

A FAIR PROPOSITION.

Proposed Nesmith County Merits Support of Voters.

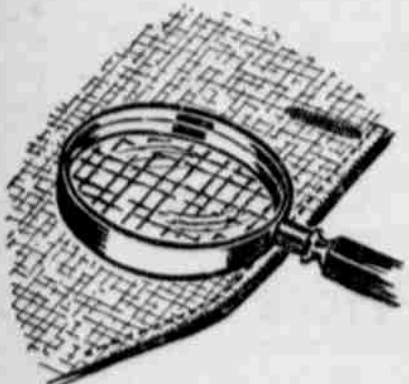
The people of Southern Lane and Northern Douglas counties, numbering more than eight thousand souls, feeling that they are qualified to economically administer their own affairs from a governmental standpoint, have initiated a bill for the creation of a new county to be known as Nesmith, in honor of James Willis Nesmith, a pioneer whose name shines in the firmament of illustrious Oregonians. The proposed county would contain 1940 square miles, of which 1472 would come from Lane and 468 from Douglas, leaving the former 2908 square miles and the latter 4393 square miles, a sufficient area from which to still form several counties the size of Multnomah, Hood River, Columbia and Washington. The total assessed valuation of Nesmith county would be \$5,309,575, leaving Lane \$18,000,000 and Douglas over \$27,000,000. The country within the proposed new county is capable of maintaining an organization that would, we believe, be to the best interests of the people embraced within the territory, and at the same time not deprive any other people affected of their rights, nor increase their burdens, nor work them any injury whatsoever.

Owing to the large area of the two old counties affected many residents are put to great inconvenience, delay and expense in transacting business at the county seats. To compel residents to travel from twenty to sixty miles over bad roads in order to pay their taxes, serve on juries, or as witnesses, is to inflict a hardship



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upon them; yet it is more a matter of self government for which the



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progressive people of this proposed county are contending. Taxation and representation should go hand in hand, but not so under the present conditions. For instance, Cottage Grove, the second city in size and importance in Lane county, has never been permitted to name a judge, and it has been a quarter century since it had representation on the county board of commissioners; while the territory taken from Douglas county has never had either a county judge or commissioner. The representatives in the state legislature are from the county seats—Eugene and Roseburg—thus leaving a large tax-contributing community without voice in either local or state affairs. Ninety-two per cent of the residents within the proposed Nesmith county signed the petition, praying the voters of Oregon to grant them self-government by the creation of the new county, while one particular section immediately outside the original boundary lines petitioned the Nesmith committee for admission to the new county, preferring to take chances with the new rather to remain with the old. This shows conclusively that the sentiment of the taxpayers of the proposed new county are practically unanimous in favor of division.

The boundary lines of Nesmith have been drawn in strict adherence to the topography of the country, its natural watersheds having been considered in every particular. The people of the new county have no desire to do anything that would result detrimentally to either of the old counties.

Jointly Lane and Douglas have 5,806,000 acres, or more than the entire Willamette valley, and of this vast area, only a million and a quarter are asked by the new county.

The people within the territory of proposed Nesmith county are presenting their case to the voters of the state without the slightest misrepresentation, pinning their faith in the voters to support their contention that local self-government is the ideal form of government; that the nearer home government is cheaper; that laws are more effectually enforced; that greater development of country is possible; that better highways are attainable; that its citizens are inconvenienced by nearness to the seat of government; that taxation and representation should go hand in hand, and that by the creation of Nesmith county the efforts of a large and progressive community would be rendered more effective in increasing the population, developing the resources and enhancing the greatness of Oregon.

IN MEMORY OF CZARINA WRECK.

The following poem, written by a 13-year-old Coos county girl, while crude in some ways, is a very creditable production and gives promise of better things later:

A stately ship sails far out to sea. Her gallant masts were like great white birds. Angry waves danced about her with gloe. But she heeded not their angry words; Only sailed down to the maddened sea.

The sky grew dark gray, dark and darker. The waves were capped with a copper foam

Like eaps of wax on a honey-comb. The wind twisted the great timber masts; With strength of hope the sailors clung fast;

They gazed at one another's face While to and fro, each anxiously paced.

Ah! How the bellows did groan and roar! He gave a leap, from the masts he fell

Like the winding pathway down to hell. Ah! no God has opened heaven's door To welcome the stranger home once more.

Two masts snapped like tender pine. Is there no one to save their souls this time? Within each heart a story is told—God now is the one to save their souls.

He fears not the waves or the mad sea. But guides them home to his heavenly lea.

—Shirley Peterson.

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The new equipment for the United States infantry will prove a boon to the soldier in the field. This has been the study of the special army board for the several past months, and a practical test at held maneuvering by the soldiers equipped with the new outfit has thoroughly demonstrated its worth.

The equipment has been devised with every consideration of economy in cost and reduction in weight and adds materially to the soldier's personal movements, while at the same time means have been adopted for relieving him of that part of the burden from which he needs to separate himself in the field.

The new equipment accomplishes a saving in weight in the burden of the foot soldier of ten pounds. Its principal feature is the pack, which consists of a cylindrical roll of canvas worn vertically on the back of the soldier. This contains the blanket, poncho, rations, and so on. It is adjusted so as to minimize the weight and is affixed to the body in such a way that the "comforts" may be speedily released by pulling a spring and leaving that part of the pack on the field, suitably numbered for subsequent identification. All that then remains on the shoulders is that part of the haversack containing the necessities in the shape of food and water.

