M. Clancey. The committee will meet Tuesday night, May 6, in the rooms of the Oregon City Commercial club, to further discuss the scheme, and to draw up tentative plans for the new community.

The matter of general incorporation of the west side communities has

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BLAME IS PASSED IN SCHOOL TANGLE

ADDITIONAL LIGHT THROWN UPON ORATORICAL CONTEST MATTER BY ADLER

ESTACADA FOLK HELD NEGLIGENT

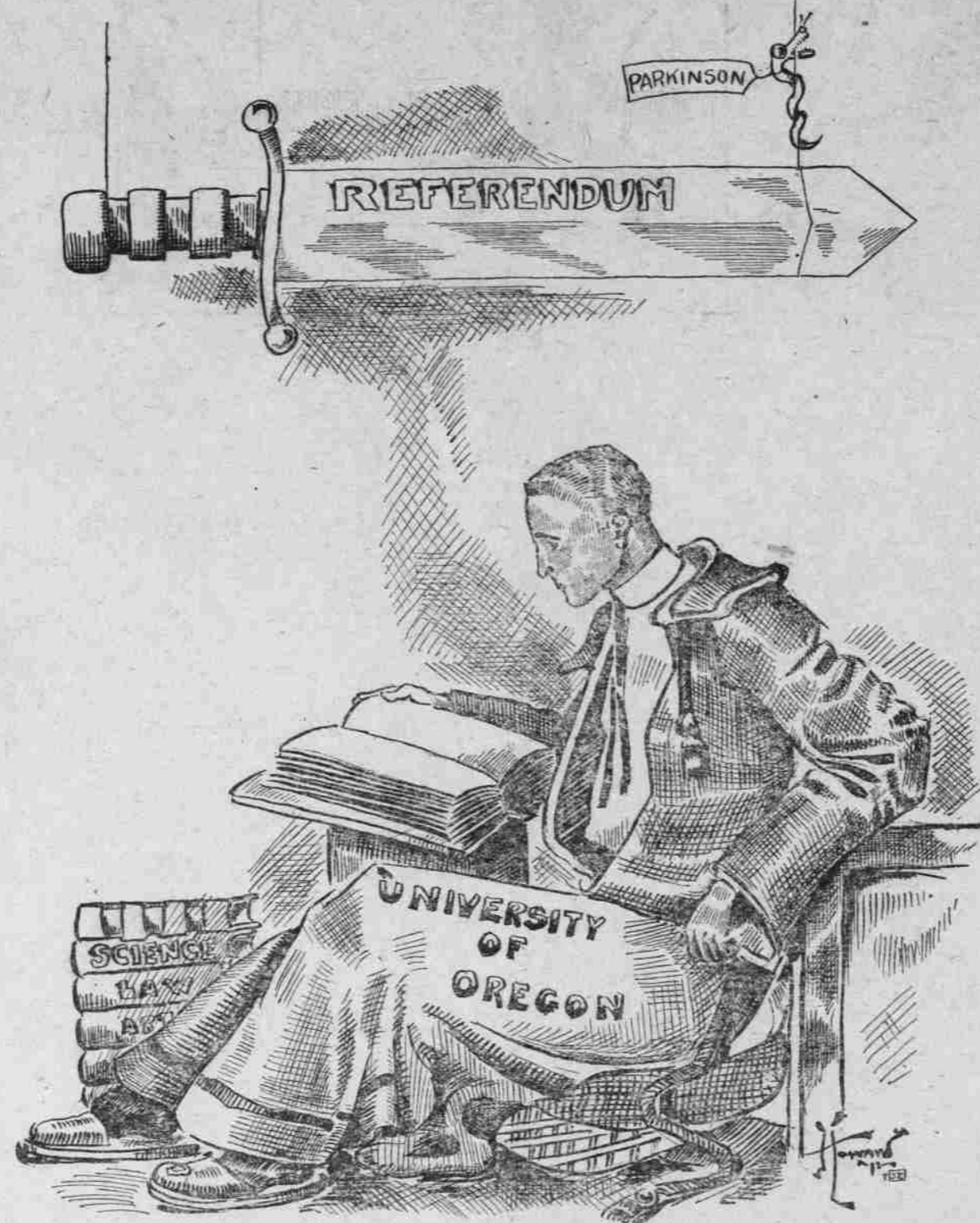
Failure to Notify League of Intention to Enter Pupils is Given as Cause for Woe of Upper Valley People

Further light upon the controversy raised by Estacada people in regard to the awarding of prizes in the county school oratorical contest is thrown by the following letter from Samuel Adler, secretary of the Clackamas County School league. Some days ago The Enterprise printed a report on the matter in which the grievances of Estacada people were set forth, and in which County Superintendent T. J. Gary was quoted as saying that as far as he knew the explanation of the rather unfortunate outcome of the contest lay between Mr. Adler and the Estacada school leaders. Mr. Adler's version of the incident is as follows:

