POSTMASTERS REELECT MINTO TO PRESIDENCY

Taboo Put on Transparent Envelopes, Establishment of Postal Savings Banks and Special System of Parcels Posts Are Recommended—Tenure in Office.

J. W. Minto, the Portland postmaster, was yesterday afternoon reelected president of the Presidential Postmasters' association of Oregon, and B. W. Johnson, the pastmaster at Corvallis, was reelected secretary-treasurer. Both these selections were unanimous and by acclamation the members of the association feeling that no better officers could be chosen than the incumbents.

The convention closed at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon to meet next year at the call of the executive committee. It was throughout an interesting and instructive meeting, largely attended by the postmasters of the state virtually all of whom took part in the various discussions.

Before the election of officers took place the committee on resolutions reported and the report was adopted as read. The thanks of the association were tendered President Minto and Secretary-Treasurer Johnson for their efforts toward making the convention a success, and also to R. B. Mundelle and W. R. Hinman, the department officers who came from Washington to be present. Tom Richardson of the Commercial club was thanked for his efforts in behalf of the comfort and convenience of the visitors, and thanks were also extended to the Commercial club for its courtesies.

Object to Transparent Covers.

A resolution was adopted recommending to the department that it adopt a regulation prohibiting the use of transparent envelopes. The association by another resolution heartily indorsed the recommendation of Postmaster-General Von Meyer to congress for the establishment of postal savings banks, and appealed to congress to take early action in the matter. The association also favored the adoption of the special system of parcels post on rural routes, as recommended by the postmaster-general, for packages originating on rural routes or at offices from which rural routes start.

The postmasters resolved further that suitable provision for clerk hire in third-class offices has not been made, and invited the attention of the Oregon senators and representatives to the report of the first assistant postmaster-general wherein he says that it is decidedly unjust to require third-class postmasters to provide necessary clerk hire at their own expense. The following resolution was also adopted:

"Whereas tenure in office is important and necessary to efficiency in public service, we urge our delegation in congress to give preference to the incumbent where efficient service has been rendered."

Description and Detail.

President Minto was the first speaker of the afternoon, his remarks being along the line of the "good of the order." He said, among other things: "Discipline and system in every detail are absolutely necessary in order to record the fewest number of errors of postoffice employes."

"We should urge as far as possible the naming of all streets and proper numbering of houses.

"All postoffice employes should encourage as far as possible not only business men but individuals to use all return envelopes, or advise writing return on their mail. This would save an endless amount of trouble.

"There is still another matter that might seem a little delicate subject, and that is to impress upon our employes the necessity and importance of being courteous and accommodative to the public at all times."

F. E. Whitney of Portland, chief clerk of the railway mail service, spoke briefly on his end of the work. He was followed by Inspector E. C. Clement, who talked on "Rural Delivery." Mr. Clement stated that there are now in the United States over 40,000 rural delivery routes, scattered throughout the entire country. Everywhere where there are people in any numbers the department has found a way to give them this service when they have asked for it.

Benefits of Rural Delivery.

Rural delivery, he said, has greatly increased postal receipts. It has carried back to the farm many who have fled to the cities from the isolation of the farm. Rural free delivery has been of marvelous benefit to many farmers who are truck gardeners, fruit and stock growers, etc. Nothing has so quickened and broadened the general dissemination of knowledge as the rural free delivery. Nothing has done so much to advance the cause of good roads.

Postmaster J. S. Van Winkle of Albany read a brief paper on "Postoffice Accounts," which he said was surely a dry subject that would require more than a pretzel to relieve it. But he said that there was one remarkable thing about postoffice accounts. There was no politics about them. "No politics," he said, "and when stubborn accounts refuse to balance—very little religion is apparent."

The fourth-class postmasters completed their organization at a meeting held at 1 o'clock. A constitution and by-laws were adopted and a large number signed the roll of the association. R. B. Mundelle was present and addressed the meeting briefly. Among other things he said: "It is a fact that the postmasters of the fourth class are already practically in the classified service. It is the policy of the administration that postmasters shall be retained in office as long as they are efficient."

