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NEW ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF COURT HOUSE REMOVAL

Opponents Have No Arguments Except Those of Personal Interest —Great Saving to Taxpayers

The Klamath Development Company proposition is meeting with general favor. Opposition in Klamath Falls is diminishing, and people are beginning to believe that the Court House will be more advantageous off Main street. The following letter has this week been mailed to every voter in the county from the office of the Klamath Development Company. Mr. S. O. Johnson, president of the company, is putting his side of the question up in a straightforward, manly way, which cannot help but appeal to the people who will stop to think it over. There is no doubt but what this is one of the greatest and best opportunities that the county has ever had, and there is very little doubt but what it will carry by a big majority, at the coming staw vote, the date of which will be indicated by the County Court later:

Klamath Falls, Ore.,
Jan. 24, 1910.

Mr. Voter and Taxpayer:

The matter of the removal of the Court House in Klamath Falls from the present location to one in the Hot Springs tract, is now before the people.

The Honorable County Court has decided to hold a straw vote, merely to get an expression from the taxpayers of Klamath County, relative thereto. The County Court has full authority, under the law, to act in this case without a vote, but they desire to pass it to the people so that they can have a hearing and the majority rule.

The Klamath Development Company offers a new site within the center of the city limits of Klamath Falls, consisting of five acres of land on a beautiful eminence, about thirty feet above Main street, with wide street graded clear around the tract, with cement sidewalks, and a modern bridge across the Government Canal as an approach from Main street, and in addition thereto, sufficient water for heating purposes from the Hot Springs immediately adjacent to the site, free of charge to Klamath County, in case the new building shall be constructed thereon.

This property has a valuation of over $30,000 at this time, and will increase many times that. The present site of the old Court House is too valuable to be used for that purpose. It lies in the heart of the business district and always will, and can be sold for at least $36,000 to $40,000, and this money turned into the Court House fund for the construction of the new building, saving you and me both a considerable sum, and reducing our taxes.

One man in Merrill has already offered $20,000 for this site. Major Worden of Klamath Falls has a standing offer of $25,000, while A. D. Miller of Klamath Falls, in the interests of Portland capitalists, offered $35,000 in cash, for the site, provided they would move the Court House off from it by July 1, 1910, and offered to make part payment thereon.

Should the present site be retained, and the new Court House built there, it will mean an additional cost of at least $6,000 to fill the present block up to grade with Main street, and the street will have to be paved clear around the block, with cement sidewalks all around. This means a tremendous cost, in addition to the construction of the building itself.

In towns of consequence, the Court House is never located on the Main street.

In Klamath Falls, a majority of the people favor the removal of the Court House and the acceptance of the proposition of the Klamath Development Company. People in the immediate vicinity of the Court House, and in the west of town, are against, because they believe that its removal will reduce the value of their adjacent property. The most conservative and expert opinion of large realty owners in Klamath Falls is that this property will become more valuable for business than for Court House purposes.

These people who are opposing it have nothing to suggest except that they will be hurt by its removal. They do not take the benefit to the taxpayer or to the County, in consideration, and simply regard their own personal and selfish interests in the same. Numerous people who are opposing, are people who live in Klamath Falls, and made their money here, and who depend upon your support for the profit they make upon the goods they sell you.

The Klamath Development Company has come and intends to assist in the development of the Klamath country and Klamath Falls. It induced the railroad to come to Klamath Falls in the first place, and will be a factor in more railroad construction which will obtain in this county.

It offers this site free of charge for the interests of Klamath County. Klamath Falls will become, undoubtedly, a city of at least 25,000 people. The site will then become the very center of this new population. We are not building for today; we are building for the future, and when this new building is constructed, it will not be moved during the next hundred years. That being the case, why not select for the future, and why not select in such a way as to redound to the benefit both financially and otherwise for the people of Klamath County, instead of only a part of the people of Klamath Falls?

This Court House matter is purely a County matter and the only interest that the city of Klamath Falls can have therein is that the building must be in the city limits, which requirement is met by the proposed site.

