

HASTE IN STARTING ROAD WORK IS AIM

Commissioners to Save Time Wherever Possible When Formalities Are Met.

FARMERS TO COME FIRST

Highways Penetrating Rural Part of County to Be Under Way in Short While—Advertisements to Cover Bonds and Job.

Now that the people have authorized the bond issue, the Commissioners of Multnomah County propose to proceed promptly with the work that the bond money makes possible.

Some legal formalities first must be complied with before work actually can proceed, but unless undue complications arise actual work can be started within six weeks.

First of all, it will be necessary for two Justices of the Peace and the County Clerk to meet and canvass the voters. A certificate of the result then must be filed in the County Clerk's office. The County Commissioners then must meet and pass an order reciting what the vote is and declare the election for the bond issue carried. An order then will be issued by the Commissioners authorizing the issuance of \$1,150,000 in five per cent bonds as the election provided.

Bonds Must Be Advertised.
The next step will be to fix a date for the sale of the bonds. According to law, the Commissioners must advertise the sale in at least two newspapers (daily or weekly) published in the county. A period of 21 days must elapse after publication of the first notice before bids for the bonds can be opened.

The Commissioners also are required to state in the advertisement the amount of bonds to be sold, the purposes for which the proceeds are to be used and other full particulars, but all this must be in compliance with the initiative petition for the special election and the special election notice itself.

It is possible, under the law, for the Commissioners to advertise for bids on actual road construction work concurrently with the advertising for the sale of the bonds, and it is probable that the Commissioners, in order to save time, will pursue this plan.

It is proposed, however, that the bids for the construction work will be opened about a week after the bids for the bonds are opened so that the money to pay for the work may be actually available at the time the contracts are let.

Injunction Effort Removed.

It has been reported within the last few days that opponents of the road work propose further to delay the improvement by injunction proceedings. The good roads enthusiasts, however, declare that they can accomplish little on this score, inasmuch as the Supreme Court already has upheld the validity of road bonds issued by various counties in Oregon. Storey, Thorndyke, Palmer & Dodge, the Boston bond attorneys, also have approved them, but to forestall possible delay by the enemies of the work the county officials propose to procure another opinion from this firm on the new issue.

The Commissioners hope, if possible, to begin actual work on three or four of the roads to be improved at the same time. It will not be necessary to let the contracts to any one firm or company. Eight separate roads are to be improved and it will be possible to distribute the work among eight or more contractors. In this way the improvements can be completed with the least possible delay and the farmers, who are to get the most benefit from the roads, can have advantage of the completed work at the earliest possible period.

Farmers' Roads Come First.

"We want to complete the farmers' roads first," said Roadmaster Yeon yesterday. "The Columbia River Highway can wait until later in the season. If necessary, we can wait until next year before completing the Columbia River road. In any event, we will not pave the filled-in portions of that road—about two miles in all—this year. We want to allow that to settle through another winter. Then it will hold the paving better."

There are approximately 41 miles of roads outside the Columbia River Highway in the group to be paved. They are the Base Line road, Sandy road, Powell Valley road, Foster road, Canyon road, Capitol or Slavin road and St. Helens road.

Ballots Thin, Judge Knows Bond Election Is Won.

Vote of 112 to 2 Announced to Visitor at Booth by Wife, Much to His Astonishment.

A MAN whose wife was judge in one of the precincts in yesterday's election was bragging at police headquarters yesterday afternoon that he knew the good roads bonds would carry if his wife's precinct was a fair example of the general voting.

"I dropped in there this morning to vote and to see how everything was going along," he said. "When I had cast my little ballot for future prosperity, I turned to my wife.

"Wife," says I, jokingly, "who's winning?"

"Good roads are winning, 50 to 1, in this precinct," she told me.

"Ha-ha," laughs I, "a lot you know about it."

"Well, there have been 112 votes for it and only two against it, already today," she answered.

"I couldn't figure out how she was doing things right if she knew just how everyone was voting, and I told her so."

"Oh, the paper's thin. I can see right through it how everyone votes," she explained.

