

MR. HENRY PECK AND HIS FAMILY AFFAIRS

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HENRY JR. SAYS



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CITY OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER.

THE ORDINANCE PROVIDING for the appropriation of money to purchase a tract of land for public uses was intended to give the city some place that it could have full control of at all times and which it might put to any use that the citizens may elect.

What use for this public ground may be asked? There are many uses to which it may or should be put.

Oregon City is a growing city now and should grow much more rapidly in the future and should provide herself with the necessary facilities for expansion. Today when exhibitions requiring considerable space, as animal shows, circuses and other legitimate enterprises seek a location they must occupy land outside city control while the city must go to expense of extra police and take other precautionary measures that cost money, and yet can charge no license fee.

The city should foster the agricultural interests of the community and could with profit to herself and to the community outside hold fairs, and other gatherings of all kinds to foster community progress and growth. That she should own and control a plot of ground of sufficient size and close proximity to the city for such purposes in the future there can be no question.

While other cities provide fields and accommodations for their athletic clubs and teams, Oregon City young men and high school boys must appeal to the P. R., L. & P. Co., or to Gladstone park authorities for a place to practice or play. Neither two fields are under control of this city and outside authorities must be relied upon to look after order, etc.

Again, the time will soon pass by when Oregon City will be able to purchase a piece of land in close proximity to the city for as reasonable price. In fact, there are very few pieces of desirable land now left and for sale at any price.

The Englebrecht tract of four and a quarter acres has been mentioned in this connection. Nothing in the ordinance requires the purchase of this particular plot, however, and it should only be purchased after earnest effort has been put forth to purchase something as good or better.

Today it is offered for a price which good judges of real estate, considering its location and condition, maintain is very reasonable with the probabilities, that within a short time it will be much more valuable.

There can be no question that this city should provide for the future, and do it now. Let us do as well by our young men and for our municipal interest as other cities are doing. Force them not to leave home to find a place for honorable contest.

Stimulate in them pride in their own city, and at the same time build for themselves a better future. Just one example of what the future may mean to us if we vote to provide these public grounds tomorrow. A few years ago N.

Right to Strike Is the Lifeblood of the Labor Movement

By WILLIAM B. WILSON, Secretary of Labor of the United States

THE RIGHT TO STRIKE IS THE LIFE BLOOD OF THE LABOR MOVEMENT, AND TO TAKE IT AWAY WOULD BE TO PLACE UNION WORKMEN IN THE SAME POSITION AS A COUNTRY WHICH WOULD NOT WAGE WAR ON ANOTHER NATION IN ORDER TO ENFORCE ITS RIGHTS.

Strikes, like wars between nations, cause terrible misery and privation, but labor CANNOT GIVE UP THIS WEAPON. Organized labor, like organized government, can conduct its fights better than unorganized rabble. There is a general opinion that trade unions are organized for the purpose of conducting strikes for higher wages and shorter hours.

This is not true. Virtually all the legislation tending to IMPROVE THE CONDITION OF THE WORKER has been the result of the concerted efforts of the trade unions.

The present public school system, excepting that in New England, was also the result of the labor movement.

W. Bowland, now principal of the Eastham school, urged upon the board of directors of the Portland district the purchase of a public ground in Montavilla. The board looked the ground over, commended the choice of location, but thought that the price, then sixteen hundred dollars, too high a price, and on this cost basis turned the proposition down.

Now is the time for Oregon City to provide for the future in this matter of public ground by voting "Yes" on the charter amendment, providing for the purchase of the same.

THE PROPOSED bond amendment to the charter providing for the sale of elevator bonds amounting to twelve thousand dollars, means a new method of procedure in the city's finances. This issue is the one authorized by the people when they voted for the elevator and this amendment to be voted on tomorrow is for the purpose of allowing the sale of bonds in smaller denominations than formerly offered.

Under the present charter provisions all bonds are offered in denominations of five hundred dollars, no smaller. The sales of bonds of this size are usually made directly or indirectly to eastern bond houses, as few of our citizens can or will buy whole issues or even a few bonds of so large denomination at the rate of interest offered.

A principle now recognized as sound and sensible in bond sales is for the municipality to retain all the advantages possible for her own citizens; hence the plan is to issue these bonds for municipal purposes in small denominations—of from ten to fifty dollars each—and give the citizens opportunity to invest their savings in the same.

If these bonds are of small denomination every man or woman, every boy or girl, even who through industry and saving accumulates a few dollars, may become an investor, a partner in the city's enterprises and improvements that are subject to bonds.

This plan should also encourage patriotism for one's own city. The moment a citizen possesses one or more of his city's bonds he is a bonafide stockholder in the corporation of which he is a part. He invests his money here and the city's progress and prosperity mean more to him than before.

Then too these bonds may be used as collateral. In this connection we believe it would have been better to make the denominations even smaller. But it is an effort in the right direction and can be further amended in the future.

If this amendment carries—and it certainly should as a thoroughly progressive measure—our citizens will have first opportunity to purchase one or more of these bonds. It means equal opportunity, which is not now the case, and civic advancement.

Finally if the issue should not be taken up entirely by Oregon City purchasers, there is nothing in the amendment to hinder the sale of the entire amount to outside buyers.

Advertisement for The Bank of Oregon City, Oldest Bank in Clackamas County. A little bank account to call on will prove mighty comforting if the storm should break.

FORUM OF THE PEOPLE

OREGON CITY, Ore., Nov. 29.—(Editor of The Enterprise)—Among the questions to be voted on by the city next Monday is an ordinance appropriating \$2500 for the purchase of four acres for a city play ground. It is to be hoped that no short sighted economist will vote against this because it will cost something.

the citizens of tomorrow and we expect them to be better than the citizens of today. Clean healthy sport is one of the avenues to character. The boy's play is nature's preparation for the man's work. Give them the land and see if the boys cannot find a way to develop it.

German Gleanings. In Germany three times as many men as women kill themselves.

Town Topics. New York has about the biggest of everything, including a public debt which beats that of the United States.

Woman's World. There are 372,635 women teachers and professors in the United States.

Facts From France. Paris will use automobiles to collect ashes and rubbish.

COURTESY. It is a very simple matter to acquire the habit of acting in a courteous manner. He who possesses every other title to our respect except that of courtesy is in danger of forfeiting them all.

Current Comment. Mr. Carnegie's peace palace at The Hague has been "inaugurated" and is now ready for business.

Aerial Flights. To M. Pegoud we are indebted for putting the initial S in "sky."

TRADE 17 1-2 acres of fine beaver dam land, 1 1-2 miles from McMinnville, all improved. Price \$4000.00; will exchange for equal value in Oregon City property or acreage near this city.

DAMES AND DAUGHTERS. A Chicago girl whose business is to plan the electric wiring of thousands of flashing signs throughout the country is Miss Nettie Lippie, who is twenty-four years of age and earning \$200 a month.

Heart to Heart Talks By CHARLES N. LURIE. Suppose you were forty-three years old. Suppose that for almost twenty-seven years you had been a helpless cripple, with your joints becoming solid bone, so that movement slowly, but surely, became impossible.

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