# DEAN GETS LEAVE

## Head of Law School to Have Two Years' Vacation.

## C. U. GANTENBEIN TO FILL CHAIR

**University of Oregon Regents Grant Mr. Thornton's Request—Annual Reports of President Campbell and Judge Bean.**

The regents of the University of Oregon met in annual session in the chambers of Judge Bellinger yesterday morning, and went over the year's work of the institution. Much routine business was disposed of, the annual reports of the various officers read, and Dean Richard Thornton, of the law school, was allowed two years' leave of absence, the vacancy to be filled by C. U. Gantenbein.

The report of President P. L. Campbell, which rendered a full statement of the number of students and their work at the university during the past year, and which also made a number of suggestions for improvements during the coming year, was read, as follows:

### President Campbell's Report.

To the Honorable Board of Regents of the University of Oregon—Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit the following report of the work of the university for the first half of the academic year 1902-03:

The session opened Wednesday, September 17, with a fair enrollment in all departments. The present enrollment of students is as follows:

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| Total enrollment at Eugene (not including School of Music) | 247 |
| Men | 161 |
| Women | 86 |
| Academy | 37 |
| College of Literature, Science and the Arts | 124 |
| College of Science and Engineering | 37 |
| Special students | 40 |
| Graduate students | 9 |
| School of Music | 103 |

During the last half of the session of 1901-02 the number of students entering was 14, and no doubt an equal number of additional students will be registered this year.

It is a noteworthy fact that the enrollment in the university proper shows a marked gain, 25 students, over last year, and is probably the largest in the university's history. With a continued rapid growth of high schools, the number of subfreshmen will steadily decrease, and the number of students of collegiate rank correspondingly increase.

Classes have been steadily maintained in all departments, except during the Thanksgiving recess of two days and a half, and the Christmas recess of two weeks.

The work of the half year has been characterized by the utmost harmony and a hearty spirit of co-operation on the part of the faculty, and a most commendable zeal in study on the part of the student body.

The financial condition of the university is fully set forth in the report of the university steward, accompanying this report. The funds were quite fully used, but no deficiency occurs at the close of the year. Credit is due to the steward, Mr. Johnson, for the excellence of his supervision of the repairs made during the Summer, resulting in an economy to the university and the certainty of all work being thoroughly well done. Much assistance was given also, by Professor E. H. McAlister and Professor R. H. Dearborn, who supervised, respectively, the construction of the sewers and the wiring of the buildings and grounds, remaining at the university most of the Summer for this purpose without additional compensation. The repairs and improvements made during the Summer have been of much service in facilitating the work of the university. Particularly has the fitting up of classrooms in the basement of Deady Hall been of advantage. Four good rooms for class purposes and one ladies' waiting-room, all well lighted and well ventilated, in addition to closets and a room for the gas machine, now occupy the basement.

I wish to speak briefly of some of the needs of the university, which should be met as rapidly as the means at command will justify. In a state growing as rapidly as Oregon, in both wealth and population, a university characterized by proper vitality must be constantly outgrowing its equipment in order to keep pace with the development around it. Although it may not be possible to add at once all that the best interests of the university require, it is doubtless well to keep in mind the general scope of improvement that lies before us.

First among the important needs, I would mention a larger equipment of the departments of civil and electrical engineering. The demand for advanced work in these departments has far outrun the possibilities of the departments with their present equipment. In a state offering the opportunities that Oregon does for the electrical and the civil engineer, ample facilities for training to the highest efficiency should be afforded by the university. Students of limited means cannot afford to go to other states for this training, but must get it at home, if at all. A good working equipment of either of these departments would call for an expenditure of not less than $25,000. Any part of this sum can be used to very great advantage. Hydraulic engineering should also be provided for in a state affording the opportunities that Oregon does for the use of water for purposes of power and irrigation.

The School of Mines is of steadily increasing importance to the university. It has been hoped that the National Government would make an appropriation to assist such school in the various states, but such an appropriation is yet altogether uncertain and probably far in the future. The state will have to be relied on for all immediate needs. A fully equipped department could be made of great service in the development of Oregon as a mining state.

The department of physics has about reached the limit of its growth with its present laboratories. To bring it up to the high point of efficiency now held by the department of chemistry, more floor space is needed, and the expenditure of some five or six thousand dollars in apparatus.

The department of biology now has the opportunity of securing a most valuable plant collection, representing the life work in Oregon and Washington of the well-known collector and botanist, Thomas Howell. The possession of this collection will make the university fortunate enough to secure it the headquarters of the best botanical work in the Northwest. An appropriation of $500 would enable the university to procure the services of Mr. Howell for a year in doing the necessary work of arranging and classifying. He wishes to donate the collection itself, if suitable provision can be made for the care of it.

The library, which is the special laboratory of the literary departments, and indispensable as well to the departments of science, is in need of as large an annual appropriation as can possibly be secured. An appropriation by the present Legislature of at least $5000 for the purchase of books would afford great immediate relief.

