

State Capitol News Letter

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"True Progressives" Set to Nominate Peter Zimmerman

SALEM—The stage seems to be all set for the nomination of Peter Zimmerman of Yamhill county as an independent candidate for governor. Zimmerman's formal nomination will probably be made at a convention to be held in Salem in the house of representatives at 10:30 a. m. Monday and attended by 100 or more hand-picked delegates as will be about 200 delegates to the meeting of the meeting was made Tuesday by Morton Tompkins of Yamhill county, following a meeting of a few of the faithful.

Plans for nomination of the independent candidate were completed at a meeting held Sunday at the home of Mrs. Zimmerman, attended by some 50 "true progressives," including followers of Rufus Holman, Sam Brown and A. Willis Mahoney in the recent primary campaign. Only one other name, it is understood, was presented to the "true progressive" committee, that of C. M. Thomas, public utilities commissioner, who, however, has definitely declined to consider the proposal that he lead the independent forces this fall.

An analysis of the reactions of the various political groups to the entry of an independent candidate into the field is interesting. Followers of Joe Dunne, republican nominee, insist that it will insure the election of their candidate, while the democrats are just as insistent that an independent candidate will bring about the defeat of Dunne and the election of General Martin. The "true progressives" however are confident of the success of their cause and the election of their candidate over the candidates of the two major political parties. It is believed that an independent candidate can depend upon the support of those who voted for Brown, Holman and Mahoney in the primaries he will have a total of more than 90,000 votes to start with or 900 more than the total vote for Dunne, McAlexander and Loneragan, assuming that all of this following can be relied upon by the republican nominee.

All of these assumptions, of course, must be taken with several grains of salt. It is hardly to be expected that any independent candidate could hold the entire following of the three "progressive" candidates. On the other hand it is just as ridiculous to suppose that all of the McAlexander and Loneragan votes in the primary election will swing to Dunne in the general election. Any such assumption fails to take into consideration the democratic candidate, General Martin, who received a total of only 46,372 votes in the primary, must attract thousands of additional votes to his standard if he is to make any showing at all in the fall contest and there are plenty of political prognosticators who insist that Martin will not only make a splendid showing next November but that his election as governor is as good as in the bag.

Now there are only two sources from which Martin can draw any additional support. One of these is from the ranks of the "true progressive" votes in the primary election and republican parties. The other source is from the followers of McAlexander and Loneragan. Lacking this additional support Martin is as good as out of the running before he starts. Receiving it he must pull heavily from the following of one or both of the other candidates. Which, it must be admitted, presents an interesting problem in algebra. The answer to which can only be found in the returns as they come in following the close of the polls at the November election.

If, as seems to be the case, the game commission is unable to meet its contribution to the state police for enforcement of the game law, enforcement will follow the old game warden system? This question is raised by revelation of the fact that the game commission is now some \$40,000 behind on its contributions to the state police.

The legislature of 1933 fixed the game commission's annual operating state police support at \$244,337 for the current biennium. Records of the game commission as published in its biennial report for 1929-30 show that for the two-year period ending September 30, 1929, enforcement of the game laws cost a total of \$304,523.70. This expenditure, which is \$60,186 in excess of the current assessment, was for salaries and expenses of regular and special wardens, patrol of the Willamette river and launch expense, all of which are now taken care of by the state police. The arrearage in the game commission's contribution to the state police is not a new condition by any means. Records of the state department show that it has been over since the first of the present biennium, fluctuating between a low of \$19,516 at the end of May, 1933, to a peak of \$55,140 at the end of March this year. State department statisticians are of the opinion that summer and fall revenues of the commission from fishing and hunting licenses will provide for the payment of most, if not all, of the current assessment.

