

Roses Greet the City Fathers

Each councilman, the mayor, the recorder, the chief of police and even the lowly newspaper reporters found a beautiful La France rose awaiting them at Tuesday evening's session. The roses were the gift of Councilman Ware, and we must say that Mr. Ware is some florist, with the accent on the some.

The council plunged into the routine of business, giving permits for house moving to parties who are removing houses from the park property. A requisition for supplies from the light department was honored. A proposition from the Chautauqua Park Association and Mr. Perozzi in regard to turning over the sewer owned by them, which extends from the creamery to the connections near the plaza, was read and referred to the sewer committee. Mr. Billings spoke briefly in support of the owners' viewpoint of the proposition. The owners agree to sell the sewer for \$115 to Mr. Perozzi, who owns the greater part, and \$60 to the association. The sewer in question includes 872 feet of six-inch tile and one man-hole. It was the opinion of Mr. Ware while talking over this sewer that the easiest way to provide for the future would be to construct an eight-inch sewer from the planing mill site to the creamery, thus providing for any unexpected increase in the number of connections. When necessary the city would merely have to replace the present Perozzi sewer with an eight-inch tile.

The matter of keeping the park comfort stations open was referred to a committee after much discussion indulged in by Mr. Billings and members of the council.

A requisition from the water department for material which must be ordered immediately was passed upon favorably.

It seems from discussion which took place that should the electric light plant have to shut down for any cause, before the city would get any water the water would have to back up through the plant line, fill up the reservoir to overflowing and come down the creek to the intake. Because of this the water commissioner advised that fittings be put in at the plant which would allow of the water being sidetracked into the mains, should the plant have to be closed down. The water committee was given power to act in the matter as it was deemed an immediate necessity.

The possibility of purchasing the Conner property above the reservoir was discussed and referred to a committee for investigation. The property belongs to W. A. Conner and recently a house which stood on the place burned. Mr. Conner may possibly rebuild, but made a proposition informally to one of the councilmen which will be looked into.

The street, water and electric light departments were ordered to sell the old junk which had collected.

The taking of ferns and flowers was discussed and the council came to the conclusion that it would be necessary to make an example of someone before the practice will be stopped.

Oregon Fruit Exhibit Wins

Exposition Grounds, San Francisco, Cal.—Oregon has scored a tremendous triumph at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition by being awarded the gold medal for her horticultural exhibit. The jury on awards was made up of eminent horticulturists from the Netherlands, the east, Japan and California.

The competition was extremely keen and Oregon won over magnificent exhibits from all over the world, many of the states and all the Pacific coast states. Oregon's exhibit cost the state \$2,500, Washington's \$7,500 and California's a much larger sum. C. N. Ravlin of Hood River, chief of horticulture for Oregon, lays his success to the fact that he prepared an all Oregon exhibit, even the frame work of the Oregon section being of Oregon logs, the floors of Oregon timbers, the hedges of Oregon shrubs and plants, the fruit and flower exhibit being varied, fully representing the state. This is the first time California has been beaten horticulturally.

It is a magnificent thing for the state and will boost it horticulturally to thousands of people now thronging the buildings.

Bryan Resigns and Note Goes Forward

William Jennings Bryan, secretary of state, has resigned and his resignation accepted by the president. Mr. Bryan parts the best of friends with Mr. Wilson and will continue to accord him his political backing, but believes he can further his life-long principles in regard to peace policies better as a private citizen than as an official. The resignation came as a result of the failure to agree over the note to Germany, Bryan advocating a policy which would secure peace at any price, and Wilson and the rest of the cabinet standing for a firm expression of the United States' determination to hold Germany to international law in regard to neutrals.

Robert Lansing is now acting as secretary of state, and signed the note which was forwarded to Germany yesterday. A permanent secretary will be named later.

The American note to Germany definitely setting forth the policy of the United States was cabled at 2 o'clock yesterday and will be made public tomorrow.

The chief point upon which the president and Mr. Bryan disagreed was in regard to Americans taking passage for the war zone. Bryan advocated warning Americans against taking passage on vessels belonging to belligerent nations, while Wilson and the rest of the administration hold that Germany should observe the established rules in regard to vessels carrying neutrals.

Night Celebration To Greet Bell

The famous Liberty Bell which pealed forth the news of the signing of the Declaration of Independence of the American colonies will start on its western journey on July 5, according to the itinerary fixed by the committee of the council of the city of Philadelphia.

