

EDITORIALS OF THE PEOPLE

Suburban Makes Some Comment on Proposed Salem Charter

LAWYERS OF OREGON PROVIDE THAT PROPOSITION TO EXTEND BOUNDARIES OF CITY SHOULD BE SUBMITTED TO VOTE OF THE PEOPLE—UNION'S VIEWS.

(From Sunday's Daily.)
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Editor Statesman:
A member of the Legislature is reported to have said the other day to a party who was advocating a new charter for this city, the principal feature of which was the enlargement of the city boundaries. "Why do not the people of your town settle this matter without bothering the Legislature with it? Under section 2590 of the Bellinger and Cotton Code is a provision, which, in short, is that when one-fifth of the qualified electors of any city request by petition that the boundaries be enlarged a vote is taken both in the city, and in the territory proposed to be annexed to the city, and if a majority of the electors residing in the territory proposed to be taken in, vote in favor of having the city limits extended over them, and if a majority in the city vote in favor of such extension, then an abstract of the vote, and a description of the territory to be annexed is to be filed with the Secretary of State. From and after the date of filing of such abstract such annexation shall be deemed complete, and thereafter such territory shall be and remain a part of such corporation."

"This law," continued the legislator, "gives to those directly interested authority to settle for themselves all questions of city extension without application to the Legislature, or the intermeddling of those who have no interest in the matter, and is certainly a good law." A Salem man who was present during this talk said, "Yes in the charter of our city is another fair way of submitting this to taxpayers who are interested, which is that the city shall have the power to extend its corporate limits when any section contiguous to it shall by a petition of a majority of the voters in said section who represent to exceed 50 per cent of the assessed valuation therein, request by petition to be admitted into said corporation limits."

"This gives those whose pockets are tight a chance according to the size of taxes they are expected to put up, but none of these laws will take upon himself the responsibility of forcing into this city 557 people who remonstrate against coming in, while only 85 have signed their desire to come in. This is what the record shows after a very careful canvass by good, substantial men."
SUBURB.

ATTEMPTED BURGLARY

BOLD KNAVE TRIES TO FORCE AN ENTRANCE TO THE MESSICK HOME.

Considerable excitement was created about 3 o'clock Sunday morning out in East Salem by some unknown party attempting to break into the residence of R. M. Messick, No. 362 Summer street. No one was in the house at the time excepting Mrs. Messick and one of her daughters, and the ladies were badly frightened. The would-be intruder, whoever he was, attempted to break in the front door and the ladies went to one of the windows in an upper room and gave the alarm, and several of the neighbors, among whom were Albert Hoff and Attorney Richardson, donned their clothing and hurried to the rescue.

Upon arriving at the Messick residence, the party who had caused the commotion had taken his departure and though a thorough search of the premises was made, no clue to him could be found and the supposition is that he was either drunk or crazy, as a man bent on burglary would have doubtless been more careful about making noise.

COAL TRUST ENJOINED

DETROIT COAL EXCHANGE RESTRAINED FROM REGULATING PRICE OF FUEL.

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 26.—The Circuit Court today issued a preliminary injunction asked for by Prosecutor Hunt against the Detroit Coal Exchange, an organization of thirty local coal dealers. The injunction restrains the Exchange from acting as an organization to fix the minimum price at which coal should be sold.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL

Here are the names of the Senators who have not employed individual clerks, under the resolution allowing such privilege: Booth, Kuykendall,

Miller of Linn, Dtmick, Myers, Pierce. Six out of thirty members of that body.

Fix the principle of the election of Senators by direct vote of the people, and there will be no more dead-locks. It is hereby predicted that this principle will be fixed at the next election, if it is not settled by the action of the Legislature at the present session. The candidate for the Legislature in the next campaign who will not pledge himself to stand by the choice of the people will be snowed under so deep that he will think he was struck by the white top of Mt. Hood.
When the rat-catchers of Hongkong went on a strike many a family found itself deprived of its only delicacy.
Because the committee of arrangements for the inaugural ball decided that dress suits were necessary to secure the admission of gentlemen to the ballroom, Governor Lanham of Texas, may have to call out the militia to protect the committee. The mob is made up almost wholly of members of the Legislature.

HIS NEED SUPPLIED.
Judge—Why didn't you steer out for the pedestrian?
Wheelman—I hadn't time.
Judge—Well, I'll give you ten days.

DEFEATED IN BOTH GAMES

Ladies of Corvallis and Willamette Play a Star Game

WAS FAST AND FURIOUS THROUGHOUT—BOYS OF UNIVERSITY PULLED OUT OF GAME IN SECOND HALF OVER DECISION OF REFEREE.

