

WILL ENJOIN CITY COUNCIL To Stop Payment For New Fire Alarm System MEETING OF CITIZENS Civic Federation Also Oppose Government Water For City Irrigation

The Civic Federation held an adjourned meeting last evening at the court house, and were later joined by members of the Chamber of Commerce. Some very stirring addresses were made by G. W. White, W. S. Worden, E. I. Applegate and others. The main matter discussed was in regard to extending the city limits and the financial condition. E. I. Applegate introduced a resolution declaring it to be the sense of the Federation that the issuance of city warrants in payment of the fire alarm system should be enjoined. This was adopted and referred to the executive committee.

A communication was received from Mayor Bishop, in answer to the invitation of the Federation asking him to be present, stating his position on the public matters being considered, and denoting his willingness to have a committee appointed to bring such matters before the Council when in session. On account of lack of space we are unable to publish the communication today, but will do so in the next issue.

The committee appointed at the mass meeting February 8, presented the following report, which was ordered to be published in the papers:

On February 8, 1908, the citizens of Klamath Falls held a mass meeting at the court house for the purpose of discussing the question of municipal irrigation. A committee of three was appointed with instructions to confer with the U. S. Reclamation officials and to collect other data, and to report at a subsequent meeting to be called by the chairman.

We, the above mentioned committee, beg leave to report as follows:

That, after investigation according to the above instructions, we are in favor of the installation by the city of Klamath Falls of an independent water system designed for both domestic and irrigation purposes, deeming a double system less satisfactory and more expensive. Any kind of a system costs

money. Therefore your attention is called to the unsatisfactory financial condition of the city and the urgent necessity of prompt application of business principals to the government of its affairs, without which it is useless to undertake any kind of development.

We have ascertained that the city's warrant indebtedness is approximately \$40,000, which amount appears to be \$20,000 in excess of the limit prescribed by its charter. This is in addition to \$10,000 water bonds upon which \$7,000 in interest has already been paid out. Apparently no provision has been made for the payment of the principal. And when we consider the city's disgraceful lack of sanitation and unsatisfactory streets and other conditions, it is manifestly impossible to develop any kind of water or other systems without the inauguration of a new financial system for the city.

We have not had time to look into the matter of cost, plans and other details, but this we know, that other towns less favorably situated than Klamath Falls physically and financially have satisfactorily solved the problem. We can profit by their example. If we want it, it is ours. "Where there is a will there is a way."

Concerning the Ankeny canal we deem it unwise for the city to take over any part of it or to undertake to furnish the forty water rights thereunder, at least until the same could be advantageously incorporated into the general system.

Any water which could be furnished to the city by the Reclamation Service would be for irrigation purposes only, and therefore unsuitable for the complete system we recommended. There being no provision of law under which government water can be furnished for power purposes, the only connection it could have in this system would be to furnish the electric energy developed by a power plant installed by the government itself.

We believe that pure water, ample for all purposes can be secured by the city.

We earnestly recommend that complete data be collected and careful and exhaustive study be given every phase of the subject to the end that a complete and comprehensive water system be developed for the city of Klamath Falls.

Respectfully submitted,

Chas. Worden
E. I. Applegate
G. W. White

Klamath Falls, Oregon, February 18, 1908.

DEFENSE'S TURN NOW State Finishes Its Evidence In Corpron Murder Trial JURY EXAMINES INJURED SKULL

Witness Says That Hixon Was Not At The Johnson Home On Sunday, The Day Of The Operation--Did Not Accuse Corpron Of Deed

On cross examination Mrs. Johnson testified that when her husband came home he was rational; that she called Dr. Parker and when he came he asked him to give him something to relieve his pain. Dr. Parker asked him who had injured his eye and Johnson replied: "Why you did doctor." He did not tell her about his trouble with Schmidt; that he just stepped into the saloon to get a drink and when he was leaving Petersteiner hit him over the head, without any provocation. She further testified that her husband never told her that Corpron had the butt end of the cue in his hand.

C. R. DeLap was then put on the stand for the purpose of bringing the sliver, taken from Johnson's eye, in as evidence. Court then adjourned until 9 o'clock Wednesday.

Court convened at 9 o'clock and Mrs. Hattie Wilson was the first called. The greater part of her testimony was ruled by the Court, on the ground that it was statements made by Johnson prior to Sunday, before operation.

Mrs. G. A. Gentry was the next witness, but aside from the fact that she waited on Johnson during his illness, nothing was developed. She was followed by her husband, whose testimony was along the same line. The ruling of the court cutting out all statements as to how Johnson was injured and who inflicted the injury, made prior to Sunday, prevented the state from securing from the last four witnesses any testimony of value.

The most gruesome part of the entire trial came during the testimony of Dr. Merriman, who was the last witness for the state. It was the introduction of that portion of the nose and eye socket that was broken by the cue. When this was held up for identification by the doctor, and for inspection by the jury, a shudder passed through the spectators and the ladies who were present gasped with horror.

Dr. Merriman testified as to the holding of the autopsy on the body of Johnson, and further as to the effect of such

a wound on the state of mind of a person; that he would consider a man rational three or four days after the injury; that there would be irrational periods, but in lucid moments he would fully understand what he was saying and doing. This concluded the state's case.

TESTIMONY FOR DEFENSE

The first witness called by the defense was B. C. Burnett, who testified as to the absence of Dr. Maston from the state, saying he was instructed to forward his mail to Oakland.

The defense then asked that the testimony given by Dr. Maston at the Coroner's inquest be read to the jury, which proceeding was objected to by the state. After argument by the attorneys, the court reserved his decision until the afternoon session.

