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MAYOR VETOES LIGHT ORDINANCE.

Six level headed and conservative councilmen, the entire number of members of the city council, after due and careful consideration of the new electric lighting ordinance, voted for its passage to a man, the mayor then adds to this ordinance the following explanatory note and signs his name:

"To the common council of the City of Cottage Grove, Lane County, Oregon: I hereby veto ordinance No. 246, for the reason that there is no penalty provided in said ordinance provided the Cottage Grove Electric Company does not perform their part of the contract therein provided for. And further that the city does not need the extra lights therein provided. Dated at Cottage Grove, Oregon this 7th day of January, 1910. B. R. Job, Mayor."

It is therefore quite evident that the mayor considers his opinion and judgment better than that of the six members of the board over which he presides. However, the merits of the ordinance are such that the Leader, and we believe three-fourths of the citizens of Cottage Grove must disagree with him and declare that the six councilmen more nearly voice the sentiment of the people and represent their wishes in favoring this ordinance. At the present time Cottage Grove is paying about \$2827 per year for about 11,000 candle power light service. Under the provisions of the new ordinance the Cottage Grove electric light company generously proposes to give the city in return for a five year contract 30,000 candle power for \$2825 or \$2 less than the city is paying for 11,000 candle power under the old contract. While the city now has seven arc lights and numerous 10 candle power street lights under the old contract, it is provided that the city shall have 30 arcs and nothing less than 32 candle power incandescents under the new ordinance and for \$2 less money per year than is being paid now. This would give this rapidly growing city ample light for some time to come, whereas, at present many a merchant street, including Fourth, Wall Mill and River, are very poorly lighted, the statement of the mayor to the contrary notwithstanding.

Further, say some men know that whenever the light company fails to maintain the lights contracted to the city, payment for the same is withheld, as under the old contract, the company's bill being cut for every night that an arc or other street light fails to burn. What more severe penalty could be inflicted upon the light company for the nonfulfillment of its lighting contract? Therefore, this part of the mayor's veto is as groundless and foolish as the other statement that "the city does not need the additional lights."

The light company only asks for permission to carry on a legitimate business in this city in which its members have invested their money and builded comfortable homes and they should be granted this privilege, the same as other business men are. But without a contract to conduct their business, they cannot make the desired improvements in their plant and provide the city the service they desire to.

The mayor was elected to the office he holds for the purpose of carrying out the will of the people of this municipality, but on this, as well as other occasions he has manifested a disposition to set himself up as a boss and dictator and totally disregard the wishes of a majority of the people. The city council should pass this ordinance over his veto.

The editor of this paper has observed in calling upon the promotion department of the Commercial Club, that these offices are in the most remote part of the building, in fact a visitor is compelled to either pass through the large club room or a dark, weird looking room used as a woodshed in order to reach the managers office, and the wonder is that as many strangers as do ever find Manager Couley's office. This office with its fine display of fruits, vegetables, minerals, woods, etc., should be on the ground floor or in a more conspicuous place and easy of access. We understand B. K. Lawson is planning a new brick on his lot adjoining the Bank of Cottage Grove on the west and will make the Commercial Club a liberal proposition and provide more commodious quarters, which are, indeed, needed.

President Taft, in his special message to congress on interstate commerce and trusts, advises a United States court of commerce made up of United States judges to regulate commerce and enactment by congress of a general law providing for formation and regulation of corporations.

Student of Astronomy—I have discovered a new star, professor. Professor—What's she playing in?

STATE BOARD RAISES COUNTY ASSESSMENT

The state board of equalization has raised the Lane county assessment \$6,200,000 and this county will have to pay .0406 of the entire state tax. County Assessor Keeney says that this coming year he will assess property at its actual cash value as he is obliged to swear to a statement to that effect. The raising by the state board will not affect our present assessment roll for county, municipal and other taxes in the least. It will remain as it was made out. The assessment of Multnomah, Marion and other counties has been lowered by the state board in its equalization.

