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CITIZENS' LEAGUE VOTES TO OPPOSE CITY BOND ISSUE

Decides by Vote of 65 to 5 to Work Against Proposition.

AFTER DEBATE AT HALL LAST EVENING

Two Speak In Favor of Bond Issue and Several Against.

By a vote of 65 to 5, the Citizens League last evening decided to oppose the proposed bond issue which will be submitted to the voters at the annual election in December for their approval. The vote followed a debate on the question of issuing bonds. The vote was by ballot and resulted in 62 voting "No," 2 "Yes," 2 bonds and 3 no bonds. Upon motion, the vote was made unanimous against the bond issue, it being the understanding that the league should be bound by the decision of the majority.

F. S. Dow and L. A. Liljeqvist spoke in favor of the bond issue while F. M. Friedberg and Carl Albright were the principal speakers against. I. S. Smith, Mr. Copple and J. A. Luse also spoke briefly against the proposed bond issue.

The meeting was well attended but not all were able to remain for the close when the vote was taken. C. A. Johnson presided as chairman.

Friedberg Opens.

F. M. Friedberg opened the debate by giving a brief history of Marshfield's municipal government, its charter and a resume of its finances. He showed that the outstanding warrants a few years ago was but \$9,000. When the charter was revised, he said that the limit of indebtedness had been reduced from \$50,000 to \$25,000 as a safeguard against possible extravagant administrations. He said that it was generally agreed that it was only proper for a municipality to issue bonds for a specific purpose when the public was getting something to show for the expenditure of the money raised. He said that from an economic standpoint, warrants are cheaper debts for the city to carry than bonds, the interest on the bonds owing to having to be paid semi-annually really averaging for the period for which the issue must be floated over seven per cent while the warrants bear but six per cent.

Liljeqvist Defends Expenses.

L. A. Liljeqvist who was the first speaker in favor of the proposed bond issue said that he did not have time to fully investigate the matter and could not go into as much detail as he would like. He said that he had attempted to go over the city records but he found that there were no records back of a short time ago. He said that while the Straw administration had been condemned, it had started out following the policy of previous administrations but had recently put in a system of accounting that was a good thing. Then he went on to show that the outstanding warrants represented expenses had been for supposedly permanent improvements but that some excusable mistakes in judgment had been made. He said the street roller represented \$3,600 of the outstanding warrants and while developments showed that the machine was practically useless, he thought it might be sold without the city losing very much on it. Other expenses that contributed towards the debt, he said were \$2,200 for city lots, \$750 for chemical engine, \$2,000 for fire engines, \$1,000 for hose, \$2,000 for Laurel street opening, \$600 for city park and \$8,000 for sewers. He read a report of the city's finances for the past nine months, showing that the current expenses on the general fund (excluding street improvements and that kind of work that is paid for by special assessment on abutting property) were about \$900 per month greater than the income, increasing the debt about \$10,800 this year. But in this, he said it should be remembered that the tax

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WILL INCREASE CAPITAL STOCK

Paid Up Capitalization of Bank of Oregon Will Be \$75,000.

It was announced today that the capital stock of the Bank of Oregon at North Bend would be increased to \$75,000. The \$25,000 additional capital is to be paid in by November 1, when the consent to the amendment to the charter is secured.

The increase in the capital stock is at the suggestion of Henry Hewitt, Jr., of Tacoma, Wash., who recently purchased an interest in the institution from L. J. Simpson. Mr. Hewitt, it is stated, is anxious to make the North Bend institution one of the strongest in Oregon, applying to it the policies that have made Washington banking institutions in which he has been interested so successfully. The patrons of the institution and business men of North Bend are highly gratified that Mr. Simpson has associated Mr. Hewitt with him in the bank of Oregon.

NEGRO HUNG FOR MURDER

Springfield Criminal Confesses and Dies Murmuring Prayer On Gallows.

(By Associated Press.)

