

NITCHY IS PRESIDENT

RE-ELECTED AT THE HEAD OF MULTNOMAH ATHLETIC CLUB.

B. D. Sigler Made Vice-President and C. H. Buckenmeyer Re-Elected Treasurer—Club is Prospering.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club held last evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, F. A. Nitchy, re-elected; vice-president, B. D. Sigler; treasurer, C. H. Buckenmeyer, re-elected. The election of a secretary was postponed until the next regular meeting of the board, next Thursday evening. Mr. Nitchy has been prominently connected with the club for several years, and was last year elected president, filling the office in a manner highly satisfactory to the entire club. Mr. Sigler, who is a member of the M. A. A. C. bowling team, is well qualified for



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the office of vice-president, and C. H. Buckenmeyer, who has served as treasurer for four years, has looked out for the financial affairs of the institution in a most creditable manner. The club has never before been so fully represented as on the new board. Some of the directors are active members of the athletic teams, thus insuring a keener interest in athletics of all kinds than has been manifested for several years past. Messrs. Kertigan and McMillan are among the club's best athletes, while several other members of the board are greatly interested in the athletic development of the club.

The only committee appointment made by the board last evening was that of a St. Clair City, as chairman of the house committee, the others being left vacant until the next meeting, when the club will be fully represented for the coming year. Special attention will be given to the athletic interests of the club, and men will be placed in charge of the various committees with the understanding that no effort will be spared in the development of the club's athletic interests.

President Nitchy's report, which was read before the members of the club on Tuesday evening, dealt at some length with the general condition of the club, paying particular attention to outdoor athletics, and the lack of interest and support manifested by the club members generally. Mr. Nitchy took the members to task for their lack of interest, especially in track athletics and baseball, and laid down some wholesome suggestions for the future policy of the club. He reviewed the work in billiards, bowling and indoor athletics, and discussed at some length the football situation, urging the members to be more loyal in their support of the football team. The woman's games and the junior department, he regards as in a prosperous condition.

The financial condition of the club is highly satisfactory, and it is estimated that the entire indebtedness will have been paid off by 1903. The erection of the new clubhouse placed a serious problem before the directors, but the mortgage is being paid off in annual installments, and the prospects for a speedy liquidation of the debt are bright.

During the past year there has been a considerable gain in membership, and the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club is today on a substantial basis, with a bright future before it.

DEISEL FOR SHORTSTOP.

Popular Player Again Signed for Portland Team.

Jacob Deisel, the popular shortstop on last year's baseball team, has been signed by Manager Vigneux and will appear in a Portland suit again this year. Last year Deisel was considered one of the best shortstop players in the Northwest, and Manager Vigneux is confident that he will play good ball again this year.



Jacob Deisel, signed as shortstop on Portland baseball team.

Deisel is quick on his feet, a clever baserunner and an accurate thrower. He lives at Cincinnati, where he is now spending the winter. He is 27 years old and has played professional baseball for six years, having appeared with the Anacostia, Montreal, New York, Jackson, Mide, and Wheeling, W. Va., clubs. Manager Vigneux announces that he is negotiating with a crack pitcher from Albany, N. Y., and that he expects to have him signed within a few days. Vigneux is also negotiating with Salisbury, Engle and Weed, all of last year's team, and with several amateur players.

McCarthy, the stone wall shortstop of last year's Tacoma nine, passed through

Portland on Wednesday, en route to the City of Destiny, where he expects to play again this year.

Double Attraction at the Y. M. C. A.
There will be a double athletic attraction at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium tomorrow evening, the first event being a basketball game between the Y. M. C. A. and Williamette University. After the basketball game the Y. M. C. A. indoor baseball nine will try conclusions with the nine from Battery A.

Indoor Baseball Again.
The indoor baseball team of the M. A. A. C. and the Y. M. C. A. will play a match game at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium on the evening of February 22. On that evening the Y. M. C. A. basketball team will meet the team from Spokane.

