

CHAMBER FINANCES TO BE EXPLAINED

Year's Work Will Be Described at Annual Meeting Set for Tomorrow Night.

FULL ATTENDANCE URGED

President Colt Says All Troubles Should Be Threshed Out and New Fiscal Year Started With Progressive Drive.

A considerable portion of the time will be allotted to consideration of the finances of the Chamber of Commerce at the annual meeting of the membership tomorrow night. It is said that the story of the struggle that the organization has gone through during its first year will prove very interesting to the members, who are to get first hand and authentic information as to just how much money has been received by the Chamber and how it has been spent.

With the plan of organization calling for a maximum membership of 5000 when it was created last April, the Chamber of Commerce could easily estimate a gross revenue of \$250,000 for the year, based on annual dues of \$50 for each member.

That estimate was given out to the public by J. Van Reuzelaar, Chamber organizer, and it has been generally understood that such a sum of money had been received and expended.

It is understood, however, that the report by President Colt will show that the total revenues of the Chamber will be found to be about \$50,000, short of the estimate.

Festival Expense Shown.

Mr. Colt will call attention to the expense of the Rose Festival, which will account for \$50,000 of the receipts. The carnival of 1915 was financed out of the revenues of the Chamber and cost \$35,000, while the Chamber will charge \$15,000 as its share of the Rose Festival expense in June of this year.

These three items account for \$100,000, leaving \$120,000 as the actual operating expenses of the Chamber. Out of this total comes the lease of the Oregon building, which is understood to be about \$35,000 per year and leaves about \$85,000 yet to be accounted for. This balance is said to be offset in about equal amounts by the cost of operating the bureaus and divisions of the Chamber, and the remodeling and repairs which followed the consolidation of the Commercial Club and the old Chamber of Commerce and which were incurred by order of Mr. Chase when he was in charge of affairs.

City Tax Suggested.

It is understood that President Colt will ask the meeting of the members of the Chamber to consider a recommendation and campaign to have the Rose Festival supported by a small tax on city property. He will point out that it is a show for the pleasure of all the people of Portland, and that it has become their greatest amusement feature.

If distributed by taxation the cost to each taxpayer would amount to about the amount paid for a cigar," said J. C. Ainsworth.

"Every business man in the Chamber should be at the Friday night meeting," said President Colt. "By business men I mean every person who is engaged in any line of trade and the property owner as well."

"It is the meeting of the year when frank discussion of methods should be indulged in and when we should thresh out all our troubles, so that the Chamber may begin the new fiscal year with the decks cleared for a progressive drive toward the front and with the united support of all members."

"Many things that have been not understood by the membership will be made clear, and if any Portlander can add one single suggestion to the effectiveness of the campaign the Chamber is making it will be given a cordial reception and the careful consideration of the men who are to be charged with carrying the executive load for the coming year."

BUSINESS BOYS TO MEET

Club Organizations to Entertain With Athletics and Music.

The business boys' club of the Y. M. C. A. will entertain tonight and tomorrow night in their division lobby, nearly 150 lads being invited to the program. Athletics will be the feature tonight, while tomorrow the entertainment will be of a literary and musical nature.

Four new clubs have been organized in the division recently, three among the juniors and one for the business boys. Prizes have been awarded Tom McMullen, Del Obersteiner, Lee B. Menefee, Jr., and David Wright, winners in the recent membership contest in this division.

EMPRESS TO CLOSE SUNDAY

Repairs to Be Made Pending Reopening as Ackerman & Harris.

Ackerman & Harris, the theatrical firm that has purchased the interests of Sullivan & Considine in Portland, will take over the Empress Theater next Sunday.

The Empress will close for improvements and repairs to the interior for a limited time before it is reopened under the auspices of the new owners, who will operate it as a link in the Hippodrome circuit, now controlled by Ackerman & Harris.

"The Follies of Now," a miniature musical comedy, will play the rest of the week at the Empress.

THE DALLES SHIVERS AT 30

Frost Damages Vegetable Gardens, but Fruit Is Spared.

THE DALLES, Or., April 19.—(Special.)—The frost nipped some vegetables in the section south of the Dalles last night, when the mercury dropped to 20 above zero, but ranchers believe that no damage was done to any of the fruit trees.

A light frost was experienced here.

MOTHER SAVES HER SON

Judge Dismisses Case Against Boy Accused of Wire Theft.

The witness pressed one hand within the other as the judge questioned him. Knuckle by knuckle he shifted the pressure, and at each shifting the joint

cracked with a pop like a Christmas air.

