

### SEATTLE CAR LINE IS HELD NEAR RUIN

Mayor Predicts Bankruptcy for Municipal System.

### SPEECH FAVORS JITNEYS

Abolishment of Carriers Merely to Increase Street Car Revenues Is Condemned.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 5.—(Special.)—Seattle's municipal railway is headed for bankruptcy...

Seattle must either force the Stone & Webster people to alter their present contract...

A definite policy must be adopted in the next few weeks by city officials...

These were high lights of a speech on municipal problems delivered by Mayor Caldwell...

No Remedy Proposed. The mayor did not point to any specific remedy...

Refusal to do so, he intimated, would result in the bankruptcy of the lines and the loss of their investment...

Mr. Caldwell expressed himself as adverse to giving to the Stone & Webster people a better contract...

No Contract Held Need. "It is a human impossibility to negotiate successfully the fatuous course that we are now embarked upon," the mayor stated...

"Long after my incumbency as mayor has been forgotten," Mr. Caldwell added grimly, "you will be wrestling with this problem unless the contract is rewritten or canceled."

Loss to City Seen. "During the 15 years we will have charged off the entire value of the lines and at the past and present rate will have put back into the lines

in upkeep and maintenance \$21,886,552, and besides this will have retired our entire capital stock of \$18,000,000...

Mr. Caldwell declared that the charge of \$12 million for depreciation as computed by state officials was far too high...

"I consider that the welfare of the city cannot and will not be served by stifling all other forms of transportation for the next 15 years," he said.

"Unless the city can offer some form of rapid transportation in lieu of the jitneys it should not abolish them merely to increase the revenues of the street-car lines."

### BOND REHEARING DENIED

VALIDITY OF CLACKAMAS ISSUE UPHeld BY COURT.

Oral Opinion Given by Supreme Judicial Body—Other Decisions Are Handed Down.

SALEM, Or., Oct. 5.—(Special.)—Rehearing of the case brought by W. P. Hawley of Oregon City to test the validity of approximately \$1,700,000 of highway bonds voted by the people of Clackamas county was denied in an oral opinion handed down by the Oregon supreme court here today.

This action was originally filed in the circuit court of Clackamas county with Judge Anderson and other members of the county court named as defendants. At the time the case was heard Judge Campbell upheld the validity of the bonds and the constitutionality of the law under which they were voted.

Mr. Hawley then appealed the case to the supreme court, with the result that Justice Benson, who wrote the opinion, held that the bond issue was invalid for the reason that the total amount involved exceeded 2 per cent of the assessed valuation of all property in Clackamas county. At the time the bonds were voted the Clackamas county officials had the impression that the 6 per cent limitation law was in operation.

Other opinions handed down by the court today follow:

Luther Armstrong, appellant, versus I. M. Travis and J. C. Parker, sheriff of Lane county, appeal from Lane county, action to recover money under contract; opinion by Justice Johns. Judge Bingham affirmed.

R. Y. Tappan, appellant, versus the Lane County Credit Association and G. S. Boardley, appeal from Lane county, action to recover damages; opinion by Justice Bennett. Judge Skipworth affirmed.

H. Steinman versus Oregon Dairyman's League, incorporated, a corporation, appellant, appeal from Multnomah county, action to recover money under contract; opinion by Justice Bennett. Judge Tucker affirmed.

State of Oregon versus William Holbrook and J. E. Paddock, appellants, appeal from Multnomah county, action for rehearing denied in opinion by Justice Johns.

Petitions for rehearing denied in state of Oregon ex rel. Plumber versus Berkshire company, appeal from Lane county, action for rehearing denied in opinion by Justice Johns.

### WET-TRACK DELAYS RACES AT GRESHAM

Second Day of Multnomah County Event Promising.

### LIVESTOCK IS FEATURED

Pure-Bred Cattle and Sheep Viewed by 3000 Persons Who Throng Grounds.

BY ADDISON BENNETT.

The weather yesterday being auspicious, the second day of the Multnomah county fair at Gresham was a big success. The track was not dried out sufficiently to get the auto races started for two hours after the time set, 2 P. M., but the grounds were pretty well crowded after noon and the number of admissions was, perhaps, more than 3000—not a big day, but large enough to insure the success of the fair.

