CONSOLIDATION OF **CLUBS IS FAVORED**

Early Meeting May Be Called to Effect Unity of Commercial Bodies.

LEADERS SEE TASK AHEAD

Elimination of Duplication of Effort and Added Benefits Put Forward as Main Reasons for Important Change.

So determined are Portland business So determined are Portland business men to effect a consolidation of the Commercial Club and the Chamber of Commerce for the purpose of eliminating duplication of effort and securing added benefit for the interests of the city and state that it is probable that an early meeting will be held to outline plans seeking this end.

As the project receives more careful consideration the fact that it is one requiring deep thought and study as

consideration the fact that it is one requiring deep thought and study as well as well-directed energy and ability becomes apparent. Leaders in the movement are beginning to realize that it will require much time and considerable valuable effort to accompilab the results desired, but they believe that this time and these efforts will be well invested.

Among these who are advocating

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Among those who are advocating either a consolidation of the two bodies or a combination of them for the purpose of obtaining co-operation in general purpose and a division of detailed work are T. B. Wilcox, president of the Portland Flouring Mills Company; Harvey Beckwith, manager for Wells, Fargo & Co., and for two years president of the Commercial Club; W. J. Hofmann, advertising manager of The Hofmann, advertising manager of The Oregonian and ex-secretary of the Commercial Club; E. G. Crawford, vice-president of the Lumbermens National

Complete Consolidation Difficult. Complete Consolidation Difficult.

Mr. Hofmann, however, does not believe that it is possible to effect a complete consolidation of the two bodies. He thinks that they should continue separately as at present, each exercising its own sphere of usefulness and each having distinct and well defined work for it to do.

"Let the Commercial Club handle the

exploitation work that the Chamber of Commerce now handles," said Mr. Hof-mann yesterday. "This, together with its own exploitation work, would provide an important field of activity. Under the head of exploitation work would come the exhibits of Oregon resources part of which now is conducted through the Chamber. This would re-quire that the Commercial Club's pubquire that the Commercial Club's publicity committee be enlarged and subdivided so that separate sets of men would have charge of various branches such as advertising, new industries, finances for publicity, excursions and some others that may be suggested.

"The Chamber of Commerce then could devote its time to river and harbor development, trade extensions.

or development, trade extensions, earing and such other fields that real-require separate and careful attenly require separate and careful atten-tion. A plan of this kind ought to meet with general approval by the business men. We would then be able to collect larger funds for conducting our publicity campaign and yet not re-quire the individual merchants and firms to pay as much, as they would not be assessed twice for the same purpose. I don't believe that there is a commercial organization in the doing as much exploitation work with the same amount as the Commercial Club of Portland.

This plan appeals to me more than does the suggestion to form a complete consolidation of the two bodies. as I don't believe a consolidation can be accomplished with good results."

T. B. Wilcox Favors. Mr. Wilcox, who always has been an advocate of consolidation, is more earnestly in favor of it now than ever, if first argued for it in 1994," he said vexterday, "and I have repeatedly exbink everyone knows how I feel on the subject. It surely ought to be There is no reason why it ought not be done and every reason why it should be done. If any proper basis for consolidation can be found we should have complete consolidation."

"I think it is a good thing and for the best interests of both organiza-tions," said Mr. Beckwith. "There is no question that both the club and the Chamber work along the same lines chamber work along the same lines in a good many directions. In my incumbency as a member of the board of governors of the Commercial Club I frequently discussed the subject with members of the club as well as with members of the Chamber of Commerce. members of the Chamber of Commerce. While consolidation will require much time and study I am in favor of it. We should make provision for having all such bodies as the Ad Club, the Retail Merchants' Association, the Manufacturers' Association, the Credit Men's Association, the Rotary Club, the Propressive Business Men's Club and others represented en our committees but should aim to have them continue but should alm to have them continue independent of the central body as at present. This method of organization was successful in Chicago and I beieve it could be carried out with sim-

llar success here."
Mr. Crawford said that all business men of his acquaintance are in favor of the scheme. "It seems to me it would be wise if they could combine," he said. "The present situation causes both organizations to struggle for the same result. A combination would bring about greater benefits and entail

KELSO'S PLANS ACCEPTED

New City Hall Building Will Cost \$14,000; Election Soon.

KELSO, Wash. April 5,—(Special.)— The plans for Kelso's new City Hall building have been accepted by the City Council. The building will be 40 by 64 feet and will cost about \$14,000. It will be two stories in height, finished on the exterior with cement plaster. lower floor will be occupied by the fire department, jail, Marshal's office and

nen's clubroom The upper floor will contain a Council chamber and offices for the City Clerk, Attorney and Treasurer. April 15 has been set as the date for an election to vote bonds for the new building-flids will be called the following day.

