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GROVE'S WARRANT INDEBTEDNESS DECREASED

Total of \$4590.12 Is Saved From Money Raised for the 1916 Expenses of City

With Like Saving During Year to Come, City Paper Will Be Put on Basis to Make It Desirable Investment.

For the first time in many years Cottage Grove has made a substantial gain on its warrant indebtedness. For a number of years heretofore the warrant indebtedness increased slightly each year, until it reached the total of \$38,665.83 on December 31, 1915. On December 31, 1916, the warrant indebtedness will be \$30,515.71, a decrease of \$8090.12.

The net gain, however, was really \$4590.12, as \$3500 of street warrants were taken up with bonds, the sale of which was being consummated at the time of the annual report in December, 1915. The bonded debt under the Bancroft law, including the \$3500 of bonds already referred to, has decreased \$4500 during the year.

The decrease in warrants, by funds, is as follows: General fund warrants, now \$13,413.60 as compared to \$14,718.78 last year; street fund warrants, now \$12,880.75 as compared to \$18,291.76 last year; water fund warrants, now \$4221.32 as compared to \$5685.29 last year.

In figuring the decrease in warrants, the amount of interest paid thereon is not considered, so that the real warrant indebtedness has been decreased considerably more than the \$4590.12 shown by the face of the warrants.

With very little street work and sewer work to be done, the city council has been able, during the past year, to exercise the strictest economy and to make the warrants of the city desirable paper.

With the same amount of money levied for the coming year, and without unforeseen expenses to be met, the warrant indebtedness can be decreased an equal amount during the next year.

BUSINESS MEN WILL MATCH DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR

Cannery Can Be Operated if the Growers Will Put Up Half of Debts

Every one in awhile someone asks what is going to be done with the cannery this year. The subject came up for consideration at the last meeting of the commercial club. At that time one of the prominent business men of the city made the assertion that the people of the city stood ready at any time to match dollar for dollar any money put up by the farmers. This has at all times been the disposition of the business men of the city and there probably never has been a time when the residents of the city were not willing to match any money put up by the growers. The business men, however, feel that it is not up to them to solicit stock subscriptions from the farmers. They feel that this should be done by the farmers themselves, who will certainly get as much benefit from the cannery as will the business men.

The only thing that seems to stand in the way of getting the money to pay off the cannery debts and put it into operation is to get someone to go out and get the necessary stock subscriptions from the farmers and growers.

School Money Given Out.

E. J. Moore, county school superintendent, has made a distribution to the various districts of the county of money equivalent to 60 cents per pupil, based upon the last report of the school clerks as to the number of pupils in the respective districts.

This includes the teachers' institute certificates which are worth \$5 each. There was in the neighborhood of \$10,000 in the county treasurer's hands in the school fund and as the law provides that the superintendent may make the distribution whenever he sees fit, Superintendent Moore concluded that the money could be used to advantage if placed in the hands of the different school clerks.

Engineer Dies.

Caspar Fields, who for many years held the position of head engineer at the Southern Pacific tie preserving plant at this place, and who was taken to the company's hospital some weeks ago for an operation, died a few days ago and his remains were taken through this city on Sunday afternoon for cremation at the Portland crematory. He will be succeeded at the tie plant by W. E. Fulmer of this city.

No Fun for Bill, but Amusing to Spectators

BILL BARTELS has a skinned shank and a case of unavailing regret. He required both in an impromptu runaway sketch in which he and a horse participated a day or two ago. He is using a pair of crutches for the benefit of the first named injury and oozes disreputable language at intervals to assuage the latter.

"Bill" was mounted on the same horse that caused the runaway in which Orin Perry sustained a broken leg, and proposed a race with a companion, also on horseback. The horse evidently understands English, for he started the race instantly. "Bill" attached himself to the saddle horn by means of several of his hands and went along. At the first lunge "Bill" went up in the air. On the way down he met the horse coming up, and the impact brought his shapely but generously proportioned pedal extremities against the old nag's ribs with a resounding thump. The horse mistook this for a signal that more speed was required, and nobly endeavored to respond. This procedure was repeated with the most meticulous precision at every successive jump, and was interrupted only when the horse attempted a too abrupt turn at the railroad bridge north of the city and slammed "Bill" against one of the abutments with the aforementioned results.

