

A. M. BEAVER AGAINST BONDS

REAL ESTATE MAN GIVES REASON FOR OPPOSING ISSUE.

WE HAVE BONDS ENOUGH NOW

Present Plan a Success, But Would Not Risk Impairing Water Plant to Improve City Electric Light Plant.

Having read with care what both Mr. Frohbach and Councilman Cunningham have to say on the subject, I am moved to state my position on the question, as it is to be voted on at the coming election.

I am against voting more bonds for the auxiliary lighting plant at this time, for at least two good reasons:

First, because the town is heavily bonded now, every city bond means a mortgage on our property, and the experiment, for that is what I believe it to be, is too expensive for us to indulge in at this time.

Second, I am not in favor of doing anything that will further impair the city's water service, and I have been informed by good authority that the proposition is to take water out of the present main near the lower intake for power to operate the proposed new plant.

The light plant cannot be sold by the mayor and council unless the people at some future election should vote and give them power to sell.

Therefore, I say vote NO on the \$25,000 bonds.

A. M. BEAVER.

SHOULD WORK MORE.

Grand Jury Thinks Officials Should Keep Hours.

On filing their annual report Friday afternoon the grand jury reported to Judge Calkins that they were well satisfied with the way the county poor house and farm has been kept and the neatness of the court house and jail, but they requested that the county officials keep office hours as required by law and to not have more deputies than art actually required.

Do you know there is a fur factory in Ashland? Buy your furs at the factory and save money. We have the largest stock of ready-made furs in Ashland and are selling them at Chicago prices.

COAL FROM SHASTA

Coal From Shasta Valley to be Put on Market in Ashland if Rates Can be Had.

E. M. Ralston of Yreka, one of the directors of the Snowden Coal Company, whose mine is located one mile from Snowden, Cal., was in the city the last of the week interviewing the local dealers with regards to placing their output on the Ashland market.

DO SHOPPING EARLY

Holiday Shoppers Advised to Do Their Shopping Early in Day and Week.

The Tidings wishes to remind the people of Ashland that it is very poor policy to delay Christmas shopping until the very last minute.

Those who wish the best service for themselves and who want to make it as easy as possible for others will try to arrange to do their buying between 9 and 11:30 in the morning and will also do it on other days than Saturdays, leaving these days for the farmers who come to town largely on that day.

Remember that the clerk is a sister or a brother and strive to make the busy season as easy as possible for them.

Banknotes Now Laundered.

The bank note washing machine which has been in operation at Washington for a short time has a capacity of 30,000 to 35,000 pieces in an eight-hour day.

HILLAH TEMPLE ELECTS

Local Shrine Held Election Friday Night, Followed by Social Time and Feed.

Friday evening was regular election at Hillah Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. There was a good attendance of Nobles present and the following officers were elected:

- Illustrious Potentate—E. D. Briggs. Illustrious Chief Rabban—George W. Dunn. Illustrious Assistant Rabban—T. K. Bolton. High Priest and Prophet—H. C. Sparr. Oriental Guide—C. W. Nims. Treasurer—C. H. Vaupel. Recorder—E. A. Sherwin. First Ceremonial Master—W. E. Newcombe. Second Ceremonial Master—H. C. Garnett, Medford. Director—Otto Winter. Marshal—O. J. Stone. Captain of Guard—L. L. Mult. Outer Guard—Alex McCloud. The officers-elect were installed immediately after the election.

W. M. Colvig of Medford was elected representative to the Imperial Council to be held in Dallas, Texas, in May, 1913. E. D. Briggs was endorsed as alternate.

After the business session was completed the ladies were called in and a banquet was served. The menu consisted of roast pig, etcetera. As one member put it, a small piece of roast pig and several etc.teras. A very pleasant time was spent by the Shriners and their ladies, lasting well into the small hours of the morning.

Special Offer.

Send 50 cents in stamps and receive Sunset—the Pacific Monthly for four months, beginning with the January issue, and receive, free, the beautiful Christmas number containing 16 full-page pictures in color. This number alone is well worth the 50 cents. In addition, we will send you, without charge, the famous Sunset Indian poster.

Send your order to Fred Lockley, Northwest Manager, Sunset Magazine, 304 Wells-Fargo building, Portland, Ore. 56-1f

Extra Attraction.