(From Saturday's Daily.)
O. A. C.—5. (Ladies.) W. U.—1.
In one of the hardest fought basketball games ever played in the Willamette University gymnasium last night, the plucky Willamette girls went down to an honorable defeat before the Corvallis belles.
The score was 5 to 1, but even this score, although close, does not give a correct idea of the game between the two teams which were so evenly matched, both being trained to a high state of perfection.

The first half, which was fifteen minutes in length, was fiercely contested from start to finish, and resulted in the score of 2 to 0, in favor of the O. A. C., Miss Edith Linville having succeeded in tossing one basket. The second half of twenty minutes, was played even harder than the first. Ethel Linville and Una Stewart for Corvallis and Nellie Parsons and Minnie Koschmeider for Willamette, each playing like demons. During this half Miss Lottie Randall received a sprained ankle, and time was called while she was removed and her place filled by Gussie Randall. Una Stewart threw one basket for Corvallis, and each team scored one point on foul, making the final score 5 to 1 in favor of Corvallis.

The individual work of each player was strenuous, but Corvallis showed superior team work, and was this slight superiority which won the game for Corvallis. The playing was entirely clean on both sides nothing occurring to mar the sportsmanlike qualities of the game. The line up of the two teams was as follows:
W. U.—Minnie Koschmeider, capt. Jennie Coyle, Nellie Parsons, forwards. Lotta Randall, Lila Swafford, guards. O. A. C.—Edna Smith, center. Myra Yeager, Rea Smith, forwards. Ethel Linville, Una Stewart, guards. Subs.—Willamette—Mary Warfield, Gussie Randall, Corvallis—Minnie Logan, Florence Wicks, Mary Dannerman. Referee—E. Kinney Miller. Umpires—Bert Geer, McAllister.

At Corvallis.
O. A. C.—13. (Men.) W. U.—10.

The men's basketball teams from Willamette and Corvallis played a close game last night, in the Oregon Agricultural College gymnasium, resulting in the score of 13 to 10 in favor of Corvallis.
The game was closely contested from the start and excellent playing was done by both teams. Towards the close of the game an event occurred which marred the pleasure of the occasion. With 1½ minutes to play and the score standing 11 to 10 in favor of Corvallis, Referee Dickey, of Corvallis, gave Parsons of Willamette, a toss at goal on foul. Parsons missed and claimed another throw on account of being bothered by rooters in the gallery refused to grant and Captain Pollard, of Willamette, called his team from the field. The referee, however, said "play ball," and Corvallis threw another basket, making the final score 13 to 10 in favor of Corvallis.

FOUGHT STREET DUEL

TWO MEN EMPTIED THEIR REVOLVERS, INJURING BOY AND GIRL.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—Two unknown men fought a duel in sight of Oak Street Police Station in this city last night, but, both being bad snobs, escaped unhurt. There were two victims of their bullets, however, a boy and a girl. The boy, Willie McLaughlin, was shot in the body and perhaps fatally wounded. The girl, 14 years of age, received a wound in the leg. After emptying their revolvers the men escaped.

No fewer than 61 per cent of German students are shot sighted, states Professor Cohn, of Breslau.
There are a score of candidates for the vacant post of city clerk in London, which pays \$10,000 a year.
Orders have been issued in India for the return to store of all ammunition containing dum-dum bullets.

TO REPLACE CHINATOWN

Owners of Condemned Property are Planning Extensive Improvements

WHAT IS NOW FROWNED UPON AS AN EYEBRE AND AN OBSTRUCTION TO THE PROGRESS OF THE CITY MAY BE ITS CROWNING GLORY.

(From Saturday's Daily.)
The sale made by E. M. LaFore, of 50 by 166 feet of lot 7, block 4, to W. Christensen, and the latter's declaration that it is his intention to erect a modern brick block on the property in the near future, has caused all of the property owners to commence speculating on what they will do in the matter of improvements.

The city council has condemned the entire half block known as Chinatown, and it will be necessary, before summer, to tear out the filthy shacks, disinfest the atmosphere of the place and transform the Chinese slums into a habitable place for white men, probably into a thriving brick block, such as would be expected in such a desirably located piece of property.
Mr. E. M. Lafore, who still owns 33 1-3 feet front adjoining the property sold Thursday, will build at the same time as Mr. Christensen, provided he does not sell before then, having since received a flattering offer for the remaining portion of his property. The simple fact that improvements are to be made in the block has caused the value to increase and buyers to appear, all recognizing the value of the location as a business point.

