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THE COUNTY ROAD FRANCHISE

Will Be Up to the County Commissioners Tomorrow for Final Action.

Application of Interurban Company for Railway Rights Over Almost Every Mile of Public Roads in the County Will Be Urged at Meeting of the Board Tomorrow.

The matter of granting or refusing the application of the Grays Harbor Interurban Co., for a franchise over the county roads will be up to the county commissioners tomorrow. That two of the board have heretofore shown a disposition to grant this application for a gift of the roads extending across the county from its east line to the Pacific ocean, is a matter of record. What they will do tomorrow is not so certain.

Since the grant of the first application—which citizens were obliged, at their own expense, to have knocked out in court—this subject has been the object of more discussion than almost any public question that has arisen in the history of Chehalis county. After granting the first franchise, Commissioner Davis was quoted in the public press as saying, "there had been no protest made." This is not true now. Protests signed by more than 700 tax-paying citizens of the county are on file with the board; the commercial organizations have adopted resolutions protesting against a proposition that would not only endanger life and property on the public roads but would retard the agricultural development needed just now more than any other.

granted to the county for public, not private, use.

If the applicants for this franchise really have the development of the county by the building of interurban roads in mind, they have the opportunity to join hands with this Grays Harbor-Seattle project and thus insure its success. Less than \$50,000 will definitely locate this line, secure all the right of way and terminals on deep water at both ends, and put it ready for construction, when it can then be bonded for enough money to build, or sold to a company that would build, within a specified time.

Another factor in interurban matters is the new concern that recently acquired the holdings of the Grays Harbor Railway & Light Company, and who may wish to extend their lines, but whose intentions are not yet known, so that there is every indication of such a line as soon as the required capital can be made see it would pay. To attempt to build any line sooner would but be to squander the funds of original stockholders in a futile effort.

The Montesano Vidette—which enjoys the unenviable distinction of being the only paper in the county to champion this attempted grab—has this to say of the coming decision in this matter:

"It is sincerely hoped that Mr. Sammons will be able to present something tangible, that will convince the commissioners not only of the feasibility and practicability of the scheme but also of his ability to carry it through promptly to successful completion. Otherwise it is plainly the duty of the board, acting for the best interests of the county, to grant the franchise asked by the Grays Harbor Interurban Company, composed of Harbor people who are amply able to construct the line and who say they intend to proceed at once, if granted the privilege sought."

Our esteemed contemporary uses some strange logic here, when looked at from a public good viewpoint. Mr. Sammons, it seems, will be required to "convince" the board, while the simple "say" of the interurban company is to go at par. How does the Vidette arrive at this conclusion? Has the county official paper been taken into the confidence of Commissioners Arland and Davis to this extent? The Herald is inclined to doubt it.

But, if it were known that refusal to tie up the roads, extending from Oakville to Moclips for fifty years, in order to secure a trolley line from Aberdeen to Elma would delay that road five years, the commissioners would be but obeying the will of a vast majority of the people in refusing it. To grant such a franchise would be, in the language of William Jennings Bryan, an embezzlement of power.

Never before has a board of county commissioners been so fully advised of the sentiment of those whose interests are confided to their care as in the matter of permitting the use of wagon roads by railroads. If submitted to a vote, it is doubtful if 100 voters in the county would favor such a proposition. It is good neither for the public nor the railroads. A bona fide railway company would not build on public roads where it can be avoided; the restrictions necessary to protect other travel would be too high a price to pay for such a concession, and the right of way for such roads as conditions would seem to justify for the next ten years can be had on private property too cheap.