According to the schedule fixed the bell will leave that city on July 5 and take ten days to make the trip across the continent, stopping at different points along the route so that the citizens will have an opportunity of seeing this historic relic of American freedom. The bell is due to arrive in Portland on the 15th of July at 6 a. m., where it will remain until noon. But two stops will be made between that city and Roseburg—a stop of an hour will be made at Salem and one of 15 minutes at Eugene. The train is due in Roseburg at 8:15 and will remain 15 minutes.

This schedule will bring the bell to Ashland after midnight, but strenuous efforts are being made to have the car opened and the bell exhibited here. In a stirring speech at the Commercial Club meeting Monday evening Homer Billings stirred up the patriotic ardor of those present and it seems assured that a big crowd will greet the relic in Ashland. Besides seeing the bell Ashland will gain much glory as the city which stayed up all night to show its patriotism.

At any rate we aren't going to miss a chance to see the nation's most honored relic and pay our tributes. Are you?

Commercial Club In Monthly Meet

The Commercial Club met in regular session Monday night. It being the first meeting since election of officers, President Newcombe appointed his standing committees as follows:

Membership: A. M. Beaver, J. R. Croxall, H. O. Purucker, Chester Stevenson, Clark Bush.

City Interest and Public Library: O. H. Johnson, F. J. Shinn, C. B. Watson.

Streets and Parks: A. E. Kinney, George Taverner, W. B. Penniston.

Immigration: C. E. Wolf, H. G. Enders, M. C. Edgington.

Industries: W. D. Hodgson, O. F. Carson, M. E. Briggs.

House: B. M. Shoudy, H. G. Eastman, J. A. Graham.

Horticulture: D. M. Lowe, H. P. Holmes, W. A. Freeburg.

Mines and Mining: E. T. Staples, F. W. Moore, Frank Jordan.

New members were taken into the club as follows: M. J. Duryea, B. Klum, S. M. Hayes, J. H. Haight, A. S. Moyer, W. G. Sander.

The usual routine business was done and several speeches were heard. Mention of other matters that came before the club will be found elsewhere.

Every Local Man Out of Work To Be Put On This Month

Every man in Ashland, carpenters, concrete workers and workmen, who are now out of work will be employed within the next two weeks. There are now about one hundred men employed altogether on the various phases of the park development and the work of tearing down old buildings and the like. Thirty old buildings are being removed from the property recently purchased for the Lithia park. The plans for the park are now being prepared by Landscape Artist McLaren in San Francisco and should arrive the first of the week. As soon as the plans get here work will be rushed and an additional hundred men will be put to work.

With the opening up of the fruit and harvest season and the road work and other projects going forward, but

few local men who really want to work are unemployed and the park work will take care of these, so that every man in Ashland will be busy.

It has been the policy of the springs commission and will be the policy of the Smith-Emery people to employ only local men, thus keeping every possible cent in Ashland. A conservative estimate places the amount which will go into the pockets of Ashland workmen at \$90,000.

Smith, Emery & Co. are now ready to order their pipe, and by the time the park work is completed they will be ready to take over the local men for their work. In this way all of the money for labor goes back to Ashland men, who will spend it in Ashland.

30,000 Gallon Flow From New Well

Smith, Emery & Co. have developed a new lithia well which flows approximately 30,000 gallons per day. The new well is located about fifty feet above the old spring on the hill. The engineers are not yet fully satisfied, however, and will drill still another well lower down. With the development of these wells Ashland will have a far larger amount of lithia water than is necessary, but the Smith-Emery people wish to secure a large enough flow to provide for future demands.

Says Exhibit Is Effective

H. O. Frohbach came up from San Francisco Tuesday morning and will return today accompanied by his wife and daughter. Mr. Frohbach informs us that the Jackson county exhibit of which he is in charge is in first-class condition and ranks high above the average county exhibit.

He says that so far no strawberries have been entered for prizes from the Rogue River Valley and but one lot from the entire state. Washington berries are severely handicapped by the distance and liability of the berries arriving in poor condition, and therefore Oregon berries stand a good chance and most assuredly should be entered as it would be a splendid advertising feature. Hereafter fruits will be judged only on Saturday mornings and entries from here should be sent not later than Thursday afternoon.

Thus far the only cherries shown have been California Bings, Royal Annes and Lamberts. The best showing is a facing of ninety to the half section of a ten-pound box. Jackson county can beat this and should get in. Those who have fine fruit should communicate with Manager Rand of the Ashland Fruit and Produce Association at once.