J. J. Murphy who owns the north half of lot 5, on State street, made some plans for building last summer, but did not carry them out, and so far has not decided what he will do in the matter. However it is thought that he will follow suit when his neighbors are ready to build.
Mrs. A. J. Monroe owns the north half of lot 6, on Liberty street, including the shacks which burned a short time ago. She just returned from Portland and has made no plans, but is willing to do whatever is desired by the council.

The half lot on the corner of State and Liberty streets is owned by the Verani heirs and controlled by Lewis Verani, who lives in Vancouver, Wash., and, consequently could not be seen in regard to the matter, but last summer he had plans for constructing an improved brick building, which would be an ornament to the corner and to that portion of the city, and his friends understand that he intends to carry out his plans next summer as soon as the lease of his present tenants expires.
F. H. D'Arcy, when seen yesterday in regard to his portion of lot 6, said that he had for some time been thinking of improving the lot, and that, as the others were ready to carry out their plans, he also would build, and that the result would be such a building as could be pointed out with pride as a mark of the improvement of the city.

Gray Brothers have been making some improvements in the building occupied by F. A. Wiggins, implement dealer, raising the building to the standard level of the sidewalk and putting in new foundations, and will in the immediate future install a modern freight elevator in the building.

DEMOCRATS ELECT TELLER BUT REPUBLICANS DISPUTE THE LEGALITY AND REMAIN IN DUAL SESSION.

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 24.—As 5 o'clock this afternoon the Democratic members of the Senate and House cast ballots, 51 in number, for Henry M. Teller, to succeed himself as United States Senator, and he was declared elected by President W. H. Adams. Since Monday the Democratic branch of the Senate has been in continuous session, and, since Wednesday at noon the joint session of the Democratic members of both houses has been in continuous. From yesterday morning all the Democrats were ready to cast ballots for Teller except Representative M. J. Madden, of Denver. The absence of Madden, was unaccounted for until this afternoon when it was learned that he was at home ill and had been forbidden to leave the house by his physician. In spite of his condition, however, he decided to attend this evening and at the hour named was in his seat and cast his vote for Teller. There was no Republican member of either house present, and the legality of the election not admitted by the Republican leaders.
While the election of Senator Teller by the Democratic portion of the General Assembly has removed one element of the uncertainty from the situation, it has not cleared the atmosphere. The election is declared illegal by the Republican leaders and the dual Senates are still maintained.

VETERAN JOURNALIST

JAMES OMEARA, ONE OF LEADING NEWSPAPER MEN, DEAD IN CALIFORNIA.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Jan. 24.—James Omeara, who man years ago ranked among the foremost journalists of the Pacific Coast, died here tonight aged 73 years. In editorial capacities he was connected with the San Francisco Examiner, San Francisco Chronicle and Portland Oregonian and the Portland News.

SEVERE STORM WEATHER

SOUTHERN AND EASTERN OREGON ARE SUFFERING FROM THE FLOODS.
ASHLAND, Or., Jan. 24.—Southern Oregon is in the grip of the heaviest rain storm and a consequent flood of

waters that has been experienced here in more than ten years. Traffic on the Southern Pacific railroad is temporarily paralyzed through the Rogue River valley and across the Siskiyou mountains by slides and washouts. Two miles of track near Central Point are rendered unsafe by the raging waters and slides, and washouts which the workmen are working hard to clear out, have occurred today at Wall Creek, near the summit of Siskiyou.

Flood at Baker.

Baker City, Jan. 24.—Powder river threatens to overflow a portion of Baker City tonight. The gas works are in danger and the men are out trying to save several bridges on some of the principal streets. The sudden rise in the river is due to the warm rain melting the snow in the mountains.

BRIDGE MAY COLLAPSE.

Mill creek has become a raging torrent as a result of the recent rains, and the wagon and foot bridge on 12th and Oak streets was in a precarious condition last night. The east end of the bridge had sunk to the water's edge, and the temporary supports of the west end had washed away, with the result that the bridge will probably be carried away by this morning.

IMPRESSION IS FAVORABLE

West Virginia Attorney Expresses Himself on Prospects of Oregon.

THINKS IT GREATEST STATE ON COAST WITH WONDERFUL POSSIBILITIES—LEWIS AND CLARK FAIR APPROPRIATIONS ARE THE BEST THING THAT HAPPENED.