Corporation Commissioner Carey warns shareholders in Oregon building and loan and savings and loan associations against signing away their interest in these associations to solicitors who are now active throughout the state with promises of speedy settlement. Commissioner Carey points out that these associations, now in the hands of the corporation department, are undergoing liquidation and that no distribution of the assets will be possible until after the liquidation has

Pet Parade Planned for Happy Days

Prizes Totalling \$15 to be Awarded to Winners in Children's Event

Grocer Picnic Set

Queen Race Interest High; Park Being Prepared

Details of the pet parade to be conducted July 1 at Shute park in connection with the "Happy Days" celebration were perfected Monday night by a committee from the local Business and Professional Women's club, sponsoring organization of the parade. Prizes totalling \$15 will be awarded to winners in the 12 divisions planned and each child entering the parade with a pet will be given a free ride on the "merry-go-round."

The parade is planned for 2 p. m. on the opening day of the celebration and children will register at the park from 11 a. m. to 1 p. m. Divisions and prizes planned are: Most unusual pet, 75 and 25 cents; best decorated vehicle with pet, two divisions, one for girls and one for boys, \$1 and 50 cents; largest family of pets, including mother, \$1 and 50 cents; best costumed dog, \$1 and 50 cents; best characterization of well-known character with pet, two divisions, one for girls and one for boys, \$1 and 50 cents; most comical pet, two divisions, one for girls and one for boys, 75 and 25 cents; largest pet, 75 and 25 cents; smallest pet, 75 and 25 cents; and best performing pet, 75 and 25 cents.

Members of committee in charge are Mrs. Marie Hoffman, Mrs. Zola Morgan and Mrs. Helen Stenke. Preparations for the twenty-eighth annual "Happy Days" Fourth of July celebration, to be held at the local Shute park July 1, 2, 3 and 4, are rapidly rounding into shape this week in anticipation of one of the most interesting and interesting events ever sponsored here. County-wide interest in the queen contest continues to mount as the time approaches for the selection of a ruler from among the now 25 candidates. A large crew of men is engaged in clearing and putting in the first class shape for the convenience and comfort of the anticipated crowds.

The celebration will open Saturday night, June 30, at 8:30 o'clock (Continued on page 1, column 2)

Soldiers Find Jumpy Horses

Camp Clatsop, June 18—Editor of the Argus—Camp is half over already. This seems to be as far as I can get, having put away a generous portion of chow and feeling somewhat tired and sleepy after a fairly active day. And tomorrow is another long day, being the day we are out having a field problem.

We have breakfast at 6 a. m. and march at 7 a. m. We will have dinner in the field providing the chow wagon doesn't get lost. No doubt there would be plenty of willing searchers about noon, as the exercise and fresh air makes the boys quite eager to don the nose-bag.

All the men are well and going strong. There is the usual amount of horse-play, such as having some of the recruits stand "Taps" in them after rifle reports, and inviting them for a swim in the motor pool. The latter place is the area where the trucks are parked and is quite devoid of swimming facilities.

The boys are just returning from the show, larger new building. (Continued on page 1, column 6)

Plowing Weevil Infested Fields Advised to Cut Loss Next Year

Damage from weevil can be greatly lessened in pea fields next year if those fields that were in peas or other crops that were infested or thoroughly disked. Loss of pods from the vines during the harvesting process was rather heavy and in some fields where there are lying on the ground checks made during the past week indicate that probably 25 per cent of the peas in these pods carry weevil.

Later in the season these little grubs all hatch out into adults. The adult weevil fly around more or less through the summer and hibernate for the winter in the soil and on the bark of trees. Every uncarved for pea patch is a source of infestation for next year for a distance of probably two miles around, according to A. O. Larson, entomologist of the United States department of Agriculture, who was in the county this week.

Plowing these fields now will bury most of this stuff on the ground and in their present stage of development the weevil will not survive. Disking would also benefit and will probably eliminate a part of the weevil, but would not be as effective as the plowing.

Wide differences are apparent in the amount of pods that were left on the ground in different fields. In some instances the loss seems excessive.