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Oct. 23.—Having confessed his guilt and with a prayer upon his lips, Joe James, an eighteen-year-old negro, was hanged here today for the murder of C. A. Ballard, a railway engineer, July 3, last. The crime was largely responsible for precipitating the race riots in this city.

NEGRO TO HANG.

Vancouver Blackman Gets Death Sentence.

(By Associated Press.)

VANCOUVER, B. C., Oct. 23.—Jack Partellas, a negro, who killed Mrs. Jenkins, his alleged mistress, August 13, by stabbing her to death, was today sentenced to be hanged, December 18.

BOB GOTHAM JEWELRY SHOP

Maurice Tannenzholz Probably Fatally Wounded By Bandits Who Escape.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Every patrolman and plain clothesman in the New York police force are searching today for the daring robbers who, last night, shot Maurice Tannenzholz after robbing the jewelry store of Tannenzholz on Lexington avenue, of diamonds valued at \$4,000. The police are hopeful of some clue obtained from a driver of a taxicab in which the men escaped. Tannenzholz is in a serious condition.

SOCIAL DANCE will be given at FINNISH HALL, SATURDAY night for benefit of Marshfield Athletic Club. Music by Coos Bay Orchestra. You are invited.

SPRING CHICKENS, just what you want for a fine home Sunday dinner at Stauff's, the grocer.

THOUSANDS SUFFER FROM FLOODS

Large Sections of Oklahoma and Kansas Swept by Water From Extraordinary Rains Which Still Continue.

(By Associated Press.)

MUSKOGEE, Okla., Oct. 23.—Twenty thousand persons shivered from a cold north wind in Muskogee this morning without breakfast or fire as a result of the washing out during the night of the gas main across the Arkansas river here. There has been a steady downpour of rain for twenty-eight hours. Several railroad bridges were washed away and many passenger trains are held here.

BAD IN KANSAS.

Highest Water Known in Years Near Coffeyville.

(By Associated Press.)

COFFEYVILLE, Kan., Oct. 23.—The flood situation in southern Kansas has not improved. The Verdigris river this morning reached only a foot of reaching the mark of 1904, the highest known in twenty-five years. Many persons have been compelled to leave their homes in the low sections of Coffeyville. Vast

TOKIO UNITES IN RECEPTION

Climax In Welcome of U. S. Fleet Reached On Fifth Day.

(By Associated Press.)

TOKIO, Oct. 22.—Tonight's reception to the officers and men of the American fleet reached the climax. The spontaneous outburst of enthusiasm in which 30,000 people participated crowned the unbroken series of luncheons, dinners, balls and garden parties that have marked the five days since warships anchored Yokohama harbor, and the people of Tokio did honor to the American visitors with a demonstration that eclipsed any in the history of the city, not even excepting the celebration followed the most signifi success of the Japanese army and navy against Russia. Fifty thousand participated in the torchlight parade which was a feature of the day. Every individual in the vast multitude carried lanterns and Japanese and American flags with a dozen bands furnishing music. It was a wonderful scene.

WHALE KILLS THREE MEN

Leviathan Upsets Boat of Puget Sound Hunters Who Had Been Shooting at Him.

(By Associated Press.)

TACOMA, Wash., Oct. 23.—An enormous whale in the west passage of Puget Sound attacked and upset a row boat which was occupied by three hunters who have been shooting at him. The hunters were drowned. There are no particulars obtainable now. The identity of the hunters has not been established.

WERE AT TRIAL.

Gold Beach Men Return From Portland Today.

W. A. Bishell and E. C. Bailey arrived in the city today on the Breakwater from Portland on their way home to Gold Beach. Mr. Bishell has been attending the trial of the Pacific Furniture and Lumber Company's case which is on at Portland in the federal court. They report that it is expected that the case will go to the jury this week, and that as they left George Forty of Port Orford was called to the stand.

damage has been done to corn fields. The situation is serious.

RAIN STILL FALLING.

Kansas and Oklahoma Points Get Little Relief.

(By Associated Press.)

