

POLITICIANS AT MEETINGS AT VANDERBILT EDITORS

Guests at Press Banquet Are Placed on Grill and Roasted to Brown Turn.

SEATTLE MEN BAIT A TRAP

As Each Spellbinder Arises to Deliver Speech, Toastmaster Drowns Him Out With Bells—Editors Greatly Enjoy Joke.

VANCOUVER, Wash., July 18.—(Special.)—Junketing journalists wreaked revenge on prosperous politicians tonight at the annual banquet of the Washington State Press Association at the Columbia Hotel.

Each had a speech prepared, a real political "I-thank-you-gentlemen-offer" for the honor of speech, but not one of them was permitted to deliver it.

Made to Feel Power of Press.

Such treatment, and it was the most courteous treatment, has never before characterized the action of a press association in this state toward its highest officials.

Toastmaster Cole, of Tacoma, held a large bell in his hand during the banquet and whenever a candidate, who had the floor, presumed to mention the merits of his own campaign, the bell was rung vigorously.

Prominent Editor for Governor. Colonel A. J. Blathen, of Seattle; S. A. Perkins, of Tacoma; John L. Wilson, of Seattle, and N. W. Durham, of Spokane, were nominated for Governor.

Favor Existing Primary Law.

Transaction of important business matters consumed the entire morning session of the association. Important resolutions were adopted, others pending at the meeting and a place of meeting also selected.

Included in the resolutions adopted by the association was one which favored changes in the probate laws of Washington; the enactment of a law requiring publication of insurance reports; the publication of notices of a legal nature, and a reduction in the legal rate of publication.

Though it was generally believed that strong efforts would be made to pass a resolution urging a change in the primary law, which prohibits the publication of political advertising by newspapers, the association placed itself on record as favoring the present law.

Text of Resolutions. Resolved, That in the sense of the Washington State Press Association, that no charge should be levied on candidates for office who wish to publish their names in the newspapers for political advertising purposes.

Resolved, That we favor such changes in the primary law as will clear up sections 28 and 29 thereof, and will permit newspapers to charge a reasonable advertising fee for the publication of formal announcements of candidates for public office.

Resolved, That we favor such changes in the probate laws of Washington as will require the publication of notices of a legal nature to be published in newspapers, and that the fee for such publication be fixed at a rate to be determined by the Legislature for indorsement.

Resolved, That the legislative committee of this association be instructed to prepare bills in line with the spirit of this resolution to be introduced in the Legislature for indorsement.

Resolved, That the legislative committee of this association be increased from three to five members.

Officers and Committeemen.

Officers of the association were also elected during the forenoon session. They are: President, Albert Johnson, Seattle; first vice-president, E. A. Hazelton, South Bend; second vice-president, M. E. Randall, Ellensburg; secretary, Lee Ogdens, Davenport; treasurer, L. E. Rader, Olney; historian, Frank B. Cole, Tacoma; orator, Fred O'Brien, Astoria; and Eugene Lorton, Walla Walla.

The executive committee, as elected at this morning's session, consists of the following: J. B. Best, Everett; W. E. Steel, Seattle; A. W. McCormack, Woodland; Lovett M. Wood, Seattle; D. W. Bush, Chehalis.

The legislative committee consists of Eugene Lorton, Walla Walla, chairman; J. W. Lyons, secretary, Seattle; E. E. Beard, Vancouver; Grant Angle, Shelton, and Albert Johnson, Seattle.

Delegates to the National Editorial Association convention, which is to be held in 1909, are: Will A. Steel, Seattle; D. L. Gilliam, Brewster; E. E. Beard, Vancouver; Mrs. M. W. T. Hanna, Edmonds; Rufus Wood, Wenatchee; D. W. Bush, Chehalis; J. W. Lyons, Seattle; L. M.

Wood, Seattle; J. A. Sweet, Sultan, and John L. Wilson, Seattle. Seattle was chosen as the place of next year's meeting. Addresses were delivered as follows: "Is Clubbing with Other Papers or Giving Premiums of Advantage to the Local Press?" by M. E. Randall, Ellensburg Localizer.

