

# WASHINGTON COUNTY NEWS

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## W. WILL SUE FOR BALANCE OF ACCOUNT

Via's and Pete Peterson's Bills "Knifed" By County Court.

## OTHER PHYSICIANS INDIGNANT

Diphtheria Case at Brick-yard Causes All the Trouble—County Court Censured.

The county court laid itself open to considerable criticism as quite recently in Forest Grove Monday, and which will in all probability result in a recovery of a balance of account. The recent case of diphtheria at the home of Pete Peterson, the brickyard man, as caused all the trouble. The man was the victim of the disease and a county charge when he arrived here without money or friends. W. P. Via was called and worked vigorously to save the man's life. The premises were quarantined not only detaining Peterson from his business but laying himself and family to contraction of the disease. After the man's death, they had their bedding and clothing of him and otherwise fumigated the premises. For all these services bills presented to the county court for Dr. Via's bill was \$60 and Peterson's was for \$80. The court, however, took the matter in its hands and allowed Dr. Via \$30 and Peterson \$45. These gentlemen indignantly at the action of the court assert freely that it is another knife cut into this end of the county. Opinions from three other physicians at Hillsboro, are to the effect that the bills presented were not exorbitant and should not have been "knifed." At the services—and detriment to the profession while handling a contagious case—would not have been fully compensated for at the prices paid, besides they say: "who would a case of diphtheria in their house

## NO REFERENDUM VOTE WILL BE HAD

Judge Galloway's Decision Annuls All Efforts

## WARNING CLAUSE OMITTED

Petitions Were not Properly Prepared Hence the Whole Work Is Undone.

Salem, Or.,—Judge William Galloway rendered a decision in the referendum cases last Wednesday holding that all the petitions are fatally defective for the reason that they do not contain the warning clause, as required by the act of the last legislature. The petitions affected by the two filed by the States Grange against the Army appropriation and the compulsory pass law, the petition filed by the Multnomah County Court against the Sheriff's board-of-prisoners bill, and the petition filed by Eugene Palmer and C. H. Walker against the University of Oregon appropriation bill. He made permanent the temporary writs of injunction in the cases of the Sheriff's act and dismissed the temporary writ of mandamus against Secretary of State in the case of the State University appropriation act. As to the latter, the judge also held that it was fatally defective because it omitted part of the title of the bill. In brief, Judge Galloway holds that the Legislature had authority under the initiative and referendum amendment to prescribe the manner in which the petitions shall be prepared and presented, that the warning clause is an important feature of the petition for it serves to prevent illegal signing, that while it might be permissible to vary from the form of the clause as set forth in the law, yet a total omission of the clause is such a serious variance as to amount to a failure of compliance, and the petition is therefore invalid. The cases will undoubtedly be appealed to the Supreme Court.

## ELECTED QUEEN OF OREGON



Mrs. Mary R. L. Wood, Aged 120 Years.

Mrs. Wood was Crowned Queen of Oregon by Hon. Geo. H. Williams at Portland, July 4. She lives at Hillsboro.

(Mat by courtesy of Portland Journal.)

## JULY 4TH OVER THE COUNTY.

The Fourth of July celebrations held in this county went off with but few mishaps, and from everyone comes word of the excellent times had on the natal day. The weather was ideal.

### AT CARLTON

Quite a crowd went up to Carlton for the celebration the Fourth and report a quiet but enjoyable time. There were no dance halls or steam merry-go-rounds and it was more like a big picnic than a Fourth of July celebration. However, there was an old fashioned horse swing that slaughtered the coin from dawn till night put a stop to reveling. All the stands did a land office business. The log rolling in the lake was one of the most entertaining features of the program. Two loggers mounted the floating timber and set it to whirling with the rapidity of lightning almost, and one of the contestants was damped three times only to climb back again onto the log, while his opponent stuck fast. The lake was a drawing card and had some one put several steam launches on the water instead of one he could have reaped the coin.

### WATT GROVE

The celebration held in the Watt Grove, July Fourth, passed off very pleasantly. A basket dinner was held at noon and afterwards exercises, consisting of invocation by Rev. Hall, excellent addresses by Senator E. W. Haines and Rev. Sias of Forest Grove, and vocal music by Messrs De Moss, Gardner and Mr. Davis of Eugene, Ore., were given and appreciated by all. R. Holscher and D. Bleed conducted a doll rack and shooting gallery and L. Van Kirk a refreshment stand and all were well patronized. The proceeds from the refreshment stand were given to the Sunday School to pay off the indebtedness on their organ. The various races and a parade by the Rag Muffins also furnished amusement. A dance at Rockefeller Hall in the evening closed the pleasures of the day.