BARTELSVILLE, Okla., Oct. 23.—The Caney river is two feet higher than at any time since 1897, the rain falling heavily. North Bartelsville is under four feet of water.

(By Associated Press.)

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 23.—A cold rain and sleet fell this morning generally throughout northwestern Missouri and Southeastern Kansas.

(By Associated Press.)

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Oct. 23.—The rain continues, 3.03 inches having fallen in the last twenty-four hours.

OIL FIELDS SWAMPED.

Continued Heavy Rain Causes Damages Near Tulsa.

(By Associated Press.)

TULSA, Okla., Oct. 23.—Rain is still falling, this being the fifth day. There is much suffering here. The river is rising again. The oil fields in this section are crippled on account of high water.

BRYAN BACK WITH HOT SHOT

Democratic Candidate Raps Republican Claim of Prosperity.

(By Associated Press.)

RAVENSWOOD, W. Va., Oct. 23.—W. J. Bryan addressed a large gathering of farmers here. He proceeded to puncture the Republican contention that the farmer owed his prosperity to the Republican party. "The Republican party has had nothing to do with the fertility of the soil, the sunshine or the rain for if it did, there would be a trust on sunshine and a meter upon the sun and the rain clouds." He said that not a single thing the Republican party has done has been good, for the farmers have been the real victims of every abuse that has grown up under Republican misrule. Republicans have spent the time legislating in the interests of Wall Street instead of listening to the plea of the farmers for security of their bank deposits, he said.

ORDER PROBE AT SOUTH BEND

Books of Pacific County, Wash., in Bad Shape and Grand Jury Will Investigate

(By Associated Press.)

SOUTH BEND, Wash., Oct. 23.—A grand jury will be convened in November to investigate the book accounts of Pacific county. An expert has been at work on the books for some time and his discoveries of alleged irregularities led Prosecuting Attorney Brumback to apply to Judge A. E. Rice to order an investigation by the grand jury.

Steamer BREAKWATER sails from Coos Bay for Portland SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, at 9 A. M.

SOME NICE FRIERS, tender and juicy for your SUNDAY DINNER, at Stauff's, the grocer.

"MAIDS OF ALASKA" at Masonic Opera House TONIGHT.

PRIMROSE COLD BOILED HAM in any quantity at Corthell's.

NORTH BEND HIGH SCHOOL CORNERSTONE LAYING MONDAY

TRY NEW PLAN WITH SALOONS

Excusive Liquor Franchise Is Asked In Medford—Known As Gothenburg Scheme.

MEDFORD, Ore., Oct. 22.—At a special meeting of the city council an ordinance was introduced at the request of W. L. Vaughn, of Portland, for the sale to the Medford Gothenburg Association of the exclusive right to sell liquor within the corporate limits of Medford for a period of ten years, beginning on October 1, 1909; for \$55,000, to be paid at the rate of \$5,000 for the first five years and \$6,000 the second five.

At the present time there are nine saloons here, but under the rules of the association there will be but six, and the rules of the association provide for strict regulations.

Mr. Vaughn states that the plan as provided by the Gothenburg Association has worked admirably wherever tried.

The Gothenburg Plan.

In connection with the above dispatch, the Medford Tribune says editorially:

The most satisfactory solution of the liquor problem the world has yet seen is the Gothenburg system, which had its origin in Gothenburg, Sweden. It is in general use in Sweden, Norway, Finland, Switzerland and other European countries.

Under the Gothenburg plan a company is granted a monopoly of the sale of liquors in the town. Managers at fixed salaries are placed in the public houses, and after paying fixed expenses and a regular dividend, the towns secure the balance. In Medford, a regular license will be paid in advance instead of a percentage of profits.

In the places where the system has been tried, the number of saloons is decreased, the laws more rigidly enforced, for failure to observe regulations renders the franchise liable to forfeiture.