"The Real Mission of a Country Paper," by A. A. Smith, Port Angeles Tribune-Times. "Press Sensationalism—Yellow Whelps," by Lovett M. Wood, Trade-Register, Seattle. "Country Correspondence, Its Importance and Suggestions on How to Handle It," by E. F. Michel, Pioneer, Stevenson.

"Suggestions for Betterment of Relations Between Publishers and Advertisers and Advertising Agencies," by Charles H. Fuller, president of the Charles H. Fuller Company, Chicago.

HOQUIAM PIONEER DEAD

J. F. W. Fesenfeld, Retired Merchant of City, Passes Away.

HOQUIAM, Wash., July 18.—(Special.)—Heart failure yesterday removed a Hoquiam pioneer in the person of J. F. W. Fesenfeld, who had been ill for some time. Mr. Fesenfeld is survived by his wife, five daughters and one son, the latter being a prominent sheet-metal worker of this place.

Mr. Fesenfeld's birthplace was Oldenburg, Germany, and he was 72 years of age. He located in Hoquiam 19 years ago, and conducted a successful hardware business until two years ago, when he retired from business, having accumulated a competency, owing to falling health.

Orville Turner Drops Dead.

PENDLETON, Or., July 18.—(Special.)—Orville Turner, a well-known young man of this city, died suddenly at Wenaha Springs, about 12 o'clock last night, from the effects of heart disease. Turner was 35 years old, and was born at Albany, Or., to which place his remains will be shipped tomorrow for interment. He is survived by a wife and many other relatives in this city and Albany.

Charles Grider, of Gladstone.

OREGON CITY, Or., July 18.—(Special.)—Charles Grider, a son of the late E. T. Grider, died this morning at his home in Gladstone, aged 42 years. He had been ill for a long while with liver trouble. He was unmarried and is survived by a brother in Condon, Or., and two sisters residing at Portland and Oregon City. The funeral will take place Monday afternoon.

Most Noticeable in the Homes of the Working Classes.

Washington, D. C., Herald. Feet and teeth receive scant attention in England, according to Dr. Gerald G. Gunning, of London, England, who is at the New Willard, Dr. Gunning is traveling in this country for the purpose of lecturing on the importance of dental hygiene.

"You rarely hear American or French boys and girls complaining that their teeth hurt them. The reason is very simple. American and French mothers take an intelligent interest in their children's teeth, and realize also that there is no cause whatever why their children should not be as healthy as a pair of gloves. In England anything that does not actually fall off is considered good enough to wear and to walk in. Hence, disfigured, coarse, flat, shapeless and swollen feet have become an accepted sign of English nationality.

Big Department Store Fails.

COLUMBUS, O., July 18.—Receivers were appointed today for the D. C. Bezga company, of Columbus, the largest department store in Central Ohio. Slow collections and inability to dispose of the huge stock are given as some of the reasons. The Clinans, of New York, are said to be the largest creditors.

FOR BIBLE-STUDY

Summer School in Bryant Park at Albany Is Opened.

FIRST IN STATE'S HISTORY

All Leading Cities of Valley Represented Among Students in Seven Courses—Attendance Is Very Satisfactory.

ALBANY, Or., July 18.—(Special.)—People from many valley cities are attending the Summer Bible school, which opened in this city yesterday afternoon. Success is assured for the school, which is the first gathering of the kind ever held in this state. Today the regular courses all began and satisfactory progress is being made. The school is in Bryant's Park amid most pleasant surroundings. Tennis are provided for the different classes and there is a

COTTAGE GROVE DOG, WHO KNOWS THE OREGONIAN WHEN HE SEES IT



ENGLISH GORDON SETTER, "MOSCOW," OWNED BY DR. OGLESBY.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., July 18.—(Special.)—This is a picture of Moscow, known here as the Oregonian carrier. Moscow is a full-blood English Gordon setter, bred in England. He came across the pond with his owner, a lady who lived in Moscow, Idaho, and afterward became the property of Dr. Oglesby, of this city.

Moscow is a handsome dog, intelligent and well trained. His owner has been offered \$200 for him on two different occasions. Some time since he furnished his otherwise excellent reputation by stealing an Oregonian. It was just before the Oregonian was changed to morning delivery to all points in the Willamette Valley, when it reached here on the afternoon train.