Dreamland Theatre will give away a big turkey Tuesday evening, December 10. Save your coupons. Tuesday and Wednesday the famous Custer guide, Alfred T. Chapman, will lecture and show his famous picture of Custer's Last Charge, besides four reels of pictures. Admission 5 and 10 cents. 56-1t*

Clean-up Sale.

I will sell my dry wood to clean up: Cord wood, \$5.50; block wood, \$2.50; 12-inch block wood, \$2.25. Split wood 25 cents extra. Lay in your supply now. Wood is getting scarce. Wood choppers wanted. Phone 420-J. J. F. Rocho. 54-1f

Cider Delivery.

Powell Bros.' pure apple cider delivered to any part of the city. Phone 130. 50-1f

Do your Xmas shopping early at Enders' and avoid the holiday rush. See our gentlemen's specials.

200 ASHLAND WOMEN FOR SALOONS

ASHLANDER OVERHEARD TO STATE IN NEIGHBORING CITY THAT SUCH WAS THE CASE FOR COMING ELECTION.

The result of the vote in the cities that have already held municipal elections since women were enfranchised shows that the women have been by no means a unit in voting for no saloons. The indications are that the liquor interests, who were more than suspected of having financed the anti-suffrage campaign in Oregon, have been making a gumshoe campaign throughout the state for the double purpose of discrediting woman suffrage in Oregon because of the effects it would have in the battle in other states and for the purpose of taking advantage of the supposed security of temperance under equal suffrage to "put one over" on the temperance people.

An Ashland commercial traveler, who happened to be waiting for a train in a neighboring city one night last week, overheard a couple of women, one of whom is an Ashland resident, talking of the fact that saloons had been recently opened in the city in which they were at that time. The other woman expressed the hope that Ashland would become a wet town. She was informed by the Ashland woman, so the traveling man reported to one of Ashland's leading clergymen, that there were 200 women in Ashland already

pledged in secret to vote for saloons in Ashland at the coming election.

The past history of liquor fights in Ashland and elsewhere lends color of probability to the report, even were it a mere rumor, instead of being authenticated by the word of men whose reputation is unimpeachable.

It is therefore up to the temperance people of Ashland to see that every woman voter in the city who is opposed to the saloons is made to realize the necessity of getting to the polls herself as well as seeing that the male voters of the city do their duty. Should Ashland go wet this year the women will get the blame or credit of it. If they do not want this it is up to them not only to agitate, but to organize. GET OUT THE TEMPERANCE VOTE. Trust in the Lord, but keep your powder dry. The sentiment of Ashland is for no saloons, but if the woman who are influenced by the men who want saloons vote, and the women who do not want saloons stay at home, then the city will very probably go wet. There is no need of extended arguments for or against the saloons. The time for that is past. What the temperance people must do is to get busy. GET OUT THE VOTE.

Use More Care in Sending Christmas Presents.

The postmaster general has issued an order to the public to use more care in addressing Christmas packages. Last year 36,500 packages were missent and went to the dead letter office.

WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THE BOX AS WELL AS ON THE WRAPPER. Santa Claus letters this year will go to charitable institutions. J. R. CASEY, P. M.

We have the greatest line of holiday goods ever shown in this valley at prices that will suit hard times. See our line. Enders & Son.

Veteran of Early Wars With Indians Is Dead.

Medford, Dec. 3.—Solomon Reader, a pioneer of the Rogue river valley and also of the Walla Walla country, died Monday at the age of 85 years. He crossed the plains with an ox team in 1852 and fought in the Indian wars in the government service in 1853 and 1856. After leaving this country in 1859 he returned east, then came west again to Walla Walla, where he lived until a few months ago, when he returned here.

Handkerchiefs! Handkerchiefs! at Ferguson's Bargain Store from 1c to 50c. Nothing nicer to give and nothing more acceptable.

WOULD LIMIT SCOPE OF CAMPAIGN EXPENSES

Senator Clapp Introduces Bill to Prevent Sending Campaign Funds From One State to Another State.

