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DEBT IS REDUCED

School Directors Render Satisfactory Accounting

ADVANCE GRANTED IN WAGE SCHEDULE OF TEACHERS.

Judge Thos. F. Ryan is Re-elected Director—Many Women Take Part in Election.

Besides managing the schools satisfactorily and making many needed improvements to the grounds and buildings, the board of directors of the Oregon City schools during the school year just closed, succeeded in reducing the indebtedness of the district \$1050. This result is shown in the annual report of the board which was submitted at the yearly meeting of the patrons of the district Monday evening at the county court room.

The report follows: "It is with considerable pleasure that we call your attention to the fact that during the year, the outstanding indebtedness has been reduced in the amount of \$1050, leaving our present liabilities \$13,501 as against \$14,556.81 one year ago.

"During the past year we have put in new water closets at an expense of \$240.

"Opening the schools as usual in September last, we found that the attendance was even larger than the preceding year, but were able to proceed without any extra teachers; towards the close of the year, through the removal from the city of many children and the fact that very many others were prevented from attendance by reason of measles, the average attendance was much reduced.

"At the annual meeting of the district held for the purpose of levying a tax for the ensuing year, the matter of an advance in the wages of teachers, which had been presented to the board was taken up and discussed by the taxpayers in attendance, with the result that a resolution was passed recommending that the board increase the salary schedule of the teachers; as contracts had been duly and legally entered into between the district and

the teachers for the year just ended, no action was taken by the board at the time; it has been understood, however, that in accordance with the wishes of the taxpayers as expressed at said meeting that an increase in the amount paid teachers for their services shall be made when contracts are entered into for the next school year. The amount of such increase, has, as yet, not been determined but will be within the very near future.

"We are pleased to report that the Eastham school building is in very good condition and will need but little repairs during the coming year.

"In the Barclay building it will be necessary to make a number of changes, such as putting in a back stairway, and also renewing the present front stairway and the building requires reshingling and painting. It will also be necessary to renew the furnaces; we are unable to report the cost of these repairs at this time, as our estimates are not completed.

"The increase of the school population of the district is very small, the enumeration being 1247 as against 1243 last year.

"Very truly,
THOS. F. RYAN,
G. A. HARDING,
CHAS. H. CAUFIELD,
CHAS. ALBRIGHT,
DR. W. E. CARLL,

Board of directors, School District No. 62.

At the same meeting, E. E. Brodie, district clerk, submitted his annual report for the fiscal year, ending June 18, 1906, showing the receipts and expenditures and the present indebtedness of the district. The report follows:

Receipts.	
County Treasurer from District tax	\$2556.65
County school fund	7085.50
State school fund	2099.50
Tuition	400.70
Loans	7381.00
Total	\$19,523.35

Disbursements.	
Teachers' salaries	\$7116.00
Janitors' salaries	697.50
Clerk's salary	126.00
School supplies	177.80
Fuel	302.50
Sewer Assessment	13.12
Sewer Extension	24.40
Refund tuition	19.50
New water closets	1186.28
Repairs	96.28
Dustine	34.45
Painting Eastham buildings	240.00
New Flags	10.00
Diplomas	44.00
Water rent	32.50
School election	7.50
Printing and advertising	57.25
Interest on bonds	660.00
Interest on floating debt	154.60
Loans at bank	\$436.85
Miscellaneous expense	25.80
Total	\$19,523.33

Liabilities.	
6 per cent bonds due June 1, 1908	\$6000.00
5 per cent bonds due 1913	6000.00
Notes due Bank of Oregon City	1501.00
Total	\$13,501.00

Number of children of school age, February, 1906, enumeration, 1247.

Teachers Receive Increase in Wages.
An increase in the wages being paid the teachers employed in the Oregon City schools, amounting to \$10 each per month for the two principals and \$5 per month for grade teachers was agreed upon and granted at a meeting of the board of directors Monday evening.

The salary of City Superintendent was established at \$1000 per annum and the election of a successor to Miss Clark, the retiring superintendent, was deferred until another meeting. In electing a City Superintendent, the Board does not propose to act hastily. On the contrary, the several applications that have already been received for the place will be carefully considered and when the Board is satisfied that they have found the right man for the superintendency a selection will be made and not until then.

