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Special Election September 17th

Because the charter of the city of Forest Grove calls for annual election of city officials and the state law says city officials shall be elected biennially, in November, the city council Tuesday evening adopted a resolution calling a special election on September 17th, between the hours of 8 a. m. and 8 p. m., to amend the charter to comply with the provisions of the state law. The recorder was authorized to have printed 1,000 copies of the proposed amendment and mail one to every voter at least eight days before election.

One of the assistant engineers at the light plant having asked for an increase in salary (the second increase since Jan. 1st), the members of the council decided that, as the city was spending more on its light plant than it was taking in, the raise could not be made. In looking around to see where expenses could be cut, Councilman Coon moved that the mayor and councilmen serve without salary during the war. Everybody voted "Aye" and it will be so. Councilman Thornburgh then moved that, beginning Aug. 1st, the services of a nightwatchman be dispensed with. This motion also carried and Watchman H. C. James will be allowed to seek other employment.

The light committee was instructed to see if "juice" for light and power purposes could not be purchased cheaper than it is being generated at the city plant. There was some discussion over the question of cutting off the light service at midnight, as is done at Hillsboro, but no action was taken along that line.

Jack Macrum, who has been acting city engineer for several months, was separated from his salary until further notice.

Recorder Dyke was asked to notify the Warren Construction company that some of the pavement laid by the company needed repairing and it was reported that the Southern Pacific company had promised to oil its right of way on South A street.

Resolutions regulating the compensation of the recorder and raising the salary of Engineer Morgan were given final readings and adopted.

Payroll of \$1,282.76 was allowed and ordered paid.

W. C. Benfer called attention to the fact that the flag which the city had purchased (at a cost of \$80) for the Boy Scouts was not being displayed, except when some patriotic citizen happened to remember that there was a flag and pole in town, and Mayor Paterson asked for volunteers to see that the flag floats. Councilmen Hoffman and Todd offered to officiate for two weeks, Councilman Thornburgh and Editor Scott took the next two weeks and Councilman Hines and Editor Benfer will act as flag-raisers for the fifth and sixth weeks, if they do not forget it. The flag is flying today.

Mayor Paterson reported that the sewer lawsuit would be resumed Sept. 3d, unless there was another postponement.

All councilmen were in attendance.

Mayor George Paterson, who has for several weeks been trying to do the baking for his bakery, look after his furniture store and serve as chief executive for Forest Grove, has induced his old baker, Mike Biek, to return and is getting along on one man's work, when he isn't nursing a boil in his nose. He thinks he contracted the boil from Frank Gordon, who still has several to spare.

The Express prints butter wrappers with non-poisonous ink.

War Savings Report

Washington county has purchased and pledged, as reported to the county chairman to date, \$476,825, leaving a balance of \$57,000 to be secured during the next few days. Every person living in a district which has not pledged its quota should take a personal interest in knowing the reason and should make a personal effort to secure additional subscriptions. Remember, the average family should invest \$100 in the War Savings loan during the year. Those in circumstances above the average should invest more.

The following is a list, as far as we have them reported, of those who have subscribed for \$1,000, which is the limit allowed to any one person:

Dist. No. 5—Katie Vanaudenhaegen, Peter Vanaudenhaegen.

Dist. 6—Rachel F. Walker.

Dist. 7—Chas. Wells, W. O. Donelson, Mrs. W. O. Donelson, J. W. Shute, Emil Kuratli, O. B. Gates, Dr. F. A. Bailey, Wells Dept. Store, W. H. Wehrung, Herman Kamna, Mrs. Herman Kamna.

Dist. 9—W. D. Batchelder.

Dist. 10—John F. Forbis, Emalin D. Forbis.

Dist. 12—Geo. Heyndericks.

Dist. 13—Flora M. Mumford, O. D. Dieason, W. F. Attle, N. F. Woodman.

Dist. 15—Chas. Adams, E. F. Burlingham, O. S. Coleman, Mrs. O. S. Coleman, Mrs. C. E. Deakins, Good Investment Co., S. G. Hughes and wife, Alex Joss and family, H. B. Johnson, M. R. Johnson, W. J. McCready, Dr. W. M. Pollock, Mrs. W. M. Pollock, E. S. Purcell, Mrs. E. S. Purcell, B. F. Purdy, Bertha W. Rapson, J. A. Thornburgh, Fred Uhlmer.

Dist. 21—L. O. Dersham, J. C. Beach, Maude Milne.

Dist. 22—C. T. Dickison.

Dist. 23—Margaret Summers.

Dist. 27—Ida W. Shannahan, M. O. Shannahan.

Dist. 44—Willie C. F. Kriebe.

Dist. 52—Carl Pfhal.

Dist. 58—John Kamna, Minta Adams.

Dist. 86—Jacob Dahinden.

Dist. 92—Peter A. Gertsch.

