

# CENTRAL POINT HERALD

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## SUPPORT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

An election is called in this issue of the Herald for the purpose of amending the city charter in such a way as to make it possible for the city administration to make needed extension of the water system and to provide a new pump for the water plant. Provision must also be made for sufficient money to run the city until next year's tax is available. It is unfortunate that such a situation should arise but that is what we are up against and the only thing to do is to meet it. Failure of our water supply from any cause, either from lack of reservoir space in the well or the giving out of the pump would be fatal. Such a condition would be simply unspeakable. We must have a new pump and that soon and we also must have the capacity of the well enlarged. The only possible way to make these absolutely necessary improvements is to issue bonds for that purpose.

The other proposition is equally important. By some sort of an oversight or mistake an insufficient tax levy was made for this year's current expenses and to cover interest charges. Because of that the city is practically without funds and a provision of the charter prevents the administration from incurring an indebtedness to exceed \$1000. That amount has been almost reached and it is yet ten months until new tax money will be available. It is a matter of arranging to borrow sufficient money to run the town or else close up. The money can only be borrowed after the voters have by their votes, so amended the charter as to legalize the loan. This money is needed to pay fixed charges such as salaries of the water superintendent, marshal and recorder, street sprinkling and cleaning and other necessary current expenses. It is no doubt unfortunate that this is necessary now but it is and the only thing to do is to stand behind the mayor and the council and help them through the tight place. The material well being as well as the honor of the city is at stake. Vote yes at the election.

## NO GRAFT HERE

While it is not an unmixed blessing that the growth of our city requires an amendment to the charter to allow for the issuance of additional warrants for general purposes, as appears by the notice published in another column, we feel that the council cannot be too highly commended for its good judgment and discretion in providing in the amendment submitted that the indebtedness cannot be incurred until the city has actually received the benefit of the work or supplies for which the warrants are issued. By this method it becomes impossible for the council to borrow money in anticipation of expenditures, and have such money drawing interest without any benefit being derived from it, as the amendment provides that the warrants cannot be issued until after the work has been done. A considerable sum will be saved to the city by this restriction, in the long run.

## SIGN UP FOR WATER

Every land owner in this valley who has not already done so should lose no time in signing up for a water right under the Rogue River Valley Canal company's canal system.

The present rainy season has demonstrated more clearly than any other thing could have done, the incalculable value of water to the soils of this valley. Probably never before has there been such a growth of vegetation in the valley. Probably never before has there been such a hay crop and while the recent heavy rains have damaged a portion of the first cutting the moisture in the ground insures a second and third crop that will more than compensate for any present loss in the first crop.

A report just given out by the canal people shows that to date there has been signed up in all the different districts 3790 acres or a little more than one-third the acreage demanded by the company officials who claim that, as a business proposition, they cannot afford to commence construction on the entire system until at least 10,000 acres are signed.

Of the amount named above 940 acres belong to what is known as the Central Point district and in this district there remains yet in the hands of the owners who have signed a portion of their holdings 1169 acres while in the district there is all told just 6,050 acres.

Water will not only make this valley blossom as the rose but it will make every farmer's pocket plerthoric of jingling coin.

## RESOLUTION.

BE IT RESOLVED by the common council of the city of Central Point, Oregon, that the following proposed amendment to the charter of said city be submitted to the legal voters of said city for their approval or rejection at a special election to be held for that purpose in said city on the 9th day of July, 1912:

### AN ACT

To amend the charter of the City of Central Point, Oregon, so as to provide the method of incurring additional indebtedness by said city for general purposes, and limiting the amount thereof to \$5,000.00.

BE IT ENACTED by the people of the City of Central Point, Oregon,

That the City Charter of the City of Central Point, Oregon, be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto the following, to be designated as Section 24 of Article VII: Section 24: In addition to the powers conferred by this charter upon the common council, said council is empowered to incur indebtedness on behalf of said city, for general purposes, in an amount not exceeding five thousand dollars, in addition to the indebtedness elsewhere in this charter authorized, but such indebtedness shall only be incurred for materials and supplies actually furnished or for labor or services actually rendered, and shall be evidenced by warrants drawn upon the general fund of said city issued after such materials or supplies have been so furnished or such labor or services have been so rendered, and the indebtedness incurred under this section shall not be included in computing the indebtedness of said city as elsewhere in this charter limited, and any tax levied for the purpose of reducing the amount of such indebtedness shall not be included in the levy limited by this charter; warrants issued hereunder shall bear interest at six per cent per annum, and shall be treated as are other warrants drawn against said general fund, and retired in their respective order among such other warrants, and the total indebtedness incurred under this section shall be reduced by at least one thousand dollars each year for five consecutive years, beginning with the year 1913, and no further indebtedness shall be thereafter incurred under this section.

