

WAKE THE DOGS FREE

Movement Is Begun by Benton County Citizens' League.

MEMORIAL TO CONGRESS

Corvallis Commercial Body Asks Assistance of Other Commercial Bodies to Open the Willamette River to Free Navigation.

CORVALLIS, Or., Nov. 24.—(Special.)—The Benton County Citizens' League, which is the commercial organization of Corvallis, is agitating the opening of the Willamette to free navigation.

Memorial petitioning Congress to acquire the present locks at Oregon City or to construct new ones has been adopted. A copy of this memorial has been forwarded to other commercial bodies in the Valley and in Portland, requesting that similar action be taken, and that copies be forwarded to the Corvallis League.

President E. W. Johnson, of the league, has also addressed a letter to the newspapers of the Valley, asking their assistance in the movement. The matter of calling a meeting of the representative citizens of the Valley and Portland is also being considered.

The resolutions adopted by the league set forth a list of grievances in which the reasons for an immediate movement for ridding the Valley traffic of the lockage charge at Oregon City is urged. The movement has also in contemplation the completion of the plan of the Government engineers for further improvement of the Willamette, so that all-year navigation in this city can be achieved. The resolutions passed by the league are as follows:

Whereas, The principle of toll-taking as once applied to toll roads, toll bridges and other forms of locomotion and transportation, is a relic of primitive civilization and in the main has long since been discarded along with the flail, the grain cradle and kindred implements.

Whereas, Toll-taking as applied to waterways is even more outworn and outgrown in principle, and wholly out of harmony with the progress and requirements of the age.

Whereas, A toll-taking establishment is maintained at the Willamette Falls at Oregon City in the form of a canal and locks on which a toll of 50 cents per ton is taken on all freight that passes up and down the Willamette River, together with a toll on every passenger, every horse, every head of cattle or other domestic animal.

Whereas, The said 50 cents per ton differential in the lockage charge on the river enables the railroad traversing the Willamette region to add 50 cents per ton to freight they carry to or from Willamette Valley points.

Whereas, The said lockage fee, by reason of the differential it affords, the railroads add from \$100,000 to \$200,000 every year to the transportation cost of the Willamette region.

Whereas, The said lockage fee takes 1 1/2 cents from the sale of every bushel of wheat exported from the Willamette Valley, and a toll of 2 1/2 cents on every sack of potatoes, 2 1/2 cents on every sack of sugar, 2 1/2 cents on every sack of salt, 4 cents on every bale of hay, 2 cents on every bale of hops, 6 cents on every barrel of flour with proportionate exactions on every other article shipped in or shipped from the Willamette basin, a section of country 200 miles long and 80 to 75 miles wide and supporting a thickly-settled population.

Whereas, Government engineers have reported that a new and modern canal and locks can be built by the general Government at the cost of \$5,000,000, a sum that would be saved to the people of the territory by reason of lowered freight rates within three to five years.

Resolved, That the Benton County Citizens' League of Corvallis, being the commercial body of the city, hereby petitions the Congress of the United States at its coming session to appropriate such sum as may be necessary to purchase the present locks and canal at the Willamette Falls, to build a new canal and locks there, to be maintained and operated under the direction of the general Government with provision for freight to be allowed to pass through such canal and locks without charge by which the said Willamette shall become a free and open river to the great advantage and benefit of a vast, rich and populous territory, and for the granting of this petition your petitioners will ever pray.

LADY MACCABEES AT ALBANY

Officers Elected and Albany Selected as Meeting Place.

ALBANY, Or., Nov. 24.—(Special.)—The annual Willamette Valley District Convention of the Ladies of the Maccabees, which has been in session in Albany, closed its work last evening. The district includes Linn, Lane, Marion, and Polk Counties, and delegates from all the lodges in these counties were in attendance at the convention. State Commander for Oregon and Washington Mrs. Nellie H. Lambson, of Portland, presided over the session.

The prize drill was held last evening and the silver cup annually awarded to the best drilled team went to the Albany lodge.

