

BASKET BALL FLOURISHING

BARACA TEAM PLAYS HOT GAME WITH MEDFORD.

CHOSEN FRIENDS ARE VICTORIOUS

Medford Team Wins When Baracas Go Up in Air—Other Games in Sight.

The Baraca basketball team went to Medford Tuesday evening to play a team representing the "Chosen Friends" young men's club of that city.

While the Medford young men snatched victory from defeat in the last half when the Baracas went up in the air after one of their men was hurt and a substitute was put in, yet the boys are proud of their showing.

Shortly after commencing the second half one of the Baraca players was slightly hurt and Mr. Barnthouse, one of the substitutes, was put in. This change slightly demoralized the team for a few minutes and before they could settle down the Chosen Friends had secured the winning scores.

There are several basketball games scheduled for the future, and interest in the game in this city bids fair to exceed that of any past season.

The Baracas are expecting return games with the Central Point and Medford teams which they have already played and it is hoped to get at least one of these games before New Year's.

There is also a good girls' basketball team at the high school. Whether or not there is any other girls' team at present in Ashland has not been divulged.

DREAMLAND THEATRE

Passion Play Tonight and "Caleb Woods" Friday Night—Change of Program Nightly.

The Passion Play on three reels and one good comedy. This edition of the Passion Play is the latest out and far superior to any heretofore given.

Big feature Friday night, "Caleb West," in two reels, adapted from F. Hopkinson Smith's famous book, besides a Gaumont masterpiece and a good comedy.

Change of pictures every night. Four reels of pictures. Admission 5 and 10 cents. Orra E. Angle, manager. See it at Dreamland.

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

No Skating Tonight.

There will be no skating at the Natatorium rink tonight, but there will be skating Saturday afternoon and Saturday night.

Probably the only chance to understand the architecture and design of mausoleums as explained in stereopticon lecture Sunday at 2:30 in Memorial hall. Free to all.

W. C. T. U. Service.

The W. C. T. U. will hold an all-day service in the Congregational church Tuesday, December 17, beginning at 10 a. m. and continuing throughout the day.

The program will be along customary lines as in the past. The public are invited to attend, either to remain a short time or remain through some period.

By order of president.

Postcards 5c per dozen to close out at Ashland Trading Co.

AN ERROR CORRECTED

Electric Light Clerk Transposed Item in Columns and Made Apparent Undercharge.

One of the things which have caused some suspicion of the management of the electric light plant and which has undoubtedly prejudiced some against the management, among them the writer, was the entry in the recorder's monthly statement for September, showing \$275 for labor for maintenance, when the payroll of the power house and the office clerk amounted to \$265.

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

CHP Payne makes hatracks.

G. A. R. AND W. R. C.

Allied Bodies Held Annual Election at G. A. R. Hall Last Saturday.

Burnside post, G. A. R., held its annual election at its hall Saturday evening, with the following result: P. C. James Mattingley; S. V. C., James Sayle; J. V. C., W. W. Newland; Q. M., Amos Dahoff; chaplain, S. S. Wilcox; surgeon, J. R. Casey; adjutant, W. J. Hicks; O. G., B. Beach; patriotic instructor, W. W. Carpenter. The installation will take place January 4.

The annual election of Burnside Woman's Relief Corps was held at G. A. R. hall Saturday with the following result: President, Mrs. Lula Howard; senior vice-president, Mrs. Jessie Porter; junior vice-president, Mrs. Malissie Sayles; treasurer, Mrs. Myra McNeill; chaplain, Mrs. James Lowe; guard, Mrs. Ida Jennings; conductor, Mrs. Catherine Rogers. The secretary and color bearers will be appointed by the president-elect.

Many persons have said that the nut-brown nut set decorated with nuts is the prettiest piece of china in town. It is Pickard china. At Whitford's.

You'll find a suitable gift for him at Enders'. It's easy to buy for a man at our store.

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

WHERE THE MONEY WILL BE SPENT

STATEMENT OF WHAT THE ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT CAN REALLY DO WITH \$25,000 ACCORDING TO BUTTERFIELD

In the handbills circulated by the electric light committee Mr. Butterfield gives the following statement as to the proposed expenditure of the \$25,000 bonds asked.

Table listing expenditures: 1,500 feet of 24-inch wire-wound wood stave pipe from previous contracts... \$2,630; 800 feet of 24-inch steel pipe from contract prices... 3,360; Power house building and foundations... 2,500; 300 K. W., 720 R. P. M. generator... 1,965; 500 horsepower Francis type waterwheel and governor... 1,900; Freight and installation of machinery... 1,000; Switchboard... 500; Exciter... 250; Engineering and incidentals... 1,925; Total... \$16,000.

It is very unfortunate that the above estimate was not made public several weeks ago, for at least two reasons:

FROHBACH ANSWERS STATEMENTS OF CIRCULAR STANDS BY HIS PREVIOUS ARTICLES AND ASKES SOME QUESTIONS REGARDING THE CITY AFFAIRS IN GENERAL

To the Voters of Ashland: A number of our citizens have had the energy to wake up and come out of their slumbers and have had their dreams put into printed form.