I would call attention to the fact that the university has no suitable ground for an athletic field, and that a very desirable tract lying adjacent to the campus can now be secured at a reasonable figure. This land is sure to advance rapidly in value, and should be purchased at present, if possible. Within a very few years, no land will be available for purchase within convenient distance of the university.

Looking to the permanent improvement of the university grounds and the needed repairs to the university buildings, the steward has furnished the following estimates:

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| Grounds (including walks and substantial iron fence) | $12,000 |
| Water system | 8,000 |
| Repairs to dormitory | 2,500 |
| Repairs to Deady Hall | 3,000 |
| Repairs to Villard Hall | 3,000 |
| Miscellaneous repairs (including gymnasium) | 1,000 |

The list [illegible] needs of the university has been given [illegible] detail, in the hope that a part of them at least might be met by the present Legislature.

Beginning with the opening of the present session, three new members of the faculty have been working with the university—Professor Edgar E. De Cou, A. M., head of the department of mathematics (University of Wisconsin, Yale, Chicago University); Assistant Professor [illegible]ice, Ph. D. (University of Texas and Harvard University), and Frank D. Fraser, instructor in mathematics (University of Washington and Princeton University). They have readily adapted themselves to the new conditions, and their work has been in all respects most acceptable.

The department of music, under the direction of Professor Irving M. Glen since last September, has grown most satisfactorily during the year. The enrollment of 102 students is the largest in the history of the department, which number will probably be much higher by the close of the year. The department is of great help to the university, furnishing music for all public occasions, and adding a general influence for culture which is invaluable.

The work of the registrar's office has been most satisfactorily performed by J. A. Gamber, who entered on the duties of the office in August of the past Summer. The system of records has been practically perfected, and the details of office administration have been made simple and clear.

I cannot close without referring to the hearty spirit of loyalty shown to the interests of the university by the members of the Alumni Association throughout the state. An earnest desire to co-operate in every movement looking to advancement has been manifested on all sides. Especial credit is due to the president of the association, Clifton Nesmith McArthur, for stimulating and directing much of this most helpful interest in university affairs. Very respectfully submitted,

P. L. CAMPBELL,
President of the University.

### Report of Judge R. S. Bean.

The report of Judge R. S. Bean, president of the Board of Regents, was also submitted, and was referred to the auditing committee. The report dwelt in detail on the financial status of the university, and a complete statement of the cash balance for the year ending December 31, 1902, was given. The report in part was as follows:

To the Honorable Board of Regents of the University of Oregon—Gentlemen: The system of accounting and method of doing business now in vogue, and especially the cheerful and intelligent manner in which it has been observed by the present administrative officers, aided by the advice and assistance of the chairman of the executive committee, has relieved the president of the board of much detail work formerly imposed upon him, and you are therefore referred to the reports of the president of the university and the steward for information of that kind. All requisitions have been submitted to and approved by me, but all purchases and contracts and matters connected therewith have been satisfactorily attended to from the administrative office.

#### Improvements.

After the plans and specifications had been prepared and bids received, it was apparent that the funds available would not permit all the improvements and repairs contemplated during the year, and, by the consent of the executive committee, it was deemed advisable to defer for the time the construction of the woodhouse, repairs of the dormitory, and the replacing of lavatories in Villard Hall. Added classrooms have been fitted up in the basement of Deady Hall, the plumbing and lavatories of that buildings entirely renewed and connected with the general sewer system, the gymnasium has been overhauled, and the roofs of Deady and Villard Halls repaired and painted, and other minor improvements made, at an aggregate cost of $6869.37. The enlargement of the water system and the construction of a tower or standpipe, the repair and refurnishing of the dormitory, the construction of a woodhouse, the building of new walks and driveways in and about the grounds, the painting and calcimining of Deady and Villard Halls, and some other matters are quite imperative, and should be made at the earliest possible date. It will not be possible, however, with the present funds, to do but a small part of them.

#### Rules of the Board.

The rules and by-laws of the board have not been revised for many years, and, as a consequence, there is some confusion and apparent conflict in the provisions defining the duties and powers of the several officers of the board and of the university. I recommend, therefore, the appointment of a committee to consider the entire matter and report to the board at some future meeting a complete set of rules and by-laws.

#### Insurance.

The policies of insurance expiring on the several buildings during the year have been renewed, and $4000 additional written on Villard Hall. The outlay for this purpose was $840.

If, in the opinion of the board, it is deemed advisable to continue to carry insurance on the buildings, it would be well, I think, to fix the amount to be carried on each building, and give the steward directions in reference thereto.

#### Finances.

The present payroll of the university, including all officers, professors, instructors, permanent employes and student employes amounts to $45,699 per year.