Following is the form in which the said amendment shall appear up the official ballot at said election:

### CHARTER AMENDMENT

Providing the method of incurring additional indebtedness by said city for general purposes, and limiting the amount thereof to \$5,000.00, and providing for the reduction of said indebtedness.

(Mark X between the number and answer voted for.)

100—Yes.

101—No.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the city council July 25, 1912, by the following vote:

Lindsay, yes; Myers, yes; Dunlap, yes; Grim, yes; Moon, yes; Alexander, No.

Approved June 25, 1912.

W. A. COWLEY, Mayor.

J. W. JACOBS, Recorder.

## RESOLUTION.

BE IT RESOLVED by the common council of the city of Central Point, Oregon, that there be and there is hereby ordered to be held a special election in said city on the 9th day of July, 1912, between the hours of 9 o'clock a. m. and 6 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of submitting to the legal voters of said city for their approval or rejection two certain amendments to the charter of said city, to-wit: An amendment providing for the issuance of bonds for the enlargement and improvement of the water supply of said city, and an amendment providing for the incurring of indebtedness by said city for general purposes and limiting the amount thereof.

That said election be conducted according to the laws governing city elections in said city.

The city hall is hereby designated as the polling place for said election.

The following are hereby appointed to act as Judges and clerks of said election:

James Shields to act as Judge.

C. S. Sanderson to act as Judge and Clerk.

J. E. Boswell to act as Judge and Clerk.

The recorder is hereby ordered to cause this resolution to be published once in the Central Point Herald and to give further notice of said election by posting copies hereof in three public places in said city at least ten days prior to said election.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the council June 25, 1912 by the following vote: Lindsay, yes; Myers, yes; Dunlap, yes; Grim, yes; Moon, absent; Alexander, yes.

Approved, W. A. COWLEY, Mayor.

J. W. JACOBS, Recorder.

## RESOLUTION.

Be it resolved by the common council of the City of Central Point, Oregon, that the following proposed amendment to the charter of said city be submitted to the legal voters of said city for their approval or rejection at a special election to be held for that purpose in said city on the 9th day of July, 1912.

### AN ACT

To amend the Charter of the City of Central Point, Oregon, so as to provide for the issuance of bonds by said city for the purpose of enlarging and improving the water supply and plan of said city.

Be it enacted by the people of the city of Central Point, Oregon,

That the City Charter of the City of Central Point, Oregon, be and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto the following, to be designated as Section 23 of Article VII.

Section 23. In addition to the powers conferred by this charter upon the common council, said council is empowered to borrow money upon the credit of said city, and authorize the issuance of bonds therefor, to an amount not exceeding five thousand (\$5,000) dollars, when in its judgment the same is required for enlarging the water supply of said city or for installing improved or additional facilities for pumping and distributing said water, or for improving the fire protection of said city; such bonds shall be known as water bonds, and shall draw interest at not to exceed six per centum per annum, and shall be issued for such period, not exceeding thirty years, as in the judgment of the council will be for the best interests of the city; such bonds shall be subject to the provisions elsewhere in this charter set forth regarding water bonds, and the amount thereof shall not be included in computing the total indebtedness of the city as limited by this charter.

Following is the form in which the said amendment will appear upon the official ballot at said election:

### CHARTER AMENDMENT

Providing for the issuance of bonds in a sum not exceeding \$5,000.00 for the purpose of improving the water supply and plant of said city and furnishing additional fire protection therefor.

(Mark X between the number and answer voted for.)

100—Yes.

101—No.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the city council July 25, 1912, by the following vote:

Lindsay, yes; Myers, yes; Dunlap, yes; Grim, yes; Moon, yes; Alexander, yes.

Approved June 25, 1912.

W. A. COWLEY, Mayor.

J. W. JACOBS, Recorder.

Connolly Oldest Empire.

Tommy Connolly is now the granddaddy of all the major league ump. Tommy broke into the big leagues as an arbitrator in 1898, one year after Hank O'Day.