WATER MAINS ARE ISSUE

Mayor and City Engineer Think Revenue Demand Too Great.

Regardless of revenue, the Water Board should lay certain mains for the

l public good in the opinion of Rushlight and City Engineer Mayor Rushlight and City Engineer Hurlburt. Whether the residents on thoroughfares to be hard-surfaced are sufficient to pay a per cent on the cost of installation should make no difference, they believe, where it is necessary to open an artery of heavy traffic, such as Corbett street, in South Portland, for example.

Because of the fact that Corbett street as well as some others, would

street, as well as some others, would not pay the city 6 per cent on the in-stallation cost, the Water Board recently declined to put in the mains and sent word to the City Council to this effect. Yesterday the street commit-tee considered some of these cases, finally referring all to the City Engl-

Corbett street should be paved right coroett atreet should be paved right away, so as to make a second chief thoroughfare into the city from the south," said the Mayor, "and the mains should be laid there, I think. I shall take this up with the board at the next meeting and see what can be done."

Bids for hard-surfacing Corbett street will be opened in the Council next Wednesday and, unless the water mains are laid soon, the work will be

ELKS PREPARE FOR TRIP

SPECIAL TRAIN WILL GO TO EU-GENE ON MONDAY.

Big Crowd Will Attend Dedication of New Home-Elaborate Preparations Are Made.

Next to the big convention in Portland next July the event in the annals of Elkdom that is attracting most notice right now is the dedication of the new home of the Eugene lodge next Monday which will be attended by a special trainload of Portland Elks as well as by hundreds of members in various other parts of the Northwest. The Eugene herd has prepared elaborately for the entertainment of its visiting brethren. They have been preparing many weeks for this occasion and are ready to dispense characteristic Eugene hospitality, to all their guests. Their new temple has been pronounced the exemplification of the last word in lodge building construction, as it embodies features of artistic beauty, substantial excellence. land next July the event in the annals

artistic beauty, substantial excellence comfort and convenience. It was built after plans drawn by E. E. McClaren, a member of the Portland lodge.

Festivities attending the dedicatory exercises really will begin Monday afternoon and will consist of music and

afternoon and will consist of music and an informal reception to visiting Eiks as well as to the citizens of Eugene generally. The Portland train will leave here at 2 o'clock and will arrive at Eugene at about 6:30 P. M. It is probable that fully 100 members will make the trip. The Portland train also will accommodate ten members of the lodge at The Dalles headed by Claud S. Knight, secretary, as well as 20 Oregon City Elks. Three or four special cars will carry the Salem crowd, while Albany will be heavily represented.

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John M. Gearin will deliver the principal address at the formal ceremonies at 8 o'clock Monday evening. K. K. K. Kubli, chairman of the 1912 convention commission, will present the Eugene ledge with a substantial gift on behalf of Portland lodge. George M. Hyland will give the principal address for the visitors in response to the welcoming speeches of the Eugene Eiks. Astoria and Vancouver, Wash, each will send a large party including some of oraterical ability. Roseburg, Medford and Ashland probably will combine to fill a special train that will represent the Southern Oregon cities

The occasion incidentally will be made a means of exploiting the srand lodge convention in Portland in July and various members of the Portland lodge will tell their brethren of other cities what is being done to entertain them. Frank Hennessy is going along to sing some new Eik songs. The Eugene members expect to serve notice that they will invite every Eik who

that they will invite every Elk who comes to Portland to visit them in their new home and to partake of

all Portland Eliks yesterday received unique invitations from the committee in charge of the Eugene trip. They were printed on the inside of an ordinary stamped newspaper wrapper with the address in the usual place. This was the first time in the history of the Portland Postoffice that newspaper wrappers had been used for this purpose, but Charles B. Holloway, superintendent of mails, ruled that it was permissible. Harvey O'Bryan, chairman of the Eugene committee, originated the idea. Other members of the committee are: George P. Henry, W. M. Davis, H. Politz and H. G. Allen. Among those who will be in the party are: Dr. C. W. Cornelius, John B. Coffey, Harry C. McAllister, A. B. Manley, Charles Lohmire, Mayor Streib, of Milwaukie; E. J. Farrell, Sig Wertheimer, Walter Gadsby, Gus C. Moser, Ralph E. Moody, C. C. Bradley and Dr. T. L. Perkins. unique invitations from the committee

MANY ARE TREATED GRATIS

Free Dispensary Aids 1931 Persons During Year.