WRIGHT MAKES RECORD FLIGHT

Aeroplane Under Perfect Control While Inventor Drives at Rapid Rate.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Lemans, France, Aug. 8.—Wilbur Wright made good his aeronautic claims at the Lemans race track late this afternoon when he sailed his aeroplane 3¼ kilometers in three minutes and five seconds. At all times during the brief flight the big aeroplane was under perfect control and the small crowd that witnessed the performance was wrought into a frenzy of enthusiasm. They crowded around the aeronaut when he alighted and congratulated him with characteristic fervor.

Only the fact that there was considerable doubt as to when Wright would make his initial attempt kept down the crowd.

Wright sailed his machine at an average height of 20 feet. He executed a number of difficult maneuvers, soaring and dipping and at one time slightly changing his course in order to demonstrate his mastery. It being the first flight of the machine, Wright did not care to put it to too severe a test, preferring to alight and overhaul the machine immediately to discover if any defects had cropped out.

After going over the machine he announced that he had found nothing wrong and that he would probably make an extended flight Monday.

Among those who witnessed today's trial were several French and Russian army officers. They were enthusiastic over the performance.

THAW WILL TURN OVER NEW LEAF

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bills for thousands and tens of thousands, I would gasp. I wanted to cut down our expenses, and I told Harry during the first trial that I would not use a cab and I wanted to find a modest and inexpensive place to live in, but he insisted on my spending money, and I did, but not enough to cause him to go into bankruptcy. My expenses may reach $25,000, but I did not spend all on myself. Some of it I spent on Harry, and I was glad to do it. I don't see anything in the courts, do you? Nothing had been done since my annulment suit was withdrawn.

Harry Said Turn It Loose.

"Harry did spend a lot of money, but his orders were to go ahead—and see what has been the result. I think many of the bills are unfair and beyond reason, and I think he will be foolish to pay some of the items.

"I think Harry would be much better off if he had only been willing to take the advice of others, those who had a moral right to advise him. But no, he went ahead paying out thousands to anyone that came along, and now he is suffering for it. I don't know how his bankruptcy proceedings will come out. I understand he has no legal standing in court.

"The entire proceeding came as a surprise to me. Harry had talked over the bills and said they were not within reason and that people were trying to make the expenses just as heavy as they could because he was wealthy. He told me he would surprise some of them some day, and he said he could get out of the mix by going into bankruptcy. I didn't think he would do it, however.

"People will never understand what I had to go through. If I wore a new dress they thought I was squandering money; if I wore the same dress twice, Harry was broken up. No matter which way I turned people drew some false conclusion. It would have been better if I had ridden in a streetcar, but if someone had happened to recognize me I would have lost my clothes to souvenir hunters. I honestly think some people would be willing to strip every button off my clothes, they were so terribly curious."

O'Reilly's Going to Have His.

Attorney Daniel O'Reilly, who is credited with doing much of the work that kept Thaw out of the chair and who has been a close friend of both Mr. and Mrs. Thaw throughout the long case, was astonished when he heard that he had filed a petition in bankruptcy. He said:

"I am going to take steps at once to protect my claim. He says he paid me $11,000. He paid me more than that. He says he owes me $5,000. He owes me more than that, and what is more, he will pay it. Thaw has $5,000 a month from the coke ovens alone. He has an income of $80,000 a year and can pay every cent he owes. True, he is short of ready cash, but he can pay his debts and he will pay my claim."

O'Reilly may seek to have Mrs. Thaw appointed guardian of the estate and person of her husband.