The principals of the Barclay and Eastham buildings will hereafter receive \$75 per month instead of \$65. Grade teachers, newly elected, will be started at \$45 per month and allowed an increase in pay of \$2.50 per month for the second year and a further increase of \$2.50 per month the following year. Grade teachers, who have been in the employ of the district for three years or more, will receive \$50 per month, instead of \$45 as heretofore. There are two exceptions among the grade teachers, in that the two first primary teachers, who have been in the service of the district for the last three years, will receive \$55 per month as against \$50 under the schedule of last year. By the revised schedule, however, a newly-elected first primary teacher would start with \$50 per month, with \$52.50 per month for the second year and then \$55 per month as long as the teacher remained in the employ of the district.

The revised schedule of wages amounts to an increase of \$5 per month for each grade teacher.

Judge Ryan Re-elected.
Judge Thos. F. Ryan, chairman of the board of directors in the Oregon City Public Schools, was on Monday re-elected to succeed himself, for another five-year term. Jas. U. Campbell, whose candidacy was unexpectedly sprung at the last minute, received a complimentary vote. More women voted in this school election than have participated in a like event in this city in years, a total of 132 votes being cast, of which a majority were cast by women.

Complexion Secrets.
To remove pimples, moth spots, sallowness, blotches, clear up the complexion and put the bloom of youth in the cheeks use Laxakola tablets, a positive cure for constipation. 25 c at Huntley Bros.

MAY CLIP HIS WINGS

Legislature May Deprive Governor of Appointments

THERE ARE NOT MANY PLUMS ON POLITICAL TREE.

Board With Republican Majority Could Turn Members of Minority Out into the Cold.

Salem, Oregon, June 17.—The outlook for those who desire political appointment in return for political activity in the primary and general election campaigns of 1906 is not very promising. The plum trees are few and high and the fruit does not look as though it would easily drop. As remarked by a local politician a few days ago, if the men who were elected June 4 pay their political debts with appointments, there are likely to be a great many debts unpaid. There are a few plums that can be shaken off, but not many of them are large or juicy.

There is small opportunity, for desirable appointments at the state institutions at Salem. In the first place, the Democratic Governor was re-elected, and this deprives the Republicans of the pleasure of snatching the places that have been filled by Democrats for the past four years. C. W. James will continue as superintendent of the penitentiary, W. E. Finzer will hold command over the Oregon National Guard, W. W. Elder will continue as commander of the Oregon Soldiers' Home and Albert Tozier will wield the measuring stick in the office of the printing expert.

Yes, and Oswald West will continue to perform the duties of State Land Agent, selling state farms, hunting up base for lieu land selections and running down violators of the state land laws. The whole penitentiary force will likely be retained except as vacancies may occur by discharge for one cause or another.

May Lose Appointive Power.

That is, these positions will be retained by Democrats unless the next Legislature in its great wisdom, thinks best to enact a few laws that will deprive the Governor of the exclusive appointing power and place the control of the appointments mentioned in the hands of a board composed of a Republican majority. This may be done.

The Governor has thought it possible and will not be much surprised if the Legislature takes such action. But if the course of the last two Legislatures is any criterion by which to predict the action of the next, there will be no such change made. The last two Legislatures not only left the Governor with all his appointing power, but when new offices were to be filled he was given the authority to make the appointments. The Republican Legislature gave the Governor everything he asked for, and, in fact, was more liberal with him than a Legislature has commonly been with a Republican Governor.

Board May Be Given Control.

But there will probably be strong pressure brought to bear upon the next Legislature to induce it to enact laws which shall take away from the Governor the exclusive control of the prison and place that institution in the hands of a board. There are many good Republicans who would like an office, and ways and means must be found, they think.

The penitentiary is a tree that holds quite a number of plums, though none of them are particularly desirable. The offices pay reasonable salaries, but no more. There are a superintendent, two wardens, a bookkeeper, a farmer, a physician and some 15 or 20 guards.

In political circles it is quite generally believed that there will be few changes in important places at the other state institutions, which are under the control of a board composed of the Governor, Secretary of State and State Treasurer.

Calbreath Feels Secure in Place.