The Portland Free Dispensary, a de partment of the People's Institute, logave 4523 treatments last year, according to the annual report, submitted to the directors at the annual meeting

held recently.

In the surgery clinic 2551 treatments were given, 1970 in the medical clinic, 539 in the eys. ear and throat clinic, and 162 in the skin specialist clinic. Patients to the number of 1931 were treated, of which 592 were women and sax children.

The dispensary is co-operating with dical department of the University of Oregon and with the Visiting Nurse Association, the physicians being furnished by the university. The tuberculosis division of the dispensary is under the auspices of the Visiting Nurse Association, and is supported by their fund, accumulated for the tuberculosis work during the annual stamp

A branch has been opened in Albins, and through this branch the dispensary has been co-operating with the deacon-esses of the Methodist Church.

Laundry Sues Bridge Firm.

Declaring that the Pacific Bridge Company, while making a fill on Sec-ond street, between Arthur and Sheri-dan streets, dumped dirt so carelessly dan streets, dumped dirt so carelessly that the building occupied by the Pacific Laundry Company was so badly damaged that it is on the point of collapse, suit was brought to cokect \$16,000 damages from the bridge company and the city. It is alieged in the complaint that the heavy pressure of dirt caused the foundations of the building to give way and for that reason the haundry has had to move. The company asks \$10,000 for damages to the building, \$1500 for costs of moving machinery and \$5000 for loss of business.

TO CURE A COLD IN QUE DAY

COAST CITIES JOIN IN FESTIVAL PLAN

Representatives Band Together. Forget Past Differences, and Work for Good of All.

SAN FRANCISCO TO BE HUB

Thirty Carnivals and Fetes, Distributed From Vancouver, B. C., to San Diego, California, to Receive Extensive Advertising.

President Hoyt and General Manager Hutchin, of the Rose Festival, returned home yesterday afternoon from San Francisco, where they played a leading part in the permanent organization of the new Festivals Association of the Pacific Coast, an idea suggested origin-

Pacific Coast, an idea suggested originally by Mr. Hutchin.

The congress was held under the auspices of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, which is to form the hub around which the entire cycle of 25 or 30 local fetes and carnivals will swing, and it was the unantimous opinion of the 60 or more delegates who attended the meeting that it was one of the most memorable boosting movements ever undertaken. Delegates were present from every city on the Sunset present from every city on the Sunset Slope from Vancouver, B. C. to San Diego, where annual festivals and tournaments are held. Far-away Honolulu and its Midwinter Tournament of Roses also was represented at the meeting.

Plan Approved by All.

"The movement reached a magnitude at the very first meeting that far exceeded our wildest expectations," said Mr. Hoyt last night. "We rather hoped that the idea would gain enough ground so that the principal feativals in California and the Pacific Northwest would get together and accomplish something this year, but with the most enthusiastic support which was accorded the plan from the Panama-Pacific Exposition officials and the delegates from all over the Coast, the plan will reach momentous proportions in a very short time. Plan Approved by All.

The Festivals Association is almost The Festivals Association is amounted to the reason that where all cities which have held carnivals or annual entertainments heretofore have worked independently and selfishly, the new scheme will bring them all into one harmonious body and each will help the other in naking the affiliated events pronounced successes.

Panama-Pacific Exposition officials will be here. They have already promised to come, and it is highly probable that All Portland Elks yesterday received resentatives and visitors to the Festi-

Scheme Liberally Advertised. "Never in my life have I witnessed such unanimous approbation of a scheme of this character. And nobody can begin to estimate the immense of unpurchasable advertising this association will mean for the Rose Festival and the kindred fetes and car-

nivals held in Pacific Coast cities.
"Before we left San Francisco it was announced that Brisbane Walker, who has been chosen director of publicity for the San Francisco exposition, will begin at once the preparation of a cost-ly and voluminous booklet exploiting and every one of these festivals. It will be a part of the publicity campaign of the big fair, and at the same time will be of invaluable help to all the other annual celebrations treated in "This is the first time in history when

all the enterprising cities on the Coast will have buried local and selfish inter-ests and banded together for the common good of all. If nothing else, the association has resulted in engendering the finest feeling of harmony and earn-est spirit of co-operation that over existed among rival communities in the West."

ASSOCIATION HEAD FINED

President of "Get-Rich-Quick" Concern Is Halted

For running what the city license department terms a "get-rich-quick" concern without obtaining a license. W. H. Tripp, president of the Mercantile Advisory Association, was fined \$50 in Municipal Court yesterday, and will be arrested as often as he attempts to operate the company in the future. License Inspector McEachern testified that the scheme was the same for

cense Inspector McEachern testified that the scheme was the same for which one man was sent to the penitentiary, some years ago.