Before adjournment the convention selected Salem as the next meeting place and elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

Past lady commander, Mrs. Le Croix, of Salem; lady commander, Mrs. Lambson, of Portland; lieutenant-commander, Mrs. Emmett, of Albany; secretary, Mrs. J. S. Van Winkle, of Albany; finance keeper, Caroline Bushnell, of Salem; chaplain, Anna Vaughn, Mrs. Jefferson; sergeant, Eliza Warford, of Albany; mistress-at-arms, Mrs. Willie, of Albany; sentinel, Eugenia Cochran, of Tangent; picket, Abbie Hyde, of Lebanon.

A banquet was served visiting delegates last evening.

Four Divorces at Oregon City.

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 24.—(Special.)—Judge McBride today granted four divorces, as follows: Jennie Straight vs. William Straight; Amanda E. Ferguson vs. Lawrence Ferguson; Edie M. Edwards vs. Matthew C. Edwards; Minnie Belle McChesney vs. John W. McChesney.

Mrs. Edwards is the second wife of her name, Edie M. Roadman. In the Ferguson suit, the two minor children, aged 17 and 14 years, were given the privilege of selecting their own guardian.

Judge McBride this afternoon adjourned court and goes to Hillsboro, where he will convene a term of the Washington County Circuit Court Monday. The judge will return to this city and hold another session of the Clackamas County Court at 10 o'clock next Saturday.

Ridgefield Safe Cracked.

RIDGEFIELD, Wash., Nov. 24.—A trio of cracksmen crept through a window of Blackburn & Burrows' general store here, at 3 o'clock Friday morning, unlocked the door, rolled a 700-pound safe two blocks and a half down the street into a cut, pried open the combination, blew the safe open with black powder, and got safely away with \$300 in money. The firm's papers were left intact.

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STATE LAND SALES LESS

NINETY PER CENT DECREASE DURING 1905 AND 1906.

Receipts Have Been Kept Up by the Payment of Installments on Previous Purchases.

SALEM, Or., Nov. 24.—(Special.)—Sales of state land during the years 1905 and 1906 amounted to only \$7,027 acres, or about 11 per cent as much as in the preceding two years, when the sales aggregated over \$2,000,000. This decrease is due to the fact that the State Land Board in the act of the Legislature in raising the price from \$125 to \$250 per acre, but is also due in part to the course of the State Land Board in beginning prosecution of speculators who were purchasing State land in violation of law.

The decrease in receipts is not so great, however, for those who bought land prior to the advance in price have been making payments from time to time. The total receipts for the two years ending September 30, 1906, were \$475,838.50, as compared with \$678,954.58 for the preceding two years. The great decrease in receipts resulting from the limitation of sales will be apparent in the next two or three years, when deferred installments on previous sales will have been paid and there will be little money due on sales made during 1905 and 1906. Nearly all sales of State land are made on the installment plan, the purchaser taking three or four years to make his payment.

The falling off in business in the State Land Office in the last two years is evident not only from the decrease in receipts but in the number of certificates of sale and deeds issued. During 1905-06 there were issued 748 certificates of sale and 1812 deeds. During 1906-07 there were issued only 223 certificates of sale and 937 deeds. The amount now due on outstanding certificates of sale of school land is \$460,217.70, or only about half the amount due two years ago.

These figures are gleaned from the bi-annual report of the State Land Board. The board also reviews the land fraud disclosures made by State Land Agent West and says that where certificates of sale were issued to genuine persons and upon applications that were not forged, it has been the custom of the board by majority vote, one member (Governor Chamberlain) dissenting, to issue deeds to innocent holders of said certificates, except on those certificates on which fraud was found against F. W. Jewett.

The board further recites the opinion of the Attorney-General that where certificates of sale are cancelled for fraud, the holders are entitled to repayment, but since the board has no authority of law to repay under such circumstances it is recommended that the Legislature pass an act authorizing the board to repay. The report says that "this would seem only just to the persons who have been so unfortunate as to purchase the certificates and will cause no loss to the State, for the State will have the land, a considerable portion of which is within the newly created forest reserves in Eastern Oregon, and can be used by the State as base for indemnity selections, which can now be disposed of at \$1.50 per acre."

