

AT AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE PARTIAL LIST OF JURORS

NEW BUILDINGS ERECTED AND ACCEPTED.

At a Meeting of the Board of Regents, Honors the Memory of the Late Sen. Morrill.

Prof. G. M. Irwin, state superintendent of schools, returned from Corvallis yesterday afternoon, having attended a meeting of the board of regents of the Oregon Agricultural College, during the past few days.

The board, all the members of which were present except Gov. W. P. Lord, Secretary H. R. Kincaid and Hon. J. K. Weatherford, attended to a large amount of business in connection with the new buildings, lately erected or under course of construction at the college, and made preparations for the next year's work.

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The board also approved the letting of the contract for the new mechanical hall. This building, which will be a most substantial one, is now under way. The concrete foundation has been completed. Above the foundation, the walls up to the first story windows, will be of Cascade mountain granite, an excellent building material.

The board passed a resolution, in honor of the late United States senator, J. S. Morrill, of Vermont, who introduced the act creating the agricultural colleges throughout the United States. The resolution provides that the new building, now being erected, shall be known as the "Morrill Mechanical Hall," and this name will be inscribed upon the structure in some conspicuous place as a mark of respect for the deceased statesman.

THE ORPHANS HOME.

Annual Meeting Held by the Board of Managers Yesterday.

The board of managers of the Oregon Children's Aid Society held its annual meeting and election of officers yesterday afternoon, at the residence of Mrs. J. J. Murphy on Court street. There was a very good attendance of the members of the board.

The regular annual reports of the officers and various committees were submitted and read. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted in the re-election of the present officers, as follows: President—Mrs. John Minto.

STREET TAXES.—In his report to the city council last month, ex-street Commissioner H. L. Tarpley said: "I have labored at somewhat of a disadvantage, owing to the fact that about \$900 of the tax of 1898 was collected in advance in 1897, and used in building cement crosswalks, and thereby depriving the streets of the city of that amount of work, which should have been placed upon them."

SELECTED TO SERVE IN CIRCUIT COURT THIS YEAR.

List Will Be Completed by County Commissioners Today—Bills Ordered Paid.

The Marion county commissioners' court yesterday afternoon began drawing the list of 200 jurors to serve in the circuit court for this county for the ensuing year. At adjournment last evening one-half the required number had been decided upon. The list will be completed today.

The jurors are selected from names of taxpayers on 1898 assessment roll and are apportioned to the voting population of each precinct. By this arrangement the ten Salem precincts will furnish sixty-six jurors.

The jurors thus far selected are some of the county's heaviest tax payers, and are representative citizens and business men of average intelligence. A perusal of the list so far selected shows a large percentage of the jurors to be farmers.

The list, together with the occupation and residence of the 100 jurors selected yesterday, is as follows:

Table listing names and residences of 200 jurors, including Jos. H. Albert, R. D. Allen, W. H. Armstrong, F. R. Anson, etc.

Table listing names and amounts for F. M. Brooks, John Hughes, Boys and Girls' Aid Society, etc.

Cost bills were allowed in the following cases: State of Oregon vs. R. Carpenter, O. Dansten, Wm. Begley, R. VanZant, S. Hammond, S. Hammond, John Doe, George Hamilton, etc.

The court, adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock this morning.

All was not smooth sailing at the meeting of the Marion county commissioners' court yesterday. During the preceding night and early yesterday morning a storm had been gathering and the same broke during the forenoon session of the court, and as a result Commissioners J. N. Davis and Wm. Milley left at variance with County Judge G. P. Terrell in the matter of selecting the 200 jurors to serve for the ensuing year at the session of the circuit court.

The trouble arose over the system employed by the court in the preceding day in selecting 100 jurors for jury service during the year. Commissioners Davis and Milley said they had learned that the list so far completed did not give satisfaction to the public and they themselves were not satisfied with the manner in which the list had been drawn. For that reason they refused, when court reconvened at 9 a. m. yesterday, to place their signatures to the court journal of the proceedings for the day so doing, the court finally approved the work of the court in the selection of the 100 jurors. The commissioners insisted on having the jury list of 100 names, already drawn, set aside and proceed to select an entirely new list of 200 names by an entirely different system.

This action on the part of the commissioners resulted in a heated controversy between the officers and the county judge, and for a time things were quite troubled in the court room. About 10:30 a. m. the storm subsided somewhat and the court postponed further action in drawing the jury list until 1 p. m., and proceeded to the transaction of routine business.

At the appointed hour in the afternoon, court reconvened and the debate was resumed between the commissioners on one side and the county judge on the other—a case of two to one.

When Judge Terrell had called the court to order he asked his colleagues their pleasure in the matter of proceeding with the selection of the jury list and said: "I do not think that those on the list selected, who are qualified should be disbanded from acting as jurors. I am in favor of erasing the names of all exempt firemen and all others who are exempt from service as jurors, but I do not think we can be justified in disqualifying the entire list."

