

### ROAD BONDS GAIN VOTES IN MARION

Taxpayers Receive Explanations of Plan and Are Satisfied With Scheme.

### CONVERTS JOIN WORKERS

Many Known to Oppose Issue Have Old Fears Removed by Speakers at Meetings and Promise to Aid Measure.

SALEM, Or., May 6.—(Staff Correspondence.)—The whirlwind campaign of the advocates of the road bonds is undoubtedly becoming effective. Accounts from the five meetings held last night in various parts of the county show that the people are deeply interested upon the subject. From each list of speakers comes the cheering news that many converts to the cause are made at each gathering, and these converts in many cases are taxpayers of intelligence who were ostensibly against the bonds because they did not therefore really understand the proposition to be submitted, or rather voted upon, on May 15, at the same time the primary election is held.

Speaking of my own knowledge gained at the meeting held last night in the school house at Shaw, about 15 miles southeast from here, in the Waldo Hills section, I can candidly say that I never saw an audience more deeply interested. The building was packed to suffocation. Nearly as many persons were standing as were seated; yet every word was eagerly listened to and the queries put to Mr. J. H. Scott, who was the principal speaker, showed that all the people need is light. As Mr. Scott answered the questions, more than one question was known to come over to the side of the bonds.

One of the questioners was Mrs. Waldo, widow of the late Judge John B. Waldo, who was known to be against the bonds. She made a splendid little talk, telling of the roads she had seen in Europe, particularly of the Apian Way, leading from Rome, and her "plaint was solely on the grounds that she thought the amount of money to be raised by the sale of the bonds would not achieve the results desired. She, however, said at the close that she looked upon the measure with more favor than she had before and that she would think deeply upon the subject before casting her ballot. After the meeting she was engaged in conversation by some of the speakers and was left feeling that Mrs. Waldo on a week from Friday will cast her ballot for the bonds.

### Not Enough Money, They Say.

I have heard many people say that if the bond issue were for twice the sum now set the bonds would easily carry. The fear is that the contemplated improvements will not be what the people want. Mrs. Waldo answered this to the satisfaction of many by asserting that it would at least give the county a start in the right direction, which could be followed up by additional tax levies or the issuance of more bonds until the county had a system of roads of which to be proud.

One fact that appeals to the voters is that all of the money raised by the sale of the bonds, save the small sums expended for powder and tools, added to the profits of the contractors, would be left in the county, or rather brought into the county from the outside and expended here. In other words, the people will eat the cake and still have it left. Mrs. Waldo said that this idea, brought out by one of the speakers, had given her much food for thought.

Another reason against the bonds, raised by those who do not understand, is that the Salem bankers will gobble the bonds and thereby reap a large profit. That theory was exploded by showing that the bonds would be sold to the best bidder and the Albert bank and the Ladd & Bush bank would have to outbid great financial institutions of the East to get any of the bonds. As the interest is only 5 per cent on the bonds and the prevailing rate of interest here about 8 per cent, it will be seen that Mr. Albert and Mr. Bush will more than likely not care to put a large amount in them.

### Loan Wins Votes.

The further thought has been advanced that the money paid into the sinking fund each year after 1917, to wit, \$42,000 per year, is all to be loaned in the county on real estate at an annual interest of 6 per cent. That provision alone will make lots of votes.

I cannot close without again mentioning how fortunate the committee was in getting John H. Scott to lead the campaign. One speaker last night, a resident of the Shaw district, said that the very fair roads now in Marion County were due to the wisdom, foresight and fairness of Mr. Scott, who has advocated good roads for the last dozen years and, during his eight years as County Judge, he began and carried forward the road-and-land movement in a way to make every farmer in the county proud of him. He has always "toted fair" for the farmers and every other taxpayer of Marion County. His advocacy of the bond issue will bring to it thousands of votes, for the people of Marion believe in him.

### WOODMEN ATTACK HEAD

Oregon Opposes Administration of Lodge but Delegates Not Bound.

EUGENE, Or., May 6.—(Special.)—The Modern Woodmen of America in state convention here today, after wrangling over resolutions commending and condemning the National officers, compromised by withdrawing all resolutions, this afternoon delegates to go to the National convention in Toledo in June uninstructed.

The greater part of the session, held behind closed doors, this afternoon was devoted to an attack upon the policies of Consul W. L. Talbot, of Rock Island, Ill., who is seeking an endorsement of his administration.

Two years ago rates were raised tremendously. The courts set aside the new rates and the present controversy exists over the limit for the second attempt to raise them.

Officers were elected as follows: Delegates to Toledo, J. W. Shipman, of Portland; F. M. Powell, of Albany, and F. E. Wilcox, of Milton; state Consul, A. C. Mursters, of Roseburg; state clerk, C. W. Start, of Eugene.

By unanimous vote it was decided to hold the next state convention at Le Grande, in 1917.

In the competitive drill, Rose City team, of Portland, was awarded first prize of \$50 in 16-man class, and Eugene Camp, second. Oregon Fir Camp, of Portland, was awarded first prize of \$40 in the pony class.

