

DAILY PROJECT NOT TO GO ON BALLOT

Even Mr. Bigelow Deserts Former Ally and Action Is Decided by 4 to 1.

SUBJECT FULLY DISCUSSED

Mayor Also Rebukes Candidate for Desiring Directing Vote After Having Reputed Electors' Instructions Repeatedly.

Even Commissioner Bigelow who consistently has backed Commissioner Daly, deserted him at yesterday's Council meeting and voted to turn down the latest move of Mr. Daly to make a municipal electric light plant an issue at the city election June 4.

Mr. Bigelow declared that while he would favor a municipal electric light plant if it was certain in advanced it would be a financial and physical success, he did not believe the proposal of Mr. Daly would be the best of the municipal plant question.

The Council rejected Mr. Daly's proposal for a \$1,777,000 bond issue for a power plant on Bull Run River. The reason for this action was a report of an expert selected by Mr. Daly and appointed by the Council that the \$1,777,000 estimate was about 100 per cent too low.

When Mr. Daly presented his proposal to the Council he was asked forthwith: "You want the voters to act on this indefinite proposition first and then vote again when something definite is devised?"

"Yes," said Mr. Daly, "the vote now would be for the guidance of the Council in the future."

"There is no evidence that the will of the people would be carried out," said Mayor Albee. "We have had a vote on questions before and it never came to have much weight with the Council."

Mr. Albee referred to the votes against water meters and the subsequent continued installation of meters; the vote for regulation of jitneys and the subsequent action on Mr. Daly's part and the vote on the detention home for women and the subsequent rejection of the plan by the Council.

"This proposal," said Mr. Daly, "is as definite as it can be made. If it is approved by the voters we can go ahead and devise definite plans."

"You already have submitted a definite plan," retorted Mayor Albee. "We all know the result."

"I have shown that what I say can be done," declared Mr. Daly. "And you say it can't," replied the Mayor.

"This last proposal I have offered," said Mr. Daly, "would put up the clear issue without any conflicting reports or estimates."

"Yes," said the Mayor, "but the conflicting reports and estimates are there just the same and they would figure in the campaign."

"Personally," said Commissioner Dick, "I do not think the voters will vote intelligently on a question like this. If you had a definite proposition that is not an experiment, I'd vote for it."

"Well," said Mayor Albee, "there is a lot more I could say on this subject, but under the circumstances I think I shouldn't say them. However, past experience has shown that a vote by the people doesn't mean much with some of the members of the Council."

"Personally," said Commissioner Bigelow, "I believe the conflicting reports now before the public would kill the measure if it got on the ballot. I am in favor of going ahead with the plan we decided on a few days ago of making investigations at Bull Run Lake and then bringing up the plant question with something definite for the voters to act on."

"It seems to me," said the Mayor, "that when we authorized a few days ago the construction of a dam at the lake for experimental purposes, we were going ahead in the right direction. I can see no good reason for any vote before we find out what has been done. The voters will be able to vote intelligently then, and not blindly, on something neither they nor anybody else knows anything about."

At this point the two questions were brought up and Mr. Daly voted alone for both.

SOCIETY NEWS

BY CECILIA P. CORBETT

CHARMING YOUNG MATRON WHO WILL ACCOMPANY HER HUSBAND TO SAN FRANCISCO THIS MORNING, THE LATTER TO ENTER THE OFFICERS' TRAINING CAMP.



MRS. PAUL CHURCH GIESY.

TODAY Miss Genevieve Brooke will be the guest of honor for an informal bridge-tes for which Mrs. John S. Napier will be hostess at her attractive home at Riverwood Station.

The guests will be the younger girls. Miss Claire Wilcox will entertain with a dinner tonight in honor of her house guest, Miss Gene Peters, of Seattle, who arrived this week for a visit in Portland.

Mrs. Emil Enns, wife of Dr. Enns, the well-known pianist, is recovering slowly from an operation resulting from burns. She is at St. Vincent's Hospital, and the skin-grafting operation is proving successful.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Foley are being showered with congratulations upon the arrival of a daughter, born Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Long are en route to Juneau, Alaska, to pass the Summer. Mr. Long is president of Holmes Business College and is taking a vacation. He hopes to start a cannery in Juneau and will return in the fall to resume his duties at the college.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Church Giesy will leave this morning for San Francisco, the former to take up the intensive training at the officers' reserve corps camp. Mrs. Giesy will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Edmondson, of Oakland, for two or three months. She is popular in Portland society and her return will be the source of much pleasure to her friends and relatives here.

