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CAPITAL SPEECHES AT THE ANNUAL BANQUET

Mayor Williams Says Portland is the Most-Governed City in the World.

In the 14 years of its existence there never was such an enthusiastic and representative gathering of the Oregon State Bar association as that held last night at the Commercial club. This fact was commented upon by the speakers and was the general opinion of all present. President Alfred R. Sears, Jr.,

spoke of the enthusiasm shown, and said that in his opinion it presaged a new era and new life for the association, assuring a rousing and successful convention at the Lewis and Clark fair next year. In earnest words Judge Sears urged the members of the association to put forth every effort to making that meeting what it should be; a failure, he said, would mean disgrace forever.

Everybody at the banquet was in good humor, applauding every speaker and laughing at the jokes recounted. When the strain of the humor became too great a respite was gained by singing "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow," which was joined in heartily by everyone.

Toastmaster Judge Webster started the hilarity with the remark that the program seemed to be arranged with a view to the wine course, the youngest speaker being put at the head of the list; there was no telling in what order he might be if left to the end. He introduced Mayor George H. Williams, who responded to the toast of "The Lawyer in the City Government."

Portland's Many Governors. Mr. Williams said that prior to his present term as mayor he had considered himself a lawyer, but since he had entered upon his official duties so many people had read the real law to him that he was in some doubt regarding his legal knowledge. He said that while the city of Portland might not be the most governed city on the face of the continent.

It was the responsibility of this popular government which annoyed the mayor, and he unbuckled his heart to the lawyers. First, he said in the government of the city, came the Ministerial association, which, if it had its way, Portland would be a new Jerusalem. Then came the Municipal league, "composed of most excellent gentlemen from Scotland."

"Now," continued the mayor, "I like Scotland for its history, its great men, poets and statesmen, and—yes, I like Scotch whiskey, but Scotch Presbyterianism is about as indigestible to me as pickles and sauer kraut."

The mayor expressed his opinion of the taxpayers' league, the newspapers and the sheriffs' picnic after asserting that despite all these Portland was the best governed city on this side of the continent. Mr. Williams concluded with the remark that when all these reformers had their way we would at least be virtuous.

What the Bench Owed. "I see by the program," said the toastmaster with a pained expression on his face, "that the bench owes a bar bill. Judge Cleland will perhaps be able to explain why they don't pay it." Judge Cleland took exception to the toastmaster's interpretation of the toast, "What the Bench Owes the Bar," and proceeded in a few happy remarks to set the matter right.

"The End of the Law." Waldemar Seton said, was too heavy a subject for him, and he happily reconstructed it to read, "The Tail End of the Law." In a discussion of this phase of the profession he kept the house in an uproar. He recounted the experience of a fledgling, making the assertion that the "seniors eat too damnably clean, no crumbs being left for the fledgling."

The other addresses were: "Our Duty to the Bar Association," by Judge C. H. Carey; "The Client," by William D. Wheelwright; "The Lawyer's Obligation

to Society," by C. E. S. Wood; "English Court in Action," by George S. Shepherd; "The Lawyer and Culture," by Wallace McCamant.

Thanks to the Committee. The committee having in charge the preparation of the banquet was tendered a unanimous vote of thanks for their efforts. The tables were decorated with large bouquets of carnations, while on the speaker's long table stood vases containing cut roses, and winding about them were ropes of amylax. The menu consisted of blue point oysters on the half shell, green turtle soup, fresh crabs picked, broiled Mongolian pheasant, artichokes, ice cream, coffee, cake, wine and cigars.

At the court house yesterday afternoon in a very excellent address Judge Alfred R. Sears explained to the lawyers the objects and workings of the proposed juvenile court.

In addition to the juvenile court there were three other propositions which had received endorsement: The indeterminate sentence now in operation in judicial enlarged jurisdiction of the court of appeals to expedite criminal trials and thereby remove the appeals from the circuit court, and the law as in operation in New Jersey that the accused shall be tried on his first statement; this is in effect that the prosecution shall be given notice of the defense before the trial.