Make Plans for Quiet Fourth

Ashland will not celebrate the Fourth of July in the usual fireworks and parade style, but will no doubt entertain fully as many people as the lower valley cities that are planning big celebrations. Probably four thousand local people will prefer a quiet day in the park to the dust and confusion of a big celebration. At Monday evening's Commercial Club meeting the proposition was discussed and it was decided that a monster basket picnic in the park with everyone bringing their own basket would be one feature. A band concert for the afternoon will probably be arranged. L. S. Brown brought up the idea and together with F. H. Walker and H. G. Enders were appointed a committee to make arrangements. No doubt a thousand people will come up from the lower valley who prefer a quiet day to a noisy celebration. It is not the intention of the club to buck the attractions of the other celebrations, but to furnish quiet entertainment for those who prefer that kind of an Independence day. Ashland's big celebration features are being reserved for the formal opening of the Lithia park, when the entire valley will be invited to help celebrate the opening of a new era.

Portland Host to Thousands

Portland is host to several out-of-town visitors this week at the annual Rose Festival. Opening Wednesday morning with the roar of cannon and the music of a dozen bands, the city entered upon three days of unrivalled gaiety.

Many Ashlanders are spending the week in Portland as the guests of friends. Features of the festival are a children's parade with 4,000 "human rosebuds" in line, a children's chorus of 2,700 voices, and a dazzling electrical parade.

Railroad Men Back Duryea

Ashland's new publicity manager has always enjoyed the confidence and friendship of the officials of the railroads serving the people of Oregon. It was very largely on account of the recommendations of officials of the Southern Pacific Company that Mr. Duryea was employed to handle the publicity campaign for Ashland. Some idea of the opinion the prominent officials of the Southern Pacific Company have of his ability may be gathered from the following letter from Mr. Charles S. Fee, general traffic manager of the Southern Pacific, which was received yesterday:

"Dear Mr. Duryea: I have just learned that you have been appointed to the position of manager, publicity work, city of Ashland. I congratulate you on your appointment and I congratulate the city of Ashland in being able to secure the services of a man so well fitted for the position.

"Wishing you success in your new work and with kind regards, believe me, Very truly yours,

"CHARLES S. FEE."

Duryea Addresses Commercial Club

M. J. Duryea, Ashland's new publicity man, spoke before the Commercial Club Monday evening and told of the impressions made upon him by Ashland. He believes that Ashland has a wonderful future ahead as a resort city and that the natural attractions here outrival those of any resort city in the world. Mr. Duryea has visited many of the resort cities of the country and knows whereof he speaks. He says that nothing can hinder the development of a great resort here if every citizen gets behind the projects now under way and which will be taken up later, and boosts to the best of his ability. Mr. Duryea made it apparent that he has come to Ashland to become a citizen and has already fallen so deeply in love with our beautiful city that his work is made a pleasure.

Waite's Dairy Rated Highest

The state dairy commissioners awarded Waite's Dairy highest rating, at their last inspection of Ashland dairies. Special delivery for babies and invalids. Milk for ice cream delivered promptly. East side patronage solicited. Address 634 Iowa street. Phone 277-J. 1t

Glenview is High Gear Drive

Iowa is coming to be a much-travelled street since the new Glenview Drive was completed. It is a beautiful glide from the hill down that street to the Boulevard. Since the council has declared Glenview a one-way road, which was a wise move because the road is too narrow to pass safely, it is found by approaching it by the canyon road the entire distance can be made on high gear. Street Commissioner Fraley is now engaged in repairing the old canyon road, taking out the humps and smoothing the surface. There are few scenic drives, if any, on the coast where automobiles can reach such heights on high gear, and it is certain there is not to be found a more charming and inspiring scenic drive on the entire coast. Citizens at the corner of Sherman and Iowa streets have been lately improving their premises with new walks and terraces so that corner is now a veritable beauty spot. It is to be hoped the progressive spirit will spread until every neighborhood in Ashland will do likewise. No doubt Glenview Drive will be much used by people from down the valley of evenings, for it is hoped to light it so it will afford a charming night way. No more beautiful view can be imagined than would be afforded by a night drive over the heights looking down on the myriad of lights, both in Lithia park and the homes and streets below.

Bubbling Spring At Exposition

The publicity department of the Commercial Club is working on plans for some effective advertising for Ashland in the Oregon building at the Panama-Pacific exposition. Manager Duryea has been in consultation with Mr. Frohbach, who has been home for a few days, with a view to arranging for some publicity for Ashland's mineral waters that will be unique and attractive.

