

COBURG VOTES ITSELF TO BE A MUNICIPALITY

Coburg is now a city, the election yesterday having gone heavily for incorporation. The vote was: For incorporation, 83; against, 29.

Geo. A. Drury is the first mayor and the selection is a good one. Mr. Drury has resided at Coburg many years and is one of the town's most prominent citizens. He will fill the office with credit to himself and the people of the new city.

The councilmen elected were as follows: M. C. Bond, John H. Harden, H. F. Backnum, John Matthews, Thomas Vanduy and Lea Jarnagin; recorder, Lester Stacey; marshal, Robert Ingram, and treasurer, G. B. Brentner.

The vote was as follows: For incorporation, 83; against, 29. Mayor—Geo. A. Drury, 59; Geo. Snyder, 52.

Algermen—G. O. Bassett, 51; M. C. Bond, 62; H. S. Backnum, 76; M. C. Burns, 47; John H. Harden, 71; Lea Jarnagin, 83; W. S. Leonard, 43; John Matthews, 66; F. B. Sackett, 55; Thos. Vanduy, 68; Jasper Wilkins, 31.

Recorder—N. N. Mathews, 51; Lester Stacey, 56.

Marshal—Robt. Ingram, 77; J. F. Walker, 32.

Treasurer—H. C. Bishop, 44; G. W. Brentner, 66.

LAME DEFENSE OF EDWARDS' RECORD

The Morning Register prints an inspired article defending County Commissioner H. D. Edwards for his disregard for the public interests. It asserts that when Edwards came into office the county was \$48,229.91 in debt and that this has been entirely wiped out by his acts—Mr. Edwards being referred to throughout the article as the entire county court. As a matter of fact, how was this alleged debt of \$48,229.91 wiped out? By a special levy of one mill on each dollar of taxable property in the county, which alone should have raised over \$30,000, and besides the state tax levy was two mills less than usual, thus giving them this additional sum to apply to the payment of the debt. This would indicate that it required something like \$90,000 to pay off a debt asserted by the Register to be but slightly in excess of \$48,000.

And what is the advantage gained by paying off the county debt if taxes are not materially reduced thereafter? Furthermore, the county is now out of money and will be \$75,000 behind at present rate of expenditure by the time tax money comes in again. The actually monthly shortage is now not less than \$7500 a month and it will be fully ten months before taxes are paid in again. Is the county really out of debt?

Mr. Edwards, and the Register continues to refer to him as the entire county court, has built bridges—over thirty of them during his administration, we are told by his champion. It is not mentioned, however, that these bridges have been built faster than there were roads to them. An example may be cited of the Horse Creek bridge on the road to Foley Springs, a structure built two years ago, to which there is no road and which is absolutely useless. This bridge has a span of some 70 feet in length and cost the taxpayers a good sum of money not to be used for any purpose at all. This might be submitted as a fair sample of the "business methods" in vogue since Mr. Edwards took charge of county affairs.

MATTER OF SALARY.

But the Register says that an attempt is being made to defeat Mr. Edwards by making "unreasonable statements." Is the publication of an official record an unreasonable statement? Take the matter of salary; the record shows that Mr. Edwards paid himself \$1301.75 during the same term that his colleague on the board, Mr. Hill, drew but \$795.90; that Mr. Edwards in less than two years past has increased his salary to \$1461.00, while his present colleague, Mr. Price, has received \$1087.05. Now, if this showing of the financial record of the clerk's office is an "unreasonable statement," will Mr. Edwards come forward with the official figures to disprove it?

Was it not a fact that during last winter while Mr. Edwards was in Eugene all the time he paid himself a regular salary of from \$30 to \$70 a month for attending to the county's business? What did he do to earn this salary and what right under the law did he have to cause it to be paid to him?

THE SPRINGFIELD ROAD.

The Register article attempts no de-

fense of Edwards' action in the matter of the blocking of the Springfield road by the S. P. railroad company. He allowed this corporation to construct four piers each two feet thick across the most traveled highway in Lane county, leaving for the public use only a passageway of thirteen feet diagonally across a county road.

