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R. W. WEIL CHOSEN AS CHAMBER PREXY

McPheeters, Christiansen and Lamkin Are Elected

MOORE TO BE SECRETARY

Members Express Hope for a Greater Effort in Civic Work in Future

R. W. Weil, prominent merchant, was unanimously elected president of the Hillsboro chamber of commerce at the annual meeting in the chamber rooms Thursday night.

L. T. McPheeters, a member of the board of directors continuously for six years, was the unanimous choice of the members for vice-president.

Members expressed the hope for greater effort in chamber of commerce work on the part of all the business men. That the heartiest support should be given local business houses and industries was the expressed sentiment of all who spoke.

Ed L. Moore, who was secretary of the chamber in 1923 and part of 1924, was named secretary by the board of directors Monday night.

LOAN ASSOCIATION DECLARES DIVIDEND

Influx of New People Declared Factor in Development of County

The board of directors of the Washington Savings & Loan association, Hillsboro, met this week and declared the regular semi-annual dividend of seven per cent.

In his report to the board, J. M. Person, general manager, recited figures to show that the period just closed was by far the most successful yet experienced.

John R. Bailey, Buxton Farmer, Says Hard Work and Thrift Are Necessary to Success in Farming

John R. Bailey, now of Buxton, had come to Hillsboro in 1881 instead of going to Juneau, Alaska, he could have bought a donation land claim and still had a great deal left over with the money he lost in Alaskan gold mining speculation.

Retailer Heads Commercial Group



R. W. Weil of Weil's Department Store advanced to position of president of Hillsboro chamber of commerce.

Jersey Breeders in Annual Meet at Forest Grove

Washington county will enter the Oregon Jersey Jubilee this year and provide some form of entertainment, according to a decision reached at the annual meeting of the Washington County Jersey Cattle club at Forest Grove last Thursday.

The entertainment will probably be in the form of a large picnic at one of the leading farms. Mrs. George Biersdorf, Mrs. J. J. VanKleeck and Tom Williams were appointed on a committee to make arrangements.

The absolute necessity of continuing the tuberculosis eradication work in this county was discussed. George Biersdorf, Tom Williams and W. T. Putnam were appointed to see what could be done.

G. D. Lilly was elected president, Mrs. George Biersdorf is the new vice-president and W. T. Putnam, Jr., was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Five Men Fined on Gambling Charges

Five men, charged with gambling in a barber shop at Tigard last October, changed their plea to one of not guilty and were Tuesday fined \$1,000 each and paroled on payment of \$50 each.

Orders were given in the following cases: Erla Hall vs. Carl Brostrom et al; S. S. Kingery vs. Red Rock Dairy; Bank of California vs. William Knipp et ux; M. M. Stout and C. Freeman vs. J. W. Connell and Florence H. Smith vs. Fred M. Smith.

PATRIOTIC GROUP INSTALLS LEADERS

Charles Jones to Command Hillsboro Post No. 6

HONOR PAST COMMANDER

Joint Ceremonies Held Tuesday by American Legion and its Auxiliary

Hillsboro Post No. 6, American Legion, and the Ladies' Auxiliary held joint installation at the Veterans hall Tuesday night. Charles Jones, county engineer and roadmaster, was installed as post commander and Mrs. E. C. McKinney as president of the Auxiliary.

The meeting was opened with the singing of "America," with Mrs. Dinmore at the piano.

Other Legion officers installed included: Glen Powers, first vice-commander; William Dierdorff, second vice-commander; Ivan Freeman, adjutant; Fred Engeldinger, chaplain; Sam Nelson, sergeant-at-arms; L. J. Merrill, finance officer.

The Legionnaires presented W. V. McKinney, commander in 1925 and 1926, with a past commander's jewel, Commander Jones making the presentation speech.

Mrs. Oswald Deming of St. Helens, executive committee woman for District No. 1, installed the officers of the Auxiliary, assisted by Past President, Mrs. Elmer Williams, as sergeant-at-arms. The following officers were installed: Mrs. Emma McKinney, president; Mrs. A. H. Busch, first vice-president; Mrs. B. M. Goodman, second vice-president; Mrs. Alvin Hoffman, secretary; Mrs. C. E. Deichman, treasurer; Mrs. A. W. Walker, chaplain; Mrs. T. Charless, historian; Mrs. Robert Cull, assistant secretary, and Mrs. S. L. Nelson, sergeant-at-arms.