Measurement of land on those farms in Washington county under wheat allotment contracts began Tuesday morning with one crew in

Heads Board



M. P. Cady, who was elected chairman of the local district number 7 school board Monday night after the annual election.

Bank Opened at Beaverton

State Bank Department Has Restricted Accounts

First Security bank a new banking institution, was opened Monday morning in the south room of the Beaverton bank building. Earl Bowman, formerly with the Commercial National bank of Hillsboro and more recently vice-president of the Citizens bank of Sherwood, will be cashier.

All unrestricted deposits of the Bank of Beaverton have been assumed by the new institution. Beaverton has been restricted in its banking facilities for 15 months.

A statement issued by the new concern, says in part: "When it became apparent that re-organization efforts of the Bank of Beaverton was not going to succeed, the management of the Gaston State bank was approached regarding the possibility of moving that institution to Beaverton. This bank has been successfully operated in the southwestern part of Washington county for 25 years, and has been under its present management for the past 12 years. That it has successfully weathered the recent business depression is evidence of the safety and conservatism of the management."

Restricted accounts of the Bank of Beaverton were placed in the hands of the state superintendent of banks Saturday afternoon for liquidation with J. L. Searcy, deputy superintendent of banks, in charge. Claims for depositors will be mailed out as soon as prepared, according to Searcy.

Liquidation of the assets of the Shute Savings bank of Hillsboro will still be under the direction of Searcy and a schedule will be announced later as to office hours at Beaverton and Hillsboro. Many liquidations in the state are being handled under the plan whereby one deputy handles more than one liquidation. This method results in greater economy in liquidations, Searcy pointed out.

District Wheat Meetings Planned

Community district wheat meetings will be held in Washington county next week for the purpose of electing directors and community committees for the year beginning July 1, 1934.

Complete schedules for these meetings is as follows: Sherwood, school gymnasium, Friday, June 22, 8 p. m.; Aloha, Monday, June 25, 8 p. m.; West Union school, Tuesday, June 26, 8 p. m.; Forest Grove Chamber of Commerce, Thursday, June 28, 8 p. m.; Laurel community hall, Friday, June 29, 8 p. m.

Two Fires Reported During Past Week

Fire in the sawdust conveyor of the mill operated by the Glenwood Lumber company at Midway resulted in a call to the local fire department this morning at 4:45 a. m. The blaze was brought under control before the fire equipment arrived.

Alarm for a grass fire back of the S. W. Melhuus shop on Washington street was turned in Sunday afternoon. No damage was done.

Dr. Talbert Re-elected
Dr. J. R. Talbert was elected school director at Beaverton for a three-year term, while Mrs. John Haulenbeck was re-elected clerk.

Cady Heads Local Grade School Body

Wiley and Russell Elected as Directors at Annual District Ballot

Hilhi Vote Monday

Bailey Conceded Election to Non-High Area Board

Richard E. Wiley and Carl Russell were elected members of district 7 school board for terms of three years Monday afternoon during the annual election at the David Hill school, replacing R. Frank Peters, former chairman, and L. T. McPheeters, both of whom have served two terms. Hillsboro union high school meeting and annual election is set for next Monday at 2 p. m. with P. L. Brown of Laurel as candidate for re-election.

Only 37 votes were cast in the local elementary school election and rumors of contemplated "dark horse" candidates proved unfounded. Both Wiley and Russell received 34 votes each and the name of McPheeters, one of the retiring members of the board was written in once.

Following the canvass of votes, the board was organized for the coming year with M. P. Cady as chairman and Harry Morgan as clerk. The latter starting his eleventh year of service as district clerk. A. J. Hartman and Russell were appointed to the buildings and grounds committee in order to obtain immediate action on the SERA proposal which the district is preparing to submit to the county committee. Members of other committees will be appointed later.

Annual report of the clerk showing total disbursements as \$46,429.23 and a reduction in the warranted indebtedness of the district from \$15,242.49 to \$9350 was adopted. Details of the disbursements was as follows: General control \$2106.72, instruction-supervision \$1955, instruction-teaching \$16,271.74, operation of plant \$3966.09, maintenance and repair \$2114.04, transportation of pupils \$2449.36, total charges \$893,345.84, \$16,334.85 and emergency fund \$347.84.