Portlanders Married at Oregon City.

OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 24.—(Special.)

County Judge Grant B. Dimick this afternoon officiated at the marriage of two couples from Portland, both ceremonies taking place at the County Courthouse. The parties were Edie Morgan and Guy Stalder, A. A. Jensen and S. A. Lyuge.

SCOTT IS TO BE A LIEUTENANT

Third Graduate of O. A. C. to Be Made Officer in Philippines.

CORVALLIS, Or., Nov. 24.—(Special.)—Teroh Winslow Scott, '04, a graduate from the pharmacy department at O. A. C., has been appointed to a Third Lieutenant in the Philippine Constabulary, and is to sail from Seattle for Manila on the steamer Dakota, on the 28th inst. Karl Stelwer, '05, from the agricultural department of the college, whose appointment was announced last week, is to sail from Seattle December 7. Scott was Captain of Company A, A. C. cadet regiment, in 1904, and Stelwer was Captain of Company D in 1905, and it is chiefly by reason of their military training that they get the appointments.

The Philippine Constabulary is largely officered by young men appointed from the graduating classes from the leading military colleges of the Union, one of which is O. A. C. The pay of a Third Lieutenant is \$1700 a year, of a Second Lieutenant \$1200, First Lieutenant \$1300 and of a Captain \$1700.

Acting Captain Floyd Williams, of the '05 class at O. A. C., who was appointed last January, is now commander of a company of Constabulary, and is drawing a Captain's pay, with expectation of an early confirmation as Captain. Other recommendations have been made, and it is expected that their commissions will soon be forthcoming from the War Department. Appointees have their expenses paid and the salary going and coming from the Islands.

BUMP SPENT NIGHT IN JAIL

Hillsboro Attorney Started Rough House in Court and Is Worsted.

HILLSBORO, Or., Nov. 24.—(Special.)—Attorney M. B. Bump was this evening released from the county jail after spending the night there as a result of a commitment for contempt of court by Judge H. T. Bagley, who yesterday pronounced a trial where damages were demanded by Joseph Sanders and the Berger. The litigation arises from the loss of 60 chickens, which were killed by a dog.

During the progress of the case Attorney Bump and T. H. Tongue, Jr., became involved in an altercation. "Bump" assailed the judge and started to assault Tongue, who thereupon struck Bump several times and finally rushed him to the floor. Judge Bagley listened to an apology by Tongue and later sent Bump to jail for three days.

It was Friday, November 23, and Attorney Bump lost his case, was bested physically and finally spent the night in the bastle completing a veritable skidoo programme.

Masters Collect the Fares.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 24.—United States Marine Inspectors Whitney and Turner have declared their intention to carry a stop to the practice of captains not putting licensed pilots from oil-licking fares. It has developed from the testimony taken at the Dix investigation that several masters were in the habit of leaving their boats in

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charge of the mate for at least half an hour while they took the fares from the passengers. In the future, if Captains desire to act as pursers they must take the tickets at the gangway before the vessels sail, otherwise they will be likely to lose their papers.

At the morning session of the Dix investigation several survivors were placed on the stand. They told how they had been picked up by the steamship Jeanie after the Dix went down. The hearing was continued until Monday.

Dixon Is Appointed Receiver. OREGON CITY, Or., Nov. 24.—(Special.)—George W. Dixon, editor of the Canby Tribune, stole a march on his disaffected real estate partner, William M. Smith, in the Circuit Court today, when he had himself appointed receiver of the business and had an order made directing the Bank of Oregon City to deliver over to him any and all money on deposit in that banking house in the firm's name. Smith yesterday filed suit in the Circuit Court asking for an accounting and settlement with Dixon, alleging that the latter, as a member of the firm of Dixon & Smith, had sold a tract of land for which he had collected as commission the sum of \$500 and had refused to make a division of the same with the plaintiff.

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