

ANTI-ANNEXATION SYMPATHIZERS IN AN ASSOCIATION

Organize to Prevent Plan for Merging of Part of Clackamas County into Multnomah.

Citizens and taxpayers of Multnomah county who believe that the proposed dismemberment of Clackamas county and extension of Multnomah county is ill-advised and ill-timed have formed the Multnomah-Clackamas Anti-Annexation association.

Among the charter members are: Andrew C. Smith, William D. Wheelwright, C. F. Adams, Charles K. Henry, Will Lipman, Theodore B. Wilcox, D. Solis Cohen, C. S. Jackson, L. Gerlinger, J. D. Albrecht, William T. Muir, R. E. Fracl, S. M. Linder, Leslie M. Scott, Dom J. Zan, W. A. Montgomery, H. W. Hogue, V. M. C. Silva, George S. Shepherd, Seneca Smith, M. C. Dickenson, H. C. Wortman, F. L. Thompson, F. A. Nisby, Herman Wittenberg, George W. Lawrence.

Declaration of Principles.
The association's declaration of principles follows:
"A measure has been proposed by the voters of Oregon at the coming general election which has for its object the dismemberment of Clackamas county and the annexation of over one-third thereof, being an area of 585 square miles, to Multnomah county.

"Multnomah county, in her present boundaries, covers an area of 423 square miles, and it is burdened with the maintenance of over 600 miles of county roads. A road fund of not less than \$35,000 for the improvement of Multnomah county roads is provided each year by the taxpayers of said county, principally by those owning property in the city of Portland; and this fund, while intelligently expended, is largely required for the maintenance of roads tributary to the city of Portland, and large as it is, it is inadequate for the suitable improvement of all the roads now within the present boundaries of Multnomah county.

"It is now sought to annex a region in itself 150 square miles larger than all of Multnomah county, containing large areas of extremely broken and mountainous lands, sparsely settled and unimproved, and containing 700 miles of county road—200 miles in excess of our own present mileage. The annexationists, who have been unwilling to enter upon the task of improving these roads, now seek, by an appeal to the voters in

all of the counties, a majority of whom have an interest in the matter, to press this new burden on the Multnomah county taxpayers.

"The said initiative measure provides that a large portion of the indebtedness of Clackamas county, now amounting to about \$100,000, shall be assumed and liquidated by the taxpayers of Multnomah county.

Voluntaries Records.
The records of Clackamas county are the most voluminous of any in Oregon, excepting only those of Multnomah county. It has been ascertained that one-half of the entire Clackamas records, including the records of the circuit and county courts, affect the property in the territory proposed to be annexed. The puzzling and prodigious task of segregating from the records all that pertains to the said area, copying the records, comparing and re-recording the same in Multnomah county, would require the services of a large number of experts for a long period of time, and would entail an expenditure, it is estimated, of \$15,000 to \$100,000, and would result in a lasting confusion and uncertainty in titles. The cost of transcriptions, certification and recording of the records of Clackamas county, if it intended, shall be paid by the taxpayers of Multnomah county.

Five Foot Boundary.
The said measure seeks to make the Clackamas river the southern boundary line of Multnomah county. This river is not a navigable stream and has no established center line and as an attempted boundary between the two jurisdictions would result in endless dispute, strife and litigation between the two counties of Clackamas and Multnomah as to the questions of venue and jurisdiction.

"The success of this measure would be a step taken backward and in opposition to the modern tendency noted among the larger American cities to curtail rather than enlarge the areas of the counties of which they are the respective county seats, and to administer under one government the affairs of both city and county. If in the future the sentiment for a city and county of Portland shall crystallize, the arduous work of now transcribing the records would be rendered of no use and the process would have to be again undertaken in the event of the formation of a new county, consisting of parts of eastern Clackamas and Multnomah.

"There is now a widespread and determined movement looking toward the creation of a national park embracing Mount Hood and the scenic region immediately surrounding that mountain. On what may be the eve of a change in the county boundaries, effected by the United States government, the present proposed juggling of the boundaries of Multnomah and Clackamas counties seems ill-timed.

