

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FRUIT ASSOCIATION

LARGE PER CENT OF STOCK REPRESENTED.

R. P. CORNELIUS IS PRESIDENT

R. P. Cornelius and W. G. Prescott Elected Directors for Two Years, J. W. Milner for One Year—Other Officials Re-elected.

The Ashland Fruit and Produce Association held its annual stockholders' meeting Saturday afternoon at the Commercial Club rooms. There were 1,100 shares of stock represented either in person or by proxy. The financial report of the association showed a profit of over \$4,000 on the year's business. The report of business done was also read by A. C. Briggs, manager. It showed a large amount of fruit and other produce handled. The report will appear in full in next issue.

After the reading of reports the meeting proceeded to the election of two directors to serve two years each. Messrs. J. W. Milner, R. P. Cornelius, W. G. Prescott and A. H. Davenport were put in nomination, C. H. Gillette, one of the retiring directors and for six years president of the association, refusing to permit his name to go before the association for re-election as director. A ballot showed Messrs. Prescott and Cornelius elected as directors for the two-year term. Mr. Milner, Mr. Davenport, Mr. Gillette and Mr. J. B. Ware were nominated for one year, but all withdrew their names except Mr. Milner, who was unanimously elected director for one year.

A. C. Geinger, the agent of the association at Klamath Falls, read a very interesting report in which he strongly urged the necessity of a more careful pack of fruit for outside markets, declaring that fruit reached him in a condition which would have been impossible had it been in good condition when packed and properly packed. He declared if Ashland was to hold the Klamath Falls market that fruit must be properly graded, properly packed and shipped in first-class condition. J. B. Ware also spoke, calling at-

tention to the fact that it was at best a thankless task to manage any co-operative proposition, and urging the members to cheerfully comply with the stringent rules of packing necessary to maintaining the standard of fruit shipped by the association and to stand loyally by the management in doing its duty, no matter whose fruit might be refused.

R. P. Cornelius, President.

Saturday evening the board of directors met at the offices of the association and organized for the year by electing R. P. Cornelius president, re-electing J. B. Hunter secretary and also re-electing V. O. N. Smith treasurer. A. C. Briggs was also re-elected manager.

While there was healthy rivalry for the positions on the directorate, there was nothing approaching acrimony in the meeting and all expressed themselves as well pleased with the result.

C. H. Gillette, the retiring president, has been at the helm for the past six years, during which the association has made most excellent and substantial progress, the substantial cement building now occupied by the association standing as a monument to his administration.

The association faces the new year in good financial condition and with a united membership and will without doubt make an even better showing next year than last.

Death of Mrs. S. E. Wise.

Mrs. S. E. Wise passed away Saturday night after a brief illness. The funeral services were held from Dodge's undertaking parlors this afternoon, followed by interment in a local cemetery. Mrs. Wise had a host of friends in Ashland to whom her death will come as a sudden shock, as comparatively few knew she was ill until a few days ago. She leaves a husband and three small daughters, the youngest but a few months old.

Some newspapers was the president to tell everybody all he knows about everything every day.

Phone No. 39 when in need of job printing. Work and prices are right.

Miss Fern Hobbs Springs Surprise at Copperfield

Copperfield, Ore., Jan. 5.—Miss Hobbs, Governor West's special representative, five feet three inches in her neat tan boots, stood-out on the little depot platform here Friday afternoon and read Governor West's proclamation declaring Copperfield under martial law. She was flanked by Lieutenant Colonel Lawson of the Oregon National Guard and five members of the Coast Artillery with rifles loaded and ready.

Comes as a Surprise. Mayor H. A. Stewart, the six councilmen of whom four are in the saloon business, that Miss Hobbs came to put out of commission, were present to hear what the governor's secretary had to say.

The sending of the militiamen to enforce Miss Hobbs' orders came as a surprise and leaves the lawless element in a quandary what to do.

The attorneys for Mayor Stewart, and William Weighand, two of the saloonkeepers, James Nichols of

Baker, telephoned his clients this morning not to let the governor bluff them out and to use force if necessary to keep the saloons open.

