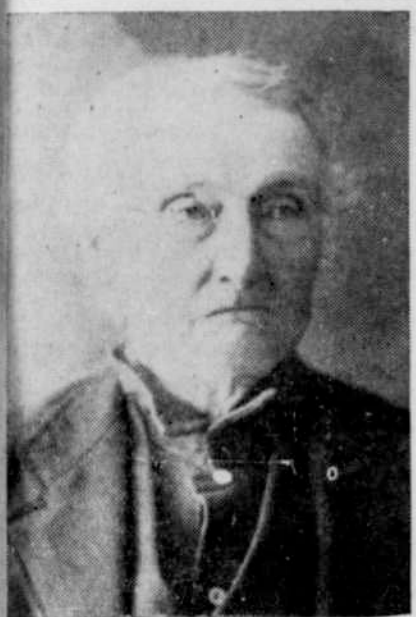




WASHINGTON CO.'S OLDEST VOTER

O. C. Thornburg of Forest Grove, is Probably Oregon's Most Aged Registered Elector.

The oldest voter in Washington county and probably in the state is a resident of South Forest Grove precinct. He is O. C. Thornburg, now in his ninety-fourth year, but hale and hearty. Mr. Thornburg attributes his longevity to the mildness of the Oregon climate.



He was born in Jefferson county, Tennessee, in 1812 where he spent his boyhood. He drove across the plains to Oregon in 1862 from Iowa, where he had lived for 18 years. He married when but a youth and has a great-grandchild, Fred Thornburg of this city. Mr. Thornburg had six children, three of whom are now living, B. C. Thornburg of Keokuk, Iowa; Mrs. Rachel Mills of Blue Jacket, Oklahoma and Ambrose Thornburg of Forest Grove.

O. C. Thornburg lived in the Greenville neighborhood, where he was engaged in farming since 1863, until he came to Forest Grove a few years ago to make his home with his son. He cast his first presidential ballot in 1836 and has been a Republican since that party was founded. He still is interested in politics and registered last week so as to be able to take part in the primaries. By courtesy of the Oregon Daily Journal, we are able to present our readers a cut of Mr. Thornburg.

LEAGUE TO MEET HERE

Willamette Development League will Meet in Forest Grove Next June

At its last session Thursday afternoon Forest Grove was selected as the next meeting place by the Willamette Valley Development League. The date will be during the month of June. Among the resolutions passed were: Favoring free locks at Oregon City; for civic improvement; encouragement of home industries; that officers be elected at the next meeting at Forest Grove; for a smelter at Portland, and a general resolution of thanks. The attendance was 450 delegates and the meetings were large and enthusiastic.

Former Resident Made Recorder.

O. R. Downs, formerly of Forest Grove, has been appointed deputy recorder of the city of St. Johns on account of the illness of Recorder J. W. Hanks, who has recently undergone a surgical operation. A salary of \$40 a month remunerates the officer for his work.

Notice

Will run my Feed mill every Saturday at Rasmussen's Feed store.
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ORDINANCE ENACTED

City Council Declares What Will Constitute a Nuisance—Provides for Its Abatement

Night Watchman Made Deputy, Voted Salary—Library Board Appointed—Present Sidewalk Ordinance

At a meeting of the city council held Saturday evening all the councilmen were present except S. B. Starrett. The meeting was called primarily to consider an ordinance which should declare what constitutes a nuisance. A bill for that purpose was presented by Councilman L. L. Hollinger and the same was given two readings.

A few minor items of business were then considered.

A bunch of seven boys were rounded up by the marshal and brought to the council chambers as violators of the curfew ordinance. The boys were not aware of such an ordinance and the recorder after a short lecture ordered them to go home immediately.

In looking over various ordinances it was found that Ordinance No. 126 condemns among other things the carrying of concealed weapons and fixes the penalty to a fine of not less than \$5 and not more than \$50.

Marshal J. G. Lenneville recommended J. J. Berner to be appointed deputy marshal. The choice was ratified by the council and a salary of \$10 was voted him so long as he retains his position as night watchman. Heretofore the night watchman had no power to arrest and received for compensation only the amount subscribed by the business men.

A 'phone was ordered placed in the marshal's place of business.