"That's why I know."

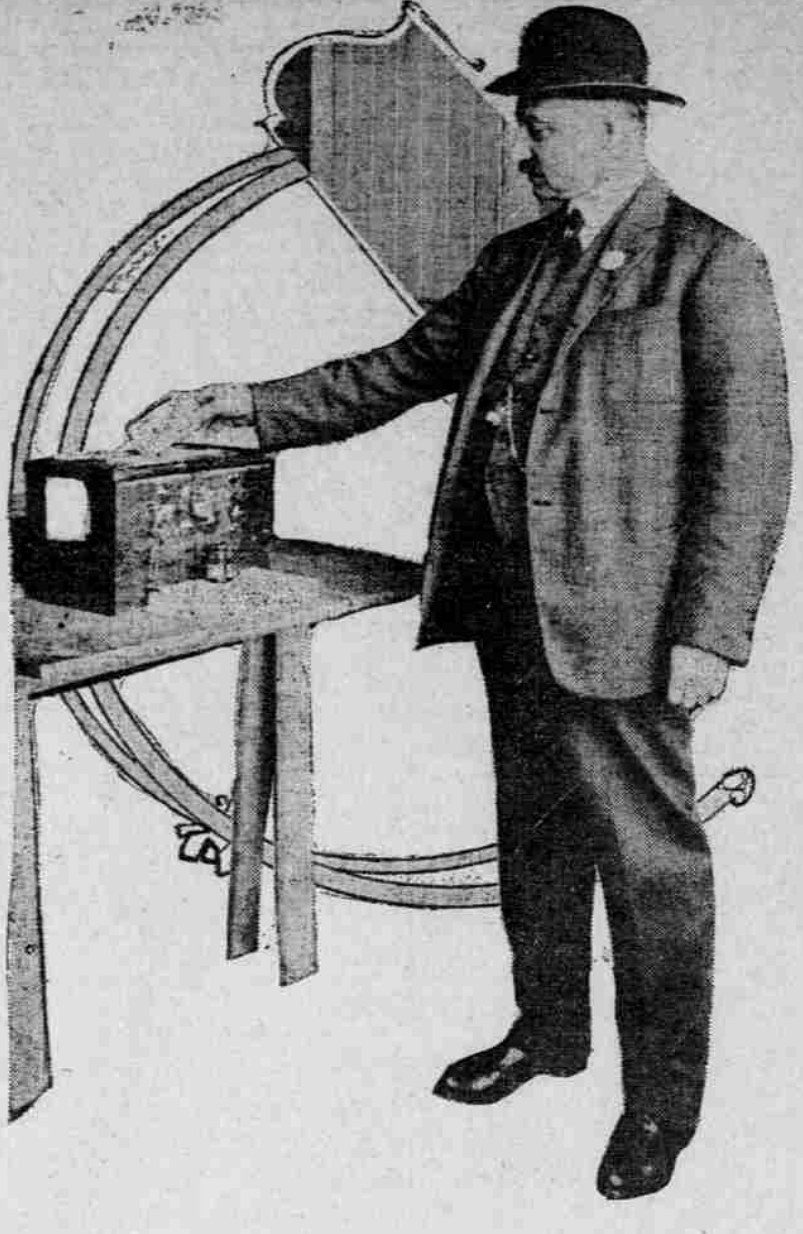
DRY LAW SUIT ANSWERED

Washington Test Case Expected in Superior Court Soon.

OLYMPIA, Wash., April 14.—(Special.)—Attorney-General Tanner today filed the state's answer in the suit attacking the validity of the Washington prohibition law. The case will be tried in the Thurston County Superior Court before Judge Wright and will reach the Supreme Court during the October term, in time for a final decision before January 1, when the law is due to go into effect.

The most serious objection made to validity of the law, aside from constitutional questions involved, deals with the failure of the Secretary of State to distribute the initiative pamphlet to voters 55 days before the last election, as required by the constitution.

PROMINENT ROAD BUILDER CASTING HIS BALLOT FOR BOND ISSUE.