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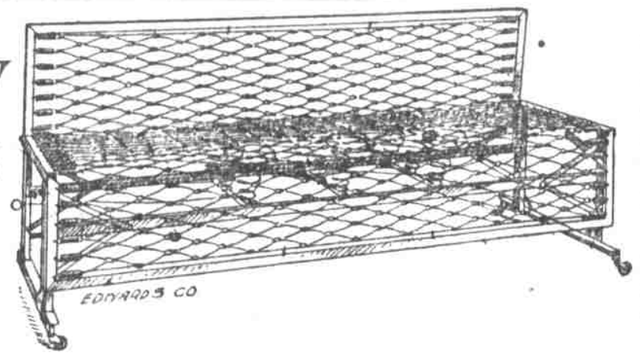

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Handy Couch, made with hard edge, fancy stripe covering, $6 value—this week $3.85
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Meat Safes, made of heavy spruce lumber, 28 inches high, 18½ inches wide; has one movable shelf, front and sides covered with heavy, enameled steel screen, non-rust.. $1.25

Dining Table, as illustrated, 6 feet long, 42-inch top, golden oak finish; has extra leg to support center when open $12.50

Extra Values

Car of new beds to arrive next week, old samples, now on sale at big reductions.

No. 9—Good lightweight iron bed, 4-6, 5 spindles head and foot. $3.60

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BATTLESHIP FLEET IN HARBOR OF AUCKLAND

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Auckland, N. Z., Aug. 8, 10 a. m.—The American battleship fleet anchored here this morning, having covered practically half of its voyage around the world since leaving Hampton Roads on December 16 last year. It still has 20,000 miles to steam before the review on February 22 at Hampton Roads, or a distance which is only a few thousand miles less than the actual circumference of the globe at the equator.

The actual number of miles which the battleships have covered since putting out from Hampton Roads is 20,344. They have been gone 296 days, and, not counting Honolulu, which is far from being home land, the 13,000 officers and men have not seen a sight of their own country since leaving San Francisco on July 7. They will not again see the flag of the United States waving over any possession of the United States until Manila is reached, October 31, by the first squadron of the fleet. The second squadron, which will stop at Amoy, China, will not reach Manila until November 7.

The navy department has not yet ordered the exact route of the fleet from Manila through Suez and across the Atlantic. If the monster fleet is to arrive back home again by February 22, as has been announced, there will be precious little time for visits en route.

Three thousand and fifty miles was the longest single leg of the journey from Hampton Roads to San Francisco, that being the distance from Callao to Magdalena bay. But the lap which the fleet has just completed by its arrival at Auckland, steaming from Honolulu, is 3,850 miles. Then from Albany, Aus., to the Philippines in a jump of 3,800 miles.

The welcome the fleet will receive at Auckland is only a forerunner of what it will receive at Sydney, Melbourne and Albany, Aus., at Yokohama, Japan, and at Amoy, China. At each of these ports preparations are already well under way for lavish entertainment.

The oficial itinerary of the fleet from Auckland to Manila is as follows: Leave Auckland August 15, arrive Sydney August 20; sail August 27, arrive Melbourne August 29; sail September 5, arrive Albany, Aus., September 11; sail September 17, arrive at the Philippines October 1; sail October 10 for Yokohama, Japan; arrive there October 17; first squadron sail for Amoy, China, October 29, and returning sail for Manila November 4, arrive there November 7; second squadron sail from Yokohama October 24, arriving at Manila October 31.

In observance of the day the Americans will remain aboard their ships today and no demonstration of any sort will be made in response to the noisy welcome accorded the fleet. Shortly after the ships anchored Admiral Sperry received an official visit from Mayor Myers and representatives of the New Zealand parliament, which adjourned yesterday for a week in order that its members might give themselves over unreservedly to the entertainment of the American sailors and officers.

Tomorrow (Monday) Admiral Sperry and his staff will go ashore and will receive a formal welcome on a dais erected on the shore end of the Queen street wharf. Sir Joseph Ward, the premier, will make the welcoming speech, to which the admiral will reply. Members of the cabinet, parliament and officers of every important town, borough and country district in the dominion will be present to make the welcome as hearty as possible. The sailors are looking forward to one of the most pleasant weeks of the entire cruise in this wonderfully decorated town and its interesting environs. There will be races Wednesday, Maori war dances Thursday, a visit to the geyser Tikitere, island trips, and a score of other interesting features on which the natives have been working for weeks.

