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## ANNEXATIONISTS MAY WIN TODAY

FAIR VOTE BEING CAST AND OUTSIDERS ARE FOR

GOOD PROSPECTS AT 3:30

Checkers At City Hall Found Awkward Condition About Noon, but the Situation Was Relieved a Little Later. No Big Majority For

At 3:30 votes cast at the city council chamber numbered 200. At that time it was considered by those who had been checking up that the anti-annexationists had a little the best of the argument. However, it was considered that the heavy vote against the proposition was in, while those in favor were yet to come. And those who claim to know say that there is no question but that the main city will vote in favor of annexation by a fair majority. The opposition invariably votes early, and it would vote late if it could, but it is anticipated that the many friends of the proposed annexation will occupy the later hours this time.

At Kennedy's store, the voting place of the people in the district it is proposed to annex, the total number of votes cast at 3:30 was 53. Checkers there say the vote so far is in favor of annexation. There is a total of from 75 to 100 votes in the district. The polls close at 7 o'clock.

## WHERE TO WORSHIP TOMORROW

**BAPTIST**  
Sunday School at 10 a. m.; Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m., subject, "The Imitation and the Real." In the evening at 7:30 the pastor will give the third sermon of a series of sermons. The subject for Sunday eve will be "Jesus' Attitude Toward Sin." These sermons are interesting and helpful to all who hear them as is shown by our increasing crowds. Everybody welcome. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m.

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL**  
Regular Sunday services will be held at the Congregational Church, corner Third and Jefferson streets, at 11 a. m. tomorrow. The School for Bible Study convenes at 10 a. m. and the Devotional Hour of the C. E. at 6:30 p. m. A warm welcome awaits all who enter this church for worship.

**EPISCOPAL**  
The Church of the Good Samaritan (Episcopal), Dec. 19, the Fourth Sunday in Advent. Sunday School, 10 a. m.; Litany, Sermon and Holy Communion, 11 a. m.; Young Men's Bible Class at 6:30 p. m.; Evening Service and Sermon at 7:30. Morning topic, "Christ in Judgment;" evening topic, No. 4 in "The Road to Bethlehem." All have voice in united worship.

**UNITED EVANGELICAL**  
Evangelical church, corner of Ninth and Harrison streets. Regular services next Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "Pentecost;" evening subject, "Why Are Not the People Saved?" Sunday School at 10 a. m.; K. L. C. E. at 6:30 p. m. All are welcome at these services.

**PRESBYTERIAN**  
Preaching at the Presbyterian church

Sunday morning by the pastor, J. R. N. Bell. Morning topic, "Christ's Divinity, Without Miracles." Evening sermon by Prof. Joseph Emery. Sunday School at 10 a. m.; C. E. Society at 6:30 p. m. Bible Study Thursday evening at 7:30. At the evening service there will be special music. Miss Gertrude McBee will sing a soprano solo, and Prof. Herman Tartar will sing a baritone solo. Strangers and everybody else invited. Come and bring your friends with you. Seats free and courteous ushers.

**SHEPARD HALL**  
The Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. will hold a joint meeting in Shepard Hall in the afternoon at 2:30. Subject, "Giving—A Christmas Lesson;" leader, Miss Alice Shepard. Mrs. Gaskins will sing and there will be other special music. All are cordially invited.

**M. E. CHURCH SOUTH**  
Rev. Joseph Emery, formerly a member of the O. A. C. faculty, will preach at the 11 a. m. service in the M. E. Church South.

## HOME BURNS OVER AT ALSEA

The home of D. J. Mitchell at Alsea, with all effects, was burned yesterday morning about 8 o'clock. Nothing was saved and the youngest child, who had not been aroused from slumber, was carried out in its night clothes. The fire caught from a defective flue and the whole top of the building was in flames before the fire was discovered. The men of the family had gone off to work, and help, when it might have served a good purpose, was unavailable. The loss to the Mitchell family was complete. A purse was raised by sympathetic neighbors, and the family was installed at Mr. Thompson's temporarily. D. J. Mitchell is the man who traded a second-hand store here to Goodman Bros. for the Alsea ranch. The family lived here for some time and made many friends who regret the misfortune that has come to them.

## IS NOT A MELODRAMA

Love, pathos, treachery and retribution, with a final happy outcome, are the main elements of "In Wyoming," a breezy, idealic comedy drama of the Northwest, which will appear at the opera house Dec. 22. The story is said to be one of absorbing interest, interrupted by a large first-class company, and mounted with realistic stage settings and elaborate costumes. The play is in four acts, and comprises a bright, sunny summer on a ranch near Casper, Wyoming. According to local people who saw the show here last year the play is free from exaggerated and impossible nonsense, such as abounds only too often in western plays. There is so much good in "In Wyoming" that no one wonders at the extraordinary success which the piece has enjoyed. It is all clean and wholesome. Its atmosphere is refreshing and there is nothing suggestive in the story in unfolds.

According to the Republican, George Mercer, of this county, recalls the appearance of Halley's comet in 1835. He says the comet was very beautiful, reaching almost across the heavens. It was quite awe-inspiring. This is the comet that will be seen in all its glory about next May and June.

## JOB'S ADDITION WOMAN ENTERS PROTEST AGAINST DEFAMATORY TALK

SAYS NORTHWEST SECTION HAS BEEN UNJUSTLY AND UNFAIRLY MALIGNED AND SHE TELLS WHY SHE THINKS SO

ALSO PRAISES SCHOOL BOARD FOR PROVIDING BUILDING

Woman Claims that Northwest Additions Are Not Worse than Other Sections; Says that Any Delinquency that May be There Remains Only Because They Can Not Get What they Want—Gives Past and Present History of things Affecting Welfare of the Additions.

