

CORVALLIS DAILY GAZETTE

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To Select the Best City Candidates

The public meeting called for half-past seven o'clock tomorrow evening at the court house has no political significance, the object being to ascertain public opinion on the subject of selecting the best men for the various city offices at the municipal election next Monday.

This is a matter that should appeal to every voter, irrespective of party, for that line has not yet been drawn in naming city candidates, it being rather the desire of all good citizens to elect men who are the best qualified to administer the affairs of the municipality.

Then let all turn out tomorrow night and express their opinion. The result should be the selection of men upon whom all the voters can agree and who will be an honor and credit to Corvallis.

Next Tuesday night, May 18, St. Mary's Chapter No. 9, Order Eastern Star will hold a special communication for the purpose of initiatory work. All officers and members are requested to be present.

Social Session of Ladies' Auxiliary

The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Commercial Club has made all arrangements for a delightful social session to be held tomorrow evening at the club rooms.

Mrs. W. J. Kerr will be the hostess of the evening and there will be an entertaining program consisting of a double quartet; reading by Mrs. Lewis; solo by Miss Lulu Spanger and a short talk on the 'question of a public library by Mrs. Kidder.

This social session is not only for the Auxiliary but also for all club members and their families and the ladies hope there will be a large attendance.

Miss Margaret Snell, who has just returned from a trip to California, will address the members of the Ladies' Auxiliary at the Commercial Club rooms tomorrow afternoon at four o'clock. Mrs. Dick Kiger will be the hostess and the ladies will be pleased to welcome all comers between two and six o'clock.

COUNCIL DOES CITY BUSINESS

REGULAR MEETING LAST NIGHT WAS WELL ATTENDED

NEW FIRE HOSE ORDERED

Adjourned Meeting Will Be Held Thursday Night to Consider "Common Usage" Clause in the Willamette Valley & Coast Ry. Franchise.

The city council met in regular session last night with Mayor George E. Lilly presiding and all members present except J. B. Irvine.

A. J. Johnson, president of the Commercial Club addressed the council on behalf of the booster committee asking for the free use of the city building on Madison street for publicity purposes and he was followed by George A. Waggoner and E. R. Bryson who also favored the plan. The request was granted for one year, provided suitable arrangements could be made with the lessees at no expense to the city.

The committee appointed to confer with the water commission on the adjustment of rates reported that the water commission was willing to let the matter rest until money should be needed.

The street committee and superintendent of streets reported that the sidewalks had been condemned as provided for in ordinance No. 265, abutting certain property on the east side of Second street north of Adams street.

The sewer in block 3 was reported to have been finished in a satisfactory manner.

Permission was given the M. E. Church to lay a ten-foot cement walk on the corner of Fourth and Madison streets.

The matter of opening an alleyway in block 38, Moore & Newhouse Addition, was decided to be a question affecting the property owners and not the city.

Permission was given H. W. Kaupisch to use certain ground for the erection of an ice storage plant and the application of August Fischer to construct a pole line to connect his electric plant with his property on First street was referred to the fire, light and water committee with power to act.

The purchase of 600 feet of Keystone hose at \$1 per foot was recommended and an ordinance was ordered drawn giving authority to issue the necessary warrant in payment of same.

A cement sidewalk was ordered constructed on Fourth street, on the west side of the City Hall, and instructions were issued to condemn the sidewalk on the rest of the block as provided by ordinance.

The street committee was instructed to replace at the expense of the city, all curbing heretofore constructed in the city under former ordinances as fast as demand may be made, therefore, so as to conform to the present cement sidewalk and curb ordinance.

The reply or opinion of A. C. Woodcock, to whom was submitted the question of the franchise formerly granted to the Willamette Valley & Coast Railroad Company, to ascertain whether it contained a "common usage" clause, was read, and was to the effect that the city could grant permission to other companies to use the same trackage so long as the business of the original company was not interfered with.

The council adjourned until Thursday night, May 13, to consider this opinion.

Forest Service Appointments.

C. R. Davis and Robert J. Watson have been appointed Assistant Forest Rangers on the Umpqua National Forest; Walter G. Hellan, Forest Guard on the Wenatchee; Rolla J. Phelps, Assistant Forest Ranger on the Whitman; E. E. Robertson, Forest Guard on the Columbia; Ralph Taylor, Assistant Forest Ranger on the Cascade; John H. Russell and Earl Park, Forest Guards on the Wenaha; Bert Howard, Assistant Forest Ranger on the Malheur; W. H. Brown, Forest Guard on the Snoqualmie, and S. A. Moore, Assistant Forest Ranger on the Crater.

Cash paid for wool by Wm. Crees, 220 Third street. Independent phone 234. 5-7-3tw

First Band Concert Success at Albany

Albany, May 11.—(Special to the Gazette).—The OAC Military Band played its opening engagement of the Willamette Valley tour at the Albany Opera house last night. The performance was a very creditable one and, although the audience was not as large as was expected, the concert was a decided success. Every number was rendered in a manner that showed the careful training administered by Conductor Beard, and the real ability possessed by each member. In fact, the entire performance showed an improvement over the concert given in Corvallis last month.

The solo numbers all received hearty encores, and each responded with a number that delighted the audience. Woodcock and Luper played the same numbers as at Corvallis. Mrs. Gaskins sang "Carmena" and responded with "Swanee River" with band arrangement by Prof. Beard.

