

THE ANNEXATION VOTE FOR MOUNT SCOTT DISTRICT

Although the voters of the Mount Scott district have decided by a decisive majority that they want to enter the city of Portland, they cannot be formally annexed until July 1, 1909, and they will not have to pay city taxes until January, 1911, more than three years from the present time.

The city authorities have in the past made it a rule not to confer the benefits of city government, except to a limited extent, until newly annexed territory has itself begun to pay taxes into the city treasury. If this rule is applied to Mount Scott, the residents of that district can scarcely rejoice in the long period that must elapse before they can begin paying city taxes.

Many people have supposed that the district would become a part of the city as soon as the city council ratified the result of the election. The time that a territory newly annexed shall enter the city is clearly stated in section 16 of the city charter, as follows:

"In case of a majority of the qualified voters residing in such territory and voting on said question vote in favor of such annexation, such territory shall on the first day of July next following said election be and become a part of the city of Portland."

This time for making the regular assessment for such territory is stated in section 17 of the city charter, as follows:

Therefore, Mount Scott will not be in the city in time to be assessed for 1909, and the first assessment will be in March, 1910, for taxes payable in January of the following year.

There is said to be a movement on foot to have the legislature amend the city charter so that annexation may take place before March 1, but it is doubtful whether such an act would be constitutional, even if it could be passed.

Meanwhile E. F. Kelsey, who has

applied to the county court for a water and gas franchise for Mount Scott, is going ahead with his plans, asserting that the annexation vote has not changed them in the least. Attorney Finch, who represents Kelsey, says that he will next Monday renew his efforts to secure final approval of the proposed franchise by the county court. The franchise was ready for signing a few weeks ago when the county court was restrained from acting by suit brought by Joseph H. Nash, founder of Nashville, who claimed that he had the exclusive right to lay water pipes in Nashville, comprising a part of the Mount Scott district.

Yesterday the Nash case was dismissed and no impediment now exists in the way of the county court. Kelsey says he is ready to go ahead, notwithstanding the vote in favor of annexation, because he believes it will be a long time before the city can supply the district with Bull Run water, and because he thinks that the people will prefer to use water from his plant to that of the city. The franchise would have to bond itself for extension of the city mains.

In other words, he holds that Mount Scott would have to pay for installing mains and extensions that he will make without charge, besides giving the district 21 fire hydrants free of charge and furnishing a water supply at the city rates.

County Commissioner Lightner today declared that he is opposed to granting a franchise to a private corporation, now that the district has by such a large majority declared for annexation. As he is a resident of the district, his opinion is likely to have strong influence with the other members of the board. He was also the opinion that a way may be found to secure the benefits of the city water system very soon after annexation is completed.

LEAD ART BY STATE WITNESSES

Edna Clark, a Zealot, Easy Victim of Designing Man in Revered Clerical Guise, Is the Theory—A Clue From Vancouver, B. C.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Nov. 7.—The disappearance of Edna Clark, the 19-year-old art student, from her home in Alameda on October 27, closely following the departure of Joseph F. Vincent, who acted as a priest at the Episcopal church of St. Mary the Virgin in this city in the absence of the rector, Rev. Payson Young, has led the police to link the two disappearances at a mystery to solve the increasing mystery.

Convinced 12 hours ago that they had discovered the man in the picture of Rev. Vincent and the girl resembling Edna Clark, the police early today discovered that the lead was a blind one. It aided, however, in establishing the fact that Father Vincent was acquainted with many women of the church, was frequently in their company and proposed marriage to at least one of them, although it has been a secret.

The pictures found in a Palo Alto photograph gallery believed to portray Father Vincent and Edna Clark, proved to be those of the minister and Miss Gertrude Postel, a member of the church at the time Vincent was the guest of Father Young.

The police are now working on the theory that Vincent induced Miss Clark to believe that he cared for her and that after he was told to leave in Vancouver today by the persistent report that he had made more mysterious because of the report that he was wanted in San Francisco on a serious crime. This information was telegraphed to the local authorities by Professor Code of San Francisco, who said "no expense or pains would be spared in tracking him."

