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THE A. S. O. K.

WE PRESUME that it was the intention of the morning paper, in referring to the Amalgamated Society of Kickers, to cast ridicule upon the voters of the city who favor a business administration for the city of Klamath Falls, and are opposed to an administration whose financial policy has brought ruin to the credit of the city. An attempt at ridicule is not an argument, and is only resorted to when there is no defense.

We are afraid that the morning paper will wake up and discover that the so-called A. S. O. K. in this instance, has among its membership a large majority of the taxpayers and citizens of Klamath Falls. While our friend has used over two columns of type and has said absolutely nothing, he has shown to the people of this city what he might have done in a very few words, that, without experience and knowledge of the true state of affairs, he allies himself with Sanderson and anything that Sanderson might represent.

ISN'T IT RIDICULOUS?

TALK about argument. Here is one that ought to please Mr. Sanderson, and be sufficient to defeat the commission charter or any measure that would change the present method of doing business by the city of Klamath Falls. We will quote the exact words:

"And this brings us to the question as to whether we need to rush about this matter. Let's see. Let's suppose that the A. S. O. K. charter is adopted. The petition asks us to vote on it at the general election, May 6. All right. Assume that it is voted upon and passed. Then where are we? We will straighten have to amend the charter if we want to build the sewers and make it possible to refund the city's warrant indebtedness. And we must do both of these. Right now, city warrants are selling all the way from 75 to 85 cents on the dollar, exclusive of salary warrants. That means that when any man sells the city a dollar's worth of goods, he gets back only 75 or 85 cents. Of course, he does that only once. The next time he adds enough to his price to make up for this. And so the city has to pay a higher price for its wares than anyone else. Because its credit is bad. Isn't that ridiculous, when you come to think of it? Isn't it ridiculous for the affairs of a municipal corporation to be in any worse shape than those of any other corporation?"

We will leave it to you, Mr. Taxpayer if it is not indeed ridiculous. The above conditions prevail in this city after Mr. Sanderson has had four years of absolute control. The conditions have reached such a state that the advocate of Mr. Sanderson asserts that it is imperative that something be done. We must permit the mayor to issue more bonds, borrow money, or something. The trouble is Klamath Falls is too small a city for Mr. Sanderson. He should go to San Francisco and run for mayor there. The opportunities are greater there, and this is too small a place for a man of his ability.

HOW IT STANDS

NO MATTER what kind of a taxpayer you are, bear in mind that you are vitally interested in expenses of government, for you pay the bill. It is not necessary to own real estate to be a taxpayer. If you have household goods, machinery, or even dogs that contribute a fee to the work of maintenance, your purse is called upon to defray all public extravagance. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, truly, and the early spring, especially this year, is a good time for prevention.

The motto of some people who handle public affairs seems to be, "The public be hanged." Or maybe they have no motto at all. It may be merely a case of natural indifference, because they have never been made to see the light. But the condition of most people's affairs in this town is such at this time that it calls for the most wholesome measures, unless the city is to go on and get itself worse tangled up than ever.

There are a lot of sheep on the spenders' side of this argument whose bellwether sounds the plea that the city should not be advertised as bankrupt, that nothing about the fact that the water supply's purity is in question hurts the town, and that to keep up the controversy is going to retard the growth of Klamath Falls. The absurd part of it is that they are trying to cover up the shame of things

just at the time when it is more possible of alleviation than at any other time. This is, broadly speaking, election time, when everybody with the good of the city at heart should take well into consideration whether they wish to stand for an extravagant city government, deeply in debt, with a possibility of getting to a stage where it will take years to wade out, or put the curb on the waste now.

The argument the spenders make is that to utter the truth about the city debt or the water supply mud-dle is a superfluity at home; that it does no harm here, but that it gives us a bad name outside.

Who are we here to benefit, the people who make up this town now, or those who live away from here and may never come here? Are we to stand around like a lot of trees in a forest and let the good citizens who make Klamath Falls a pleasant and progressive city, figuratively speaking, be smitten in the jugular? The answer comes that we are obstructing immigration from elsewhere. It needs but little to answer that contention. Suffice it to say that the sooner Klamath Falls takes care of its own, the sooner it will get more people. The better, cleaner, more economical city government that is in charge here, the better for the folks at home and those who may come from outside. The better the interests of those already here are guarded the sooner will outsiders be made to see that Klamath Falls is the right kind of a place to settle down in.

