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WILL FENCE CITY WATER RESERVATION

City Council Will Provide More Fire Apparatus Mark Streets

The city council met in regular monthly session Monday evening. A full board present.

The first matter to receive the attention of the council was a petition which contained 107 names and read as follows: "We the undersigned citizens of the city of Cottage Grove respectfully request the city council to purchase fire apparatus to an amount not exceeding \$525.00." Upon motion the petition was granted and the recorder was instructed to draft an ordinance covering this order.

The following committee was then appointed to confer with the fire department in selection of the necessary fire apparatus: Councilmen Elledge, Fisher and Hubble.

A communication was presented and read from the management of the Alaska-Yukon exposition announcing that Monday July 19th had been set aside as Cottage Grove day at the exposition and asking the co-operation of the city council in preparing an appropriate program for the day. The communication was ordered placed on file for future consideration.

Report on the survey of Honey street was submitted and discussed including the building of sidewalk thereon. This matter was deferred until the next regular meeting and time extended for construction of sidewalks.

H. K. Metcalf in behalf of the fire department addressed the council thanking the board for its favorable consideration of the application for an appropriation for a new fire apparatus and requested that the council supply a map or chart to the fire department designating the exact location of fire hydrants. The recorder volunteered to supply the required blue print charts or maps on which the fire department may indicate by marks the location of hydrants, which charts will be posted in fire department headquarters for the information of the firemen.

After a discussion of the proposition of fencing the city's water reserve in the hills west of town, which was championed by the mayor, and favored by every member of the council, a motion prevailed instructing Councilman Elledge to superintend the survey and fencing with wire this water reserve including 425 acres. It

was stated that property owners adjoining the reserve will be called upon to assist and bear their portion of the expense of this survey and fence.

The street commissioner was instructed to procure small boards on which to paint name and number of streets and post them up substantially on the respective streets. Thus our city is to have the convenience of marked streets.

H. O. Thompson, president Commercial Club, addressed the council, saying it is the desire of the club to work hand in hand with the city council in all matters looking toward the up-building and development of the town and community. He said it was gratifying to note with what harmony the city council and Commercial Club have been co-operating in every movement looking toward the advancement of our city, and Mr. Thompson stated that the principal mission of this visit from himself and accompanying committee, Messrs. Pretzman and Hazleton, was to cement these harmonious relations, and to extend to the mayor and council an invitation to meet with the Commercial Club in the club rooms next Monday evening to discuss matters pertaining to the city's welfare. Council Atkinson proposed a vote of thanks and the acceptance of the invitation to visit the Commercial Club in its parlors next Monday evening which motion was unanimously carried.

The usual bills were allowed and audited as follows:
Veatch & Lawson, paint for bridge.....\$50.92
J. E. Young, recorder salary.....8.33
J. P. Curdin, surveying.....6.00
Leader Pub. Co., printing.....1.25
G. B. Pitcher, salary.....60.00
Jas. Whitford, night-watch.....32.00
F. H. Snodgrass, marshal.....28.00

OREGON DAY AT SEATTLE EXPOSITION

July 17 has been formally selected as the "Official, State of Oregon Day" at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition at Seattle. The Oregon state commission, Governor Chamberlain and commercial organizations of the state have been so notified by Chairman Joseph Collins of the committee on special days and steps will be taken forthwith by the various officials who are interested in the extensive plans Oregon has been making, to make this day one of the most notable of the entire exposition. The extensiveness of the plans will depend largely upon whether the legislature grants the extra appropriation of \$50,000, which the state commission is asking for.

George Sawyers, the Oakland school teacher who mysteriously disappeared from Oakland recently, but who soon afterwards returned, is now under arrest charged with polygamy, he having married an Oakland girl with-out securing a divorce from his wife in the east.

EUGENE COMMERCIAL CLUB'S UNANSWERABLE ARGUMENT AGAINST NESMITH ANSWERED

Circular Used at Salem in Opposition to the Creation of Nesmith County by the County Seat Ring---Statements Refuted, Many of Which are Absolutely Untrue and Unworthy of a Commercial Body

1. Because it would take the richest and best part of the valley out of Lane county; in fact it would take the kernel and leave Lane county the shell.

Ans. Investors and home seekers will please take notice. How much of the shell do you wish to invest in? Come to south Lane and north Douglas--Nesmith county.

2. Because Lane county is now 30 miles wide on a north and south line running through Eugene, by 100 miles long and the proposed division would still more aggravate this unwieldy shape by cutting off about 18 miles from the narrowest part of the county, leaving it 18 miles wide by 100 miles long.

Ans. Marion county in which is located the state capitol is much narrower at its center and nearly as long, and the same may be said of Multnomah in which county is located our state's metropolis.

3. The fact that Lane county is now four times as long as it is wide plainly shows that any division would naturally have to be by a north and south line.