Washington, Dec. 7.—As a result of the senate campaign contribution committee's investigation, Senator Moses E. Clapp of Minnesota, chairman of the committee, introduced in the senate today a drastic bill limiting the use of campaign funds in presidential and congressional elections. It forbids any person, firm, corporation, association, committee or any officer thereof to send moneys from one state to another for the purpose of influencing elections. Such general prohibition, however, is not provided against political committees, the bill specifying: "The national committees of political parties may make payments for ex-

penses of campaign speakers, transportation, hotel bills, expenses for the dissemination of campaign literature and advertising."

Violations of the proposed measure are made punishable by imprisonment of from six months to one year.

Senator Clapp explained that his bill was intended to prevent large sums from being raised in financial centers and sent to distant states for the use of state committees. It would compel the people of each state to finance and independently conduct their own campaigns except that the national committees may furnish speakers and literature.

INSPECTION CAR HERE CITY BASKET BALL

Dr. Petch in Car 112 Has Been Examining Southern Pacific Employees in City.

The Southern Pacific inspection car, in charge of Dr. Petch, one of the officials of the company, was in the city Friday and Saturday examining the employes of the road working in or out of the city. All men employed in the operating department must undergo a physical examination along lines affecting their fitness for duty, seeing and hearing being especially involved. Tests for color blindness are made and the ability to hear is also examined. All agents, conductors, brakemen, engineers and firemen are given this examination and are also questioned as to their knowledge of the rules, their ability to give and understand signals, etc.

W. D. Hodgson, on Scenic Drive, still has that wood lot for sale at a bargain. Road all built and two good camps. All ready for a hustler to get busy. Close to town. Price only \$4,500. Good terms for the 200 acres. 55-2t

Chf Payne makes fire screens.

Team Recently Organized Has First Practice Thursday Evening at the Natatorium.

Indications are that basket ball will be one of the exciting propositions in the city this winter. The city team which recently organized held its first practice Thursday evening at the Natatorium. The boys showed up well and all prophesy a fast team. They will be under the management of Harold Patterson. Those composing the team will be Professor Manion, Harold Patterson, "Blondy" Sayle, Millard Grubb, "Fat" Galbraith, Harry Rice and Melvin Abbott.

Good News.

We have just received a fine lot of ladies' and misses' coats which we bought at a bargain and will sell at special prices, \$10.00 to \$15.00, regular \$15.00 to \$20.00 values. Better hurry if you want one. H. G. Enders & Son.

Know ye, that magazine subscriptions make good Christmas gifts, and send or phone all orders to Melissa Wenner, 272 Maple. Phone 447-J. 55-4t*

WARRANT FOR ELDER

Printer Formerly in Charge of Weed Lookout Wanted for Issuing Bad Checks.

Weed, Nov. 30.—For the arrest of Joseph Elder on a charge of issuing checks when he had no funds in the bank, a warrant has been issued. Elder was last heard of in Grants Pass, Ore., and the warrant has been forwarded to the officers in that city.

Elder, until two or three weeks ago, was in charge of the mechanical department of the Summit Lookout, published in Weed. Dissolute companions were the cause of his downfall and when he left Weed it was found that he had given a large number of orders on the proprietor of the paper when his account had been overdrawn for quite an amount and several checks bearing his signature had been refused payment at the Weed National Bank on the ground that there were no funds. He has left unpaid personal bills amounting to about \$200.

Elder was a caller at the Tidings office while on his way north and was a pleasant appearing and apparently intelligent man.

MORE RAILWAY TALK

Progress on Surveys Between Medford and Coast Reported—Letter From Hill Lines.

Something definite in the way of news regarding the railroad situation in southern Oregon is expected with the return of Dr. J. F. Reddy, who has been in Crescent City for the last week conferring with the business men of that city. It is expected that by the first of the year a meeting of Grants Pass, Crescent City and Medford citizens will be held, at which the phases of the plans will be discussed thoroughly.

Visitors in Medford Saturday from points along the Applegate report that the surveyors sent out by the Medford company are making rapid headway, and that by Christmas they will be ready to draw lines into the Blue Ledge country. It was reported Friday that application had been made for a right of way through the Crater Lake national forest reserve, and that provisions had been made for the outfitting of a surveying crew at Hutton, Cal., four miles from the Blue Ledge mine.

Gold Hill the last two weeks has been obsessed with the idea that the Hill lines are planning to enter their burg through the Sams valley, and in their enthusiasm wrote to President Gray of the Great Northern about it, who replied as follows: GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY CO. President's Office.