Like charity, purging should begin at home. There has been a good deal of comment lately on the condition of county affairs, but even if the statements made about the county finances be true, the city is on the verge of a plunge into debt, via the council's new charter, if it should become a law, that will make the county's condition seem like a paradise alongside it.

If you are a taxpayer, be it ever so small a one, do yourself the justice to consider this proposition well.

It hits your purse.

AS TO SEWERS

"As to sewers. They are very badly needed in the Mills addition and in other portions of the town. The people who live where there are sewers have no right to deprive the families living in other portions of town from adequate and sanitary sewers. Every minute that sewers are not installed adds to the danger from disease, and this is outrageous for the people who live in the sewerless portions of town, and dangerous for all the rest of us as well."

THUS reads the argument of Mr. Sanderson, by which he expects to get the support of the voters of Mills addition. What excuse is he going to offer these people for not giving them this badly needed sewer system long ago? Let us figure a little. The city is limited to a bonded indebtedness of \$150,000, which we claim is amply sufficient for a city of the property valuation of Klamath Falls. We have issued \$40,000 for sewer bonds, \$10,000 water bonds, and expect to spend \$45,000 for a city hall and fire apparatus. This will use up to \$95,000 in bonds, which leaves a balance of \$55,000. Surely this should be sufficient to build all the additional sewers Klamath Falls will need for years to come. Why has Mr. Sanderson neglected to protect the rights of the people of Mills addition for these four years he has been in office, when he had authority under the present charter to supply them with sewers which they are justly entitled to?

Many of the residents of Mills addition are already asking this question, the same as other parts of the city? No. Mr. Sanderson, you must stand on your record, for it is a long one. Promises won't go. Even your sudden activity in attempting a bluff toward giving Mills addition that street connection which they have been asking for three years, will have no effect in fooling these people longer.

IS THIS PROGRESSIVE LEGISLATION?

FOLLOWING is one of the sections of the new charter proposed by the mayor, relative to improvement of streets by paving, etc. According to this the property owner whose property may have to be sold to pay for the improvement has absolutely no voice in the matter. The action of the council SHALL be FINAL and CONCLUSIVE:

"Section 3. The Common Council

is authorized and empowered whenever it deems it expedient, to establish the grade of any street; to require the property owners along any street, alley, road or highway within the city limits to improve the same, including intersections, by grading, graveling, macadamizing, paving or other improvement, and to prescribe the kind of improvement, and material to be used, and such power shall include the right to improve or build the sidewalks, pavements and curbing, and to tear up and improve any part thereof now or hereafter laid out and established within the corporate limits, to provide for the construction, cleaning and repairing of the same, and the construction and repair of side and cross walks adjacent to property, by the owner thereof and by the city at the expense of such owner, and to make such expense a lien upon the property benefited thereby and to provide for everything necessary and convenient for the exercise of such authority; and to provide and prescribe rules and regulations not inconsistent with this charter for the enforcement of such power, and for making the expense of any or all such improvements, construction, alteration and repairs a lien on the property liable therefor, and to determine what lots or parts thereof, or pieces or parcels of land are specially benefited by such improvements and the amount which each lot or part thereof, or piece or parcel of land is benefited. The act of the Common Council in determining the amount for which each lot or part thereof, or piece or parcel of land is benefited by such improvement and liable for the assessment therefor shall be final and conclusive."

SHASTA VIEW SCHOOL GIVES AN INTERESTING PROGRAM

On the evening of March 1st the Shasta View school gave a literary and box social, which was highly complimented. Each pupil rendered their part well. After the literary program the baskets were sold, which netted about \$26.75. Following is the program:

Song... Stars of the Summer Night
Song... "Stars of the Summer Night"
Washington exercise, 10 small pupils
Recitation... Vlasta Zumpfo
Violin and flute duet

Henry Krupka and Frank Odoman
Dialogue... Mistake Penelope
Recitation... Helen Hunt
Recitation... Mary Kotera

Stocking drill... Eight pupils
Recitation... Mary Zumpfo
Recitation... Vera Bennett

Dialogue... A Court House Scene
Recitation... Mary Klem
Dialogue... Deaf Grandma

Midway... Several Girls
Cradle Song... Small Pupils
Recitation... Jessie Klem

Song... Keep on the Sunny Side
Biography of Washington

Anna Cacka
Hatchett Drill... Fourteen Pupils
Washington Exercise, Several Pupils
Dialogue... Obstinate Family