Another feature of the outfit is made up of the surplus kit, one for each squad of a corporal and seven men and containing the extra pair of shoes, a pair of slippers or gymnasium shoes (a new article), the extra blanket and a combination "hussif," instead of the individual article. A new bayonet scabbard has been devised and will be carried on the pack, the idea being to take away from the body all dangling articles. The soldier's blouse is to be abandoned, and in its place is suggested a moderately heavy sweater to be made with an opening for chest exposure. It is claimed that this garment in connection with the short jacket will afford a better facility for marching than does the present uniform.—Harper's Weekly.

A Lincoln Portrait.

A portrait of Abraham Lincoln which has come to public notice through the request of Robert T. Lincoln, son of the great president, for a photographic copy of it has hung for many years in the chapel of Shurtleff college, Alton, Ill. It was painted from life in 1850, when Lincoln was fifty years old, by A. J. Conant, an artist who was then connected with Shurtleff college, and was sold to the college in 1868. Mr. Conant wrote to the college authorities from New York in 1902, giving some facts about the picture and saying that it was the first of several pictures he had painted of Lincoln, and he believed it was a good one.

Railroad "Terminals."

The term "depot" used to designate a railroad station seems to have fallen into disuse, except as applied to the insignificant structures of the small towns, and the word "terminal" has the present approval. It has been recently decided that the new Grand Central structures in New York city shall be officially known as the "Grand Central terminal," and the new Pennsylvania railroad plant has been known as the "Pennsylvania terminal" since the work began. A great railroad station is being seriously considered at Tacoma, Wash., and it will also be known as the "terminal."—Indianapolis News.

Old and New Barcelona.

Barcelona is divided for administrative purposes into the old Barcelona of the middle ages and the new Barcelona, with its wide streets and beautiful residences. The public works of the old and new parts are intrusted to separate Spanish officials and paid for out of separate funds, and the problems are entirely distinct. In the new town the sum of \$6,500,000 is being expended on a sewerage system, while the old town is medieval in this as in other respects and even has a bit of sewer built in Roman times.

A Moroccan Punishment.

We have heard of many atrocities in Morocco, but Mr. Ashmead-Bartlett mentions a new and peculiarly horrible variety of torture which was inflicted on a man who had espoused the cause of the defeated sultan. He was sentenced to have the palms of his hands cut open, filled with salt and his clenched fists sewed up in leather gloves, "so that as the wounds healed they would grow together."

The Garter on Both Legs.

German lithographers recently reproduced a historical English picture in which King Edward wears the Order of the Garter. They dispatched a telegram after their proof had left them to send it back, as they found they had made a great mistake—they had given the king only one garter. The production went forth with the order on both legs!—London Strand Magazine.

Britain Needs a "Cent."

Why should we not add to the existing coins "a British cent," a coin value one hundredth part of a florin? Then we should have at once for any one who cared to use it a decimal system of money. The pound sterling is 10 florins; the shilling is half a florin, or fifty British cents. The British cents would seldom circulate, but they would be useful coins of account.—London Spectator.

MYRTLE POINT NOTES.

News of the District as Reported in the Enterprise.

J. O. Stemmler of this city was one of 18 applicants for admission to the bar to be admitted to practice at Salem Tuesday morning.

The 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Alford fell from a tree at the West Myrtle Point school house last Friday and broke his arm.

Mrs. Ruth Plank of Willamette valley, cleared a successful term of school at Pleasant Hill the 5th and began a winter term at Norway the 10th.

Reports from Coquille are to the effect that the two cities will again be given electric lights tomorrow night, work on the new plant having proceeded far enough to warrant that promise.

A couple of Chinamen have rented the house near the corner of Fourth and Willow streets, and will start a hand laundry therein. It is probable that it will prove a profitable venture for the yellow men.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Carl, who came down from Portland to attend the funeral of Mrs. Carl's father, Mr. Garrett, returned to Portland this week. Mr. Carl is engaged in the Oregon metropolis as a building contractor.

Mr. Leatherman and Mr. I. T. Weekly are going to each put a gasoline boat on the river this winter and Fred Minard expects to drive a good many logs, therefore they and neighbors are slashing the river banks.

Joseph McCaslin of Josephine county, who came here for benefit from rheumatism with which he has suffered a great deal, is now located on a portion of the J. T. Lewellen place which he has purchased. He still owns considerable property in Josephine county.

F. L. Handerson, brought up from the Giles place, which he has leased, a Winter Banana apple which was of good size, form and coloring, and is among the first of that variety to be produced in this section. It is proof that they can be successfully grown here.

This section is gradually coming to be known as a producer of fine apples and it deserves all the credit given it. The time will surely come when the orchards are brought up to perfect form and we have ample shipping facilities, that Coquille Valley apples will rank with the best grown anywhere. Brown Brothers of this city recently sent a shipment of Gravenstines to San Francisco and the firm that bought the apples has acknowledged to them that they were the finest apples to be received in that market.

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Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Common Council of the City of Marshfield, Coos County, Oregon, until 7:30 o'clock p. m. Tuesday, the 18th day of October, 1910, for the improvement of that portion of Anderson avenue West from the west line of Broadway street South to the center line of Third street South in the said City of Marshfield, according to the plans and specifications on file in the office of the Recorder and open to the inspection of all persons interested therein.

A certified check of five per cent of the amount of the bid must accompany each bid, to be forfeited to said City of Marshfield in case bid is accepted and bidder fails to enter in a contract within ten days from date of acceptance of said bid. The Common Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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