A continued session was held Monday evening. The roll call showed the absence of Councilmen S. B. Starrett and B. H. Laughlin. The Hollinger nuisance bill was read for final passage and enacted into Ordinance No. 148. It defines a nuisance and provides for the abatement thereof, also the punishment for its violation and defines duties of marshal and recorder in the enforcement of said ordinance.

Any place, building or room used for the purpose of storing liquors, or which is frequented by persons for the purpose of drinking, the same is declared a nuisance.

Any individual, or corporation, or club that maintains such a nuisance shall be fined not less than \$20 or more than \$100 or be imprisoned in the city jail not less than 9 days nor more than 30 days or by both such fine and imprisonment. Stockholders in any club or persons who frequent a place where a nuisance is maintained shall be fined not less than \$5 nor more than \$20.

The city marshal's duty shall be to inspect all places in which he has reason to believe any nuisance is being carried on. If refused admission he is authorized to break down doors and to enter by force if need be. He can call any male citizen to assist him in the investigation of such places and in making arrests. A citizen by refusing places himself liable to a fine not less than \$1 or more than \$5.

It shall be the duty of recorder to order the abatement of a nuisance when the same has been proved to exist and the marshal shall execute such order.

The Civic Improvement Society which is maintaining a free reading room had representatives appear before the city council to ask for the appointment of a library board in accordance with the state law. Mayor Peterson, as requested, appointed a board to consist of the following persons: A.

G. Hoffman, from the city council, Mrs. A. F. Rogers, Mrs. L. L. Hollinger, Prof. J. W. Marsh, Principal E. Allen and Rev. H. Boyd. This appointment does not place new obligations upon the city but the board must be composed of responsible parties in order that the local reading room might become a member of the state traveling library. The Civic Improvement Society is now contributing more than \$25 a month for the maintenance of the reading room. With the appointment of this board, books will be sent here every six months by the state library commission thus adding much to the value of the reading room. The council also passed a resolution voting a monthly light bill of 100-candles for the use of the room, which will amount to \$1.

A bill was presented by Councilman Hollinger defining certain sidewalks which when built or repaired hereafter are to be made either of concrete, cut stone, brick or any such material. This will include the sidewalks on Main street as far north as the Dillys property and on the west side it extends to the corner of the Bates property as far south as First street and on the east side from Stribich's building to the livery barn; on Pacific Pacific avenue from A street to Second street; on College Way along the campus and on the west side as far as the Leabo residence; on First Avenue North starting from the campus to a street on both sides of the said avenue.

The library board held a meeting Tuesday. Mrs. Hollinger and Rev. Boyd will serve one year; Prof. Allen and A. G. Hoffman, two years; Prof. Marsh and Mrs. Rogers, three years. Rev. H. Boyd was chosen president. Prof. Allen, secretary; Miss E. B. Penfield, treasurer. The State Library Commission has been notified that Forest Grove wished to become a member of the Circulating Library. The books coming from that source will be distributed each Saturday from the hours of 10 a. m. to 3 p. m. to non-residents as well as residents of Forest Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Shogren of Portland visited relatives here Sunday.

Our harness and horse goods are of a fine grade. You can easily pay more elsewhere, for these identical goods. See Bowman's shop, Pacific Avenue.

A Request

The News would request that all of its correspondents sign their name to their news-letters. Kindly write on but one side of the paper and send your items so as to reach here Tuesday. We want a correspondent in every neighborhood throughout Washington county. If we have no representative in your locality, that is, if you notice no items from your community, feel at liberty to send us a weekly budget of news. It is with pleasure that we notice a renewed zeal on the part of our correspondents.

Died

Perry Bailey, son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Bailey died Sunday at Salem. The remains were brought home for burial; the services being held in the Presbyterian Church at Buxton, Rev. J. Garrigus conducting the services. Deceased leaves two brothers besides his parents to mourn his early death. His age was 28 years and two months.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Odell have sent The News Los Angeles papers for which the management is very grateful. "Heaping coals of fire on their heads" may apply to the treatment by Los Angelenos accorded to the Oregonians. The visitors came here with the intention of doing all in their power to boost Oregon—at the expense of Los Angeles or otherwise. So powerful is the spell of Southern California that it is believed many of the visitors are being converted to believing in its excellencies.—Los Angeles Express.

READY TO BEGIN WORK

United Railways Company and Forest Grove Transportation Company Will Begin Work.