B. P. Alexander, principal; Jane H. Holeciack, primary.

COUNCIL COMPROMISES ON THE LIGHT QUESTION

All is serene between the Klamath Falls Light and Water company and the city as to the price for city lighting. While the council some weeks ago adopted a resolution, on recommendation of Chairman G. W. White, of the finance committee to pay but 1/4 cents per candle power instead of 1/2 cents per candle power for all the wicks, the months of December and January having been paid for at this rate. The warrants for those months were cut down by the council, and the water company refused to remove them from the custody of City Recorder Thomas F. Nicholas. They remained in the tender custody of that official for a couple of months, until the council, at the intercession of President Marion Hanks, decided to pay at the old rate. Warrants were drawn to conform to the later decision. The light bill presented to council Monday night was for 4,144 candle power, \$207.20. This figures up a 5 cent rate. The bill was ordered paid without any discussion of the price of the light. As a rule the presentation of the light bill has been the signal for a regular surfeit of verbiage, pro and con.

ESTIMATE SIXTH STREET PAVING

City Engineer Don J. Zumwalt was Tuesday night instructed by the council to give estimates on the cost of paving Sixth street from Kinlock to the city limits with macadam and with hard surface, the width to be 48 feet. The city engineer was of the opinion that 40 feet would be sufficient width, but Councilman Stansbie and some of the others on the board seemed to think that the wider surface would be better.

Glen Fountain returned to this city Monday from Corvallis, where he has been taking a short course at the Agricultural college there. He will reside in this city for some time.

Political Announcements

For Prosecuting Attorney

For District Attorney for Klamath and Lake counties, Oregon, on the Republican ticket, JOHN IRWIN, subject to the primary nomination to be held on April 19, 1912.

I hereby respectfully announce myself a candidate for the republican nomination for Prosecuting Attorney for Klamath and Lake counties, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held on the 19th of April, 1912. D. V. KUYKENDALL.

For County Treasurer

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for Treasurer of Klamath County on the Republican ticket, subject to the will of the people at primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. JAY MANNING.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the nomination for Treasurer of Klamath County on the Democratic ticket, subject to the will of the people at primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. C. H. DAGGETT.

For Assessor

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for Assessor of Klamath county on the Democratic ticket, subject to the will of the people at the primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. J. P. LEE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the republican nomination for County Assessor, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. R. C. COWLEY.

For Sheriff

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the Republican nomination for Sheriff of Klamath county, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held April 19, 1912. OSCAR L. CARTER.

B. St. George Bishop hereby announces himself as a candidate for Sheriff on the Democratic ticket, subject to the action of the voters at the primary election to be held on the 19th day of April, 1912.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for sheriff on the Republican ticket, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. C. C. LOW.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for Sheriff of on the Republican ticket, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. B. S. GRIGSBY.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for sheriff on the Democratic ticket, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. S. L. WALKER.

For County Clerk

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for County Clerk on the Republican ticket, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held April 19, 1912. C. R. DE LAP.

For Constable

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination on the Republican ticket for Constable for Linkville district, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. JOHN G. SCHALLOCK.

INSPECTOR FOR ELECTRIC WORK

Klamath Falls has an electrical inspector now, but he will not be on a \$25 a month salary like F. B. Bremer was when that gentleman was inspector. It was decided last night, when the application of E. B. Hawley for the place was considered to make the office a fee office. Mayor Fred T. Sanderson told the councilmen that the office just about paid for itself at the \$25 monthly rate, which was formerly paid at a flat wage. Mr. Hawley was appointed to the vacancy.

CAUTION NOTICE BY GUARDIAN

All persons are hereby notified to not give credit or transact any business of any kind to or with Joseph S. Seeds, a man of the age of about 69 years.

Dated March 1, 1912. SARAH E. SEEDS, Guardian of the Person and Estate of Joseph S. Seeds. 1-5-w1

AUSTIN, March 6.—R. O. Hilliard shot and killed Rev. J. T. Sneed, a B. S. father, at Georgetown, then committing suicide. He left a note saying revenge was his object.

For Coroner

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Coroner, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. EARL WHITLOCK.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the Republican nomination for Coroner, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. E. R. WILLIS.