Mr. Frohbach reports that he has been able to hold a space twelve feet square at one end of the southern Oregon exhibit for Ashland. This space is so located that it can be approached by visitors to the exhibit from three sides. It is proposed to utilize this valuable space by constructing a bubbling spring of water as a medium to exploit Ashland's greatest asset—her springs of living water. The spring will be built of rocks, with ferns and mosses placed so as to give it the appearance of nature itself. A small pump, operated by electric motor, will cause the water to boil up as it does in our own springs, and, if possible, air will be forced through to give the appearance of gas bubbling to the surface in the manner it occurs in our springs. Pictures of Ashland and signs calling attention to Ashland's famous lithia springs will be placed about this spring, and literature descriptive of our city and the many attractions it has to offer the tourist and home-seeker will be distributed to those who visit this unique advertisement.

It is believed this form of advertising will make a greater impression than the distribution of water, for Mr. Frohbach reports this is being overdone at the exposition. Thousands of people will see this reproduction of a living spring, and the novelty of it will make a lasting impression on their minds.

As soon as Mr. Frohbach returns to San Francisco he is going to have estimates prepared of the cost of installing this feature. If it is not prohibitive the department will have the work done at the earliest possible moment.

Baptist Chapel Here Tomorrow

The Baptist chapel car "Grace" will arrive in this city Friday afternoon and an informal meeting and reception will be held in the car Friday evening. This car was dedicated in Los Angeles and cost twice as much as the best chapel car in the world, being an all-steel car with elegant appointments. Everybody is invited to attend the meeting. The car is sent out by the American Baptist Publication Society.

Tidings "For Sale" ads are active little real estate salesmen.

Volcano Plugged Say Scientists

Various observers have given their opinion that there is no danger of California's volcano, Mt. Lassen, increasing much beyond its present magnitude, because it is so distant from the sea that, according to their theory, there is no possibility of sufficient leakage of water to transform it from a minor to a great volcano. According to this theory, volcanoes are simply explosions of pent-up steam, caused by water leaking into the heated deeper strata of the earth's crust, and the explosions of Mt. Lassen are attributed to local water supplies from rain and snow, which would be obviously inadequate to produce anything much exceeding what has already happened, since the volcano became active a year ago. But against this theory is the fact that there are lava flows in the Lassen region which are evidently recent enough to have been produced while Lassen was just as far from the sea as it is now. The great lava flow of northern California belongs to a former geologic age, when the distribution of seas and continents may have been radically different from the present one. But there are minor streams and cones, sufficient to make what would now be called a great volcano, which cannot be more than a few hundred or at most a few thousand years old. The map of the earth has not altered appreciably during that time and any argument for the impossibility of a great eruption of Mt. Lassen would apply exactly as well to any period within the present geologic age as it does now. Possibly the news, just received, that both the old and new craters of Mt. Lassen have been filled to the top, apparently by the upheaval from below of their bottoms, may be the first step toward the determination of this matter. If the source of the eruption is local water it will decrease the access of that water to the heated strata below and will make further eruptions less likely. If, on the other hand, the source of the water is deeper and more distant, this closing of the vent will prevent relief of the pressure by frequent minor eruptions and will therefore prepare the way for a great eruption, which may blow the whole top off the mountain, when it occurs. Evidently California's volcano is either just ending or just beginning its real career, according to what that career is going to be.

The City Boy Scouts

On Thursday evening every Boy Scout in the city is ordered to report at the Methodist church to form in line to march through the city to the Chautauqua building. Then on Friday morning at 10 o'clock Bruce and the Boy Scouts are all going to meet at the Natatorium for a good swim. Every good Scout will be on hand on time. We want a half dozen boys in the city who beat drums to be on hand too, whether they are Boy Scouts or not. This order comes from all the Scout leaders in the city.

ARTHUR R. BLACKSTONE.

Chinese Officials Will Pass Through

Distinguished men from the Orient and Washington, D. C., will pass through Ashland and the Rogue River Valley the last of the month. The Honorary Commercial Commissioners and officials of the Chinese republic will be here Tuesday, June 29, south bound, on train 15. The party is on a tour of the country to study trade conditions, and its personnel includes some of the leading figures in the political and financial life of the Flowery Kingdom.

Monday, June 21, the committee of appropriations of the 64th congress will pass through the city in two private cars on train 14, en route from the fair.

Monday, June 14, a party of 100 under the auspices of the Kreuger Association will pass through the city in a special train.

Harold Simpson, son of Thomas Simpson and a 1915 graduate from the Ashland high school, has entered the services of the First National Bank. Cashier McCoy asked Superintendent Briscoe of the schools to recommend a young man to enter the local bank and of three names submitted Harold Simpson was chosen. The young banker graduated from high school with high honors and was one of the most popular men in school.