Judge M. C. George delivered an address on "The Early Oregon Bar," which was very interesting and humorous. The treasurer reported a balance this year of \$450.

A bill creating a state commission on uniform legislation was prepared to be presented to the legislature this winter.

Notes and Guests. Those present at the banquet last night were: W. L. Boise, Wirt Minor, J. C. Vesia, Zora Snow, W. L. Brewster, R. B. Giltner, W. T. Vaughn, W. M. Gregory, M. C. George, Cecil H. Bauer, Charles E. Lockwood, Thomas O'Day, William Foley, W. T. Gardner, Oglesby Young, Joseph N. Teal, E. E. Merges, H. H. Riddell, J. C. Moreland, George W. Stapleton, B. B. Beckman, E. E. Coovert, J. V. Beach, S. C. Spencer, F. E. Grant, Frank B. Riley, H. K. Sargent, M. A. Munley, E. F. Riley, Joseph Strowbridge, Jr., A. J. Derby, Sol Bloom, A. T. Lewis, L. B. Resder, W. W. Banks, John Van Zante, H. A. Letter, Claude Stuchin, E. E. Haney, J. B. Hoeford, J. P. Kavanaugh, T. G. Halley, John F. Logan, J. L. Henderson, Charles F. Lord, R. L. Gilman, Alex. Swack, Ernest Brand, William Reid, J. Courer Flinders, Charles J. Schnabel, J. M. Long, Joseph Simon, Gustav Anderson, C. A. Dolph, Chester Murphy, William F. Muir, Thomas N. Strong, A. F. Fiegel, H. M. Oake, Clarence Gilbert, A. C. Emmons, Allan R. Joy, Frederick V. Holman, G. C. Moser, C. E. Runyon, Homer D. Angell, Warren E. Thomas, Milton W. Smith, Thad W. Vreeland, C. W. Miller, J. Thorburn Ross, George W. Caldwell, W. C. Bristol, F. P. Mays, Arthur L. Frazer, Thomas H. Greene, L. A. McNary, A. H. Tanner, Otto J. Kraemer, Robert A. Miller, Lydell Baker, Edward Mendenhall, John Manning.

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M'LAUGHLIN DIVORCE CASE IN COURT AGAIN

Charging his "supposed" wife with making false affidavits regarding her residence in the state of Oregon, W. N. McLaughlin asks the court for release from the order directing him to pay \$150 into court as cost money in the divorce suit which she brought against him. In this petition McLaughlin says that the woman was divorced from a man named Jenkins, in Kings county, Wash., Sept. 26, 1903, and that on March 25, 1904, she was married to defendant. He says that the necessary six months not having elapsed, the time being one day short, according to the supreme court.

McLaughlin also charges that in her complaint his wife alleges that for one year past she has been a resident of the state of Oregon, when in fact she has been a resident of the state of Oregon since March 26, 1904, only.

AGED FATHER BEATEN BY DRUNKEN SON

With tears streaming down his cheeks and a voice husky with emotion, aged Theodore Wilson appeared in the police court and had City Attorney Fitzgerald lay a complaint charging his son, Howard Wilson, with assaulting and beating him. A warrant of arrest was issued and will be served this afternoon.

The old man is gray-headed, and his back has been bowed by carrying the burden of life through many years. His appearance won for him the sympathy of all who were present when he made his complaint. His address is 1172 East Main street, while his son lives at 1128 East Madison street.

TO AID ASSOCIATION OF VISITING NURSES

At the meeting of the Visiting Nurses' association, held yesterday, there were in attendance representatives from the Young Women's Christian association, Needlework Guild of America, Unitarian Women's alliance, Christian union, St. Ann's society, Women's union, W. G.

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and meetings will be held quarterly. Dr. Kenneth A. J. Mackenzie said the services of the nurse were as valuable in the sick home as those of the physician.

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