For School Superintendent

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for County School Superintendent of Klamath county on the Republican ticket, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held April 19, 1912. FRED PETERSON.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for County School Superintendent on the Republican ticket, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. W. S. SLOUGH.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for County School Superintendent on the Democratic ticket subject to the will of the people at the primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. H. P. ALEXANDER.

For Justice of the Peace

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the Republican nomination for Justice of the Peace for Linkville precinct, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. W. H. SHAW.

I hereby declare myself a candidate for the nomination for Justice of the Peace on the Democratic ticket for Linkville district subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. CHAS. GRAVES.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for nomination on the Republican ticket for Justice of the Peace of Linkville Precinct, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. E. W. GOWEN.

For State Senator

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of State Senator in the Seventeenth Senatorial District, including Klamath, Crook and Lake counties, on the Republican ticket, subject to the will of the voters at the primaries to be held on 19th day of April, 1912. W. LAIR THOMPSON.

For County Commissioner

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the nomination for County Commissioner on the Democratic ticket, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. JAMES R. DIXON.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for county commissioner on the Republican ticket, subject to the will of the people at the primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. JOHN HAGELSTEIN.

For State Representative

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of State Representative in the Twenty-First Representative District, including Lake, Klamath, Crook and Grant counties, on the Republican ticket, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election to be held on April 19, 1912. WESLEY O. SMITH.

On Tuesday four cars of Klamath potatoes were shipped to Sacramento by the Klamath Valley Warehouse and Forwarding company, of which C. H. Daggett is manager. Most of the spuds were from the R. C. Short ranch. Not long ago the same company shipped out a large consignment of tubers to the same city, and the later order is evidence that the demand for Klamath county Murphys is not abating in the city with the sacerdotal appellation.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

The following realty transfers, contracts, deeds, mortgages, etc., recently filed with the county clerk, are furnished by the City and County Abstract company:

F. T. Maxwell to M. J. Wise, deed, \$1,000, lots 3 and 4, SE 1/4 of SW 1/4, SW 1/4 of SE 1/4, Sec. 7-40-7.

Minnie E. an Meter to G. H. Van Meter, warranty deed, \$10, lot 9, sec. 5; lot 12, Sec. 4-40-11.

Donelson, warranty deed, \$10, lots 1, 2, 4 and 5, block 11, Sunnyside.

C. H. Daggett et al to Roy D. Wise, warranty deed, \$10, lots 1, 2 and 3, block 1, lot 3, block 20, Sunnyside.

Oregon Valley Land company to Jas. P. Hutchinson, warranty deed, \$200, 8 1/2 of 8 1/2 of NE 1/4 of NE 1/4, Sec. 13-36-14.

Hughes & Hyland to G. W. White, contract, \$6,000 58 feet on Main street at corner of Eleventh and Main.

C. J. Boyd to Alex Martin Jr., quit claim deed, \$10, SE 1/4 of NW 1/4, SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, Sec. 27-39-9.

J. E. Fielder et ux to H. H. Van Valkenburg, quit claim deed, \$10, SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, lots 2, 3 and 8 and east 52 rods of lot 4, and NE 1/4 of SW 1/4, Sec. 18-39-9.

United States to Augustus P. Bouton, patent, N 1/2 of NW 1/4, SE 1/4 of NW 1/4, Sec. 20-37-9.

Central Oregon Improvement company to Rufus Buck, warranty deed, \$600, lots 19 and 16, block 38, Crescent.

Joel T. Ward to Orville M. French, warranty deed, \$10, part of lot 9, block 60, Nichols addition.

B. S. Grigsby to Geo. R. and Matilda Myers, warranty deed, \$1,250, lot 4, block 1, Shive's addition.

Geo. R. Myers to Grace D. Lyon, warranty deed, \$10, lot 4, block 1, Shive's addition.

W. T. Shive et ux to Harry Engle, warranty deed, \$10, lot 6, block 2, Fort Klamath.

Will Humphrey et al to P. M. Reidy, warranty deed, \$5,500, part of lots 5 and 6, block 15, original town, being 50 feet on Sixth street.

C. F. Stone to American Bank and Trust company, quit claim deed, \$1, 8 1/2 of NE 1/4, SE 1/4, Sec. 26-39-19.

American Bank and Trust company to Chas. H. Capron, warranty deed, \$2,962, 8 1/2 of NE 1/4, Sec. 26-39-9.