Dr. Oglesby one afternoon sent the dog to the foot of his office stairs to get the paper. The dog was gone longer than usual, but shortly returned with a paper. It transpired that the carrier failed to leave a paper for the doctor in the stairway. Moscow arose to the occasion, and one Oregonian was as good as another to him, so he deliberately walked into a harness next door and stole the Oregonian just left by the carrier, depositing it at the feet of his master.

large open air auditorium in a natural amphitheater. The Catawpa River runs at the foot of the grounds and a number of launches have been provided for those attending the school sessions. Various refreshment parlors have been erected and the parties presents the appearance of a Chautauqua gathering.

While not very large, the attendance is very satisfactory, considering this is the first Bible school ever held in Oregon. Besides the large number from this city who are taking the course, people are present from Portland, Salem, Eugene, Corvallis, Brownsville, Mill City and Lyons. The first general session of the school was held last evening when Rev. Dr. J. R. N. Bell, of Corvallis, delivered an address on "Shakespeare and the Bible."

He spoke first on Shakespeare as the interpreter of the human race, its needs, hopes and thoughts. He then spoke of Shakespeare as the interpreter of religious thought and traced the relation between Shakespeare and the Bible. Dr. Bell closed his address by rendering "Clausius" and "Hamlet's Revenge," both from "Hamlet."

The only other conference of yesterday was held in the afternoon on "The Growth of the Church's Influence," and was led by Rev. O. C. Wright, of Eugene. Seven Regular Courses.

These morning seven regular courses were begun and classes will be held daily each during the remaining nine days of the school. They are on the following topics: "The Psalms," conducted by Rev. R. H. Washburn, D. D., of the Kimball School of Theology, Willamette University, of Salem; "The Minor Prophets," conducted by Rev. Selby Frame Vance, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Cincinnati; "The Pauline Epistles," also conducted by Dr. Vance; "Inductive Studies in the Gospels," Rev. Franklin H. Gesebraucht, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Albany; "Religious Pedagogy," also conducted by Dr. Gesebraucht; "Young People's Work," conducted by C. T. Hurd, of Corvallis, president of the Oregon State Christian Endeavor Union; "Sunday School Methods," conducted by A. H. Cross, of Toledo, O.

The conference on "The Rural Church," to be conducted by Rev. George T. NeSmith, of New Lenox, Ill., will begin Monday and the conference on "Home Missions" to be conducted by Rev. W. S. Holt, D. D., of Portland, field secretary for Home Missions for the Pacific Coast, will begin Tuesday. Each will then continue daily for the remainder of the conference.

This afternoon a special conference on "Men's Work," was conducted by President Homan, of Willamette University, who also delivered the address at the meeting in the auditorium tonight. His subject tonight was "The Effect of Criticism of the Bible on Christian Experience." This afternoon, following Dr. Homan's conference, C. W. De Graff, cashier of the Portland Trust Company, delivered a splendid address on "The Layman's Missionary Movement."

Most Popular Feature. There was a very large attendance at the addresses being given, and tonight and this feature is proving the most popular part of the school. One address each evening will be the program during the entire school except on two or three evenings when entertainments will be given. A local male chorus, led by J. C. Irvine, is furnishing the music for these evening meetings.

Rev. Dr. L. Rader, editor of the Pacific Christian Advocate, of Portland, will deliver the sermon at the school tomorrow evening. Rev. Frank A. Ferris, of Grand Rapids, Mich., will be here Monday to make some addresses. President H. M. Crooks, of Albany College, who is at the head of the school, announced today that Fred Butler, formerly with the Evangelist Chapman corps of singers, and who is now singing in Portland, will appear here two evenings. One evening he will furnish the entire programme.

Brady Sells Light Plant. POCAHELLO, Idaho, July 18.—(Special.)—James H. Brady, president of the Idaho Consolidated Power Company of this city, and principal owner of various irrigation and power properties in this section of the state, including the Haxburg Light & Power Company, today closed a deal for the sale of the last named property to T. M. Hodgins, of Butte, the consideration being \$25,000. Mr. Hodgins is owner of the St. Anthony Electric Light & Power plant and will inaugurate a day and night service.

