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A WORD FOR THE SUPREME COURT.

No scandals have ever attached to the Oregon supreme court. It is ranked as the best supreme court on the Pacific coast.

It is fair. The people would rather have fair men on the supreme bench than intelligent crooks.

The members of the Oregon court are fair and intelligent. They have many troublesome and ticklish questions to decide and have never been guilty of playing politics.

The Oregon supreme court has been guilty of one infirmity—it has seen fit to uphold popular measures. It has upheld the initiative and referendum and the direct primary law.

In all cases it has reversed circuit judges who decided against popular reforms.

The most recent case is where the Portland city council passed an ordinance to tax retail free delivery wagons.

The people took the referendum on that and defeated the measure.

The Portland machine wanted the ordinance to become a law.

Judge Gantenbein sustained the law and the attack on the referendum.

The supreme court upheld the right of the people to a vote on the measure.

The people of Portland at the recent election sustained the supreme court.

There is one criticism of the supreme court that ought to be made.

Some of their opinions are too long. It is easier to write long opinions than short ones.

To boil down and condense an opinion requires greater ability than wearisome manifestations of judicial verbosity.

Of the older judges, Boise, Waldo and Lord wrote short opinions.

Judge Thayer was noted for extending his judicial comments.

Some of their opinions are too long to us to take up and discuss too many fine points.

A \$38 damage suit should not occupy fifteen pages of type-written opinion.

This is only a minor matter. On the great main lines of its work the court is above just cause for criticism.

SECESSION TALK IN SOUTHERN OREGON.

Southern Oregon politicians and newspapers talk bitterly about seceding from the rest of the state.

With their normal school killed off and their Crater Lake appropriation assailed in the courts by Salem men, they especially condemn this section of the state for all their troubles.

An eastern Oregon asylum, another institution at Salem for incurable consumptives, is too much.

They are especially incensed at Senator Smith on the ways and means committee from Salem for his fight on the little normals.

Three of them could run for less than \$20,000 a year from the state.

While his bill was to establish a hundred thousand dollar institution at Portland, where it was not wanted.

To make deadly enemies of Umatilla, Polk and Jackson counties and erect a new state institution where it was not wanted was a brilliant manifestation of Salem hog politics.

It was also a bad piece of business for a Salem man to bring suit to enjoin the Crater Lake appropriation.

If that suit had been brought from any other county than this it would have created less animosity.

But the people of Salem do not endorse warfare of the few remaining specimens of the Salem hog on other parts of the state.

Let us all abide the outcome and pray to be delivered from our enemies.

WORKED FOR QUEENS; DIED IN POVERTY

Seattle, July 29.—Donor of valuable gifts to queens of Europe for their royal households, an artist of ability, Marcus Pollok ended a life of vicissitudes in a charity ward of the King County hospital from disease brought on by lack of food.

Pollok came to Seattle a year ago and established classes in wood carving, but his pupils were few. His strength began to fail and one day he did not appear at his shop. He was found by men who had worked with him in a cheap lodging house, dying of starvation. He was taken to the hospital but aid came too late and he died last night.

Pollok came to this country nine years ago from Berlin, where he conducted a little art shop which was supported by the patronage of many of the nobility. For years he had been foreman in the shop of Queen Elizabeth at Bucharest, Roumania, which was his birthplace and the scene of his triumphs. He gave the best years of his work to the queen of Roumania and Queen Victoria of Great Britain.

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Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

X-RAYS AND SMILES

Harriman could find no reason for building into Central Oregon until Hill got busy, and now he is crazy to run a road up the Deschutes.

The way to make anyone want anything is to let them discover someone else wants it.

Arstell, who held up J. J. McDonald Monday evening, says he will not work. As the stove foundry belonging to the state will soon be in working order, maybe Mr. James can induce him to change his mind.

Orchard says that when he was first sentenced to the pen he intended to commit suicide, but now he is content. This is the only known time where he changed his mind about killing anyone, and this is also the only time that he shouldn't have hesitated.

A dispatch says the business men of The Dalles are ready to turn over the Celilo portage road and a \$10,000 terminal site to Hill. As the portage road belongs to the state—the generosity of The Dalles business men is worthy of commendation.

Two years ago Secretary Garfield withdrew from settlement 200,000 acres of land that no one would have now, when Ballinger throws it open, thousands will rush to locate it.

Fine cool weather for harvesting.

