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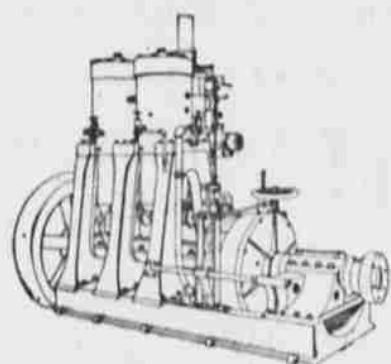
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THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Clatsop County's Grand Jury Arraigned With a Vengeance.

PRESIDENT WINGATE SPEAKS

Denounces the Grand Jury in Very forcible Terms--Other Matters Before the Chamber.

There was a well-attended and very earnest session of the chamber of commerce last night, nearly all the members walking into the chamber with their fighting blood at the boiling point. The arraignment of that body by the grand jury last week, for daring to suggest that it might be to the interest of the taxpayers if the expenses of the city and county governments be cut to correspond with the decline of values for the past few years, and in view of the prevailing dull times, brought out a goodly number--and they were hostile, every one of them.

Reports were read from special committee on seawall and from standing committee on harbor improvement, and further time granted.

The committee on railroads and transportation, to which was referred a communication from the National Board of Trade on the subject of one cent letter postage, reported recommending the endorsement of the action of the above board. Report adopted.

President Wingate stated it was reported that the United States weather bureau was to be discontinued here. On motion the president and secretary were instructed to correspond with the proper department on the subject.

The following resolutions were presented and read by the secretary:

Whereas, The grand jury of Clatsop county has seen fit, in its recent report, to the circuit court, publicly to criticize and condemn the action of this chamber in its unanimous adoption of the following resolution at a regular meeting held on February 3:

Whereas, The present tax levy, although oppressive, is not sufficient to meet the expenses of the city, county, and state government; and

Whereas, The value of all property has greatly declined in the West, and our city, county and state are still suffering from financial depression;

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this chamber that all expenses of city, county, school and state should be reduced 25 per cent, commensurate with the reduction in the value of property.

And Whereas, This chamber, its members comprising a large majority of the heaviest taxpayers in this city and county, is organized to protect and further the material interests of the community at large and not of a few private individuals, therefore, be it

Resolved, That this chamber, notwithstanding said grand jury report, reiterate its endorsement of the above resolution, and also the action of the honorable the mayor and council in reducing the expenses of city government.

Resolved, That this chamber condemns the action of said grand jury in exceeding the bounds of their duties in criticizing and condemning an organization whose work for and value and benefit to the community they are incompetent to comprehend.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Several gentlemen spoke on the resolution as read by the secretary. President Wingate spoke as follows:

"I for one do not think the resolution half strong enough, and if there are any gentlemen present who can think of stronger terms in which it might be drawn, I would like to have it incorporated therein. In this body are represented many of the best business interests of the city, and a majority of the heaviest taxpayers of the city and county. These gentlemen are here not only to promote the material interests of the city, but to guard against unnecessary expenses or extravagance of city or county governments."

"For years this body has been a target for all sorts of abuse from irresponsible scribblers and loafers, who seemed to think it a butt for their indecent and unjust flings--from men who have never put up a dollar for the advancement of the city's interests. I have always considered, heretofore, as doubtless many of the gentlemen here have felt, that those attacks were not worthy of any notice, but when an official body like the grand jury seeks to step outside the pale of its duties, and arraigns this chamber as it has done, I am compelled to take notice, and will say right here that in the future if this body will not resent such attacks, I will make them a personal matter. Further, I want to go on record as saying that there is not a man on that grand jury who is capable of expressing an intelligent opinion of anything brought before it, and their names should never have been drawn from the box. T. S. Trullinger, the foreman of that grand jury, is a member of an electric light plant that has been extensively patronized by the city for the past few years. The water commission is now figuring with the city council with a view of putting in a plant that

will enter into competition with Mr. Trullinger's company, which easily explains that gentleman's attitude in arraigning this chamber for recommending a reduction of the city's expenses."

M. J. Kinney arose in a much milder manner than the speaker preceding him, and said:

"The committee appointed by the chamber some time ago, and previous to the resolution that was passed and forwarded to the city and county governments, made a pretty thorough investigation of how affairs stood in neighboring Pacific coast towns and cities, and their report was made upon facts gained through this investigation. The committee sent letters to county judges and school superintendents of various counties throughout the state, and received a statement of their population, number of school children, teachers, salaries, etc. These were averaged and compared with our own. It was found from various sources that values have steadily decreased during the past three or four years, and that in most localities expenses of not only private corporations, but of municipal and county governments had been cut accordingly. In one instance, that of the Union Pacific, expenses had been lowered 40 per cent. In its resolution to the city council and county court, it was far from the intention of this body to dictate or demand any sort of legislation looking to the reduction of expenses. That was left to the judgment of those honorable bodies."