### AT BUXTON

W. G. Hare was the orator of the day at Buxton and he made a great hit with the audience. Mr. Hare got seven years of his training at P. U. and finished the law department of Michigan University, his training and natural ability make him a splendid orator. The Forest Grove Band furnished music from morning till nightfall, and the songs by the girls of the community were beautiful. Miss Maisie O'Donnell read the Declaration of Independence. A parade, Liberty car, races and Grecian games were the features of the program. About 300 Greeks, who are working on the P. R. and N. railroad, amused the celebrators with Olympic sports, stone throwing, jumping and races.

### AT HILLSBORO

Hillsboro had a big crowd of well satisfied people the Fourth and it was an orderly throng too. The balloon ascension was one of the prettiest ever witnessed and was decidedly unusual in that the bag went straight up into the air and the parachute followed almost the same course down, lighting within a hundred yards from where the rope was cut. "Bill" Smith won the broncho bucking contest and got a prize of \$25. This proved to be real exciting. The



George H. Williams.

buggy race was won by Fred and Will Wilson of Gales Creek.

### AT VERBOORT

Verboort ate, drank and was merry the whole day long. There was no regular program but the picnickers had a jolly time in Kreager's Grove, talking and feasting, and dancing in the hall.

### AT GALES CREEK

S. S. Dalles was the speaker of the day at Gales City where about 150 people gathered and had a good time. The girls were dressed up for the occasion and marched and sang. There were two stands at which the old were made young again and the young happy. Races were the leading features of the day. Everybody reports a good time.

### House Burned Down.

That it is the little things in life that count was amply proved at Gales City last Saturday when the house of Wm Caruthers was completely destroyed by fire as the result of a little post-Fourth celebration by the boys. They had been lighting firecrackers and throwing them up into the air and it is thought that one of them alighted on the roof and was the cause of the conflagration. For, as Mr. Caruthers was returning to the barn after the mid-day meal he noticed the fire started on the side of the house where the boys had been shooting the crackers, and there was no fire in the house from which the blaze could have caught.

The house was dry as tinder and was soon enveloped with flames as Mr. Caruthers could not get to the fire to put it out. Nothing was saved but a few minor articles and the loss was complete with no insurance.

To illustrate how excited a person will become at a fire, a neighbor came over and grabbing the tablecloth with all the dishes he dashed them out against the picket fence and broke the whole outfit almost.

### The New's New Feature.

The News management is not leaving a stone unturned to make this the best paper in this section of the state. The last acquisition to be made to its already live features is a correspondent at Hillsboro the county seat, who will each week report every item of news from the court house, that our readers may be in the closest touch with the doing at the county capital. This addition to our newsy paper linked with the picture feature which no other paper in the county has, gives our readers assurance that if it isn't in The News it never happened.

## PROF. MARSH'S CHAIR AT P. U. IS FILLED

Professor Frank C. Taylor of Nebraska Has Been Chosen.

## COMES WELL RECOMMENDED

Coach Hahn Will Teach International and Commercial Law—Other College Notes.

Professor Frank C. Taylor of Nebraska has been engaged by Pacific University to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Professor Joseph W. Marsh from the chair of ancient languages.

Mr. Taylor is a graduate of the University of Nebraska from which institution he took his Master's degree. Under his principalship Weeping Water Academy was built up to be a thriving school and he is recognized to be one of the foremost educators of Nebraska. President Ferrin has known of him and followed his work for some time. He has been a student in the University of Chicago.

While the friends of the institution regret sincerely to see Prof. Marsh give up the work he has performed so long and so well they will be glad to have his chair filled by such a capable man as Prof. Taylor.

Mr. Taylor has a wife and four children and will arrive in this city sometime in August.

Principal Bates left the first of the week for Seattle to attend the International Christian Endeavor Convention.

Archie Hahn will teach international and commercial law, besides his duties as athletic trainer at the college. Mr. Hahn will be amply able to take charge of the law classes as he is a graduate of the law department of Michigan University.

President Ferrin reports that he is receiving letters and cards every day from members of the "push club" who are out for a greater student body, and from the present indications there will be a good increase in attendance over last year.