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BELONGS TO MANY LODGES

Dr. J. R. N. Bell Oregon's Champion Fraternal Order Man.

ALBANY, Or., July 18.—(Special.)—"He belongs to your lodge," said President H. M. Crooks, of Albany College, referring to Dr. J. R. N. Bell, pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Corvallis, in making a lecture which Dr. Bell delivered last evening at the Summer Bible School in this city. Strange as it may seem this statement is true. Dr. Bell belongs to almost every order in existence with the exception of lodges where fraternal insurance is the predominant feature.

Dr. Bell belongs to all branches of the Masonic fraternity, to the Knights of Pythias, Oddfellows, Elks, Eagles, Red Men and was formerly a member of the A. O. U. W. He has taken 146 degrees in Masonry, including 32 Scottish Rite degrees, 2 York degrees and 46 Egyptian degrees. In point of service he is the oldest grand chaplain in the Masonic Order in the world, having been grand chaplain of the Masons of Oregon for 34 consecutive years.

Dr. Bell is in good standing in the Blue Lodge of Masons, at Baker, City, the commandery of Knights Templars, at Baker City; the chapter of Royal Arch Masons and the Council, at Corvallis; the Eastern Star, at Corvallis; the Elks Club, at Portland, and the Mystic Shrine, at Portland. He is a charter member of the Shriners and is No. 31 in the temple at Portland.

He belongs to other lodges in the following cities: Oddfellows, including Emplacement, at Roseburg; Knights of Pythias, at Astoria, Clatskanie, and Red Men, at Baker City. He joined the A. O. U. W. Lodge at Roseburg, but has given up his membership in that order.

SOLD NATIVES AS SLAVES

FORMER ASTORIA MAN HEADED SOUTH SEA EXPEDITION.

Captain Blackburn Had Remarkable Seafaring Career as Master of Pacific Steamships.

ASTORIA, Or., July 18.—(Special.)—The dispatch stating that 19 survivors of several hundred South Sea Islanders who were kidnapped from the Gilbert Islands into slavery among the coffee plantations of Guatemala, have been rescued and are being sent to their homes by the British government, is of peculiar interest here, as Captain David O. Blackburn, who was master of the steamer Montserrat, when these natives were taken on that vessel from the Gilbert Islands to be sold into slavery, was a resident of Astoria for a number of years, being employed as a fisherman here.

Captain Blackburn was a native of Nova Scotia, but of Irish descent. He arrived on the Pacific Coast about 30 years ago, and his first work was as a fisherman on the Columbia River for one of the local canneries. Later he entered the steamship service, working his way up from third mate to master. At different times he was in charge of the steamers Albion, Wilmington, Walla Walla and Willamette, as well as several other well-known vessels, and was so successful in all his charges that he was commonly alluded to as "Lucky Blackburn."

When the steamer Montserrat was purchased for the coal trade, Blackburn secured an interest in her and took command. He made two trips to the Gilbert Islands on blackbirding expeditions, taking natives to Guatemala, supposedly under three-year contracts as laborers, but on arrival sold them as slaves.

These expeditions proved so profitable that Captain Blackburn obtained several large salvage fees for towing captured steamers into port and had a highly successful career in a financial sense until he sailed from Nainai on the evening of December 8, 1894, for San Francisco with a cargo of coal in company with the steamer Keweenaw. A terrific storm arose on the following day and neither of the vessels or the crews were ever seen afterward.

FOR BETTER TRAIN SERVICE

Washington Commission Imposes Orders on Northern Pacific.

OLYMPIA, Wash., July 18.—(Special.)—Findings of fact and final orders were issued and served upon the Northern Pacific Railway by the Railroad Commission yesterday as follows: Ordering the erection of a station at Irbay, the installing of a caretaker agent and the stopping of a train daily in either direction on flag; ordering the construction and erection of a station at Waukon and the installing of a caretaker; ordering the erection of a station at Winchester, the construction of sidetracks or industrial tracks and the installing of an agent or caretaker agent and the stopping of a train daily to be installed at Bossburg; ordering the erection of a station at Malaga and installing an agent or caretaker.