"I have a proclamation here from the governor," said Miss Hobbs.

"Go Ahead," Says Mayor. "All right, go ahead," said Mayor Stewart. Then Miss Hobbs read the governor's proclamation, which demanded that all saloons be closed immediately and that all officials of the town who are liquor dealers resign immediately.

Colonel Lawson has instructions to burn down the buildings if he meets with resistance.

Is 1914 to be a good year, at last, when that Alaska steamship line will be finally and permanently established?

A fad of several Spokane men is to go hatless. Trying to outdo women.

Cantata Was a Great Success

The cantata "Penitence, Peace and Pardon," which was rendered at the Baptist church Sunday evening by a quartette consisting of Miss Ruth Hutchings, soprano; Mrs. E. L. Rasor, alto; A. C. Strickland, baritone, and E. L. Rasor, tenor, was a great success. The church was crowded and the cantata was put on in a manner which reflected great credit upon the participants. Miss Edna Dougherty presided at the piano.

The forest products laboratory at Madison, Wis., has made 4,000 tests on the strength of American woods.

To let women and children suffer from hunger and cold is a moral crime.

Lowe to Report Dreamland Tonight

Do not fail to be at Dreamland tonight and listen to the report of D. M. Lowe on what was accomplished in Chicago at the Land Products Show. The report will be illustrated with the slides used in Chicago to illustrate Oregon scenes and life in setting forth the advantages of the state.

Motor lifeboats carried by one of the newer transatlantic liners are equipped with wireless apparatus having 200 miles radius.

Professor Taft is healthier and happier than if he were president—and so is the country.

The Tidings is for sale at W. M. Foley's Drug Store, 17 East Main St.

A Correction.

In setting Judge Watson's article on the Pacific Highway in the last issue of the Tidings the compositor accidentally omitted a line, making the paragraph read, "I have full confidence in the good judgment and public spirit of our county engineer in locating this great highway," when it should have read, "I have full confidence in the good judgment and public spirit of our county judge, commissioners and state highway engineer in locating this great highway." The omitted line, while altering the meaning, made sense and hence was not noticed either by the compositor or the proofreader.

Interlocking Directorates Doomed.

According to dispatches, the high financiers of New York are going to obey, at least ostensibly, the order prohibiting interlocking directorates. Interlocking directorates were resorted to when the laws were enforced prohibiting one corporation owning stock in a competitor. The same effect was secured by having the stock held outside but having interlocking directorates. The new rule will change the personnel of many boards but it is surmised that often a clerk will be made director and will simply register the will of the financier so that the change will be more apparent than real.

Ladies Had Close Call In Bear Creek Sunday

Mrs. J. S. Rasor and her daughter, Miss Edith, had a narrow escape from drowning in Bear creek Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Rasor and Miss Edith, who is a popular clerk in Minkler's Cloak and Suit House, were on their way to the Rasor ranch across the creek after church Sunday. In attempting to ford at Mountain avenue they drove into a deep hole which had been washed into the bed of the creek by the high water and were washed out of the buggy. Luckily the current carried them into

shallow water and they succeeded in getting out on this side. Help was summoned and the horse was finally gotten out after having been in the water over an hour. The animal had floundered through the deepest water and had got where it was not over its back, but was anchored solidly to the submerged buggy. Neither Mrs. Rasor or her daughter are the worse for their January ducking.

The accident, however, emphasizes the necessity of a bridge over the stream at this point.

Profit Sharing Plan Proves Very Successful

One year ago the Ashland Ice and Storage Company officials decided to see if it would be possible to increase its profits by giving its employees an interest in them. A profit-sharing plan was devised, the aim being to increase the efficiency of the force at the same time decreasing the expense. The plan was to give the employees a certain per cent of the profits, and especially of any savings of expense which the men could bring

about. As a result the business of 1913 was considerably more than that of 1912 while the expense, particularly of labor, was considerably less. On January 1 the company distributed upwards of \$750 among nine men who had been continuously employed thirty days or more during the past year. The payments were in proportion to salary and time of employment, one man receiving \$200 and others lesser amounts.

