

LARGE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS TO GRADUATE



Stewart MacDonald, President.



Ruth Dunway, Vice-President.



Marion Ogden, Secretary.

which began today, but the number will be in the neighborhood of 90, the registration at the beginning of the last fall term being 94.

Officers of the Class. The officers of the class are Stewart MacDonald, president; Miss Ruth Dunway, vice-president; Miss Marion Ogden, secretary; Earl Marshall, treasurer, and Louis Pinkham, sergeant-at-arms. The class is not only large in numbers, but large in attainment, it having made, as a whole, a high record in scholarship.

The individual records of the best students are also exceptionally high. The class has also won unusual distinction in all other academic activities, in athletics, debating and high school journalism. Harry Cason, Louis Pinkham, Carl Ganong, Will Kille, Stewart MacDonald, Leo Duffy and Stan Robinson have all won honors on the track, diamond or gridiron. In the To Logan society, the boys' debating club, Glen Bridwell, George Duffy, George Wilson and Earl Marshall have each served as president during the past year. The Philolexian society, in which the girls match their ability in forensics, has been presided over by Ruth Dunway, Marion Cummins and Ethel Clarke, all June graduates.

During the past term Clarence Allen, editor, and Maud Mullay, associate editor, have produced the best high school monthly, The Cardinal, that Portland has seen in years. The final edition will be out on Commencement day, will be bound in pressed leather and will be the largest ever produced by a high school class.

Commencement Functions. Besides the Commencement-day exercises there will be a number of other functions given in honor of the graduates. On the 25th the incoming seniors will be the hosts, the occasion being a trolley ride to Estacada and a dance at the home of Miss May Sheehy, one of the members, at 315 Eleventh street, Miss Sheehy and Miss Florence Davis will entertain a class at luncheon. On



Louis Pinkham, Sergeant-at-Arms.

Graduating exercises for the class of June, 1906, Portland high school, will be held Tuesday evening, June 26, at the First Congregational church, at the corner of Park and Madison streets. Judge J. B. Cleland will deliver the principal address and Mrs. Sitton, president of the city board of education, will present the diplomas. The music will be furnished by the Lakme quartet. Other details of the program have not yet been arranged.

The class of June, 1906, is the largest ever graduated from the Portland high school. The exact number will not be known until after the examinations.

EAST SIDE JOINS WITH PORTLAND

Suburban School Districts Vote In Favor of Annexation to City District.

MRS. SITTON GIVEN VERY HEAVY VOTE

As Result of Election Over Two Thousand Pupils Are Added to Portland's School Population—Events of the Day on East Side.

Results of School Election. For Director—Mrs. L. W. Sitton, 323. Consolidation District No. 4 (Mount Tabor)—Yes 221, no 78. Consolidation District No. 27 (Woodstock)—Yes 219, no 74. Consolidation District No. 47 (Arleta)—Yes 215, no 73. Consolidation District No. 44 (South Mount Tabor)—Yes 214, no 75.

Four suburban school districts and 1,300 pupils have been added to the Portland district by the election held yesterday afternoon in the city and in the country districts. These districts are Mount Tabor, South Mount Tabor, Arleta and Woodstock. The annexation to the city of these districts either in the districts themselves or in the city. In South Mount Tabor, however, there was some opposition.

At the same election in the city, Mrs. L. W. Sitton was re-elected school director. No other name was on the ticket. Only 322 votes were cast in Portland.

The formal taxpayers' meeting last night was adjourned to meet December 27.

So little interest was taken in the election that one precinct, No. 12, returned an empty ballot box to the school clerk's office, as no one had appeared at the polls to vote.

Following are the results in the four districts which had petitioned for annexation to the Portland district: Woodstock, No. 27, annexation, yes 22, no 23. Mount Tabor, No. 4, annexation, yes 21, no none. P. P. Dabney was re-elected director and George Buttle was chosen clerk.

South Mount Tabor, No. 44, annexation, yes 36, no 22. H. H. Herron was elected director and James Corbin clerk. Arleta, No. 47, annexation, yes 34, no 21. A. V. Miller was elected director and J. F. Hudgins clerk.

The total school population in these districts is 2,678. The enrollment of those who have been attending school is nearer 1,300, however. The debt of the Mount Tabor district is \$15,000; cash on hand, \$36. South Mount Tabor, cash, \$449. Woodstock, debt, \$2,500; cash, \$2,500. Nearly \$1,000 is due the district on taxes. Arleta, cash, \$1,018; no debt.

Montevilla, which did not vote on an annexation account of a difference in the legislative act for annexation, will turn in \$1,500. Its consolidation will be officially composed by the district boundary board, composed of the county superintendent and the county court, then the orders issued by which these four districts are annexed to the Portland district.

Ten thousand volts of electricity shot through the body of Jack Lockwood, a lineman employed by the Portland Gas & Electric company, yesterday afternoon on Union avenue and East Ash streets, killing him instantly. Shortly after 4 o'clock Lockwood ascended one of the high poles to add another wire to the network already laid. A few minutes later his lifeless body was lowered to the ground. Patrolman Amundson, who saw him ascend the pole, says that he seemed to be very cautious in making his way up the wire. He had been warned by Mitchell, foreman of the crew of linemen, that the top wire was heavily charged. Foreman Mitchell says that hearing a sizzling noise just after Lockwood went up the pole, he looked up and saw him lying astride a live wire, seemingly dead. Mitchell, starting up the pole, called to several of his crew to follow. Upon reaching Lockwood they saw that he was dead. A wood they saw that he was dead. A wood they saw that he was dead.