A PLAIN LETTER.

"Parent" Writes on the Relation of Teacher and Director to Pupil.

Astoria, March 17--(Editor Astorian)--When I read in your last Sunday's edition that Prof. Campbell, of the State Normal School, would address the congregation at the Methodist church, I thought, "Well, this is a novelty--a layman in a pulpit," so I went to hear what the professor had to say. The church was well filled, the music good, and the address timely. I wished heartily that the church had been thrice as large and crowded with the fathers of our city. Why are the men of this city so afraid of the church? They shun the streets the churches are on of a Sunday. Prof. Campbell is not a preacher; he would not have heard a sermon. Instead he is one of the foremost educators of our state, and his remarks regarding teachers and their qualifications for their vocation, school directors and their fitness for their position, ought to have been heard by every parent and every voter in this city. There is an old familiar saying, "No use crying over spilled milk," but is there not some use in trying to carry the receptacle for the milk so no more shall be spilled? Would it not be well to clean away evidences of the former mishap? As a whole, we as a city have a good corps of teachers, but there are weak members who fall woefully behind the standard we ought to insist upon maintaining. If, as Prof. Campbell said, the mind, character and influence of a teacher is more than half as a factor in the education of our children, would it not be well to do a little weeding out and transplanting before another year of school work begins? If we desire our daughters to develop into modest, refined, pure-minded women and boys, your son as well as mine into manly, honest, noble-hearted men, then a shrewd presentment of modesty and refinement, honesty and nobility of character, ought not to possibly be before them as a model from which they are to mold their own characters. If a girl or boy--your girl or boy--see in their teacher constant evidences of so low an estimate of honesty and purity in life, as is shown in penciled eyebrows, stained eyelashes and painted cheeks, with other weaknesses of like nature, and realizes that such a character is thought so well of as to be selected by a board of directors for them to copy, what character can parents expect in their children? Just as near like the model as they dare to go. Who is responsible for such teachers? First, the fathers of these children; for by their votes they elected men as school directors totally unfitness for birth and education to select, with any degree of judgment, proper instructors for their children. Second, the directors who have allowed themselves to be influenced by any motive, political or otherwise, to vote for any one as a teacher who was not fitted in every respect as an educator for the youth of our city. As to the personality of our present board, "The public knows without my telling them that some of them are fitted for their position, while some could not. If their lives depended on it, write and spell correctly even a brief letter. While we all believe heartily in using home talent as far as practicable, do we believe in so doing to the detriment of the best interests of our public schools? If this article is too plain to suit some readers, no one can say that the statements in it are untrue."

PARENT.

In the circuit court yesterday the two cases against George Harris and Mrs. Lena Kelly, charged with lewd cohabitation, came up for trial. The first indictment was dismissed, but in the second the defendants withdrew their plea of not guilty and entered one of guilty. Judge McBride sentenced them to pay fines of \$75 each or be imprisoned for 37 days in the county jail. The crime was committed December 10, 1896.

DAVIS AFTER THE ABSENT MEMBERS

Warrants for the Arrest of Benson Absentees Have Been Issued.

RAILROAD MEN INTERVIEWED

Northern Pacific, O. R. & N., Union Pacific and Southern Pacific to Use Astoria's Road.

Special to the Astorian.

Salem, Or., March 1.--The temporary house today decided to adopt drastic measures to bring in absentees. Members of the original house present were sworn in by Chief Justice Moore, and a number of assistant sergeant-at-arms were appointed by the temporary speaker, Davis, and dispatched to different parts of the state with warrants to serve on absent members.

Being certain that it has power under the constitution to compel attendance of absentees, the Davis house, unlike the Benson house, is not afraid to run the risk of having the constitutionality of its organization tested in the courts. Besides, it is not altogether sure that any court has a right to pass upon the method and manner of the organization, or has anything whatever to do with it.

There is little doubt, however, that the courts will be appealed to by members of the late Benson house who have been served with warrants. Representative Smith of Marion, is prepared to resist, and when he is arrested tomorrow he will endeavor to secure his release on a habeas corpus, and besides will have the legality of the whole proceeding and its collateral issues tested. The outlook, therefore, is that the entire matter of legislation must be held in abeyance until the courts determine whether it is or not their business to interfere in the legislative middle. The expectation is that, if a test case is brought here, it will be heard immediately in the circuit court, and an appeal taken to the supreme court. There is no doubt but Chief Justice Moore will cause it to be advanced on the docket. If all expedition is used by both sides to the controversy, a final decision may be reached within two or three weeks. If either side fights for a delay, settlement may be deferred indefinitely. Meanwhile it is scarcely to be expected that there will be a quorum in the house tomorrow, nor does it seem probable that other absentees will voluntarily come in pending a judicial adjustment.