Dist. 95—Edward Fredeeen, Edna J. Fredeeen.

Dist. 97—Theo. Bernards, Wm. A. Hermens, Peter Vandecoevering.

The treasury department issues a beautiful souvenir button to "limit" subscribers at a nominal charge of 25c. These badges can be secured of W. J. McCready at Forest Grove or N. A. Frost, Hillsboro.

Lightning Plays

A Queer Prank

Shortly after 11 o'clock Monday night, during the mutterings of the thunder, lightning struck an S. P. passenger coach sidetracked near the depot and set the roof afire. When the fire department arrived it was found that the lightning had established a circuit between the car and trolley wire and it would have been a very dangerous procedure to turn water on the highly-charged car, so headquarters at Portland was telephoned to cut off the current. After this was done, the fire was quickly extinguished by the firemen. The car was taken to the repair shop early next morning. The electric sparks emitted while the car was burning lighted up the neighborhood for several blocks, so those at a distance imagined the fire was a serious one.

Men Called July 25

Men called for Camp Lewis under call No. 825 will entrain July 25, instead of July 22, as originally announced, according to J. E. Cullison. This call will take 2500 class 1 men from Oregon, the largest quota yet asked of the state.

Washington county's share is 81, with enough Class 1 men to fill it.

A Real Celebration at Balm Grove

Those of our citizens who went to Balm Grove on July 4th report having had a very enjoyable time, as there was a fine program of music, oratory and sports. The crowd is estimated as between 1500 and 2,000.

W. J. McCready was master of ceremonies during the program, which consisted of instrumental music by Walker's orchestra, four patriotic songs by the Hillside choir, very ably rendered; the reading of the Declaration of independence by Miss Pitman; a recitation, "The American Flag," by Miss Etha Oglesby; recitation, "The Flag-Makers," by Mrs. Chas. Herrick, and a forceful oration by Judge John H. Stevenson of Portland. Judge Stevenson was born within five miles of the place where the celebration was held and he talked to many old neighbors and former school mates. His address was patriotic to a marked degree and dealt to a great extent with the Titanic struggle in which America is today engaged in an endeavor to wipe despotism from off the face of the earth. Many favorable comments on the speech have been heard by the writer.

During the afternoon there was an exciting ball game between picked nines, foot races; other sports and dancing, Walker's orchestra furnishing the inspiration for the dance.

The committees in charge looked after the comfort of visitors and everybody had a good time. While the majority of Forest Grove people who left town for the day were at the Balm Grove celebration, a number went to Hillsboro, Portland and other points. Rev. Patten made a very able address at Hillsboro, where several thousand Washington county people celebrated. Other families spent the day in the woods, enjoying picnic dinners and rest beneath the shade of the giant firs. There was little life left in this city that day.

The Forest Grove cannery has put up lots of cherries this year, some days as high as 9,000 cans, and is now running on loganberries, of which there is a big crop. The Hoffman plant is also buying logans, turning out 150 gallons of juice per day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Buxton visited the former's brother, Austin, and family at Molalla Saturday and found Austin feeling better than he has for several months past. Austin's son, Oliver, a sailor, arrived at Molalla Tuesday from an Atlantic port, after making nine trips across the briny and is expected in this city tomorrow for a visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Bertha Howard is able to be out again after a week's illness.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Frost of Hillsboro were in town yesterday and Mr. Frost admitted that Hillsboro had sold less than two-thirds of its quota of War Stamps. Forest Grove closed its campaign two weeks ago tomorrow night.

Robert O. Stevenson of Gales Creek, democratic candidate for county judge, had business in this city today.

Art Caples is establishing a camp up Gales Creek and will move his family out tomorrow for a season of out-door life.

Warranty deed and mortgage blanks for sale at this office.

Another Family Split Up

A dispatch from Eugene to the Portland Oregonian states that H. J. Walrath, formerly of this city, on Friday caused the arrest of his wife, Mrs. Jessie Walrath, and a man giving the name of W. J. Hurd, also of Portland, for having jointly occupied a room at a Eugene hotel. Hurd and the woman plead guilty and were fined \$25 each. Walrath refused to file an adultery charge against his wife, so the fine and accounting with her conscience is probably all the punishment she will receive for her transgressions.

Hurd is said to be in training at the University of Oregon officers' training camp, but not under the name Hurd. The dispatch says if the authorities can identify Hurd he will be dismissed from the camp.

Yesterday's Oregonian states that Mr. Walrath has filed suit for divorce, alleging gross infidelity.

The Chevrolet Wins Tacoma Auto Races

Joe A. Wiles and wife, in company with L. M. Graham and wife and son, Laddie, motored to Tacoma last Tuesday to attend the celebration of the Fourth at that city and see the races. They report a pleasant journey, covering the distance in about ten hours' run. The exciting feature of the trip was the auto races. The race course at Tacoma is reported to be one of the best. It is constructed of 2x4 lumber set on edge in cement, sixty feet in width and two miles in circumference. There were three races, 12, 24 and 36 laps, representing 25 miles, 50 miles and 75 miles.