J. H. Cabene to W. W. Lewis, warranty deed, \$775, north 60 feet of lots 7 and 8, block 54, Nichols addition.

Long Lake Lumber company to the Klamath Development company, quit claim deed, \$1, part of lots 4, 5, 13, 9 and 19 in Sec. 19-35-9.

Wm. F. Byrne to S. B. and Josie Low, warranty deed, \$10, lots 7 and 8, block 75, Ewanna Heights.

Oregon to John B. Hubbard, deed, \$50, SE 1/4 of SE 1/4, Sec. 32-36-14.

B. E. Shepherd and wife to Caro O. Nelson, deed, \$1, 8 1/2 of lot 7, block 1, Ward & Nelson addition.

Alex Martin Jr. and wife to J. O. Beardsley, warranty deed, \$10, SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 (except two contracts) Sec. 27-39-9.

Richard B. Smith to Thaddeus E. Griffith, contract, \$300, 5 acres N and W of right of way in SE 1/4, Sec. 36-39-9.

Central Oregon Improvement company to J. H. Gilmore, warranty deed, \$250, lot 18, block 30, Crescent.

J. W. Siemens and wife to W. W. Smith, warranty deed, \$10, 8 1/2 of NE 1/4, E 1/2 of NW 1/4, E 1/2 of SW 1/4, SE 1/4, Sec. 19-36-14; also two tracts in lot 2, Sec. 2-37-14.

Ellis E. Taylor and husband to Robt F. Ryan, warranty deed, \$10, lot 5, block 16, Ewanna Heights.

Robt. F. Ryan to Ellis F. Taylor, option, \$1, lot 5, block 16, Ewanna Heights.

Harris Deans and wife to Algoma Lumber company, warranty deed, \$10, W 1/2 of SE 1/4, Sec. 16-37-19.

W. W. Smith to J. W. Siemens, warranty deed, \$10, 8 1/2 of NE 1/4, E 1/2 of NW 1/4, E 1/2 of SW 1/4, SE 1/4 of Sec. 18-36-14; also NW 1/4 of Sec. 19-36-14.

Charley Johnson to Geo. M. Ayers, warranty deed, \$500, 8 1/2 of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 7-37-15.

United States to Harvey L. Oliver, patent, N 1/2 of S 1/2 of Sec. 3-38-12.

United States to Mary H. Stiles, patent, N 1/2 of SW 1/4, Sec. 10-37-10; also N 1/2 of NW 1/4, Sec. 29-37-10.

Klamath Water Users' Association to Pearl Weedon, release of contract, NW 1/4, Sec. 20-40-14.

W. W. Graves and wife to M. B. Donovan, warranty deed, \$1, W 1/2 of SW 1/4, Sec. 16-38-15.

T. H. Shevlin to F. P. Hixon, \$1, W 1/2 of NW 1/4 (or lot 1) and SW 1/4 of NW 1/4, Sec. 2-24-11; also N 1/2 of NE 1/4 (lots 1 and 2), S 1/2 of NE 1/4, N 1/2 of NW 1/4 (lots 3 and 4), Sec. 3; SW 1/4 of NW 1/4, W 1/2 of SW 1/4, SE 1/4 of SW 1/4, Sec. 3; N 1/2 of NE 1/4 (lots 1 and 2), S 1/2 of NE 1/4, NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 (lot 3) and SE 1/4 of NW 1/4, E 1/2 of SW 1/4, SE 1/4 of Sec. 4; SW 1/4, Sec. 8; NE 1/4, Sec. 9; N 1/2 and N 1/2 of S 1/4, Sec. 10; NE 1/4, Sec. 17; lots 11, 12, 13 and 14, Sec. 19; lots 6, 7, 10, 11 and 13, Sec. 31, all in 24-11.

F. P. Hixon to T. H. Shevlin, warranty deed, \$1, same as foregoing.

JUNIOR-SENIOR PARTY PLANNED

A meeting was held by the high school Junior class Monday afternoon for the purpose of selecting a committee to look after the Junior-Senior party, which will take place on the 15th of this month. The committees that were chosen for the different duties were decoration, entertainment and refreshments. If plans that are being made work out as predicted the reception will be one of the most prominent of the season.