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The first big legal battle over the admission of testimony in the case of Jack La Rose, on trial for his life for the murder of Hyman Neuman, on May 12, was fought by Judge Morrow in the circuit court this morning. It ended in victory for the state when the court overruled the objections of the defense to the admission as evidence of the two watches that La Rose had in his possession a few hours after the murder of Neuman. The watches have been identified as the property of Neuman.

That the rejection of this evidence would have been fatal to the state was freely admitted by the prosecuting attorneys. They announced before the argument began that if the court held that they were not to be admitted, they would quit and agree that their case was lost.

The gaining of this battle was the chief feature of the morning session of court. Little additional testimony being taken. At noon Judge Morrow adjourned the case until Monday morning, when the state will try to strengthen its case by putting in evidence the pieces of gas pipe with which La Rose allegedly assaulted Max Neuman and John Chong, the day before and the day after Neuman was slain with a similar piece of pipe, similarly wrapped in paper.

Then will come the second big legal battle. The state will contend that no evidence can be offered that might prejudice the jury by attempting to connect La Rose with other crimes.

The state this morning completed the identification of the two watches that the defendant is charged with stealing from Neuman's showcase at the time of the murder. Rachel Neuman, the 11-year-old daughter of the dead man, and Mrs. Anna Neuman, the widow, were called to the stand. The evidence offered on the same line yesterday. Mrs. Neuman, dressed in black, broke down when she first saw her husband after the assault. It recalled to her mind the hospital scene where her husband lay unconscious, and she was hit with the gasp.

Deputy District Attorney Fitzgerald paused in his examination long enough to ask her to identify the watch as the one which she saw her husband wear. The defense completed his questioning. The defense called Rachel Neuman to the stand. Little Rachel Neuman said she saw the small watch in her father's showcase about a week before the murder. Her father intended to make her the present of the watch, but when he took it to have it repaired he was told to be married and returned to her. It had been in stock a long time. She also identified the larger watch by an engraving on the back of the case.

Her father corroborated the testimony of the little girl as to the smaller watch and identified it. Harry Neuman, her 17-year-old son, yesterday afternoon identified both watches, and said he knew the larger one was in the showcase in April, about a month before the murder. He formerly assisted his father in the shop after school hours, and he identified the book in which a record was kept of all second-hand goods purchased during 1907.

A description of the smaller watch, with the number, appears in this book, but there is no record of the larger watch. The witness knew that the smaller watch was in the showcase a week before the death of his father.

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Therefore, they argued, it must be inferred from the standpoint of the state that La Rose was there on that date; that La Rose stole the watches, and that he had them in his possession at the time of the murder. The state contended that the testimony was competent to go to the jury, leaving the jurors to draw their own inferences and to weigh the testimony as it stands. This position was sustained by the ruling of Judge Morrow.

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Tichenor also testified that La Rose said he had been in Roseville, Cal., near Sacramento, about May 1. The witness said he had written to Roseville and confirmed the defendant's story in that respect, having found that La Rose occupied a hotel there several days prior to May 1. He said that he was convinced from his investigations that La Rose did not come to Portland until after May 1.

This testimony is interesting in showing that La Rose was not in Portland on the day Nathan Wolff was killed. James Signet, a young man who sold the smaller watch to Neuman, was identified by the witness. He identified the watch and also his signature in Neuman's book of purchases, showing that he sold the watch to Neuman in September, 1907.

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GREAT DOME TO COME DOWN

San Francisco Landmark to Be Removed From Ruins of City Hall.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Nov. 7.—The great dome of the dismantled city hall, which has stood for more than two years as a monument of the great fire disaster, will soon be removed by the Abbott company, which has successfully bid upon the work of removal. The company has begun preparations for tearing down the tower and dome.