At the residence of the officiating clergyman, Rev. W. C. Kantner, 339 Colonial avenue, Walter Scott Weaver and Miss Leo M. Haacks were married in the presence of a few intimate friends on Thursday at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. A. Bettman and Miss Josephine Oppenheimer, of Olympia, are visiting Mrs. B. Waldman, of 415 Yamhill street.

Much interest centers in the approaching visit of Ian Hay (Captain Bith), well-known author of the "First Hundred Thousand," who will arrive in Portland toward the end of the month to speak at the Hallig Theater on Thursday, May 24, for the benefit of the American Red Cross under the auspices of the Junior League. The committee working hard to make this event a big success is: Mrs. Henry Ladd Corbett, chairman; Miss Corneilia Cook, Miss Irene Daly, Miss Isabella Clark, Mrs. A. D. Norris and the enthusiastic active members of the league. Various committees are being selected, who will shortly start on a broad and aggressive campaign.

Mrs. John William Watson was hostess for a very elegant dinner party Wednesday night in honor of George L. Koehn. Mr. Koehn left for San Francisco to join the officers' reserve corps training camp at the Presidio.

Mrs. Reed McBride will entertain today for Miss Jean Landroval, a bride-elect, with a luncheon. The guests will number about 15 of the younger set, and at the close of luncheon a few young matrons will join the party.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Brockman are being showered with flowers and congratulatory messages upon the arrival of a daughter, born Friday. The young miss has been christened Wanda Zerilda.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Schultz have returned to their home in Irvington after spending the Winter in California. They shipped their car last October to San Francisco and motored from there through the southern part of the state.

Bishop Sumner will be the guest today at a breakfast to be given by the Z. A. O. sorority girls at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Kiger, of Corvallis.

School Otto Wedemeyer will sing. Mrs. Clara Waldo, regent of O. A. C. will speak. Mrs. Waldo is a member of the board of several women's organizations.

WOODBURN, Or., May 11.—Mrs. Charles H. Castner, of Hood River, president of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, was a visitor to the clubwomen of Woodburn last Tuesday afternoon. A special meeting was called at the home of Mrs. F. W. Settlemier, where Mrs. Castner addressed the members of the Woodburn Woman's Club on "Appreciation of the Clubwoman." While here Mrs. Castner was the house guest of Mrs. F. W. Settlemier and entertained at a luncheon given in her honor by Mrs. J. W. Moore, president of the Woodburn Woman's Club, to which representative clubwomen were invited. Mrs. Castner left here Wednesday to address the clubwomen of Aurora.

The regular Corps meeting of Summer Relief Corps will be held tonight at 8 o'clock in the rooms at the Courthouse. On Wednesday evening, May 16, a silver tea will be given at the home of Mrs. E. H. Horton, 1621 East Eighteenth street. Refreshments will be served and programme given.

A programme will be given today at 2:30 o'clock in the theater at Broadway and Nineteenth street for the benefit of the Woodburn Musical Club. As there are to be several children's theater parties, appropriate films and numbers will be attractions. Among the patronesses will be Mrs. J. T. Newton, Mrs. Lee Arnett, Mrs. G. J. Frankel, Mrs. J. Thomas Leonard, Mrs. Lambert A. Beard, Mrs. Glenn Foulkes, Mrs. Philip Blunt, Mrs. F. W. Lewis, Mrs. Harry C. Burton, Mrs. Ella B. Jones, Mrs. Donald Allison, Miss Ella Anderson, Mrs. Emily Beckman, Mrs. John J. Koegel, Mrs. Edwin T. Carswell, Mrs. George Hotchkiss Street, Mrs. Harvey Altnow, Mrs. Mark Colby, Mrs. C. S. Campbell, Mrs. Charles G. Arnold, Mrs. Charles J. Cross, Mrs. Frances Moreland Harvey, Mrs. Edward Saunders, Mrs. Tracey R. Grove, Mrs. Edith A. Egan, Mrs. Edna E. Egan, Mrs. L. H. Hansen, Mrs. E. T. Deeming, Mrs. W. B. Hare, Mrs. P. H. Green, Mrs. E. K. Hurst, Mrs. O. G. Hughton and Mrs. J. W. Sadler.