Those who witnessed the performance from the side lines declare that the stunt was a scream and would bring "Bill" undying fame in the movies, but "Bill" says he didn't particularly enjoy it, and that unless the wages are increased considerably in that branch of industry he will seek a career in some less adventurous field.

WOULD ELIMINATE PROFIT IN FEEDING PRISONERS

Purchase by the county of food for prisoners in the county jail instead of by the sheriff is being urged by Sheriff Hurlburt in a recommendation he proposes to make to the state legislature. He would keep the preparation and serving of the food in the hands of the sheriff, but believes the purchase, as with other county supplies, should be made by the county direct.

Such a legislative provision would settle an issue that there is a profit for sheriffs in such food purchases, he says.—Portland Oregonian.

Lane county taxpayers will be interested in seeing these recommendations acted into law.

SUPERVISOR SYSTEM FOR ROADS OPPOSED

Commissioners in Convention Ask for Transfer of Authority.

H. L. Bown, county judge of Lane county, was one of the members on resolutions of the state association of county judges and commissioners, in session in Portland last week.

One matter of particular importance that brought out discussion was the proposal to ask the legislature to abolish the office of district road supervisors.

While there was general sentiment in favor of abolishing the supervisors it was contended by many that the small road district should be retained and that a number of them be grouped under one supervisor.

The motion asking the legislature to abolish the supervisor system was amended to provide for the transfer of all authority of road supervisors to the county court.

Turkey Stealing Seems to Be Popular Avocation

Turkey stealing seems to be becoming a popular pastime in this vicinity. The stealing of turkeys at the Curtis Veatch ranch was recently reported and several cowboys attempting to lift some of his birds. With the assistance of some neighbors Mr. Walker caught some of those who would appropriate his feathered beauties, but they succeeded in breaking away and making their escape in an automobile. Mr. Walker learned the names of the men but has not made them public. They are said to be residents of Cottage Grove and Saginaw. No arrests have yet followed.

Demurrage Rules in Effect.

The new demurrage rules of the interstate commerce commission are now in effect. These rules provide that after the 48 hours' free time has expired, a consignee or consignee will have to pay the following rates on relaying cars: \$1 for the first day, \$2 for the second, \$3 for the third, and \$5 for each succeeding day or fraction thereof. Heretofore the rate has been \$4 a day straight.

NEWSPAPERS FIND IT NECESSARY TO LIMIT ADVERTISING TO SHOW PROFIT

Situation Is Peculiar One in Which Increase in Business Means a Corresponding Decrease in Profits.

That the newspapers of the country are being hard hit by the unprecedented advance in print paper is being emphasized by the fact that newspapers are finding it necessary to limit the amount of their advertising patronage in order to make a profit.

The New York Globe recently published the following "Notice to Advertisers":

"On account of the limited supply of white paper—the demand in the United States seriously exceeding the supply—the Globe will be forced, at least temporarily, to limit the amount of advertising which it can print.

"Preference will be given to advertising which is received first at the office and which is revised and approved for insertion. Advertising will be received and set into type only on the understanding that if it cannot be published on any particular day it may be printed at the first favorable opportunity.

"Under any and all circumstances the Globe reserves the right to limit the volume from any advertiser on any day, and no advertising failing to make editions one day will be run over into the next."

The edition of The Globe in which this notice appears is composed of 18 pages with an average of about two columns of news or editorial matter to the page.

How the limiting of the amount of business may accrue to the advantage of a newspaper may be a puzzle to any one not familiar with the newspaper business, but it is explainable as follows:

A newspaper to show a profit must carry a certain proportion of advertising

matter to so much reading matter. If the advertising matter falls below a certain proportion of the entire paper, there is no profit. If a newspaper should have its usual quota of pages filled with the proper proportions of news and advertising and another advertiser should come in with a quarter page ad, making it necessary for the paper to run two more pages, three-fourths of which would be reading matter, the advertising would then fall below its proper proportion of the entire space and the profit would be gone. At the present time, with advertising rates the same as heretofore and paper more than twice its former price and ink and other things entering into the printing of a paper much higher than before, the proportion of advertising to news must be increased in order to show a profit and it becomes necessary for the paper to refuse advertising that would make it necessary to run extra pages upon which there would be too great a proportion of reading matter.