"The present mode of effecting changes in county boundaries, it is believed, wrong in principle. The voters of the state outside of the counties affected, can have no interest in, or intelligent understanding of, the questions involved, and should not be asked to decide a matter purely local in character. The voter in Clatsop or Douglas county cannot appreciate the needs of Clackamas or Multnomah without a personal knowledge of their physical boundaries and economic conditions. The same is true of the elector in Multnomah or Clatsop counties with respect to the question involved in the proposed

NO RECALL FOR LANE ASSESSOR

Citizens Find Fault Not With Keeney but With Law; Will Regulate Assessments.

Eugene, Or., Oct. 8.—The outcome of the citizens' meeting at the court house this afternoon to discuss the matter of alleged high assessment of property in Lane county and to take steps for the recall of Assessor B. F. Keeney, if deemed advisable, was the appointment of a committee of 20 taxpayers to meet with the board of equalization in the near future and try and adjust the matter. Addresses were made by a number of heavy taxpayers, denouncing the assessor's methods, but a number present defended him, saying he was following out the provisions of the law in assessing property at its actual cash value.

State Tax Commissioner Galloway read a dispatch in a Portland morning paper this morning telling of the proposed meeting and he immediately boarded the train for Eugene to appear at the meeting in defense of Keeney. The matter of recall was abandoned and that of regulating the assessment left to a committee.

divisions of Lane and Umatilla counties. "We, residents and taxpayers of Multnomah county, in Oregon, believing for the reasons suggested above, that the proposed dismemberment of Clackamas county and the enlargement of Multnomah county to over twice its present size by the annexation of a large portion of Clackamas county, is ill-advised and ill-timed, hereby organize and become members of the Multnomah-Clackamas Anti-Annexation association, and we invite all citizens, taxpayers, merchants, mechanics, business and professional men to join us in taking legitimate means to secure a majority negative vote on the said initiative measure."



WOULD CHANGE CONTRACT SYSTEM

Civic Council Says Contractors Won't Take Work Because City Pays Too Slow.

A special meeting of the civic council has been called for tomorrow in the convention hall of the Commercial club. Reasons for changing the contract system now used by the city will be the chief theme of addresses and discussions. The city now pays no contractor for his work until it is complete. The consequence, say members of the civic council, is that contractors ask more money for their work; and in many instances will not consider bids advertised by the city.

In other cities, said Sherman Walker, secretary of the council, yesterday, contractors are paid in installments. When one section of a project is completed and found satisfactory after inspection, that portion is paid for. The money thus paid enables the contractor to continue the work upon which he is engaged. Enough is always retained under such a system, to protect the city from loss. The civic council is a federation of all the improvement associations in the city. The reports of committees that have been engaged in working out plans for various phases of municipal development will also be features of tomorrow evening's meeting.

Gold Strike in the Cascades.
(United Press Leased Wire.)
Seattle, Oct. 8.—W. H. Webb, Willis Maxfield and J. C. Platt have returned to Seattle from a two months' prospecting trip through the Cascade mountains, and they report that they have made a strike. Free milling ore averaging more than \$20 in gold per ton, has been found, and the reports have started a number of oldtimers on a rush into the mountains. The strike is reported at Steamboat Ledge, about half a mile from the Canadian line.

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CAN'T LIVE ON MERE \$10,000 PER YEAR

Cincinnati, Oct. 8.—Mr. and Mrs. Dwight L. Kinney, Jr., came to Cincinnati today from Detroit and this afternoon appealed to Common Pleas Judge O'Connell to increase the allowance given to Mr. Kinney by his father's estate. Mr. Kinney told Judge O'Connell that they could not live on their allowance of \$10,000 a year and that he wanted it raised to \$12,000 annually. Mr. and Mrs. Kinney live in Detroit at "The Hedges," the beautiful home of her parents. Mrs. Kinney was a Miss Tompkins and she created quite an item in the newspapers of this country by running away with young Kinney about a year ago and going to Cambridge, Mass., where they were married. Her husband has been told that Judge O'Connell will think the matter over and give his opinion probably tomorrow. Kinney is the son of Dwight L. Kinney, who was a big business man of Cincinnati who died in St. Louis a few years ago. He was worth half a million, which he left to his son.

CUPID CAUSES HOTEL TO CLOSE ITS DOORS

Trempealeau, Wis., Oct. 8.—The Hotel Utter, a leading hostelry of this place, announces its indefinite suspension of business, and gives as a reason the pronouncement. In addition all offenders must attend church on Sunday.