He had been arrested for taking several small pieces of copper wire from the yards of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railroad. There was doubt that he had intended the theft. Municipal Judge Langguth summoned his mother, who began life as a Polish peasant. The examination was conducted in German, and the mother, her wrinkled face registering grief and vexation commingled, turned frequently to her son, whereat Judge Langguth doled an expression of much satisfaction.

"This is the court's free translation of the mother's admonition:

"Have I raised you this far, and tended you, that you should bring your mother to grief in the Police Court? Shame upon you! Look at your two brothers, who work all the time. Why will you not work?"

The case against the young man was dismissed on condition that he find employment and quit smoking cigarettes.

CORVALLIS QUEEN LEADS

MISS WHITE LEAPS FROM FOURTH TO FIRST PLACE IN RACE.

Louise Taylor Also Changes Place for One Nearer Top and Vancouver Gets Into Field.

STANDING OF FESTIVAL QUEEN CANDIDATES IN LAST NIGHT'S COUNT.	
Georgia White, Corvallis	45,022
Louise Taylor, Western Union Telegraph Company	39,689
Jewel Carroll, Knights and Ladies of Security	36,427
Waive Jacobs, Klamath Falls, Or.	30,694
Marian Anderson, Albany, Or.	21,166
Muriel Sailing, Pendleton, Or.	19,625
Lillian Hendrickson, Foresters of America	16,834
Anna Allen, Metropolitan Life Insurance Company	12,999
Rose Uptegraaf, Oregon City, Or.	10,525
Eleanor Jackson, Modern Foresters, McMinnville, Or.	7,919
Maud Gilman, Grand Army of the Republic and Relief Corps	6,654
Edel Fraasch, Eugene, Or.	5,381
Marye McClarkin, Rose City Park	209
Mildred Pegg, Vancouver, Wash.	41

Miss Georgia White, of Corvallis, who had dropped to fourth place in the contest for queen of the Rose Festival, leaped to first yesterday when a large block of votes was cast by her supporters, and held the lead through both the counts of the day.

Louise Taylor, of the Western Union Telegraph Company, made a corresponding gain, reaching second place from fifth, while Jewel Carroll, candidate of the Knights and Ladies of Security, dropped from first to third, with Waive Jacobs, of Klamath Falls, and Marian Anderson, of Albany, following her in order.

Muriel Sailing, the Pendleton candidate, gained a notch in her position in the list, and Miss Lillian Hendrickson, candidate of the Foresters of America, dropped a place.

The other candidates said about the same relative position that they have held for several days, although most of them increased their total of votes considerably.

Mildred Pegg, of Vancouver, Wash., made her first appearance in the field yesterday with 41 votes to her credit. Heavy voting from record-breaking is expected today, to bring her well up in the race.

Salem is expected to name a candidate soon and it is reported that Forest Grove contemplates putting a candidate in the field before the end of the week.

The purchase of ballots is becoming heavier each day, and is supplementing strongly the coupon votes that are used. Ballots may be purchased at the headquarters at 337 Northwestern Bank building.

OVER HALF OF TAXES IN

SHERIFF HURLBURT COLLECTS 54.8 PER CENT IN FIRST PERIOD.

More than \$2,000,000 Paid into County on April 3, 4 and 5, When Law's Penalty Begins to Run.

Despite slow payments during February and March, in which scarcely one-sixth of the total tax assessment for Multnomah County was collected, Sheriff Hurlburt ended the first installment period on April 5 with 54.8 per cent of the total taxes collected. This was done only by record-breaking returns in the last few days of collection. It is estimated that more than \$2,000,000 were taken in for the three days of April 3, 4 and 5.

Figures completed yesterday by Deputy Tax Collector Hucksabay show that up to and including April 5 \$4,372,816.68 was collected of the 1915 assessment. This figure is close to the estimate made by The Oregonian at that time. The total assessment is \$7,981,937, and there remains to be collected \$3,609,021.32.

Though Sheriff Hurlburt is well satisfied with the showing made this year, it is slightly below that for 1915, when 57 per cent of the total assessment had been collected by March 31. The heavy collections last year were due to pending legislation, which made interest assessments uncertain and frightened taxpayers into getting taxes paid before the law was passed. All taxpayers who have not paid their first installments are now charged 1 per cent a month interest for the delay, beginning with April 5. The second installments become delinquent in October, and in November the entire amount is delinquent if not paid, and a 5 per cent penalty is attached.