#### Receipts and Disbursements.

The receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1902, are as follows:

**Receipts.**

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| Balance on hand in the incidental fund January 1, 1902 | $ 2,683 00 |
| Incidental fees | 2,577 50 |
| Villard fund interest | 2,200 00 |
| Failing and Beekman prize fund | 250 00 |
| Dormitory rent | 210 39 |
| Miscellaneous | 287 40 |
| State appropriation | 47,500 00 |
| University fund interest, 1902 | 5,850 00 |
| Total receipts | $61,558 29 |

**Disbursements.**

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| Salaries and miscellaneous | $61,334 27 |
| Balance unexpended in the state appropriation | 05 |
| Balance on hand in the incidental fund | 223 97 |
| Total disbursements | $61,558 29 |

Respectfully submitted, R. S. BEAN,
President Board of Regents.
Salem, Or., January 20, 1903.

It was decided that inasmuch as Dean Richard Thornton, of the University of Oregon Law School had served the institution long and faithfully, he should be allowed a leave of absence of two years, and C. U. Gantenbein, who has always taken an active interest in the law department should fill the position of dean in his absence. There being no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned to some date in March, 1903, to be decided upon later by the president.

# CLUB TO GIVE BURLESQUE

**Multnomah Talent to Play in "The Wizard of the Nile."**

The members of the Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club, last night, in a meeting held at the clubhouse, decided to embark on an operatic venture, and, consequently, the attraction to be offered on February 20 and 21, at the Marquam, will be a burlesque on the "Wizard of the Nile," presented by the clubmen.

The meeting held last night was well attended and very enthusiastic, and it was decided unanimously that the opera should be given on the dates above mentioned. There will be no women in the cast, and the play will, on that account, be doubly interesting to the friends of the organization. There will be three performances, one on the evening of Friday, February 20, and a matinee and evening performance on Saturday, February 21. A meeting of all the singers in the club will be held on Thursday evening, at 8:15, at the clubhouse, to select the best vocalists and make the preliminary arrangements regarding the allotments of the various parts.

### Pressmen's New Wage Scale.

A new wage scale has been adopted by the Portland Printing Pressmen's Union, No. 43. It differs from the old one only in asking for an increase of $5 per week for foremen. It is as follows:

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| Foreman, night work, six nights | $40 00 |
| Foreman, day work, six days | 30 00 |
| Pressman, night work, six nights | 24 00 |
| Pressman, day work, six days | 18 00 |

The union has also adopted a new set of by-laws, which applies to web pressmen the same as to other members of the union.

### BRINGS CHICAGO NEARER.

**Seventy Hours Is the Time East Via "Chicago-Portland Special."**

The time between Portland and Chicago via the "Chicago-Portland Special" now is 70 hours, or two hours less than three days. Train leaves every morning at 9:20 o'clock. Inquire O. R. & N. ticket office, Third and Washington.

You have tried and were pleased with them. They stimulate the liver, regulate the bowels, improve the complexion. Carter's Little Liver Pills.

# VOTE OPPONENTS DOWN

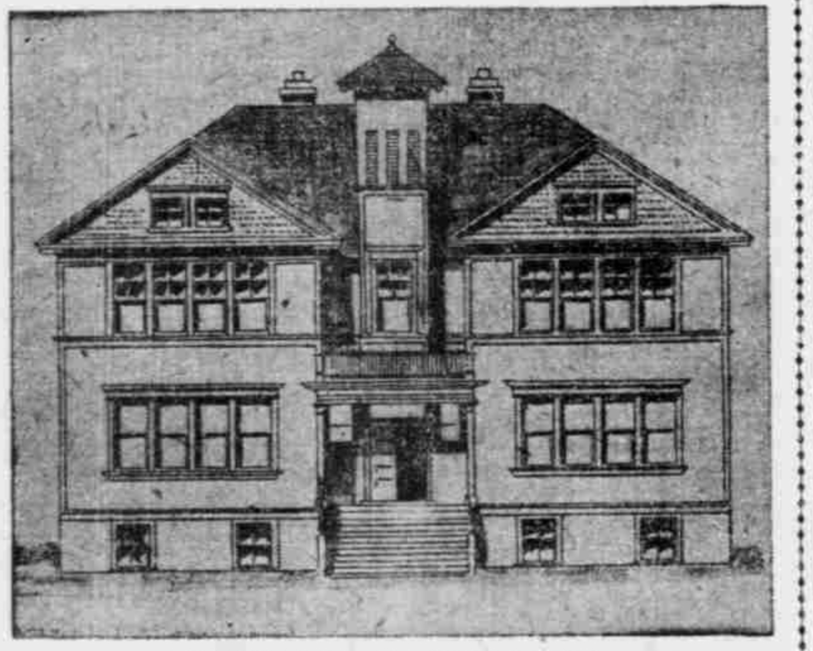
## RUSSELLVILLE TAXPAYERS DECIDE TO MAKE PROGRESS.

