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Council Acquits Itself as Good Listening Body; Refuse Verdict Or Official Record of Case.

The comic fiasco advertised for the city hall last night was presented to a small but interested audience of fancy chair warmers.

The august body at whose dictate the show was held sat crouching before the irate plaintiff and equally determined defendant.

The first business seemed to be to discover, if possible, whether the council was sitting in an administrative, judicial or legislative capacity.

Mr. Staples, from the audience, occupying the position of a taxpayer, suggested that the council might get the city into trouble if it sat as a judicial body and took testimony under oath.

Reiterating its twice-made decision to take no official action of the case of City Attorney Briggs and Jesse Winburn, who locked wits last night in an effort to establish the lack of veracity of each, the city council has wiped its hands clean of the query, "who lied?" relegating it to the musty files of individual memory.

Short and Ugly Phrase Passed Jesse Winburn charged that Briggs unjustly called him a liar at a council meeting July 12, a meeting, he asserts, which he attended at the request of the city council.

Whitehead's Testimony L. A. Whitehead was then called to the witness stand—in point of fact, an ordinary kitchen chair. He testified substantially the same as Mr. Winburn.

Gives Different Version Following the testimony of Whitehead, Attorney Briggs laid his case before the council. He denied that he had introduced Sylvan Provost and the charge that he had attempted to obtain the sewage work for the latter.

The "hands off" attitude of the council after the "trial" was pursuant to a decision made before the hearing started to not render a decision. The city dads listened only, listened without question or interruption.

Three hundred and ninety households have been filled in Alaska.

COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES; BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUB FAIR

The autumn eight grade examinations occur on September 1 and 2. Pupils desiring to remove conditions or complete the grade can arrange for the examinations at the county superintendent's office.

Antioch school district last week voted bonds to the amount of \$5500 for the purpose of putting up a new two-room school house.

The two-story four-room school building in Sams Valley is nearing completion, though it will require another month for finishing all interior work, plumbing, wiring, etc.

The annual school fair and boys' and girls' club exhibits will be held in Medford September 20-21. Much interest in club work is being shown this year and a large exhibit is expected.

WILBUR JACKS IS BOUND OVER TO GRAND JURY

Wilbur (Wiz) Jacks of Eagle Point, was bound over to await the action of the grand jury by Justice of the Peace Glenn O. Taylor, on a charge of selling intoxicating liquor.

The only witness was H. W. Kelley, also known as Jack Casey, and half a dozen other names. He testified that he was referred to Jacks as a source of supply for whiskey by two men whose names he did not know.

After the purchase, Kelley and Jacks drove back to town. He met his friends, and they each took two drinks out of the bottle, and kept the rest for evidence.

The squad of special agents and deputies who journeyed away back into the hills, in search of Jacks, when he was at the seashore, brought back nothing of importance, except three bucks, which "they shot from the trail."

SPECIAL SESSION OF GRAND JURY NEXT THURSDAY

A special session of the grand jury has been called for next Thursday and it is said they will consider the cases of James (Shine) Edwards and John Goodwin, taxicab drivers, and Wilbur (Wiz) Jacks, of Eagle Point, bound over by Justice of the Peace Glenn O. Taylor last week.

There has been no new developments in the bootlegging situation, except that a hunt is being made for a couple of well-known men about town who have been conspicuous by their absence since the serving of the first warrant.

Baptist Sunday School Juniors Are Given Party

Mrs. Boswick, Mrs. Cochran, Mrs. Hinthorne, Mr. Gilmore and Miss Caribel Morehouse entertained the Juniors of the Baptist Sunday school with a lawn party at the Morehouse home on Third street, Monday evening.

The children departed for their homes at 9 o'clock, all agreeing that their respective teachers were jolly good entertainers. Those present were: Wilma Gyer, Lola Gilmore, Ermina Selby, Clara Atterbury, Iris Atterbury, Frances Hardy, Dorothy Sberard, Frances Philpott, Janet Wilson, Gladys Groves, Janey Walker, Lucille Bewick, Evelyn Finch, Elizabeth Payne, Lucile Gilmore, Winston Johnson, Max Hawks, James Cline, Lyle Reeder, Donald Hinthorne, Douglas Finch, Kenneth Groves, Robert Gilmore and Billie Hardy.

Boy Scouts Return After Two Weeks At Lake O' Woods

The two troops of Boy Scouts who have been encamped at Lake O' Woods for the past two weeks, returned this morning under the command of John Rigg, with Palm Beach tan complexions and husky appetites.

While at camp the boys were arranged into four mess groups as follows: No. 1, Orlando Nelson, captain; Moreland Smith, Chester Wilcox, Webster Wertz and Spalding; No. 2, Fred Johnson, captain; Ralph Robinson, Farres, Henry Elmore, Charles Edwards, and Tilton; No. 3, Clarey, captain; George Johnson, G. Crosby, Aubrey Miles, Crews; No. 4, Ross Taylor, captain; Clark Butterfield, John Storm, George Trotter, Carl Dryde and Caldwell.

REVENUE MINE, KANE CREEK, IS SOLD FOR \$30,000

The Revenue mine in the Kane's Creek district, owned by E. L. Coburn of Grants Pass and O. W. McClenden of Gold Hill, has been sold to N. E. Conklin and A. L. Conklin of Bakersfield, Calif., for \$30,000.