Tripp, formerly a salesman for "raffie" schemes, asserted the company was "semi-eleemosynary" and a co-operative association for the purpose of lending money to its members, giving them legal aid and finding them positions. It has offices in the Gerlinger building and has been in operation three weeks.

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McEachern said that the company exacted fees far above those allowed to be charged by licensed agencies, and could not receive a license if it applied for one. The membership is about 140, but Tripp could cite but a few cases in which assistance had been rendered.

The legal aid contemplated by the organization, was to be furbished by Attorney Dawley, who appeared for the defense yesterday.

SEAL SALES NOT ENOUGH

Visiting Nurse Association Will Have to Take Up Subscriptions.

That the funds realized from the sale of Red Cross scals will not be sufficient to carry on the work of the Visiting Nurse Association through the coming Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tableta to carry on the work of the visiting Druggests refund money if it falls to cure. Nurse Association through the coming Nurse Association through the coming F. W. Greve's signature is on each box. 25c.

Mrs. Jane B. Lamson, secretary, in her report rend at the annual meeting held Wednesday, April 3. It is the opinion of officers and members that subscriptions and additional memberships will have to be solicited to care for the subscriptions and additional memberships will have to be solicited. The fund available

have to be solicited to care for the tubercular patients. The fund available amounts to about \$3000.

In the past year 619 patients have been cared for. Of this number 233 were tubercular. Visits to patients aggregated 5039. Of these 2065 were tubercular. Milk to the amount of 5090 quarts and eggs to the number of 1124 dozen were dispensed to patients during the year Patients were also main-

dozen were dispensed to patients during the year. Patients were also maintained at two sanatoriums.

Four nurses are now employed by
the association. One of these acts as
uperintendent, two have charge of tubercular cases, and the fourth all other
cases. A nurse is in charge of the tuarrounce clinic twice each week at the cases. A nurse is in charge of the tu-bercular clinic twice each week at the free dispensary. In the past two months the association has also em-ployed a working housekeeper whose duty it is to assist the nurses in the eare of afflicted families by preparing proper food for the sick and improv-ing the condition of their homes. In January the association cared for more patients than in any other month since its organisation in 1902.

RIBALD SOCKS APPEAR

LINCOLN HIGH STUDENTS WEAR VARIEGATED HOSIERY

Two Hundred Boys Celebrate Annual Event and Attain Weird and Startling Results.

The sound of the boisterous sock was heard in the balls of Lincoln High High School yesterday when 200 boys appeared with their nether limbs cased in the most brilliant and unusual colors in hosiery that they had been able to secure by long and careful search through all the stores in the city where sooks are on sale. Thus was "Loud Sock day," the date of the opening of the haseball season for the school, observed in greater chromatic splendor than at any other time since the custom was inaugurated a few years ago by George Olzen, who has since be-come a student at Hill Military Acad-

suffice alone. It must be distributed in the most astounding combinations possible, and so successful were the majority of the boys in achieving this result that in the assembly of gor-geously clad calves, the few that were decked out only in solid colors, which at any other time might have loomed like the proverbial bar of soap in a coal hod, now appeared quiet and in-significant. Stars and diamonds and significant. Stars and diamonds and serpents and polka dots and whirliging done in riotous colors upon equally riotous backgrounds danzied the eye. No pair of socks were matched, but the effort was to produce as loud as possible a crash between the kaleidoscopic casing of the right calf in opposition to the left.

to the left.

That no whit of their glory might be hidden, the boys rolled up their trousers sufficiently to give the whole color scheme ample exposition, and many a staiwart ankle was decorated with a lurid bow of ribbon by way of setting off the general ensemble of color.

Loud-sock day is not an institution entirely peculiar to the Lincoln High School. Similar symptoms appear at different times in the other high schools of the city, and, while laugh-producing, are not necessarily dangerproducing, are not necessarily danger-ous. Consequently loud sock days have not met with disapproval or opposition from the authorities since they come only semi-occasionally.

From the success of their observance vesterday, however, the hove of Lin-

rom the success of their observance yesterday, however, the boys of Lincoln High School declared themselves of the opinion that any other school would have to "go some" if it is to hold a loud-sock day that will surpass theirs in its "more-than-Oriental splender" theirs in its splendor."

COLLEGE JUNKET BOOSTED

Eighteen Hundred Invited to Make Trip to Corvallis.