Harry Engle was the next witness. He testified that on Christmas morning he delivered to Mrs. Johnson the package of trinkets found at the saloon; that the doll buggy was badly broken; that on the end of one of the small pieces he saw blood. On cross examination, he stated the end of the stick was blunt and unbroken; that the blood was all around the stick. Court then adjourned until 1:30.

When court convened after dinner, Robert Casey was recalled for further cross-examination, for the purpose of showing that Johnson said Corpron inflicted the injury to his eye, but witness could remember clearly.

Dr. Parker then took the witness chair and gave expert testimony as to the force necessary to penetrate the eye socket; the effect of bacteria and how long thereafter a person would be rational.

Mrs. Welch was the next witness. She testified that Hixon was not at Johnston's home on the Sunday the operation was performed; that Johnson said: "Petersteiner hit me with a cue," then he hesitated a little and added: "He stuck the cue in my eye," not indicating whom he meant by "he." This testimony was a surprise for the reason Hixon testified he was there that Sunday forenoon and heard Johnson state how he was injured and who did it. This is the only evidence before the jury connecting Corpron with the actual infliction of the injury, and would tend to show that Hixon was mistaken in the day.

The court here ruled that the testimony given by Dr. Maston before the Coroner's jury could not be read to the jury. The defense then introduced his testimony given before the Justice's court. This related to his state of mind after his injury, which he stated was irrational.

Normal School Notes

Thirty two students from the Normal took the examinations at Jacksonville last week.

Student Body meetings were held during chapel period Monday and Wednesday mornings. The object in having these meetings was to finish adopting the by-laws.

The meeting of the boys "Congressional" Literary society for this week was postponed until Friday, February twenty first, when a joint meeting of the "Athena" and the "Congressional" literary societies will be held.

With Glenn Conwell as leader, the subject "Worldliness" was discussed in the Y.M.C.A. meeting held last week.

Rev. J. N. McConnel, the Evangelist, gave a very interesting talk on "The Essentials of a Womanly and a Manly Character" in chapel Thursday morning.

In the Y.M.C.A. meeting held last Wednesday the subject discussed was "Lincoln Work for the Slaves," led by Orra Patrick. The discussion was followed by a vocal solo by Georgia Whyte.

The students regret very much that on account of illness, Miss Daughly, the history teacher, was unable to attend her classes last week.

An Athletic meeting was held last Tuesday, when they decided to meet the High School track and baseball teams. A committee of three was appointed to confer with the High School in regard to having the game May first.

President Payne was compelled by illness, to be absent from his duties at the Normal last Monday.

At the last meeting of the "Athena" literary society an election of officers was held. Norma Minkler was appointed President, and Nina Kame Vice President, Lucy Carson Secretary and L. Nita Grengar Treasurer.

Engineers Getting Busy

The engineering parties located here, are all busy taking advantage of the good weather.

Engineer Sargent, of the Reclamation Service, has his party out on the extension of the Keno Canal, while Engineers Goodwin and Darley have parties out in the valley in the Olene section.

Engineer Church, of the Southern Pacific, has been at work on the flat near the depot site, and also down near Midland, where the grade stakes were plowed out last spring.

News From Keno

Conral MacLions little girl who has been seriously ill with heart trouble is slowly recovering.

Wolf Otey the lawyer is helping Blacky Hitchcock haul logs to the saw mill.

The Government Surveyors are Surveying the ditch from Klamath Falls to Keno. They are giving the grade so much fall that they are liable to fall into the river before they get to Keno. Every body along the line is dissatisfied with the survey.

John Snowgoose is now offering his entire band of Jacks and Jennies at Keno for sale.

As yet but few voters have registered. Those wishing to register can do so by calling on H. Snowgoose who has the blanks and is prepared to do the work.

Wm. Davis was in Keno the other day looking after the stage business.

Harry Wall has rented 80 acres of ground of R. A. Emmitt's to put into grain.

YONNA VALLEY HAPPENINGS

Farmers Substitute Quail Eggs For Hen Fruit

HAS A FINE SCHOOL

Considerable Plowing Done During Winter--Ready To Sow Grain Soon

Dairy has the best school in Klamath county.

Dairy needs a blacksmith.

The cold weather of the past few nights has caused A. L. Michael to leave off plowing but "Brownie" will be there when the frost gets off.

Considerable plowing has been done in Yonna valley during the winter, our farmers believing the old saying, "The early bird catches the worm" and are preparing to sow their grain earlier than usual.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Michael were given a surprise party by their friends Friday night. Those present say they had a good time.

E. B. Sedge is keeping back at his homestead this week; he digs postholes when he is not slinging flapjacks. He is talking some of sending to Sears, Roebuck & Co. for a flapjack slinger but we think he can do as well right here.

Mrs. G. G. Anderson returned home Thursday from a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Arant.

Frank Cutter is building a fine for Mr. Davies in the old Price house.

Charles Drew is able to be out again after having had the measles.

There are no new cases of the measles to report.

S. D. Tooker is the busiest man in the country. He has built a house and a barn, besides plowing considerable new land; he is also stocking his ranch with hogs and fixing up in general. He don't have much to say about his work, but does it in a substantial manner. This country needs more of his kind.

W. P. Sedge and family enjoyed a visit from H. S. Oden and family Sunday.

These fine days almost give one the spring fever.

The bell for the new school house arrived Sunday and was put in place Monday by Wade Oden and E. B. Sedge and is now ready to toll the children to school.

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Do It Now!

When the birds commence to chirp and the flowers blossom and the sun is just warm enough to make you satisfied with life then is when you will want to get in tune with nature and tog up with a nice suit or two. Don't wait too long. Come and see the gingery, snappy patterns we are showing in our Spring Suitings.

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