It is suggested that we cannot raise too many beans, as they are used by the armies all over the world. The price will be high during the war and there will be used an amount more than double that used in normal times. Although the season is more than 30 days late for some vegetables, it is advised that people be not in a hurry to plant, but to wait until the ground dries, for if planted while it is wet and sticky it will be cloddy for the rest of the year.

I would like to add to the suggestive remarks above made that it is to the interests of those who are cultivating vacant lots to have them producing as long as possible during the growing season, so that there may be a constant source of supply of vegetables, beginning with the early maturing crops.

It is not sufficient, in my estimation, that the vacant lot be devoted to a crop like potatoes, which will not produce anything until the latter part of the season. The fall and winter crops must be handled for such a crop as horse cultivating distances.

Rather it is better to plant a good variety of vegetables which will mature possible to turn the ground over two or three times with profit. In some cases lots may be taken over for cultivating in addition to the home garden area, in which case it would seem good business that the potato be planted.

At the business of those who have their vacant home lot to plant in that ground the variety of vegetables that they are going to need and consume in the future. This does not mean that an intricate number of vegetables need be planted, but the list should cover the important crops, which, if not planted, are ordinarily purchased for the table.—Professor A. G. B. Bonquet, head of vegetable gardening at the Oregon Agricultural College.

Excess of Amusement. "The movies" are blamed for eyestrain as well as for emotional overstrain. Of 1400 high school young people in certain parts of the country, the movies twice a week, one in 14 more than twice a week. One in 20 attend an average of two theater parties a week, a few go to an average of two parties a week. Those who indulge one form of excitement to excess are likely to engage also in another.

Who can doubt that a large proportion of the retardation in school is due to needless fatigue? There is at least one child in every county where one child in seven is retarded four years behind his age. In another city one out of six is three years behind his fellows. Think what this means—maladjustment, in discouragement, in dropping out of school altogether.

Wholesome Living Pays. On the other side is a chart that shows the comparative success of school of pupils who have quiet evenings of study at home. The figures are for a term of 100 pupils. The pupils were of the 10th and 11th grades. Hours a week of home study. 0.4 17.20 Percentage falling one or more times 56.0 Every day 300,000 pupils are absent from the schools of Pennsylvania alone. The number attending daily in the urban schools of the state is 82 out of 100. The cost of the state school system is over \$100,000,000 a year.

There is a loss greater than that of money in the loss of human life. In these days, when we are appreciating as never before the value in human wealth of our youth, and when we set up a reasonable regimen to stop preventable losses in their daily living?

LABORER'S FALL IS FATAL Lumber Yard Worker Dies While Being Rushed to Hospital.

John Wink, employed by the Smith Bros. Lumber Company at Battle-ground, Wash., died yesterday while being rushed to the Wood Samaritan hospital after falling from a scaffold. He fell 30 feet, sustaining internal injuries. He was carried for four and a half miles by stretcher by other employees of the mill. He was hurried to the train and died while in the ambulance en route to the hospital.

Central Oregon to Help Y. M. C. A. BEND, Or., May 11.—(Special).—Rallies will be held on Sunday evening in all three Central Oregon counties for the purpose of raising money for the Y. M. C. A. work in the Army and Navy.

ROBBINS GETS CHANCE Jitney Driver Must Report Daily to Municipal Judge.

Frank Robbins, jitney driver, who was put out of business by the City Council yesterday, made a solemn pledge not to drink any more and agreed to report daily to Municipal Judge Stevenson.

Robbins' license was revoked after he had twice been convicted of drunkenness, once while driving his jitney and yesterday morning he was given a 30-day sentence by Municipal Judge Stevenson.

Because he had had too many pairs of trousers in his possession Ed Jones, colored, was arrested several days ago and taken to police headquarters. He is said to have passed 17 pairs of trousers at one time. He said they were poker

RINGS CAUSE MAN'S ARREST Colored Man Sent to Jail for Having Too Many Trousers.

James Walker carried with him a stamp that made an 18-karat gold ring out of brass. He sold the rings for a song, but police officers arrested him and had the occasion of the spelling contest finals, and will receive their diplomas from State Superintendent Churchill.

LOW ROUND-TRIP FARES On Sale May 16-19, Inc. Return Limit May 21.

