

TAXPAYERS ORDER HARD SURFACE ROAD

Clackamas Court Instructed to Make 2-Mill Levy for Permanent Construction.

MAINTENANCE IS 5 MILLS

Official Estimates Are Reduced in Many Instances and Pay of Commissioners Is Limited. Fairgrounds Are Bought.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Clackamas County today, by an overwhelming vote of the taxpayers at the annual meeting to pass upon the budget estimates, went definitely on record for permanent road construction by directing the County Court to make a levy of 2 mills for hard-surfaced roads in 1916.

The levy will produce about \$68,000 on a valuation of \$34,000,000, and it is expected that at least five miles of hard-surfaced roads will be constructed with the money.

Clackamas County has been levying 8 mills annually for many years past for general roads and, under the law enacted at the last session of the Legislature, 75 per cent of the general road money must be expended within the district where it is collected.

Under a resolution adopted today, the County Court will levy 5 mills for general roads, 2 mills for hard-surfaced roads, or a total levy of 7 mills for roads and bridges.

Macadam Is Not Wanted. "We further recommend that no substitute, such as bituminous macadam, asphaltic macadam or any other type of macadam be used," says the resolution.

Harvey E. Cross, O. D. Hay, T. W. Sullivan and Charles E. Spence were among the strongest supporters of the resolution. Mr. Hay led the fight and Mr. Spence, who is master of the State Grange, said that the time had come for something better than the macadam road.

The taxpayers' meeting ran along smoothly as the various items for the county offices were passed on, the recommendations of the taxpayers' committee of 15 being adopted in almost every instance, as against the published budget referred by the County Court.

The budget estimates for supplies, stationery and stamps were taken out in every instance and placed in a separate budget and the taxpayers adopted a resolution taking the purchasing power out of the hands of the individual officials and placing it in the hands of the County Court.

Court Estimates Are Cut. When the meeting reached the estimates for the maintenance of the County Court, the fight was on. The court had submitted an estimate of \$300 for each of the two County Commissioners and \$500 for travel expenses, while the committee of 15 recommended an appropriation of \$200 for each of the commissioners and an allowance of \$240 for travel pay.

Chairman Cross, of the committee of 15, said he believed it would establish a dangerous precedent to pay the commissioners for constant service and that, while the committee had provided for ten days' pay each month, it was within the power of the Commissioners to work more than ten days when occasion demanded and pay themselves, under the law, \$3 a day for service actually performed.

On an amendment to substitute the court's budget estimates for the budget of the committee of 15, the vote was 11 in favor and 33 against and on the original motion of the committee of 15 the vote was 14 in favor and 31 against.

Much interest was manifested in the estimate of \$24,756.49 adopted for tuition for high school students coming from districts where there is no four-year standard high school maintained.

\$5000 SUIT IS RENEWED. WOMAN AGAIN SEEKS POSSESSION OF "TRUST" PACKAGE. Mrs. Hulda Shaver Declares Case Was Thrown Out of Court on Technicality in Presentation.

Renewing the attempt of Mrs. Hulda Shaver to get possession of the \$5000 left by Mrs. Lena Kaseman, who died in the County Hospital January 10, 1914, attorneys before Circuit Judge T. E. J. Duffy completed the introduction of testimony on behalf of Mrs. Shaver yesterday.

Once before this case was thrown out of court after the testimony of the plaintiff had been introduced, declaring that the technicality on which it was non-suited was due to an improper presentation of the case. Attorney John Dickerson, W. F. Hubbard and Andrew Hanson took up Mrs. Shaver's case again, and it is now being heard by a jury.

Mrs. Kaseman, supposed to be a pauper, roomed at Mrs. Shaver's rooming-house, at Sixteenth and Couch streets. She was taken sick and went to the County Hospital. Before going she gave Mrs. Kaseman a package. In January 19, 1914, Mrs. Kaseman died at the hospital. The package was opened and found to contain bills and notes to the amount of \$1079.12.