**Authorize Architect to Build $5000 Schoolhouse, Which Will Necessitate Eight-Mill Tax.**

The taxpayers of Russellville School district, No. 40, on the Base Line road, just east of Montavilla, have decided to put up a handsome six-room schoolhouse with an ample assembly hall in the basement. This decision was reached after a hot fight at a well-attended meeting held in the schoolhouse Monday evening, at which an eight-mill tax was voted to raise part of the money required. H. J. Mickelson presided. The cost of the building will be about $5000. The board of directors was authorized to issue warrants to make up what the levy does not produce. This levy is on about $181,000 taxable property.

In this district there has been a contest for nearly a year over the proposition of building an addition. At two meetings called by the directors in the early part of 1902 the movement to build was defeated, and on Monday night there was considerable opposition. Those opposing the building fought hard, and the tax levy was only carried through by a vote of 29 to 24. It was admitted that the need of more room was imperative, and could not be put off. Plans prepared by Architect Delos D. Neer, with a full front and side view of the building as it will appear when completed, were displayed. Details of the interior rooms and arrangements were also on hand. These were greatly admired, but showed a much better building than had been contemplated. The plans were finally adopted by the meeting, and the board of directors was authorized to arrange with the architect for letting the contracts.

NEW RUSSELLVILLE SCHOOLHOUSE



TO BE ERECTED AT A COST OF $5000.

The plans provide for an attractive six-room structure. Two rooms of the present building will be used. These will be moved back about 40 feet and placed on a brick foundation, with full basement, while four rooms—two on the first floor and two on the second—will be built in front, to be connected with the two in the rear with a wide hallway. Under the four rooms in front there will be a full basement, which will constitute an assembly hall that will seat 500 people. Provision is made for a platform in this assembly hall. In the basement of the two rear rooms the heating apparatus will be placed, and there will be space for a playground for the pupils.

It was also decided at this meeting to furnish a teacher for Mansfield Addition, if the people there will provide a room. This will accommodate the first, second and third-grade pupils in that part of the district, so they will not have to go so far to reach the main structure. The Russellville district is in good financial condition. It has no debts, and has not levied a tax before for over 10 years.

H. J. Mickelson and E. M. Emery, of the board of directors, with Clerk Antonison, called on Architect Neer yesterday to inform him that his plans had been accepted and authorized him to let contracts and proceed with the work.

The directors will hold a meeting next Saturday to complete all business in connection with the new building, and elect a successor to E. M. Emery, who has resigned. Mr. Emery has been on the board for 10 years, and concluded he had served long enough. He was asked to remain, but he insisted on retiring.

### DIED IN ALASKA.

**Mrs. Lizzie Stewart, Well Known Here, Died on Jack Wade Creek.**

Mrs. Franklin Fish, who lives in apartments in the building on Union avenue and East Alder street, yesterday received news by wire of the death of her daughter, Mrs. Lizzie Stewart, on Jack Wade Creek, Alaska. She was the wife of a prominent miner, well known throughout Alaska.

Mrs. Stewart started from Portland last July to join her husband in Alaska. Her little boy, who is only 3 years old, and her father, Franklin Fish, accompanied her. They had a good trip and arrived in safety. Mrs. Stewart had been to Alaska and on Jack Wade Creek, where her husband had extensive mining interests, four years ago. It was expected that she would come home before Winter, but she either did not start until too late or concluded to remain. She died January 14. Mrs. Fish did not receive any particulars, but expects them by mail. The body will probably be brought out in the Spring. The news was a severe shock to Mrs. Fish, her mother, who received a letter from her daughter only a short time ago. She was then in good health and spirits.

### STREET-CAR STRUCK WAGON.

**Accident Happened on East Ankeny Street Yesterday Morning.**

At an early hour yesterday morning one of the first cars out from the car barn on the East Ankeny line crashed into the hind end of a wood wagon at the intersection of East Fifteenth street, wrecking the vehicle, throwing the driver, J. Howett, into the air, and causing the horses to run away. Howett was not seriously injured. He undertook to drive his horses across the track as the car was approaching from the east, but did not calculate the speed of the car correctly.

The wagon had cleared the track all but one wheel, when the car struck it. The crash of the collision could be heard a block away. Much window glass in the car was smashed. The wheel was torn from the wagon and thrown with great force against the stone wall on one side of the street. Howett was thrown into the air, and received a bad cut on one side of his jaw. The horses dashed down the street, but Howett managed to cling to the lines, and stopped them in two blocks. The hind end of the wagon was completely wrecked. Even the steel burr, which held the wheel opposite to the one the car struck, was broken in two parts. Howett called at the office of Dr. Humphrey, who stitched up the gash in his jaw. He complained of soreness of the neck, but on the whole he was lucky. Just before the collision happened Howett struck his horses, and they sprang forward. But for this the car would have struck the wagon in the middle.