There are no fairgrounds in the state, unless the Round-up grounds at Pendleton are considered, that have the fair in its very center of the town. It is a scant three-minute walk from the postoffice to the fair gate.

Farming in Ideal Section. That is one reason why the annual fair calls out a big attendance, but only a minor reason. The real reason for a big fair at Gresham arises from the fact that the town lies in the center of one of the finest agricultural sections in the west. Probably the Almighty could have made a section superior to it, but I guess he never thought it worth while.

And then the town itself is a gem, and a gem in such a fine setting means that it is one of Oregon's most beautiful small cities. It grows more beautiful every year, for the Gresham folk are a proud lot and there are no shacks nor other eye-sores of the kind in the town.

I would not like to say what I think the principal source of income to the farmers hereabouts is. I know there is a large quantity of fruit produced in the Gresham section and that for vegetables it stands quite at the head of Oregon communities. However, I think we will have to look to Mrs. G. Holstein, Miss Jersey, Mrs. Guernsey and the Ayreshire family to find the great present and future industry of the neighborhood.

Prize Cattle Is Thoroughbred. So I spent much time yesterday in the dairy cow barns and saw many purebred prize winners, all of the families mentioned being well represented, but I think the Jerseys predominate.

They have here a Multnomah county Jersey cattle club. I do not know how many members it has, but I will wager it is made up of live wires. O. J. Brown has two head in the show. Nellie McKinley two, Samuel Weiss five and B. C. Altman 15. Then the Cider Hill farm of Clackamas county has 13 head.

But in the Holstein class I saw something that pleased me mightily. I saw a boy about 3 years old fussing around a beautiful yearling Holstein heifer; two of them, in fact. I noticed

that the lad was taking great interest in them, so I asked him if he was in charge of them.

"Yes," he replied. "I am looking after this one because she belongs to me and the other one belongs to my brother."

Then he told me that a year ago the father gave him and his brother each a little heifer calf; and there they stood, almost in the cow class. I had him write down their names, and here they are: Tracey Anderson, aged 9, and his brother Walter, aged 11.

I did not see Walter. He was out looking over the fair, but it gave me pleasure enough to look into the smiling eyes and note the wonderful pride of ownership in his brother's every movement.

Another department that attracted a good deal of my time and attention and the attention of a steady stream of visitors was the exhibit of sheep. I have never seen a finer lot of the "muttons" than I saw yesterday at Gresham. There are, all told, about 115 of them, and seven varieties.

HOG ROUND-UP GIVEN AT FAIR. Prize Porkers Prove Unruly at Gresham Exhibition.

—There was only one round-up scheduled for the Multnomah County fair yesterday. Cherokee Charley's Wild West show. But yesterday was children's day and the school boys staged their own round-up, back of the livestock barns.

The round-up started as a pig-showing contest, with L. J. Allen and H. C. Seymour, livestock club organizers from Oregon Agricultural college, and Miss Ethel Calkins, county club lecturer, directing operations. The pigs trotted out quietly and received some expert handling, and showing by their youthful owners.

The pigs had been bathed, anointed and manured to a queen's taste, and to show their appreciation they dipped, sidestepped and waltzed in answer to their owners' prodding and calling.