G. A. R. AND W. R. C. ELECT NEW OFFICERS.

A very interesting meeting of the G. A. R. veterans of Appomattox Post No. 34, and Woman's Relief Corps was held Saturday at their hall in this city at which time the installation of officers for the ensuing year after which a splendid banquet was served. Following is the list of new officers installed:

G. A. R. OFFICERS.
 Commander, W. J. Gardner; S. V. C. E. D. Handy; J. V. C. G. W. Kelly; Adj. Gen. W. McKee; Surg. D. L. Woods; Chap. R. Hull; Q. M. Wm. Dickey; O. D. W. H. Harrington; O. G. G. Thompson.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS OFFICERS.
 Pres. Cecilia A. Grim; S. V. Pres. Laura McKernan; I. V. Pres. Mrs. L. Salzman; Treas. Mrs. Ingham; Sec'y Mrs. Alta Spray; Com. Mary Dickey; Guard, Mrs. Jennie Hayes; Ast. Com. Mrs. E. Fahrwald; Ast. Guard, Mrs. Sadie McKibben.

COLOR BEARERS.
 Mrs. Ellen Jones; Mrs. Francis Gray; Mrs. Mary Queen; Mrs. Arthina Handy; Patriotic Instructor Mrs. Anna Hoxie.

Prof. L. S. Ellermann, a hypnotist of exceptional ability is giving some interesting, entertaining and amusing demonstrations at the Arcade theatre all this week. You will miss a good thing if you fail to attend.

PINCHOT DISMISSED BY THE PRESIDENT

Washington, Jan. 8.—Gifford Pinchot, chief forester of the United States yesterday, is a private citizen today. He is apparently unconcerned and smiling, in great contrast to the political ferment in which Washington finds itself. The summary dismissal was conveyed last night in the president's letter in the closing lines, "By your own accord you have destroyed your usefulness as a helpful subordinate of the government, and it therefore now becomes my duty to direct the secretary of agriculture to remove you from your office as forester," has brought nothing from Pinchot more than the simple statement, "I would prefer to say nothing at this time," but political Washington almost trembles to think what may be the result. Pinchot may, in the opinion of many, become the pivot on which the insurgent fight with the administration can turn its guns.

Similar letters of dismissal were sent to Associate Forester Overton W. Price and Assistant Law Officer Shaw, two men whom Pinchot defended in the letter to Senator Dolliver which was the cause, or one of the contributing causes, of his dismissal.

Pinchot's successor is Geo. P. McCabe, solicitor of the agricultural department. McCabe called on Pinchot this morning and was cordially welcomed by the retiring forester, who announced he was ready to turn over the office to his successor.

As Pinchot was about to leave the building scores of employes therein gathered in the assembly room and thither went Pinchot. His appearance was the signal for deafening applause. Pinchot was deeply touched by the demonstration and bade farewell to his old associates and a little later left the building. Representative Champ Clark, minority leader in the house of representatives, said in an interview:

"The dismissal of Forester Pinchot is one of the first steps for Roosevelt's candidacy for the republican nomination for president, and if Roosevelt runs for the presidency, it will be the hottest fight that has taken place in a republican convention since Grant was defeated in the dog days of 1880."

A recent card to the Leader from Dr. H. L. Nave of Portland, says, "The weather here is cold and disagreeable, the east wind coming down the Columbia being a corker I tell you. Holding meetings every night this week in all Presbyterian churches in Portland."

Cottage Grove was favored with a visit from Attorney General A. M. Crawford Friday and on Friday evening he served as one of the judges in the Cottage Grove-Junction City high school debate.

A writer in Harper's Weekly says Oregon is "apple mad." But that is better than to be stock speculation mad.

COUNTY SEAT ITEMS OF INTEREST

Hugh Hampton talks of going to Arizona to engage in the goat business.

Lew Hoselton has sold his sawmill several miles below Crow to Lewis Brothers.

The total school enumeration of the city of Eugene as reported to the state superintendent is 2724. There are just 1369 boys and 1355 girls. A pretty close division of the sexes.

Ira Walton, E. McCormick, John Newman and two others went to Sharp's creek for L. N. Roney last week to swing the two bridges he is putting in there. Mr. Roney expects to go up later.