Inebriates Must Register

East Liverpool, Ohio, Oct. 8.—Those who habitually offend the law by loitering upon the flowing bowl to their discomfort and distress must hereafter register their condition in a big book at the city hall at 7 o'clock every evening, except Sunday, according to an edict of Mayor Samuel Crawford, who issued the pronouncement. In addition all offenders must attend church on Sunday.

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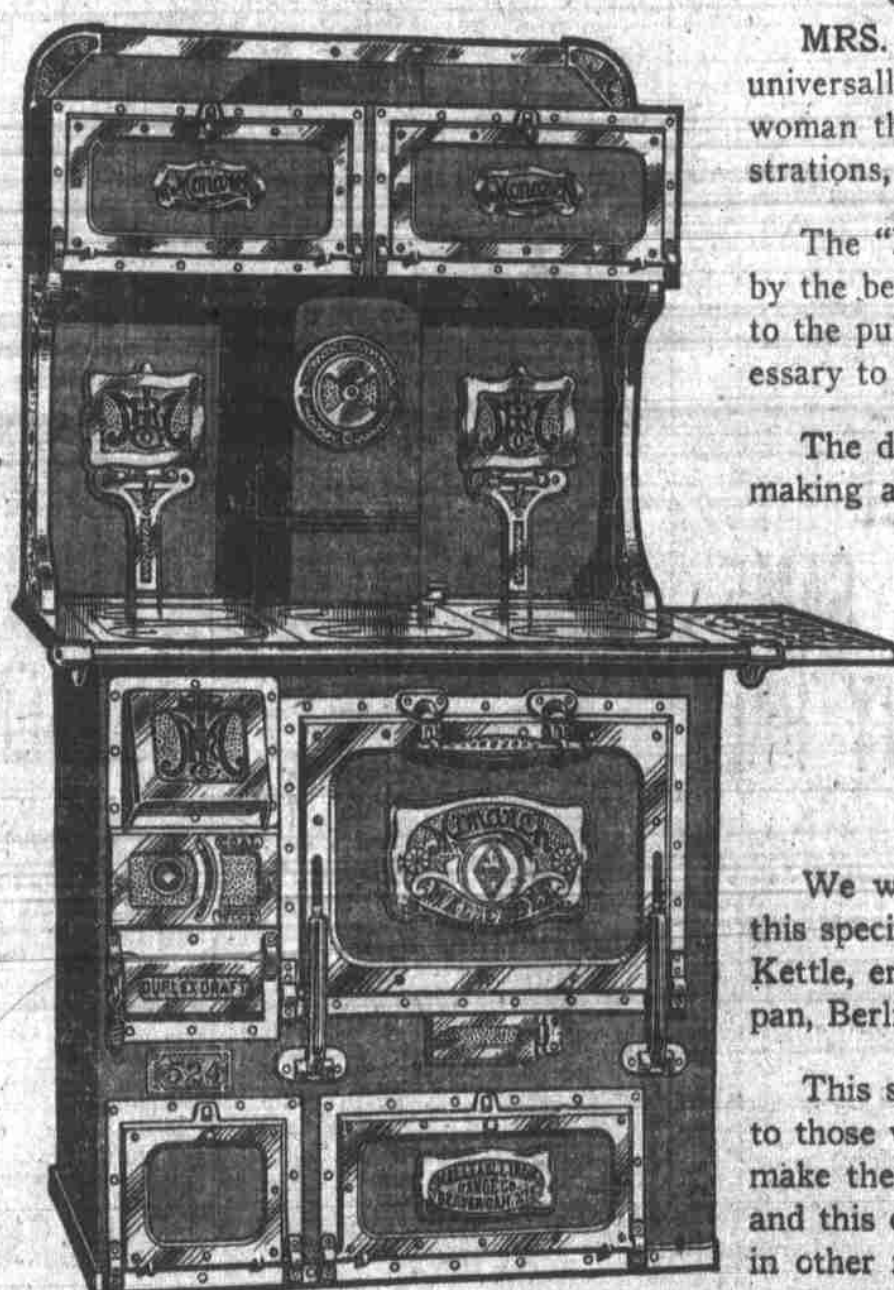
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