We are enclosing you herewith a new folder gotten out by the Southern Pacific Company, for the Klamath Development Company. The Company has purchased 150,000 of these folders, weighing over ten tons, and is inaugurating an advertising campaign, which is costing over $10,000. The Southern Pacific Company is distributing these through the East, and the effect is going to be that thousands of people will be brought here upon the strength of our advertising alone. On Page ..... of this folder, you will note the proposed hotel site; this is the one we are offering to the County. We will place our $200,000 hotel and sanitarium on the park immediately below.

We also have on exhibition in the windows of the Star Drug Store, and which will be on exhibition in your particular locality, a large panoramic picture of the Klamath Country, painted by that eminent landscape painter, Gibson Catlett, of Portland, and costing $500 per one copy. The picture is also on exhibition in San Francisco, Portland, and cities in the East.

This is just a part of what the Klamath Development Company is doing for Klamath County.

In addition to offering you the site above mentioned, it will cost the Company at least $10,000 to grade the streets, build the approaches and construct the sidewalks, as above specified.

Some of the opponents say that we are doing this for our own interests, and that it will benefit our property at the expense of Klamath Falls. We are certainly giving away a great deal, and we SHOULD receive some benefit therefor. We do not see where anybody else is offering the County anything, and so long as the new site meets the requirements and suits the people of the County, we certainly are entitled to what little benefit we would receive by reason of its removal.

My friend, here is the situation: You will be asked to vote "Yes" or "No" upon this proposition. Kindly do not pledge yourself either way until you look into the matter thoroughly. If you decide to accept our proposition, we will be pleased and will live up to our agreement to the letter. Should you decide not to accept it, we will do all we can to develop this great country.

Now, it is up to you. Would you rather retain the present site, build a building thereon at a cost of $100,000, fill the old site, build pavements and sidewalks all around it, and get out of the whole arrangement at a cost to the County of perhaps $125,000, or would you rather accept our offer, giving you at once $30,000 worth of property, which will in time become worth $100,000, and absolutely save by the sale of the present site, at least $40,000, and save the cost of wood and irrigation and drinking water forever, which means thousands of upon thousands of dollars?

Think this over for yourself. As stated above, the people who are opposing this, have nothing to offer and are doing it simply for their own personal, selfish interests, because they think some little pieces of property which they have, will become less valuable, because of the removal of the Court House.

Our taxes are sufficiently high. By the time we pay for our water rights and the additional expense which is bound to occur, it seems that we cannot well afford not to accept this offer and save ourselves at least $75,000.

We are making you this offer in good faith, and in the righ spirit, with the desire and intention to injure no one, and we believe that it is one of the best business propositions that the voter of Klamath County ever had put up to him.

Respectfully submitted,

S. O. JOHNSON, President.

COMMONWEALTH CONFERENCE

Leading Problems of the Day Will Be Discussed by Prominent Men

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, Eugene, Jan. 26.—The second annual Comomnwealth conference, a movement started last year on the semi-centennial of the admission of Oregon into the Union, will be held at the University of Oregon February 11 and 12. Prominent men from various parts of Oregon and from the faculty of the University will be the speakers on the occasion, and the subjects for discussion will be the leading problems now before the State. The sessions last year were pronounced most profitable by all present, and this plan to unite science and the arts of practical life in Oregon was recognized as one of the greatest promise for the best upbuilding of the State.

Oregon's State University is the pioneer among the State Universities in this country in inaugurating a plan certain to be of highest importance to both the people as a whole and the work of the University. The subjects discussed this year will be the following:

Economic: A Forestry Policy for the State of Oregon; Procedure for the Earliest and Longest Utilization of Water Resources of Oregon; Program for Bringing the Willamette Valley Under Irrigation.

Social and Governmental: Improvement of the Conditions of Country Life in Oregon; Organization and Agencies for Securing Publicity in the Public Affairs of Oregon.

Educational: Invigoration of Moral Eeducation in Common Schools of Oregon.