Superintendent Calbreath, of the insane asylum, is counted safe in his position because he was a supporter of the Republican candidates who won and also because his administration has also been satisfactory. The positions of the physicians at the asylum have never been used for paying political debts and will not be now. There are numerous minor places at the asylum, however, that can be filled with the political friends of the Secretary of State F. W. Benson and State Treasurer Steel, and these are plums that will probably be shaken into the waiting grasp of the faithful and effective.

Public sentiment has been running rather strongly against changes at the reform school, mute school and blind school, for political purposes, and there is a disposition to take these institutions out of politics as much as possible. It is quite probable therefore, that any changes in the heads of these institutions will be made only for other than political reasons, but there are a few minor positions that will be open to those who want them and can command the political influence necessary to throw out the present incumbents.

The office of master fish warden is

one that many aspirants will be likely to seek, and Benson and Steel will undoubtedly find that they have many friends who know all about fish and fry and hatcheries. It has been reported that the present board has thought of making a change, but inquiry brings a denial with the positive assertion that Van Dusen's administration has been satisfactory and that any change, if at all, will be by the new board.

Brown Has Friends at Court.
The office of clerk of the State Land Board is one within the power of the new board to fill, and if Benson and Steel wish they can reward a friend by creating a vacancy in that office and then filling it. But it is known that G. G. Brown was an earnest supporter of Steel and in results, a contributor to the success of Benson, so he is believed by his friends to be reasonably safe in his position.

In this connection it may be said that Governor Chamberlain, who is a member of all the boards, is an ardent advocate of the retention of Brown, and of all other Republican office-holders under the board who have given efficient service. It is known that he will pursue a stand-pat policy, and whatever Benson and Steel may propose, he will stand firm for the retention of present incumbents all the way up and down the line. He has no choice between Republicans and if changes are made by the board it will be by the agreement of the two Republican members.

Disagreement is Governor's Chance.

It is altogether probable that Benson and Steel will agree upon all their appointments, for if they should disagree there would be a tie and the Democratic Governor would be permitted to cast the deciding vote. They have nothing to gain but much to lose by disagreement, and it may safely be assumed that in the parceling out of political rewards they will act together.

Both the Secretary of State and State Treasurer have a number of appointments to make to their own offices. There are five positions in the secretary's office and two in the treasury department, not counting stenographers. It is generally believed that one and perhaps two of the present clerks in the office of the Secretary of State will be retained, but probably no more than that. The retention of one of the present clerks is probable in the treasury department.

FIREMEN WILL PICNIC.

Will Spend Sunday, July 15, at Canemah Park.

At a meeting of the general committee, appointed by the firemen of this city, held Monday night, it was decided to hold a big picnic and barbecue at Canemah Park, in this city, Sunday, July 15. The day will conclude with a dance for which a committee was named. Various sub-committees were appointed to manage the details of the affair. The committee elected Sam Stowe chairman and Jack R. Caufield, secretary and treasurer. Dr. W. E. Carll will be president of the day and Luther O. Moore was named as chef. In the afternoon it is proposed to have a baseball game, the captains of the opposing teams to be Ed. Rechner and Chas. Ely, while Fire Chief McFarland is to umpire the contest.

The various committees are to hold another meeting next Monday evening at the Columbia Hook & Ladder Company's hall. In addition to the general committee, the sub-committees are as follows:

Judges of sports—J. Wallace Cole, Ben Doolittle and Wm. H. Howell.
Order—Sam Stowe, R. E. Woodward, J. A. McGlashan and E. A. Leighton.

Refreshments—C. D. Hartman, Wm. Shaver, E. J. Noble, L. Ruonich and Chas. Hanford.
Soliciting and games and sports—H. Stratton, Al. Cannon, Wm. Peters, F. W. Humphry.

Dance—Howard F. Latourette, Wm. R. Logus, Roy Woodward and Clarence Bruner.

Dissolution of Partnership.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between Wm. Gardner and George Gardner, under the firm name and style of Wm. Gardner & Son, has been this day dissolved by mutual consent. Wm. Gardner succeeds to the business and will assume all liabilities and collect all accounts due the firm.

Dated at Oregon City, Oregon, June 7, 1906.
WM. GARDNER,
GEORGE GARDNER.

GRADUATION EXERCISES.