Expert Clark has already unearthed shortages of over \$500 and is now engaged in investigating the building of the South Bend-Willapa road about four years ago. The ostensible cost of this road was \$28,000, but it appears from the investigations thus far made that the cost was much nearer \$60,000. W. R. Gray, who was chairman of the Pacific County board of county commissioners at the time the road was built and who had full charge of its building, was brought over here from Centralia, where he is now engaged in contracting, and underwent examination before the commissioners, but it is said he failed to explain matters satisfactorily.

Expert Clark and Prosecuting Attorney Brumbach are now in Astoria investigating C. H. Callender, a colleague of Gray when the road was built. On his return here Attorney Brumbach will consult with Judge Rice in regard to calling a grand jury to investigate the county's books and records for some years back of the time at which Mr. Clark began.

ASTORIA FIRM A BANKRUPT

Claim for \$16,000 Filed Against Charles Helborn & Co.

ASTORIA, Or., July 18.—(Special.)—The first meeting of creditors of the furniture firm of Charles Helborn & Co., a bankrupt, was held this morning at 10 o'clock in the court room here. G. O. Moen was appointed trustee with bonds fixed at \$20,000, and J. N. Griffin, H. L. Knight and Fred Butler, of Astoria, were named as appraisers. Claims amounting to \$11,220, principally from Portland, were submitted this morning and will be subject to future objections. The total amount of claims thus far filed is about \$16,000 and the assets listed are approximately \$10,000. The meeting was adjourned subject to call by the referee.

WANT CITY PHONE SYSTEM

Astoria People Anxious for Something Better Than Present Service.

ASTORIA, Or., July 18.—(Special.)—On account of numerous complaints regarding the telephone service maintained in Astoria, there is considerable talk of the city establishing a municipal telephone system, as is authorized by the amendments to the charter adopted by the people at the recent city election.

At the meeting of the Council on Monday evening Mayor Wise will recommend that a committee be appointed to investigate the matter. He has secured estimates showing that a plant such as is required here will cost about \$30,000; that the income with 10,000 subscribers would be \$24,000 per year, with operating expenses and interest amounting to about \$12,000, leaving a net income of \$12,000 per year.

PICTURE SHOW TAKES FIRE. Fifty People Have Narrow Escape in City of Pendleton.

PENDLETON, Or., July 18.—(Special.)—Fifty persons, mostly women and children, barely escaped from death by fire in a moving-picture show this afternoon. But for the fact that the machines were recently installed in iron boxes, at the command of the City Council, there would have been loss of life and much greater property loss. As it was the Fasting theater, situated in the very heart of the business district, was dismantled in a very few minutes, and the room was hardly cleared before it was filled with suffocating smoke, which drove back the firefighters.

The fire was started by an electric spark lighting the picture film. The loss will be about \$500, suffered by Cass Matlock and Jesse Sellers.

GREAT SPECIAL SALE ON OUTING SUITS CONTINUES UNTIL WEDNESDAY EVENING

OUTING SUITS HALF PRICE

\$20 SUITS, SALE PRICE \$10.00 \$25 SUITS, SALE PRICE \$12.50

Odd Lots Chesterfield Suits Special Price \$15

SPECIAL SALE NEGLIGEE SHIRTS \$1.50 AND \$2.00 SHIRTS, SPECIAL PRICE \$1.15

GET YOUR SHARE OF THE GOOD THINGS OFFERED

R. M. GRAY 269-271 MORRISON STREET

RECORDS LOOK BAD

Shortage Shown in County Funds at South Bend.

EXPERT GOES OVER BOOKS. Taxpayers Thoroughly Aroused by Reports and Organize to Place Reliable Men in Office Irrespective of Party Politics.

SOUTH BEND, Wash., July 18.—(Special.)—The disclosures of alleged misappropriation of public funds and income of officials, recently made by George P. Clark, expert accountant, of Portland, have created intense excitement throughout the county, and bid fair to interfere seriously with party politics at the fall election.