To make the matter plain: A newspaper cannot add just sufficient to its size to take care of a small overflow of advertising. The least it can add is two pages. If a paper is ready to go to press, with all its pages properly proportioned as regards advertising and news, the receipt of an 8-inch ad, would make it necessary to add two extra pages. It could handle a full page ad, at the same expense as it could an 8-inch ad. Therefore a newspaper may find it necessary to refuse extra advertising unless there is sufficient to permit it to add extra pages at a profit.

It has been the habit of newspapers to make contracts with large advertisers at prices very little above cost. Newspapers having made long term contracts of this kind are being hard hit right now with their cost of production doubled and have found it absolutely necessary to limit the amount of advertising they can run on these contracts.

BROCCOLI QUESTION IS CONSIDERED BY CLUB

Meeting for Its Consideration Will Be Held and Farmers Are Invited to Attend.

The Cottage Grove commercial club will take up the broccoli proposition and attempt to get growers to experiment with its culture. A meeting, to which farmers and others will be invited, will be called at an early date. David Sterling, who has taken a great deal of interest in getting the industry started, will be present to answer questions so far as he is able in regard to the success of the culture of this product elsewhere and the manner and expense of its cultivation.

Broccoli, sometimes called winter cauliflower, grows only in a mild winter climate and is ready for market early in the spring when there is no other green stuff on the market. There is always a ready market, as the supply is limited to that which can be grown on the coast. The farmers of Roseburg, Yoncalla and other southern Oregon points have been eminently successful in the culture of this vegetable. They ship almost entirely to the Chicago market.

It is necessary to have about 50 acres planted in order to have sufficient of the broccoli to make earload shipments. Mr. Sterling secured pledges for over 20 acres this spring and it is probable that through an active campaign 50 acres can be pledged this year. It is thought advisable to have each grower experiment with only a small acreage and an attempt will be made to interest as many growers as possible. Those who pledged the 20 acres this spring did not try to experiment, as there was not sufficient acreage to get satisfactory freight rates.

A number of farmers here have had considerable success in growing broccoli.

One of Twins Is Dead.

The body of J. A. Haines, twin brother of W. K. Haines, pioneer tanner of Eugene, who died at his home in Monmouth December 11 at the age of 88 years, was brought to Eugene Thursday afternoon for burial.

The Haines twins were said to be the oldest twins in the northwest. For many years it had been their custom to meet in Eugene and celebrate their birthday.

Interment was made in the I. O. O. F. cemetery immediately after the arrival of the train from Monmouth.—Eugene Guard.

Modern Brotherhood Elects.

The Modern Brotherhood of America has elected the following officers: President, Emma J. Ivins; vice-president, Bert McDole; secretary and treasurer, M. M. Wheeler; conductor, Cooley; trustees, Oscar McDole and George Bohlman. After the election of officers a social session was held and ice cream served.

PEACE IMPOSSIBLE WITHOUT FULL REPARATION

Guarantee Against Prussian Militarism Is the Demand of Lloyd-George

London.—The first appearance of David Lloyd-George before the house of commons as premier was made in circumstances seldom, if ever, faced by a new holder of the office. Even if the peace proposals of the central powers had not intervened, his statement of the policy of his government, which was chosen in reply to a public demand for more vigorous prosecution of the war, would have marked an important step in the world conflict. The peace note, however, shifted the interest and every corner of the world awaited the announcement as to the British attitude toward the move of the central powers.

The premier said in the house of commons that it was felt that they should know before entering on negotiations that Germany was prepared to accede to the only terms whereon it was possible for peace to be obtained and maintained in Europe, and that without reparation peace would be impossible. There were no proposals for peace. To enter into proposals of which they had no knowledge was to put their heads into a noose with the rope end in the hands of Germany. Much as they longed for it, the premier added, the central powers' note and the speech preceding it afforded small encouragement and hope for an honorable and lasting peace.

