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THE LEADER.

—W. L. DAVIS, EDITOR.—

FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 1899.

THE MEETING.

Delegates Very Earnest.

Favorable Report Expected.

After spending all Saturday forenoon examining Yaquina harbor and its improvements, the board of army engineers, sent out to investigate and report upon the desirability of further improving Yaquina bar, met at the opera house in Newport at 2 o'clock and arguments and the reading of statistics relative to the commerce tributary to and affected by the improvement of the harbor.

These gentlemen listened to able arguments made by Hon. Thos. H. Tongue, R. A. Bensell of Newport, J. D. Daly and Judge Burnett of Corvallis, J. K. Weatherford, Judge Flynn and Captain Montague of Albany, and Mayor Bishop and J. H. Albert of Salem.

Resolutions favoring the improvement of the harbor from the chamber of commerce, board of trade, Manufacturers & Producers Association, Merchants Association and Produce exchange, all of San Francisco.

At the close of the meeting brief remarks were made by each member of the board, explaining briefly their position and expressing their desire to do justice to both the government and the people of Oregon. Following is the Albany Committee's

ADDRESS.

"At a mass meeting of the people of the city of Albany, the undersigned were appointed a committee to lay before you to convince you of the importance of the immediate improvement of the harbor of Yaquina. Between the southern line of this state and the Columbia river on the north there are few harbors, and none which can compare with Yaquina in value to the people of this state, for the reason that Yaquina lies opposite the center of this great valley, and directly west of the great plateau of Central Oregon, which now has no railroad facilities, and which has been waiting for years for the relief which the completion of this work will afford. Not only this, but the Corvallis & Eastern railroad, which is intended to cross the state from west to east, occupies the two natural passes in the Coast and Cascade ranges of mountains, which lie in a direct line to connect this harbor with the tributary country above referred to. This region embraces three-fourths of the habitable area of the state.

"The Willamette valley is about 150 miles long, and at this point is about 75 miles wide, if we include the foothills. Its soil, climate, rainfall and healthfulness are not excelled, we believe, anywhere. With the growth of manufactures it must become very densely populated, and already contains about one-third of the population of the state. Under existing conditions, and unless the harbor is improved, the Corvallis & Eastern railroad must, in the near future, necessarily cease to be operated as an independent line. This will destroy all real competition in freights; that large section of the country which we have indicated above as tributary to it. The Corvallis & Eastern railroad, which is completed 143 miles to the foot of the Cascade mountains, owns and operates in connection with its road a line of boats in the Willamette river.

"The opening of Yaquina bay as a harbor and the completion of the

railroad to the Willamette valley was the signal for the general reduction of freight rates by all lines, and the products of the valley at once advanced from 5 to 10 per cent in value owing to such reduction in freight rates. It is evident that such competitive rates will affect all imports and exports of the whole valley, and for Central Oregon on the completion of the railroad to that section. All rates have already been so affected so far as this line has been completed, and it is evident that when the harbor is so completed as to afford a safe entrance to vessels of a larger tonnage, the benefits derived will be proportionally increased.

"We attach hereto some statistics as to the exports and imports at Yaquina for the previous three years, and a table of the exports and imports for the year 1898 of 13 counties which we find will be affected by the competition afforded by this line so long as it remains independent.

"The statement attached hereto shows that the value of the business of the 13 counties, which will be affected by the completion of the harbor improvements, was for the year 1898, \$15,600,000 for imports, and \$24,938,000 for exports. With the completion of the harbor improvements as contemplated, one-third of this volume of business will naturally go by the way of Yaquina bay. In addition to this business of these 13 counties there is in the Cascade mountains tributary Yaquina bay fully 1,280,000 acres of timber land, which, at a conservative estimate, will produce 64,000,000,000 feet of lumber, which, for want of responsible freight rates and good shipping facilities, cannot now be utilized. Any opposition to the continuance of the improvements of this harbor which may be urged is inspired by those who have directly or indirectly a pecuniary interest in having the work abandoned, and who care nothing for the interests of the people who live in this large territory tributary to Yaquina harbor.

Statistics in Detail.

Total products shipped and marketed for the year 1898 in the 13 counties of Benton, Clackamas, Crook, Douglas, Harney, Lane, Linn, Lincoln, Marion, Malheur, Polk, Yamhill, Washington, tributary to Yaquina bay:

	Amount.	Value.
Wheat, bushels	7,230,820	\$4,849,004
Oats, bushels	4,400,229	1,275,156
Barley and Rye, bushels	211,985	124,000
Hay, tons	45,500	2,918,500
Hops, pounds	18,172,000	2,271,500
Cattle, head	216,628	4,352,500
Hogs, head	687,793	629,100
Sheep, head	501,857	1,233,652
Wool, pounds	5,128,800	641,090
Potatoes, bushels	2,788,000	732,800
Dried fruit, pounds	21,808,000	868,280
Green fruit, pounds	82,824,000	648,840
Poultry, dozen	192,000	391,000
Eggs, dozen	18,750,000	1,780,000
Butter and cheese, lbs.	4,302,955	841,128
Lumber, feet	157,010,000	1,421,190
Total		\$24,938,000

Total value imported into Linn county, one year	\$1,700,000
2-Marion county	2,500,000
3-Clackamas county	2,600,000
4-Washington county	1,400,000
5-Yamhill county	1,500,000
6-Polk county	1,000,000
7-Benton county	800,000
8-Lincoln county	100,000
9-Lane county	1,500,000
10-Douglas county	1,000,000
11-Jackson county	1,000,000
12-Crook county	250,000
13-Harney county	250,000
Total imports, 13 counties	\$15,600,000

A more earnest and intelligent body of men than those who met at Newport Friday is seldom seen. They represented the wealth, intellect and energy of the entire Willamette Valley.

San Francisco, the metropolis of our sister state sent resolutions to the board of engineers. Portland sent nothing. The positions taken plainly show which city is really interested in Yaquina; plainly show that Portland says she is, but isn't. Conclusions are unnecessary. Portland should be ashamed.

The Oregonian says it favors the improvement of Yaquina harbor yet every report published in its columns contains a sting. This is one of its headlines. "They Plead for Continuance of Harbor Work."

"A word to the wise is sufficient" and a word from the wise should be sufficient, but you ask, who are the wise? Those who know. The oft repeated experience of trustworthy persons may be taken for knowledge. Mr. W. M. Terry says Chamberlain's Cough Remedy gives better satisfaction than any other in the market. He has been in the drug business in Elkton, Ky., for twelve years; has sold hundreds of bottles of this remedy and nearly all other cough medicines manufactured, which shows conclusively that Chamberlain's is the most satisfactory to the people, and is the best. For sale by O. O. Krogstad Druggist.

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