

DOES STATE FAIR GO?

A MORTGAGE ON THE STATE FAIR GROUNDS TO BE FORECLOSED

SUM INVOLVED IS \$20,000.

The Peculiarity of the Situation Is in the State's Suing the State.

The State Land Board After the State Agricultural Board—Is This the First Step in Removal of the Fair Elsewhere?

(From Wednesday's Daily.)
Is the Oregon State Fair open to private purchase?

That is the question soon to be raised if the proceedings proposed by the State Board of School Land Commissioners against the Oregon State Board of Agriculture, usually known as the State Fair Board, are carried out.

In order that the general public may see what these proceedings are, and may lead to, it is necessary to give here a brief resume of the history of late years of the Oregon State Fair Association.

In 1885 the old Oregon Agricultural Society, under whose auspices a state agricultural fair had been held for a number of years, getting in a very bad way financially, went before the legislative assembly and secured an appropriation from the general funds of the state for the purpose of assisting in its maintenance. Under the law making this appropriation the legislature provided that the Governor should appoint part of the managing board, and the other members should be named by the old association.

Things not going prosperously with the association apparently, after this, it was decided to fund the outstanding indebtedness of the old association, and a general loan was made from the school fund of the state, for this purpose. This fund was then and is now under the charge of the State Land Board noted above, and they loaned the society the sum of \$11,000, at 8 per cent interest for one year. This was on December 29, 1894, and the loan was really the outcome of the "hard times" period through which everybody had just gone.

A year later the board of managers was notified that the amount loaned was due, but as no funds were in sight with which to pay it back, the matter rested in statu quo. This condition ruled year after year until 1899, when the board found itself in possession of a depleted exchequer and \$7,000 of additional indebtedness hanging over it in the form of "warrants on the treasury," endorsed "not paid for want of funds."

The legislature was again appealed to in 1899, and an appropriation made to pay the warrant indebtedness, but the state required that the lands be deeded to the State of Oregon, which was done. A new Board of Fair Managers was then appointed known as the Oregon State Board of Agriculture, of five members, and this same organization still rules in the fair management.

The transfer of the Fair Grounds to the state was made subject to the mortgage, so the condition is now that the State of Oregon owes to the School Trust Fund the sum of \$11,000 with nearly \$9,000 additional interest.

The State of Oregon, trustees, represented by the State Board of School Land Commissioners has made various demands on the State of Oregon, as represented by the State Board of Agriculture, for payment of the above sums, without result. As Secretary Willie A. Moores said yesterday: "We admit that the demands have been made on the State Board of Agriculture for the payment of this sum, but we do not admit having paid it. The reason is we have no funds available for this purpose and the legislative assembly should have made the appropriation to cover the amounts into the school fund."

"The State Board of Agriculture has no funds nor income," said Secretary Moores, "from any source except gate receipts and concessions, and these together with the annual appropriation of \$10,000 are necessary for the support of the fair. The \$10,000 appropriation can be used for no other purpose except the payment of premiums, and the other revenues are necessary for the payment of the expenses. Thus you see why nothing has been done in this matter. The land belongs to the State and the State owes the money, and except a specific appropriation be made for its payment, I don't see how it can be done."

Now the State Land Board has instructed the Attorney General to investigate the matter and see if the Board can foreclose the mortgage. Attorney General Crawford said yesterday that he thought proceedings would likely be commenced soon, and of course, under such proceedings, unless the legislature should step in and appropriate money for the purpose of buying the lands and paying the mortgage, the property would have to go to the highest bidder. It is admitted that if the state could buy the land for a valuation in excess of the amount of the mortgage it could pay the mortgage.

If the School Board should take the lands in, it would have to do so for the face of the mortgage, which is more or less \$20,000 now. The lands, which contain about 160 acres, are easily worth thirty to thirty-five thousand dollars, so Salem's citizens can see what a menace this will be to the State Fair. The state could not buy the property from the general or State Fair fund, as the further instruction from the legislative assembly, and a vote would mean that it would go to private parties.

Is this the first step towards moving the State Fair to Guild's Lake? Echo answers—?