Those who travel over the beautiful government roads from Tacoma to Mt. Rainier must realize that Oregon politicians have something to do for the development of this state than to sue out injunctions.

Prepare to be home Monday and cast a ballot for Salem's first public park that wasn't given to the city.

It was mean of Hill to wait until Harriman was away from home to break into his pasture.

For a man with such a job lot assortment of diseases, from colic to

paralysis, as Harriman is credited with having, that gentleman is pretty lively, and seems to think he will make a success of climbing that big Hill on the Deschutes.

Armour isn't worrying any about the tariff on hides. If the tariff is on Armour holds the price up, and if they are free Armour, controlling the hides in Argentina, brings them in free, and there you are—or rather there he is, a winner either way.

Rainfall at Portland for July this year has reached 2.34 inches—the greatest precipitation in 39 years for July. And still the Portland newspapers' refuse to believe in the power of prayer.

It was cheeky of The Capital Journal to ask the ministers to hold prayer meetings to have the country "go wet."

Where Does Rev. Robinson want to locate the unfortunate Magdalens?

Bishop Smith, of the Methodist church, has been in Oregon less than a year, and, of course, he is a fit person to condemn the workings of the Oregon Direct Primary law.

The Oregonian is unable to say a good word for Governor Benson. It is a hard, cold fact that he cut the graft of charging the legislature five cents a copy for all newspapers to the regular subscription price, including the Oregonian and Telegram.

It used to be the "blessed rain." Now it can't mist a little but the Oregonian calls it a "torrent." Anything to down a people's candidate.

The editorial page of the Eugene Guard would be improved if it would appropriate a Capital Journal editorial once in a while.

Many people with chronic throat and lung trouble have found comfort and relief in Foley's Honey and Tar, as it cures stubborn coughs after other treatment has failed. L. M. Ruggles, Reasoner, Iowa, writes: "The doctors said I had consumption, and I got no better until I took Foley's Honey and Tar. It stopped the hemorrhages and pains in my lungs, and they are now as sound as a bullet." J. C. Perry.

IT IS WEST VIRGINIA AND DELAWARE DAY

Seattle, Wash., July 29.—West Virginia and Delaware are celebrating at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition today. Governor W. E. Glascock, of West Virginia, delivered the principal address at the exercises, which were held in the Washington state building. President Chilberg and Director-General Nadeau welcomed the visitors on behalf of the exposition, and Judge M. M. Goodman, of the Washington State Commission, spoke for the people of Washington. Responses will be made by Thomas R. Horner, formerly of West Virginia. The exercises closed with the audience singing "The West Virginia Hills."

PILES

"I have suffered with piles for thirty-six years. One year ago last April I began taking Cascarets for constipation. In the course of a week I noticed the piles began to disappear and at the end of six weeks they did not trouble me at all. Cascarets have done wonders for me. I am entirely cured and feel like a new man." George Kryder, Napoleon, O.