MOVING PICTURE NEWS



Clara Kimball Young in 'The Heart of the Blue Ridge' at Pickford Tomorrow

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES. Columbia—"The Golden Claw." "The Best of Enemies." Majestic—"The Unfaithful Wife." National—"One Million Dollars." Peoples—"The Unknown." Pickford—"Should a Wife Forgive?"

"THE BELOVED VAGABOND," the six-part picture of Edward J. Locke's famous novel of that name, a Pathe production which marks the beginning of a new epoch in the motion-picture world—the natural coloring of films—was given a private exhibition by Manager Wooding at the Portland Pathe exchange yesterday.

The coloring of the Pathe films, a most successful process, which probably means the general introduction of the method in all motion pictures, is done largely by hand, and in France, on a basis of 16 pictures to the foot, and a six-foot picture, of 1000 feet each, 30,000 pictures were colored in this fashion, according to the three months the film was out of the United States.

The play itself is not lacking in those essentials which make Locke such a beloved author, with more action than is shown in the pages of his books. Edwin Arden gives a splendid interpretation of the vagabond, known as Paragot, who becomes an enemy of the law and a vagabond and the long road that after achieving that for which he struggled in vain as a youthful architect he realizes the hollowness of the final victory and goes back to vagabondage and the children he adopted during his roaming.

Kathryn Browne-Decker and Miss Milford, with the young chap who plays the role of Paragot, splendidly assist Mr. Arden in the production.

Exchange Men in New Home. G. A. Reed, Portland manager for the Mutual Film Corporation, practically has closed negotiations whereby his film exchange will be housed in a new, fireproof structure at Ninth and Davis streets. A handsome structure, occupying a floor space 60x100 feet, is to be erected, with perhaps three other exchanges occupying the premises. If this deal is consummated a second building at Ninth and Everett will be erected for other of Portland's exchange branches and independent concerns.

Tellegen at Peoples. Lou Tellegen, many years leading man for Sarah Bernhardt, and one of the first men to appear in motion pictures, will be seen today in "The Unknown," a Lasky production, which deals with an English pe'er-de-well in the French foreign legion stationed at Algiers. The film has the most flattering of all notices, the supporting cast including such players as Theodore Roberts, Dorothy Davenport, Hal Clements, Horace B. Carpenter, Tom Forman and Raymond Hatton.

Screen Gossip. Among the coming Pathe releases are: January 7, Pearl White in "Hazel Kirk," and "The King's Game" on January 14, "Madame X," with Dorothy Donnelly; January 21, "The Life of Our Saviour," seven reels in natural color.

John R. Meldrum, of Seattle, is in Portland looking after the interests of "The Girl and the Game," the new Mutual picture, in 15 two-reel episodes, released on December 27.

"Guarding Old Glory," the five-reel feature mentioned by the secretaries of the Army and Navy, which shows every phase of the Government's preparation to meet foreign invasion, is a film which will be shown in Portland soon.

The logging and milling films, including the Klamath Falls reel, shown at the Oregon building at the San Francisco Exposition, will be used at the Pennsylvania State College this winter. R. R. Chaffin, assistant professor of forestry of the institution, has made application to Ralph J. Staehli for the films. Applications are being received by Mr. Staehli from many sources.

According to all reports the Lasky production of "The Immigrant," in which Valeska Suratt is the star, will be presented at the Grand Opera House, in which Valeska Suratt is the star, will be presented at the Grand Opera House, in which Valeska Suratt is the star.

Tom Forman, who will be remembered to the audience in "The Wild Goose Chase," as in other productions, was born in Texas 22 years ago and attended the University of Texas. He played opposite Edith Tallaferris in

ALCOHOL IN CANDY DECLARED ILLEGAL

Ruling of Judge McGinn, Upholding Dairy Commissioner, Indorsed by High Court.