If the commissioners who favored this grant were impelled by a desire to aid in the development of Chehalis county and considered that a necessary step, they would now be disabused of that idea. Interurban lines are in sight without this sacrifice. The project of the Washington Railway & Navigation company, to build an air line to Seattle, is a feasible plan that would not only afford interurban connection between the Harbor cities and Montesano and Elma, but would open up a new section of country that would become tributary to Chehalis county. The spirit in which this company is being met as to rights of way and terminals shows that the people are alive to the advantages of having such a line contiguous to their land and that no well grounded necessity exists for the bestowal of public roads, built with public money and

FINCH BUILDING OPENS

New Five Story Building Is Completed and Is Being Filled Up With Professional Men

The five-story Finch building, on the southwest corner of Heron and H streets, was completed and turned over by the contractors to the owners, the Finch Investment Co. on the first of the month, and is being filled up with tenants as fast as they can move in.

This handsome building that would be creditable to a city of 100,000 population, marks an era in Aberdeen business structures, and will remain a splendid monument to the courage and progressive enterprise of its promoter and his associates. The investment of about \$120,000 in an office building in Aberdeen was a huge undertaking and wise ones doubted its advisability as a paying proposition, but it is here, and the number of leases already signed up indicate that it will pay from the start. Leases have been taken so far as follows:

First floor—Aberdeen Drug company, corner Heron and Heron streets; Aberdeen Realty Syndicate H street, adjoining entrance.

Second floor—Room 215, Comeau Insurance company; rooms 217, 219 Dr. Edward B. Riley; room 221, 223, 225 and 227; Dr. G. E. Chamberlain and Dr. W. Y. Croxall, room 223, 225 and 227; Dr. Caryl T. Smith and Dr. E. E. Lane; rooms 229, 241 and 243, Dr. M. Robb Stapp.

Third floor—Rooms 314, 315 and 316, Boner and Boner, lawyers,

rooms, 319, 321, 323, 325 and 327, Dr. J. A. McViney and Dr. C. E. Bartlett. Room 337, Christian Science reading room.

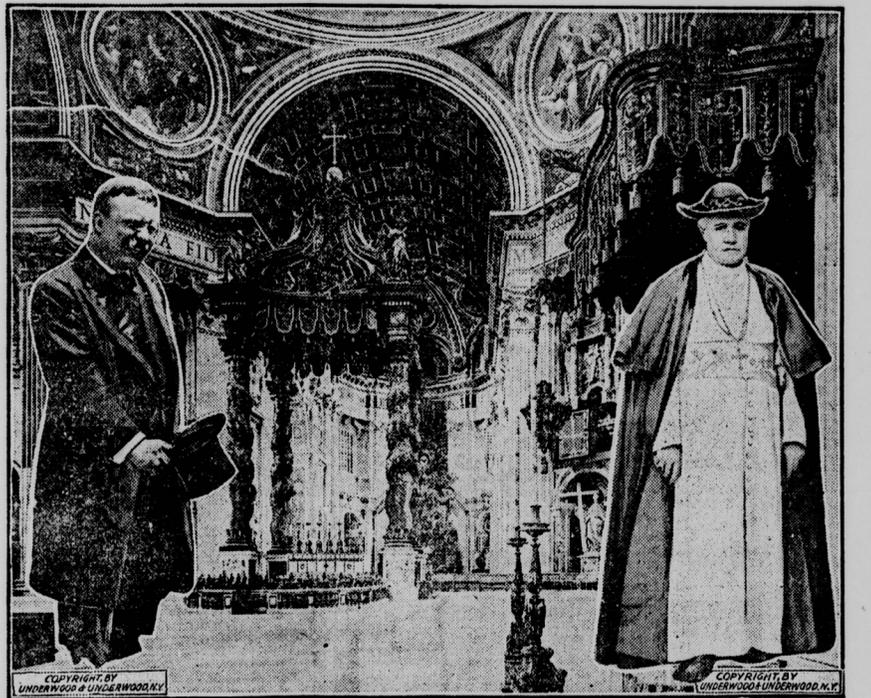
Fourth floor—Rooms 414, 415 and 416, E. J. Adams, lawyer, Stewart & Tucker, lawyers and Harbor Sound Investment company; rooms 421, 423 and 425, F. W. Loomis, T. H. McKay, lawyers. Room 430, A. L. Silvey, cigar factory. Rooms 447, and 448, Watson Vernon, architect.

