

WHY WE DID NOT KEEP THEM IN LAW

Commissioner Wehrung Talks of Withdrawal of Federation From A.-Y.-P. Functions.

WILL NOT AFFECT THINGS

Hostesses Already Being Chosen for Various Oregon Days at Fair.

The withdrawal of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs will have no effect at all on the completeness of the social side of Oregon's exhibit at the A.-Y.-P. Exposition, according to President H. Wehrung, of the Oregon Commission.

The primary and only cause of the refusal of the clubwomen to go on with the work as originally outlined, he said, was because of the inability under the law of the Commission to allow them \$100 per month for the salary of a secretary and stenographer.

Mr. Wehrung gave out this statement: "As far as the Oregon Commission is concerned, the incident in the case has been misrepresented in many ways, and it is just as well that the whole matter be made public. Mrs. Evans made a personal visit to Salem and had audience with Governor Benson, in reference to this matter, submitting to him a part of the correspondence which, under her own personal statements, but she did not show him the last three letters, under date of April 25, 26 and 28, which passed between Mrs. Evans and myself.

Hostesses Being Chosen.

Already plans have been formulated for having representative women from various parts of the state named as hostesses. Letters have been sent to County Courts of every county in the state, and to the commercial organizations in each county, requesting that hostesses be named for county and city days at the A.-Y.-P. Exposition. Many replies have already been received by the commission.

June 18 has been designated as Oregon Building Dedication day. July 9 has been named as Oregon day, and July 20 has been selected as Portland day. Appropriate programmes for these special days are being arranged and soon will be made public. For each of these occasions representative women of Oregon will be asked by the commission to act as hostesses. They committed to take charge of arrangements for Portland day consists of Dr. J. R. Wetherbee, William MacWhorter, Edward Sherman, Theodore B. Wilcox, Ralph Court, C. Colt and the Mayor of Portland.

The hostesses who are named on Portland day are Mrs. J. D. Hayes, Mrs. C. A. Dolph, Mrs. J. R. Wetherbee, Mrs. W. J. Holman, Mrs. Robert Lutzke, Mrs. K. McArthur, Mrs. J. Wesley Ladd, Mrs. J. N. Fleischer, Mrs. L. J. Wentworth, Mrs. Raleigh Stott, Miss Gertrude Ford, Mrs. W. L. Lane, Lane Shelby and Miss Nona Lawler.

This committee will be in session at 4 P. M. today in the parlors of the Commercial club, and various plans will be discussed.

Why Federation Withdrew.

Mr. Wehrung yesterday submitted to an Oregonian reporter the complete correspondence leading up to the withdrawal of the Oregon Federation. Last fall, Mrs. Sarah A. Evans, state president of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs, sent her first letter to Governor Chamberlain, suggesting that the Oregon State Federation of Women's Clubs be invited to act as hostesses at the Seattle exposition.

The Governor, in reply, requested the request and later forwarded the letter to W. H. Wehrung, president of the commission. This was followed by a letter, on October 15, from Mrs. Evans, in which she asks that a decision be reached before the annual meeting, which occurred last November in La Grande.

This was followed by other correspondence relative solely to the line of social competition to be pursued by the club women, the policy to be adopted in their work and detailed plans, including lists of proposed names to serve as hostesses.

No Salaries Provided For.

The understanding of the Oregon Commission, states Mr. Wehrung, was that there should be no salaried officers in connection with the social affairs in the Oregon building at the A.-Y.-P. Exposition. It was agreed that the Commission should furnish the necessary expense to carry on the work, and meet any bills for incidental expenditures.

Some time in March, Mr. Wehrung says, Mrs. J. D. Hayes, who is corresponding secretary of the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs, called on him and asked that she be allowed a salary of \$100 per month, to carry on the work as secretary of the Commission. This was refused by the Commission, and the letter was returned to Mrs. Evans, the club president, under date March 24, 1909, setting forth that in accepting the offer of the Oregon Federation, it had been agreed that there would be no salaried officers. In this letter Mr. Wehrung said:

"We agreed and will gladly defray the necessary expenses of correspondence, stamps, invitations, and necessary articles to be used in the way of entertainment and to pay the transportation of the hostesses in charge representing the county or city, for that day or week. In addition we also agreed to provide room and board for the Oregon building for such business for each period.