Commissioner Davis insisted that the entire list be set aside. Continuing he said: "The list is not satisfactory to the court and I am not satisfied with it myself. It is a matter which it was drawn. I am in favor of the drawing of a new jury list from beginning to end by new hands and under a new system. Many who live in this city and who were placed on the jury list are directly interested in the cases to come before the court."

Commissioner Milley viewed the situation in the same light as did his colleague and was of the opinion that persons selecting a jury list should be acquainted with the qualifications of every taxpayer in the county.

Judge Terrell called to his associates, showing those liable to an exempt from service as a juror.

The two commissioners still insisted on setting aside the 100 jurors and drawing a new list. It was finally decided to continue the matter of selecting the jury until 9 a. m. today, but as Judge Terrell has a number of probate cases to be heard today, it is not at all probable that the court will select the list this week.

Judge Terrell said last evening that the court would probably meet this morning, transact the remaining routine business of the January term of court and adjourn until next week, when the list of jurors will be drawn and the county tax levy made. The tax levy this year will no doubt be greater than that of last year; the levy for 1898 being 64 mills.

During the afternoon session the following bills were audited: Stationery Account—\$ 12.50, E. S. Dearborn, 35.40, Patton Bros., 22.40, W. W. Hall, 67.25, Salem Typewriting Exchange, 23.50, R. E. Moore & Co., 5.26, Mrs. L. Rickford, 10.00, G. P. Terrell, 3.00.

Jury Account—\$ 3.00, F. L. Pound, 2.00, O. H. Gilbert, 2.00, H. C. Porter, 3.00, J. A. Kemp, 3.00, G. W. Powell, 2.00, A. J. Richardson, 2.00, E. Weddle, 2.00, T. A. Johnson, 3.00, H. O. Barker, 2.00, F. B. Southwick, 2.00.

Legal Account—\$184.51, Geo. G. Bingham, 2.50, A. L. Downing, 2.50, Election Account—\$250.00, School District No. 25, claimed \$250.00, not allowed, Cook M. Jones, claimed \$34; allowed, \$15.00.

Tax Rebate Account—\$ 8.37, Geo. G. Bingham, 3.00, Stock Inspection Account—\$ 25.00, S. W. Read, 25.00, Sheriff's Account—\$120.76, F. W. Durbin, 35.00, Court House and Jail Account—\$ 35.00, Salem Light & Traction Co., 35.00.

Table listing names and amounts for Oregon Telegraph & Tel. Co., Salem Light & Traction Co., Steiner & Blosser, etc.

In the matter of the request upon the body of Walker B. Ray: A. M. Clough, claimed \$20.20, allowed, \$20.00, E. Huff, 1.00, S. H. Linton, 1.00, L. W. Miller, 1.00, L. S. Whiters, 1.00, A. J. Pruitt, 1.00, James Bateclor, 1.00, Silas R. Jones, 1.00, Chas. Norbent, 1.00, Frank King, 1.00, George R. Fowler, 2.50, Frank Starr, 1.00, M. L. Hamilton, 1.00, C. L. Nash, 1.00, J. D. Shaw, 5.23, A. M. Clough, 9.00, C. Norbent, 6.30.

In the matter of the request upon the body of Seth Wade: A. M. Clough, claimed \$29.85; allowed, \$19.02, D. L. Piester, 1.00, A. G. Slippy, 1.00, L. L. Judson, 1.00, R. Carlson, 1.00, J. Leilinger, Jr., 1.00, S. C. Kightlinger, 1.00, F. W. Miller, 1.00, O. D. Burton, 1.00, J. S. Phillips, 1.00, Susan Burholder, 1.00, Mary Hensley, 1.00, D. J. Fry, 1.00, E. A. Pierce, 1.00, J. D. Shaw, 5.23.

In the matter of the request on the body of Charles M. Day: A. M. Clough, claimed \$21.05; allowed, \$15.45, Wm. M. Robinson, 1.00, C. H. Spaulding, 1.00, C. F. Lansing, 1.00, J. P. Weidner, 1.00, W. J. Hedden, 1.00, Alfred Savage, 1.00, J. W. Lyons, 1.00, Sarah J. Lyons, 1.00, Belle L. Burham, 1.00, Eugene Brown, 1.00, W. H. H. Dodge, 1.00, U. Slommons, 1.00, J. N. Smith, claimed \$30.00; allowed, \$15.00, Henry L. Savage, 2.00, Cook & Hansen, 2.50, District Attorney Account—\$ 20.00, S. L. Hayden, 20.00.

Other proceedings had yesterday were as follows: Mrs. C. Schaefer was allowed \$1 tax rebate for year 1895. Rosa Brunhofer was granted a monthly allowance from the county of \$2.