Commissioners court met in monthly session Wednesday. Much business is always attended to at the January session, there being the duty of fixing the annual tax levy, appointing the road supervisors and naming the trial jurors for the circuit court.

STORY ON GROVITE TOLD IN THE EAST

George Richmond Hayes, the noted San Francisco ethnologist, said at a recent dinner:

"The yellow races are held in better esteem than used to be the case in the west."

"I once visited a very rough boom town in Oregon near Cottage Grove. In the leading saloon a man in a red shirt said to me: 'Ve wanter carry yerself almighty straight in these parts, stranger. Go wrong the least mite and by crimus, we'll lynch ye as quick as look at ye.'"

"I smiled."

"'Would you lynch me, I asked 'if I killed a dog?'"

"'Would we?' he snorted. 'Why stranger, we've lynched fellers here for killin' Chinamen.'"

Louisville Times.

Knights of Pythias Installation.

Last Wednesday evening Juvenis lodge, Knights of Pythias installed the following officers for the ensuing term, C. H. Van Denburg acting as installing officer, J. C. Johnson, Grand Master-at-Arms, and H. H. Veatch as Grand Prelate:

Chancellor Commander, James Hemenway; Vice-Chancellor, D. J. DuBraille; Prelate, E. C. Lockwood; Master of Work, J. T. Allison; Master of Finance, B. K. Lawson; Master-at-Arms, P. H. Rosenberg; Inside Guard, D. Mosby; Outside Guard, A. L. Wynne.

Following the installation there was initiatory work in the first degree rank, after which a banquet was enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Ostrander returned home from Astoria Thursday after an enjoyable visit with their daughter, Mrs. Nina Humphrey at that place. They spent a few days in Portland on their return home.

Hardware For Everyone

Why Not Buy a Useful Present for Wife, Husband, Son or Daughter. We Have Either

For Ladies	For Boys	For Men
Silverware, Chafing Dishes, Serving Dishes, Carving Sets, Aluminum Drinking Cups, Salt, Pepper and Toothpick Holders.	Pocket Knives, Express Wagons, 22-Calibre Rifles, Sporting Goods, and Other Equally as Useful Things.	Razors, All Kinds, Cutlery, Fine Work Tools, Shot Guns, Rifles and Ammunition.

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LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL WINS IN DEBATES

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Spain and Armored Sutcliffe supported the affirmative at Cottage Grove against Junction City negative team composed of Herbert Thom, Misses Audrey Howard and Nellie Harper were Dr. J. N. Smith of Salem, Hon. L. M. Carl of Albany, Prof. W. E. Kirk of Willamette university. Judges at Cottage Grove, Hon. A. M. Crawford of Salem and Alfred J. Schmidt, O. R. Clutter of Albany.

From a letter received recently from Prof. E. E. DeCoun of the University of Oregon we quote the following: "You will be interested to know that in a series of try-outs for places on the coming debate between the University of Oregon and the University of Utah all three places were won by High School Debating League men, two of them being freshmen. Furthermore, several more of the League men showed up so well that they are likely to make the teams which the University of Oregon will send against the Universities of Washington and Idaho in their triangular league. No stronger evidence of the valuable training given in the League debates could possibly be given."

To pay expenses, an admission of 25 and 35 cents was charged. Owing to the special services in the different churches the debate did not begin until 8:15 p. m. This gave all an opportunity to attend the services at the churches and also the debate.

E. K. BARNES, Supt.

The Debates.

The first of the series of triangular debates was held Friday evening, when the High schools of the extreme north and south ends of the county—Junction and Cottage Grove—met at this place and the negative team from Cottage Grove met Springfield's affirmative team in that city, resulting in a signal victory for Cottage Grove on both the affirmative and negative sides of the question, "Resolved, that a state law should be passed providing that school districts should supply free text books in the public schools below the high school grade." The team sent from Junction to Cottage Grove, Herbert Thom and Misses Audrey Howard and Nellie Harper was a strong one and Cottage Grove's affirmative team, Misses Gladys Farley, Myrtle DeSpain and Armored Sutcliffe, found in them "foemen worthy of their steel." Miss Harper's argument was particularly strong for the negative, as was also Miss Farley's and Miss Sutcliffe's for the affirmative. Miss DeSpain supplying some substantial facts to bolster up the argument of her colleagues. The debate was interspersed with splendid vocal music by a high school mixed double quartet, Prof. Barnes acting as master of ceremonies.

