

LIKE SIDE SHOW IS REGISTRATION DESK

Courthouse Scene Better Than
Vaudeville and Women
Play Big Part.

END IS TOMORROW NIGHT

Business of Making First Time
Voters Out of Thousands of Port-
land's Fairer Sex Is Fraught
With Human Interest.

"Right this way to the registration booths, ladies."
"Are you a Progressive?"
"Did you register as a Republican?"
"Will you sign this petition for Mr. Working Man's Friend?"
"Please sign this petition for Skookum's nomination."
These and many other questions and statements, and the hurrying and skurrying of women and men, the steady grind of work by the clerks and the constant flow of humanity, makes a lively time at the Multnomah County Courthouse, where thousands of Portland's fair women are registering, preparatory to the discharging of the great American duty—that of voting.

No livelier place is to be seen in the whole city than at the registration booths and none is more interesting. It is worth while for any one to go there just to note the expressions on the faces of the women, young, middle-aged and old, who, for the first time in the history of this commonwealth, are there to register and get ready for their first ballot-casting experience.

Scene Is Good "Side Show."
Political activity of the shrewdest sort, combined with the strong inclination of every man and woman to have a part in affairs of the public, is bringing to this spot thousands of Portland women, as well as men. To the men the experience is not new, for it has been their privilege for long to have the deciding voice in all public matters, but to the women—well, it is absolutely new and novel and, in many instances, positively thrilling.

As good as the best vaudeville show or the latest photo-play, and as fascinating as any attraction ever hooked, is the scene at the registration booths, on the Fifth-street side of the big county building, where a constant string of men and women, mostly the latter, is pouring through the doors at one end, affixing their signatures to the books in the booths and again emerging to go back to their homes.

One could stand for hours at a time any day between now and the close of the registration books, tomorrow night at 9 o'clock, and be deeply interested by the coming and going of those who have been enfranchised and who, for the first time in their lives, are getting ready to cast their vote and thus have a part in the city's affairs.

First Test Comes May 2.
The city will hold its primary nominating election May 2. Many thousands of women will, for the first time in municipal history here, go to the polls and cast their ballot. What their vote will mean, not even the cleverest politician can foretell. They all hope the women will be attracted to their particular view, but not one of them can forecast the outcome. Generally speaking, it is believed by all that the vote of the women will be cast for betterment along all lines; for the candidates they deem best qualified for holding public office, regardless of politics and regardless of friendships, but who will get their votes, is a question that none has the temerity to predict.

Even the proposed commission charter's fate hangs in the hands of Portland's women. How will they vote on this? Many a man who has ambitions to serve under this charter is asking this question. None can answer it, and not until election day is over will any one be able to answer it. The women it has been shown clearly by their expressions at various meetings, are studying the questions of the day, and will be prepared to cast their vote according to the dictates of their conscience. Who will be lifted along on the tide of their approval or who will be dashed to pieces on the rock of their disapproval, time alone will tell.

Precedents Are Shattered.
Many precedents are being shattered and new and novel things are being introduced in this, the first campaign in which the women of the city are so strikingly a factor.

At the Courthouse one is impressed with the situation as one cannot be elsewhere, for there one sees and realizes that there is "something doing" in the world of politics. Women are even working with petitions for candidates; women are serving behind the counter on the registration books, and in booking their sisters, are showing great ability; the women feel at home as they enter the booths and see women there to assist them in registering. Announcing their political affiliations, declaring their occupations and signing the big books which will make it possible for them to vote in their precincts on election day, to be a companion of the festive petition-worker, and back to their homes in the quiet of the suburban sections, is an experience never to be forgotten.

HUNDREDS OF WOMEN HAVE BEEN HURRYING TO THE COURTHOUSE TO REGISTER FOR THE COMING ELECTIONS.



CHARTER HOLDING STAGE

DISCUSSION OF CHANGE PRO-
POSED MAY CONTINUE.

Debate Scheduled for Tuesday Night
With Gay Lombard Speaking for
Opposing Forces.

Holding the center of the stage in the local political campaign, is the proposed commission charter. With the attacks made upon some of its features during last week, the struggle for supremacy between partisan candidates for office took second place, at least temporarily. It now appears certain that this document will continue to get the spotlight to a large extent until the date of the primaries, May 2, when its fate is to be settled by the electorate.

Among several meetings that are being arranged for the purpose of throwing light on the proposed charter, and in an unbiased manner as possible, is one which will be held in the auditorium of the Y. M. C. A. Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

Gay Lombard, who attacked the charter in two vital places, will be the speaker and will talk along the line of the opposition to this particular charter. Who will take the defensive side is as yet unsettled.

This meeting is to be held under the auspices of the Women's Federated Club of the city, and will be presided over by Mrs. Sarah A. Evans, president of the State Federation. No admission is to be charged and no collection will be taken, it is announced by the women, as they are interested solely in getting out a larger number of men and women to hear facts about the proposed charter.



SCENES SHOWING MEMBERS OF PORTLAND'S FAIR SEX, RECENTLY ENFRANCHISED, AND A FEW MERE MEN, PAVING THE WAY TO VOTE.

EARLY CLOSING URGED

SHORTER HOURS IN STORES ON
SATURDAY LEAGUE'S AIM.

Department Establishments Also
Asked to Give Employees Half-
Holiday During Summer.

Mrs. Henry Russell Talbot, president of the Consumers' League, yesterday made public a letter addressed to the leading department stores of the city. This letter is written on behalf of the Consumers' League and requests that the department stores close on Saturday nights at the same hour as on other days of the week and also that a half-holiday each week be given their employees during July and August.