JOHN B. YEON AT THE POLLS.

VERDICT SET ASIDE

Railway Company Wins Suit, but New Trial Ordered.

JURY CENSURED BY COURT

Judge McGinn Declares Professional Lobbyists Responsible for "Bad Condition" Among Jurors and Action Is Threatened.

Circuit Judge McGinn yesterday set aside the jury's verdict and ordered a new trial in the suit of Roy Fisher, 8 years old, to recover \$10,000 from the Portland Railway, Light & Power Company for the death of his father, who was killed in a boiler explosion four years ago.

The jury had returned a verdict in favor of the defendant company after deliberating less than an hour. After the clerk, F. A. McMinn, had read the verdict, Judge McGinn turned to the jury.

"Gentlemen," he said, "I am not in accord with you in the finding of this verdict. You hold human life too lightly. Through no fault of his own, this boy's father was blown to death by the explosion of a defective boiler. Here is a man, totally in ignorance of danger, who is killed and his child left alone in the world. Boilers don't naturally blow up. There is negligence somewhere or the boiler wouldn't be rotten.

"I don't think you have given this case due consideration, gentlemen. Mr. Clerk, you will enter an order setting aside this verdict and ordering a new trial to begin at once."

Later Judge McGinn rebuked "professional lobbyists" whom he declared responsible for "a bad condition" among the jurors.

"I have stood it until my conscience is beginning to prick me," said the judge. "I don't like the way the jurors in the courts and courthouse corridors. There is a rotten condition here that must be broken up. I have not done anything within a short time to change this condition.

"These fellows should be driven out of the Courthouse like the money-changers from the temple."

The Fisher case has been in court for two years. John C. Fisher was killed March 4, 1911, when the boiler of a donkey engine exploded at River Mill, Clackamas County. Through Andrew C. Crafton, as guardian ad litem, the 8-year-old son sued for \$10,000. A jury awarded him \$2,000 for the death of his father. This was appealed to the Supreme Court and affirmed. Later it was heard again in Supreme Court and remanded for a new trial. In Judge McGinn's court yesterday.

GARDEN HOE IS WEAPON

Puyallup Rancher May Die From Attack by Tacoma Grocer.

TACOMA, Wash., April 14.—With six severe gashes in his body where he was struck with a garden hoe, Alpheus C. Kennedy, a 60-year-old rancher, living near Puyallup, is believed to be dying.

His assailant, George Demich, a Tacoma grocer, is in jail here. In an altercation today on the Demich ranch the grocer is alleged to have attacked Kennedy with the latter's lung. Demich told officers that Kennedy was trespassing on his property.

Six months ago Demich was arrested because of a fire that started on his place, spreading and destroying property. Kennedy testified against him. Property on Kennedy's ranch was burned, and yesterday Kennedy went to the grocer's place to ask pay for it.

MUSCLE-MAKING IS SHOWN

Turn Verelst Director Explains Methods to Admen.

Professor R. Gensersowski, athletic instructor in the Portland Turn Verelst, gave the members of the Portland Ad Club some practical demonstrations of what the Turn Verelst can do for muscle-making in the way of physical development.

Multnomah Hotel. His demonstration followed an address of Dr. F. H. Dammsch, describing the organization and the advantages that it offered to its membership.

The German system of exercise, as applied to the needs of the busy man, was the subject of the first part of Professor Gensersowski's demonstration, and stripping to the waist so that the admen could note the play of magnificent muscles of his body in each exercise, he showed them how every movement of the ordinary day's routine in the life of a busy man might be made to supply the needs of his body for exercise.

"If you will watch the movements of a little baby," said he, "you will get tips from him on how nearly every one of the elementary movements of the German system of exercises is carried out."

Professor Gensersowski rolled around, exercised with a towel and showed how even the simple action of putting on one's socks might be made a part of a beneficial system of physical exercise.

At the close of his demonstration a class of boys from the Turn Verelst gave an exhibition of work on the parallel bars, in the lobby of the hotel.