Fifth floor—Rooms 515 and 517, Hackett & Corkery Logging company. Room 519, Fred Furth. Rooms 521, 523 and 525, Aberdeen Auditing and Bonding company, W. J. Egerer and J. A. Hood. Rooms 516 and 518, Saginaw Timber company and Washington Boom company. Room 536, Wilhelm Jensen. Room 539, Pacific Lumber Inspection bureau. Rooms 541 and 543, United States customs. Rooms 547 and 548, Edward C. Finch.

SEATTLE CONCERN BRANDED AS FRAUD

SEATTLE, April 1.—The postoffice department today issued a fraud order against the Dr. Hall Electro-Vig company, operating at Seattle, and denied it the use of the mails. Previously this company, when operating at San Francisco, Denver and Chicago, was placed under the ban by the postoffice department, and thereupon it fled an injunction to restrain the postmaster general from denying it the use of the mails. The supreme court of the District of Columbia denied the injunction and sustained the department.

Colonel Roosevelt and the Pope and the Interior of St. Peter's Church In Rome.



The arrangements for Colonel Roosevelt's audience with the pope have been officially announced. The Vatican authorities arranged that Colonel Roosevelt should be received by the pope April 5. That Roosevelt is not going to have a Fairbanks incident is well understood in Rome. The former president notified the Methodist college in December, 1908, that he would make no speeches while in Rome, and as he asked for the audience with the pope the officials are not worried over any strained relations or canceling of the audience. King Victor expects to entertain the returned hunter April 4. Colonel Roosevelt has requested that he be given a chance to make a thorough visit to the Vatican, and it is promised that the pope will be his guide on part of the journey at least.

THE CITY ELECTIONS

RATIFICATION OF PRIMARIES WILL BE HELD TOMORROW.

Sticker Candidates in the First and Fourth Wards Will Help to Enliven a Dull Election. Myles and Nordgren Will Oppose the Primary Nominees.

The city elections occur tomorrow, and the slight interest manifested in it does not speak loudly for the civic patriotism of Aberdeen, and yet it is of vast importance to the city. Six councilmen are to be chosen who will be depended upon to manage the affairs of the city for the next two years, a task that calls for good business judgment and a stiff backbone. Positions that should be filled by the best ability in the city, yet those most interested in having the affairs of the city managed in a progressive, economical manner are usually too busy to give much thought to the selection of the managers, and frequently have not the time to spare in which to go to the polls and vote. Perhaps they would rather have their kick coming afterwards, when mistakes are made.

Except in the first and fourth wards, the elections tomorrow will be simply ratifications of the primary held March 8. In the first ward, John F. Myles will contest Harry O'Dell with stickers, and in the fourth, John A. Nordgren will endeavor to overthrow R. J. Hilts in like manner. Myles believes he would have defeated O'Dell in the first at the primary had there been but one candidate from South Aberdeen, as he was but 9 votes behind the winner with four candidates in the field. He figures that he will get his primary vote in East Aberdeen and the united vote on the south side of the river, where they figure that representation on the council is their due.

In the fourth, Nordgren is said to have developed strength among the opponents of Hilts, and will make his fight on a sort of law and order platform. Following are the polling places and officers of elections:

First Ward—First Precinct.
Voting place—Hose house, South Aberdeen.
Inspector—H. C. Knowles.
Judges—Wm. Hunt and P. E. Seccore.
Clerks—J. W. May and Louis Roser.

First Ward—Second Precinct
Voting place—Old Wilson office.
Inspector—Wm. Farmer.
Judges—Lewis Beach and James Johnson.
Clerks—Fred Glibreath and John Hanson.

Second Ward—First Precinct
Voting place—Hose House, North Aberdeen.
Inspector—A. Damitto.

Judges—P. E. Anderson and W. H. Bower.
Clerks—W. D. Pearson and Alfred Dinsie.