"This letter, I am glad to say," said Mrs. Talbot, "was sent at the suggestion of certain of our leading firms and the Consumers' League is hopeful of securing unanimous action."

The letter and the agreement which the department stores are asked to sign follow:
"Gentlemen: Believing that the welfare of our women workers should be one of the first considerations of the Consumers' League, the executive board at a special meeting held on April 12 adopted a resolution to present the following petition to the firms mentioned below:
"While commending, with earnest congratulations, the step recently taken by your firms in the matter of shorter hours and higher wages, we would petition for a still further extension of your welfare policy on behalf of your employees. We would ask your firm to place in operation the plan followed by first-class firms in many of our large cities, of closing the stores on Saturday nights at the same hour as on other days of the week during the year, and also of giving the employees a half-holiday during the months of July and August."
"We are especially gratified that this plan has been suggested by some of the firms directly affected, and trust

that your firm will sign the following agreement:
"We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to close our stores each Saturday night at the same hour as on other days of the week during the year, and to grant half-holiday each week during the months of July and August, providing unanimous action be taken by the following leading department stores:
"LIPMAN, WOLFE & CO.
"OLDS, WORTMAN & KING.
"MEIER & FRANK CO.
"ROBERTS BROTHERS.
"HOLTZ BROS."

SCANDINAVIANS WILL MEET

Arrangements to Be Made to Support
Christian Conference.

Scandinavian folk of Portland will hold a mass meeting this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the Swedish tabernacle, at Seventeenth and Glisan streets, to indorse and lend their support to the world's Christian citizenship conference which will be held in Portland, June 29 to July 6.

Bishop Bang, of Norway, has accepted an invitation to come to the conference as a representative of the Scandinavian countries and will be one of the most prominent churchmen on the programme. The people of his country, in Portland, are accordingly planning to make especial preparation for that occasion.

CITY CANDIDATES NOW NUMBER 40

Four Days Remain for Filing
Requisite Notice and Ac-
companying Petition.

FIVE SEEKING MAYORALTY

Incumbents Have No Opposition Yet
for Offices of Treasurer and At-
torney, but Councilmanic
Aspirants Numerous.

Forty candidates have filed their declarations of intention to seek nominations at the primary election May 3 according to the list given out yesterday by City Auditor Barbur at the close of business.

Four days remain in which to file the notices and petitions, the time limit being next Thursday at 5 o'clock, P. M.

So far there are five candidates for Mayor; one for City Attorney; two for City Auditor; one for City Treasurer; six for Municipal Judge; eight for Councilman-at-large; three for Councilman from the Second Ward; two for Councilman from the Third Ward; three for Councilman from the Fifth Ward; three for Councilman from the Ninth Ward and six for Councilman from the Tenth Ward. Of the number, seven are present incumbents.

Candidates Names Given.
The candidates in the race to date are:
Mayor—A. G. Rushlight, Republican (incumbent); Gay Lombard, Republican; H. E. Albee, Progressive; Dan Kellaher, Progressive; James Maguire, Republican.

City Attorney—Frank S. Grant, Republican (incumbent).
City Auditor—A. L. Barbur, Republican (incumbent); Dudley R. Clarke, Republican.
City Treasurer—William M. Adams, Republican (incumbent).
Municipal Judge—A. W. Parsheley, Republican; W. C. Campbell, Republican; W. A. Burke, Republican; George A. Johnston, Republican; Fred L. Olsen, Republican; Lon L. Parker, Progressive.

Councilman-at-large—Marie L. T. Hadden, Progressive; Rosalie Goulding, Democrat; Ralph C. Clyde, Republican; (incumbent); Sam Wagner, Republican; K. K. Kubli, Republican; E. H. Langford, Republican; Charles N. Ryan, Republican; L. Victoria Hampton, Republican.

Councilman Second Ward—Monte Mayer, Republican; T. O. Daly, Republican; C. O. Siglin, Republican.
Councilman Third Ward—G. D. Dunning, Republican (incumbent); E. J. Rathbun, Republican.
Councilman Fifth Ward—Thomas L. Garlani, Republican; Lloyd R. Smith, Republican; George B. Thomas, Republican.
Councilman Ninth Ward—R. E. Menefee, Republican (incumbent); M. J. Heiser, Republican; R. E. Lucas, Progressive.
Councilman Tenth Ward—Harold C. Scharff, Republican; Herbert Kukuk, Republican; Fred W. Latham, Republican; L. D. Mahone, Republican; Charles H. Beard, Progressive; C. L. Daggett, Democrat.

Recent Filings Made.
City Attorney Grant, candidate for re-election yesterday filed his petition to place his name on the ballot at the primary election May 3. He has 500 names, all of which were secured in two days. The petitions of F. L. Olson, candidate for Municipal Judge and William M. Adams, candidate for re-election for City Treasurer, also filed their petitions yesterday.

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over the city. Mr. Clarke and his friends are getting out among the voters and are telling them what Mr. Clarke will do in case he is elected Auditor.

STUDENTS ATTACK PRICES

California Fraternities Start Co-
operative System of Buying.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, Berkeley, April 12.—(Special.)—The fraternities and house clubs of the University of California believe they have solved the high cost of living. They have started a co-operative buying system by which all will enjoy the wholesale price of edibles. Judging from the noise which the smaller grocers about Berkeley are already making, it promises to be a success.

The clubs have appointed L. T. Wilkins as community buyer. He gets the orders from the various managers and they are all given to one grocery which can afford to make handsome reduc-

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