RAMER NAMES GOOD ROADS DELEGATES

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Rainier, Or., Aug. 8.—At a meeting of the Rainier Commercial club action was taken in regard to the sending of delegates to the good roads convention. Nearly all the business men were chosen, also prominent members of the Rainier Commercial club and the Columbia County Development league.

PROGRAM FOR SCIO FAIR IS DISCUSSED

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Albany, Or., Aug. 8.—The official program for the Scio fair has been issued. Many interesting events have been scheduled. The fair will be held prior to the state fair, September 2, 3 and 4, 1908. Stock shows, races and agricultural and horticultural exhibits will be a distinct feature. Governor George E. Chamberlain will deliver the inaugural address. Professor James Withycombe and E. T. Judd will speak Friday.

An interesting schedule of races has been arranged and some of the best valley horses will be seen on the Scio oval. In addition music by the Linn County band and Arnold's carnival attractions will be on hand. This is the second annual fair held under the present management and the prospects are that it will become permanent.

ALBANY IRONS WORKS WILL BE REBUILT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Albany, Or., Aug. 8.—The Albany Iron Works, recently destroyed at a loss of about $25,000, with insurance of $9,500 will be immediately rebuilt.

RALLY TO THE CALL OF GOOD ROADS

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law which would give one man the supervision of all the road construction in the state, that engineers should be provided to lay out roads scientifically and remodel old ones until they could be put in passable shape.

Working County Convicts.

Given this machinery of the law providing for the construction of good roads in every county, Judge Webster would go yet a step beyond. He would have it made lawful for each county to work its county convicts on the roads

Judge Lionel R. Webster.

of the county in much the same manner as the Multnomah prisoners are now worked at Kelly Butte. He would have it also provided that the convicts of different counties could be bunched together were the number too small in one county alone, and in this manner carry on the good road work.

Beyond this Judge Webster would like to see the enactment of a prison labor law, which would enable the convicts to be taken from the state prison and worked in camps in different parts of the state for the construction of public highways.

Were Oregon to be given this legal machinery by the legislature it is the opinion of Judge Webster that within two years time the good roads problem could be solved, the state would be ribbed with permanent highways passable as easily in winter as in summer, productive of vast growth and added prosperity on every hand.

These things, and many others are to be the problems with which the delegates to the good roads conference will tussel. It is expected that out of the conference will come some simple, clear and lucid plan by which the problem can be solved for the speedy advancement of Oregon's standard as a good road state.

List of Delegates.

The authorized delegates to the conference are as follows:

Forest Grove, Forest Grove board of trade, W. H. Hollis, president; G. S. Allen, secretary; Colonel Harry Haynes, E. W. Haines, A. B. Todd, J. W. Hughes, John Thornburgh, John McClaren, H. H. Stuart, V. H. Limber.

Forest Grove, Oregon state grange, Austin Buxton, master.

Albany, Commercial club, B. I. Dasent, secretary; A. C. Schmitt, C. H. Stewart, J. N. Duncan, George Taylor.

Linn county, J. V. Pipe, Albany; M. L. Forrester, Tangent; D. H. Pearce, Harrisburg; W. L. Wallace, Lebanon; T. C. Isom, Brownsville.

Junction City, Commercial club, A. E. Tower, Secretary; G. C. Millott.

Pendleton, Commercial club, H. G. Newport, Hermiston; Horace Walker, Pendleton; L. C. Sanderson, Freewater; A. Barrett, Athena, T. T. Geer, Pendleton; R. Alexander, president; C. H. Marsh, secretary.

Roseburg Comercial club—F. E. Alley, secretary; O. P. Coshow, B. W. Bates, L. Wimberly, W. H. Fisher, G. B. Cannon.