SUPREMACY IS BROKEN

SYRACUSE OARSMEN DEFEAT CORNELLS BY HANDSOME MARGINS IN UNIVERSITY ROWING CONTEST.

CORNELLS TAKE SECOND PLACE

Columbia, the "Dark Horse," Makes Good Showing in Four-Oar Race.

Contests Were Piled Off at Poughkeepsie, New York, in Almost Perfect Weather—Slow Time Made on Account of Rough Water Caused by Brisk Breeze.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., June 28.—Cornell's rowing supremacy is broken. In the four-mile eight-oar "Varsity" race, the Syracuse oarsmen won by handsome margins, coming out from obscurity so marked that last night the friends of Syracuse could not find takers for bets at 1 to 2. Cornell won the four-oar "Varsity" race with ease. Wisconsin, which was thought to threaten all competitors in the four-oar and "Varsity" races, was never a factor, coming in next to last in the four-oar race and last in the "Varsity." Columbia, the "dark horse," whose mysterious doings up stream have led to a great deal of solicitude on the part of all her competitors, did well in the four-oar race in which she came in second, though she made but a feeble showing in the others, coming in last in the Freshman race and fourth in the "Varsity."

The weather on the whole was nearly perfect today for racing. Dashes of rain marred the enjoyment of the spectators somewhat, and rather a brisk southerly breeze toward the close of the day made the water somewhat rough, to which the slow time may be attributed.

The summary follows: "Varsity" four-oar race, two miles, won by Cornell; time, 10:53 3-5; Columbia, second, 11:12 1-5; Pennsylvania, 11:15 3-5; Wisconsin, 11:18 2-5; Georgetown, 11:34 2-5.

Freshman eight-oar race, two miles, won by Syracuse in 10:01; Cornell, 10:12 2-5; Pennsylvania, 10:18 4-5; Columbia, 10:28 1-2.

"Varsity" eight-oar race, four miles, won by Syracuse; time, 20:22 3-5; Cornell, 20:31 1-5; Pennsylvania, 20:32 4-5; Columbia, 20:45 2-5; Georgetown, 20:52 3-5; Wisconsin, 21:01.

LOOKING FOR TROUBLE.

LONDON, June 28.—The Daily Telegraph's St. Petersburg correspondent says that according to a Russian naval

officer, a section of the Russian second Pacific squadron will leave Cronstadt, June 29.

MORE MEN DEPORTED.

Thirty-Nine Western Federation Miners Are Deported From Colorado.

VICTOR, Colo., June 28.—Thirty-nine men affiliated with the Western Federation of Miners, who have been arrested at various times since the 6th instant, were deported tonight. In the number are several men arrested at the time of the Dunsmuir expedition. According to General Bell their destination is Colorado Springs.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

Liverpool, June 28.—July wheat, 6s 3 1/4d.
New York, June 28.—Silver, 56 1/2c; Union Pacific, 88c; Pfd., 93c.
Chicago, June 28.—July wheat opened 85 1/4c@85 1/2c; closed, 84 1/4c@84 1/2c.
Barley, 42c@52c.
Flax, \$1.01; Northwestern, \$1.07.

RAILROAD TALK

BUSINESS MEN OF SALEM ARE ANXIOUS TO SEE DALLAS ROAD BEGUN.

All That Is Necessary Is to Secure Popular Loan of \$72,000 and Construction Will Be Begun at Once—Committee Has Not Yet Begun to Solicit But Will Meet a Warm Reception.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

A question which is perplexing the people of the Capital City not a little and which has become almost a chestnut from frequent asking, is "How about the Dallas and Salem railroads. Is it going to be built? And do you suppose the money can be raised for the bond issue?" No one seems to be able to give a satisfactory answer to this question.