The first proposal for the demolition of the city hall met with a storm of sentimental protests. Many who had looked upon the dome as typical of San Francisco in its withstanding of the forces of earthquake and fire, declared its destruction and resorted to the courts to prevent bids being submitted for its removal.

The court yesterday modified its restraining order and allowed the board of works to let the contract for removing the dome, to the lowest bidder. The rest of the building must stand until the case has been decided.

THIRTY THIEF WAS CONTENTE

Stole From the Bank He Worked for and Deposited in Others.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Half Moon Bay, Cal., Nov. 7.—Maintaining himself and his family in comfort and running accounts in various banks with the money stolen by him, Cashier L. M. Contents of the Bank of Half Moon Bay 48 under arrest. Contents confessed the theft of \$3,000 of the bank's funds by falsifying the books. The shortcomings of Contents were discovered by President Goldman of the institution, who found that a deposit of \$1,000 in the book of a depositor was not entered on the books of the bank.

Contents at first declared he had entered the thousand in the deposit book to oblige its holder, who wished to make a showing, and that no money was actually deposited. This was disproved effectually, and Contents' arrest followed.

It then developed that Contents had placed his money in various banks, and told the officers of the Half Moon Bay bank that he would make good every penny. Contents had a private account in the Half Moon Bay bank.

DEAD GIRL'S PARENTS PIONEER OREGONIANS

Official Inquest Will Be Held Over Remains of Vesta Van Vlack, Who Died Under Peculiar Circumstances, at San Francisco Tuesday.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Nov. 7.—The body of 16-year-old Vesta Van Vlack, who came here from Cove, Or., and died in this city under peculiar circumstances and for whose death Dr. G. W. O'Donnell is held, charged with murder, is to be interred this afternoon. The Golden Gate undertaking establishment, to which the body was sent by the girl's companion, James Gibson, has arranged for the burial.

Gibson declares that the girl told him that Dr. O'Donnell had used instruments on her October 14. O'Donnell denies this and says he treated her with drugs. An official inquest is to be held Tuesday. The girl died at the Hahnemann hospital from septicemia. Dr. J. W. Ward of the hospital declared that he operated on the body by Surgeon J. R. Clark after Gibson had made a statement to the police.

Dr. Clark avers that the septicemia resulted from a bungling criminal operation. The autopsy will determine the technical point as to what was responsible for the septicemia, which is admitted to have caused death.

Gibson is in jail. He says he intended to marry the girl.

tion of the body of my daughter has been arranged for, except that it is being held at San Francisco pending investigation."

Before Vesta and Gibson left for Cove, Van Vlack said, requests had been made for his consent to the marriage, but neither he nor the mother would give it because they thought the girl was being deceived. He was also of the case that had ended in such misfortune, until the news of the death reached him at Salem.

MAN NAMED VINCENT IMPOSED ON PASTORS AT VANCOUVER, B. C.

Vancouver, B. C., Nov. 7.—Interest in the search for Edna Clark, the art student who has been strangely missing from her home at Alameda, Cal., since October 27, was awakened in Vancouver today by the persistent report that he had become more mysterious because of the report that he was wanted in San Francisco on a serious crime. This information was telegraphed to the local authorities by Professor Code of San Francisco, who said "no expense or pains would be spared in tracking him."

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AGED RANCHER IS MISSING

Leaves His Molalla Farm on Errand and Fails to Return.

A special dispatch to The Journal from Oregon City says that an old man named Warner, 75 years of age, living 20 miles from Molalla, is lost and that a searching party is out looking for him. Warner left home on horseback last Wednesday morning to visit his cattle, and his wife and daughter had to return in a short time. He failed to come home, however, and when he did not appear by the next morning, his family became alarmed. The horse returned, which served further to increase their anxiety.

At the present time no trace of the missing man has been found. He has a son, Lou Warner, living in Portland, who was formerly a special police officer.

BOODLE BOARD SECRETARY FORBIDDEN TO TELL OF RUEF-SCHMITZ RELATIONS.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, Nov. 7.—George B. Keane, former secretary of the boodling board of supervisors and also former secretary to Mayor Schmitz, was the principal witness today in the trial of Abraham Ruef.

