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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1905.

TOURNAMENT IS ASSURED.

A combined Fourth of July celebration and a Firemen's Tournament under the auspices of the volunteer fire department of Oregon City is now assured for this city, to be held July 3-5 inclusive. There have already been made subscriptions exceeding \$600 in the aggregate and the committee in charge expects to experience no trouble in raising from among the business men of Oregon City the additional \$400 that it is figured will be required to successfully carry out the program that is contemplated.

ELECTION OF FIRE CHIEF.

If there is any one event in Oregon City that is of greater interest to the 150 members of the volunteer fire department of the city, than is any other event, it is the annual election of fire chief which is held on the first Monday in March each year. The pride of the people of Oregon City in their fire department is only rivaled by the intense company pride that is ever manifested by each of the five companies constituting its membership. This pride is particularly demonstrated at the annual election and the naming of the different candidates. The attending campaign for votes rivals the average political convention in scheming, wirepulling and soliciting of votes.

FOR A COUNTY FAIR.

The Enterprise is pleased to note that the Granges of Clackamas county are taking the initiative in developing public sentiment and providing plans for the holding of a county fair annually. It has been the experience of other localities that the county or district fairs in actual results fully justified both the efforts and the expense of the undertaking. With the rapid settling up of Clackamas county by new arrivals from other states, the holding of a fair where can be had an interchange of ideas as to the adaptability of the soil for different products, the particular varieties that best thrive and facts pertaining to stock, there is offered an unequalled opportunity for promoting the agricultural interests of the community besides contributing to the prosperity of the entire section. Success to the Grange in its efforts to arrange for a county fair. The place for hold-

ing such an exposition and other details can be adjusted with general satisfaction when public sentiment is aroused to a condition that the benefits attending these fairs is appreciated.

LONG SKIRTS.

The microbe flourishes mightily in the attention of the world. Once an obscure worker, he is now one of the most formidable and established perils. He may at any moment cause a change in the conduct of our government toward currency, the paper part of which is now allowed to breed disease until it falls to pieces. One thing, however, that even he will fail to do is to change the fashions which apply to women. Nurses may be forced by their employers to drop the long skirt which gathers so many varieties of infection on the street. The mother's concern for her infant's chances may possibly put an end to long skirts in the nursery. But these mothers themselves will not drop the sweeping garment. Such a step is almost as unlikely as a sudden end to kissing. Here and there a spasmodic effort is made to force school teachers into briefer drapery, but we believe these efforts have been without result. "As well be out of the World as out of Fashion." Many to whom the mode is an evil declare it must be obeyed: "Nothing exceeds in ridicule no doubt, A fool in fashion, but a fool that's out. Though wrong the mode, comply; more sense is shown In wearing other's follies than our own."

RUSSIAN FORCES.

The discontent in Russia is economic and political, and a weakness of rebellion against the present system is that the classes of discontented subjects have almost no ground in common. The factory workers have no interest in the principles of government. What they want is larger pay for shorter hours. The Zemstvos movement, on the other hand, was an expression of liberalism of the milder kind. Beyond that comes the violent radicalism, with its belief in miscellaneous dynamite. The progress made in economic demands in factories is due largely to the influx of workmen from other countries. As to the peasantry, they are of three distinct species—northern, Scandinavian in character, probably the brightest in natural quality; middle or Slavic; and Oriental. The peasants are almost as ignorant as it is possible to be, but the most intelligent Russians believe that education is all that the peasant needs to make him the best man on earth. The situation is complicated of course by the bitterness of special classes, like the Poles, Finns, and Jews. That strong but heterogeneous discontent can do little until the army is broken in its loyalty is everywhere acknowledged, but that the army will feel the pressure of opinion there have already been indications. It is necessary to distrust news against Russia that comes through England and English correspondents, but, even making this allowance, there is evidence enough that the forces working constantly and studiously to awaken the nation reach further every year. Whether changes can be made with the empire remaining geographically as it is, or only after convulsions which will separate its artificially connected parts, depends upon the behavior of the autocracy.—Colliers Weekly.