(From Saturday's Daily.)
C. C. Clark, an attorney of Hinton, West Virginia, is in the city for a few days. Mr. Clark has been traveling through Washington and Oregon since October in search of a location for the practice of his profession. He has been in Coos county recently and thinks he may later decide to locate there. When asked last night as to what he thought of Oregon, Mr. Clark said:
"Oregon is certainly a fine country, and the resources of the state are something wonderful. I am indeed favorably impressed with Oregon, and the next ten years will see great changes here. The climate, so far as I have seen, is delightful, and there is plenty of room for 2,000,000 people within the borders of the state. In all sections where I have been there is quite an immigration from the East and the influx is expected to increase as spring approaches.
The appropriation of \$500,000 for the Lewis and Clark Fair is the best move Oregon could possibly have made and the people will not only get their money back in a direct manner, but the thousands who will be attracted here by the great fair will be worth far more than the sum expended. Oregon is a long way from the thickly settled districts of the East, and there will probably be low rates on all railroads leading this way during the Exposition. Thousands of desirable citizens will take advantage of the opportunity to visit the great Northwest and, of course, many will remain permanently when they once see and realize the possibilities of this country."

NO CHANGE YET

OREGON SENATORIAL SITUATION REMAINS THE SAME ALSO IN WASHINGTON.

PORTLAND, Or., Jan. 24.—The Oregon Senatorial situation remains unchanged although interesting developments are looked for early next week. Most of the legislators are spending the usual Sunday recess in this city. Fulton's friends say that he will gain several votes early next week.
Olympia, Wash., Jan. 24.—The Legislature took one ballot on United States Senator today, the eighth in number, and it resulted as follows:
Ankeny, 54; Preston, 42; Wilson, 9; Turner (Dem.) 22; Allen, 6.
Absent and paired, 2, so the result shows no change over yesterday. There is no likelihood for an election without the aid of a caucus and while the King county delegation have blocked such a move by their action yesterday in signing the anti-caucus call in conjunction with the anti-railroad members, the Ankeny men insist that the deadlock will not last longer than a week.

Only Matter of Form.

Dover, Del., Jan. 24.—The ballot for United States Senator today, was merely perfunctory, only a half dozen members being present.

To Implore His Aid.

Washington, Jan. 24.—J. Edward Addicks, one of the candidates for United States Senator in Delaware, called upon the resident today.

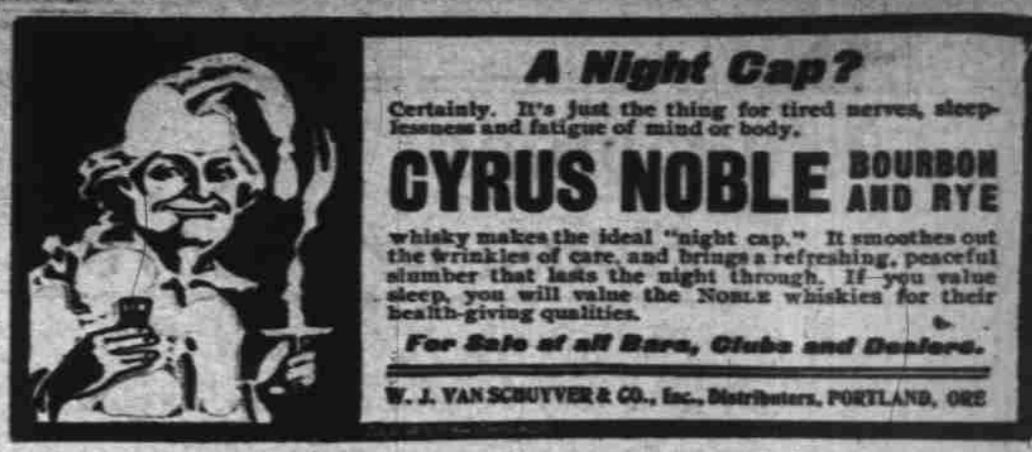
For the Fourth Term.

Chicago, Jan. 24.—Carter H. Harrison today announced his candidacy for the fourth term as mayor of Chicago.

HAD SEVERE FALL

HARRY WENDROTH SUFFERS A SERIOUS WOUND ON THE KNEE.

Harry Wenderoth, son of Henry Wenderoth, residing at 494 Cottage street, a lad about fourteen years of age, met with a serious accident recently, which will probably necessitate his remaining quiet for several days. The accident occurred while the lad was on his way down town. Being in a hurry to reach his destination he started to run when he slipped and fell, striking his knee upon a spike which had worked up out of the sidewalk. The spike caught him just below the knee-cap, cutting a gash two inches long, and tearing loose the tendons below the knee. A physician was summoned and sewed up the wound which required several stitches to close, and the boy is now getting along nicely, though it will be several days before he can walk about.



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