Carloads of Rails Arrive in Portland for Line to Forest Grove.—Local Company is Also Active.

The United Railways Company, which succeeded the Oregon Traction Company appears to mean business. Twelve carloads of steel rails for the construction of the Portland-Forest Grove electric railway, is an indication that construction of this proposed line will begin at an early date. Work, it seems, is to begin as soon as the rails can be distributed and men procured to rush the road to completion. This first lot of 75 pound steel rails will probably cover a distance of 14 miles. President Larrabee has stated that other lots are to be received as soon as shipment can be effected. The company is anxiously waiting for the Portland council to grant them a franchise.

The Forest Grove Transportation Company has recently incorporated. The board of directors chosen is as follows: E. W. Haines, George E. Hancock, F. A. Watrous, John Templeton, George L. Naylor, J. E. Loomis and W. H. Hollis. The election of officers resulted thus: E. W. Haines, president; J. E. Loomis, vice-president; George Hancock, treasurer; W. H. Hollis, secretary.

The officers of the local company state that the work on the trolley line from the depot to the business part of the city is to be pushed forward vigorously. W. H. Lyda will probably furnish the ties. An engineer will be out the first of the week to make plans and prepare estimates of material needed for the line. Already the matter of purchasing cars has been considered. A passenger car, a trailer and a freight car will be secured. It was thought at first not to purchase a trailer until the traffic of the road made it imperative but some of the directors who are well informed as to the number of passengers that come and go from the depot think it will be a saving in the long run to buy the trailer now. The passenger car will have seats for about thirty-six persons but in case of a rush it could accommodate fifty persons. Today ties are being hauled and doubting Thomases need to wake up and believe that the road is a reality. The rails have also been ordered. Secretary W. H. Hollis has notified Recorder Clark that the company accepted the terms of the franchise as granted by the old council.

Seal Doane of Groveland Farm recently sold two spans of horses, to Friedland Bros., of Portland, consideration \$1,100. They were raised by T. G. Todd.

Thinks Oregon Excels Alberta.

The advantages of Oregon as stock raising state have impressed themselves upon C. W. Thompson of Nebraska, who lately sold out a stock ranch in that state for \$30,000, with the intention of going to Alberta and engaging in the stock business there. He is now in Portland after visiting Alberta and has decided this state is much preferable to the Canadian provinces for the cattle business. He has purchased property in Portland and will buy and ship cattle, with his headquarters at Portland.—Ex.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

D B Brummagin et ux to Martin Knudson 2.93 acres sec 17 t 2 s 1 w \$ 50
Charles D. Shaver et ux to Wm E Shaver et al 30 acres in S Richardson d l c 1700
D J Buckley to Adeline Peck lots 8 and 10 block 18 Cornelius 700
J Garrigus et ux to Arad B Garrigus 50 acres in sec 14 t 2 n r 4 w (and other land) 1000
J Garrigus et ux to Mary F Garrigus 40 acres sec 12 t 2 n r 4 w 100
G A Smith to W A Bellinger tract in E Walker d l c 400
William Hanson et ux to E. B. Goughnour 2.75 acres in sec 16 t 2 s 2 w 110
John & Philip Krouse to Philip Bonn 105 a in sec 1 t 2 s r 2 w 700
Mary A S Donelson et al to A M Grubbs 10 a in the B H Catching d l c 300
Godfried Schaumburg et ux to B G Leedy part of sec 18 and other lands 12500
Jane M Smith to Priscilla Ridgely part of block 2 Brantford add 200
Carl Meier to Wolfuan Meier et al to 20 a in Noland d l c t 1 s 2 w 400
A C Brown to Joseph A Leiter 1/2 int in 80 a in sec 2 and 3 t 1 s r 3 w 250
Karl Elwert et ux to Fred Elwert 30 a in sec 25 t 2 s 2 w 2000
Wm J Thornburg et ux to M Schramel 80 a sec 6 t 2 n r 4 w 1000

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Edward Bullock and Octavia Vo Wasmer, Herbert Ulery and Mary Miller.

PROBATE COURT

Est of G W Ebberts dec'd. Ordered that John Bohart be removed as administrator and J. C. Wilson be appointed. Bond fixed at \$800. Bond filed and approved. Guardianship of Colfelt minors. Sale of real estate confirmed.

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