Carl B. Gray, President, St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 30, 1912. Mr. W. W. Truax, Gold Hill, Ore.

Dear Sir: Mr. James Hill has referred to me your letter of the 25th inst. While we appreciate your expression, just at the present time there is no probability of our being able to construct in that territory. Yours very truly, C. B. GRAY.

Mr. Werth's Statement.

Gentlemen: In answer to your question as to where I stand on the electric light plant, I will state that I favor unequivocally the city ownership of the plant, but for my own satisfaction as well as all the taxpayers would like a thorough examination of the light plant and city water before election.

In regard to the fire department, I will state that I have always had the highest regard for our volunteer firemen and believe that any assistance we can give them within reasonable limits, should be given.

For a home and school town, such as Ashland is, I am in favor of a clean town.

I am in favor of having the city's books kept in the best shape possible and have the books open to the public. I believe in managing the city's finances in a businesslike and economical manner. Yours truly, LOUIS L. WERTH.

W. D. Hodgson has the Brush 18-acre tract, with buildings, close in, for rent. Also owns 8 acres, with bungalow, at Roseburg, for sale at bargain or for trade. 55-2t

Most stores get a much larger profit on their Xmas goods than on other lines, but Ferguson's Bargain Store is satisfied with their usual small profit.

ROSECRANS' STATEMENT

CITY WATER SUPERINTENDENT GIVES OPINION.

WOULD HELP THE WATER SYSTEM

City Water Superintendent States That There Will be Benefit Rather Than Injure Water Takers On the Upper Levels.

To the Legal Voters and Taxpayers of the City of Ashland, Ore.:

I, the superintendent of the waterworks of Ashland, will make my statement as to what I know about the contemplated change of the pipe line of the upper system. I have given this a thorough investigation since the question came up about voting the bonds for enlarging the water main to carry this extra supply of water to run the auxiliary plant. I find that the change to be made in the water pipes will be of a great help to the waterworks. Many of the people of Ashland think it will harm the waterworks, whereas instead it will be a great benefit to the people that take water from the high points. The way the water pipe is situated now, that is the main that carries the water from the upper intake to Crownson hill, the main is not large enough to carry the supply of water that the people use during irrigation season. If the bonds carry, the change will be made and a larger pipe will be extended to the foot of Crownson hill, that is, the south side, which will give more pressure to force the water over the hill, which will give it a full pipe to climb the hill on, therefore it will force more water to these higher points where there is now a shortage. The water taken out to supply this new electric light plant would not reduce the pressure in the water system. The water that goes to this plant will not be wasted. It will be turned into the lower intake. Therefore if the city electric plant makes this change it will be a great help to the waterworks, as the waterworks would have to make the change in the pipe line at their own expense in time.

I have made this statement to try and convince the people of Ashland that enlarging the water main from the upper intake to the foot of Crownson hill will not do harm but will be of a great benefit because the outlet of the proposed new plant will be so small that there will be no friction in the main water pipe.

If any mistakes are discovered in this statement I am willing to try and correct them.

Respectfully yours, F. E. ROSECRANS, Superintendent of Waterworks of Ashland, Ore.

Socialist Meeting.

Local socialists plan a big propaganda meeting for this city on Saturday evening, 7:30 o'clock, at the city hall. They are fortunate in securing as the speaker on this occasion W. R. Snow of Idaho. Mr. Snow has for the last six years been one of the most successful organizers and lecturers in the socialist movement. Whether a person is interested in the subject of socialism or not, he will enjoy hearing Mr. Snow, who is a delightful entertainer. ETTA A. ROWLAND.

Better Wages for Japs.

Wages in Japan has arisen on the average of over 50 per cent in the last ten years. During the same time the average price of commodities has increased about 33 per cent.

GOOD PROGRAM SURE

G. F. Billings Reports Certainty of First-Class Chautauqua Program Next Year.

G. F. Billings returned Saturday from Portland, where he had been to confer with other Chautauqua managers throughout the northwest and with the lyceum bureaus regarding talent for the coming Chautauqua. Mr. Billings states that while all arrangements made were tentative, yet he can assure the patrons of the southern Oregon Chautauqua Assembly that the program of 1913 will be the best in the history of the association.

Ferguson's prices on holiday goods are the talk of the town.