Mr. Douglas, who is now fighting against Mr. Edwards for commissioner, as a taxpayer and a citizen employed an attorney, A. C. Woodcock, at his own expense and enjoined the company from proceeding, and later circulated a petition securing hundreds of signatures, protesting to the county court against the action of the railroad company. Edwards, after the presentation of the petition, promised Mr. Douglas in the presence of Eli Bangs to have an expert engineer pass upon the advisability of compelling the railroad company to leave a roadway of 25 feet, but he has failed to do so. He also promised Mr. Douglas and his attorney, Mr. Woodcock, to give them a hearing before the question should be decided. The court soon afterward gave L. C. Freedland, the railroad engineer, a hearing, together with his friends, without reasonably notifying Mr. Douglas or his attorney of the matter, and the court decided against the people.

The Merchants' Protective Association, seeing the seriousness of the matter, and the fatality of Mr. Douglas' efforts to protect the people's interests in this matter, appointed a committee of Eugene's leading citizens to protest to the court, but they were as powerless as Mr. Douglas had been to overcome the railroad company's influence. Both the Eugene Guard and the Eugene Register strongly disapproved of the action of the court in the matter editorially.

Why does Mr. Edwards' defender pass over such a matter as this without a word of comment or explanation?

FAKE TIMBER CRUISING.

The Register is also ominously silent in respect to the fake timber cruising deal by which the county court paid C. E. Roberts and Oscar Edwards \$1042.50, or about \$40 a day, for every day put in by them.

The records show that the Douglas county cruisers worked about four months, and reported that they had cruised thirteen hundred forty-seven and a half sections. Figuring that the cruisers averaged 25 days' work in a month, this would make an average of 13 sections cruised in a day. The utter ridiculousness of the proposition becomes apparent to any one that is familiar with the work of cruising. And it is not surprising that their report estimates some section as having 5,000,000 feet of merchantable timber that as a matter of fact have not a foot. But the county court, although the contract was not completed and performed as agreed, paid the cruisers, not the \$2 per section provided in the contract, but the full \$3 per section, making a total of the sum of \$1042.50.

This work was absolutely valueless because not a single estimate made is correct enough to be relied upon by the assessor or any other official. It was the rankest job ever perpetrated in this county and since the Register refers to Edwards as the county court, he should be held responsible for it.

If these are the alleged misrepresentations the Register talks about, then the county records must be at fault. All the facts and figures are substantiated by or actually taken from the public records.

GLENN BENEDICT DROWNED IN SIUSLAW RIVER

Glenn Benedict, son of Attorney and Mrs. E. E. Benedict, of Acme, jumped into the Siuslaw river a few rods from his home about eight o'clock Friday night and was drowned.

The young man had been mentally deranged for several years. His first attack of insanity came on in 1898 while he was in camp at San Francisco with a lot of recruits for Co. C, Second Oregon Volunteers, in the Philippines during the Filipino insurrection. He was brought home and grew better, but suffered from recurring attacks and was in the insane asylum at Salem recently.

Young Benedict's parents saw him jump into the water, but he had drowned before they could render assistance. At last accounts the body had not been recovered. The young man was aged about 32 years.

Maud Workman, a neglected girl of 16 or 17 years old, the daughter of a widow residing in Eugene, was taken to the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society at Portland this morning by Mrs. Geo. B. Kelly, local agent for the society, the girl having been committed by Judge Chrisman yesterday.

BODY OF J. M. HOWELL FOUND IN MOUNTAINS

Monday's Daily Guard

A telephone message was received from the upper McKenzie country by Undertaker W. T. Gordon Sunday evening about seven o'clock informing him that the dead body of J. M. Howell, the mining prospector, who disappeared from the Blue River mines a week ago, had been found. Mr. Gordon was instructed to notify Coroner Day, but as that official is now on his way to Europe, Deputy District Attorney J. M. Williams' authorized Justice of the Peace Frank Myson, of Blue River, to hold an inquest over the remains.

The body was found about two miles east of the Lucky Boy power house at Blue River Saturday morning. It lay in a clump of brush and as there were no evidences of a fall or of violence it is presumed that death resulted from an attack of heart failure, as he was known to be troubled that way.