POLK JURIST IS REVERSED

Judge Belt's Decision Denying to Mother Custody of Child Granted Her by Multnomah Court Reversed and Order Issued.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The Supreme Court today in an opinion by Justice Burnett sustained the action of Food and Dairy Commissioner Mickie in his confiscation in Portland recently of a quantity of "Hofler's Centennial Chocolates" containing alcohol.

The seizure was made on the ground that the chocolates were an adulterated product, and misbranded because the alcoholic content was not stated. The candy was manufactured at Astoria. The Supreme Court's ruling upholds Circuit Judge McGinn, of Multnomah County, in the injunction proceedings brought against Commissioner Mickie by the Astoria manufacturer.

In supporting the Food and Dairy Commissioner, Justice Burnett says that all toxicologists classify alcohol as a poison. The ruling declares that the article in question was not only adulterated but also misbranded.

Where courts have concurrent jurisdiction the law in detail and especially in enforcing the law in Multnomah County. Mr. Evans explained the law in detail and especially in enforcing the law in Multnomah County.

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He declared as far as his official power he could give Mr. Evans assurance that the organization would co-operate with him to the limit in the enforcement of prohibition in the Sellwood suburb, where the Brotherhood led the local dry campaign before state-wide prohibition carried.

Other opinions were: George S. Finner and others, appellants, against the City of La Grande, involving the validity of a street improvement; opinion of Justice Moore, judgment of Circuit Judge Knowles reversed.

William Miller and others, appellants, against Mrs. Weaver, appealed from Union County action for money; opinion by Chief Justice Moore, judgment of Circuit Judge Knowles affirmed.

The court denied petitions for rehearing in Hayes Commercial Club against Grandin, Regenstein against Oppenheimer, and Cooley against the Snake River District Improvement.

YOUNG MOTHER WINS BABY. Woman Who Tried to Kidnap Child Awarded Its Custody. DALLAS, Or., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—After lengthy litigation extending over two years, Mollie Bowers, a young Portland mother, today won her fight in the Supreme Court for the possession of her infant child Marion.

Mrs. Bowers was married when 14 years old, her husband was her first husband, and she was divorced at 17. In June, 1913, upon the petition of the father of the baby, Roland Bowers, the child was made a ward of the court of Multnomah County and turned over to the mother temporarily.

In the Fall of 1913 the mother made arrangements with Merton Grant, a cousin of Dallas, to care for the child at the rate of \$10 a month. In February, 1914, Mrs. Bowers demanded possession of the child from Grant, which was refused, she being unable to pay what was due for its care. In September, 1914, Mrs. Bowers procured a divorce and was awarded the custody of the child. In the same month she came to Dallas and again demanded possession of the child, but was refused. She then made an unsuccessful effort to kidnap the baby.

LA GRANDE TO HAVE NEW LEVY. Supreme Court Decision Ineffective Because of Election. LA GRANDE, Or., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Developments have been coming rapidly in La Grande's street improvement embroglio. No sooner had the voters in yesterday's election put out their ballots than a decision from the Supreme Court was received in the very street case the voters were contending about.

The court holds the assessments invalid, but with the new charter behind it, the administration contemplates re-assessing the second time. About the new charter the city as a whole would have had to pay the \$40,000 to protect the general fund.

The charter amendments giving this authority passed by more than 300 majority. C. McKennon was elected Commissioner by a majority of 64. Immediate legal test of the new charter is anticipated.

Mrs. Lola G. Baldwin, superintendent of the Municipal Bureau for Protection of Women, was convinced that the girl had received no visitors while she had been in the hotel Sunday night, December 5.

Further, Mrs. Baldwin believes that the girl would not have been received there when she arrived alone at 11 o'clock that night, had not the management been requested to admit a young girl, by a mother who thought the matter up yesterday with the missing daughter might call at the hotel that night. The girl registered under the fictitious name of Mildred Walters, Evans, District Attorney, the expected arrival. She left at 8 o'clock the next morning.