### East Side Notes.

The body of John Walker, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Hanson, of St. Johns, who died in Butte, Mont., from injuries received in a smelter at Butte, will be brought to Portland for interment in Lone Fir cemetery.

M. F. Brady, who resigned as superintendent of the St. Johns division of the City & Suburban Railway Company recently, was presented with a handsome watch fob and locket by the employes, at his home, 810 Commercial street. Thomas J. Monahan, representing the employes of that division, made the presentation speech. The locket bore the inscription, "M. F. Brady, from the boys of the St. Johns division of the City & Suburban." Mr. Brady responded, expressing his appreciation of the gift and the kind wishes conveyed. He had been superintendent for 11 years.

## IN DEFENSE OF DUNLAP.

**Wasco Postmaster Has Respect of His Fellow Citizens.**

WASCO, Or., Jan. 20.—(To the Editor.)—The citizens of Wasco, Or., are indignant over the article published in The Oregonian on January 13, in which our esteemed citizen and postmaster, Clark Dunlap, was charged with embezzlement; the charge purporting to come from Postal Inspector Clark. The allegations are ridiculous in the extreme. Uncle Sam does not trifle with embezzlers, and if our esteemed postmaster had been guilty of such a crime the inspector would have arrested him forthwith; and the fact that he did not do so is ample evidence that there was no occasion for it.

It is true that a shortage in accounts was found, but we understand it was due to clerical errors, and the discrepancy was made good as soon as found, Mr. Dunlap receiving Inspector Clark's receipt in full within 20 minutes from the time the error was discovered. Why was this not stated in The Oregonian?

Mr. Dunlap has been a resident of Sherman County for over 20 years, and by industry and economy has accumulated property to the value of several thousand dollars, and has money in the bank. Both he and his family stand very high in social circles; and men who have known him for years have always found him perfectly square.

We do not believe that any man, unless in sore straits financially, would stoop to embezzle a paltry $500, knowing he was subject to inspection at any moment, and the idea that Clark Dunlap has done so is absurd. We regret very much that the article referred to should have been given so much publicity; and feel that it is our duty to speak the truth in exoneration of our fellow townsman, and sincerely hope that he will be retained in his present position as postmaster of Wasco. We also respectfully request that this be published.

Signed by W. L. Lamborn, bondsman; Wasco Warehouse Milling Co., by R. C. Atwood, Mgr.; E. K. Cormack, cashier and bookkeeper; R. P. Orr, patron; Chas. E. Jones, general merchant; J. W. Booth, City Councilman; G. L. Coleman, Superintendent of Wasco Milling Co.; C. A. Acres, merchant; G. W. McClelland, Wasco Market; J. W. Eaton, J. A. Ellis, furniture dealer; J. W. Allen, attorney-at-law; E. S. Cattron, City Mayor; McPherson, Disher & Co., general merchants; H. A. Ellsworth, Wasco Milling Co., by E. S. Buffum, manager; F. H. Meader, real estate and City Recorder; W. M. Barnett, merchant and banker; K. McPherson, H. E. Beers, M. D.; Josiah Marsh, druggist; J. E. Morrow, engineer; D. L. Adams, Western Hotel; E. A. E. Webster, general merchandise; Henry Krause, harnessmaker; C. J. Bright, attorney-at-law; A. E. Pearson, patron; Chas. E. Smith, B. F. Hailey, J. F. Lucas, blacksmith; Oregon Trading Co., by Geo. N. Crossfield; Geo. P. McKinsey, bookkeeper; R. G. Chase, Hotel, A. Sandvig, W. E. Finney, clerk; E. D. McKee, druggist; H. F. Cuthill, The Oak Barber Shop, J. M. Hoag, liveryman; J. Edgington, M. D.; D. S. Young, farmer; E. W. Hutchenson, jeweler; B. R. Whitney, painter; H. H. White, teacher; E. W. Van Sant, confectionery; G. L. Andrews, J. K. Mersinger, draymen; John Fulton, County Judge; H. F. Myres, S. O. Clodfelter, L. T. Collins, C. F. Fulton, David Fulton, B. L. Garlock, City Marshal; Grant Armsworthey, blacksmith; B. F. Mediar, Sandow Milling Co., by F. H. Robertson, Mgr.; Edwin Glasco, miller of Sandow Mills; Frank Morrow, engineer Sandow Mills; J. B. Eaton, engineer Sandow Mills; A. S. Porter, wheat buyer; G. H. Medkift, mill foreman; J. R. Thomas, miller Sandow Mills; Rev. G. R. Archer, of M. E. Church.

### Seamen's Concert.

A concert of exceptional interest will be given at the Seamen's Institute, 100 North Front street, by Miss Ethel Webb on Wednesday, January 21, at 8 P. M.

PROGRAMME.