Mrs. Deming gave a short talk on the work of the Auxiliary and urged that members of the Legion and Auxiliary visit the Veterans' hospital as often as possible. Keith Busch gave a recitation. Mrs. Gerald Barr sang several delightful solos, accompanied by Miss Helen Gunton at the piano, and Miss Vera May Walker gave several graceful dances, accompanied by Miss Virginia Wight at the piano. Owing to illness, several numbers of the program had to be omitted. Singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" closed the program. The remainder of the evening was spent in playing cards, Mrs. Elmer Williams and Albert Krahmer winning high scores, with Mrs. B. M. Goodman and Fred Dion receiving consolation. Refreshments were served at the close of the evening.

Local Lodges to Hold Joint Installation Here

Montezuma Odd Fellow Lodge and the Hillsboro Rebekahs are holding a joint installation of officers tonight. There are a large number of I. O. O. F. activities planned within the next few days.

Saturday night the Hillsboro Encampment branch is holding a special meeting to give the Royal Purple degree to fourteen candidates. Gold-Rule Encampment of Portland is coming out to put on the work. The camp will also install its officers at this meeting.

Tuesday night the Rebekahs are holding a special meeting. The president of the State Rebekah Assembly is making an official visit.

Local Car Dealer Returns from East

R. C. Busch of the Cady Motor company returned Monday night from a ten-day eastern trip, which included the meeting of 6,000 Dodge Brothers dealers from all parts of the United States and Canada on Thursday and Friday of last week.

The dealers from the Coast spread the gospel of the West on their eastern visit, according to Mr. Busch. The Seattle district, of which Hillsboro is a part, was pretty much on the map back there. Mr. Busch said that business was humming in the East, but that he preferred Oregon.

Cold weather was encountered in Montana and Dakota, but weather conditions were good in Detroit.

Lest You Forget! Send Copy Early

The necessary repair parts for the big newspaper press will not be here for installation until the last part of January and it will be necessary to have the presswork handled in Portland and part in Forest Grove until February 1, according to present plans.

Announce Officers and Directors of New Bank

Officers of the newly merged Commercial National Bank were elected at a stockholders banquet at the Methodist church Tuesday night. Members of the board of directors were named as follows: Glenn Stapleton, chairman; Edward Schulmerich, E. I. Kurath, William C. Christensen, Lester Ireland, M. P. Cady and B. E. Maling.

Edward Schulmerich is the new president and the other officers are as follows: Glenn T. Stapleton, first vice-president, E. I. Kurath, second vice-president; William C. Christensen, cashier, and James A. Wood and F. J. Sewell, assistant cashiers.

ROAD HOUSE CLOSING CAUSES A STIR

Those Who Would Reopen Inn Draw Fire at Beaverton

SHERIFF REEVES UPHELD

More Than 300 Sign Petition to Uphold Law Enforcement by Sheriff

The closing of the Silver Star Inn at Beaverton on a court injunction by Sheriff J. E. Reeves December 30 has caused quite a stir in the neighboring city, if the number of petitions in the hands of county authorities is any indication. The order was issued in a suit instituted by the state against B. Perlmano et al for the abatement of a nuisance.

The first petition, which asks that B. Perlmano be given another chance to operate the inn, drew editorial fire from the Beaverton paper and the Beaverton churches as well as a large share of the citizens. The names of many prominent Beaverton residents are listed on the first petition. It is understood that the many signers would be very glad to have their names off the petitions now.

The heading to the first petition reads as follows: "The undersigned, being residents of Beaverton, do hereby represent that in our opinion B. Perlmano has properly conducted the Silver Star Inn at Beaverton and we request that he be permitted to continue the conduct of his business." The petition contained about 125 names.

A remonstrance to this petition was filed with county officials later and contains the names of more than 300 signers, about a dozen of whom signed the first petition. They ask that their names be taken off the other list.

The heading to the remonstrance, which was addressed to Sheriff J. E. Reeves, reads as follows: "We, the undersigned, understand that a petition has been circulated in Beaverton, which reflects upon your action in closing the Silver Star Inn. We believe you would not have taken this action without just cause; we believe that on your part you were enforcing the law as you considered it, your duty to do; we believe that you were right in your action and we hereby express our confidence in you and we believe your action should stand unchallenged until such time as a thorough investigation is made."

Suffers Broken Leg Dexter Sain of Scoggins Valley suffered a fractured leg Monday when the motorcycle on which he was riding collided with a county grader. George Barrett, who was riding on the back of the cycle, suffered bruises. He was brought to Hillsboro and taken care of by Dr. Smith.

