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PULLING FOR OPEN RIVER

CONVENTION AT OREGON CITY HELD WEDNESDAY BY WILLAMETTE ASSOCIATION.

ALL FAVOR NEW LOCKS

Delegates From Valley Towns Hold Business Session and Are Entertained at Commercial Club.

Permanent organization of the Willamette Open River and Freight Rate Association was completed here Wednesday with election of H. H. Hewitt, of Albany, president; E. H. Hofer, of Salem, vice-president; W. A. Shewman, of Oregon City, secretary, and C. N. Rankin, of Eugene, treasurer.

The attendance of the meeting was rather disappointing, but a goodly number of representatives were here from Salem, Albany, Canby, Estacada, Eugene, Portland, Grants and Forest Grove.

The principal address of the morning was made by Judge G. B. Dimick, who said: "One of the first things which I wish to call to your attention is the growing sentiment for an open river from the mouth of the Columbia to the head of navigation on the Willamette River."

"We all recognize the fact that an open river would act as a great safety valve in the governing of freight rates through the Willamette Valley by affording competition on all freight carried to and from points in the valley tributary to river and railroad.

"The principal barrier now existing against the free and open river is the locks at the Willamette Falls at Oregon City, which are owned and controlled by a private corporation, while more than \$200,000.00 of the original cost of their construction was paid from public funds out of the Oregon State Treasury, and now at this late day when the people of the valley are asking for free locks to be owned and operated under government control we are informed that in order to procure a free locks the people of the State of Oregon are required to appropriate from the public funds of the State an additional sum of \$300,000.00 before the government will consider the condemnation of the old locks or the building of one which would be new and modern.

"In any event the construction of a new, modern and up-to-date locks would have opposition for the reason that the government on the 10th day of August, 1893, without any consideration whatever, gave to the Portland General Electric Company by a special patent all of the islands and rock reefs in the stream at the falls, and now if the government should attempt to construct a locks of its own it would find the patent which it so gratuitously gave to the Portland General Electric Company, which would necessitate condemnation proceedings in order to procure a right of way for the construction of a new locks, or be forced to purchase the old at a high and unreasonable valuation.

"In order to convince you that I am right in my position in urging the necessity of guarding our rights through commercial bodies, I desire to call your attention to the wasteful manner in which our state school lands which were given to the state by act of Congress for an irreducible state school fund, has been squandered until today we have only about \$5,000,000.00 in that fund, wherein if the commercial bodies of the state had kept a watchful eye upon those valuable rights so that the valuable land would not have been squandered, the State of Oregon today would have an irreducible state school fund of more than \$50,000,000.00, the interest upon which would greatly relieve the tax payers of the State in meeting the expense of maintaining our public schools.

FRUIT MEN HAVE MEETING.

Growers Get Together For Sheer Mutual Benefit.

The Clackamas County Fruitgrowers Association held a business meeting in the rooms of the Commercial Club Thursday afternoon.

W. C. Green, president of the Willamette Council, Knights and Ladies of Security, attended the District Convention at Portland Wednesday.

ROSE SOCIETY PLANS EXHIBIT OF BLOOMS

DISPLAY AT ANNUAL ROSE SHOW TO BE NOTED FOR ITS BEAUTY.

The Clackamas County Rose Society met Saturday afternoon. The committee were appointed for the coming rose show: Printing, Mrs. Rosina Fouts and Mrs. G. A. Harding; soliciting, Mrs. C. W. Evans, Mrs. O. D. Eby, Mrs. G. B. Dimick; judges, Mrs. J. L. Waldron, Mrs. F. T. Barlow, Mrs. John Fairclough.

The following is a list of rules governing the exhibits: Section A: Class, Tea—Best collection of six red roses, named one variety; best collection six white roses, named one variety; best collection of six yellow roses, one variety; best collection of six pink roses, named one variety; general collection of 12 roses each separate variety, named.

Section B: Class, Hybrid Tea—Best nine white roses, three varieties, named; best nine red roses, three varieties, named; best nine yellow roses, three varieties, named; general collection of 12 roses, each separate variety, named.

Section C: Class, Hybrid Perpetual—Best eight roses, one variety, named; best eight red roses, one variety, named; best eight red roses, four varieties, two each named; best eight pink roses, one variety, named; best general collection 12 roses, six varieties, two each, named.