The story the girl told Mrs. Baldwin was that she had ridden up to the hotel with a jitney man who gave her 75 cents, with which she paid for the night's lodging. He did not accompany her into the hotel.

At other hotels the girl used the surname of a jitney driver. Complaints have been registered with Mrs. Baldwin by several hotels, with regard to jitney drivers appearing with girls they have taken riding, and she took the matter up yesterday with the Jitney Drivers' Union, to see if those against whom no criminal action could be taken would be weeded out by the union.

PROHIBITION LAW TOPIC. WALTER H. EVANS SPEAKS BEFORE SELLWOOD METHODIST BODY. Co-operation of Advocates Is Declared Necessary to Enforcement by District Attorney.

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FATHER SCHOENER HERE. DEVELOPMENT PREPARATIONS BEGUN FOR EXPERIMENTAL FARM. Horticulturist Will Establish Himself on Tract on Peninsula—Aid of Portland Asked.

Father George Schoener arrived in Portland from Brooks yesterday and will establish his farm on the tract that has been provided for him on the Peninsula and begin preparations for the development of his experimental farm there.

He will not be able to do any actual work in his gardens for some time, for there is much preparatory work to be done. His library of reference books and special works was destroyed by the fire and this must be partially replaced at least before he can begin his broader work.

"My work will be plant breeding, in an effort to obtain varieties that will best meet the requirements of these local soils," was Father Schoener's outline of his plans.

The association which is to maintain Father Schoener and his enterprise, which is organized under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce, is gaining many new members daily, and the enterprise is attracting steadily more and more attention.

"I am here," said Father Schoener yesterday, with his characteristic directness and simplicity, "and I am ready to work. It is up to the people of Portland to make it possible for me to work for them."

Salem Printer Goes After Riches. SALEM, Or., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—To obtain his share in a \$50,000 estate left by an uncle, James Murray, a lino-type operator of Salem, left today for the Isle of Man. He expects to sail from New York January 5 for England on the White Star liner Finland. Mr. Murray was accompanied by his wife.

Marshfield Moose Lodge Dedicated. MARSHFIELD, Or., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—The Loyal Order of Moose dedicated their newly-furnished lodge and clubroom tonight with a big public reception. The furnishings of the home cost the lodge an expenditure of over \$2000.

Conditional Pardons Granted. SALEM, Or., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—Upon the request of the United States Immigration Service, Governor Withycombe today issued conditional pardons to Louis Vargus and Ernest Albert Ward, now serving penitentiary sen-

PEOPLES THEATER WEST PARK AT ALDER

Today Until Saturday

BERNHARDT'S FORMER LEADING MAN

Lou Tellegen

In the Lasky Paramount Production of The Unknown

From the Novel, "The Red Mirage," By I. A. R. Wylie

A thrilling play of romance and adventure. The story of a young ne'er-do-well and his love career while in the foreign legion. How the Victoria Cross which he wore saved him from death and gave to him the girl he loved is but one of the many instances in this unusual offering.

Mr. Tellegen is supported by such favorites as Theodore Roberts, Hal Clements, Dorothy Davenport and other members of the Lasky All-Star Company.

Also the South American Travel Picture and a top-notch comedy will be shown.

"Every Show Is a Good Show at the Peoples"

ences. They will be deported. Vargus County last May of assault with intent to rob. He was serving from one to February, 1915, of larceny from a store and was serving an indeterminate sentence of from one to seven years, while Ward was convicted in Multnomah

LAST DAY EXQUISITE Lillian Lorraine

In the Photoplay Sensation SHOULD A WIFE FORGIVE? A PICTURE THAT'S MADE THE TOWN TALK

The Always Good Pictures PICKFORD

Washington at Park Street COMING TOMORROW CLARA KIMBALL YOUNG in HEART of the BLUE RIDGE

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