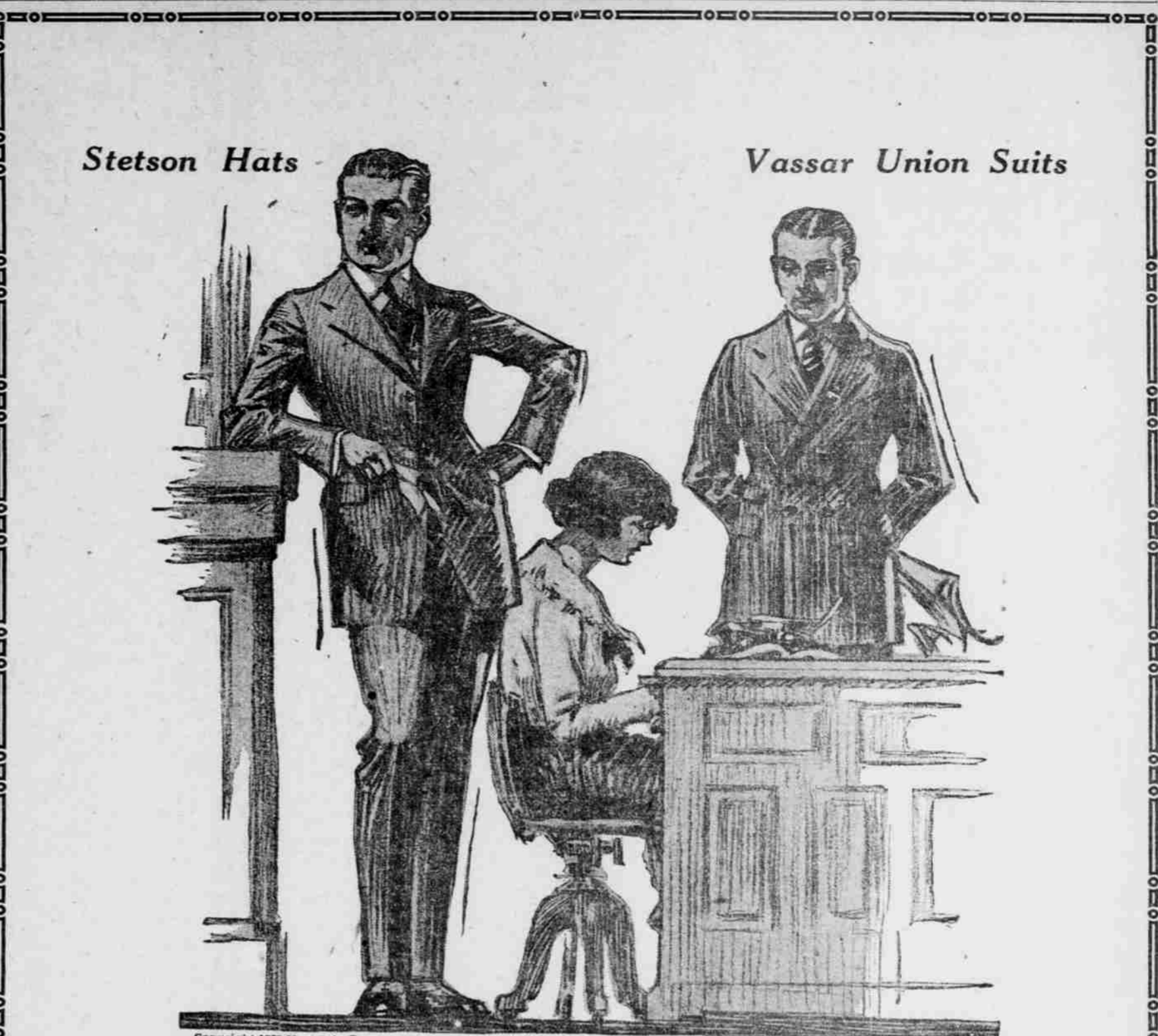
But to return the porkers to their stalls was another matter. They preferred the pasture, and tore around at a merry clip. One pig squeezed under the fence into the clover patch adjoining; another slid into a stall with a Guernsey bull, but did not linger. One was led back with its face in a pail of barley. The last squealing gilt was finally carried in by H. W. Lynch, William Hornecker, A. Zenger and David McKeown, local livestock breeders and leaders of the boys' club.

Leslie Lynch, state champion, carried off first honors in the pig-showing trials with his prize gilt, Bride of Multnomah. John Fleming finished second and Cris Grassley third.

Stock judging contests were held during the afternoon to determine which team should represent Multnomah county at the stock show in North Portland this fall. Hampshire sheep from the exhibit of J. G. S. Hubbard of Monroe, Guernsey cattle from the Hughes herd of Oregon City, and Duroc Jersey hogs from the fine string of George Bebek of Oregon City were judged.

The team from Lynch district, composed of Albert Zenger, Adolph Zenger and Grant McMillan, was chosen to judge for Multnomah. A close second was the Fairview team—John Fleming, Julius Lusher and Fay Hull. Sven Nelson, Archie Peterson and Leonard Nelson of Powell Valley were third.

Senator Lodge to Speak. NEW YORK, Oct. 5.—Senator Henry Cabot Lodge will be the principal speaker at a political meeting in Madison Square garden next Tuesday, it was announced at republican headquarters today.



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