### Was Jake's Dance a Hoodoo?

All those who attended the dance given last Saturday evening at Jake Buxton's near Thatcher, report a very enjoyable time. The affair was held in the new barn and the floor was capital for the light fantastic. About fifty people were present and both round and square dances were the events of the evening. Ira Bradley took a hack load of people and many went in single rigs from here.

On the way back three different parties had mishaps with their buggies just outside of town. The rig of C. N. Johnson broke down and threw the occupants out, and they were compelled to abandon their vehicle and drive home in a wagon.

It was not long till another party passed and his horse shied at the buggy by the roadside and broke away from the buggy leaving it behind.

Chet Johnson was the next victim of misfortune, but he did not get off as well as the other two, his buggy being quite badly smashed up. No other accidents are recorded.

### Bad Accident in Sawmill.

Jasper Hall, who is in the employ of the Big Four Lumber Company of Scoggin Valley, suffered a broken arm, a gash in the side and almost lost his life as the result of an accident at the sawmill Tuesday afternoon caused by the governor belt on the engine breaking, losing all control of the machinery. The unlimited speed was too much for one of the drive wheels and it suddenly burst and the pieces flew in all directions, a piece striking him on the arm and breaking it and another piece striking him in the side, cutting off a portion of his hip bone.

Two other millmen were standing near by and it is miraculous that some of them were not killed. Dr. Brown of this city, was summoned and dressed the wounds.

One flying piece struck a cast demolishing it and had it not been for this several workmen who were near would have sustained serious injuries.

Miss Helen James of Portland, was the guest of Mrs. John E. Bailey of this city for several days last week and returned home Monday. Miss James formerly lived with her parents in this city and was a student at the University.

## COUNTY SEAT NEWS LETTER

Commissioners in Regular Session and Transact Much Business.

## TO REMODEL COURT HOUSE

Petitions for New Roads Heard and Many Bridges Repaired—Usual Gist of Bills—Other Notes.

The County commissioners met in regular monthly meeting at Hillsboro, Wednesday, July 3, all being present. After going over the routine work and allowing a small lot of bills, an adjournment was taken until after the Fourth at which time the balance of the county business was transacted.

The Scholls bridge was accepted and an order for the amount drawn for the contract price. The work on the bridges known as the Olson, Glencon, Ross, Reeves, Pollock bridges be accepted, also that of the Holcombe bridge.

Report of Recorder of Conveyances of fees for June for \$409.90 was accepted. Report of County Clerk Godman fees for June of 166.25 accepted.

Coroner's report of death of G. W. Olds accepted and fees ordered paid also that of the death of John Lexas. Fees in case of State vs. Emmerston in justice court, allowed.

Bonds of J. B. Imlay, Geo. A. Brown, Geo. N. Bagley, warehouse, approved. Petition of Peter Schumer for refundment of taxes granted, it being found that taxes were twice paid. Bills in case of state vs. D. E. Robinson, justice court allowed.

Warehouse bond of G. B. Buchanan & Co. was approved.

Road petition of J. W. Haines, et al, Beaver, was ordered that the road be changed and established as per petition at expense of petitioners.

Road petition of C. True, of Middleton, et al, is ordered received and overseers appointed. It is further ordered that J. W. Sewell, John Borwick and A. A. Morrill county surveyors be appointed as viewers to meet at the residence of C. True on Wednesday, July 17, '07 at 10 o'clock a. m. view and locate such road. Petition of T. W. Sain et al, Gaston, for road was denied. Chris Christianson was appointed supervisor of Road district, No. 22.

### REMODEL COURT HOUSE.

The interior of the court house is to be remodeled in some departments, rooms made larger and offices changed around to better suit the convenience of the officers and public. The most needed improvement is to be made in the sheriff's office where the vault will be taken out a door and window cut through and the removal of the treasurer's office. This will give the sheriff a private office besides making it more convenient for the people who pay taxes. The treasurer's office will be moved into the room occupied by County Surveyor Walker and Walker is to be moved upstairs into the jury room. This will give the surveyor advantage of good light for mapping and platting, while the treasurer will be comfortable in the surveyor's old office.