Keane testified to the political, social, or otherwise, with Schmitz from 1901 to the time of his indictment, asked Assistant District Attorney Henry H. Hays a few preliminary questions.

Attorney Henry Ach, for Ruef, objected to the question, arguing that Ruef's relations with Schmitz prior to the introduction of the trolley ordinance for passage by the supervisors were not material. An hour's argument between counsel was ended by Judge Lawlor, who sustained the objection.

Keane's testimony, which was the fact of the existence of the board of supervisors after the earthquake, the status of the ordinance and the legal processes through which it passed.

Honey declared that Keane's testimony would tend to show the dominance of Ruef over the supervisors. He said that former Supervisor James L. Gallagher would probably be called next.

AGED FATHER OF VESTA VAN VLACK HEARS SAD NEWS

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Salem, Or., Nov. 7.—Frank P. Van Vlack, father of Vesta Van Vlack, following whose death at San Francisco this week two physicians have been arrested on charges of malpractice, lives in Salem, was divorced from the mother of Vesta Van Vlack, and now is under indictment for perjury in connection with divorce proceedings. The father is not familiar with the love affair between his daughter and James Gibson as that developed at Cove, Or.

Van Vlack remembers James Gibson only as a lad 14 years of age, when his youngest daughter was a little child at Cove. About 14 years ago Van Vlack moved his family from Cove to Salem, where subsequently he secured a divorce and remarried.

Not more than two years ago Mrs. Van Vlack went to Cove and in her absence her husband filed suit for divorce on the ground of desertion. Mrs. Van Vlack then appeared before the grand jury this fall and her former husband was indicted for perjury.

Van Vlack is under \$1,000 bonds to appear for trial on the charge of perjury at the next term of court, which will be in January. He is a carpenter and is nearly 65 years old. Since the divorce proceedings Van Vlack has lived with his mother and older brother at Cove. She also has an older married sister living at Cove.

"The news of my daughter's death came as a great shock to me," said the father today. "I did not know she had left home. I had asked her many times to come to Salem and attend school, and had promised her either a home here or to place her in school wherever she should wish to go. I have not seen Gibson since the divorce. He was 16 years of age and Gibson must have been about 27 years old. He was a carpenter at Cove. I know nothing about what happened."

DEMAND IS MADE ON BROTHER FOR BURIAL EXPENSES

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

La Grande, Or., Nov. 7.—Vesta Van Vlack eloped with James H. Gibson either three or four weeks ago last Tuesday. The girl had been visiting at the home of her brother, Theodore Van Vlack, 1516 Madison street, this city, for two weeks. Gibson was a frequent and welcome caller at the house on account of his two years' close acquaintance with Van Vlack. To The Journal, Van Vlack said that Gibson had been down to him for two years and that he considered him square and honorable. Gibson is a carpenter by trade.

The mother of the girl lives near Cove. She had worked away from home during the past year. A wire from Gibson at San Francisco apprised the relatives of the death. Following this came a wire from the Golden Gate undertaking parlors demanding money for burial expenses, with alternative of burial in the potter's field.

The girl had jokingly threatened to go away with Gibson, but the brother and wife thought she was not serious and paid little attention.

They did not know her whereabouts until a wire was received saying that Vesta was very low, followed by the one telling of her death.

WOMAN GAVE BOYS START IN CRIME

Introduced Baker City Lads to Crooks in Denver, Who Taught Them to Make Spurious Coin—Young Men Bound Over.

The downfall of Ed and Harry Newton, the Baker City boys arrested a few days ago for counterfeiting, is said to have begun with a woman, who put them in touch with a gang of counterfeiters in Denver. From these crooks the boys received their education before they later endeavored to branch out for themselves. The two boys will be brought to Portland today by Deputy United States Marshal Flying Nicholson. They were arraigned before United States Commissioner Moore at Baker City yesterday and were committed. Neither was able to furnish bond and both will be put in jail tonight to await the action of the next federal grand jury.