Packard
"TWIN-SIX"
\$2900-\$3300
F.O.B. PORTLAND

Fact No. 38
Your family is safest in the Packard. The bridge builder's factor of safety is built into every part.
FRANK C. RIGGS COMPANY
Corner Road, 2nd and Washington Sts.

MEN! COME IN AND SAMPLE OUR INVITING MENU FOR EASTER WEEK—NINTH FLOOR

MAIL ORDERS

Are Filled the Same Day They Are Received

—Fresh Spring stocks of up-to-date, ready-to-wear apparel, shoes, gloves, millinery, underwear, etc., to draw on.

Meier & Frank Co.
Established 1857
THE QUALITY STORE OF PORTLAND
Fifth, Sixth, Morrison, Alder Sts.

PERRIN'S GLOVES

For Women—Sold Here Exclusively

—Perrin's, the world-famous Gloves, with a dash and style all their own. Best French skins, perfect workmanship, up-to-date styles in

Perrin's Short Gloves—\$1.50, \$1.75, \$2, \$2.25, \$2.50.
Perrin's Long Gloves—\$3.50, \$4.00, \$5.00 and \$5.50.
—Glove Shop, Main Floor.

2 Big Easter Sales in Our Men's Shops!

MEN'S HAT SHOP

A Tremendous Purchase and Sale 1200

Men's New HATS

For Easter and Everyday Wear

ALL smart, new, soft felt hats—right up-to-the-minute styles—regular Alpine shape and "Trooper" flat brim. It was a master stroke of business to secure such a quantity to sell at such a price. It will be a sale of such magnitude as to make hat history in Portland.

\$1.50

As Good as Any \$2 Hat in Town

—We might truthfully go further and say "better than most \$2 hats." This big purchase was contracted for before the shortage of good hatting materials became acute. Our specifications rigidly called for fast dyes and workmanship as good as we would look for in \$2 hats. We're satisfied and so will you be. The colors are pearl gray, dark gray in several shades, blue, black and green.

—Come in today and look over this greatest assortment of hats at \$1.50 ever offered by this or any other store. —Main Floor, Morrison

MEN'S FURNISHINGS SHOP

Men's \$1.00 and \$1.50 Fine

SILK HOSE

69c

Mostly "Onyx" Make. Some Are "Mill Run."

JUST unpacked and placed on sale today for the first time. We couldn't have better timed the arrival of this great special purchase—hundreds of Portland men will snap them up for Easter wear.

—All full-fashioned silk hose, with double sole, toe and high-spliced silk heel. They will look and wear quite as well as if you paid \$1 and \$1.50 for them. All desirable colors, navy, tan, gray, suede, champagne, Palm Beach, green, white and black.

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Some Interesting Easter Arrivals in

Veils and Veiling

—That "peachy" plum shade that is so becoming, and lovely new taupe veils are among the newcomers. Soft hairline meshes with ramage design and delicate applique or hand-run borders. New fancy turban veils with daintily spangled edge. In black and all new shades. From \$1 to \$2.50.

—Veiling in black, white, rose, green, magpie, plum—yard \$5-\$1.25.

—Main Floor, Fifth Street.

APPAREL SHOP

For Easter Parties and House Wear We Have

Frisly New Net Dresses

\$10.00 to \$39.50

Two Styles Illustrated

THE dress at the left is a charming combination of ecru net and lace with pastel green taffeta. Little bits of frilled net on underskirt, at wrist and around collar, add to its fluffiness. The outstanding green knee-deep flounce is picot edged, \$39.50.

—The little dress at right is delightfully simple and would be especially pretty for a slight, immature figure. The three outstanding flounces of the skirt are satin ribbon edged and trimmed and the waist is quite simply made with round frill at neck and elbow puff sleeves. Very new and youthful and only \$10.

—There are nets and voiles and organdies made in scores of smart styles, some trimmed with touches of satin ribbon or flowers, others with lace and embroidery, while many are practically untrimmed. Sizes 16 to 44.

—Apparel Shop, Fourth Floor.

For Little Men From 2 to 10

Easter Wash Togs

—The suit illustrated—at \$2.50—comes in all seasonable fabrics—Palmer Cloth, Galatea, Devonshire, Linens and Repps.

—Tans, grays, blues and white in striking blazer stripes, many with colored belt, collar and cuffs.

Others \$1 to \$7.50.