Section D: Class, Climbers (Ramblers excepted)—Best eight yellow roses, one variety, named; best eight red roses, one variety, named; best eight white roses, one variety, named; best eight pink roses, one variety, named; best general collection 12 roses, six varieties, two each, named.

Section E: Class, Mixed Varieties—Best eight White LaFrance, named; best eight Pink LaFrance, named; best eight Ulrich Brunner, named; best eight Gloria Lyonaise, named.

Section F: Class, New Rose—Best new roses, named and date of origin; four prizes in this class. Roses originated before 1904 cannot be exhibited in this class.

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Scope of Celebration Will Be Very Wide and All Sections of Clackamas Will Be Asked to Join.

Sixteen men will have charge of a Fourth of July celebration at Oregon City this year. They were named Wednesday and held their first meeting informally in the parlors of the Commercial Club.

REBEKAH CONVENTION HELD AT OREGON CITY

WOMEN COME FROM CLACKAMAS TOWNS FOR INITIATIONS AND PROGRAMME.

The Fourth Annual Convention of the Second District of the Rebekah Lodge met in Woodmen hall Thursday.

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BASEBALL FEVER GRIPS MANY PARTS OF COUNTY—AURORA BEATS PARKPLACE.

Clackamas County was interested in baseball Sunday, there being games in many sections of the county. One of the most exciting games took place at Shubel, where the Mulino team was defeated by Shubel, with a score of 13 to 10.

The Oregon City High School played the Estacada High School Saturday afternoon in Canemah Park, the home team winning with a score of 18 to 1 in seven innings.

Eleven to nine tells the sad story of the second defeat of the Printers' team in the Doughton League Sunday morning at the Gladstone grounds.

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CLUB APPROVES BY-LAWS.

Provides That Future Amendments Must Be Made By Members.

The Commercial Club Monday night at a special meeting approved the by-laws adopted by the Board of Governors and under which the club has been working since its organization.

ANNIVERSARY IS OBSERVED.

I. O. O. F. Have An Enjoyable Time At Hall.

Oregon Lodge No. 3, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Tuesday night celebrated the 50th anniversary of Odd Fellowship in the I. O. O. F. hall, with about 100 people present.

LITERATURE FROM THE WEST.

Rev. Hillebrand Will Spread Good News of Oregon.

Rev. A. Hillebrand, pastor of St. John's Church, who left last Monday for Nashville, Tenn., to attend the annual convention of the Catholic Knights of America, as the delegate from Oregon, will receive a lot of literature about Oregon City and Clackamas County, which has been forwarded by the publicity department of the Commercial Club.

INSTITUTE AT MACKSBURG.

Teachers Will Hold Educational Feast Next Saturday.

County Superintendent of Schools Gary has arranged the following programme for the local teachers' institute, which will be held at Macksburg Saturday, April 30.

MANY MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Nine licenses to marry were issued Wednesday as follows: Maggie Withlock and Adolph B. George, Margaret Watenpaugh and Simon Macdonald, Lillian Crist and R. A. Calkins, Alvus Gosser and George Moss, Lena Bluhm and David Scherrille, Minnie Calberg and William Berry, Ethel Thomas and Elna Alt, Elizabeth Calif and Walter Morris.

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BERRY CROP TO BE LARGE

FEW CALIFORNIA BERRIES ARE ARRIVING IN OREGON CITY MARKETS.

VEGETABLES IN MARKET

Hop Growers in Oregon Must Take Better Care Of Vines If Good Prices Are To Be Paid By Buyers.

During the past few days California strawberries have come into the local markets, and will be several weeks before the Oregon berries will make their appearance.

The Oregon berry crop will be a large one, and of good quality. Many of the berries are now in bloom, while others are half grown.

It has been stated that unless some of the Oregon hopgrowers take steps to improve the quality of their hop product, the Eastern markets may be closed to them.

Butter is moving actively, the wholesale price being 15¢ per pound.

There has not been the usual activity in the livestock market that has heretofore applied.

Since the last report the hog market has remained practically unchanged.

NEW SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Petitions For Change of Boundaries Taken Under Adjudication.

The district boundary board Tuesday afternoon created a new school district in the Highland country, which will be known as District No. 121.