Lavigne Breaks His Arm.
SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 13.—In boxing today with a strong punch, Mike Donovan, "Kid" Lavigne broke both of the bones of his left forearm. This makes it impossible to carry out the fight between Lavigne and Jack O'Brien, of New York.

J. D. Carson the Winner.
John D. Carson won the handicap billiard tournament at the University Club yesterday, defeating S. B. Lathrop, who won second prize.

Races at Oakland.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 13.—The new California Jockey Club has decided not to transfer racing to Tanforan as was announced, but will finish the season at Oakland. This decision was arrived at after a vote was taken among the horsemen, bookmakers and many patrons. Strong opposition being expressed, owing to the cost of moving horses and the fact that the transportation facilities are not as good. As five favorites and a second choice won, the books had a disastrous day. The track was very heavy.

Six furlongs, selling—February won, Rushfield second, Phil Archibald third; time, 1:14.

Three and a half furlongs, selling—George West won, Mirena second, Jennie McGowan third; time, 0:34.

Future course, selling—Sea Lion won, Seaway second, Glorando third; time, 1:15.

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Five furlongs, selling—Alura won, Paul Field second, Ural third; time, 1:04.

One mile and 50 yards, selling—Nigar won, Mission second, Merops third; time, 1:20.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 13.—Crescent City summary:

Five and a half furlongs, selling—McWilliams won, Hayward Hunter second, Lucat Blossom third; time, 1:06.

Six and a half furlongs, selling—Parcassus won, Dr. Hart second, Ernest Furth third; time, 1:22.

Selling, seven furlongs—Eight Bells won, Radiant Heat second, Judge McGee third; time, 1:28.

Handicap, six furlongs—Sevey won, Andes second, Pigeon Post third; time, 1:15.

One mile and a sixteenth, selling—Jesse Jarboe won, Amoy second, Major Mansur third; time, 1:40.

Seven furlongs, selling—Nyx won, Lady Kent second, Pharaoh third; time, 1:23.

TYPOTHETAE BANQUET.

Employing Printers Entertained by Hugh McGuire.

The regular monthly meeting of the Typothetae of Portland was held at the Commercial Club last night, and 37 members of local printing, bookbinding, engraving and paper firms were entertained at a dinner by Hugh McGuire, of the Pacific Paper Company. After the dinner, President Phinney introduced the speakers of the evening, Secretary McArthur, the first speaker, said that, not including the daily papers, the printing trades of Portland represented a property interest of \$500,000. As the firms contribute to the general income of the state, county and city, he thought an effort should be made to hold all the business within the city. The Lewis and Clark Exposition meant a great deal in the printing line, and he moved that a committee of three be appointed to represent the Typothetae at the meeting of the fair committee tonight, and lay the matter properly before the committee. The Typothetae, he said, should be represented on the supply committee of the Exposition. He asked that all who had subscribed to stock in the Exposition either be present at the meeting tonight or give their proxies to the committee he proposed.

In answer to a question by President Phinney as to how many were shareholders, 81 arose. When the motion to appoint the committee was put, there was a chorus of ayes. The committee appointed was committee Messrs. Hodson, Bushong and McGuire.

H. R. Lewis made a few entertaining remarks about the early efforts to organize a Typothetae in Portland, when the proprietor of the shop transacted all his business over the forms. C. J. Owen spoke briefly of the harmony existing among the printing trades of Portland. C. A. Thompson, who is president of the Portland Baseball Club, made a humorous speech, and after a few words by other members of the Typothetae adjourned.

WHY NOT SUNDAY CONCERTS?

Business Man Suggests That Subscription Be Raised.

PORTLAND, Feb. 12.—(To the Editor.)—It seems as though the time was ripe for the agitation of free ball concerts during the coming summer months. This is a pleasure which the working classes of Portland have not enjoyed for many years, and if we are going to have them this coming summer it is not a day too early to start the good work alone. The amount of \$500 raised by subscription among the business concerns of Portland would be sufficient to give two concerts weekly for 10 weeks, one concert in the evening on the Plaza, and the other concert in the City Park Sunday afternoons, and a concert now and then on the east side of the river.