Second Ward—Second Precinct
Voting place—Market and D St.
Inspector—Robt. Scott.
Judges—C. Y. Fenwick; J. B. Moir.
Clerks—Frank Walker and J. S. Ingram.

Third Ward—First Precinct
Voting place—Dr. Chamberlain's Garage.
Inspector—Ray M. Johnson.
Judges—P. S. Cyr and R. E. Taggart.

Third Ward—Second Precinct
Voting place—Back of Barker's store.
Inspector—Al. McKean.
Judges—Chas. McDermoth and W. C. Hudson.
Clerks—E. H. Fox and Wm. Hefron.

Fourth Ward—First Precinct.
Voting place—Hose house.
Inspector—C. R. Apple.
Judges—Ed. Sullivan and L. L. Alexander.
Clerks—Wm. Rutschow and A. P. Lindstrom.

Fourth Ward—Second Precinct
Voting place—Empire Theater.
Inspector—P. A. Williams.
Judges—E. A. Foster and W. C. Anning.
Clerks—Tom Kay and H. Hughes.

Fifth Ward—First Precinct
Voting place—City Hall.
Inspector—W. W. Weatherwax.
Judges—S. H. Faulkner and W. L. Helling.
Clerks—Fred J. Baker and W. M. Melrose.

Fifth Ward—Second Precinct
Voting place—S. K. Bowe's garage.
Inspector—J. B. Elston.
Judges—P. R. Hogan and E. P. Crary.
Clerks—H. S. Kay and Ray Ellis.

Sixth Ward—First Precinct
Voting place—1614 Morgan St.
Inspector—Chas. Jensen.
Judges—J. A. Shannon and A. D. Randolph.
Clerks—C. Depute and W. F. Mofat.

Sixth Ward—Second Precinct
Voting place—600 West Market St school.
Inspector—Henry Millett.
Judges—Frank Granger and J. H. Pittenger.
Clerks—G. R. Snyder and Bert Hayes.

THE GLASS TRUST

Operating 33 Factories in Eleven States to Be Prosecuted as Unlawful Monopoly

PITTSBURG, April 1.—It was learned tonight that, after a three months' investigation, federal officers are ready to present to a special grand jury here next Monday evidence that the Imperial Window Glass company is a trust in violation of the Sherman act.

The corporation, formed under the laws of West Virginia, is said to control 33 large window glass factories in 11 different states.

The company has factories and offices in Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Massachusetts, Michigan, North Carolina, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Many prominent glass manufacturers from these states are said to have been served with subpoenas to appear before the grand jury as witnesses. United States District Attorney Jordan said tonight:

"The investigation of the Imperial Window Glass company has been under way for 90 days and agents of the department of justice have visited every one of the 33 plants operated under the charter of the company.

"The company was incorporated in West Virginia early this year and its alleged control of the window glass business is to be investigated with intent to show that it is a monopoly in restraint of trade.

"The Imperial Window Glass company is a holding organization, the members pooling their output and selling through the company exclusively. Prices have been compared with those of the American Window Glass company and there is but slight difference."

WILL APPEAL TO COURTS

Secretary Ballinger Is Aroused by Article in Collier's Charging Professional Misconduct

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—"If they think they can attack me with impunity they are mistaken," said Richard A. Ballinger, secretary of the interior, today, referring to the publications concerning him which are appearing in Collier's weekly.

He announced emphatically that he proposed to "bring them to justice in due time."

While Mr. Ballinger would not indicate when or in what form proceedings in law would be instituted against the periodical, he said if he lived long enough it would "suffer from the penalties the law will warrant."

The statement that he intends seeking redress through the courts was made in discussing the article in the current issue of Collier's headed "Ballinger—Shyster," in which the secretary of the interior is accused of an "unpardonable breach of professional honor" in connection with a bankruptcy proceeding in the United States district court in Seattle.

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INSURGENCY EVERYWHERE

BEVERIDGE MEN TO RULE INDIANA CONVENTION.