Newspaper publishers are always willing to give their time and space in whooping it up for other people's bills in the Legislature, but they are sad failures when it comes to getting their own measures through that august body. The first bill ever asked by the Oregon Press Association, and having the endorsement of every newspaper man in the state, was denounced as a graft and indefinitely postponed. This will teach the boys to be humble hereafter, and will also impress upon their minds the saintly purity of the men whom they helped to elect to the Legislature. Let us pray.—Polk County Observer.

During the year of 1904 and the month of January, 1905, there were 35 homicides in the State of Oregon. In 14 of these cases there were no arrests made in connection with the crime. In seven of the case arrests were made and the suspects either exonerated by a Coroner's jury or acquitted by a court. Seven of the cases are still hanging fire, some of them having awaited settlement for months. In but two of the cases were sentences of life imprisonment imposed, and there was not one case of capital punishment.

The Youth's Companion, published in Boston, is authority for the statement that "Oregon apples are selling in the fruit stores of Boston at a high-

er price than oranges." And why shouldn't they?

TWO CANDIDATES FOR CHIEF.

Frank McGinnis and J. A. McGlashan Will Contest for the Honor. The time in which nominations may be made for chief and assistant chief of the Oregon City fire department, also a member of the board of fire commissioners, expired last Friday night and with the failure of the hill company to make any nominations at its special meeting that night, the contest for chief lies between J. A. McGlashan, of the Fountains, and Frank McGinnis, of the Columbia Hook & Ladder Company. Both men are active, competent and capable firemen and in the election of either candidate the best interests of the city in event of fire will be intelligently guarded. For assistant chief, E. L. McFarland of Cataract Hose Company No. 2, will be elected, there being no opposing candidate.

At a special meeting of Hose Company No. 3, known as the Hill Company, indorsement was had of E. L. McFarland for assistant chief, and E. Grazer was nominated for fire commissioner. This insures a contest in the election of three fire commissioners, four candidates having been named as follows: C. W. Pope, Columbia Hook & Ladder Company No. 1; Pat Finucane, Cataract Hose Company No. 2; Henry P. Roos, Fountain Hose Company No. 3; and E. Grazer, Hose Company No. 3.

The Hill Company elected officers as follows: Ben Doolittle, president; J. R. Caulfield, secretary; W. J. Wilson, treasurer; C. Grazer, foreman; J. C. Finucane, assistant foreman; D. Bain, Second assistant foreman.

WANT IMPROVEMENT MADE.

Reasons Assigned for Asking that Two Streets Be Improved. The report that the City Council may adversely act on the petition that has been filed asking for the improvement of that portion of Moss and Eleventh Sts., in Blocks 9 and 10, has had the effect of awakening the interested property owners, of whom have signed the petition for the improvement, to more vigorous work. For the first time in months, the petition for this improvement has not been off-set by a strong remonstrance and for this reason if for none other, the petitioners feel that their prayer should receive favorable consideration. They insist that the improvement of the streets petitioned for is not a matter of sentiment or of selfish interest but rather an improvement that if made will prove of material value to the city and the many business and manufacturing interests here represented. In support of their claim for granting the improvement, the petitioners represent that the two streets that are to be improved, Moss and Eleventh streets, merge into one before reaching the river front, which is the only accessible river front directly off of Main street that affords an easy grade for teams; that one of the local steamboat companies is already arranging to establish its dock in that locality; that it is the only site on the river front at Oregon City where a big wharf can be constructed and where the width of the river is such that the use of the wharfage privileges will not seriously interfere with the changing of the stage of the river; that by encouraging the building of a large dock means will be provided for regulating freight charges; that the site is an ideal one for holding water sports or a regatta; that it is a desirable point for a public bath house; that the more general shipping of products rather than transporting them by team to Portland will be encouraged. In fact the petitioners, who represent with but a single exception all of the property owners directly interested, feel that the improvement should receive the indorsement of the Council for the reason that the business and manufacturing interests of the city require the improvement.