Mr. Wehrung made it plain in his letter that no bills were to be contracted until the Commission had been consulted. He concludes his letter with this significant statement:

"Therefore, when stamps, stationery and anything in connection with your work necessary, requisition for them from this office, room 22 Hamilton building, and purchase made through us."

Women Willing to Withdraw.

In Mrs. Evans' reply, under date of the following day, she says among other things: "I was surprised to learn through Mrs. Hayes that when she went to arrange for the salary of the secretary, the right to it had been questioned."

"Unfortunately there was no agreement whatever for the social features at the Seattle Fair, in regard to expenses, as

we were willing to accept your assurance that you would do the right thing. "On the other hand we can, without embarrassment to ourselves, call the whole thing off as far as the club women are concerned and let the social features be conducted as you had first planned, which I beg leave to differ with you do not cover practically the same ground, and I will personally pay all expenses of writing these letters of recall to the clubwomen."

At a meeting of the Oregon Commission with the executive board on April 19, it was agreed to allow the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs the amount of \$100 per month to cover the clerical expense, with more money if necessary, always with the proviso that the expense account must be held and paid out within the law.

After this meeting Mr. Wehrung conferred with Governor Benson and Attorney-General Crawford, and later submitted a letter to Mrs. P. J. Mann, who is the chairman of the executive committee.

CROSSED PLAINS TO CALIFORNIA IN 1910.



Mark Anthony Carson, deceased. Mark Anthony Carson, who died at the home of his son, Walt, at Post, Crook County, Oregon, May 5, was born at Nashville, Tenn., July 16, 1818. He went to California in 1849, and in 1854 was married to Jackeline Carson, daughter of James Carson, of Clatsop County, Oregon, to Elizabeth Strickland. There were born to this union eight children. He is survived by two daughters—Mrs. Nora Coates and Mrs. Addie Hoffman, also four sons, Lewis, Mark, Walt and Bernard.

Committee Outlines Plan.

He also sets out that if money is appropriated for the clerical work desired, the person or persons performing the work would have to make affidavits showing that the labor was performed, and what the labor was. He then outlined the plan for distributing the special days for the various counties, so that every county and section of the state would have equal representation. Mr. Wehrung manifests in his letter a willingness to leave the selection of the hostesses and the working out of the details to the Federation committee, only insisting that the state commission be consulted in regard to expenditures.

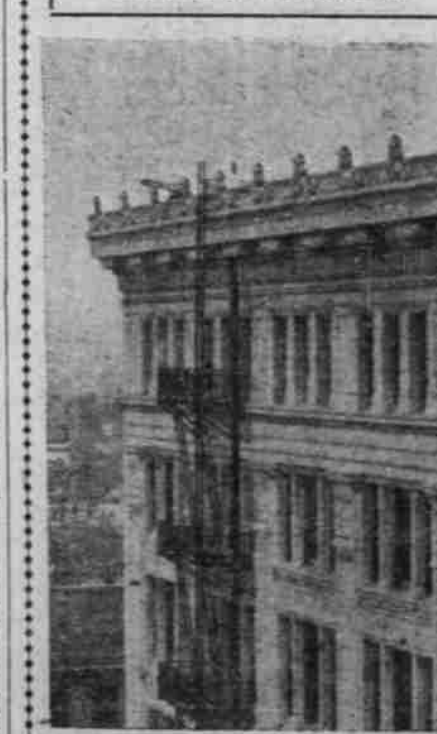
On April 25, Mr. Wehrung received a reply from Mrs. Sarah A. Evans notifying Mr. Wehrung of the passage of the following resolution by the Federation executive committee:

Resolved, That our president be advised to notify the A.-Y.-P. Commission that the Oregon Federation of Women's Clubs declines to carry on its work under the conditions set forth in your letter of April 21, 1909.

