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GOOD ROADS MEETING

County Organization Will be Effected.

EUGENESATURDAY

Delegates Will be Present From all Parts of the County.

Saturday a mass meeting will be held at the court house at Eugene for the purpose of organizing good roads association for Lane county. Meetings have been held at various places in the county during the past week, and delegates elected to this good roads convention, and a large attendance is anticipated.

Lorane elected the following delegates Wednesday:

I. P. Inman, J. Atkinson, M. B. Stone and R. C. Hoff.

Several will attend from Cottage Grove and other points in Lane County. It is a commendable and timely movement and should receive hearty encouragement and support.

Oglesby Family Reunion.

A reunion of the Oglesby family was held recently at the home of Mrs. Malissa Derrick, at Eddyville, Lincoln County, Or. All living members of the family were present with the exception of Mrs. Louisa Thompson, of Fossil, Or. The Oglesbys crossed the plains from Shelby county, Missouri, in 1853, and settled on the Coast Fork, near Cottage Grove. President Roosevelt might have listened with delight to the different brothers and sisters and an account of themselves and enumerated their descendants, as follows: Mrs. Sarah Knox, aged 73 of Josephine County, with 11 children, 49 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren; Dr. Oglesby, aged 77, with one child; Mrs. Malissa Derrick, aged 65, of Eddyville Ore., with 15 children, 25 grandchildren and one great-grandchild; A. J. Oglesby, aged 63, of Angory Or., with seven children and two grandchildren; Sylba Kohler, aged 57, of Tacoma, Wash., with five children and four grandchildren; Mrs. Luella Grant, aged 49, of Harlan, Or., with 10 children and one grandchild; Mrs. Louisa Thompson, aged 44, of Fossil, Ore., with four children.—Trans Pass Courier.

Grand millinery opening at the Cottage Grove Merchantile Co's. on Wednesday. Ladies all invited.

OREGON CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION COUNTY SEAT NOTES

Organized at Cottage Grove this Week in Interest of State's Industries.

BETTER LUMBER FREIGHT RATES WANTED

Monster Petition to S. P. Co.

—Entire State Is to Be Organized.

A very enthusiastic mass meeting of the business and professional men of Cottage Grove, together

with the proprietors of the various saw milling institutions of south Lane county was held in the Cottage Grove opera house last Saturday evening, for the purpose of discussing and effecting an organization with the object of trying to obtain a better lumber freight rate from the Southern Pacific, this industry having been practically demoralized in Western Oregon

drafted by the special committee.

THE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Cottage Grove in Mass Meeting Assembled:

Pursuant to instructions, the committee on organization, appointed at the meeting of citizens at Martin's hall on the evening of March 19, met at the appointed place of meeting in this city at 10 o'clock a.m., Monday, March 21, 1904.

Present, Chairman A. B. Wood, and committeemen R. M. Veatch, Dr. Lawbaugh, T. K. Campbell,

ee to work in conjunction with the Secretary, consisting of nine members, of which the President and Vice-Presidents of the association shall be ex-officio members.

We hereby recommend the following-named gentlemen be made officers of the permanent organization:

President, Herbert Eakin; first vice-president, R. M. Veatch; second vice-president, T. K. Campbell, third vice-president, H. O. Thompson; fourth vice-president, F. D. Wheeler; fifth vice-president, A. B. Wood; secretary C. J. Howard; treasurer, J. E. Young.

Moved and seconded that the committee secretary prepare a membership enrollment, and that the

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Prohibitionists Nominate a County Ticket.

NEW TELEPHONE LINE

Municipal Ownership of Lighting Plant Agitated at Eugene.

Mrs. Flora Bowder went to Cottage Grove Wednesday to visit with friends.

Mrs. Phillip Hohl returned to Cottage Grove Wednesday, after a short visit to her daughter Mrs. Mike Wald.

On Sunday evening, March 20th, an eleven-pound girl baby was born to the wife of Oscar L. Parsons, 685 Pearl street.

The farmers' telephone line from Dexter to Goshen is ready for public use as soon as the phones arrive and are put along the route.

The taxpaying element of Eugene seems to be enthusiastic over the prospect of city ownership of the electric light and waterwork system.

N. R. Gaylord, a well known merchant of this city, has purchased the old Minnesota Hotel property from A. C. Ruby, and will take possession about May 1th.

The Lane county Prohibition convention was held Wednesday afternoon and nominated their candidates for office as follows: Senator—S. B. Morss, Cottage Grove; Representatives—J. B. Lister, and W. T. Matlock of Eugene; G. L. Price, Irving; County Judge—L. B. Rowland, Eugene; Sheriff—Lucas Cowgill, Creswell; County commissioners—C. J. Hurd, and E. L. Gunn, of Irving; County clerk—A. F. Linn, S. Eugene; Treasurer—Geo. Lea, Cottage Grove; School superintendent—M. F. Horn, Eugene; Assessor—H. C. Bushnell, Junction; Coroner—Dr. G. F. Parks, Junction.

New School Grounds Surveyed.