My house-warming Chocolate Cake (Report No. 8) By the one who made it

This happened on my first day back at housekeeping. On the table I had a can of Cottolene, looking just like an advertisement which read: "Use Cottolene." And that's what I was preparing to do. We were going to have a "house-warming" chocolate cake!

Cottolene "Makes Good Cooking Better" At grocers in tins of convenient sizes

SPELLING BEES OPEN Multnomah County Schools to Hold Epochal Bouts. NEW METHOD TO BE USED

Yesterday the schools of Multnomah County, with the exception of those in Portland, tested preliminary strength for an epochal spelling bout—which will differ vastly from the olden "spelling bees" as a novel tactic of today compare to John Paul Jones' career.

Weatherly ICE CREAM In almost every block.

GASTON STARTS ACTION Suit Would Restrain T. W. Thompson From Operating Mill Race.

How Life Begins' Filmed Early Beginnings of Plants and Animals Are Pictured.

CRESCENT BAKING POWDER The perfect dough raiser—costs half the price of the high-priced cream of tartar kind and raises the dough better.

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NINTH ANNUAL Strawberry Carnival and PATRIOTIC CELEBRATION at Roseburg, Oregon MAY 17, 18 AND 19, 1917.

PROGRAMME Community Concerts, Patriotic Songs, Four Bands. May 17. Crowning of Queen—Parade—Queen's Ball. May 18. Children's Parade, Eugenic Contest, Dance. May 19.

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SOUTHERN PACIFIC LINES

OREGON FOOD CAMPAIGN (OFFICIAL) H. E. Davis, of Gresham, a well-known farmer in Western Oregon, having been asked his opinion concerning the planting of a city lot to the greatest efficiency, makes some pertinent suggestions. He says: Farmer Offers Advice. Among other things it is advised that every one is using the planting of potatoes, which is a mistake for the city lot man, who is planting more potatoes than they have ever planted before, with the same amount of seed that is used in normal years. On city lots and smaller pieces of ground it would be better to divide the ground into the following suggestive plantings: One-fourth to sweet corn—varieties, Golden Bantam, Portlands Market, Howling Mob. One-fourth to beans—varieties, Davis Wax, Kentucky Wonder, Heritage for canning; Boston Pea Bean, Red Mexican, Lady Washington.

Swimmers want bodily freedom. Jantzen elastic rib stitch bathing suits give that freedom. They wear well, are comfortable and durable. Portland Knitting Company

debts collected while he was working in a section gang in Idaho Falls. Communication with that place failed to furnish any corroboration of Jones' statements and he was given 60 days by Judge Stevenson.

The local contests, which begin the process of selection, were held yesterday in all Multnomah County schools, among students of the seventh and eighth grades. When the results are known each school will select three champions to meet in the community contests which are to be held May 13.

Groups Will Be Arranged. The community spelling contest will be arranged in the following groups: First, districts 31, 51, 13 and 62; second, 9, 27, 42, 22, 62, 67 and 14; third, 34, 15, 44, 24 and 28; fourth, 17, 7, 14, 23, 32, 24 and 8; fifth, 40, 28, 3 and 27; sixth, 29, 15, 4, 3, 21 and 45; seventh, 19, 48, 15, 61, 25, 18 and 26; eighth, 48, 25, 35, 41 and 39; ninth, 48, 24, 50, 4 and 42.

Representatives from each district in group one will meet at District 32, Maplewood; from group two at District 14, Fairvale; from group three, District 33, Holbrook; from group 4, District 3, Roseburg; from group five, District 27, Rockwood; from group six, District 45, Gilbert; from group seven, District 18, Powell Valley; from group eight, District 39, Corbett; from group nine, District 42, Bridal Veil.

The last bout of the spelling series, when the various champions of county contest will engage in the final, in Portland Public Library on the afternoon of Saturday, May 26.

Two winners from each community contest will engage in the final. In case of a tie the contestants will resort to one to be come to it—to the old-fashioned "spelling bee" method, and continue until one is "spelled down."

The winner of the Multnomah County schools spelling contest will receive a group gold watch donated to the educational cause by Isaac Staples, prominent Portland jeweler.

W. C. Alderson, County Superintendent of Schools, announces that graduates from the eighth grade, examines for which will be held on May 17 and 18, also will be present at Library Hall on the occasion of the spelling contest finals, and will receive their diplomas from State Superintendent Churchill.

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