HOMELESS SCORN WORK

WIVES AND CHILDREN WITHOUT SHELTER; AID REFUSED.

Father and Husband Regards \$2.25 Day Wage as Insufficient, and Families Are Evicted From Home.

Two families camped on the sidewalk near Twelfth and Burnside streets from 1 o'clock yesterday until late last night, after they had been ejected by the Constable from their home at 446 Burnside street and had refused to accept lodgings offered by several persons.

The families consisted of Mr. and Mrs. D. Jensen, with their two small children; Mr. and Mrs. H. Jensen and E. Lloyd, cousin of Mrs. D. Jensen. The Phelan estate is the owner of the house from which the families were ejected.

Mrs. McPherson, of the Carlton Hotel, noticed the condition of the families while she was on her way to vote. Mrs. McPherson notified the police, and the Associated Charities were informed.

Mr. Jensen said that his family had lived at 446 Burnside since last November. Jensen said he was eager to work, but demurred at a job on the Pacific Highway at \$2.25 a day. This, he maintained, was not sufficient. Jensen also discussed on the division of the profits of labor, which he regarded as unfair. The two women refused to accept aid unless their husbands were included in the programme.

Jensen refused the offer of a house for several days on the ground that he had no money to move there, and said that in a few weeks he would be in the same condition as now.

WOMAN'S PAY CAUSES ROW

Library Board and Hood River Court May Go to Law.

HOOD RIVER, Or., April 14.—A breach that may lead to litigation exists here between the members of the Hood River County Library Board and the county Court over the payment of the salary of Miss Della E. Northey, librarian.

In making up the tax budget for the year last December the County Court announced that the salary of Miss Northey would be cut from \$80 to \$75 per month.

The Library Board, however, issued vouchers to Miss Northey for \$80, and the amount from other appropriations for the library. The court has refused to honor the vouchers.

TONS OF MINERALS SENT

Oregon Collection Forwarded to Fair for Place in Exhibit.

BAKER, Or., April 14.—(Special.)—Six and one-half tons of minerals were shipped to the Panama-Pacific Exposition today under the direction of Fred R. Mellis, to be used in making up the Oregon mining exhibit at the San Francisco Fair. In addition there will be the Southern Oregon exhibit, which is being collected by H. M. Parks, director of the Oregon Bureau of Mines.

Mr. Mellis will leave for the exposition tomorrow night and will start work immediately on his arrival to arrange the mine display. It will be

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ready for inspection within two weeks, but all the specimens will have to be reclassified before the exhibit will be complete.

15 KILLED ON STREETCAR

Four Women Among Dead in Collision on Detroit Crossing.

DETROIT, April 14.—Fifteen persons were killed and about 29 were injured

late today in a collision between a Detroit city streetcar and a freight train. Most of the dead are foreigners, four being women.

The streetcar was heavily loaded with passengers homeward bound from their day's work. As it approached the crossing the conductor ran ahead to see if the track was clear. He signalled the motorman to wait, but apparently the latter misunderstood his meaning and ran the car onto the tracks. The freight struck the car fairly in the middle, smashing it almost to bits. The wreckage was pushed along a

hundred feet, several of the dead and injured dropping along the street before the train could be stopped. It was several hours before many of the injured could be extricated from the wreckage.

When "Orator" Hunt, who was a blacking manufacturer, was in Parliament, Mr. Robert Peel so far forgot himself in the course of an earnest debate as to taunt him with this fact. Whereupon Hunt replied: "The truth is, the honorable member is the first gentleman in his family, and I am the first tradesman in mine."

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A Portland Case:

Mrs. A. E. Fulton, 379 Glenn ave. N. Portland, says: "My limbs swelled something terribly from my feet to my knees. I had large, puffy spots underneath my eyes. My kidneys were in an unhealthy condition and the kidney secretions were unnatural. I doctored and tried several remedies, but didn't find relief. Finally I used Doan's Kidney Pills and after I had finished two boxes there was no sign of bloating at all. A third box cured me and I am now enjoying good health."



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