I. W. W. Control Frisco Unemployed.

San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 5.—The I. W. W.'s Friday secured control of the unemployed here. The local army of the idle has formed a tolerably complete organization in the past week. Hitherto it has acknowledged the leadership of a committee of professed moderates.

Friday afternoon the I. W. W.'s succeeded in ousting this committee and putting one of their own in its place.

The first step was to close the free kitchen at the co-operative employment bureau. This was to show their displeasure because this forenoon's meeting refused to recognize an I. W. W. committee as representative of the unemployed.

Then they marched to close the headquarters near the city hall, where idle men have been lodged.

This having been done, they said they would proceed to Mayor Rolph to demand recognition.

State to Investigate Shooting of Moyer.

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 5.—Governor Ferris Friday telegraphed Attorney General George Nichols at Houghton, his personal representative in the copper strike district, to proceed at once with an investigation of the shooting and deportation of President Moyer of the Western Federation of Miners. Nichols' investigation will be entirely independent of that conducted by the special Houghton county grand jury and Prosecutor Lucas.

Removal Notice.

I have removed my shoe repair shop to No. 93 North Main street, adjoining Holmes Bros., and solicit the patronage of those on the west side who have not known heretofore the superior quality of my work. 64-2t C. J. COBURN.

Even a girl's heartache is forgotten when she has the toothache.

Former Editor Writes of Ashland's Progress in 1913

(F. D. Wagner in New Year's edition, Mail Tribune.)

In reviewing his city's record of progress and improvement for 1913 and comparing it with the record of other cities and towns up and down the state and coast, and even farther from home, the loyal Ashlander sees much to be proud of in his own community and vicinity in the way of actual accomplishment, and he sees a dominant civic spirit here which is actively and enthusiastically working for greater progress and improvement for the year to come.

Ashland boasts that it has never really "boomed," but has just grown up more or less steadily, little by little, and year by year, into a beautiful city of 6,000 contented people, who love their homes, their parks, their schools, their churches and their unrivaled natural environment, and have sought to make them as pleasing and attractive for themselves and for others as they could afford. They have built home-like homes and splendid public buildings and miles of the finest paved streets. They have acquired lands for public parks to the extent of perhaps a

hundred acres all told, scattered here and there throughout the city and up and down the water course which severs the municipal corporation in twain, and these acres they are gradually turning into beauty spots, a little every year as the purpose of the public park board will permit, until in a very few years Ashland will be noted, if she is not already so, among the small cities of the Pacific coast for her beautiful and widespread public parks.

Among the notable public building improvements of the year 1913 the most important perhaps is the new armory at the corner of Oak and B streets. For this improvement the state appropriated \$15,000, the county \$7,500 and the city of Ashland \$7,500, and the result is a magnificent structure which would be a credit in point of architecture as well as utility to any city on the Pacific coast. It is, of course, primarily for the use of Ashland's arm of the state military service, but is also calculated to be available for all public gatherings and uses for which it is suited, having one of the largest

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MANY CHANGES IN CITY BUSINESS HOUSES

Women of Woodcraft.

Saturday evening, December 27, Acorn Circle No. 54 elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Guardian Neighbor—Mrs. M. E. Guiley.

Adviser—Mrs. Edyth L. Phillips. Clerk—Mrs. Josephine D. Crocker. Banker—Mrs. Callie B. L. Shelton. Magician—Mrs. Emma B. Earle. Attendant—Mrs. Rose Corbett. Captain of Guards—Mrs. Mary R. Shotts.

Musician—Mrs. Mary L. Whitney. Inner Sentinel—Mrs. Hattie B. Reynolds. Outer Sentinel—Mrs. Bertha E. Oslin.

Board of Managers—Laura L. Abbott, Mary R. Shotts and Emma Mil-lion.

Applicants for membership were elected and one candidate initiated into the mysteries of the wood, the officers giving the work with all the dignity and composure that could be expected.

Most delicious home refreshments were served in the banquet hall under the direction of Mrs. Rose Corbett.

This being the last meeting of the circle for the year 1913, memory played an old tune on the hearts of some of the older members as the good nights were said.