The proposed Medford law provides a ten-year contract for \$55,000 to be paid for at the rate of \$500 a year for five years, and \$6,000 a year for the second five years. The number of saloons is limited to six and the district in which they are located is limited. No noisy conduct is to be tolerated, no minors sold liquor, no women permitted entrance, saloons are to close Sundays, and no gambling is to be permitted. A \$10,000 bond is to be given as guarantee of conduct.

Many think it is probable that the supreme court decision, now pending, on the local option election by which Jackson county was voted dry last June, will put Medford dry, beyond the reach of the Gothenburg or any other lawful system.

TAFT IN INDIANA.

Holds Many Meetings Around Indianapolis.

(By Associated Press.)

CRAWFORDSVILLE, Ind., Oct. 23.—W. H. Taft today is making a complete circuit for fifty miles about Indianapolis, and tonight there will be a monster rally in that city. He will make speeches at twelve or fifteen points today. His early morning meetings were largely attended.

ABRUZZI IN TURIN.

Report Says That Wedding Is Not Fixed.

(By Associated Press.)

TURIN, Italy, Oct. 23.—Duke Abruzzi arrived here today, and called upon his brother, the Count of Turin, and later upon Queen Marguerite. There is reason to believe that the duke's marriage to the daughter of Senator Elkins has not been fixed.

SOME NICE FRIERS, tender and juicy for your SUNDAY DINNER, at Stauff's, the grocer.

Event Will Be Made Historic—One For Coos Bay Educational Circles.

LARGE NUMBER WILL PARTICIPATE

Program For Ceremonies Completed Today By School Officials.

The laying of the corner-stone of North Bend's elegant new school, next Monday afternoon, will be made one of the historic events of Coos Bay, especially in Coos Bay educational circles. All North Bend will unite in the ceremonies and Marshfield and the other towns in the county will be well represented.

The ceremonies will take place on the site of the new school at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Superintendent Raab and the members of the North Bend School Board, Directors A. W. Myers, A. Van Zile and L. F. Falkenstein and Secretary C. E. Maybee, today completed the arrangements and program for the event.

The business houses of North Bend have been requested to close their places of business Monday afternoon and make it half holiday in honor of the event. The lodges and organizations of the city are expected to turn out in force to participate.

In the corner-stone will be placed copies of various papers and histories of all the organizations of North Bend that will furnish them. The histories must be left at The Harbor office before noon Monday.

The program for the event is as follows:

Song—"America"—North Bend School.

Address—W. P. Evans, president North Bend Chamber of Commerce.

Song—North Bend High School Girls' Glee Club.

Address—"Public Schools of Coos County"—W. H. Bunch, county superintendent.

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Song—High School Male Quartette.

Address—"High schools in Coos County"—Supt. F. A. Golden of Marshfield.

Song—High School chorus.

Address—"Our New High School"—Supt. A. G. Raab.

Address—Mayor L. J. Simpson.

Laying of corner-stone—Major E. D. Kinney.

The proposed new high school will be one of the best in Oregon and one of the most modern in the country. It will cost \$53,000. With a concrete foundation and brick construction, it is practically fireproof. It was designed in a general way by Superintendent A. G. Raab and the plans call for one of the most complete, modern, commodious and perfect high school buildings that could be conceived.

The site which was donated by Major Kinney consists of four and one-half acres in one of the most slightly locations on the peninsula. It is located at the head of Pony Inlet and the grounds afford ample room for athletics and ideal school surroundings.

BRYAN IS TIRED.

(By Associated Press.)

WILMINGTON, Del., Oct. 23.—W. J. Bryan passed through here en route to New Jersey where he will deliver numerous speeches. He is much fatigued as the result of his labors in Ohio and West Virginia.

at Philadelphia, a large crowd at the depot welcomed Bryan who spoke twelve minutes on the labor question. Much applause greeted the remark, "I can stand defeat much better than the laboring man can afford to have Republican success in this campaign."

ZEPPELIN FLIES AGAIN.

(By Associated Press.)

FRIEDERICHSHAVEN, Oct. 23.—Count Zeppelin in his reconstructed balloon made a successful ascent this afternoon, passing over the city at 3:15 p. m.