—Sole Agents "Sampack" Suits and "Kaynee" Wash Togs.

—Third Floor, Fifth Street.

For Your Easter Table—A Large Showing of

Easter Silverware

Rogers "1847," "Community" and Other Famous Brands

—Choose your Easter silver from our complete assortments of finest quality silverware. Buy by the half dozen, dozen or complete sets in handsome cabinets.

Rogers 1847	"Community"
Medium Knives, hollow handle, dozen \$12.50.	Medium Knives, hollow handle, dozen \$12.00.
Medium Forks, hollow handle, dozen \$12.50.	Medium Forks, hollow handle, dozen \$12.00.
Dessert Knives, hollow handle, dozen \$12.00.	Dessert Knives, hollow handle, dozen \$11.60.
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Medium Knives, solid handle, dozen \$5.40.	Medium Knives, solid handle, dozen \$5.50.
Medium Forks, solid handle, dozen \$8.00.	Medium Forks, solid handle, dozen \$8.60.
Table and Soup Spoons, solid handle, dozen \$8.00.	Table and Round-bowl Spoons, dozen \$8.60.
Dessert Spoons, solid handle, dozen \$7.50.	Dessert Spoons, solid handle, dozen \$8.00.
Teaspoons, solid handle, the dozen \$4.00.	Teaspoons, priced at, the dozen \$4.30.
Salad Forks, solid handle, dozen \$8.50.	Salad Forks, solid handle, the dozen \$8.50.

Easter Gift Suggestions

Handsome 26-piece Set Community Silver in mahogany case \$24.95.

Beautiful 42-piece Set "World Brand" Silver in case \$35.75

—Silverware Shop, Main Floor.

MEN'S CLOTHING SHOP

"Easter Special" for Young Men

High School Suits \$15

—English style, with patch pockets, one-button coats and new "Belter" models. Sizes 32 to 36.

—Third Floor

—Blue Serge Suits for Confirmation, \$15.

New Easter FICTION 50c

—New arrivals in good, popular-priced reading:

"The Laughing Cavalier," by Baroness Orczy.

"The League of the Leopard," by Harold Bindloss.

"The Intriguers," by Harold Bindloss.

"The People's Man," by E. Phillips Oppenheim.

"Ariadne of Allen Water," by Sidney McCall, author of "Truth Dexter."

"The Story of Marco," by Eleanor H. Porter.

"The Girl Who Lived in the Woods," by Marjorie Benton Cooke.

"The Rocks of Valpre," by Ethel M. Dell.

—Bookstore, Basement, Balcony.

Sale of Spring and Summer Weight Underwear for Women and Children

Children's, Misses' Munsing Union Suits 65c 2 to 10-yr. sizes 50c; 75c 11 to 13, 60c	Children's Rubens Union Suits 2 to 12-year sizes at 75c
—Soft-finish cotton, light weight. All styles, drop seat.	—Medium-weight cotton, regulation Rubens style cut.
Women's Union Suits 65c Regular Sizes, 55c 75c Extra Sizes, \$1.15	Women's Union Suits \$1.25 Regular Sizes, 98c \$1.50 Extra Sizes, \$1.15
—"Munsing" garments, fine light-weight cotton, shell finish. Low neck, no sleeves, tight and loose shell-trimmed knees.	—"Harvard Mills" brand, high-grade, elastic tuck-stitched lisle. Perfect fitting garments, in all desired Summer styles.
Women's Union Suits \$1 Regular Sizes, 79c \$1.25 Extra Sizes, 87c	Women's Union Suits \$1.25 Regular Sizes, 95c \$1.50 Extra Sizes, \$1.20
—"Munsing" make. Light-weight lisle, an excellent Summer garment. All styles, shell-finished yokes and knees.	—"Athena"—the well-liked make. Extra fine knit cotton, light Summer weight. Comes in all the Summer styles.
Women's Separate Garments 65c Regular Sizes, 55c 75c Extra Sizes at 65c	Women's Union Suits \$1.50 Regular Sizes, \$1.20 \$1.75 Extra Sizes at \$1.57
—Fine lisle Summer-weight undergarments. Vests in variety Summer styles, pants knee or ankle lengths.	—"Athena" make. Extra fine light-weight lisle. Mercerized taped yokes, low neck, sleeveless and tight knee.

—Main Floor, Sixth Street.

IT BEGAN YESTERDAY—OUR ANNUAL SALE OF PAINTS, BRUSHES, ETC.—BUY NOW—BASEMENT