THE PROCEEDINGS.

Salem, March 1.--The temporary organization was called to order at 11:30 this morning. The roll was called and the following twenty-one members answered present: Barkley, Bayer, Bourne, Buskman, Davis (Umatilla), Davis (Multnomah), Dustin, Emery, Gill, Guild, Hill, Hower, Jones, Maxwell, McAllister, Misenner, Munkers, Ogilvie, Povey, Svendsen, U'Ren.

Hill moved that a committee of three be appointed to inform the chief justice that the members were ready to be sworn in. Hill, Emery, Misenner, were appointed a committee and conducted the chief justice to the speaker's stand. The roll was again called, showing the same twenty-one members present. Misenner stated that he had been sworn in. The other members subscribed to the oath and were sworn in by Chief Justice Moore. A resolution was offered by Hill that the house take steps to bring in absent members, which was adopted. A resolution by Povey that the speaker appoint enough assistant sergeant-at-arms, if necessary, to bring in the absentees, was also adopted.

U'Ren then read an opinion by C. E. S. Wood, of Portland, to the effect that the organization has power to compel the attendance of absentees. The speaker then named as assistant sergeants J. J. Sturgill, L. H. McMahan, M. K. Cunningham, Frank Williams, C. L. Parmeter, J. E. Povey, D. H. Weyant, P. J. Colton, John D. Daly. The speaker announced that others would be appointed if necessary, and then the house adjourned to 5:30 p. m. tomorrow.

SEVERAL ARRESTS MADE.

Representative Gratke Will Be Taken in This Morning.

Portland, March 1.--Representative Conn, Jennings, Hope and Gurdane were arrested here tonight by assistant sergeants-at-arms on a warrant issued by Speaker Davis. The arrested parties immediately went before circuit judge Stephens and asked for writs of habeas corpus. The judge granted the writs, making them returnable at 10 o'clock tomorrow. A sergeant-at-arms also left on tonight's steamer for Astoria, to arrest Representative Gratke. On his return trip he will also arrest Merrill of Columbia county. Other sergeant-at-arms also went to Eastern Oregon to make arrests.

Representative Jennings was arrested at the Union depot as he was about to take the train for Heppner. Thomas, Hogue and Wagner, of the Multnomah

delegation, will probably be arrested in the morning.

WILL USE IT JOINTLY.

Portland, Or., March 1.--Hurons have been current here that contractors Honeyman, De Hart & Co., on the Astoria and Columbia River River Railroad, have been held out of their money and that the firm was embarrassed thereby. An Astorian reporter interviewed Honeyman, DeHart & Co., this afternoon, and was told that A. B. Hammond always had money on the nail, and that there was nothing in the rumors whatever. The construction work is being pushed forward rapidly, and Mr. Hammond has requested that the work proceed with more rapidity.

J. G. Woodworth, assistant general manager of the O. R. & N. Co., states that when the Astoria road is completed his line will use it as a terminal connection, and that it is apparent that the men who are building the road know what they are doing. They would never have entered into the proposition unless they knew where they were going to get off. Mr. S. G. Fulton, assistant general freight agent of the Northern Pacific, says that his road will use the Astoria road for through business, and the Union Pacific officials here state that they can do nothing else but do business over the new line when it is completed. All of the companies will use the road as a terminal.

MR. GROVER PROMOTED.

Local Weather Bureau Service to Be Greatly Improved.

Instructions have been received from the chief of the weather bureau at Washington, by which a change takes place in the management of the local weather bureau. Owing to the necessity for Observer Grover's services elsewhere, he is directed to place Mr. Balfre D. Johnson, manager of the Western Union Telegraph office, in charge as the observer at Astoria. The present offices in the Pythian building will be given up, and the meteorological instruments will be installed in the Western Union building. The Fort Canby telegraph line will be operated from the Western Union office, which will be of greater benefit to the patrons of the government line, furnishing a 20-hour service daily, instead of 8 hours, as at present. The storm signal will continue to be displayed as heretofore, and the shipping bulletins, and other marine interests will continue to receive the full benefit of the weather bureau service.

The chief of the bureau especially desires that the interests of Astoria with reference to the weather service shall not suffer by the change, which will not take place for some little time yet, owing to the details to be perfected. Mr. Grover has not yet been advised of the location of his future station; but, in view of the excellent service rendered by him at Astoria, he will, no doubt, be located to his satisfaction.