The report of the county clerk for salary warrants drawn for the month of December was approved.

In the matter of the employment of Geo. G. Bingham for the collection of delinquent taxes for the years 1892-6 inclusive, the gentleman's services were discontinued.

The petition of the Independence National Bank, James Bateclor and J. K. Morley for the sheriff to make deeds, were each granted.

The petition of Frank U. Hall, et al. to change boundary of road districts No. 67 and 68, was allowed; also the petition of E. J. Hult, et al. for changing the boundary of road districts No. 63 and 64.

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING. Officers Elected to Serve for Ensuing Year—A Revival.

The members of the Seventeenth and Chemeketa streets Evangelical church, on Wednesday evening, held their annual election of officers. The election was held subsequent to the regular evening service, a series of protracted meetings being conducted by the pastor, Rev. N. Shupp, in the church. The meeting began at 7:30 p. m. and will continue indefinitely. Special music is furnished by the choir, and great interest and enthusiasm is shown at the meetings.

Rev. N. Shupp acted as chairman at the meeting. W. A. Ernst serving as secretary. The election resulted as follows: Trustee—C. T. Doty (re-elected). Class leader—C. T. Doty, (re-elected). Exhorter—Major Dennis. Organist—Miss Mabel Shupp.

Assistant organist—Miss Lena Royal. Officers for the Sunday school were elected for the ensuing year with the following result: Superintendent—Mrs. O. B. Hutchins. Assistant superintendent—W. A. Ernst. Secretary—Miss Florence Bell. Assistant secretary—Miss Agnes Finley. Treasurer—C. T. Doty. Librarian—Carl Williams. Assistant librarian—Miss Pearl Wilbur.

Organist—Miss Mabel Shupp. Assessor—Miss Lena Royal. A unanimous vote of thanks was extended C. T. Doty for his faithful and efficient superintendence of the Sunday school for the past two and a half years, the gentleman declining a third re-election to that office.

The annual election of officers for the Young People's Alliance will take place this evening, when all members are urged to be in attendance.

NEW ELECTRIC LIGHTS.—The two new electric lamps, to be used in lighting the depot platforms and the grounds of the Southern Pacific Company's passenger depot in this city, arrived yesterday and it is the intention of Manager F. R. Anson to have the same in place and ready for service tonight for the first time. The placing of the two lights at the depot will be a grand improvement and will be widely appreciated by the patrons of the company. One of the lights will be suspended from a trolley pole, half way between the station and the water tank, lighting up the north portion of the depot grounds, while the other will be placed upon a pole, erected especially for the purpose, about twenty-five feet south of the baggage room.

Of Count Tolstoi's three daughters, the youngest is only 14 years old. The oldest, whose name is Tatjana, is said to have shown considerable talent in painting.

STATE TAX LEVY IS MADE

A LARGE AMOUNT OF REVENUE TO BE RAISED BY IT.

The Rate Is Placed at Nearly Six Mills—A Large Increase over Last Year.

Yesterday Gov. W. P. Lord, Secretary of State H. R. Kincaid and State Treasurer Phil Metschan, sitting as a board of tax-levy, scrutinized the data supplied by Frank K. Lovell, auditing clerk in the state department, and formally determined and announced a state tax levy of five and seven-tenths mills (5.7) upon the assessed valuation of the state. The total amount of the net taxable property in the state, as reported to the state department by the county clerks after the usual changes were made in the assessors' returns by the county boards of equalization, is \$133,533,577, and the state levy on that amount of money will aggregate a total state tax of \$761,141.39. This is a material increase over the levy made in 1898 when the state was returned at \$134,917,104, on which a 5 3/4 mill levy raised \$764,200 for state purposes, or \$72,000, or an increase over last year of \$288,451.55.

There are several reasons given for the increase in the state levy, chief of which being that during the past two years, the state officials had no authority to raise money for some purposes, by reason of the failure of the legislature of 1897 to make a proposition, and that repairs, improvements and other needed changes at some of the state institutions, were postponed until action could be had by the legislature. This having been secured at the special session, it is now proposed to make the needed improvements at the various institutions.

The following table shows, first, the aggregate valuation of all the taxable property in the several counties of the state of Oregon according to the assessment of the year 1898, as equalized by the several county boards of equalization, filed in the office of the secretary of state; second, the total amount of lawful exemptions in each of said counties, as shown by the copies of the assessment rolls of the several counties of the state for the year 1898, to be deducted, according to law, from the aforesaid aggregate valuations of taxable property; and third, the total amount of taxable property in the state, after making the lawful deductions:

Table with columns: Counties, Gross value, Exemptions, Total taxable. Rows include Baker, Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Coos, Curry, Crook, Douglas, Grant, Harney, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath, Lake, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Malheur, Marion, Morrow, Multnomah, Polk, Sherman, Tillamook, Union, Wallowa, Wasco, Washington, Yamhill, Total.