GAZETTE-TIMES:

Poor, long-suffering Job's Addition and vicinity has received another rap. "Patience" will cease to be a virtue if it has to bear much more. In the G.-T. of Dec. 14 we are told that the people of Northwest Corvallis should see to it that existing conditions are changed. Does that mean that we should assume the cost of sewerage, or endeavor to make the other part of town help us, as we had to help it? We are soon to vote on extending the city limits. But why should the city embrace more territory, while it cannot take care of what it already has. Are our interests being looked after in the council? One has but to walk along these streets at night, to know that the lighting is inadequate. And for drainage we have a deep open ditch that is a danger to limb, if not to life. And the passage of water through the ditch is obstructed by telephone poles set in it. The ditch should have been tiled; but that idea was ridiculed. In other parts where tile had done very effectual work it was broken by setting poles. This part is now under water part of the time; but who is to blame for it? The City Attorney was appealed to, but the answer was that

nothing could be done under the old charter.

Not the Only Bad Spot.

Who can say, after looking the town over, that water standing on the ground, and in pools, is a condition confined to the district in question? As to filth and open toilets—how about the basements down town into which filth unmentionable backed up from an overtaxed sewer? We have all heard of the boy who heroically saved a city from inundation. Has the story not a parallel in the case of the man who bravely tried to stem the rush of water while he called for a gunny sack to fill the space?

Are these incidents fact or fiction? If the former, is not such conditions as much a menace to public health as the filth in this district? If germs are looking for a breeding place, they can surely find it in such places, and "there are others," if one looks for them. Before this northwest Corvallis has been credited with being an unhealthy locality, but I question if it is any more so than other parts of town. If most of the sickness were confined to this part the town would not need a hospital. It is true that we have had some cases of a contagious character, but most of them originated elsewhere. As a parent, I am in favor of any measures that will further the well being of the children but, as a resident, I protest against unjust discrimination. "If a house be divided

against itself, that house can not stand." We know that one member of the body cannot be seriously injured without affecting the entire system, to a certain extent. By the same process of reasoning, one part of a town cannot be repeatedly slandered and abused and the result not be felt by the remainder. But if this infected district be not desired as part of the town, I shouldn't wonder if we could contrive to exist by ourselves; we have grocery stores, a meat market, churches, and there is talk of a drygoods and drug store.

Proud of Job's.

Instead of having anything to be ashamed of, we are proud of northwest Corvallis, and I, for one, wish to thank the directors for giving us a school where it was greatly needed. We have long been accused of being kickers. Even strangers coming to Corvallis have been told not to pay any attention to anything coming from Job's Addition, as we were only a lot of ignorant knockers. If any one happens to disapprove of certain things he is told to "get out" if he is not satisfied. What a silly, childish way of looking at it. Where would be our boasted United States if there had been no kickers in history? The affairs of a city are supposed to be conducted in the interests of the people as a whole, not to please a few kindred spirits who, of course, have no cause for complaint when everything comes their way.

A Few Kicks.

One kick we have is the scarcity of water stands. We have a good hose house, and people to respond in a moment to the call of the bell, but the men have to go too far for water. As to extending the city limits: While the main feature of the proposal is alright, the citizens of the outlying district should not be criticised too severely if they object to paying city taxes on farms. But on the other hand, if we knew that the section would, in time, have sewer connections, the main sewer could be made to meet the future need and as the cost of

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## WHERE NEW PEOPLE COME FROM

FIGURES SHOWING FROM WHERE CORVALLIS GETS INCREASE

MOST FROM OREGON TOWNS

Very Interesting Figures Obtained By Supt. Kirk of City Schools—Next To Oregon, Washington Contributes Most to Our Growth

From figures obtained by Supt. Kirk, of the city schools, those who are intent on boosting for Corvallis may make deductions of more than passing interest. On cards given students to fill out, one of the questions asked was "Where did you attend school last? Of 113 new students who answered, the showing was as follows:

Oregon, outside of Benton County	59
Benton County outside of Corvallis	17
Washington	8
Idaho	4
Montana	4
Minnesota	4
Nebraska	4
Kansas	3
New Jersey	2
Canada	2
N. Dakota	1
California	1
Iowa	1
Wisconsin	1
Illinois	1
Total	113

It will be noticed that more than 67 per cent of the new students came from some point in Oregon. It might be figured from this that other towns by advertising for easterners have landed them but were unable to hold them long in the face of the reputation for desirability Corvallis enjoys throughout Oregon. They would argue from this that

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Store Will Remain Open Evenings From Saturday the 18th Until Christmas

## Christmas Sale of Ladies' Coats and Suits

Great Xmas Sale of Ladies' Coats and Suits. Every year there are many people who confine their gift giving to practical and needed things. That is why we are making a Great Reduction on our Coats and Suits, so those who are seeking such gifts may get just what they are looking for at a greatly reduced price. Below we quote regular and sale price which tells the story better than a whole page of description:

\$13.50 Suits, Sale Price	\$10.75
15.00 Suits, Sale Price	11.95
17.50 Suits, Sale Price	13.95
30.00 Suits, Sale Price	23.95

Space will not permit us to quote more prices, but Every Suit and Coat in our Large Second Floor Department is Reduced.



## MEN'S OVERCOATS

Every Man's Overcoat in the House Reduced this week. SEE THEM.



## SATURDAY SPECIAL

Beautiful water colored Landscape, many different subjects. Price 19 cents each. SEE WINDOW DISPLAY.