The commencement exercises of St. John's Parochial and High School will take place at Shively's Hall Tuesday evening, June 26. An unusually fine program has been prepared for the occasion. The entire program will be carried out by the pupils of the school. All who have ever assisted at the well arranged and interesting exercises of this school, know there is another treat awaiting them on June 26. Four pupils will be graduated from the Tenth grade. Most Rev. Archbishop A. Christie will present the diplomas and address the class. The graduates are: Phillip Julian Sinnott, Agnes Margaret Justin, Mary Sabina McDonnell and Charlotte Lucy Baker.

A HAPPY MOTHER

will see that her baby is properly cared for—to do this a good purgative is necessary. Many babies suffer from worms, and their mothers don't know it—if your baby is feverish and doesn't sleep at nights, it is troubled with worms. White's Cream Vermifuge will clean out these worms in a mild and pleasant way. Once tried always used. Give it a trial. Price 25c. Sold by Huntley Bros. Co.

FAVOR HIGHSCHOOL

Friends of Higher Education May Take Action

MUTUAL CONSOLIDATION OF DISTRICTS IS AUTHORIZED.

Oregon City Schools Already Have Two of the Four Grades Offered in High School.

Advocates of a county high school have not been entirely disheartened by the defeat of this project by the voters at the June election and an institution of higher education that will be available for the young people of Oregon City and vicinity may yet be provided.

Under the state school law the mutual consolidation of two or more districts for this purpose is authorized and in this vicinity where the sentiment is pronounced for such an institution, this provision in the law may be taken advantage of as a means of temporarily supplying the high school until the question of establishing a county high school can again be submitted to the voters. A number of prominent citizens who are interested in higher education have this subject under serious consideration and there may be some developments before the school year begins in the Fall.

On this subject an Oregon City dispatch to the Portland Journal says:

"A movement has been placed on foot for the establishment of a central high school in Oregon City, which, if carried out, will result in the abolishment of the high school grades at Parkplace and other districts in this vicinity. The city schools have one half of a high school, that is the ninth and tenth grades are embraced in the course, while at Parkplace the full high school course of four grades is taught, but the operation of a separate high school in the several districts around Oregon City requires the expenditure of a large sum of money annually and the consequent levying of a high rate of taxation to cover the cost. This has been a matter of some regret in past years, but it has been, in a measure, unavoidable and the steps that are now being taken will correct existing conditions and make it possible for each district to obtain high school privileges at a minimum cost.

"In the recent election an effort was made to establish a county high school, but was lost by a vote of 1952 to 1746, and while it was not specified where the school would have been located, it was generally understood that if the majority of the voters of Clackamas county declared in favor of the proposition that the county court in which authority is vested would select Oregon City as the most logical site for the schools. This belief generally prevailed and aroused much antagonism of small towns throughout the county, such as Canby, Estacada, Milwaukie, Molalla, and other places and it was also opposed by a large percentage of the farming community, who took the ground that their taxes were high enough and would not stand for a raise.

"When the defeat of the county high school became known, the directors of the several schools in the vicinity of Oregon City, looked about, for a means to remedy conditions and avoid further expenditures along that line. The school at Willamette has been contemplating the addition of the ninth grade and this would entail fitting up another room and engaging an additional teacher and the same is true at Oak Grove. County Superintendent J. C. Zinsler, who is a firm advocate of high schools, has made an examination of the school law and has discovered that in section 5 of house bill 60, which was passed at the last session of the legislature, the act providing for school consolidation has been amended to exactly suit the case. This law provides that any school board may, at its discretion, contract with the board of any other district for the admission of pupils in such other district on such terms as may be agreed upon and by such boards and the expense so incurred shall be paid out of the school funds of the district sending such pupils. Failure to live up to any such agreement is provided for, and should the district sending pupils fail to defray its portion of the expenses so incurred, according to the term of the contract, the county superintendent shall deduct the amount of the unpaid expense from the amount due the district sending the students in the regular apportionment.

"The schools that are said to be ready to take advantage of such an understanding are Parkplace, Oak Grove, Milwaukie, West Oregon City, Willamette, Canemah, and Maple Lane.

ALL SHOULD SPRAY.

And Avoid Trouble—Keep the Orchards Clean.