More than 1800 letters were sent ou from the Commercial Club yesterday to its members and to members of all the commercial clubs represented in the Oregon Development League, the Central Oregon Development League and the Tri-County Development League, requesting them to lend their assistance to assure a large membership from all parts of the state in the business men's excursion to the Oregon Agricultural College April 25-26, Complete outlines of the programm for the entertainment of the excursion

party by the students and authorities of the Agricultural College were received at the Commercial Club yesterday, and arrangements will be made as soon as possible with the commercial organizations of McMinnville and Dallas, concerning the entertainment of the excursion party in those cities on April 25, en route for Corvallia.

M. J. DUGAN IS MISSING

Employe at Y. M. C. A. Disappears and Wife Is Worried

M. J. Dugan, of \$107 Sixty-second avenue Southeast, formerly employed in the locker-room at the Portland Y. M. C. A., disappeared last Wednesday M. C. A. disappeared last Wednesday morning, and has not been seen or heard of since. He came to Portland to draw \$50 from the bank, and was to return and assist his wife in packing the household goods, as they intended to move to the Bremerton Navy Navice of Seattle, Mrs. Duran is heart. Yards, at Seattle. Mrs. Dugan is heart-broken, as she says she and her hus-band were on the best of terms, and that he had no cause for leaving. She is at a loss to explain his disappear-ance, unless he has been waylald.

ance, unless he has been waylaid.

He was 50 years old, 6 feet 3 inches tall, of dark complexion, blue eyes, wore dark blue coat and vest, tan shirt, soft collar, no tie, black stiff hat, "Yoeman" pin, and also Christian Endeavor pin in the lapel of his coat. The police have been potified. lice have been notified.

COMMITTEE DELAYS ACTION Street Railway Permit to Come Up

Later.

Instead of revoking the permit of the Mount Hoed Railway & Power Company to operate cars for 10 blocks on villa avenue as a means of reaching the city, the street committee of the City Council yesterday afternoon de-layed action. Councilman Burgard said that the Portland Railway. Light & Power Company will ask for a per-mit to operate the cars, and Council-man Schmeer, in whose ward the track-lies, said that the people in the vicin-ity affected wish the permit continued. Councilman Joy introduced a resolu-tion to revoke the permit in question, but he did not insist upon its adoption, saying that he was willing to await the application of the Portland Rail-way. Light & Power Company for a permit there. The latter company re-cently took over the Mount Hood Com-pant City Council yesterday afternoon de

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Albert N. Bannister, Oregon Naval Militia, Meets Death.

SWELLS OVERTURN CANOE

Youth, Leaving Cruiser Boston, Is Thrown Into Water-He Swims for Few Strokes and Then, Crying for Help, Sinks.

Albert N. Bannister, bugler of the Oregon Naval Militia, in which organisation he onlisted six months ago was drowned shortly before 1 o'clock yesdrowned shortly before I o'clock yes-terday afternoon through having fellen-from a canoe, in which he had left the cruiser Boston a few minutes before. He is the first member of the state naval organization to meet death. Bannister and M. C. Pewther, also of the militia, had been in the canoe previously, but the latter boarded the loston and Bannister started down-tream. Swells from the steamer Cascade caught the canoe as he was stand-ing in it and he lost his balance. He could swim and was seen to make head-way a short distance and then cried for help, but he could not be reached Men on the steamer Georgia Burton recovered the body almost immediately, as harbor patrol launch, with Hugh Brady, the municipal grappler, was on the scene in eight minutes. Brady took the body in charge and delivered it to Coroner. No inquest will be held Bannister resided at 618 Mississipp avenue, but his mother lives at Port Orchard, Wash., and is said to be visiting at Centralia, from where she inshort time with her son. Since Bannis-ter joined the militia he has been among the most active members and was soon appointed bugler. Buring his

polishing brass work and assisting to clean ship.

Many of his comrades learned of his Many of his comrades learned of his death on reporting for the regular drill last evening and it was unanimously voted to extend to the deceased every mark of respect and a military funeral will be held unless the wishes of relatives make it impracticable. Lieutenant Bloomberg, executive officer of the Boston, said last night that the dead youth, who was 20 years of age, was one of the most loyal of the crew.

spare time he was aboard the cruiser and evinced a deep interest in the ves-sel and her equipment, always volun-teering to do odd jobs in the way of

Rev. J. Scott Resigns.

Because, as he expressed it, some of the members of his congregation com-plained that he "didn't furnish enough soul food," Rev. J. Scott, paster of the local Danish Luthern Church, 640 Union avenue North, has been asked to resign, "What they need," said Mr. Scott, "is a good spanking like naughty

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Glass on Arising for CONSTIPATION

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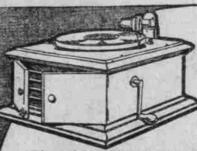
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