Receipts totaling \$46,485.46 reported for the year were: Cash on hand at first of school year \$77.18, special district tax \$19,578.23, county school fund \$10,219.07, elementary school fund \$5550.84, state school fund \$1232, other sources \$478.14 and outstanding warrants \$9350. A balance of cash on hand at the end of the year of \$46.23 was shown.

Assessed valuation of district 7 is \$2,327,000, according to Morgan's report. Census of the district shows (Continued on page 10, column 5)

Peters Elected Senior Warden

R. Frank Peters was elected senior grand warden of the Oregon Masonic Grand Lodge, Thursday evening at the Masonic temple in Portland. J. H. Murtter was appointed district deputy grand master. Hillsboro members who attended the entire session were J. E. Burton, Alf O. Johnson, R. H. Kelly, and Mr. Peters.

The banquet Wednesday evening at the Portland temple was attended by the above mentioned officers and E. W. Plapp, Harry Morgan, J. L. Auld, Carl Russell, and Earl Hobbs.

Approximately 44 per cent of the taxes due this year have been paid to date, according to a report this morning by Miss Gladys Eisner, deputy in charge of collections. The 1933 tax roll totals \$983,315.91 and collections amounting to \$432,878.72 have been made. The latter figure contains approximately \$8400 in rebates.

Delinquencies on the 1932 tax rolls now amount to 31.6 per cent, approximately \$50,000 have been paid in during the last three months. Miss Eisner reported. The levy totaled \$980,773.75 and \$656,085.16 has been paid.

Green Mountain Grange Honored

Second prize in the grange efficiency contest was awarded to Green Mountain Grange of Buxton at the Thursday afternoon session of state grange at Roseburg. Green Mountain had a rating of 146 per cent as against 221 per cent for Medical Springs Grange of Union county.

Jennie B. Hayes of Sherwood Grange was one of 10 to receive golden sheaf certificates for 50-years service in the grange.

A resolution submitted by Washington County Pomona Grange and approved by the convention called on Oregon's senators and representatives to seek immediate enactment of a bill which would require the federal government to develop its own banks and abolish the Federal Reserve bank system.

Mrs. Edith Tozier Weathered, Maraca county and formerly of Hillsboro, was named state chaplain.

Two Playground Programs Here Started Monday

Supervised recreation programs at the David Hill and Peter Boscow schools for local children up to high school age were officially opened Monday afternoon under the direction of two playground directors. The playgrounds will be open Monday, Thursday and Friday each week from 1:30 p. m. until 4:30 p. m. and all local children are invited to take part in the activities.

The two directors, Miss Mariys Hefner and Miss Shirlee Smith, both of Hillsboro, are being provided under the SERA program, according to Mrs. P. A. Patterson, general chairman. Equipment for games has already been provided and a total of \$233.25 has been raised for the purchase of playground equipment. This sum, with the \$290 to be given by the school, contributions promised by firms which must confer with head offices, and money expected from organizations and individuals not yet contacted, is believed to be ample to provide the necessary equipment. The apparatus will be installed and ready for use in about four weeks after the order has been placed.

Members of the committee which attended the playground openings were R. Frank Peters, president of the board; Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. C. H. Nosler, elementary school superintendent; Mr. and Mrs. Nye O. Bristol, Mrs. R. Frank Peters, Mrs. P. A. Anderson and Mrs. W. C. Christenson. The "official baseball team" for the exercises consisted of Mrs. Patterson, umpire; Nosler, pitcher; Peters, catcher and Bristol, batter. Bud Person acted as bugler.

Junior high school children living south of Baseline streets are asked to attend the David Hill playground rather than concentrating at the Peter Boscow school. The committee in charge emphasizes the fact that all children under high school age are welcomed.

The following is the list of persons and firms contributing to the (Continued on page 10, column 4)

Pioneer Meet Slated Sunday

Native Sons and Daughters of County Plan Picnic

Annual reunion and picnic of the Washington County Pioneers and Native Sons and Daughters association will be held at Shute park, Hillsboro, Sunday. Picnic dinner will be served at 12:30, the committee furnishing coffee and cream, guests to bring well filled baskets.