Ans. Will you go on record as favoring a division of the county by a north and south line? Such a proposition would no doubt also be strenuously opposed by the county seat ring.

4. Cottage Grove is 22 miles by rail from Eugene, with four trains on the Southern Pacific daily, each way, putting Eugene in easy access of all parts in the extreme east and west.

Ans. With the creation of Nesmith county, Cottage Grove expects to make it eight trains a day to Portland so the investor and home seeker can get to a live, booming city of hustlers.

5. Because the proposed boundary takes in the fertile land and settled districts and leaves to Lane county the barren and sparsely settled parts in the extreme east and west.

A good advertisement for Nesmith and a contemptible knock for the upper middle fork and McKenzie as well as Siuslaw. These "sparsely settled" parts of the county are covered with millions of feet of the best timber in the world and some of the richest mineral deposits on the Pacific coast, which if developed by the "Do-Nothing Club" and county ringsters would be ten times more

valuable than the "fertile valley lands." Nesmith is not kicking about her great "unsettled" eastern territory.

6. The proposed boundary leaves out a great area of Lane and Douglas counties in the Cascade mountains, whose inhabitants can only reach Eugene or Roseburg by traversing half the breadth of Nesmith county, direct through Cottage Grove.

Ans. A lie pure and simple and the author thereof is a prevaricator by choice and a scrub by nature.

7. The proposed northern boundary comes within five to eight miles of Eugene and a considerable number of inhabitants of the proposed county would have to travel further in order to reach Cottage Grove than they do now to reach Eugene.

Ans. Why not explain that Spencer's Butte and a rugged mountain range lies between this boundary and Eugene rendering it necessary for the settlers to go 18

COUNTY SEAT TOWNS are always against county division.---Portland Daily Journal.

miles around to reach Eugene. Why not say 8 miles air line and 18 miles by wagon road. Be more explicit.

8. The movement is plainly in the interest of a single compact community, rather than of a whole, and is emphatically opposed by a large number of people within its proposed boundary.

Ans. Over 100 representatives from all parts of this territory spent their hard earned dollars in an excursion trip to Salem last week to make their wants known personally to the Oregon legislators, and to boost for Nesmith county.

9. The proposed Nesmith county might be run economically, but it would make the expenses of the remaining Lane county proportionally higher, thereby inflicting unnecessary hardship on Lane county.

Ans. There is no evidence or proof to back up this statement nor does the history of Wasco or other Oregon counties effected by division bear out the above assertion. A statement until proven must be regarded as untrue.

10. The argument used in behalf of Nesmith county would justify the formation of a new county in the very heart of every populous county in Oregon.

Ans. Another rank falsehood, as the Bohemia mining district and Lorane country represents the extreme southeastern and southwestern sections of Lane county, the most remote territory from the present county seat, which comprises a large portion of the proposed Nesmith county. Look up the map, readers!

11. It is absurd to say that three counties with three county seats and three sets of officers can be run for less money than two.

Ans. A contradiction to statement No. 9, but just as true as the fact that three small farms carved from one very large farm can be managed more economically than the large unwieldy one, and the production and valuation will be increased 100 fold for the same area. Why argue against a greater Oregon?

12. The accusation that the people in the proposed county now pay taxes without receiving corresponding returns in incorrect, and unjust to the present county officers. There has been more money spent for improvements and for schools in the territory around Cottage Grove than has been received from there in taxes. The argument that after division Lane county would still have 20,000 people is irrelevant, as it in no way effects the people of the proposed county how many people an adjoining county contains.

Ans. We are from the "show me" state. Produce the figures or forever hold your peace. The above is merely an assertion, not a fact, as all well know.

13. The Nesmith argument that Lane county will be left in a more concentrated and compact condition than before is false, for the proposed division would simply make Lane county still more oblong and unwieldy.

Ans. This last statement being number "13" signifies bad luck for the Knockers Club and county seat ring and is their hoo doo, and the silly argument presented therein boiled down is that after you take 2 from 4 you still have 4 remaining.

Great Fair will be Ready Opening Day

Seattle, Feb. 1.--With four months until the opening day of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition, the exposition is ninety per cent complete and should hurry orders come from the directors to open on May 1 instead of June 1, it could be done and with everything in its place.

With the exception of the government buildings, all of the principal structures on the grounds are finished, so far as exteriors are concerned, some little interior decorations and finishing remains to be done, but to all intents and purposes the buildings are ready for the installation of exhibits.

Work on the handsome buildings which will house the government exhibits from the Philippines, Hawaii and Alaska, is well under way. A regiment of workmen has been thrown into the field by the contractors and the daily growth of the structures is marvelous.

The Forestry building is still in course of construction but so nearly complete that its magnificent proportions, particularly its pergola of gigantic fir trunks is in full view.