HAD BEEN MISSING A WEEK.

Mr. Howell disappeared on Sunday, May 20. He left here with Thos. Scott for the mines three weeks ago yesterday. They left their horses at C. D. Edwards' place at Blue River and camped in the Grading cabin, nine miles above Blue River, while they engaged in prospecting. On Sunday, May 20, Howell told Scott that he would go down and get one of the horses and take his bedding to East Quartz creek, where there were some claims that he would like to look up. He took one of the saddles and started up the hill from the Lucky Boy power house. He was last seen by the men at work there. Mr. Scott left on the same day for Eugene, returning to Blue River Tuesday afternoon. He then learned of Mr. Howell's disappearance and at once set out to look for him. They followed his tracks up the hill, but darkness soon came on and the search was given up till the next day, when a party was made up. They could see his tracks in several places, but could not follow them as the nature of the ground is such that no definite trail was made. They found his saddle where he had cached it behind a log. From the appearance and location of the tracks it is evident that the man had difficulty in trying to catch the horse and failed to do so.

WAS A PIONEER.

Mr. Powell was an early Oregon pioneer, having come across the plains with his parents, Mrs. and Mrs. John Howell, in 1843, in what is said to have been the first wagon train to reach Oregon. They settled in Marion county in the country now known as Howell Prairie. The deceased came with his wife and four small children to Eugene September 19, 1905. They reside at 24 Lincoln street. The deceased was born in Indiana on May 7, 1835, being aged 71 years and 12 days at the time of his disappearance, the exact death date of his death not being known. He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ, or the latter Day Saints. He was married in 1862.

Irving Items

Irving, May 23.—Mrs. Frank Goodman, of Springfield, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Bates last Friday, she having come to attend the closing exercises of the Irving school.

Miss Georgia Aubrey went to Linn county last week for a short visit.

Mrs. Thos. Gray and son Arthur were in Irving last Wednesday.

P. W. Green and family spent Sunday in Springfield.

Miss Ethel Ward returned to Portland Monday after having attended the wedding of her brother Elbert and Miss Kinyon Saturday evening.

Walter Day was a visitor in Irving Monday.

Will Whitney went to Goshen Monday afternoon. From there he will go to Fall Creek, where he will visit his grandparents.

W. L. Wheeler, of Pleasant Hill, was in the city today. He informed the Guard that while coming down the Coast Fork about three miles above Goshen this morning he saw floating in the stream a kitchen table, a trunk, a number of loaves of bread and in fact nearly everything used in a kitchen except a stove. A platform about 16 feet square was also floating down the river. Evidently some campers or loggers were taken by surprise by the sudden rise in the river and their effects being near the tanks of the stream were swept away.

Mr. Wheeler says the Coast Fork was much higher than the main river, and was a roaring torrent when he crossed it this morning.

FOR SALE—A high-grade Farrand & Votey organ, cost \$125, good as new. Call at Kay's Gun Store.

Personal.

Monday's Daily Guard

Miss Marguerite Brund and brother Rudolph, of Florence, were in Eugene Saturday on their way to Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. G. Gross are home from a trip to Eastern Washington. They will go to the Alberta country later on.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Lewis returned yesterday from Saguinaw, where they packed their household goods for shipment to Eugene.

Mrs. Edith Burns came up from Portland Saturday night and is visiting at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hoffman.

Clarence Foss, for four years in the United States marine hospital service, arrived here yesterday afternoon and left on the morning train for Tacoma, where his folks now reside. He enlisted with Sherwood Burr and Paul Green, who have also returned home.

Tuesday's Daily Guard.

H. A. Cox came down from Creswell this afternoon on business.

Miss Winnie Morgan returned today from a visit at Cottage Grove.

Wm. Mayben and family, of Leaburg, spent last night in the city.

D. P. Sheridan, a prominent farmer of Walker, arrived down on the train this afternoon.

W. R. Blanchard, of Mabel, and John West, of Marcola, were among the Mohawk people spending last night in Eugene.

Gus Perret, of Yoncalla, who has been visiting here, left today for Vancouver, Wash., to play baseball with Carl King and Elmer Paine.