Prof. Gaskins was present and stated from a critical standpoint that the concert was a success. He was well pleased with the performance and assured Prof. Beard that the concert was good enough for any audience.

The boys are in good spirits and everything points to a successful trip.

Deffry Company Makes Good

A fair-sized audience turned out to see the Deffry company last night and doubtless the attendance will be larger from now on. There is no doubt about the talent of this company made up of five artists. The play is a very difficult one to handle and in the hands of mediocre actors would be maudling sentimentality and cumbersome talky scenes. The Deffry Company, however, got away with it to perfection, infusing life and sparkle into a somewhat old fashioned play. Josephine Deffry, of course, takes the big role and sustains her character with a degree of poise that could only be borne of long acquaintance with the subject in hand. She has a beautiful pair of eyes—which she sometimes uses. In L. Victor Gifford the company has a leading man of rare merit, one certainly seldom found in the ranks of popular priced players. His voice is a treat to listen to and his acting is naturalness itself. The other members of the company did not have much opportunity to show their ability, but evinced talent that puts them above the average stock actors. It is understood that tonight's play, "A Grass Widow," gives all an equal chance, and the manager announced he would give ten dollars to anyone who does not laugh.

Frank Scott, the mail carrier, is moving to his new home on Fourth street.

CORVALLIS AND BENTON COUNTY NOW MAKING RAPID STRIDES

RICH LANDS ATTRACTING MANY INTELLIGENT SETTLERS

Fruit Growing Is Becoming a Prominent and Popular Industry and Small Farms for Intensive Cultivation Are Being Secured by Homeseekers Who Are Locating Here for the Advantages Offered—OAC is a Great Factor in Helping to Develop the Country.

The Corvallis correspondent of the Oregonian gives the following carefully prepared description of this immediate section and its many facts are of such importance that it is well worthy of reproduction:

Benton County, with its county seat, Corvallis, is expected, within the next few years, to take rapid strides in its general development and industrial growth. The large holdings of the old settlers, scattered throughout the low hills of the county, are being split up and converted into smaller farms. Consequently, better use will be made of the fertile soil and the land which has been lying for years among the foothills, in tracts of from 500 to 2000 acres, supporting one family with a few sheep and horses, will be made to produce the apples, wheat and walnuts for which it is adapted.

It has been demonstrated by experiment that apples raised in the low hills of Benton county are, in size, shape and color, fully the equal of those raised in the Hood River or Rogue River valleys, and they can be raised on land which costs only from \$30 to \$100 an acre.

W. S. Brown has just purchased 270 acres for apple-raising purposes, and has formed the Corvallis Orchard Company. Mr. Brown investigated thoroughly every important apple-growing section in Oregon and Washington and finally located near Corvallis, because the climatic and soil conditions were just as favorable and the land was cheaper.

Another company, the Oregon Apple Company, has obtained 1000 acres, which will be planted to apples within two years. By the end of this year there will be growing in Benton county about 800 acres of the commercial varieties of apples. The men investing in orchard lands are competent fruit men. One of them is President Kerr, of the Oregon Agricultural College.

In addition to the apples, there are being planted in Benton county 100 acres of Bartlett pears, 100 acres of prunes and 160 acres of peaches. All, except the peaches, are on the upland. The possibilities for fruitraising in this county are practically unlimited,

there being thousands of acres of clear land which can be had cheaply and which is especially adapted for fruit-raising. Benton county has an advantage in horticultural pursuits on account of its close proximity to the Agricultural College, where scientific experiments are being carried on all the time, and where are located some of the best authorities on horticulture and pests in the country.

The extension of the Oregon Electric to Corvallis will be of untold advantage to the people of Benton county. It will afford a quicker means of travel down the Valley, will stimulate the value of property, and will be the means of increasing business and population many times over.

The Oregon Agricultural College, with its 1200 students and its fine outlay of buildings, is the life of Corvallis and in its practical way of disseminating scientific knowledge, it exerts in Benton county an influence that is tremendous in building up correct methods of general farming and fruitraising.

Diversified farming and dairying are found to be particularly profitable lines of industry in this section of the valley. The lowlands are especially adapted for the growth of hay, grain, potatoes and all kinds of vegetables. Potato land produces from 150 to 500 bushels an acre, and river bottom land is said to produce \$1000 an acre from diversified crops. Dairying as an income-producer in Benton county, can hardly be beaten. Corvallis boasts of a creamery which turns out four tons of butter a day, which is said to be more than the daily product of any other creamery in Oregon. The local creamery pays \$175,000 yearly for milk.

Benton county has millions of feet of standing timber, which averages 50,000 feet an acre. In Corvallis there are two sawmills with a capacity of 100,000 feet daily. One of these mills was recently purchased by G. O. Bassett, formerly superintendent of the Booth-Keily Company at Eugene. He will bring logs over the Corvallis & Alsea Railroad a distance of 20 miles. Mr. Bassett is also constructing now an

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The entire stock of high grade clothing carried by us to be sold during this sale at remarkable low prices. Think of it! The finest, most complete line of clothing in all Corvallis, including all the new spring and summer styles in Society Brand, Michaels-Stern and Senior College Clothes. Take advantage of these low prices:

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" 15.00	" " " " 11.90	" 25.00	" " " " 19.75
" 18.00	" " " " 14.25	" 30.00	" " " " 24.85
" 20.00	" " " " 15.85		

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