"To the Editor, Sir:
I notice that in a recent issue your paper published an article relating the alleged facts of an injustice done to one of the county schools in the Oratorical contest, an injustice said to be due to negligence in apprising the principals of the date of the contest and other entry conditions.
In justice to those who were awarded the prizes, I would ask you to give me an answer as much publicity as that given to the protest.
In the latter part of March, Mr. Ford, of Estacada, received a circular stating the date of the Oratorical contest, and that all entries for the same must be in positively by April 5th, 1913.
The only communication I have received from Mr. Ford relating to any contest whatsoever was that of March 15th, which is on file in Supt. Gary's office, making his entries for the Literary contest, but saying not a word about the Oratorical contest. No other communication was received

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WORMS ENDANGER PROGRESS



FRANK WHITEMAN IS WINNER OF EXCITING AUTOMOBILE CONTEST

WHITEMAN\$533,450
BATDORF6564,680

COMMERCIAL FISHING SEASON IS OPEN; CATCH REPORTED GOOD BY LOCAL MEN

The open season for gillnetters upon the Willamette river at Oregon City opened at twelve o'clock noon Thursday. All of the Oregon City fishermen were on hand for the event, and their number was greatly augmented by a large number of fishermen from the Columbia river who have come into the river especially for the fishing.

The best catch Thursday was made by Peter Stanovitch, who drifted from the mouth of the Abernethy to the mouth of the Clackamas and caught nearly 60 fish in the first drift. Several of the other fishermen did almost as well, but the majority did not do well upon the first catch. It is thought the fishing will be much better in the evening and after night fall, because the salmon will not be able then to see the nets. There will probably be a good many tons of fish before morning.

The Columbia river fishermen will be charged the same fee of \$25 which the Oregon City fishermen pay into the union.

It was feared that some trouble might result between the local fishermen and those from the Columbia river, but everything went along nicely Thursday evening. All fishermen using the Willamette river at Oregon City for gill-net fishing are charged \$25 by the local fishermen's union. This charge is made to offset the expenses which the union incurs through the pulling of snags, attorney's fees and credentials. All members of the union who live in Oregon City pay the fee and in turn they expect fishermen who come to this city from the Columbia river to pay the same amount as they receive benefits from the local union.

Most of the Columbia fishermen were willing from the start to comply with this charge, but a few believed

they should not pay it. The local fishermen state that the Columbia river men receive as much benefit from the union as do the Oregon City men, and so therefore, they should pay equally with the local men.

The fishing in the river is always best at this time of the year, and a good many tons of salmon will be caught during the next week. The Portland merchants and buyers along the river are in this city and are prepared to take all the fish which are caught. Most of the buying is done early in the morning, after the night catches are made and hauled in. The fish are then taken to Portland on fishing launches and tugs. There were about four tugs in the city Thursday evening, prepared to take the night's catch away.

The presence of the gillnetters in the river was noticeable Thursday and although the fishing was not good on the whole, during the day many nets were set on the river. With the opening of the gillnet season upon the river, the fishing for salmon with hook and line will practically stop below the falls. Hence forth most of the fishing with a spoon will be done at the falls.

FIREFIGHTERS GO OUT ON STRIKE

SALT LAKE CITY, May 1.—The resignations of 75 members of the city fire department, as a protest against low pay, which includes every active member of the fire fighting force, with the exception of Chief W. H. Bywater, were presented formally to the city commission today. It was said tonight that three members of the commission were ready to accept the resignations, as there were sufficient experienced men available

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Employs of all other city departments are said to be preparing to take the same action as the firemen unless their demands for increased wages are granted.

THURSDAY'S GAMES

At Portland—Venice 5, Portland 3.
At San Francisco—Sacramento 4, San Francisco 0.
At Los Angeles—Los Angeles 4, Oakland 2.

Standings

Los Angeles 520
Venice 523
Oakland 519
Sacramento 480
San Francisco 448
Portland 409

TRACK AND FIELD DAY PLANS READY

CLACKAMAS COUNTY SCHOOLS TO HOLD ANNUAL MEET AT GLADSTONE, MAY 24.

SPECIAL GAMES TO BE FEATURES

Children and Grown-ups Will Participate in Roms, for Fun and for Prizes—Science of Play Taught

The annual track meet of the Clackamas County School leagues will be held this year at Gladstone Park, on Saturday, May 24. This date has been determined upon by the executive committee, of which Samuel Adler is secretary.