Douglas county—G. W. Wonnacott, judge; A. E. Nichols, commissioner; M. B. Ryan, commissioner; Charles Roberts, county surveyor; R. B. Dixon, Morris Webber.

Benton County Citizens' league—B. W. Johnson, president, Senator A. J. Johnson.

Eugene Commercial club—G. R. Chrisman, judge; F. L. Chambers, G. E. Williams, H. M. Thompson, Dr. L. L. White, Jack Redman, M. Svarverud, Dr. D. A. Paine, George A. Dorris, E. O. Potter, John H. Hartog, manager.

Douglas county—Kansas Hale, Hale; A. D. Roney, Goshen; Frank Blair, Fall creek; H. C. Combs, London, W. B. Goldman, Lowell; R. E. Walker, Walker; H. Kumpf, Eugene, R. F. D.; F. W. Thompson, Junction, R. F. D.; M. B. Stone, Lorane; E. J. Frasier, Eugene; F. J. Hard, Eugene; W. B. Wheeler, Leaburg.

Washington County—W. N. Barrett, W. D. Wood, R. H. Greer, Fred Groner, T. S. Wilkes, A. C. Shute, Hillsboro; S. A. D. Meek, G. W. Marsh, Cornelius; Judge J. W. Goodin, Dr. J. P. Tamiesie, L. A. Tony, Hillsboro; Charles L. Haines, L. C. Walker, W. H. Hollis, G. S. Allen, Harry Haines, E. W. Haines, A. B. Todd, J. W. Hughes, John Thornburg, H. H. Stewart, V. H. Limber, Forest Grove; Andrew Eggiman, C. F. Tigard, H. W. Frewing, Otta Nicholson, W. J. Butner, Beaverton; John A. Hohnson, Portland, R. F. D. 2; H. L. Russell, W. K. Newell, Tom Sain, Gaston; John McClaren, Gales Creek; Mr. Willis, Banks, John Ryberg, Tualatin.

Benton County — W. Woodward, George W. Smith, A. M. Gray, T. B. Williams, W. H. Malone, Robert H. Golletley.

Jackson County—A. C. Allen, J. W. Perkins, F. H. Hopkins, N. T. Staples.

Astoria chamber of commerce—F. A. Fisher, Isaac Bergman, P. A. Stokes, Herman Wise, O. L. Peterson, J. Q. A. Bowlby, E. Z. Ferguson, J. S. Dellinger, H. G. Van Dusen, A. Britz, C. J. Curtis, J. E. Gratke, W. T. Scholfield, president; John H. Whyte, manager.

Oak Grove Improvement association—J. F. Risley, President; S. L. Casto, secretary; B. Lee Paget, H. Thiessen, H. Heitkemper, W. R. Crane.

Rainier Commercial club—J. W. McMilan, George W. Vogal, Robert Yount, W. C. Fry, L. R. Rutherford, J. B. E. Bourne, L. Swett, J. L. Beall, Mike Ellis, Fred Trow, Miles Sheirn, O. A. Kapell.

Ashland Commercial club—C. W. Root, George K. Kramer, Benton Bowers, F. N. DuBois, secretary.

Sherman county—William Walker.

Gresham Commercial and Development league—H. A. Darnell, W. H. Bond, F. B. Stewart.

Medford Commercial Club—C. R. Ray, George Putman, E. A. Welch, Edgar Hafer, J. D. Olwell, F. C. Page, Mayor J. F. Reddy, J. E. Enyart, Ed Andrews, H. T. Findley, Dr. E. B. Pickell.

Hood River Commercial Club—A. A. Jayne, Truman Butler, E. O. Blanchar, W. L. Clarke, Charles Hall, Charles T. Early, P. S. Davidson, Leslie Butler, J. H. Osborne, Charles L. Rogers, C. Dethman, F. Eggert, H. R. Albee, Frank A. Masses, C. R. Bone, W. S. Gribble, G. D. Woodworth, J. J. Gibbons, R. H. Wallace, J. L. Carter, J. I. Miller, J. W. Anderson, William Kennedy, T. A. Decker.