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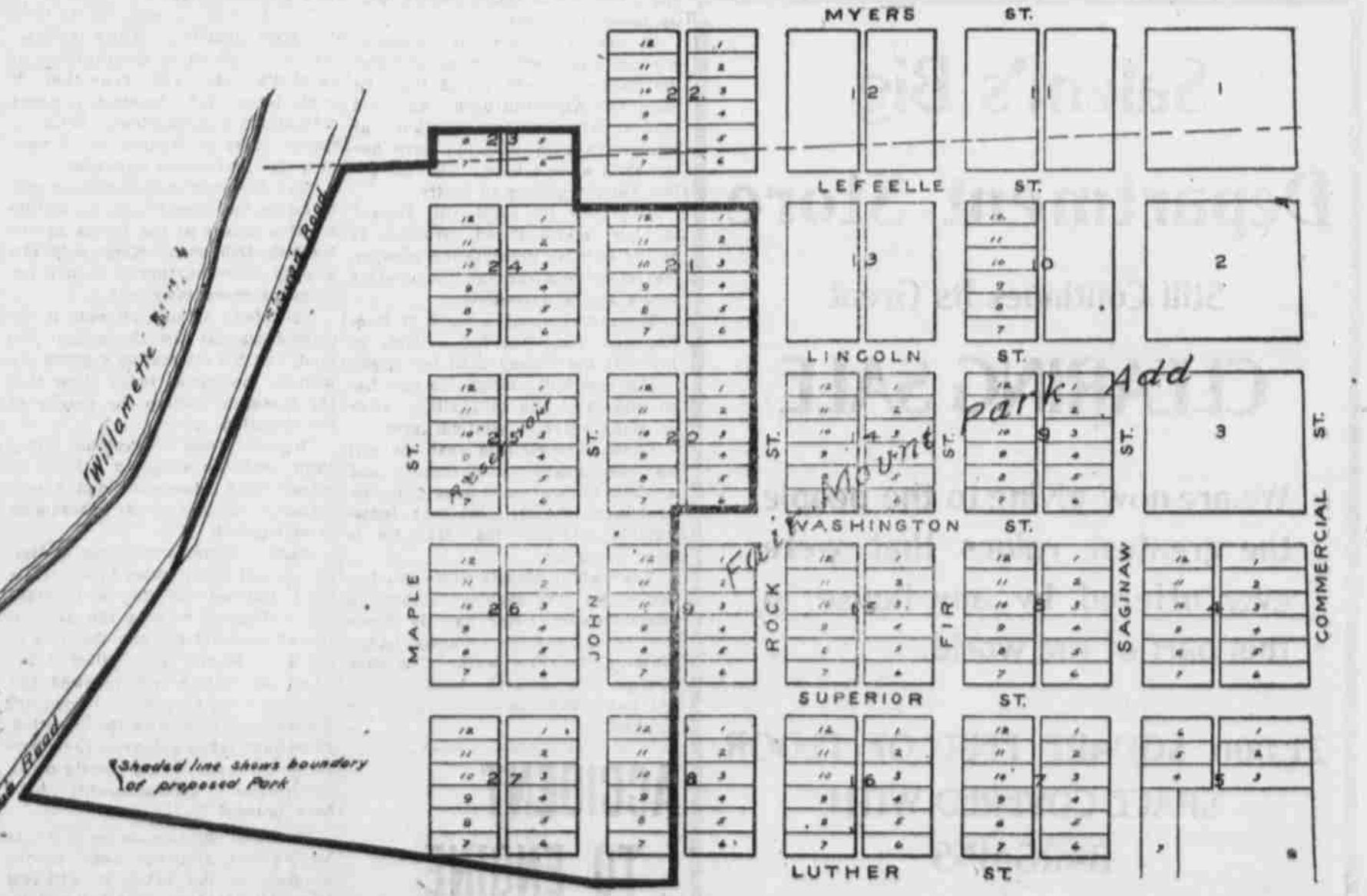
Henry Vandevort of South Salem lost a valuable sheep dog by poisoning.

The Presbyterian church Sunday school will have a picnic at the state fair grounds Friday.

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MAP SHOWING BOUNDARIES OF THE PROPOSED FAIRMOUNT PARK TO BE PURCHASED BY THE CITY OF SALEM.



Fairmount Park will include the grove of big trees which is used for popular picnic grounds by the churches, Sunday schools, lodges and societies. The total acreage is between thirty and forty, and with the big concrete reservoir of the water company that will be acquired by the city when mountain water is brought to the Capital City, will make one of the finest public pleasure grounds in the state.

BUY A PARK WHILE LAND IS CHEAP. On Monday, August 2nd, this city will hold a special election to issue \$65,000 of refunding bonds to take the place of some city bonds that mature at that time. At the same time will be submitted the question whether this city shall acquire a tract of land known as Fairmount Hill, of about thirty acres, for the purpose of making that beautiful wooded height a public park. The option of the city at present prices expires on August 3d; and that magnificent grove of noble firs will be doomed to destruction as sure as we let this opportunity pass to acquire that land for a park. There is not another similar natural park site left as close into the city as Fairmount Park will be. The land consists of four blocks offered the city by Rev. H. B. Elworthy (48 lots) and three blocks by J. M. Brown of Silverton (36 lots) at the nominal price of about \$200 per lot, or \$17,000 for the whole tract, including fourteen acres owned by Elworthy on the hillside, which carries the park site down to the county road on the west. Not counting the 14 acres not plotted, the lots offered the city are all of them worth from \$250 to \$300 each, and are actually selling for those prices. This property for park purposes cannot again be secured for this price at any time in the future. The reservoir site of a block and a half is completely surrounded by a tier of blocks that are now offered the city, and when the water plant becomes city property that reservoir, costing as much as the city will pay for the whole park, will be the center of the park. Will you not help us to give Salem the first public park, a playground for the children, a picnic ground for everybody, and a spot of wonderful natural beauty that will always be an advertisement of the public spirit and enterprise of the Capital City of Oregon?