Mrs. Thomas Pearce came down from Cottage Grove yesterday afternoon to visit friends.

Goshen Items

Goshen, May 30.—Friday night, May 18, an invitation dance in honor of Miss Edith Bishop was given in the Stewart hall.

The S. P. Co. has had a number of men here at work tearing down the water tank which has been here for the past six or seven years.

Kaleigh Roney has returned from his visit to the grand lodge in Portland.

Mrs. N. A. Stewart, of this place, is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Jackson, in Cottage Grove.

There has been a work train here gathering up the light rails that were replaced by heavy ones in March.

Elmer Allen was seen on our streets last Thursday.

Our school was out last Friday. The principal, Miss Doane, is visiting with her sister at Pleasant Hill.

Miss Parks, the other teacher, returned home Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Wallis, of Creswell, visited with Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Sunday.

Very few of the Goshenites went to the Pleasant Hill picnic on account of the bad weather.

Rev. N. J. Crawford will preach his farewell sermon here Tuesday evening, June 5.

A gentleman of this neighborhood escorting two ladies called at the depot Saturday last week to procure transportation to Baker City, Or. Finding the train late and the pangs of hunger assailing him he left his charges at the depot and meandered over to the hotel and sat down to his dinner. He had just begun to enjoy the delicious viands when the landlord exclaimed: "Here comes your train." The gentleman very deliberately rose, took his tile and composedly proceeded to the station, reaching which he saw his train disappearing in the distance bearing the ladies with it. Looking blankly after it a moment he exclaimed: "Laura ought to have waited."

Born

To Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Traver, in Eugene, Friday, May 25, 1906, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Al Higgins, at Springfield, Monday, May 21, 1906, a daughter.

Wool Wanted

Your wool wanted at the highest price at the Eugene Woolen Mills.

Notice

I hereby appoint Frank Armstrong as Deputy Stock Inspector for Lane county in my absence.

J. CHRISTIE,
Deputy Stock Inspector.

Of course a leathery complexion made unbecomingly by eruptions is called for a general reform in living. The diet should be plenty of Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea, 35 cents, tea or tablets. Linn Drug Co.

CUT THE BIG "R" BELOW OUT; write three letters after it; wait until next issue and see if you guessed correctly.

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If correct it will be what you have just done, what all loyal citizens do with the Guard every week. It will be the name of a color, one of Eugene's PROFESSIONAL MEN'S NAME, a part of a clarinet, used in an organ, John the Baptist asked the people if they went out to see.

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The three varieties of the French class are the Houdan, La-Fleche, and the Houdan. Of these the Houdans are considered to be the most valuable, being bred to a great extent for exhibition purposes. They are hardy and prolific layers of large, white, and the flesh is tender and delicious. The chicks are vigorous and feather rapidly. They are non-sitters and light footed. In the Houdans, they may be fed a small amount of corn and a larger amount of wheat. They are of medium size and of a more compact build than the La-Fleche. The crest of the Houdan is a large, upright crest, crest of cock is large, well fitted upon the neck, falling backward upon the neck, and composed of feathers of various colors and texture to those on the back. The crest of the Houdan is a pinkish-white color. The standard weight of cock is 10 pounds, cockerels 6 pounds and pullets 5 pounds. Eggs and stock for sale. C. S. FRANK, 120 E. First.

A Good Sheriff

(Springfield News, Ind.)

If capability, clean record, fair dealing in office with justice to all and partiality to none counts for anything the result of the election in June for sheriff of Lane county is a foregone conclusion. Sheriff Fisk may justly feel proud of his record that he presents to the people of Lane county as a testimonial in his behalf for their endorsement. In the apprehension of criminals, the proper care of prisoners, in the service of circuit court papers and proper returns thereon, in the collection of three quarters of a million dollars in tax money and its proper distribution, Sheriff Fisk invites the closest scrutiny of his record and books by any taxpayer or committee who may be disposed to examine the same. The experts employed by Lane county have ever found Sheriff Fisk's records, tax

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