In addition to the regular track and field events, the committee has planned to make plays and games a prominent feature of the day's program. The committee is of the opinion that properly supervised play is one of the important concerns of every household, of every school and of every community. Play makes for health and contentment; it stirs the mind to keen activity and trains the individual to take the initiative to act promptly and energetically, and to cooperate for the good of all. To give the young and old an opportunity to participate in time-honored sports and amusements, and to learn new and inspiring games, is the purpose of this department.

Every teacher is urged to have her children come prepared to play at least one game. Among competitive games, captain ball, prisoner's base, robber barons and volley ball are recommended. These games may be played by opposing teams of eight members or more each.

It is not desirable that all of the plays be of a competitive nature. There are many interesting games in which the team element does not enter, and some of these are especially adapted to the younger children. Common examples are, fishes-swim, hair-in-a-patch, statues or steps, cat and the mouse, three deep, and last-pair-pass.

Some other lines of activity such as flag drills, May-pole, windmill, folk dancing and the like are also recommended.

The plays and games will be open to both boys and girls, and it is hoped that all will be encouraged to take an active part. Each child should be made to feel that this day is instituted for his or her special benefit.

Some special events open only to girls are as follows: Potato race, short distance relay races, baseball throwing, indoor baseball and basketball.

A unique feature of the program will be a series of interesting events open to adults not connected with schools, as follows: Tug of war, obstacle race, sack race, 12-pound shot-put. Prizes will be awarded in most of the above events.

The events of the track and field meet will be as follows: 50-yard dash, 100-yard dash, 200-yard dash, 440-yard dash, relay race, broad and high jump, 8-pound shot-put, mile race and pole vault. All these events will be open to both grade and high school pupils, with the exception of the mile run and the pole vault, which will be only for high school entrants. The grade and high school contestants will not compete with each other.

Charles Lemmon, who was picked up by Sheriff Mass near Logan the early part of this week in an emaciated condition, after starving himself for three days, has been turned over to friends in Portland who will care for him. Lemmon is an epileptic, and has several times been a local charge. County Judge Batey at first was inclined to send the man to the state hospital, but later decided that friends could better care for him.

GLENN GAULT, 20, TO FACE JURORS

TRIAL FOR FIRST DEGREE MURDER BEGINS IN CIRCUIT COURT FRIDAY A. M.

CASE WILL BE 'HOTLY CONTESTED'

Youth Who Slew Step-Father in Lonely Home to Answer Before Bar of Justice—Much Interest in Case

Trial of Glen Gault, for first degree murder, begins Friday morning in Judge Campbell's department of the circuit court. A coroner's jury, sitting in the case on November 25, 1912, found that the prisoner had killed his step-father, D. M. Lettzel, in their ranch home about a year before, and had then dragged the body 200 feet out into the woods and buried it. The dead man's skull, which is important evidence in the case, showed that several blows had been struck, and compound fractures resulted.

At the time of the crime Gault, then a boy about 17, was living on a ranch with his step-father, with whom he never got along. According to the lad's version of the affair, his foster parent asked him to assist in moving a stove, and an argument arose as to where the range should be placed. Gault says Lettzel attacked him with a knife, and that he only struck at the elder man in self-defense. He also maintained that his step-father constantly nagged him, and ill-treated his mother, and that he could not stand seeing things as they were.

Mrs. Lettzel, the boy's mother, was not at home on the night of the fatal quarrel. Later the boy told her that Lettzel had gone to Eastern Oregon to live, and it was not until nine months later that suspicion first turned towards the lad. Then, when he was working near Astoria, his mother went to him and asked him where his step-father was, but he persisted in telling her the story of the older man's departure for the eastern part of the state. Later on the boy gave his version of the killing, and later showed Sheriff Mass where the body was buried.

Gault will be defended at his forthcoming trial by George C. Brownell and Gordon E. Hayes, both attorneys of note in the state, and an interesting legal battle is expected. Since he has been in jail the young man has been a model prisoner, and recently when two others in the county bastille made their escape, the youth facing trial for his life refused to follow them to liberty. His attorneys have hopes of clearing him at least from conviction on a first degree murder charge, and will introduce a great mass of evidence in his behalf.

Gault will be 21 on the 11th of June this year. In some quarters the question has been raised as to whether he can be legally hanged, should the verdict go against him, on account of his being a minor in the eyes of the law.

MRS ADAMS TO RETURN

Word has been received in this city that Mrs. A. H. Adams, who was seriously injured in Los Angeles last Saturday evening, when she was run down by a motor-cyclist, is much improved and is being brought back to Oregon City. She is accompanied by her son Louis Adams, who left for the south upon hearing of his mother's serious condition. It is expected they will arrive in Oregon City Saturday or Sunday evening. Mrs. Adams will then remain in this city until she has regained her health.

Her friends are rejoicing upon her recovery, because it was feared that her advanced age might prove serious after meeting with such a serious accident.

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