The closing argument by Mr. Thom for the negative and that of Miss Farley for the affirmative were able efforts, Miss Farley displaying some brilliant wit and repartee. The debate reflected much credit upon the participants and the faculty of both schools and was well attended, and the decision of the judges, Attorney A. M. Crawford, Salem, Prof. O. R. Clutter and Alfred J. Schmidt of Albany, which was unanimous for Cottage Grove, was accepted with general favor and satisfaction. A banquet was tendered to the visitors, home debaters and their friends at Phillips hall and a most pleasant hour was enjoyed by all those in attendance.

The team which won laurels for Cottage Grove at Springfield on the same evening, but on the negative side of the same question was composed of Mr. Ben King, Misses Myrtle Kem and Allie Phillips.

A Rousing Reception.

At the triumphant homecoming of the negative debating team of

the Cottage Grove high school from Springfield Saturday afternoon they were met at the depot by the high school students, the teachers and many friends and given a great ovation. Ben King was taken from the steps of the passenger coach and mounted upon the shoulders of two stalwarts of his class and carried at the head of the procession up Main street, the two young ladies Misses Myrtle Kem and Allie Phillips, with their teacher, Miss Woods, were seated in a carriage which was drawn up the street by six high school students, amid the din of bells, horns and high school yells. The procession halted at the W. O. W. hall where the two victorious Cottage Grove high school debating teams were tendered a grand public reception many felicitous speeches being made by teachers, students and prominent citizens. It was a great day for the Cottage Grove high school.

Citizens Endorse Debate.

Go in and win.—H. K. Metcalf.

I believe that the educational advantages of Cottage Grove are equal to any in the state.—O. O. Veatch.

The Cottage Grove High School debating team should feel highly honored in the victory they have won and which will no doubt encourage them to put forth greater efforts in the future. The splendid reception given the team will be an event in their lives and a constant reminder of the high esteem our good people have of those who succeed through such laudable efforts.—C. C. Hazleton.

Hall of Bohemia Camp No. 260.

Whereas, it has seemed best to the Supreme Ruler of the universe to remove from this world to the great world above our beloved Neighbor, John Hull, and Whereas, the said Neighbor has always proved himself a good Neighbor, a loving and dutiful son, one who was always ready for the call of duty and who died in the performance of his duty, now therefore,

Be it Resolved: That this camp extend to the parents and brothers and sisters of the said Neighbor their heartfelt sympathy and feel that the Great Consul Commander above will lighten their burden of grief and be it further,

Resolved: That these resolutions be presented to the parents, a copy published in the papers and a copy spread on the minutes of this camp.

F. C. COFFMAN,
 C. F. WALKER,
 F. H. ROSENBERG,
 Committee.

Win the cup. Don't dodge difficulties, meet them, greet them, beat them. Let us glory in victory and let us beware of losing our enthusiasm. It is the genius of sincerity and no victories are accomplished without it.—Eva King.

I had rather my boy had been carried in triumph through our streets on the shoulders of his school mates as was Ben King on account of having won in the debate than to have had a present of \$100.00.—LeRoy Woods.

I attended the high school class debate Friday evening and consider it worth the highest praise. The pupils as well as Supt. Barnes should be highly commended for their efforts along this line.—Marion Veatch.

Were I a member of the Legislature with my present mind I would vote against a bill proposing to furnish free text books for our public schools but the affirmative side of the question as debated last Friday night clearly had the best of the contest. Miss Farley's effort was particularly good, brilliant indeed.—D. M. C. Gault.

What is worth doing at all is worth doing well.—W. C. Counter.