Insurgency Will Dominate Gathering of Indiana Republicans Tuesday, and Senator Will Be Endorsed. Standpatters Said to Have Quit the Fight.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 2.—That more insurgency will dominate the Indiana Republican state convention in its one-day session on Tuesday, and that United States Senator Beveridge's twelve years' service in the senate will be endorsed without equivocation, which means the endorsement of his opposition to the Payne-Aldrich tariff, was the prediction made tonight by Beveridge's supporters after a week of campaigning, preliminary to the convention.

The progressives claim to have achieved a complete victory over the stand patters and they see in it a forecast of what other states will do. According to the progressives, the independent Republicans will endorse the tariff plank of the National convention of 1908 and the tariff speeches made by Roosevelt. The platform, they declare, will not mention the Payne-Aldrich tariff, but stress will be laid upon the creation of a tariff commission and the President's recent recommendation along this line will receive hearty endorsement. The fact that Beveridge is the father of the tariff commission plan will make this action especially apropos.

Beveridge Fathered Plan.
The personnel of the resolutions committee is settled and it is said to be controlled by Beveridge men, Beveridge himself will preside and his speech is expected to be an aggressive one, defending his opposition to the schedules of the Payne-Aldrich tariff and his final vote against the tariff bill as a whole. It will also be a bold exposition of the principles of progressive Republicans. His entire campaign for reelection will be made along these lines and the speech will form the keynote of the campaign.

The reported victory of the Beveridge forces was accomplished after a hard fight as the stand patters offered determined opposition to the program outlined by the Beveridge faction. The stand patters demanded a compromise, it is said, including an endorsement of the tariff and a mild endorsement of the progressive principles.

Taft Took Hand.
Beveridge's friends assert that pressure was brought to bear from the administration to this end and that former Representatives Watson and Hemenway, lieutenants of the Cannon organization, have been in Indiana all week trying to block the Beveridge program. It is said at one time they would take the floor and attack the resolutions unless their demands for a compromise were granted. In this they enlisted the support of some of the candidates for state offices, say the insurgents.

The Beveridge forces stood their ground, declaring a compromise would be a slap at Beveridge and insisted that he was the issue this year. The Republican convention must endorse his position and let him enter the field without handicap.

A PECULIAR VERDICT

A Portland Jury Says Banker Moore Committed the Crime, But Is Not Guilty.

PORTLAND, Ore., April 1.—The jury in the case of Walter H. Moore, indicted president of the defunct Oregon Trust & Savings bank, late this afternoon returned a verdict of not guilty. The jury was out over 30 hours.

The jury's report was the most remarkable ever returned by a jury in Oregon, and has few equals in American jurisprudence, according to the lawyers engaged in the case and others who have followed the trial from its inception. It recommended that Moore be the recipient of the most severe censure of the court for his "guilty knowledge and participation in the unlawful and dishonest acts relative to the conduct of the bank of which he was president and director."

When the verdict was handed to Judge Bronaugh, he plainly showed his amazement and pondered deeply for several moments. Finally, he called the attorneys for the state and the defense into consultation and after some discussion it was decided to let the verdict stand.

Moore was indicted and tried for accepting a deposit after he knew of the insolvent condition of the bank. The jury took 25 ballots and until the last one stood nine to three for acquittal.

The district attorney's office announced tonight that tomorrow it would ask that another indictment against Moore, making a similar charge, be set for trial in the immediate future.

IN OPERATION BY MAY 15.

Work on Joint Line to Grays Harbor Progressing Rapidly, Says O. & W. Official.

TACOMA, April 3.—D. W. Campbell, assistant general manager of the Oregon & Washington, announced yesterday that the work on the joint line of the Oregon & Washington and Milwaukee from Gate to Grays Harbor had so far progressed that trains will be in operation over it on May 15.

"The track laying crews," said Mr. Campbell, "have been making very satisfactory progress during the past week and everything is being done to assure service over the new line by the middle of May."

The Herald tells it all.