### CONDENSERS' ASSESSMENT RAISED.

The two milk condensers have had their tax assessments raised by Assessor Wilcox in the aggregate from \$33,950 to an even \$100,000. The Hillsboro plant's last year assessment was \$12,200 and this year it was raised to \$35,000, for the bare plant, as there was no stock on hand when the assessment was made March 1st. The Forest Grove plant was last year assessed at \$21,750 and this year it was raised to \$65,000, including \$15,000 more stock on hand. It will be seen that the assessments were materially raised, and "owing to the fact," says the assessor, "that the plants have been protected while in their infancy that they might become established," he considered them now able to pay an equitable taxation.

### PROBATE COURT

Estate of T. J. King deceased. Certain personal property set apart to widow, Mary L. King, and other personal property ordered sold to pay claims and cost of administration.

Estate of Geo. A. Gore deceased. Administrator ordered to execute deed to Frances L. Gore on payment of \$2250.

Estate of Raymond Dixon deceased. Jacob Dixon appointed administrator. Bonds \$250. E. A. Dixon, J. W. Sherwood and S. L. Carlie appointed appraisers of estate.

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## FOREST GROVE HAS A RIVAL.

Forest Grove has a rival. Where would our opponent be? Not in Oregon. No! Way, way down in Florida, in the northwestern part, is the beautiful city of Tallahassee which has a population of 2500 and is the capital of the state, it also has a reputation as a beauty mecca and the railroads play up to the people in the west until they might think that Oregon cities did not compare with the southern ones. It is not for the fact that some of our citizens have the where-with-all to get that country. Ed Mendenhall the expert criminal lawyer of Portland, is one of the fortune tellers, and spent a few months several dollars in the Florida duty spot a few months ago. He loved the town from all sides and investigated the conditions there, letting his landscapes make their impressions on his aesthetic sense. But somehow in thinking of the town, its beauties and things, there came up before his mind a bigger, prettier town, far, far out in the west beyond the Rockies. He thought of the environs of the western city, its beautiful location, the wooded hills that surround the place, the natural conditions and the people. As those things

loomed up in contrast to the city of Tallahassee, he felt restless and did not get peace until he had put his pencil to paper and written to a western publication the advantages of a certain Coast city, none other than our own Forest Grove. Tallahassee is our rival.

After the publication of Mr. Mendenhall's story of this and the southern city, a paper by chance fell into the hands of the editor of a Tallahassee sheet who took issue at the legal man's opinion and printed a lot of cuts of buildings credited to the Florida capital. Not to be bested by any trick of that sort Mr. Mendenhall together with Mr. Hazen, the magazine writer of the Telegram, laid in a big supply of post cards of Forest Grove when they were out here last Saturday and will send them to Tallahassee to show the journalist of that city where the lawyer of Portland was right.

The two gentlemen from the Rose City were shown over the town by their friend Ed Boos, and Mr. Hazen was especially taken with the school and history of the town. He will probably be out in the future to write up the lives of some of the old pioneers and conditions relative to the early days of Oregon.

## RESIDENT FERRIN SPEAKS

Principal Bates also Speaks at State Teachers' Association at Salem.

President W. N. Ferrin and Principal H. L. Bates attended the state teachers' association meeting which convened at Salem last week from Monday till Wednesday evening, and both of them presented papers upon educational subjects.

President Ferrin spoke upon "Is the Time Right for Uniform Entrance Requirements for the Colleges of Oregon." He brought out the fact that some of the institutions of the state require only three units for an entrance requirement to the Freshman year while some of them have the standard of the eastern colleges.

The requirement at the University of Oregon is fifteen and that of Pacific University about the same—a fraction less, while that of the Agricultural College is only three units or the same as the southern universities. A lively discussion followed and the opinions were as to uniformity. A committee composed of President S. Crookes, J. Campbell and Keen was appointed to meet at the call of its president to discuss the matter.

Principal Bates addressed the educators upon the subject "Moral Training in Colleges of Oregon," his entire address being published in the Salem Statesman.

Several men from the east spoke to the assembly and about 500 educators were present. The next annual meeting will be held at Eugene.

### To Put in Modern Front.

A beautiful new up-to-date plate glass front is to be put in the store building of John E. Bailey, the work to be done by S. B. Starrett and to commence about the first of August. The whole front will be torn away and a steel lintel put in and one steel pier in the center. The plate glass windows will reach clear back to the recess doors and will be deep so as to allow good display. The outside and inside will be remodeled and repainted and Mr. Bailey will have one of the most up-to-date stores west of Portland. He has been doing business at the same place for the past eighteen years and has just secured a lease on the building from C. M. Scott for ten years more.