The recent debates by the high school have developed the fact that Cottage Grove has within her precincts, talent of no common order and possibly second to none. Of this we should all feel proud.—O. M. Kem.

A good debating team speaks greater words of praise for a school and town than almost anything and should receive the encouragement and support of all.—Katie A. Wilson.

Resolution of Respect and Condolence

Resolved: That in the death of our beloved brother, John C. Long, Cottage Grove Lodge No. 51 A. F. and A. M. has lost a worthy and true man and Mason, whose place will be hard to fill among his brethren, but whose life of strict morality and integrity will ever be cherished in the hearts and memories of the craft, and

Resolved: That the community of which he was an active part has laid away to rest an honest, upright and energetic citizen who was prominent and foremost in the conservative progress and welfare of the city and community in which he lived, and be it further,

Resolved: That this lodge appropriately draped in mourning for a period of thirty days in memory of our deceased brother, that a copy of these resolutions spread upon the minutes of this lodge, a copy furnished to local press for publication and a copy given to the bereaved family who have the deepest sympathy and condolence of all worthy men and Masons.

ANDREW BRIDGES,
 L. F. WOOLEY,
 GEO. AYKINSON,
 Committee.

JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE

Ladies' Long Coats	
Made in latest styles from wool fabrics. Prices cut as follows:	
\$25.00 Coat, Sale Price.....	\$18.00
18.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	12.50
16.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	9.00
14.50 " " " " " " " " " " " "	8.50
12.50 " " " " " " " " " " " "	8.00
10.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	6.00
7.50 " " " " " " " " " " " "	4.00
These are splendid values and positively must go as we do not intend to carry over any stock of previous season.	
Ladies' Furs	
Gordon & Ferguson	
\$3.50 Scarfs, Sale Price.....	\$2.25
2.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.35
5.00 Collarette and Scarf.....	3.25
3.75 Muff.....	2.25
5.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	3.25
6.50 " " " " " " " " " " " "	5.00
Late Style Morai Waists, reduced from \$7.00 to.....	
	\$5.50

Men's Sweater Coats	
\$2.50 All Wool, Sale Price.....	\$1.95
Colors, Silver, Oxford, Brown and Crimson.	
Children's Coats	
\$7.50 Bear Cloth Coats, Sale Price.....	\$4.50
4.75 " " " " " " " " " " " "	3.50
3.75 " " " " " " " " " " " "	2.50
2.50 " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.90
Misses' Long Coats	
In Assorted Colors and Styles	
\$8.50 Coats, Sale Price.....	\$6.50
6.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	4.25
5.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	3.25
4.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	2.75
3.50 " " " " " " " " " " " "	2.50
3.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	2.15
Nothing like keeping the girls warmly clad this cold weather and at these prices it should be easy.	

Cotton Blankets	
Wool Finish	
\$3.00 Blankets, Sale Price.....	\$2.50
2.50 " " " " " " " " " " " "	2.00
2.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.60
1.75 " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.45
1.50 " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.25
1.40 " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.15
1.25 " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.00
1.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	.75
Boy's Suits	
From mixed to all wool fabric, knicker-bocker trousers, double breasted coats.	
\$7.50 Suits, Sale Price.....	\$5.00
5.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	3.50
4.50 " " " " " " " " " " " "	3.00
4.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	2.75
3.50 " " " " " " " " " " " "	2.60
3.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	2.25
2.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.50
1.50 " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.00

Ladies' Long Coat Sweaters	
\$6.50 Sweaters, Sale Price.....	\$5.25
6.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	4.75
4.50 " " " " " " " " " " " "	3.75
Men's Outing Night Robes	
\$1.25 Night Robes, Sale Price.....	\$1.00
1.15 " " " " " " " " " " " "	.80
1.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	.80
.75 " " " " " " " " " " " "	.55
Men's Overcoats	
15% Off the line straight through. Every coat offered absolutely guaranteed to be all wool.	
\$18.00 Overcoats, Sale Price.....	\$15.30
16.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	13.60
14.00 " " " " " " " " " " " "	11.90
12.50 " " " " " " " " " " " "	10.60

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