The new sitely location donated by D. G. McFarland on which Cottage Grove's second school building is to be erected at a cost of about \$8,000, was surveyed and platted this week. It contained one and one-half acres and is a beautiful commanding location near the base of McFarland Butte. The application for a loan in the amount of the bonds voted has been placed with the state school board and as soon as obtained bids will be called for on the construction of the new building which will be completed in time for opening of the next school year in September.

Fac-Simile Petition Issued by Oregon Co-Operative Association No. 1 to the Southern Pacific Railroad Company

PETITION

MR. W. E. COMAN,
GEN'L F. & P. AGENT, S. P. R. R. Co.,
Portland, Oregon.

GREETING:

WHEREAS, The territory known as Western Oregon offers unlimited possibilities for a large population and many industries, and,

WHEREAS, Great efforts are being made by the people of the State, through the Lewis & Clark Centennial and the the Railroad Emigration Bureaus, to publish to the world the resources of Oregon and to encourage immigration and development of these resources, and,

WHEREAS, We believe that to accomplish this, settlers seeking homes here will be encouraged by signs of prosperity, and discouraged by lack of prosperity; and capital seeking opportunities will assist in the development of our industries only when conditions are such that they can be established on a permanently prosperous basis, we herewith present the following facts:

(1) The local freight rates are higher than those charged in other places for the same service under similar conditions.

(2) That during the past four years the lumber industry, under the rate of \$3.10 per ton to bay points, was extensively developed, and large sums of money were invested in the industry, many people becoming dependent on the same; that the rates recently imposed upon the lumber producers of Western Oregon are prohibitive, and that the imposing of said rates has caused the shutting down of the mills and destroying the value of all investments in this industry, and is paralyzing all business in this district.

(3) We believe that the prevailing condition of depression and lack of opportunity for labor to be employed, is due to our inability under present conditions of freight rates to compete with other sections of the country, and for the same reason we are unable to offer the same encouragement to home-seekers and capitalists that they can find elsewhere.

(4) We, therefore, petition the Southern Pacific Company for such modifications of the existing freight rates as will give relief.

In presenting you with the above facts, we urge that such relief be given at once.

OREGON CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION,

Per C. J. HOWARD, Secretary.

Dated at COTTAGE GROVE, OREGON, this 22d day of March, 1904.

ENDORSEMENT OF CITIZENS OF COTTAGE GROVE

We, the undersigned, residents and citizens of Oregon, being directly interested in the industrial development of Western Oregon, and believing that the present freight rates on both imports and exports, through and local, are higher than they should be, and believing that they should be modified to such an extent as to give all industries an equal opportunity in competition with other portions of the country; and believing that such course would result in material benefit to the Southern Pacific Company and meet with the hearty appreciation of the people of the State, do endorse the petition of the OREGON CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION.

(SIGNED BY LEADING CITIZENS.)

since the present prohibitive freight tariff went into effect January 1th., just at a time when the industry was just being revived from the demoralizing effects of the car shortage of last fall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor R. M. Veatch and a temporary organization was effected by the election of A. B. Wood as chairman and Frank H. Rosenberg as secretary.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED.

After much practical discussion a committee consisting of the following prominent and influential citizens of Cottage Grove was appointed to draft some line of procedure and plan of organization: A. B. Wood, manager O & S. E. railroad, chairman; C. J. Howard, postmaster, secretary; Hon. R. M. Veatch, mayor; Hon. Jas. Hemenway, merchant; T. K. Campbell, of the Pacific Timber Co. Dr. Lawbaugh, of Long & Bingham Lumber Co.

This committee was instructed to meet and prepare its report on Tuesday March 22, and present its report at the adjourned meeting to be held at the opera house Tuesday evening.

ADJOURNED MEETING, COMMITTEE REPORT
A larger and even more enthusiastic crowd assembled at the opera house on Tuesday than on the previous Saturday evening for the purpose of receiving the report of the special committee and perfecting organization. The meeting was called to order by temporary chairman A. B. Wood, who instructed temporary secretary Frank Rosenberg to read the report and petition

Jas. Hemenway and C. J. Howard. Chairman Wood presided and it was resolved upon motion by Mr. Campbell, that the following report be submitted at the adjourned citizens mass meeting:

It is the sense of this committee that a permanent organization be effected in this city, with a view to taking up such questions as may come before the organization from time to time, of vital importance to the great state of Oregon and the citizens thereof, and particularly, at this time, to take up the matter of traffic rates with the Southern Pacific Co., it being conceded that certain freight rates now imposed upon the lumber producers of the Willamette valley, are prohibitive, and that said action of said company and said rates imposed, has inforced the closing down of many mills, the reduction of the formerly large forces of mill men, and otherwise demoralizing and depreciating the lumber business, which is one of the most important industries in Western Oregon at the present time, as well as crippling the many other industries upon which the people throughout this section depend.

It was voted that the name of the permanent organization be the "Oregon Co-Operative Association, No. 1." The committee recommends that the association be provided with the following officers: President, 5 vice-presidents, secretary, (with power to appoint assistant,) and treasurer.

We recommend that the President appoint an Advisory Commit-

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