A Statesman reporter started out yesterday afternoon to make an investigation of the affair, but was unable to learn anything definite. The Statesman is favorable to any measure for the improvement of the city and surrounding country, and especially toward a railroad to Dallas, as it is considered to be most important and far-reaching in its effects of any proposed railroad or trolley line in the county or state. The line is believed to be perfectly feasible, and absolutely no subsidy is demanded, all that is necessary is to circulate a subscription list and secure pledges for a bonded loan of \$72,000, to be secured by a first mortgage on the road, costing \$167,000, and drawing 5 per cent interest. The loan to continue for a period of two years, unless Mr. Covert desires to make payment within one year. Mr. Covert has already signed a contract and is ready to begin work at once. There is absolutely nothing wrong in the proposition, and a canvass of a number of business men yesterday brought out the fact that they considered it a good investment for themselves, beside being a splendid thing for Salem, and feel just like Dan J. Fry, who publicly announced that he wanted \$10,000 worth of the bonds, and he still declares he is interested and his idea of the value of the road to Salem is daily increasing.

Judging from the short canvass made there will be no trouble in securing the bonded loan within a short time, and right now is the time Mr. Covert stated before the Commercial Club that he was ready to begin work of construction, and before the beginning of the rainy season next fall desired to have the work completed.

The committee appointed by the people of the Capital City, the Salem Commercial Club, consists of Mayor Frank W. Waters, Hon. Tilmon Ford, Wm. Brown, D. J. Fry and Hal D. Patton. Mr. Ford has the matter in charge, and will draw the necessary papers for circulating among the business men and capitalists of the city. Mr. Ford was seen yesterday in regard to the subject, but as yet had nothing to give out. He said the committee had been skimming around some, and within a week would be able to give out information which would be interesting and satisfying. The papers have not yet been first, but it will be done at once, so reported Mr. Ford. The committee on securing the terminal grounds in West Salem has nothing to report as yet, but they are conducting negotiations for land and also a right of way to the edge of West Salem. This committee is waiting for action on the part of the committee which is to furnish the money, \$72,000, before they take any definite action toward securing terminal grounds.

Plan Is Disapproved.

A prominent business man who was consulted in regard to the proposed bonded loan did not desire at this time to go on record, although he will do so later. This gentleman will furnish his full proportion of the money for the project, provided all arrangements suit him, but he disapproves of the present plan. He believes Mr. Gerlinger, who built and now operates the Dallas and Falls City railroad should be the one to build on to Salem, so that the road would not be in competition with the Southern Pacific Company. This gentleman stated that at one time Mr. Gerlinger had offered to continue the road to Salem and asked no subsidy, but the bonded loan, and agreed to secure it by first mortgage on the road. The difficulty arose about making the loan and the matter was allowed to fall through. He has lately had a conversation with Mr. Gerlinger in regard to the matter and that gentleman denied the popular opinion that the road would eventually come under his control, and said he did not appreciate the fact that his chief engineer was going to build the road to Salem. The gentleman referred to believes that the committee in charge of the matter can yet arrange for the change, and induce Mr. Gerlinger to build the road, to be operated by one company, and without opposition.

This will at least be food for thought, although those in charge of the scheme feel sure it is at present only an extension of the present road, and would be at once absorbed under one control.

PORTLAND POST OFFICE

JOHN W. MINTO RECEIVES COMMISSION. TAKES HOLD JULY FIRST.

WEDDING IN HIGH CANADIAN SOCIETY.

Weather Bureau Report Very Discouraging For Pacific Northwest—Was Damaging Last Week.

Democrats of Missouri Will Work for the Nomination of Senator Cockrell, of That State, For the Presidency at the St. Louis Convention.

PORTLAND, Oregon, June 28.—A commission announcing that he has been appointed postmaster of the Portland postoffice, sealed with the great seal of the government and signed with the signature of Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, was received yesterday evening by John W. Minto, with instructions accompanying that he is to assume charge of the office Friday, July 1.

Weather Bureau's Report.

Washington, June 28.—The weather bureau's weekly summary of crop conditions says: The temperature conditions during the week ending June 27 were not so favorable as during the preceding week. In the North Pacific Coast districts it was cool, with heavy frosts, more or less damaging, in the Eastern portion of Washington, Oregon and Idaho.

Cockrell For President.

—Joplin, Mo., June 28.—Missouri Democrats will meet in convention here tomorrow to elect 26 delegates to the national convention at St. Louis. They very likely will be instructed unanimously to work for the nomination of Senator Cockrell for President.

TO BE ABBOT

HEAD OF THE CATHOLIC MONASTERY AT MT. ANGEL TO BE CONSECRATED TODAY.