This pleasure is enjoyed in every progressive city the size of Portland in the United States, where the city government usually appropriates sufficient money for holding at least two concerts weekly; but, as it seems almost impossible to get the city government of Portland at the present time to consider this matter, the money can easily be raised in the way mentioned. No doubt the railway companies would help liberally. It would probably be of great help in carrying out this plan if the different labor unions would take an active interest in the matter. It should like to hear the opinions of some public-spirited men regarding the Sunday band concert.

JULIUS L. MEIER.

DEATH OF JOHN CONNER

WELL-KNOWN PIONEER STRICKEN WITH HEART FAILURE.

Resting Quietly at Home, He Is Suddenly Attacked, and Passes Peacefully Away.

John Conner, retired banker, and one of the best-known men in Oregon, died suddenly at his residence, 25 Tenth street, early yesterday morning. Death was undoubtedly due to heart disease. Mr. Conner, who, despite his 81 years, was apparently in the best of health, had been much at the bedside of his wife since she was stricken with apoplexy 12 days ago. He was sitting on a sofa shortly before his death, and the only warning of its approach was an attack of stomach trouble, from which he often suffered. When his son, Henry, who was with him, came to his relief, it was plain that his condition was serious, and a few minutes thereafter he passed quietly away.

Mr. Conner was a man of the highest

PASSING OF A WELL-KNOWN PIONEER.



JOHN CONNER.

character, plain and straightforward in all his dealings with his fellows, and loved by all with whom he came in contact. The news of his death was a shock to friends and former business associates in every part of the state.

Mr. Conner was born in Charleston, S. C., June 20, 1820. He lived in New York and Wisconsin before he crossed the plains in 1852 to Oregon. Settling in Albany, he opened a general merchandise store with L. H. Wakefield, and later established a branch in Portland, under the firm name of Wilson, Wakefield & Co., the late John Wilson being the Portland partner. Retiring from the mercantile business Mr. Conner established a private bank, which was afterward merged with the First National Bank of Albany. In 1881 Mr. Conner retired from the bank and has since lived quietly at his residence on the corner of Tenth and Columbia streets. Mr. Conner was always a Republican in politics, and in 1860 was a delegate to the first Republican convention in the state. He was one of the original promoters of the First Baptist Church, of Portland. Besides his wife, four children survive him: Mrs. K. W. Burkhardt, Mrs. James F. Felling, Mrs. W. L. Brewster and Henry F. Conner.

The funeral will be held from the family residence today. Owing to the severe illness of Mrs. Conner the services will be private. The following will act as pallbearers: Ed L. Thompson, Sanderson Reed, Robert Catlin, H. F. Merrill, N. J. Blagen and John G. Malone.

WHERE LOS ANGELES IS SHY.

Lacks Bull Run Water to Be Great City, Says M. W. Gorman.

Martin W. Gorman, who left Portland October 31 for a visit to his old home in Ontario, Canada, and for an extended pleasure trip through the United States, has returned after a voyage of 8000 miles, not including side trips. It was his first visit home in 17 years, and he spent two weeks there, finding his father, aged 73, in good health, and so robust that when they went out for a long walk the old gentleman fairly tired him out. He next visited Ottawa, the capital of Canada, and spent over a week there, visiting relatives. He next went to Montreal, and was much astonished at the growth of the city in the last 20 years. Where he used to "toboggan" on coast downhill 12 years ago he found blocks of fine stone buildings. The census for 1901 was completed while he was there, showing the number of inhabitants to be 550,000. Montreal is much farther from the sea than Portland—over 60 miles, but they keep the river channel open and have an immense shipping business.