Mr. Lloyd-George said: "Our answer will be given in full accord with our allies. Each of the allies has separately and independently arrived at the same conclusion. I am glad of the first answer given by France and Russia." He said the allies would insist that the only end of the war must be a complete guarantee against Prussian militarism disturbing the peace of Europe.

The Cottage Grove grange elected the following officers at its meeting Saturday: Master, G. W. McFarland; overseer, S. K. Lewis; lecturer, Mrs. Julia Ashby; steward, W. E. Dorward; assistant steward, H. B. Yancey; lady assistant steward, Mrs. M. M. Wheeler; secretary, L. J. Ardite; Ceres, Mrs. Wm. Dorward; Pomona, Mrs. S. K. Lewis; Flora, Mrs. G. W. McFarland.

John Veatch came near sustaining serious injuries in an accident a few days ago. He was skinning a beef at the Perry slaughter house when the spreader by which the beef was hung broke and allowed the carcass to fall upon Mr. Veatch. He was jammed against the wall and stunned by a blow from the broken piece of wood. His injuries were not serious.

Raise Own Living, Sell \$38.20 on Two City Lots

M. R. AND Mrs. J. D. Million have given an example of one way to reduce the high cost of living, and live pretty high at the same time. They have two city lots, a large part of which is taken up with the home and chicken house. The remainder they put into cultivation. They raised all the garden truck for their own use and have on hand sufficient potatoes and beans to last until the new crop comes on, four large sacks of corn raised between the potato rows and some squashes and pumpkins. In the chicken house they raised 80 black Minorca pullets which are now laying an average of 35 eggs a day. In addition to all these they sold \$12.20 worth of peas, \$2.20 worth of early potatoes, \$1.95 worth of green beans, \$1.80 worth of corn, 50 cents' worth of cucumbers and \$1.55 worth of onions, making a total of \$38.20 in cash receipts over and above that used for the family and not including the sale of eggs. Last year they sold from the same piece of ground \$34.50 in garden truck.

LANE MAN TO TRY RAISING BABY BEEF

From a herd of 180 young cattle, Perry Barber, a Coburg farmer, has selected 12 animals with an average weight of 500 pounds and will experiment in raising baby beefs. By "cramping" the young stock with grain, silage, vetch and hay, and by using a little flax seed meal as a conditioner, Mr. Barber expects to make the animals tip the scales at 950 pounds in May, when he intends to market them. The stock will be about 15 months old when ready to kill.

The raising of baby beef has been a success in the east. "The cost," says Mr. Barber, "is far more to keep an animal on high priced Oregon soil until it is three years old than to 'cramp' and have it ready for market at 15 months when the highest market price can be obtained."

Taxpayers' League Elects.

The Southern Lane County Taxpayers' league elected the following board of directors at its meeting Saturday: J. S. Coleman, C. M. Kidd, A. McKinney, Joe Porter, T. M. Donak, E. A. Gleason, Elbert Bede, Mrs. Clara Burkholder, Mrs. M. Aubrey and Mrs. D. J. Gover. The board of directors immediately held a meeting and elected the following officers: President, J. S. Coleman; corresponding secretary, Elbert Bede; recording secretary, A. McKinney.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS TO BE GIVEN

Both Schools of City Will Entertain Patrons and Parents of Pupils Tomorrow Afternoon.

Christmas programs will be given in a number of the grades of the public schools Friday afternoon. In the west side school the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades will together give a program in Mrs. Beager's schoolroom. There will also be programs in the two lower rooms. These exercises will all begin shortly after school convenes at 1 p. m.

In the east side school the first six grades will celebrate with appropriate exercises. The programs in the first, second and fourth grades will be held between 1 and 1:50 o'clock. The third, fifth and sixth grades will open their exercises at 1:50. This arrangement is made so that patrons may witness both programs if they desire.

Boy Is Accidentally Killed.

Word has reached here of the accidental death of a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Burns, of this city. The boy was a son of Mrs. Dent, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Burns. The boy, who was between 11 and 12 years of age, had gone out hunting, and when he did not return, Mr. Dent went in search of him but failed to find him. On the morrow a posse was formed and the father and another man found the dead body. The boy had accidentally killed himself with a discharge from his gun. The family lives down the valley.