Pay me \$2 less. Jimmy Dunn.—Adv.



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### \$10,000 IS SALARY CUT

#### TACOMA PAYROLL SLASHED BY MAYOR IN ORDINANCE.

Reductions Proposed in Offices of City Attorney and Health Department. Minor Positions Abolished.

TACOMA, Wash., May 6.—(Special.)—The new City Council signalized its first real day in office today by taking steps to slash \$10,000 per year off the city payroll at one swoop.

Mayor A. V. Fawcett as his first official act presented an ordinance that was passed to second reading without opposition and the purpose of which is to sharply cut salaries in the health, City Clerk and City Attorney's offices. The greatest cut is in the salaries of the City Attorney's office, a total of \$250 a month.

In his proposal Mayor Fawcett has

done away entirely with several minor positions in all three. In the health office, directly under his control, the Mayor proposes to do away with a city bacteriologist, two sanitary inspectors and two nurses at the contagious hospital; in the City Clerk's office he would remove a second deputy; in the City Attorney's office he proposes to abolish the position of assistant stenographer.

It is expected the ordinance will pass as it stands at the third reading and that the reduced salaries will go into effect before the end of the month.

Mayor Fawcett proposes to cut the salary of City Attorney Stiles from \$400 to \$250 a month; Assistant City Attorney Carnahan from \$200 to \$150; a stenographer from \$100 to \$75, and to do away entirely with a stenographer at \$75 a month. The total cut in this office will amount to \$4200 a year.

#### Sardines Assessed as Herring.

NEW YORK, May 6.—In a test case brought by a firm of New York importers, the United States Court of Customs' Appeals has decided sardines are herring and as such must hereafter be classified for tariff purposes.

### PARDON DENIED RICHET

#### PRESIDENT REFUSES TO TAKE HAND IN OREGON CASE.

Prisoner Spends Twice His Sentence in Jail in Order to Be Relieved of Heavy Fine Imposed.

President Wilson has declined to grant a pardon to Frank Richet, convicted of the misuse of the mails in connection with the operations of the Oregon Inland Development Company, according to a telegram received yesterday by Mrs. Richet from Senator Chamberlain.

Richet was convicted in December with J. T. Conway, whose sentence was eight months in the County Jail. Richet was sentenced to serve 30 days and to pay a fine of \$4000.

ment and a fine he may, having served the jail sentence, further serve an equal amount of time, at the expiration of which he may be released on taking a pauper's oath. If, however, it appears that he has any property whatever it is applied on the payment of the fine.

Richet will have served 60 days tomorrow. The petition for Richet's pardon bore 1049 signatures, secured in less than five days.

The fact that President Wilson refused to grant a pardon before expiration of sentence does not preclude the possibility of Richet's obtaining a pardon at some future time. Until that time he will be deprived of the right to vote.

#### Verdict for \$1000 Given.

Damages to the amount of \$1000 were allowed Frank Hantak by a Jury in Circuit Judge McGinn's court yesterday for injuries received when his wagon, in which he was riding, was struck by a United Railway Company's car near Twenty-sixth and Nicolai streets, last December. Suit was brought for \$2515.

### MAN PINNED UNDER CAR

#### WIFE, DAZED IN AUTO WRECK, STRUGGLES TO FREE VICTIM.

O. B. Huston, of Portland, Rescues Dr. A. J. Blauvelt; Aged Mother-in-law Bruised; Husband Unconscious.

EUGENE, Or., May 6.—(Special.)—Four persons were injured late this afternoon when an automobile driven by Dr. A. J. Blauvelt, of Ridgefield, Wash., was thrown from the road and turned turtle after it was struck by another machine attempting to pass on a narrow grade while reported to be traveling at a high rate of speed.

Dr. Blauvelt was pinned under his automobile with the steering wheel across his chest. He was injured internally. Mrs. M. E. Funkhauser, aged 75, his mother-in-law, pinned under the rear of the car, was severely bruised. M. E. Funkhauser, aged 76,

was thrown against a post and knocked unconscious. His head was cut, a rib broken and a leg injured.

Mrs. Blauvelt was thrown clear of the machine. Dazed and with an injured knee, she struggled frantically to lift the heavy machine from her husband, who was scarcely able to breathe. Dr. Blauvelt was rescued by Oliver B. Huston, of 810 Chambers street, Portland, who with his brother and H. G. Lytic, also of Portland, came up behind in a third car.

The driver of the machine which attempted to pass Dr. Blauvelt's car gave his name as M. H. Jewett, of Gardiner. He carried police license 952, of Portland. He did not stop until going some distance. At first he denied responsibility for the accident, but later is said to have offered to settle for \$50. This was refused.

#### Man Swept Over Falls.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., May 6.—An unidentified man, in a rowboat was swept over the Horseshoe Falls today. The man was crossing the river between La Salle and Chippewa when one of his oars was broken on drift ice, rendering him helpless.