Wasco County—J. P. Lucas, L. E. Norse, Wilson Fike, M. M. Hill, R. J. McIsaac, N. C. Evans, F. W. Angus, T. A. Reavis, B. F. Eadleman, Hans Lage, J. H. Heilbronner, J. L. Anderson, William Ehrck, Dr. Shaw, C. F. Gilbert, Harry DeWitt, Lee Morse, George W. Simons, C. D. Nickelsen.

Wasco county—A. C. Staten, Robert Livingstone, E. L. Reed, T. H. Larwood, Ed Miller, C. I. Thomas.

Baker county—J. B. Messick.

La Grande—A. V. Andrews, Dr. C. T. Bacon, Dr. G. L. Riggers, W. H. Bohnenkamp, S. N. Bolton, E. F. Bragg, Judge T. H. Crawford, George H. Currey, G. L. Cleaver, C. E. Cochran, C. S. Dunn, Ed L. Eckley, G. E. Fowler, J. E. Foley, Dr. M. K. Hill, F. S. Ivanhoe, J. B. Johnson, F. Kilpatrick, Judge J. W. Knowles, R. F. Lewis, R. W. Logan, F. L. Meyers, William Miller, E. C. Moore, Dr. F. E. Moore, J. D. McKennon, Dr. N. Molitor, A. Newlin, Turner Oliver, Joe Palmer, George Palmer, Dr. A. L. Richardson, J. A. Russell, L. H. Russell, G. M. Richey, A. A. Roberts, W. B. Sargent, J. W. Scriber, Dr. George O'Connor, E. Sobbeler, J. D. Slater, George Stoddard, F. G. Taylor, J. Van Buren, Mac Wood, N. K. Weet, E. D. Wright, J. T. Williamson, Walter Pierce, George E. Good.

Portland board of trade—John S. Beall, T. S. Townsend, C. L. Goodrich, Willis Fisher, F. E. Beach, C. F. Johnson.

Portland chamber of commerce—F. A. Nitchy, Edward Newbegin, O. M. Scott, Lewis Russell, R. S. Greenleaf, F. A. Jones, A. H. Bell, H. A. Heppner, Sol Blumauer, W. J. Clemens.

Multnomah county—B. C. Altman (Gresham), John F. Carroll, H. H. Chapman, Will Lipman, E. B. Piper, C. S. Jackson, J. W. Shattuck, Tom Evans, W. J. Wilcox, fl. flk. flk. flk (fl) fl. (fl. (W. J. Miller, John Huffman, Judge L. R. Webster, Commissioner W. L. Lightner, Commissioner F. C. Barnes.

Portland Commercial club—H. C. Campbell, Adolph Wolfe, J. C. Ainsworth, Julius Meier J. D. Lee, Dr. J. R. Wetherbee, I. Lang, F. L. Thompson, H. P. Palmer, Dr. A. C. Smith, J. W. Bailey, Dr. H. W. Hegele, George W. Kleirer, A. D. Charlton, William McMurray, Tom Richardson.

Oregon Rural Letter-Carriers' association—K. P. Loop, McMinnville; Frank Kraxberger, Aurora; Frank Cummings, Corvallis, J. Schram, Cleone; W. A. Spence, Gaston; W. H. Boyd, Beaverton; J. H. Goins, Albany.

OREGON TWO DAYS WITHOUT EXECUTIVE

Salem, Or., Aug. 8.—For two days Oregon has been without even an acting chief executive. Governor Chamberlain went to Seattle Thursday evening to inspect the progress being made on the Oregon building at the Alaska-Yukon exposition and spent Friday and Saturday at American lake with troops. Secretary of State Frank Benson has also been absent for some time, therefore the state has been without any person to exercise the functions of chief executive.

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