Three Thousand Oregon Roses Go from Here to Pittsburg

Three thousand Oregon rose bushes have gone to Pennsylvania from Cottage Grove during the past few weeks. The shipments were made by John Bader, formerly a florist at Pittsburg. The bushes went to Mr. Bader's son-in-law, who is continuing the business formerly owned by Mr. Bader.

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L. BEAN DOES NOT CONCEDE HIS DEFEAT

Denies That Stanfield Has the Speakership of the House Firmly in His Grip

Names Two Eastern Oregon Solons Who Are Against Sheepman and Says He's in the Fight to the Finish.

The following appeared in Tuesday's Portland Telegram: Notwithstanding the fact that 37 members of the house authorized Robert N. Stanfield to publish their names as supporting him for speaker, Louis E. Bean refuses to be convinced that Stanfield has enough votes to elect him. It requires 31 votes to elect a speaker, there being 60 members in the house.

Since the authorized list was published, two more members have telegraphed Stanfield that they are with him. One explained that Stanfield's wire for permission to use his name came too late for response in time and the other member says that while supporting Stanfield he wishes to make the announcement himself at his convenience.

"I have not withdrawn from the contest for speaker of the house," declares Mr. Bean. "I am convinced that Mr. Stanfield gave out his list of supposed supporters in good faith, but I am not convinced that he has enough votes to elect him. It is my purpose to leave matters to drift and take their natural course."

Mr. Bean declares that Stanfield does not have the solid eastern Oregon delegation and points to a statement of Charles M. Crandall, of Harney and Malheur, in which he says he is not pledged to Stanfield, and Mr. Bean says also that Charles Albert Small, of Union, is not for Stanfield.

MRS. GUY VAN RIPER IS BURIED

Death Occurs in California, Following a Ten Days' Illness With Yellow Jaundice.

The body of Mrs. Atha Van Riper arrived Monday from Westwood, Calif., and the funeral was held Tuesday afternoon from the Methodist church, Rev. Joseph Knotts officiating and Rev. D. A. MacLeod assisting. The church was crowded with the host of friends of the departed.

Mrs. Van Riper was taken ill with yellow jaundice on December 4, the second anniversary of her wedding, and died December 16, aged 26 years, 19 months.

Miss Ipha Widdersheim, of this city, a sister, and Dr. Cassatt, of Salem, a brother-in-law, were hastening to Mrs. Van Riper's bedside at the time death occurred. They stopped at Sacramento and accompanied the body from there. Mrs. Van Riper was born in Nebraska and was a daughter of Mrs. E. Widdersheim, of this city. She came here from Salem with her parents about 10 years ago, and was employed as saleswoman in the stores of the city until her marriage, two years ago, after which she lived at Westwood.

Surviving relatives are the husband, mother and the following sisters and brothers: Mrs. Ernest Searns, Mrs. W. A. Hogate, George and Miss Ipha Widdersheim, of this city; Mrs. Chio Cassatt, of Salem, and Chet and Clifford Widdersheim, of California.

Guy Van Riper, the husband, is a son of Mrs. Anna J. Gowdy, of this city.

PUBLIC SERVICE VALUES IN LANE ARE DECREASED

The assessed valuation of the property of public service corporations in Lane county this year is \$3,912,186.67. This is, compared with a valuation of \$4,423,525.15 last year, a decrease of over half a million dollars, or to be exact, \$511,338.48.

The assessed valuation of all other property in Lane county this year is \$26,413,372, making a total with the valuation of the public service corporations added, of \$30,325,558.67.

This is a greater valuation than estimated by the county court when it made its tentative tax levy at the beginning of this month, and will have a tendency to reduce the levy, which was fixed at 18.75 mills.

The court made this tentative levy upon an estimated valuation of approximately \$30,000,000.

With a higher valuation than expected placed upon the public service properties in the county and with a probable acceptance of the recommendation of the taxpayers for a reduction in at least some of the items of the budget, a somewhat lower levy than 18.75 mills may be expected this year.

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