It has just become known that the preliminary organization of a "Taxpayers League" has been effected. The movement is being kept as secret as possible for the present, but it has leaked out that some of the most prominent taxpayers and business men of the county are at the head of the organization. Their object will be to promote the election of thoroughly competent men, whose integrity is above suspicion, to the various county offices and the party affiliations of these men will have no bearing with the members of the league.

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MARKET DAY DRAWS CROWD

Innovation at Grants Pass Proves to Be Great Success.

GRANTS PASS, Or., July 18.—(Special.)—The first public market day in the Rogue River Valley took place today under the most favorable circumstances. The crowd from the country was large, and the main thoroughfares were jammed with people intent on seeing the stock parade this afternoon. Cattle, horses, hogs, cows, sheep and goats were all placed on the market and many buyers were present on the choice animals from the herds on sale.

J. D. Burrows took the prize for having the largest family, which numbered ten children.

FINDS WAIF ON DOORSTEP

Wealthy Roseburg Timber Dealer Will Give Foundling Home.

ROSEBURG, Or., July 18.—(Special.)—A 6-month-old baby, deposited in a basket, was found on the porch of G. A. Signalman, a well-to-do timber dealer, as he stepped out upon his porch early this morning. There is not the faintest clue as to the parents of the child. Mr. and Mrs. Signalman will care for the infant until its parents can be found.

Lane County Growers Pleased.

EUGENE, Or., July 18.—(Special.)—Lane County cherry-growers are well pleased with the second prize awarded them in the contest for the best county exhibit of cherries, and president of the Lane County exhibit was a comparatively small one, there being no special exhibits by individual growers to supplement the county exhibit. Lane County had the best Blings and Lamberts at the fair, says Dr. McCormack, an authority on cherries, and president of the Lane County Fruit and Vegetable Association.

Moffett the Stationer

has moved to 111 Sixth street, near Washington.

DOG SAVES LIVES

Rescues Two Little Girls From Water at Newport.

DRAGS CHILDREN TO BEACH. Three Youngsters, Scared by Incoming Tide, Rush Headlong Into Deep Pool and but for Dog Would Have Drowned.

ALBANY, Or., July 18.—(Special.)—A dog owned by Maurice Winter, a well-known commercial traveler residing in Albany, assisted in the rescue of three little girls from drowning at the Nye Creek beach at Newport yesterday. News of the rescue was brought to Albany today by William Eagles, proprietor of the Albany cigar factory.

Eagles' children, Willie, aged 11, and Elizabeth, aged 5, were playing on the beach, accompanied by Helen Winter, 4-year-old daughter of Maurice Winter, and Mary Penington, 7-year-old daughter of Clyde Penington, of LaGrande, ex-Sheriff of Union County. The children were barefooted and were digging far out on the beach. They were wading when a large log came around them, but they paid no attention until a large one was almost upon them, when all started to run. The Eagles boy ran around a ledge of rock which was in their path, but the frightened girls floundered over the rock and fell into a wide pool of water, five feet deep, directly on the other side of the ledge.

There were no people near and the three girls floundered helplessly. Young Eagles bravely waded out and finally managed to catch his sister's hair and pulled her to the bank. The other girls, farther out in the pool, were almost drowning when Winter's dog ran up, plunged in and caught Helen Winter's clothes in his mouth and dragged her to the bank. Mary Penington was pulled close enough to the edge so that young Eagles caught her arm and saved her, too.

The girls were exhausted, and but for the work of the dog two of them would probably have been drowned.

Beer Meeting Fizzes Out.

SALEM, Or., July 18.—(Special.)—Owing to the fact that the cherry fair was a greater attraction, not over 20 persons gathered at the opera-house this evening to hear the discussion of the plan of permitting the sale of beer and prohibiting the sale of stronger liquors only. Because of the strong attendance, the meeting was postponed until next Friday.

Chinese Merchant Held Up.

HOQUIAM, Wash., July 18.—(Special.)—Yen Dong, a prominent Chinese merchant of the firm of W. I. Dong & Co., was beaten insensible and robbed of over \$50 at a late hour last night, on one of the main business streets. He is of the opinion that he was assaulted by five or six men.