Quartet (selected) ——
Miss Lyttle, Miss Webb, W. Hudson, W. G. Hodsdon.
Song, "Hungarian Love Song" .......... Roeckel
W. G. Hodsdon.
Reading, "The Song That Mother Sung" .Frantz
Miss Ethel Webb.
Duet (piano), "Uhlanenritt" .......... Bohn
Miss Hemming, Miss Wood.
Song, "Rosalie," (from "Miss Simplicity") ——
Mr. Hodsdon.
Comedy, in one act, "The Barber" .......... ——
Mr. Dole and Mr. Barrendrick.
Song, "Without Thee" .......... De Haitel
Miss Maud Springer.
Duet (vocal), "Under the Stars There is Rest" .......... Frantz Abt
Miss Webb and Mr. Hodsdon.
Violin solo (selected) .......... ——
George Anderson.
Reading, "Death of Arthur" .......... Tennyson
Miss Ethel Webb.
Trio (selected) .......... Verdi
Madame and Signor Ferrari and W. Hodsdon.
Song, "The Clang of the Hammer" .... Bonheur
Duet (piano), "Louldebal" .......... Gillet
Misses Hemming and Wood.
Reading (selected), humorous .......... ——
Miss Ethel Webb.
Song, "Let Me Like a Soldier Fall" .... Wallace
W. G. Hodsdon.
Duet (vocal, selected) .......... ——
Miss Webb and Mr. Hodsdon.
Comedy, in one act, "A Difficult Time" .... ——
Miss Webb, Mr. Berger, Mr. Dole.
Quartet (selected) .......... ——
Miss Lyttle, Miss Webb, Mr. Hudson and Mr. Hodsdon.

# KEEP THE TAXES DOWN

## TAXPAYERS' LEAGUE COMMITTEE URGES COUNTY JUDGE.

**Fears Are Expressed That Levy Will Reach 40 Mills—Judge Webster Says 36.**

William M. Ladd, Joseph N. Teal, A. L. Mills and J. Thorburn Ross, as a committee representing the Taxpayers' League, addressed County Judge Webster and Commissioners Barnes and Showers regarding the county and road tax levy, with a view to keeping the same down to the lowest notch possible.

Mr. Teal said indications were that the total levy, state, school, city, county, etc., will be about 40 mills. He said at least 80 per cent of the assessable property in Portland is real estate, and it cannot stand such a burden.

"A stranger comes here," said Mr. Teal, "and you show him our beautiful scenery, tell him about our fine climate, and drive him over our rickety streets. He says what is your assessment, and you answer 40 mills. That is 4 per cent. You explain that the assessment of values is only one-half, but he tells you he doesn't know anything about values. He thinks the tax levy is too high. He says you have a beautiful country, but he won't buy real estate."

Judge Webster remarked that the total levy will probably be only 36 mills.

Mr. Teal reminded the court that there was a bill before the Legislature for a fireboat. Many citizens favored a fireboat. It would be passed with an emergency clause, and will require a levy of at least 1½ mills.

Mr. Ladd interrupted to say that a 1½ mills' levy would not build the fireboat.

Continuing, Mr. Teal said it was not a question if his taxes amounted to $250 more, or Mr. Ladd's $1000 additional. That was nothing. It was the general question that real estate cannot stand it. There were bills before the Legislature, the speaker said, which if passed will hereafter make a difference in the state tax of one-half, or, at least, one-third, and it was hoped that there would be an increased assessment in Multnomah County that would improve conditions; that is, as to personal property, and not on real estate.

Mr. Mills called attention to the immense amount of street work planned for this year, more than ever before. Where the bridges were worn out fills were to be made. The City Engineer had his office full of work, and was only waiting for the new charter to go into operation.

Mr. Ladd stated that he was not a pessimist, but real estate would not stand the burden. He said rents cannot be raised, and there was nothing in real estate. Cement sidewalks, which he had to construct this year, would cost him thousands of dollars. Then there were other improvements; for instance, eight blocks to be done on East Morrison street at a cost of about $16,000. The Ladd estate owned four blocks, and would have to pay $8000. These were only a few items. The estate paid its taxes no matter how high. It had to.

The discussion took a turn concerning county roads, and the scheme to pay part of the outstanding indebtedness. The committee thought $100,000 was too much to raise for roads. Judge Webster explained that the idea was to make some permanent improvements, which was economy in the long run. He said there would be no such thing as a levy which would not raise enough money for the year, and the issuing of warrants drawing 6 per cent interest to make up the deficiency as in the past.

The gentlemen in attendance agreed with the Judge in this regard, but advocated small road expenditures.

The White House road improvement ordered by the former Board of County Commissioners was commented upon as an unnecessary expenditure of money.

Mr. Mills called attention to the beautiful Linnton boulevard, which, he said, some people were mean enough to say leads to the residence of Philo Holbrook, a former Commissioner.

Mr. Ladd said it would not be advisable to try to pay any of the outstanding indebtedness this year. It would be better to economize, and pay the 6 per cent interest.