HILLSBORO, BANKS GRANGES INSTALL

Woodworth is Grange Head for the Fourth Time

DAUCHY HEAD AT BANKS

Resolution is Passed Opposing the Act of the League of Oregon Cities

The Hillsboro and Banks subordinate Granges, the oldest and the youngest in the county, held installation at the Grange hall here Saturday. C. W. Craft, Pomona master, was installing officer. George L. Woodworth, for the fourth time, was installed as master of the Hillsboro Grange and Herman B. Dauchy of Banks.

Officers installed in the local Grange were as follows: C. H. Himes, Overseer; R. Hornecker, Lecturer; C. R. LaPollette, Steward; B. L. Adams, assistant Steward; Etta Cook, lady assistant Steward; Mary Patton, Chaplain; G. C. Chase, Treasurer; Mrs. G. C. Chase, Secretary; John Nelson, Gatekeeper; H. J. Hess, Ceres; Lottie Hall, Pomona, and Mrs. W. M. Smith, Flora.

The Banks Grange installations were as follows: S. C. Inley, Overseer; Clara Hutchins, Treasurer; W. C. Severence, Chaplain; Delbert Hutchins, Gatekeeper; Dwight Sellers, Steward; W. T. Sellers, Lecturer; Lela Lang, Flora; Alta Carstens, Ceres; Nettie McGraw, Pomona; William Kelly, assistant Steward; Mrs. Grace Kelly, lady assistant Steward, and Mary Bovee, Secretary.

A resolution was passed opposing the action of the League of Oregon City to have a percentage of the Automobile license fees and gasoline tax moneys diverted from the county road fund to take care of the highways running through the cities. The counties are now getting 25 per cent and the highway department 75 per cent, while the cities get nothing.

A city official pointed out later that taxes now levied in Hillsboro brought approximately \$13,000 for road work and that of that sum, \$10,000 went to the county and \$3,000 to the city. On top of this the cities receive no direct benefit from this in the way of roads.

Eleven candidates were given the third and fourth degrees by the Grange here Saturday. There were about 30 visitors from other Granges.

The play announced for January 21 has been postponed on account of sickness, and a pie social has been planned for that evening. Master George Woodworth was made chairman of a special committee to prepare plans for a new building. Others on the committee include William Schulmerich, C. H. Himes, R. Hornecker, H. R. Chantler, Dan Burkhalter and E. B. Watts.

Farmers' Mutual Shows Healthy Increase in Year

The forty-fourth annual meeting of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance association was held at the chamber of commerce rooms Monday afternoon. A Bender was elected a director for a period of five years and J. J. Wismer was named auditor for two years. W. F. Haase is president of the association, Alfred Guerber is vice-president, Erwin Ritter, secretary, and Fred Berger and Peter Grossen, directors.

The total amount of insurance in force is \$3,097,053. The net gain in insurance for the year is \$181,040. The cost of losses per thousand for the year was \$1.35 and the cost of operation for a thousand was 76 cents. This makes the cost \$2.11. The average cost for the last 22 years per thousand has been \$2.02.

Hanel New Chief Fire Department

The selection of J. J. Hanel by the firemen as chief of the fire department was confirmed by Mayor M. P. Cady at a special meeting of the city council Monday night. Benton Bowman was appointed city attorney and Dr. J. B. Dinmore was named health officer by the mayor. The refunding of \$13,500 worth of 6 per cent park bonds is provided for in an ordinance passed by the council. This will effect a saving for the city.

Scholls People to be Hosts Friday at Get-Together

A large delegation of Hillsboro businessmen and their ladies will journey to Scholls tomorrow night (Friday) to be guests of the people of that community. All who are planning to go will meet at the chamber of commerce at 6:15 and go out in a group, according to plans. The caravan will leave here promptly at 6:15.

The community gathering is being handled from the Hillsboro side by the community relations committee, headed by Dr. Lamkin. It is not known just what the program will consist of, but it is understood that some pertinent talks and community singing will be lined up. Representatives from other chambers of commerce in the county will also be guests at Scholls, charge of arrangements at Scholls, charge of arrangements at Scholls, is expecting about a hundred from Hillsboro.

NEW OFFICERS ARE LUNCHEON GUESTS

Co-Operation of All Business Men in Work Urged by Chamber Heads

The new officers of the chamber of commerce were in charge of the forum luncheon of the chamber at the Methodist church Monday noon. The new officers and the holdover members of the board discussed the activities of the organization and asked for the co-operation of all business men. The ladies of the church served.

A desire to accomplish many things for the benefit of the city was expressed by the new president, R. W. Weil. He explained that the chamber of commerce was not a one-man proposition, but that it is necessary for all to co-operate if the year is to be successful. Mr. Weil said that community relations would be stressed and that the present officers and board would endeavor to give the very best of service.