The arrest of the Newton boys caused great surprise in Baker City where the two have lived from boyhood and where their family is prominent. When the authorities made an investigation of the rooms occupied by Ed and Harry Newton in their father's house they found a plaster of Paris die and molds, impressions having been taken from a \$20 gold piece. The Newtons claimed they were to have been used for making counterfeit \$20 gold pieces. There was a die and a few spurious dollars, made of new bit metal.

Ed Newton, the older of the two brothers, frequently posed as a detective and on several occasions claimed that he was connected with the Pinkerton agency. It is said that he sold them on several occasions. The Baker City authorities had suspected that the Newton boys were preparing to counterfeit money and have had them under surveillance since last May.

BIG POWER DEAL IN THE SIERRAS

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Carson City, Nev., Nov. 7.—Confirmation of the reported sale of the Nevada electric power interests in the Fish Lake and Truckee river systems to the California and Nevada Power company of San Francisco was obtained today when the deal involves about \$2,000,000 worth of property, including all the power lines and power plants in western Nevada and the power lines supplying the Comstock mines, besides the gas companies supplying Reno and Carson City.

The California and Nevada Power company is a San Francisco corporation. G. Baum is president. Extensive improvements are planned.

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To make up enough of the "Dandelion treatment," which is claimed to be relieving nearly every sufferer who is afflicted with kidney complaint, get from any good prescription pharmacy one ounce Fluid Extract Sarsaparilla, one ounce Compound Eucalypti, and three ounces Compound Syrup of Sarsaparilla. Shake well in a bottle and take in equal doses after each meal and at bedtime.

Those who have tried it claim that it acts gently but thoroughly on the kidneys, relieving backache, bladder trouble and urinary difficulties before you realize it. In many cases of rheumatism are known to have been relieved within a few days, the pain and swelling diminishing with each dose.

This simple recipe is said to strengthen and cleanse the eliminative tissues of the kidneys so that they can filter and strain from the blood and system the poisons, acids and waste matter, which causes not only rheumatism, but numerous other diseases. Every man or woman here who feels that their kidneys are not healthy and active, or who suffers from any urinary trouble whatever, should not hesitate to make up this mixture, as it is certain to do much good and save you from much misery and suffering after while.

AUTO COLLIDES WITH A BAKERY WAGON

The slippery condition of the streets was responsible for a collision between an automobile driven by Dr. A. C. Smith and a bakery wagon at Fourteenth and Washington streets this morning. Neither the driver of the wagon or Dr. Smith was injured, a broken lamp on the automobile being the only damage done.

In the Want Ad Section of Today's Journal


- 22 Advertise for male help
- 14 Advertise for female help
- 90 Advertise furnished rooms for rent
- 89 Advertise real estate for sale
- 42 Advertise business chances
- 40 Advertise houses for rent
- 24 Advertise flats for rent
- 31 Advertise housekeeping rooms

Hundreds of new ads in the classified section of this paper every day. If you do not find what you want today

Read the Classified Section of Tomorrow's Journal

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"I suffered 9 years" writes Mrs. Sarah J. Hoskins, of Cary, Ky. "I had serious female trouble and would often nearly cramp to death. My back and right side would nearly kill me with pain. I tried everything to get relief, but failed, and I lost all hope of ever getting well, but at last I began to take Cardui."



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"Now I can wash all day," Mrs. Hoskins continues, "and do my housework with all ease and I give Cardui the praise for the health I now enjoy."

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TWO DETECTIVES ARE EXONERATED

The police committee has exonerated Detectives Coleman and Tennant on the charge of false arrest preferred against them because they detained Miss Lulu La Fontaine in the detectives' room until it could be learned whether she was the young woman wanted for swindling several department stores. The hostility of the case was concluded last night. The girl proved she was at home at the time the young woman wanted was in the store. Thomas G. Greene, for the committee, decided the detectives were doing their duty when they detained Miss La Fontaine for investigation.

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