Informal talks will be given around the table by various guests. Fred E. Corns will be the speaker. Formal exercises will open at 2 p. m. Principal address will be by Professor Robert H. Down, principal Franklin high school, Portland, an authority on Oregon history. H. C. Lister of Vancouver, Wash., school teacher at Banks and other western Washington county centers in the early seventies, will speak together with several others. Short talks will be given by a number of the oldtimers.

Musie will be furnished by the Laurel-School orchestra. A vocal solo will be given by W. C. Belknap of Portland.

All who are interested in the traditions of "Old Oregon" are invited and a very pleasant reunion of old friends is anticipated by the association. Officers of the association are: Fred E. Corns, president; L. E. Wilkes, vice-president, and Mrs. E. C. McKinney, secretary-treasurer.

County Fair Dates Slated

Dates for the 1934 Washington county fair were set as August 30, 31 and September 1 by members of the county fair board who met Wednesday evening at the local chamber of commerce. The last fair was held in 1931.

Revenues received from the state from horse and dog racing make it possible to conduct a county fair this year after two years' lapse. Donald T. Templeton, county judge, explained. The fair will be held at the Shute park.

Wednesday Court Day Court House

Wednesday has been set aside as court day by the county court for considerable time and Judge Donald T. Templeton asks the Argus to call on to the attention of the public. He says:

"Anyone wishing to see all members of the county court may do so by visiting the court on Wednesday of each week which is the regular court day. Many people have considerable distance to see the members of the court only to find that they are absent from the office, and to accommodate the people the court has established the practice of having all three members in the office all-day on Wednesday of each week."

Mrs. Dennis to Serve Out Husband's Term

Mrs. Esther Dennis, widow of the late Justice of the Peace John Dennis of Torrance, Cal., and formerly of Hillsboro, will serve the unexpired term of her husband in the Lonita township justice court at Torrance, by appointment of the board of supervisors. Mrs. Dennis' term will expire December 31, 1934, and it is stated that she will not be a candidate for re-election. The former Hillsboro woman is the first woman justice to serve in Los Angeles county.

Local Body Opens Study for Canning

County Relief Group Starts Investigation Portable Kitchen This Area

Salem Set-up Visited

Several SERA Projects to be Submitted This Week

Inquiry into the possibility of obtaining a portable canning kitchen for Washington county where families might can their own garden produce under the direction of trained experts was started this week by members of the county relief committee as a phase of the rehabilitation program. W. J. Mills, county SERA manager, W. H. Hamilton, executive secretary, and Leon Davis, personnel manager, investigated the kitchen now operating at Salem and the proposed plant at Albany Tuesday and submitted information obtained to the county court.

Under the Marion county plan, which proved highly successful last summer, needy persons may come to the kitchen with their produce and can it under expert supervision. All clients assigned to a particular day co-operate in the work. Cans used and sugar for fruits up to 50 cents per individual are furnished by the government. An additional portion of each client's produce is canned and retained by the cannery for use of the plant and is used for direct relief purposes. The cannery is mounted on a trailer and moved to various communities.

Total of 97,800 cans of produce were packed under this plan last summer in Marion county and it is anticipated that approximately 300,000 cans will be packed this summer, according to statistics obtained by the county relief committee. Original cost of constructing the cannery was given as \$9788 and the cost of operation for the season as \$1525.26. Valuing the pack at 10 cents per can, the program showed a profit of \$6927.

"We are past the relief stage and are now working toward rehabilitation," declared Davis in commenting on the purpose of the proposed program. He pointed out that a number of Marion county (Continued on page 1, column 4)

New Verdict Measure Acts

First conviction to be returned in Washington county under the new law permitting 10 jurors to return a verdict in a criminal case occurred Tuesday when John Walton of Hillsboro was found guilty on a charge while drunk indictment, the verdict being signed by 11 of the 12 jurors. Charges arose from an accident which occurred in Hillsboro April 14. Members of the jury were Archie F. Campbell, William F. Ziegler, John W. Gibson, George M. Elmore, Craig Condit, Grace L. Busch, Robert H. Kelly, O. B. Bennett, August Kahle, Ed King, W. C. Buchanan and Lola Munkers.