He next proceeded to New York for his first visit there in 20 years, and spent five days viewing the great metropolis and nothing how greatly it had grown, and then proceeded by way of Philadelphia to Washington, where he spent about a week taking in the sights. He then visited Pittsburgh, Pa., and on to Chicago, where his brother, S. J. Gorman, formerly of this city, now resides, and where he spent a day or two. He then returned to Portland, where he also met a number of Portland people. He next visited Beaumont, Tex., the center of the greatest oil region in the country and the liveliest town in all Texas. His route took him to Houston, San Antonio, and he spent a day or two in El Paso and visited Maricopa and Yuma, intending to call on a brother in Williams, Ariz., but it was so hot and the sand was blowing so badly that he concluded it would be better for his brother to come to Portland to visit him. In Maricopa everything was filled with sand and life was a burden. He spent six days in Los Angeles, and came thence to Portland, spending five days in San Francisco.

Mr. Gorman was fortunate in escaping

all blizzards and cold weather on his trip, and after leaving New York saw no snow except an inch or two on the Alleghany Mountains and on the Sierradoux. He says he considers Washington the most desirable of all the cities he saw on his trip, as a place of residence. He places Portland second on the list. Montreal third, and Los Angeles fourth. Portland has the best water he tasted on the trip, and Montreal next. If Los Angeles had had Bull Run water he might revise the list.

PRISONER JUMPS FROM TRAIN

Henry Jackson Escapes From Guard But Is Captured.

Henry Jackson, alias George Gray, a negro, who was being taken to the Penitentiary at Salem to serve a sentence of 10 years for burglary, jumped from the train near New Era early last evening, and escaped, but was afterward caught by Henry Cooke, brother of Sheriff Cooke, of Clackamas County. Jackson was in charge of Robert Thompson, and they left together on the 4 o'clock train. The prisoner was handcuffed, but not shackled. Just as he succeeded in eluding the vigilance of his guard is not known, as the only information received by Sheriff Frazier

was that Jackson had jumped.

KEEP OUT "MERCHANTS"

LABOR UNIONS OPPOSED TO ALL CLASSES OF CHINESE.

Not Satisfied With Chamber of Commerce Resolution—Will Consider It Tonight.

The labor unions of the city have a bone to pick with the Chamber of Commerce. This was quite evident to an Oregonian reporter, who yesterday interviewed several leaders of the Federated Trades. Last Tuesday the trustees of the Chamber of Commerce resolved in favor of admitting all members of the Chinese mercantile class into the United States, and the labor unions are charged with the resolution were specified Chinese—salesmen, clerks, buyers, bookkeepers, accountants, managers, bankers and cashiers.

The resolution is identical with the one recently adopted by the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce. In fact, it was taken word for word from a San Francisco paper. Several days ago the labor body of San Francisco held a mass meeting and protested against the resolution. It is proposed to do the same here. At the meeting of the Federated Trades tonight the matter will be thoroughly discussed. Although no definite line of procedure has been adopted, it is quite certain that a vigorous protest will be made against the action of the Portland Chamber of Commerce trustees. It is proposed to hold a mass meeting of all labor unions, one week from next Sunday.

The subject of free admission to Chinese merchants has been brought to the notice of F. E. Biesch, president of the Board of Trade, by labor leaders. Mr. Beach said yesterday that he had not given the matter enough consideration to form an opinion as to the merits of either side of the dispute. He said the question will come up at the meeting of the board next Thursday night. He favors the appointment of a committee to investigate the question.

George Orton, president of the Federated Trades, said yesterday:

"We shall approach this subject in candor and good spirit. It is not the purpose of the Federated Trades to stir up hard feeling nor to be unreasonable. I hardly think the Portland Chamber of Commerce expresses the will of the majority of this city. It may express the sentiment of a certain contingent of the commercial men of the city, but the members of the labor unions are many times as numerous and they are opposed to admitting Chinese into this country. I do not know what the Federated Trades will do about it. They will decide upon action at the meeting tonight."