There were five entries—one Stutz, one Mercer, two Dusenbergs and one Chevrolet—all four cylinder racers. The Chevrolet took the first race, making the twenty-five miles in thirteen minutes. It likewise took the second race. It was in the lead in the last race until about the thirtieth lap, when the driver had to stop and put on a new tire, which let the Dusenberg car in the lead. The judges announced that the driver of the Chevrolet replaced the tire in seventeen seconds, but this delay cost him the race, as the Dusenberg car won the last race. However, the Chevrolet won enough points in the three races to pull down the big money and carry off the glory of the races.

The party also visited Camp Lewis and took dinner at the "Guest House" with Prof. West. Camp Lewis was a revelation to them. It shows what a great government like the United States can do under stress, and stands for the advanced idea in military affairs.

A dispatch from Oregon City to a Portland paper brags about a gardner having found a ripe tomato on one of his vines. Absolutely nothing to brag about. Mrs. A. A. Hall of this city informs the Express that she has been picking ripe tomatoes from her garden since June 15th.

Miss Margaret Hancock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Hancock of this city, a stenographer in the war department at Washington, D. C., writes her parents that, because of the heat of the national capital, she has asked to be transferred to the Pacific coast.

The United States senate yesterday voted 36 to 33 for nationwide prohibition from Jan. 1, next, to the end of the war. The house is almost certain to concur in this vote.

Red Cross Ladies to Prepare Moss

We had expected to close the work rooms, for lack of material, for a few weeks, but received a letter from Portland asking us to make for them before August 1st, five dozen hospital bed jackets. This will give us about all we can do, apportioned as follows: W. R. C., 6 jackets; Methodist Aid, 6 jackets; Dilley, 6 jackets; Cherry Grove, 6 jackets; Verboort, 6 jackets; Gaston, 6; Cornelius 6; Stringtown, 3; Gales Creek, 3; Forest Grove, 12.

We are also going to take up the work of the Spagnum moss and Mrs. J. Wagner, Mrs. Burlingham, Mrs. Goff, Mrs. Hughes, Mrs. Alexander and Mrs. Phil Porter volunteered to go to Portland and learn how to make the surgical dressings in which the moss is used, as it absorbs more than cotton. Then they will teach our auxiliary members how to make them and how to clean the moss. We wish that every one would feel like giving us a burlap sack to pack the moss in, as we have to furnish our own sacks—just a potato or sugar sack is all right, only it must be washed. Mr. Goff has kindly allowed us to say that the sacks could be left at Goff Bros.' store and we will appreciate it if you will wash one for us and leave it there so that we can send for the moss right away.

We are much pleased that the children, as well as young ladies, are helping us and showing their loyalty to Uncle Sam. Lelah Tucker, Irene Tucker and Dolores Adams made candy and sold in their neighborhood, and brought to the Red Cross rooms 64c as a result of the sale. Pretty good, we thought. We have to thank the Honor Guard girls and the Camp Fire girls for sweeping our rooms so well.

The members of the auxiliary are very thankful to the ladies of Cornelius, who pieced three quilts to be sent to the Red Cross hospital, and the ladies of Thatcher have brought in a beautiful quilt they have made. This quilt will be sold and the Red Cross workers hope to get a nice sum for it.

Since May 2 we have sent 115 hospital bed shirts, 145 pairs bed socks, 60 pajama suits, 24 sweaters, 48 pairs woolen socks, 12 complete layettes, 12½ dozen dish towels, 3½ dozen dish rags, 264 wash rags, 1 box gun wipes.

Abbie J. Whitehouse, Sec'y.

Killed by Angry Bull

Jochim Dahm, aged 87 years, and living on Hayward mountain, five miles northeast of Gales Creek, was so severely injured by an angry bull on July 4th that he expired shortly after the attack. Dahm was driving cattle in from the pasture when the bull attacked him. The injured man's aged wife drove the bull away and got her husband to the house where he died.

Deceased is survived by a widow and several grown children. Funeral services were held Saturday and the remains were interred in the Hayward cemetery.

Mallory to Go to Prison

W. E. Mallory, a naturopath convicted of a criminal attack on a 17-year-old schoolgirl, was given an indeterminate sentence of from one to five years in the penitentiary by Circuit Judge Kavanaugh Monday. The court increased his bail bond from \$1500 to \$2000 pending an appeal to the supreme court.

Henry E. McGinn, representing Mallory, made a plea for a fine. Judge Kavanaugh said it was not a case where leniency could well be shown.—Oregonian.

Lost—Pair of steel-bowed spectacles. Return to J. T. Fletcher or this office. 27

Forest Grove Chautauqua Opens on Friday of Next Week.

Season Tickets at Express office—Price \$2.75