CHIEF HALLOCK NOW.

Appointed to the Place Formerly Held by C. W. Loughery.

Yesterday the retirement of Chief of Police Loughery took place. He had held the position for many years, and was always faithful in the performance of his duty. During his term the city has been free from vagrants and criminals who came here were promptly jailed and sent away. Fines in the police court have greatly increased through his efforts, and the police department has always been self-sustaining. Mr. Loughery was the best wishes of all the city officials. His successor, Captain Edward Hallock, is an efficient man. He has been with Mr. Loughery for several years and their combined efforts made Astoria anything but a desirable rendezvous for criminals. There will be no captain of police. Captain Hallock performing the duties of both offices. While almost everyone regrets the removal of Captain Loughery, the loss is made less by the promotion of Captain Hallock. Mr. Loughery's removal was due to no fault proved by the police commissioners, but because the council saw fit to reduce expenses. A choice had to be made, and Captain Hallock was chosen. With Chief Hallock on the force are Officers Oberg, Sinnott, Tompson and Sertom.

SNUGG FOUND GUILTY.

Jury Convicts Him of Rioting, but Discharges Jacob Nauha.

The jury in the case of Gus Snugg and Jacob Nauha, charged with having taken part in a riot, has found the former guilty as charged and the latter innocent. The case has been before Judge McBride in the circuit court for several days past, and has caused considerable excitement among the residents of West Astoria. For days the court room was packed and every turn of the case was watched with interest. The case grew out of the strike of fishermen last year. One Sunday afternoon Jacob Jackson, while on the piers at Elmore's cannery, was assaulted by a crowd of men. He was out about the head and hot water was

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INAUGURAL TRAIN LEAVES CANTON

Impressive Scene at McKinley's Home as the Party Prepared to Leave.

THE CANTON CAVALRY TROOP

Will Accompany the President-Elect to Washington and Take Part in the Parade.

Canton, March 1.--President-elect McKinley and party left for Washington this evening.

It was, indeed, a beautiful and impressive scene that Canton presented when her citizens bid farewell to Major and Mrs. McKinley as they entered the special train in waiting to convey them to Washington. The people of the city seemed to have turned out en masse to do honor to their distinguished neighbors and friends who so long have been regarded with the greatest love and esteem, and who by honors they won in the nation, have done so much to attract attention to Canton. No lines were drawn in the large concourse of people which followed McKinley's carriage to the train and surrounded the station to mingle their cheers in the mighty sounds which echoed above the din of the train as it disappeared in the east.

Promptly at 6 p. m. bands, military clubs and citizens began to organize in the city hall square. Captain Harry Freese, who commanded the famous Canton troops during the campaign, was chief marshal, and Captain H. L. Kubus his chief of staff. They soon brought order out of the chaos in the assembled multitude, and a more devoted escort man never had than that which shortly before 7 o'clock marched to the McKinley home. A platoon of white-gloved policemen headed the line, and back of this came the Canton troop. This is an organization of nearly 100 representative citizens organized early in the campaign to receive, escort and otherwise entertain visiting delegates. They wore military cloaks, broad brimmed hats, were well mounted, and drilled in cavalry tactics. The troop leaves for Washington tomorrow and will participate in the inauguration parade.

Following the troop came Canton's Grand Army Band. This was followed by the Third Battalion of the Eighth Regiment Ohio National Guard. Three companies, a signal and hospital corps, constitute a battalion.

In the order named were Canton Business Men's Association, Grand Army posts, old soldiers, First Ward Republican Club, of which Major McKinley is a member, Second Ward Republican Club, other clubs and societies and unorganized citizens of Canton, Massillon and other surrounding towns. Thus organized the column marched to the McKinley home. When the Business Men's Association was opposite the McKinley gate the column halted for Major and Mrs. McKinley and their attendants to enter the carriage. The first carriage was drawn by four splendidly caparisoned horses, and around it members of the Canton Business Men's Association stationed themselves as a guard of honor.

Two mounted aides rode abreast of the carriage horses and business men completed the hollow square in which the carriage moved.

The McKinley arch on Market street was illuminated as darkness fell over the city and shone resplendent as the column marched under it going to and from the McKinley house. Hundreds of incandescent lights sent their soft rays far along the street on either side and made bright for the time the decorations and statuary, now worn by the weather. Along the line the carriage containing the president-elect and wife was kept in a halo or brilliant light from flambeau. At various points along the line colored fires were also burned. At the depot was a seething, surging mass of humanity, each striving heroically to get nearest the point where the president-elect would be last seen, and some striving for the last handshake, although the committee had arranged that there should be none of this.



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