A case is to be brought before the Circuit Court at Oregon City to test the law which empowers a fruit inspector to enter a pest-infested orchard after the owner, having been

duly notified, failed to spray his trees, says an editorial in the Oregonian. A Milwaukee orchard was entered under these conditions several weeks ago and 34 prune trees infested with scale were cut down. The irate owner promised to make the inspector pay for the damage inflicted, and in pursuance of this purpose, has brought suit for the sum of \$2040, the alleged value of the trees thus destroyed.

The question of clean orchards and perfect fruit in this state is involved in the outcome of this suit. That the owners of orchards will not, in many cases, without compulsion, spray their fruit trees and destroy those that are mossy, dirty and useless, is a fact well attested by the infested fruit that has appeared in this market in years past and by the moss-grown, pest-ridden trees that abound throughout the Willamette Valley. The orchardist who sprays his trees finds his crop at the mercy of his neighbor who neglects to do so. It is manifestly impossible to re-establish and maintain the reputation of Oregon fruit, according to the required market standard, unless these old orchards are destroyed and the newer ones sprayed at proper times. The thrifty citizen finds spraying his own orchard unavailing while the trees of his neighbor across the way are white with woolly aphids, matted with San Jose scale, or are a breeding place for the codlin moth.

This settlement carries its own evidence and argument. It follows that Oregon must either abandon its pretensions as a state able to raise fruit as fine as any in the world, or take measures to compel indolent, thriftless orchardists to come up to the standard set by the Board of Horticulture for the production of clean fruit.

WILL CLEAN UP CITY.

Council Authorizes Mayor Caufield to Designate Day.

At a special meeting Tuesday night the City Council ordered that Mayor Caufield designate a day that shall be known and generally observed by citizens as "cleaning up" day. Mayor Caufield will determine the day to be observed and hopes for a hearty co-operation on the part of all citizens that the result may justify the effort. The day will be announced later.

Among the ordinances passed was that requiring the proper numbering of residences and posting the names of the streets. This must be done before the city can proceed further in its application for free mail delivery service.

It was ordered by the Council that Recorder Dimick notify C. D. Latourette, of the City and Suburban Railway Company, that his Water Street franchise will be cancelled because of his failure to comply with the conditions under which the franchise was granted. The Recorder was also instructed to advise Thos. F. Ryan that for the same reasons similar action will be taken in the matter of the elevator franchise that was granted him some time ago.

Plans, specifications and estimates for the improvement of Sixth street between Railroad Avenue and Water street were received and ordered published; the ordinance assessing the cost for the improvement of Fifth street was passed, the ordinance ordering the grade of Washington street re-established, was ordered re-published.

It was ordered that an ordinance be drawn assessing the cost for the improvement of J. Q. Adams street, and the cement sidewalk ordinance was directed to be so amended as to require proper provision for drainage.

The amounts of the liens in Sewer District No. 2 and the Third street improvement were ordered paid out of the general fund.

In the proposed sale of all street, sewer and sidewalk liens held by the city, the finance committee was directed to proceed with the sale of all property so involved and have the deeds properly recorded. This transaction will be in charge of Franklin T. Griffith who is to receive \$25 for directing the sale of the property and 5 per cent for all collections.

The committee on fire and water was authorized to employ a carpenter and determine the extent of the improvements that are required for the several fire companies' halls and make report at the next meeting of the Council. This action was taken on the application of the fire companies that needed improvements to their rooms be made.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

An excessive cloudiness prevailed during the week, and while showers occurred nearly every day in the north-west counties and on two or three days in the southern and eastern sections of the State, the total amount of rainfall was not excessive, and all rivers have slowly fallen. The mornings averaged from one to two degrees below normal, but the afternoons, on account of cloudy weather, were much cooler than usual, especially in the Willamette valley and the coast counties. The soil is well moistened, and a spell of bright, warm weather is now desired. No frosts occurred and the winds, while high in a few localities, were not damaging; their prevailing direction was from the southwest.

How to Break up a Cold.

It may be a surprise to many to learn that a severe cold can be completely broken up in one or two days' time. The first symptoms of a cold are a dry loud cough, a profuse watery discharge of the nose, and a thin, white coating on the tongue. When Chamberlain's cough remedy is taken immediately on the first appearance of these symptoms, it counteracts the effect of the cold and restores the system to a healthy condition within a day or two. For sale by Howell & Jones.