BEEF TRUST INQUIRY WILL BEGIN TODAY

Federal Grand Jury Is Disposing of Calendar Cases First

United Press Service.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 25.—Before taking up the question of the Beef Trust's violation of the anti-trust laws, the Federal grand jury is disposing of all of the calendar cases, in order that after the inquiry is commenced it will not be interrupted until it is completed. Inasmuch as it will probably take two months before a report is made, the Federal officers believed that it would facilitate the transaction of all business to dispose of all other matters first. It is believed that the actual inquiry will begin late this afternoon or tomorrow morning.

PEARY THINKS WRIGHT BROS CONTMEPLATE IT

Noted Explorer Is Closely Questioned by the Aeronauts as to Conditions in the North

United Press Service.

DAYTON, O., Jan. 25.—Commander Robert E. Peary, the accepted discoverer of the North Pole, lectured here tonight, and before leaving here today made the statement that he believed the Wright brothers were planning a trip in aeroplanes to the North Pole. He believed the trip possible if adequate preparations were made to meet the conditions that will have to be confronted.

It was quite natural that such international celebrities as the Wrights and Peary should meet, and equally natural that they should discuss the posibilities of a trip to the North Pole by means of an aeroplane. It was evident, however, that the Wrights have given the feat more than casual consideration. They cornered the Commander and questioned him closely as to conditions in the far North. They showed remarkable familiarity with the obstacles that will have to be overcome if such a trip is to be taken. They made copious notes of the information secured from Commander Peary.

A man has invented a clock that needs to be wound but once in 10,000 years. Unfortunately, however, one is apt to forget in that time where he put the key.

ONE-THIRD OF FRANCE IS UNDER WATER

Many of the Finest Homes in Paris Are Threatened With Water

United Press Service.

PARIS, France, Jan. 25.—The great floods that are holding practically one-third of France in their grasp continue to spread and carry destruction throughout the Republic. Water has invaded the Lower Champs Elysees quarter, where many of the finest houses in Paris are located, threatening many of them with destruction. Residents have vacated many sections and are moving out their furniture. Quaint de Billy and Avenue Montaigne, the two show streets of the city, are already submerged and the water is still rising.

Several hundred refugees had a narrow escape today near Ivry. They found themselves marooned on a point of land, with water on three sides of them and with the burning chemical works on the other. The water was rising with great rapidity, threatening to submerge the land they were occupying. After an heroic effort they were reached by boats and rescued.

It is estimated by the officials that fully one-third of France is under water and that it will take years for the wine districts to recover from the damage inflicted. In many of the big cities the losses have been immense.

As a result of the floods and the damage inflicted throughout the gardening and farming districts, it is expected that there will be a big increase in the price of food. The price of meat has already advanced 30 per cent, vegetables 25 per cent, and butter 20 per cent, and these prices are expected to go much higher. Few trains are moving, resulting in a stagnation of traffic that it will take weeks to clear up.

The temperature has fallen considerably during the past twenty-four hours, and today's rain was alternated with violent snow storms, practically isolating Paris. The River Seine is still rising at the rate of one-half inch an hour. It is expected that the crest will be reached tonight. The authorities are bending every energy to keep the river clear of debris, in order to prevent the further inundation of the city.

NICARAUGUAN REBELS STILL FIGHTING MADRIZ

Reported Loss of 300 Wounded in Battle Near Acopaya

United Press Service.

BLUEFIELDS, Nicaraugua, wireless from Colon, Jan. 25.—The troops of President Madriz, under cover of machine guns, withdrew their forces from near Acoyapa tonight, where they have been engaged in a desperate battle with the revolutionists. It is reported that the insurgents lost over 300 killed and wounded in the battle and it is believed that the government forces suffered much heavier losses.