Mrs. Evans makes this parting thrust: "The committee further believes that when the correspondence which has led to this embarrassing position is submitted to the club members of the state, the officials, county clerks who have been called upon to distribute applications for their several counties, and the members of the Legislature who were solicited, in the name of the clubwomen, for money that they might be fittingly repaid, the committee will be fully justified in the action it has taken."

This was followed on April 26 by Mr. Wehrung's letter, in which he says: "We have read very much that your club has seen fit to adopt this course, but as we are unable to provide to your desire, we will keep within the limits of the expenditure of the state money entrusted to us, we are forced to accept your resignation."

PAINTER PERFORMS TICKLISH JOB SUSPENDED 200 FEET ABOVE STREET.



WORKMAN GIVING COAT OF WHITE TO FLAGPOLE ON NEW MEIER & FRANK BUILDING. Suspended some 200 feet in the air, a painter worked yesterday painting the flagpole that rises from the corner of the Meier & Frank Company's building at Sixth and Alder streets. The intrepid workman first rigged a block on top of the pole and then swung down the rope with pot and brush to give the staff a coating of white paint. He is ambidextrous, and covered one side of the staff and then the other, with apparent unconcern over his perilous position on the slender stick that, from the ground seems not heavy enough to bear the weight of a man without bending to the danger point. The work was witnessed by hundreds on the streets, many of whom held their breath as the workman swung around from side to side and performed his task. An Oregonian camera caught a picture of the feat when the man was about midway on the pole.

DIFFICULT TASK FOR INDEPENDENTS

Each Candidate for Mayoralty Must Obtain 770 Signatures to Petition.

VOTER MAY SIGN BUT ONE

Same Condition Confronts Self-Nominated Aspirants for Councilman—Candidates May Withdraw on Eve of Election.

Independent candidates for Mayor and other municipal offices in the coming city election are confronted with troubles of their own. In the first place, in order to qualify as independent candidates it is necessary for them to file nominating petitions signed by 7 per cent of the total number of voters cast for Presidential electors in the last November election in their respective district. Secondly, a provision of the direct-primary law prohibits any elector from signing the petition of more than one independent candidate for the same office.

In other words, it will be necessary for State Senators Dan Kellisher and H. R. Albee, prospective independent candidates for the Mayoralty, not later than next Saturday, 15 days before the regular city election, to file with City Auditor Barbur petitions signed by 150 legal voters or 6 per cent of the Republican vote for Presidential electors in the November election. Independent candidates for Councilman from the different wards each must file within the same time a petition signed by 2 per cent of the voters of their respective wards, as indicated by the vote for Presidential electors last fall.

The principal difficulty in securing the necessary signatures to these petitions, particularly so far as independent candidates for the Mayoralty are concerned, lies in the fact that an elector can sign only one petition for that office. The voter who places his signature to the Kellisher petition is prohibited from signing the Albee petition, since both are candidates for the same office. The result is that each of these two independent candidates for the Mayoralty must submit petitions signed by 770 individual voters, if he qualifies as an independent candidate to oppose ex-Senator Simon for the office in the June election.

Unconfirmed rumors that it was the intention of Kellisher at the last minute to withdraw from the contest in the interest of Albee have received a setback during the last few days, from the fact that Charles R. Merrick, a warm personal friend of Kellisher, has resigned as a member of the Republican City Central Committee that he might, without embarrassment, work in the interest of Kellisher's candidacy for the Mayoralty. At the same time, the friends of Albee are depending on Kellisher to lie down and recall his name as a candidate just before the date for the city election, when it will be too late for the supporters of Simon to introduce another independent candidate to divide the anti-Simon opposition vote with Albee.

From a review of the direct-primary date, it is discovered that there is nothing in its provisions to prevent an independent candidate for any of the municipal offices to be elected, from resigning, even on the eve of the June election. Independent candidates must file their nominating petitions with the City Auditor not later than next Saturday, May 22, or 15 days before the day of the election. Promptly on the following Monday City Auditor Barbur will place with the printer an order for printing the sample and official ballots for the June election.