God's Art Gallery of the Rockies. Edith Tozier Weatherhead says, in a recent number of "The Exposition": "My first trip has recently been made over the world renowned Denver & Rio Grande Railroad. Any attempt at a pen picture would be sacrilege. To appreciate it is to see it and be held spell-bound while you gaze on the grand, glorious, beautiful and sublime. 'God's Art Gallery of the Rockies' is unsurpassed and fills one's soul with more love for the Creator, and you are also impressed with the wonderful achievements of man who made it possible for the traveler to enjoy the picturesques of America." If you contemplate a trip East, write W. C. McBride, 124 Third street, Portland, Ore., for booklets picturing Colorado's famous scenery, and whatever information you may desire.

"May as well be dead as out of fashion." Now is the time to have your photograph made. Miss Wisner is having a "Clearance Sale" and for one month will offer everything at a reduction. Call and see prices and work. Her studio is on Main street, near Seventh.

Ayer's

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Ayer's Pills increase the activity of the liver, and thus aid recovery.

Great Shoe Sale At ADAMS BROTHERS OREGON CITY'S BIG CASH STORE COMMENCING Saturday February 11th and continuing for one week, we will start a special Sale of Shoes in order to reduce our stock to make room for Spring goods arriving daily. With each pair of shoes costing \$2.35 or over we will present the purchaser with one pair of RUBBERS FREE We carry in stock at all times a full line of Selz, Brown Shoe Company, Walk Over, Queen Quality and Dr. Reed's Cushion Sole Shoes. SPECIAL SALE OF LACES AND EMBROIDERIES, SATURDAY, FEB. 11 Madame Sophia Samard of Paris, France, who came to this country to give exhibitions of lace making at the St. Louis Exposition will be here on Saturday, from 1 to 6 p. m. We invite all who are interested to call and see how rapid lace can be made by hand.

CO-OPERATION IN PORTLAND. How the Eilers Piano Clubs Make Possible Large Saving in Price. Further Particulars.

While the co-operative piano clubs are growing rapidly day by day, the people outside of Portland do not seem to comprehend the power of this co-operative plan, as scores of inquiries seem to attest. Now let us take this plan up thoroughly once more: First of all, it is not new. It is not even new to the piano business. The Eilers Piano House itself, in several of its stores, brought about a saving to the piano-buyers of thousands of dollars in the piano clubs of 1902 and 1903. But never heretofore was it undertaken on so large a scale and with practically the entire Eilers line of pianos, including the costliest of Chickering and Kimballs, and also the Webbers. Co-operation is nothing more nor less than the strongest business principle in operation today, and as such it cannot be put into force too often. It would apply to shoes, groceries or books just as well as it does to pianos. If you bought a hundred pairs of shoes or if a hundred of you gave an order for one pair of shoes each, through some purchasing agent, you would get them cheaper than you do where each of you buys separately. That is all there is to our co-operative Piano Club Sale. But in operation as the price of a piano is greater than the price of a pair of shoes, so in just that same proportion is the co-operative saving on a piano that much greater than would be the co-operative saving upon a pair or two of shoes. The average piano is ninety times as costly as the average pair of shoes, and the co-operative saving is ninety times as great. We have figured that a saving of from \$75 to \$150 on the average piano can be made on a co-operative purchase of 100 pianos; and we absolutely guarantee that we will make you the saving of at least \$75 on any piano you may choose. We give you thirty makes of famous pianos to choose from, and we offer the smallest of deposits and the easiest of terms on your purchase. "Think of buying one of the Club 'A' pianos at \$125 a week, at a saving, too, of at least \$118 on a regular new and warranted \$300 piano!" "Economy is the road to wealth," and music is the road to happiness and culture. So that if you desire both happiness and wealth you will not fail to give this plan your personal investigation. Call at or write to Eilers Piano House, 351 Washington street, corner Park, Portland, Ore. Large stores also San Francisco, Stockton, and Oakland, Cal., Spokane and Seattle, Wash., Boise and Lewiston, Idaho.

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Daily River Schedule Oregon City Boats—Daily Schedule: Steamers Altona and Pomona for Salem and way points, leave Portland daily (except Sunday) at 6:45 a. m.; leave Oregon City 8:15 a. m.; returning, leave Salem 7 a. m.; leave Oregon City, 4:30 p. m. Oregon City Transportation Co.

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