Waltoner was fined \$200 and sentenced to serve 90 days in the county jail when he appeared for sentence Thursday morning. The sentence is to run concurrently with the term he is now serving on an assault and battery charge arising from the same accident.

Sentence of one year in the county jail with provision for parole at the expiration of 60 days was imposed upon Fred Bisner, Treston Howe and Eddie Cummings, all of Portland, Wednesday. The trio pleaded guilty to an information charging a robbery of bronze and brass buildings from the old Wheelwright near Cochran.

Postponed sentence was meted out to Walter Knowles of Portland Wednesday when he waived grand jury indictment and pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny. He was charged with stealing a tent from the Shute park.

Fred Paedersen was ordered discharged in court Saturday when no evidence was found to connect him with the theft of a tent from the Shute park.

Hazeldale District Plans Improvements

Incurring of indebtedness totaling \$1617 for materials to be used in improvement of the Hazeldale elementary school house was authorized Monday evening by voters in the district by a ballot of 28 to 6. Labor for the proposed improvements is to be provided under the county SERA program.

Construction of an additional classroom and a basement under the school is contemplated in the project. The program will give the Hazeldale community a fine school plant for its 40 to 45 pupils who have previously been accommodated in a one-room building, according to O. B. Kraus, county school superintendent.

Grand Officer



R. Frank Peters, prominent Hillsboro attorney, was named senior grand warden of the Oregon-Masonic Grand Lodge in Portland Thursday.

County Herds Take Honors

Freudenthal, Hagg Dairies Rank High in Fat Tests

Washington county dairymen again ranked high in tests conducted by the Yamhill-Washington Herd Improvement association, according to the May report. Ed Freudenthal of Hillsboro had the high fat producing cow for the month, while David Hagg & Sons of Reedville had the high producing herd in the class for more than 20 cows and had high producing cows in the two and four-year-old classes.

The Hagg herd of 45 Jersey cows produced an average of 796 pounds of milk during the month and 42.92 pounds of fat. Honors in the division for herds between 12 and 20 cows went to the Meadowdale farm at Newberg with 19 Jerseys and Holsteins producing an average of 1028 pounds of milk and 47.62 pounds of fat. In the division for herds under 12, Frank Finnicum's herd of eight purebred Jerseys at Dayton produced an average of 1021 pounds of milk and 49.41 pounds of fat.

"Ash 3," owned by Hagg & Sons, placed first in the class for four-year-olds, producing 1233 pounds of milk and 69 pounds of fat. In the two-year-old class, "Bell 14" of the same dairy produced 1078 pounds of milk and 64.6 pounds of fat. High fat producing cow for the month was "Ash 3," owned by Freudenthal herd with a record of 1974 pounds of milk and 83.7 pounds of fat for the month.

Thirty-seven herds were tested during the month with 889 cows enrolled, 103 of which were dry. Total production of milk for the month was 672,796 pounds, of fat 30,203.4. Average production of milk was 756.8 and of fat 33.97. A total of 344 cows produced 40 or more pounds of fat during the month. "Boarders" detected during the month totaled 19.

G. A. R Leaders Entertained Here

Colonel Russell C. Martin of Los Angeles, commander-in-chief, and Darwin B. Woolcott, national adjutant-general of the Grand Army of the Republic, were in Hillsboro Monday as guests of H. V. Gates, commander of the Oregon department. O. B. Gates, son of H. V. Gates, took them on a trip up the Columbia river highway.

All three went to Astoria Monday to attend the Oregon state encampment and from there the three will go to Seattle for the Washington encampment.