Even if the official ballots are all printed and a candidate subsequently announces his withdrawal, if sufficient time intervenes before the ballot is in the hands of the Auditor to resubmit to the printer the official ballots and have the name of the retiring candidate or candidates obliterated from the ballot which is to be submitted to the electors at the election, if sufficient time does not elapse to permit of correcting the ballot in that manner and substituting the name of the candidate therefor, it is up to that elector so to advise the members of the election board in each precinct and they are required to advise each voter as he appears at the polls on election day that any one or more candidates whose names appear on the printed ballots out of the race and are not to be considered.

HEADQUARTERS ARE CHOSEN

Republicans to Direct Campaign From Breeden Building.

A suite of three rooms on the second floor of the Breeden building, Third and Washington streets, has been engaged as political headquarters by the Republican City Central Committee for the pending municipal campaign. These offices were opened yesterday and are now in charge of Elmer H. Colwell, secretary to the committee, and A. H. Manley and the members of the executive board, representing the city central committee. Chairman Manley spent the greater part of yesterday at headquarters receiving callers and directing the details of the campaign to be waged in the interim of the regular election. Some time this week definite plans will be formulated for the organization of working clubs in every precinct in the city. It will be through such organizations that the supporters of ex-Senator Simon and other nominees, named by the Republicans in the primary election, will endeavor to get out a full vote against the entire ticket June 7. Among the callers at headquarters yesterday was Colonel C. E. McDowell, one of the defeated candidates for Mayoralty, although he has not yet now working zealously for the success of the entire ticket.

THREE FIGHT IN TENTH WARD

McDonald, Independent, Opposes Ellis and Vaughn.

A three-cornered fight for election as Councilman is assured in the Tenth Ward. R. P. McDonald, one of the unsuccessful nominees in the recent primaries, has announced that he will be an independent candidate for the office in June in opposition to Joseph T. Ellis, who received the Republican nomination, and W. T. Vaughn, member of the Council and Democratic nominee for re-election.

Prior to the primaries, McDonald and four of the other seven candidates for this nomination, signed the pledge submitted by the Republican Club binding them to support the successful candidate in the June election. McDonald charges that Ellis refused to sign this agreement and avers that the five candidates who did sign the pledge are back of McDonald in his independent candidacy for election to the office.

Ellis, on the contrary, contends that a copy of the pledge did not reach him before the primary election was held, although he declares he is game and would have supported the successful candidate, pledge or no pledge. In the primary election, Sam L. Woodward was the choice of the assembly forces, but he was defeated by Ellis by a plurality of 12 votes. The leaders of the regular ticket have accepted Ellis as the Republican nominee for this office and will endeavor to elect him in the June election.

OFFICE IS LOCAL ONE

Anderson to Be Auditor of O. R. & N. at Portland.

WILL SUCCEED BLAISDELL

Harriman Officials Here Scout Report That Office Force Is to Be Increased to 100—No Work for Such Large Force.

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Under the present arrangement the auditors at different points are not known as general auditors, although their authority is general in that of a head office. Under each auditor is both a freight and passenger auditor, with their necessary staffs. Mr. Anderson is at present under the general supervision of freight disbursements at Omaha. Mr. Blaisdell will, it is believed, be moved to San Francisco, where he will occupy the same position as he at present holds in Portland, although it is possible to secure any confirmation on the matter. Mr. Blaisdell said the report in The Oregonian was the first intimation he had of any change in position and declined to discuss it until he received official confirmation.

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Southern Pacific Tariff to Be Interpreted According to Others.

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OFFICER STOPS RUNAWAY

Policeman Ackerman Averts Accident on Morrison Bridge. Runaway horses, linked together by a neckyoke so as to form a dangerous side wide fello, plunged on the east approach of the Morrison-street bridge during the heavy noon traffic yesterday and but for the prompt action of Patrolman Ackerman in making a flying leap at the reins, a series of accidents probably would have resulted. The policeman on tenaciously succeeded in stopping the frightened animals after they had dragged him a short distance.