MASCOTT SALOON ATTACHED. Five Suits Instituted Against Peter Reader—Other Cases Filed.

Yesterday morning the Esberg-Gunst Cigar Company, of California, instituted in department No. 1, of the Marion county circuit court, an attachment suit against Peter Reader, proprietor of the Mascott saloon, in the opera house block, and that business house was promptly attached by Sheriff F. W. Durbin. In its complaint the plaintiff corporation represents that on August 11, 1897, it delivered to defendant goods, wares and merchandise to the value of \$300. Of that amount \$160 has been paid, and judgment is asked for the balance, \$200, together with the costs and disbursements of the suit.

Latter in the day the W. J. Van Sawyer Co., of Portland, began an attachment proceedings, in the same department of the circuit court, against Mr. Reader to recover \$301, claimed to be the amount due on liquors sold defendant since he engaged in the saloon business in this city last summer.

During the day three attachment suits were instituted against Mr. Reader in Justice H. A. Johnson's court. The first of these three cases filed was that of M. Doran, who holds a claim of \$20 against the saloon dealer.

Wm. Woodley, who tendered bar for Reader, began a suit to recover \$28.50, alleged to be due for services rendered. Last evening James Maguire brought suit against Reader for \$36, the balance due on an ice account.

Additional suits will probably be brought today, as Reader is said to be considerably involved financially.

Three suits were yesterday instituted in the Marion county circuit court. Two of the cases were foreclosure suits and will be heard in department No. 2. The third was an action for money, and will be placed on the docket of department No. 1. The suits were, as follows:

Guastave Glaser vs. J. Meyerfeld et al. Judgment asked for \$250, with 6 per cent interest from November 18, 1897, and \$50 attorneys' fees. Decree of foreclosure is asked on lot No. 5, block 34, in Gervais.

The Pacific States Savings, Loan & Building Company, a corporation, vs. Wm. H. Wild et al., for \$1,746.18, with interest from date, and a reasonable attorney's fee, not to exceed \$200; also the foreclosure of a mortgage on lots 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, in block 13, Depot addition to Salem.

B. C. Lehmannowsky seeks to obtain judgment against H. L. Palmer for \$117.10, with interest at 10 per cent, from July 27, 1898, and \$20 attorney's fees, less the payment of \$50.57. The amount is alleged to be due on a promissory note issued in July, 1897, by defendant in favor of L. W. Degroe, who afterwards transferred the same to the plaintiff.

PROBATE COURT. Objections Filed to the Final Account in the Wm. J. Chambers Estate.

Mrs. Dorcas Chambers, widow of the late Wm. J. Chambers, contests and objects to the allowance of the final account of E. J. Chambers, as administrator of the estate of her deceased husband. The contestant objects to an item of \$14 "costs in circuit court on appeal," alleging that it was a personal charge against E. J. Chambers. Mrs. Chambers also objects to the bills of E. J. Chambers, amounting to \$715.46, for board and lodging claimed to have been furnished deceased just prior to his death on the grounds that no contract had been formed between the administrator and the deceased. Frank Turner and W. T. Slater are attorneys for the contestant.

Winifred Pemberton, executrix of the estate of Nancy E. Stephens, deceased, filed her first semi-annual account in the probate court yesterday, showing the receipts to have been \$576.02, with disbursements to the amount of \$506.44, leaving a balance on hand of \$9.58.

DEPORTING A CHINAMAN. Governor Lord Releases a High-Binder from the Penitentiary.

Gov. W. P. Lord yesterday ordered the release, from the state penitentiary, of Jue Yin, a Chinese, who was convicted in 1895, in Multnomah county, of the crime of murder in the second degree and sentenced to life imprisonment. Jue Yin was a high-binder, and killed another Chinaman in Portland as the result of some factional quarrel. The release was ordered by the governor, at the instance of the federal officers, who have an order from the United States court for the deportation of the prisoner, as he is not registered, and is not legally in the United States. Federal officers came up on last night's train, and will take the Chinaman to Portland today, where he will be placed in the care of the officers of the steamer now ready to clear for China.

This is the third Chinaman released from the Oregon penitentiary within one month, under similar circumstances; the other two, also murderers, were Tong Long Dick, and Foot You, both serving life terms.

DAWSON CITY FILE. Enormous Prices of Commodities in the Gold Fields.

In speaking of the recent fire in Dawson City, an exchange says: "The fire destroyed three frame buildings, fourteen plugs of tobacco, three and one-half pounds of bacon, and three flasks of mountain dew. Loss, \$500,000, with no insurance."

While this, of course, grossly misrepresents the Dawson City fire of recent date, it very strikingly illustrates the enormous prices various commodities command in the market at that city.

The money is ready for the motor line to Ricedale. Let the property owners along the line do their part.

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