The towering Alaska shaft, which stands at the head of the Cascades and marks the central court of the exposition, is in place and the work of coating it with gold will be begun as soon as the rains of midwinter have ceased. The Cascades, which, with the Geyser Basin will make one of the most beautiful electrical spectacles ever conceived, are completed and the last work of wiring them for the powerful submerged electric lights, is being done. Forty thousand gallons of water will pour down this wonderful fall every minute and at night it will be illuminated from beneath with every color of the solar prism, making it a tumultuous rainbow. Geyser Basin, into which the fall plunges, will be similarly illuminated.

Now that spring is at hand, some idea is to be had of the beauty of the gardens which are shot through the whole exposition reservation. Many of the plants have been in the ground through the winter and warmed by recent sun they are everywhere bursting into bud and bloom. The landscape gardeners with scores of men, are putting in the pansies, geraniums, violets and other blooms which later will make the grounds a riot of color and everywhere is going in the cactus dahlia, the official flower of the exposition. Flowering trees from every clime are being set out and many of them have not waited for transplantation to break into bud.

So nearly complete is the electric system of the exposition that a formal test of it was made by night recently and a forest of given a few of the fortunate ones of what the exposition is to be, as a night spectacle. In the decorative

CREAMERY IS BEING ENLARGED

Will Install a Refrigerator Plant---A Gilt Edge Product

F. G. Stiller, the creameryman, has a force of carpenters at work enlarging and otherwise improving the Cottage Grove creamery building on Third street. The offices and refrigerator will occupy the new addition which will give more room for the churning and butter working department. Mr. Stiller is also contemplating the installation of a small refrigerator plant which will be a valuable acquisition and altogether this will be one of the largest and most modern butter and ice cream manufacturing plants in the upper Willamette valley, its growth having been steady from the time of its establishment a few years ago, it also having established a reputation of turning out only a gilt edged product. The new improvements add much to the artistic appearance of the creamery building. A new coat of paint will add a finishing touch to the improvements. This is an industry which has come to stay and owing to its favorable locality will continue to expand and increase its annual output.

scheme of the inner court alone nearly one million eight candle power incandescent lamps are used besides a multitude of arc lights for illumination of the streets and ways. Every one of the big buildings is thrown into brilliant outline and the Alaska shaft looks like a huge flame.

The Pay Streak, which will be the big amusement center, will be another electrical triumph. Besides the thousands of lights provided by the exposition, every concessionaire is required to supply a heavy quota, with the result that, by night, the "funny streak" of the exposition looks like a general conflagration.

Paving of the streets, boulevards and courts with a cement and bitumen is practically at an end, thirty days will see the last tap done even the great turnpikes along the shores of Lakes Washington and Union, upon which the exposition city lies.

All in all the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition will more than make good its slogan--"The Fair that will be ready."

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ANGRY FATHER KILLS YOUNG MAN WHO ENTICED HIS YOUNG DAUGHTER AWAY FROM HER HOME

Albany, Or., Jan. 29.--Charles J. Powell, who shot and killed Homer Roper near Brownsville last night was brought to Albany this afternoon and placed in jail. He was arraigned this evening on a charge of murder in the first degree. The preliminary hearing is set for Tuesday.

Brownsville, Or., Jan. 29.--Charles Powell, a well known and highly respected farmer residing three miles west of Brownsville, shot and instantly killed Homer Roper, a young man at the J. A. Nice place, last night. The trouble which led to the fatal result arose over the fact that Roper, who is aged about 22 years, about six months ago, eloped with Powell's 15-year-old daughter, taking her to Pilot Rock, Or. Powell followed and brought his daughter back, and Roper soon

came too. Since that time he has persistently sought the girl, although warned to keep away.

The girl attended a party at the Nice place last night where Roper appeared and enticed her from the house. Powell was notified at his home and with his wife went to the Nice home and began a search for their daughter. She was found in Roper's company by Mrs. Powell.

Roper then went to the barn. Powell returned and when near the barn was accosted by Roper, who informed him that he had the drop on him.

Powell, who carried a 44 Winchester rifle, then began shooting, hitting Roper just above the right eye, and killing him instantly. Powell remained on the scene of the tragedy and when the officers appeared gave himself up.

The coroner's jury verdict is that Roper came to his death by a gunshot wound, fired from a gun in the hands of Charles Powell, on the farm of J. A. Nice, on January 28.

Booze Sellers Arrested.

Herman Hartwig wanted for selling booze at Vida, this county was arrested at Vancouver Monday and will be brought back to Eugene for trial. The officers need not go so far away from home for such hunting. That kind of game is said to be plentiful in Cottage Grove.

Otis Fisher and Steve Short, soft drink vendors, were both arrested at Roseburg Monday on a charge of booze selling and Judge Hamilton will give them the limit.

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