O, it is sweet to trace back through memories of the past and pluck again of the bright flowers that decked its borders, for

"Where is the heart that doth not keep Within its inmost core Some fond remembrance hidden deep Of days that are no more?"

Hoboes Steal Bed Blankets

While Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Homes, Jr., were in the city recently someone, presumably hoboes, entered their house east of the city and stripped the blankets from one of the beds. They also ransacked the house and took some candy and other eatables. There was no clue.

Lawson Declares Martial Law in Saloon Town

Copperfield, Ore., Jan. 5.—Martial law was declared here by Colonel B. K. Lawson, superintendent of the state penitentiary, Friday afternoon. He was supported by five members of the coast artillery.

Miss Fern Hobbs, secretary to Governor West, had demanded that the saloonmen on the council resign and they refused. She then left town and martial law was declared.

All the saloons were seized, the saloonmen being given until Saturday at 4 o'clock to ship their bar fixtures and liquors out of the country on penalty of confiscation.

All the city officials were arrested. They were not even permitted to communicate with their attorneys.

The situation which reached its climax Friday arose two weeks ago when Governor West announced he had received a protest signed by over half of the residents of Copperfield against the alleged violations by the saloonmen, one of which was

ROBERTSON ALSO LEAVES FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

BUYS INTEREST IDEAL GROCERY

Last Two Months Has Made Radical Changes in Personnel of Two of Leading Banks—Grocer Goes to California for Indefinite Stay.

It is seldom that a long-established bank makes as nearly a complete change in its working force in a short time as is the case with the First National Bank of Ashland. Within the short space of two months every employe of the bank will change with the exception of Miss Mult. First came the resignation of L. L. Mult, cashier, to take the position of U. S. bank examiner. He was succeeded, as is well known, by W. H. McNair, the popular druggist, who will without doubt prove the right man in the right place.

Next came the resignation of F. S. Engle, the assistant cashier, to take a similar position with the Citizens' Banking and Trust Company of this city. He severs his connection with the bank January 15 and is succeeded by Andrew J. McCallen, son of the late president of the bank. Mr. McCallen arrived in the city Saturday morning, after a tiring trip from Oakland, the train on which he arrived being 20 hours late. Mr. McCallen is no stranger to Ashland or Ashland people. For twelve years he was a resident of this city, leaving here about two and one-half years ago with the Warren Construction Company, as cashier. For five years previous to March, 1911, he had been employed in the First National Bank and is familiar with the work of the bank. As administrator of the estate of the late Andrew McCallen he will have without doubt a large influence on the business affairs of the bank. Mr. McCallen is a member of the Elks and all of the various Masonic orders in Ashland and has a host of friends here who are glad to see him back.

And last in the list of resignations

Handsomeness Holiday Greetings.

Perry and George Ashcraft, the well-known motor car men of Ashland and Medford, have sent out beautiful 1914 greetings printed in two colors and the output of the Tidings office. Messrs. Ashcraft are looking for a location for a display room at Ashland and will soon have their well-known Chalmers and Studebaker cars on exhibition, showing the 1914 models.

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Ashland Autoists Are Organizing

A paper is being circulated in Ashland preparatory to an organization of the automobilists of Ashland to fight what they term an illegal tax on automobiles. They state that the law placing a heavy license on the autos is double taxation, in that the autos are taxable according to their value in addition to the license tax.

It is understood that the Ashland automobilists will act in conjunction with those of Medford and other places in the county, in making a test case in the matter.

There are millions of people to whom the currency question is of no interest.

Phone news items to the Tidings.

Commercial Club Meeting Tonight

Business meeting at club rooms at 7 o'clock. Large number of new members elected and other business of importance. D. M. Lowe's illustrated report of Chicago Land Show will be given at Dreamland Theatre at 8 o'clock. This will be free and all are invited.

Danford is Moving.

The local Odd Fellows lodge is putting a new front in the storeroom in their building formerly occupied by the Ashland-Klamath Exchange and it will be occupied by Danford's Electrical Shop. The location is a first-class one and Mr. Danford is to be congratulated in securing it. He will make a very tasty place of business of it.