G. V. Harry, a prominent delegate to the Federated Trades, said:

"The unfortunate thing about the resolutions of the Chambers of Commerce of San Francisco and Portland is that the people of the East may accept them as an expression of opinion on the Pacific Coast. This Coast is unalterably opposed to Chinese, whether laborers or bankers, since all would be made in immediate opposition to the resolution. If the resolution becomes the rule of the Government it will throw down the bars raised against the entrance of Chinese into this country. It is hard enough to fight anti-exclusionists without encountering opposition at home. If the sentiment of this Coast as to exclusion is to be ignored, we must have to turn against the Orientals. Eastward over the mountains until the people over there are brought to their senses."

Dan McAllen said: "There was no call for the resolution of the Chamber of Commerce. The body is meddling with something outside of its own business. This is not a commercial question, but a racial and political one. I say the resolution is too much Johnson, too much Johnson."

J. K. Stanton, of the Clerks' Union, said: "I favor a mass meeting of labor to protest against the resolution. The same action was taken effectively at San Francisco. The labor unions of Portland will not accord with the Chamber of Commerce. I think the Chamber made a mistake."

J. A. Goldrainer said: "The Chamber of Commerce is very unwise in antagonizing the labor unions. Our delegation in Congress should be made to understand that the resolution is not the sentiment of the city."

Vincent McCulloch, Jr., said: "If Congress should follow out the resolution, every Chinese that entered this country would be a banker, a bookkeeper, a clerk or a salesman. No law could keep them out under those conditions. Stock companies would be formed to invest immigrants provisionally with enough capital to be bankers or merchants. I should say the Chamber of Commerce does not speak the voice of the city in this important matter."

E. A. McPherson said: "The resolution is a great disappointment. If such resolutions become common it will be hard to convince the East that a high Chinese are. I have talked with many people from the Orient, who say admission of Chinese would be a great misfortune to this country. This I firmly believe. Admission of Chinese would be admission of all Chinese."

ODD FELLOWS HOME.

Lodges Providing Elegant Furniture for All the Rooms of Building.

All but two of the rooms in the Odd Fellows' Home, on Holgate and East Twenty-eighth streets, near Kenilworth, have been furnished handsomely. Money for this purpose in abundance was supplied by the trustees of the institution by the Odd Fellows and Rebekah lodges of Portland and elsewhere in the state. In the basement, in which are the dining kitchen, the laundry, etc., the furniture is substantial. A very fine piano has just been received. Mrs. C. Fiedner, matron, was instructed to select the best she could find, and spare no expense in the matter. As directed.

On the second floor are the library and reception-rooms. These have been provided with the carpets, tables and chairs. In the library is a long table for papers and books. There is also a large book for registering visitors. On this floor is the room furnished by the Kremlin Baku, of the Muscovites. No money was spared in furnishing this room, and it is a credit to the nobles of that branch of Odd Fellowship.

Columbia Rebekah Lodge, No. 3, has furnished a room with elegant furniture on the second floor. The Baker City lodge has equipped a room on this floor, regardless of expense. Only two more rooms remain to be fitted up.

On the outside the grounds surrounding the home have been graded and will be seeded down to grass and enclosed with a wire fence this spring. From the outside the building has an attractive appearance. It is painted clear white. C. Fiedner, matron, are now in charge. April 5 the institution will be formally dedicated by the order. Beside the superintendent and matron the home has yet no ten.

Temple Beth Israel Services.

Extensive repairs being necessitated in the Temple, the services will be held Friday evening at 8 o'clock, until further notice, at the First Unitarian Church, Seventh and Yamhill streets, the neighborhood of the Temple. The subject of this evening's sermon will be "The Place of Worship in Life." Strangers will be cordially welcomed. The Sabbath morning services are to be held at the Temple vestry. The morning address will be upon "Another Word on the Symbolism of the Synagogue."