Delegates to the state convention of Woman's Relief Corps at Astoria this week are Mrs. Annie Dickson, president, and Mesdames A. M. Carlile, W. Stansell, H. H. Stannard, A. W. Walker and E. J. Peterson.

Mrs. Ora Laws, president, and Miss Junia Johnson went to Astoria Monday as delegates for the state convention of Daughters of Union Veterans, which is being held in conjunction with that of the G. A. R. and W. R. C.

County Delegation Ranks Fourth in Size 4-H Club Summer School

OREGON STATE COLLEGE, Corvallis, June 21—Among the nearly 800 club members and 60 leaders attending the twentieth annual 4-H club summer school on the campus here are 24 boys, 20 girls and two leaders from Washington county, the fourth largest county delegation at summer school. This is the largest club summer school ever held in Oregon.

Ivan Bierly of Beaverton is chairman of the boys' executive committee at summer school, and Donald Jossy, also of Washington county, is one of the five members. The boys at summer school live in the college men's dormitory, and the girls occupy two women's halls, Waldo and Kidder. They spend their mornings attending classes and their afternoons, following the daily assembly, are spent in athletics and other forms of supervised recreation. Their evenings, too, are full with parties, pictures, local talent shows and similar entertainment. A number of new classes have been added this year and are meeting with great favor among the clubbers. Special programs, usually featuring some prominent citizen or citizens of the state as speakers, are

City Water Users Ask Rate Slash

Local Citizens File Protest on Service and Rates of Local Utility Firm

Value Held Excessive

Council Joins in Complaint; Hearing Expected Soon

Complaint protesting against the service rendered and the rates charged by the Oregon-Washington Water Service company in Hillsboro and a petition for relief were filed Saturday with the state public utilities commission over the signatures of 90 local consumers. Hearing on the matter will probably be set in the near future, according to word received by city officials. They requested that water costs be put in line with wages and the cost of other commodities.

That the supply of water provided by the company was insufficient, that rates charged were too high and that the book value of the plant and the operating expense were excessive were principal allegations of the complaint. Pending a valuation of the property of the water company and a thorough investigation of its affairs, the petitioners asked a temporary order and reduction of rates. They requested that water costs be put in line with wages and the cost of other commodities.

Inadequacy of the supply of water at the Sain creek source for the city during dry seasons was alleged in the complaint. It also declared that the intake is not properly patrolled and protected and that the quantity and quality of water supplied is generally unsatisfactory. That "due to inadequate protection and improper operation, large excesses of chlorine have been added to the water at times, making it unpalatable and objectionable for certain industrial uses" was set forth among the specific alleged grievances.

That the condition of the pipe line from the source of supply to the city was such as to make it impossible to provide proper service to consumers was the contention of the complaint. The consumers signing the protest alleged that the pipe line was old, inadequate and subject to heavy leakage. They declared that, in addition to Hillsboro, the water company is attempting to serve several other large cities in Oregon, with the result that the demand is at times in excess of the supply. They asked that the company be restrained from such service detrimental to its (Continued on page 10, column 1)

Carl Broderson Pythian Leader

Carl Broderson, prominent Forest Grove Pythian, was elected grand chancellor of the grand lodge, Knights of Pythias, Monday at the opening session of the 51st annual convention of the order in Portland. He will succeed Warren S. Barnes of Portland.

Harry Wescott of Gaston was named grand prelate.

Charles Walter of North Plains was named grand inner guard.

Mrs. Hazel Hollenbeck of North Plains temple was elected grand secretary. Mrs. Barbara Graves, Portland, was named grand chief. Mrs. E. C. McKinney of Hillsboro was succeeded as supreme representative by Mrs. Rose Farrington of Portland.

Mrs. H. R. Chantler was the only representative of Phoenicia temple, Hillsboro, in attendance at the 39th session of the Oregon Grand Lodge of Pythian Sisters in Portland Monday and Tuesday.

Representatives visited the Pythian home near Vancouver, Wash., Sunday afternoon, where Tacoma temple put on a program. A joint banquet of Knights and Sisters was held Monday evening at the Portland Pythian temple.