Mr. Mills stated that some years ago the warrants outstanding were said to amount to $150,000, and it was stated that there were back taxes to be collected, and when these were gotten in the debt would be wiped out. Back taxes to the amount of $140,000 were collected, and the warrants now outstanding had increased to nearly $560,000. There was some further talk, and Judge Webster closed the conference by saying that he and the Commissioners will carefully consider the suggestions made.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

**Many New Committees Chosen by the President.**

The trustees of the Chamber of Commerce elected at the annual meeting on January 14, met yesterday at 246 Washington street and approved the following committees as selected by President Robert Livingstone:

Rivers, harbors and navigation—George Taylor, chairman; W. S. Sibson, A. Tucker, W. D. Wheelwright, E. T. Williams.

Public improvements and manufactures—S. M. Mears, chairman; H. Wittenberg, Charles Coopey, Fletcher Linn, B. Neustadter.

Mining and mineral resources—J. F. Batchelder, chairman; Dr. Henry Waldo Coe, J. Frank Watson.

Grain standard—W. J. Burns, chairman; W. S. Sibson, Peter Kerr, T. B. Wilcox, A. Berg, T. W. Smith, R. Kennedy.

Auditing—W. R. MacKenzie, chairman; S. C. Pier, Sr., H. S. Rowe.

Oriental trade—Lewis G. Clarke, chairman; Joseph Supple, T. B. Wilcox, W. D. Wheelwright, I. A. Yerex.

Entertainment—Charles F. Beebe, chairman; W. W. Cotton, W. B. Ayer, R. F. Prael, Albert J. Capron.

Membership—R. L. Macleay, chairman; F. A. Nitchy, I. Lang.

Advertising—Adolphe Wolfe, chairman; H. C. Wortman, A. H. Devers, L. Samuel, F. A. Jones.

Permanent exhibit—J. F. Batchelder, chairman; A. A. Dekum, F. J. Alex Mayer, Dan J. Moore, Mark W. Gill.

Open river—Henry Hahn, chairman; L. A. Lewis, E. T. Williams, I. N. Fleischner, E. E. Lytle.

Legislation—P. L. Willis, chairman; W. Y. Masters, William M. Cake.

State fair—M. D. Wisdom, chairman; J. E. Haseltine, Eugene Shelby, J. G. Mack, W. H. McMonies.

Alaska steamship line—F. A. Spencer, chairman; F. A. Jones, Sylvester Farrell.

Irrigation—A. H. Devers, chairman; E. M. Brannick, J. Thorburn Ross.

Transportation—L. A. Lewis, chairman; to select his own members.

In addition to the approving of the new committees, a great deal of routine business was attended to in connection with the change of administration that has just been effected. It was decided that all the reports of the outgoing officers should be printed in the Chamber of Commerce Bulletin, a number of which will be issued immediately. It is hoped to have this publication appear promptly at the beginning of every quarter, and the trustees will make it a point to get out a bulletin that will be of interest to the people of Portland.

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## PERSONAL MENTION.

Judge T. H. Crawford, of Union, is staying at the Imperial.

W. B. Brookshire, M. D., of Ridgefield, Wash., is at the St. Charles.

J. A. Bierly, a merchant of Ostrander, Wash., is at the St. Charles.

L. F. Clough, a prominent real estate dealer of Seattle, is at the Portland.

W. F. Slaughter, a well-known logger of St. Helens, is registered at the Perkins.

Alex and J. D. Price, extensive wheat-raisers of Dayton, are at the St. Charles.

J. G. Blake, manager of the Postal Telegraph lines at Seattle, and formerly a City Councilman, is at the Portland.

Robert Dollar, the steamship man of San Francisco, is a guest of the Portland. Mr. Dollar is returning to California, after a brief visit to Puget Sound.

Forestry Expert A. J. Johnson was in the city yesterday. He has been very busy of late preparing seeds of Oregon trees for sending abroad, but will soon pay a visit to Southern Oregon in search of plants and trees.

Ex-Mayor S. H. Friendly, of Eugene, was in Portland yesterday to attend the meeting of the board of regents of the University of Oregon. Mr. Friendly is mentioned as a prominent candidate for Mayor in the coming election.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—(Special.)—Fred T. Merrill, of Portland, called at the Eastern offices of The Oregonian today. He is stopping at the Imperial. Mr. Merrill has taken special interest in the automobile show here, and will send a carload of the latest automobiles to Portland at once. Mr. Merrill will leave for Chicago tomorrow. He will reach Portland not later than February 1.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—(Special.)—Northwestern people were registered at New York hotels today as follows:

From Portland—A. W. Frank, S. Frank and wife, M. L. Frank, at the Savoy; A. J. Lilburn, at the Albert.

From Seattle—H. Morgan, at the Navarre; O. R. Allen, at the Plaza; E. E. Ainsworth and wife, at the Albemarle; C. F. Osborne, at the Albert.