France Spends Fortunes on Horses. The French government distributed over \$4,000,000 in 1910 as prizes at horse shows and is otherwise fostering the industry.

## For the Children

Clear the Road; the Coaster is Coming.



Courtesy of St. Nicholas.

These are jolly days for the young folks who live where Jack Frost and the snow king hold sway. Brooks and ponds are icebound, and the hills and fields glisten under their covering of snow. What sport to strap on skates and skim like a bird over the glassy ice or to climb the hills and coast like a meteor to the valley below, like the joyous lad in the picture. "Clear the road; I'm coming!" he shouts, and you may be sure his comrades give him plenty of room. It is no joke to be bumped by a boy laden sled whizzing down a steep incline. Then comes the fun of mounting up again to repeat the exhilarating dash. Roses glow in cheeks, and, despite the hilarious enjoyment, dinner time seems long a-coming. Summer sports are fine in their season, but now they seem tame in comparison with the glorious fun made possible by ice and snow.

## Here Goes Up For Monday.

This game requires seven players, each choosing a name of one of the days of the week. The players stand facing a high solid wall. "Sunday" takes a rubber ball and, throwing it high against the wall, calls out, "Here goes up for —" any day of the week being mentioned. The player whose name has been called must immediately run forward and catch the ball before it reaches the ground, the other players running away. If the ball is caught it is thrown against the wall by the catcher, and he, in his turn, calls a name. When the player fails to catch the ball he misses a point, or an "egg," as it is called. He must then pick up the ball and throw it at another player. If one is hit, that player also loses an egg and has in his turn to throw the ball against the wall. If, however, the player who throws the ball at the other player fails to hit him he must throw the ball against the wall himself. The loss of three "eggs" puts the player "out." The last one having an egg left wins the game.

## The Jealous Deer.

Deer are sensitive animals and capable of all phases of affection, jealousy included. Judge Catron of Illinois has a fine deer park, and of the drove one named Frank is especially friendly. He follows his keeper as a dog would do and manifests every sign of affection. One day another deer was brought into the park and the keeper in a short time had made quite a pet of it. Frank immediately grew sulky, and in a few days could stand it no longer. First he charged upon the deer, knocking it down, and when the keeper interfered Frank turned upon him, and there was a lively battle for a few minutes. The other men came to the rescue, and Frank was beaten off and put in a small yard by himself. In the end the newcomer had to be sent away, and then Frank became as amiable as before.

## Water Ball.

Water ball is the most interesting outdoor game that you could imagine, and it is quite exciting too. First a washtub is placed in the center of the lawn and filled full of water. Then nine nice round potatoes are selected (rubber or baseballs may be used if preferred or even croquet balls). Then a line is marked with sticks or little stones ten paces from the bucket. The players stand in a row along the line, and each one in turn tries to toss his potato into the tub. Every potato that falls into the water costs one for the owner. Each one keeps his own count. When nine potatoes have been thrown they are fished out of the tub, and the players go up and toss over again. The first one who succeeds in putting two potatoes into the tub wins the game.

## Origin of the Thimble.

The thimble, as you first saw on the thumb and forefinger, was called a thumb 'sill, which later became thimble and finally thimble. It was invented by the Dutch and introduced in England in 1656. The first thimbles were made of brass or iron. Later came those of silver, gold, steel, horn, ivory, pearl and glass. The Chinese make beautiful thimbles of carved pearls with gold binding and studs. One of the most gorgeous thimbles ever seen was a bridal gift from the King of Siam to his queen. It was made of gold, shaped like a lotus bud and was thickly studded with diamonds, arranged so as to spell the queen's name.

## Write Is Right.

Write, we know, is written right. When we see it written w-r-i-t-e. But when we see it written w-r-i-g-h-t. We know it is not written right. But write, to have it written right. Must not be written r-i-g-h-t or r-l-t-e. Nor yet must it be written w-r-i-g-h-t. But w-r-i-t-e, for so 'tis written right.

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| Salem       | "       | 5.15   | "                 | 6.00   |
| Albany      | "       | 4.00   | "                 | 7.30   |
| Corvallis   | "       | 3.75   | "                 | 7.10   |
| Eugene      | "       | 5.80   | "                 | 9.00   |
| Roseburg    | "       | 8.75   | "                 | 12.00  |
| Medford     | "       | 12.00  | "                 | 17.20  |
| Ashland     | "       | 12.00  | "                 | 17.75  |

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