In this dream I have been charged with juggling figures for the purpose of making it appear that our electric light system is not a paying proposition. I maintain that my figures are correct.

I contend that the plant has done a great deal for Ashland in reducing rates, and I again repeat that I am opposed to its sale to any one at any time, but I must say that the man who said my report was complicated, is either ignorant or does not wish to see the results as they really are.

Who Pays the Bills. I have been charged with being in the employ of the A. E. P. & L. Co. Nothing would please me better, but for the truth of it, I must say that I am not, but am to receive, for my three weeks' work of investigation, the magnificent sum of \$25 from about as many citizens of Ashland whose names will appear in the Ashland Tidings.

Bonds Should Not Pass. 1st. Because the rates now in force will not be lowered.

2d. Because the unbusinesslike methods in the past in the spending

better impression upon the people, in view of past experiences as to the cost of the system; and

Second, it would have given an opportunity for other engineers, contractors and others to verify the estimates.

At this late date it is impossible to do this before the election. The Tidings made some effort to do so, but could not on short notice get sufficient data.

Mr. Butterfield states that he would be willing to take the contract and give bonds to do the work, exclusive of the extensions to pole lines, for the \$16,000.

The writer for one heard C. W. Root quoted as approving the estimate and asserting that it would not injure the water plant.

C. W. ROOT EXPLAINS NAMES ON BALLOTS

Well-Known Engineer Tells What He Did Say Regarding Butterfield's Estimates.

Ashland, Ore., Dec. 11, 1912. Editor Ashland Tidings: I am informed that it is being reported by some persons who are in favor of the bond issue for the auxiliary electric light plant that the plans and figures of cost have been presented to me, and that I have expressed my opinion that the plant could be installed for the amount asked for.

This I emphatically deny. I had a conversation with several parties who are in favor of the plant and listened to their statement of conditions, as they understand them, and they offered to show me plans, cost estimates, etc., but I did not have time to examine them and so declined going into details.

Let Mr. Butterfield reduce the rate for the city street lighting, which is paid out of the general taxation fund, and put the big user on the same basis as the small user, and see where the monthly profit will be.

J. C. Barnard Error. In a criticism of J. C. Barnard on an item of \$899.89 where he says

Mausoleum Meeting.

There will be a free stereopticon lecture at Memorial hall Sunday afternoon, December 15, at 2:30 o'clock, showing the construction and architecture of different mausoleums in the various parts of the world, which everybody is cordially invited to attend.

The notice of this lecture will be announced from the pulpits of the different churches Sunday morning.

To the W. F. M. and F. B. Members of the M. E. Church:

We are asked to give a Xmas offering to go towards the outgoing expense for our second new missionary. Can't we take from our Christmas money and give to our treasurer, Mrs. W. D. Hodgson, at once, and so feel that we have helped Miss Everett on her way to Korea?

MRS. D. F. BILLINGS. —Santa Claus will be in Toyland Saturday at East Side Pharmacy.

BRIGGS OUT FOR MAYOR

Well-Known Attorney Nominated for Mayor at Meeting of Business Men Tuesday.

At a hurriedly called meeting of business men in the city held Tuesday forenoon E. D. Briggs was placed in nomination for the office of mayor. There were nearly forty business men present representing every phase of religion, politics and belief.

After the meeting there was some discussion as to the bond question, which had no more nor no less to do with the nomination of Mr. Briggs than has the gossip at the church door after the services has to do with the sermon.

The gentlemen are both good friends of the Tidings, both good men, and the Tidings has every reason to believe both are honest and will either enforce the law as he finds it.

Bedroom slippers for you all at Enders'. Note the prices of them. Cheap in price only.

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As it has no special signature, it is fair to assume that each of the above named gentlemen approved the nasty insinuation, or, if not, then some one of the gentlemen slipped it in surreptitiously and was too cowardly to attach his name.

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They stand for retaining the electric light plant. Not one of the 36 present would vote for sale of that plant.

Not a damn thing except that that company pays heavy taxes here and their local representative has as much right and should be accorded the same courtesy at public meetings as any other individual.

And now as to Mr. Throne. Who is this man? Is his word good? All right, assuming it to be so. Let me ask him a few questions:

Two Candidates for Mayor and Three for Recorder—Fights for Councilmen.

The time for filing for the city election closed last evening and the following are the names on the official ballot:

- Mayor: O. H. Johnson, independent; E. D. Briggs, independent; Recorder: Joe Hurt, independent; H. A. Autry, independent; C. H. Gillette, independent; Treasurer: G. G. Eubanks, independent; Park Commissioner: Elizabeth Van Sant, independent, first ward; Councilmen to Serve One Year: Louis Werth, independent; E. F. Smith, independent; Councilmen to Serve Two Years: R. P. Cornelius, independent; E. C. Sherman, independent; Councilman, Second Ward: G. S. Butler, independent; P. L. Ashcraft, independent; Councilmen, Third Ward: D. D. Good, independent; A. W. Thomas, independent; A. M. Beaver, independent.

An excellent lot of solid gold children's neck chains at \$2 to \$3.50 each at Jeweler Whitford's.

Home-made sorghum, hominy and kraut at Ashland Trading Co.