From Spokane—C. M. Graves, at the Rossmore; W. A. Halleman, at the New Amsterdam; E. H. Morrison, at the Hoffman.

### Leaving for the Philippines.

CHICAGO, Jan. 20.—The Ninth Field Artillery, consisting of 120 men, left Fort Sheridan for the Philippine Islands today, in command of First Lieutenant E. H. Yule. The battery will sail from San Francisco February 1, on the transport Sheridan.

## VALUE OF TESTIMONY

**Greater Than Assertion.**

There is none of us so hardened but that when we have been able to aid our fellow creatures by conferring a benefit or bringing a little comfort into their lives we like to have apreciation shown. This generally affords more pleasure than the performance of the act itself, and in this connection the following letter from a Texas lady is of more than usual itnerest:

"Dear Friends: I address you as such, for you have been such to me. I suffered for three years off and on with piles. I was treated at the hospital, and the new and elegant hospital, of Memphis; they only gave me temporary relief. I came West thinking the change of air and water would benefit me: five months ago the bleeding piles came back on me, and bled so much that I thought I would die.

"I have had four of the finest doctors in this section of Texas; all they did was to finally nearly let me go to my grave; all they wanted was a big sum of money from me and to operate on me. I said no, no surgeon's knife would enter me; if it was my time to die God knew it, and when I died I would die all together.

"I began hearing about your medicine. I had no faith in you, but I sent and got a box of your Pyramid Pile Cure; in two days the blood flow had slackened to one-half the amount, and in one week I felt so much better I walked four blocks and did a little housework. I was not bleeding then: in three weeks I was well.

"God bless you for putting such a wonderful medicine within the reach of suffering men and women. I shall never cease to recommend your medicine or be without it: also I used your Pyramid Pills. Sallie A. Rearndon, Paris, Texas."

Testimony like this, (for the genuineness of which we vouch,) should be more convincing than all claims and assertions, and should leave no doubt in the mind of the reader as to the merit of the remedy. Pyramid Pile Cure is sold by druggists for 50 cents a package, or will be mailed by the makers to any address upon receipt of price. Write Pyramid Drug Co., Marshall, Mich., for their book on cause and cure of Piles.

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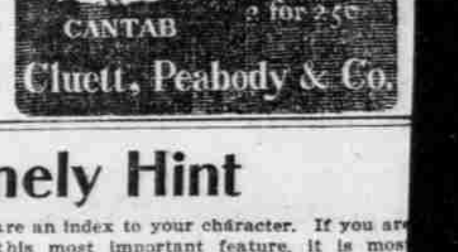

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This disease of the functions by no means indicates general nervous decline but is a direct result of inflammation, enlargement or excessive sensitiveness of the prostate gland brought on by early dissipation or resulting from some improperly treated contracted disorder. These conditions cannot possibly be removed by internal medicines alone, and any tonic system of treatment that stimulates activity of the functions can but result in aggravation of the real ailment. This is a scientific truth that we have ascertained by careful study and observation in hundreds of cases, and is the truth upon which our own original system of treatment is based. We employ neither tonics, stimulants or electric belts. We treat mainly by local methods, and our success in curing even those cases that others have failed to even temporarily relieve with their tonics is conclusive evidence that our method affords the only possible means of a complete and radical cure.

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It matters not how long you have suffered from stricture nor how many different doctors have disappointed you, we will guarantee that our treatment will make you as well as before you were troubled with the disease. Our treatment dissolves the stricture which comes away in shreds leaving the urinary passage entirely free from obstruction and irritation. It also relieves any sympathetic disturbance in the bladder or kidneys. We send our treatment for this trouble to nearly every country in the world.

Syphilis

This most hideous of all venerial diseases can no longer be classed as incurable. The idea that the limit of medical aid is to keep the disease dormant by persistently dosing the system with mineral poisons, is as incorrect as many other ancient theories to which many of the profession cling. Such treatment not infrequently results in the virus being driven deeper into the system, where it attacks and destroys even the very bones of the sufferer. We positively drive the very last taint of the poison from the system in 60 days. The cure is thorough and permanent, and every symptom of the disease vanishes forever. We use harmless blood-cleansing remedies heretofore unknown in the treatment of this disease. We regard our success in overcoming this frightful leprosy as the crowning triumph of our professional career.

Contracted Disorders

To but partially cure a contracted disorder is almost as dangerous as to allow it to go untreated. Unless every particle of infection and inflammation is removed the probability exists that the disease will gradually work its way into the general system. Still greater is the danger of the prostate gland becoming chronically inflamed, which always brings on partial or complete loss of power. Perhaps 25 per cent of the cases of so-called "weakness" are a direct result of some improperly treated contracted disease. In hundreds of cases we have recently treated we have effected a throough and safe cure in every instance. There have been no relapses or undesirable developments whatever, and our patients have been cured in a shorter time than usually required in such cases.

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