L. T. McPheeters, newly elected vice-president, and W. C. Christiansen, re-elected treasurer, pleaded for the aid of all in putting the chamber of commerce over. Dr. Robb, a holdover member of the board, declared that things here were at a turning point and that everything points to bigger and better times ahead. He advocates the improvement of Hillsboro to make it a better place in which to live, the creation of new payrolls as well as the inclusion of farmers in the organization.

The chamber of commerce is oft times criticized, but, W. V. McKinney, holdover director, pointed out that the kickers were usually those who failed to take a part or come to meetings. He advocated a definite working program for the chamber to work toward. A tightening up on the endorsement plan was advocated by the speaker. He urged the chamber to get behind the cemetery association to have the grounds kept up attractively.

Would Split Fund Going to County

The League of Oregon Cities went on record Tuesday at Salem as favoring a division of the automobile license fees and gasoline tax money. The counties now get 25 per cent, the state highway commission getting 75 per cent and the cities or incorporated towns nothing. Because of the large percentage of this burden being on the city residents and because it is necessary for the city to maintain the highways through their streets, the league favors diverting 20 per cent of the total amount received by the counties to the cities to help maintain the highway through the city limits.

Councilman C. E. Wells and City Manager C. G. Reiter represented Hillsboro at the meeting.

Man Who Saw Lincoln Shot, Dies

A. O. Hershey, who lives in the Pleasant View district on Pumpkin Ridge, received a telegram on New Year's Day conveying the sad news of the death of his father, W. H. Hershey, of Dayton, Ind. Mr. Hershey had made several visits to the Coast. He was a Civil war veteran and one of the two or three surviving soldiers that was in the theatre the night Lincoln was assassinated.

STATE LEGISLATURE IN ACTION MONDAY

Taxes, Irrigation and Myriad Other Subjects Are up

CURRENT DEFICIT WORRY

Further Land Taxes to be Opposed by Those From Farm Counties

Legislative News Will Run in Argus

Salem, Oregon, Jan. 10—(Special)—A news bureau to handle matters coming up during the session of the state legislature is being established by the Oregon State Editorial association, with a clientele comprising leading newspapers all over the state, and including the Hillsboro Argus.

A. C. Gage, veteran newspaper man and publisher of the Angora Journal, has been secured to head the bureau, and he is established at headquarters in the rotunda of the state capitol. Mr. Gage will have the assistance of a staff of trained news writers, and it is the intention of the bureau to write news of more local and community interest concerning the activities of representatives and senators for their home town newspapers.

This activity is an original venture with the editorial association, and from early indications it will prove of great value to the state.

(Oregon State Editorial Association. Special Correspondence.)

Salem, Jan. 11—Much is rightfully expected from the session of the Oregon legislature, which opened Monday and got into action this morning. Indeed there is much to be done. Taxes, irrigation and myriad other subjects are up. But trenchment will meet opposition. Growth of Oregon is increasing faster than machinery of the state can take care of it. Legislators urge that to restrict activities will tend to stop present growth in population and development.

Many measures are in prospect, both to amend old laws and pass new to keep Oregon on a cash basis. Taxes on intangibles and a corporation and business excess tax have been outlined. There are other measures in prospect that will not only result in savings on funds gained by direct taxation, but will expedite legislative and administrative business.

Unfortunately, Speaker John Carlin's excellent plan for short-cuts and savings in legislative procedure by properly preparing bills before printing, thus avoiding re-printing several times the same bill, was found impossible because of change in clerks and limited time. It developed on convening of the house of representatives that Clerk Drager was on hand to superintend the opening work. But it was not deemed advisable to try the revised system with new and perhaps inexperienced men in the clerkships.

Along these same lines, it is stated, measures will be introduced to avoid large expense in adding to the state printing department. Counting plant cost, building equipment and installation of machinery, the state printing costs more, it is contended, than if done by established firms throughout Oregon.

Another subject that may be expected to have attention is the voter's pamphlet. Likewise the measures pamphlet. These are issued by the state at considerable outlay and are of slight value to voters, it is declared. Also the candidates' statement, arguments for and against—all which are given more completely in newspaper reports, by radio and in public addresses. These are all items of state expense which might be eliminated.

It is not proposed to do away with the state printing plant, but to confine its work to those branches of government and state institutions maintained by general taxation. Fee-collecting agencies or branches of state activities, board, commissions, examiners, etc., would buy their own printing and pay for it from funds collected. In this way, it is estimated, considerable sums would be saved to the state.

Tithing, a plan attempted at the last election, whereby one-tenth of fees collected by state boards and commissioners were to be turned into the state treasury, was another

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