A Brilliant Gathering of Church Prelates at This Beautiful Retreat Today to Assist in the Consecration Service.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

On March 23, 1904, the Sovereign Pontiff of the Holy Roman Catholic Church, Pius X, raised the Priory at Mount Angel, the home of the Fathers of the Order of St. Benedict, to the dignity and rank of an Abbey. Today Very Rev. Father Prior Thomas, head of that institution, will be consecrated as its first Abbot.

In 1881 Abbot Anselm of Engleberg, Switzerland, sent Rev. Father Adelhelm, O. S. B., to this country to search for a location for a Benedictine monastery in the West. Through the influence of Archbishop Seghers of this state, the Emigrant Father was induced to locate in this state, and after returning to the Mother Abbey, Rev. Father Adelhelm, with a number of candidates began Monastic life at Geravis under Father Adelhelm's direction. Later the Superior purchased 1500 acres of land six miles east and called it Mt. Angel.

A town of several hundred inhabitants, and an institution of great importance from both a religious and lay point of view have grown up about the first frame building erected there in 1884. The college was established in 1887, which now stands high among Oregon's educational institutions. The Monastery, built of stone, has a frontage of 500 feet, and is flanked by college and seminary buildings, and are so situated as to overlook rich fields and vineyards, and a valley than which no richer exists in the world.

Those who will assist are His Grace Archbishop Orth of Vancouver, B. C., His Grace Archbishop Montgomery of San Francisco, Cal., Most Rev. Bishops Grace of Sacramento, Cal., Scallan of Salt Lake City, Utah; Keane of Cheyenne, Wyo., O'Dea of Seattle, and Gloria of Boise City, Idaho.

Rev. Father Murphy, pastor of this parish, and Father Daly, formerly rector here, will attend from Salem.

His Excellency, Governor Chamberlain, will be present and will deliver an address.

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All Officers of the Ill-fated Slocum and the Company That Owned the Ship Are Under Arrest for Criminal Negligence.

NEW YORK, June 28.—The inquiry conducted by Coroner Berry and jury into the Slocum disaster was concluded today and after nearly four hours' deliberation the verdict was rendered in which the directors of the Knickerbocker Steamboat Co., Capt. V. S. Schaick of the Slocum, Capt. Pease, Commodore of the company's fleet and others were held criminally responsible. Warrants for their arrest were issued. The mate of the Slocum, according to the jury, acted in a cowardly manner and the mismanagement of the Slocum was the cause of the disaster. The charge in each case is manslaughter in the first degree. Bail was fixed by the coroner varying from \$1000 to \$5000. Mate Edward Flanagan who was under detention as a witness, was first arraigned. He pleaded not guilty and his bail was fixed at \$1000. He was committed to jail. Inspector Lundberg pleaded not guilty and was released on \$1000 bonds. Bail was fixed at \$5000 each for President Barnaby and Secretary Atkinson and the board of directors. Capt. Van Schaick is a prisoner in the hospital. Capt. Pease may not be arrested until tomorrow when it is expected the directors of the company will also be taken into custody.

LIBERTY TROLLEY LINE.

Manager Welch Inspects Route of the Proposed Extension—Is preparing Statement.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Yesterday morning Mr. Welch, the new manager of the Citizens' Light & Traction Co., made an inspection of the proposed route of the street car extension from the terminus of the South Commercial street line to Liberty, a mean distance of two miles. Through the courtesy of Hon. John H. Albert, the inspection was made in his automobile touring car. Mayor Frank W. Waters and Fred R. Waters were invited to go over the route with Mr. Welch and accompanied him on his trip. Manager Welch closely examined the grades and roadway and after his investigation was shown over a large territory bordering the proposed route. He was taken into the heart of the fruit district, shown the growing orchards, driers, and other important industries. He was favorably impressed with the magnificent fields of fruit trees, and was satisfied that the crops would cut an important figure in the matter of constructing the extension. It is the intention of Mr. Welch to formulate his proposition to the residents of Liberty and along proposed line of the data secured yesterday, and a meeting for this purpose will be had at Liberty next Friday night.

EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY.

Governor Chamberlain Pardons Two Civil War Veterans and a Negro Cook From Jail.

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Governor Chamberlain commuted the sentences of three occupants of the county jail at Portland yesterday, E. Rose and Wm. Graham, who are confined there for the crime of larceny, each under sentence of one year, will retire from the walls of that institution on July 1. Both are aged men, feeble, and veterans of the Civil war, and executive clemency is shown on the recommendation of the Prosecuting Attorney and the District Judges. They were both sentenced in December last.

Geo. T. Washington, not the father of his country, but one of its sons, who was recently sentenced to serve thirty days in the same institution for larceny, gets five days of clemency on account of his ability to cook a good camp meal. Some of the Portland National guardsmen want to take him as "company" or "mess cook" to the encampment at American Lake, hence his pardon. It will take effect, however, just in time for him to go with the soldiers on the 7th.

BATTLE EXPECTED TODAY.

Report From Chinese Source Predicts a Battle Will Be Fought Soon.

HAI CHENG, June 28.—A heavy engagement is expected tomorrow near the village of Si Mou Cheng, fifteen miles southeast of Hai Cheng and an equal distance due east of the railway. The Japanese have now passed Dain Hill and are twenty miles south of the Russian position. An Associated Press correspondent returned here from Ta Tehe Kiao at dawn today. A terrific rain rendered roads almost impassable. Russian regiments are camped on high ground and are in excellent condition. General Kuropatkin and his staff are apparently ever seen in this state, and it is to be regretted that it could not be attended by many of Salem's people.

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COMPELLED TO DECLINE.

Swallow, of Pennsylvania, Would Decline "Prohibition Nomination Account Wife's Health.

HARRISBURG, Pa., June 30.—The Patriot tomorrow will say: Dr. Silas Swallow may decline the nomination after all. This evening in response to a telegram he sent the following to Chairman Stewart, of the National Prohibition committee: "If the honor referred to in your dispatch to me implies duties requiring my absence from home, while I highly appreciate any honor or duty the grandest party of the age can give me, yet, unless Mrs. Swallow's health greatly improves, I would be compelled to decline."

S. C. SWALLOW.

S. P. MECHANICS DISCHARGED.

SACRAMENTO, June 30.—Five hundred mechanics were discharged from the Southern Pacific railroad shops at Sacramento today. Master Mechanic Heintzelman says the reduction of about 20 per cent in the working force of the company has been ordered all over the system. When more men are needed, he said, old hands will be given the preference.

MARRIED A CONGRESSMAN.

NORFOLK, Neb., June 28.—Miss Winifred Hartley, teacher, and Congressman Burton L. French, representative from Idaho, were married at noon today. They left immediately for Moscow, Idaho.

Miss Alta Mason, of Portland, is visiting Mrs. C. P. Shelton, of this city, for a few days.

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TWO GREAT CONTESTS

The first contest will be on the July 4th attendance at the *St. Louis World's Fair*; the second relates to *Total Vote For President* to be cast Nov. 8, 1904. \$20,000.00 will be distributed in each of these contests, making \$40,000.00 on the two, and, to make it still more interesting, in addition to this amount, we will give a **Grand First Prize of \$5,000.00** to the one who is nearest correct on both contests, and thus your estimates have two opportunities of winning a big cash prize.

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WORLD'S FAIR CONTEST

What will be the total July 4th attendance at the St. Louis World's Fair? At Chicago, July 4, 1893, the attendance was 223,273. For nearest correct estimates received in Woolson Spice Company's office, Toledo, Ohio, on or before June 30th, 1904, we will give first prize for the nearest correct estimate, second prize to the next nearest, etc., as follows:

1 First Prize—\$2,500.00
2 Prizes—\$1,000.00 each
3 Prizes—\$500.00 each
4 Prizes—\$200.00 each
5 Prizes—\$100.00 each
10 Prizes—\$50.00 each
20 Prizes—\$20.00 each
50 Prizes—\$5.00 each
100 Prizes—\$2.50 each
1800 Prizes—\$.50 each

TOTAL \$20,000.00

PRESIDENTIAL VOTE CONTEST

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