BOY OF 19 WEDS GIRL OF 14

Mothers of Children Given Consent to Wedding in Vancouver. VANCOUVER, Wash., May 17.—(Special.)—Charles Ivy, aged 19 and Vera Biddle, aged 14, of Portland, were married in this city at the Methodist parsonage Saturday, May 15, by Rev. S. E. Bulliger, district superintendent of the Vancouver district. The mothers of both the bride and groom were witnesses to the ceremony, and gave their consent to the marriage.

Advertisement for Grape-Nuts cereal. Text includes: 'Some Men Know But Forget MONEY WILL NOT BUY HEALTH', 'And until the aches and ills of the food transgressor attack them, the value of pure and wisely selected food is forgotten.', 'Sometimes it takes a right sharp spell of sickness to prove the close relation of food and health—that Pure Foods mean perfect digestion and pure blood—the true secret of comfort and good health.', 'Is a pre-digested, scientifically prepared food that is readily absorbed by the weakest stomachs, and builds up body and brain.', 'It has brought thousands of voluntary testimonials from people who have gained health from its daily use.', 'For Grape-Nuts', 'There's a Reason', 'Read, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.', 'POSTUM CEREAL COMPANY, Ltd., Battle Creek, Michigan.', 'READ THE BOOK "The Road to Wellville" Pointed the Way.', 'Down at Hot Springs, Ark., the visitors have all sorts of complaints. One of the first of remark that the great majority of them have some trouble with stomach and bowels. This may be partly attributed to the heavy medicines.', 'Naturally, under the conditions, the question of food is very prominent.', 'A young man states that he had suffered for nine years from stomach and bowel trouble but his operations which did not cure, and was at last threatened with appendicitis.', 'He went to Hot Springs for Rheumatism and his stomach trouble got worse. One day at breakfast the waiter, knowing his condition, suggested he try Grape-Nuts and cream, which he did, and found the food agreed with him perfectly.', 'After the second day he began to sleep peacefully at night, different than he had for years. The perfect digestion of the food quieted his nervous system and made sleep possible.', 'He says: "The next morning I was awakened to find my condition of constipation had disappeared. I could not believe it was after suffering so many years; then I took more interest in the food, read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," and started following the simple directions.', 'I have met with such results that in the last five weeks I have gained eight pounds in spite of hot baths which take away the flesh from anyone.', 'A friend of mine has been entirely cured of a bad case of indigestion and stomach trouble by using Grape-Nuts Food and cream alone for breakfast.', 'There is one thing in particular—I have noticed a great change in my mental condition. Formerly I could hardly remember anything, and now the mind seems unusually acute and retentive. I can memorize practically anything I desire.'

Advertisement for Burlington Route. Text includes: 'Special Rates to the East Plan Now', 'ROUND TRIP RATES To Chicago \$72.50; St. Louis \$67.50; Omaha, Kansas City, St. Joseph, \$60.00.', 'DATES OF SALE June 2 and 3; July 2 and 3; August 11 and 12.', 'TO DENVER AND BACK \$55.00, May 17, July 1 and August 11.', 'PRIVILEGES Variable routes and stop-overs. Rates apply via St. Paul, or Billings direct, or Billings and Denver without extra cost. The Burlington's scenic Mississippi River line, its direct lines to the East from Billings and Denver are conspicuous features of the journey, no tour of the East is complete that does not include the Burlington.', 'TRAIN SERVICE Northern Pacific - Burlington through service via St. Paul or Billings. Great Northern - Burlington through trains to the East and South via St. Paul or Billings commencing May 25d.', 'CONSULT US Write or call for rates, reservations, folders, and let me help you plan the most desirable trip at the least cost. We are located on the Coast to help you.', 'A. C. SHELDON, Gen'l Agent, P. O. B. 82, 100 Third Street, Portland, Or.', 'Burlington Route logo at the bottom.