Conspiracy Against the Sultan.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 13.—Warrants have been issued for the arrest of Princes Fathullah and Sabahaddin, sons of Damad Mahmud Pasha, the Sultan's brother-in-law, and other prominent Turkish fugitives, who are charged with organizing a conspiracy to overthrow the Sultan. The train was stopped and backed to the place where Jackson jumped, but no trace of him could be found. He landed on soft earth or water and probably escaped unnoticed to the woods near by. Thompson reported the escape to Portland and Oregon City officials and then came on to Salem. Jackson is otherwise known as George Gray.

New Craft for Nehalem Lumber Company at Johnston's Boatyard.

Work has been resumed on the big schooner barge for the Nehalem Lumber Company in Johnston's shipyard, on East Water street. The keel of this barge was laid several months ago. It is 150 feet long and 34 feet wide. The stem is 20 feet high. The frame of the craft is practically completed. Some extensions to the upper portions of the ribs only remain to be made. This barge is built to carry 500,000 feet of lumber. It is being built for great strength and speed. Over 200,000 feet of lumber will be used before it is ready for launching. The walls alone will be over two feet thick. It will be used by the Nehalem Company for transportation of lumber.

HOPE FOR A TROLLEY LINE

GRESHAM FARMERS ENCOURAGED BY SURVEYORS' WORK.

Believe Mount Scott Railway May Be Extended—Affairs of a Day on the East Side.

The presence of a surveying crew at Mount Scott for the Portland City & Oregon Railway Company, who have been running lines to Powell Valley by way of Sycamore for the past week, has encouraged the people of Gresham and surroundings with the hope that they are to be provided with an electric line. The surveyors have been following the old Government survey, which was made a number of years ago, which ends at Government Camp. The grades of this route are very moderate. Another route from Mount Scott follows Johnson Creek to Gresham. The surveyors are camped a short distance from Lewis and Mount Scott. A resident of that place said yesterday that he was told the objective point was Powell's Valley and Gresham, and there is great interest in the movements of the surveyors. The line they have followed is through a very rich and prosperous district.

A resident of Gresham said yesterday: "We need an electric railway to Portland very much, and I believe that it will pay. I don't know whether these surveyors are looking up a route out here or not, but Powell's Valley is a rich field for any electric railway out of Portland. We want this railway. It ought to extend clear through Powell's Valley and on to Mount Hood. There is business enough where here are settlements to pay. There is an abundance of produce of every sort raised, including hay, potatoes, timber, etc. Besides an electric railway to Mount Hood would be a tourist's line. No tourist would ever think of coming to Portland without taking a trip to Mount Hood if there were an electric railway built out here from Portland. It would be one of the attractions of the Lewis and Clark 1905 Exposition."

"I am sure that a railway through Powell's Valley, touching at Gresham and other places where there are settlements would pay. The amount of hauling that is done the year round from this valley to Portland is very great, and is increasing constantly. The idea of operating an electric line out here from Portland is going to have a good thing. I think that reasonable concessions may be had of farmers for such a line."

STREET RAILWAY EXTENSION.

Mississippi-Avenue Branch to Be Built From Beech to Shaver Street.

Work was begun yesterday morning on the extension of the Mississippi-avenue branch of the City Suburban Railway Company from Beech to Shaver street. This is but a distance of 600 feet, but it will be a great advantage, and will accommodate a large number of people in Malheur and Albina. The Central Albina Board of Trade asked the railway company for this extension. The Mississippi-avenue branch will finally be extended to a connection with the St. Johns line at about Oak Grove, which will provide two branch lines through Albina. The St. Johns road railway will be electrified by about July.

Officers Installed.

Ambrosia Church, No. 32, Women of Woodcraft, of Pleasant Home, has installed the following officers: Guardian, neighbor, Ella Hillyard; magician, Mrs. Sarah Chase; banker, Howard Lake; insider, Mrs. M. L. Lake; outer, lieutenant, John Stephens; attendant, Tillie Hillyard; adviser, Lizzie Claggett; captain of the guard, Mrs. Eliza Hamilton; manager, William Hillyard; clerk, Minnie E. Root.

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