According to messages from the front, the insurgents promise to follow up their victory by rapidly advancing, and it is expected that before long there will be another battle between the two armies. It is beginning to be recognized that the insurgents are receiving powerful assistance from some unknown source and that the morale of the men has reached a much higher degree than at any time since the inception of the revolution. They are well supplied with the latest pattern fire arms, with ample ammunition. For the first time since the war began they used machine guns and the deadly effect of their work indicated that they were in the hands of experienced gunners. The supporters of the revolution are greatly elated over the reported triumph and feel more confident than ever that their cause will be victorious.

No matter how many entries there may be in the race of life, the clock is right there at the wind up.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTTRATOR'S FINAL ACCOUNT

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Klamath County

In the Matter of the Estate of Thomas Hodge, Deceased—Notice.

Notice is hereby given that John Frederick Wilson, Administrator of the estate of Thomas Hodge, deceased, has filed his final account of the administration of said estate with the Clerk of the County Court of Klamath County, Oregon, and that said Court has appointed the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of Saturday, the 5th day of February, 1910, as the time for hearing objections, if any there be, to such final account and the settlement thereof.

This notice is published by order of said County Court, made and entered in the records thereof the 4th day of December, 1909.

JOHN FREDERICK WILSON,
Administrator of the Estate of Thomas Hodge, Deceased. 1-6-1-27

No. 7167 REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

at Klamath Falls, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, November 16, 1909.

RESOURCES	DOLLARS
Loans and Discounts	$ 62,948.83
Overdrafs, secured and unsecured	266.82
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	10,000.00
Bonds, securities, etc	9,882.99
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	20,462.64
Other real estate owned	640.50
Due from national banks (not reserve agents)	36.00
Due from state and private banks and bankers, trust companies and savings banks	2,092.07
Due from approved reserve agents	31,716.00
Notes of other national banks	1,020.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	149.41
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz: specie, $6,066.50; legal tender notes, $815.00	6,881.50
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	500.00
Total	$146,596.76

LIABILITIES	DOLLARS
Capital stock paid in	$ 25,000.00
Surplus fund	7,500.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	4,048.90
National bank notes outstanding	9,700.00
Due to other national banks	1,600.01
Due to state and private banks and bankers	991.70
Individual deposits subject to check	90,330.78
Demand certificates of deposit	7,425.37
Total	$146,596.76

State of Oregon,)
County of Klamath,) ss.

I, W. A. Delzell, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. A. DELZELL, Cashier.

Correct—Attest: L. F. WILLITS, GEO. T. BALDWIN, J. A. MADDOX, Directors.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of November, 1909.
P. L. FOUNTAIN, Notary Public.

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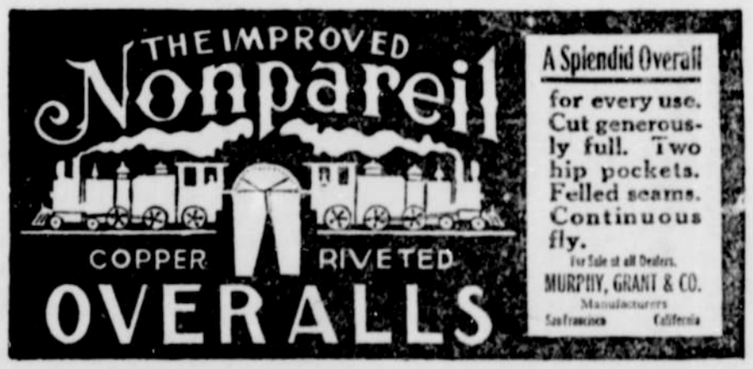

SATISFACTION

The feeling I want to exist between you and me.

I am trying to make my name and satisfaction synonymous. You can help me.

Don't holler and cuss if I have worked for you and it's not been satisfactory, but bring it back and give me a chance to make my word of guarantee good.

One receives a certain amout of satisfaction in buying goods and feeling they have their dollar's worth.

Those are the very kind of goods I carry and are all made by the most reliable firms. I would like to have your business.

I have been told that I am on the **WRONG** side of the street nevertheless you are not treating yourself **RIGHT** unless you see my stock before you buy.

T. McHATTAN