The mine, which is better known as the famous Rhoten Pocket mine, is located one mile south of the Gold Ridge mine and was traced up to the hill over twenty years ago by Al Rhoten and Jack Butler, who dug a hole twenty feet deep and between the surface and the bottom of it extracted over \$140,000.

The mine has not been worked for some time, but operations are expected to be begun in the near future with Mr. Stone of Gold Hill, a mining engineer, as superintendent.

FRISCO WOMAN IS CURED OF ASTHMA IN ASHLAND CLIMATE

Having been cured of asthma in a two-months summer visit in this city, Mrs. Charles D. Cain returned this evening to her home in Alameda, Calif., an ardent booster for Ashland and its climate.

Five of every 100 men in Europe are in the army.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Return from California—Mrs. J. B. Harrell returned Saturday from a several weeks visit in California.

Complaint Is Filed

A complaint has been filed by R. Boswell against M. Norden and others interested in the Boswell mining company. In his suit, Mr. Boswell urges a strict foreclosure of the contract drawn up between him and the company.

Visits at Roseburg

George W. Roberts, of Ashland, age 78 years, who claims to be the oldest stage driver of the pioneer California-Oregon line, is visiting friends and relatives at Roseburg and regaling the newspaper reporters of that city with tales of his frontier experiences.

Pageset Girls to Meet

The girls who take part in the pageset next Sunday night will meet for rehearsal after choir practice Friday night at the Presbyterian church. It is necessary that every member be present.

Roseburg Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hager, of Roseburg, are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Knapp.

Proud Parents

Mr. and Mrs. A. Schlip are the proud parents of an eight-pound baby girl born August 23 at the home of Mrs. Hattie Lynch.

Old Chums Meet

With the meeting of a school boy chum of twenty years ago in the person of Ben Howe, meat cutter at the Plaza Market, Claude Hutchins, of Grants Pass, made a visit to this city yesterday and pronounced Ashland good.

O. H. Barnhill Writes Survey Of North Sacramento Valley

O. H. Barnhill is a former well-known Ashland man who has met with considerable success in a writing game, both for newspapers and magazines. He stopped in this city a few weeks ago en route to his rice lands in Sacramento valley in the northern part of California.

"Have just spent a very pleasant evening with H. L. Palmerlee and family, who live in a cozy cottage in North Sacramento. The Palmerlee's came here from Minnesota in June H. L. is clerking at the Model Market, 26th and O streets. Enid has been going to school a year. Leone and Charles are husky, happy youngsters.

Stopped at Chico to look at our rice land and the state land colony. Prof. Elwood Mead, chairman of the state land board, and Arthur Ruhl, the well-known journalist, who for ten years helped edit Collier's Weekly, were also looking over the colony. We attended a ladies' club meeting, where Ruhl and I both made speeches. Ruhl is now visiting his brother in Medford. He has just returned from Europe.

We next visited Fred Donner, a melon grower who last year sold \$1000 worth of watermelons and twice as much watermelon seed. Donner gives visitors all the melons they can eat, having as high as 500 visitors a day. A 40-pound Kiondyke was butchered in honor of the journalists, who did full justice to the feed.

Last year was a bad one for rice growers, both the weather and market being on the blink. The present crop is looking fine and prospects are for a \$3 per sack price. We saw one field which will probably yield 50 sacks per acre. Our land has not been cropped for two years and is in shape to grow a good crop.

A half-dozen years ago I had the honor of calling on Mrs. Annie E. K. Bidwell, whose husband the late General John Bidwell, founded Chico. Mrs. Bidwell was formerly a society girl in Washington, D. C., yet devoted the remainder of her life to teaching and in other ways helping Indian women and children.

Return from Grants Pass—Miss Pearl Reger, the smiling and efficient soda fountain dispenser at Ross Brothers confectionery, has returned from a three days trip to the Oregon Caves, near Grants Pass.

Return from Frisco

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Ferguson returned from San Francisco today, where they have been for the past week on a buying and pleasure trip.

New Style Victor Phonograph

Rose Brothers are proudly displaying the first model of a recently designed model of the Victor phonograph to reach the Rogue river valley. The model is low and resembles a library table. Rose Brothers have already received several orders for the model.

At Lake of the Woods

Coch Hughes of the local high school, is spending a few days at Lake of the Woods.

Return from Klamath Falls

Mrs. R. F. Brown, who has been visiting in Klamath Falls, has returned to this city, accompanied by her husband. They are looking for a house to rent.

Return from Dunsmuir

Mrs. W. S. Eaton has returned from Dunsmuir where she has been visiting her son for several days.

Health Improves

E. E. Morton, who has been confined to a local hospital by illness for the past six weeks, is reported as improving in health and has returned to his home on Ashland street.

Return to California

Mrs. Smith McKinney, of Watsonville, Calif., and daughters, Gertrude and Florence, who have been visiting at the W. H. Smith home, 166 East Main street, and the Mow-at home on Beach avenue, have returned to their home in California.

Dinner Guest

Madame Tracey Young was a dinner guest Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Howe, 174 Mountain avenue.

Business Visitors

Mrs. Marie Josephine Wade and Mrs. George L. Tretschler, of Medford, were business visitors in the city yesterday.

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