Since the death of his roommate, frequently spoke to his companions of the great danger in the work of an electric lineman. He had recently spoken of seeking other employment and seemed to have a premonition of the end. Lockwood was about 28 years of age and unmarried. He has no relatives living in Oregon or on the coast so far as is known. Funeral services will be arranged until after an effort is made to find his relatives.

City Engineer Taylor has written a letter to H. H. Newhall explaining why the elevated roadway on East Washington street was closed. Mr. Newhall is chairman of a committee appointed by the East Side Improvement association to ascertain the cause of this trouble. Mr. Taylor, in his letter, said that permission had been given the contractor excavating for the Healy building to dump earth through this roadway with the express understanding that any damage done was to be promptly repaired by the contractor. The first few loads dumped through the roadway knocked several of the bridge supports out of line rendering it unsafe. The contractor has promised to repair along these streets as they are in and out of the city over the steel bridge, East Burnside street and from the bridge to Union avenue is comparatively a deserted thoroughfare. Union avenue for several blocks north from Burnside street is torn up and impassable for team travel. An organized effort will

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be made by the business men of this district to require the Portland Railway company to expedite their work along Union avenue.

Ground was broken yesterday on the improvement of Portsmouth avenue. This is the largest contract for street improvement that has been let on the peninsula involving \$19,000. The street is to be graded and sidewalked for more than a mile.

The suit of the Portland Trust company against John Dickinson was tried yesterday afternoon in the east side justice court and resulted in a verdict for the defendant. This was a case wherein the Portland Trust company, as agent, sought to recover possession of a rooming-house at No. 15, East Third street.

WILL LET CONTRACT FOR BIGGEST SURVEY

Olympia, Wash., June 18.—Twenty bids were submitted to the surveyor-general of this city today for survey of the Colville Indian reservation. Several weeks will be consumed in examining the bids before the contract will be awarded. This is the largest contract for surveying ever offered in Washington by Uncle Sam and includes 79 townships or in round numbers 1,000,000 acres of land. There are about 100 miles of lines to be surveyed and the contracts call for a certain amount of preliminary work to be accomplished this summer.

Mrs. Bradway Dead. Eugene, Or., June 18.—Mrs. Elizabeth Bradway, aged 69 years, died at the home of her son in Eugene Sunday night of typhoid malaria. She was a well-known resident of the city. She leaves two sons, P. G. Bradway of Eugene and J. W. Bradway of South Dakota.



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CLOSING ARGUMENTS ARE MADE IN GAS COMPANY INVESTIGATION

Matter Now in Hands of Committee Which Will Meet Monday to Formulate Report.

GAS PLANT WILL BE INSPECTED BY THEM

Oregonian is Mildly Arraigned by Attorneys of the Corporation, While McGinn Declares Charges Made Have Been Proved by Testimony.

Closing arguments in the gas investigation were presented last night by Attorney E. McGinn for the Oregonian and J. N. Teal and C. E. B. Wood for the Portland Gas company. Public interest in the investigation begun several months ago seemed to have faded out, as there was no one present except those especially interested, the committee, attorneys, gas company officials and reporters.

The whole matter is now in the hands of the committee, which will meet again Monday to consider what report to make to the city council. The committee will first inspect the gas plant, after which the report will be prepared and submitted as early as possible.

McGinn Opens Argument. Attorney McGinn opened the argument with a general arraignment of the gas company in which the strongest attack was made against the legality of the franchise now held by the company. McGinn argued that the gas charter had come to the present company through many transfers, none of which had been made with the permission of the legislature. Therefore, he declared, it would be within the jurisdiction of the committee to recommend that the council advise the district attorney to begin proceedings to regain the franchise for the people. If this were not found advisable he urged that a recommendation be made to the council to request the legislature to remodel the charter to provide for the regulation of public service corporations.

Brief is Submitted. A brief submitted by Teal and Wood dealt more specifically with the charges made by the Oregonian and with the points coming under the jurisdiction of the committee, as defined when it was appointed by the council. The attorneys for the gas company declared that the question as to whether or not the franchise is held legally was wholly outside the jurisdiction of the committee. The committee was appointed to consider whether or not the charges were excessive or the quality of the gas poor.

The contentions of the Oregonian that this was the case had been disproved. The company attorneys admitted that there had always been some room for complaint, but that the company was doing its best to remedy matters and would continue to do so in the future. The committee was asked to deal fairly with the company and its stockholders as fellow taxpayers and citizens.

McGinn's Argument. "It is my belief that there has never been another corporation for which things have been made so easy as for this one. For 47 years it has been operating under the powers given Mr. Green, and the first thing to be determined is what this company paid for its plant. It is my charge that when Green & Leonard transferred their plant through promoters to the present company the latter did not pay a solitary dollar for it. All they did was to issue \$1,000,000 in bonds and \$1,000,000 in stock.

"The amount they paid in bonds and stock we do not know. When Mr. Adams was asked about this he told us it was none of the people's business. But we have a right to know whether it was a bona fide investment. When they first came here they said they would tell us all; that all of their business had been fair and above board, but when we ask a vital point we are told that it is none of our business by arrogance that would credit Vanderbilt, the 'public-be-damned,' or H. H. Rogers. These men have got to think that the public has no rights whatever.

"Why did not Mr. Adams answer that question? Simply because he knew that the answer would be against him. If he replied truthfully he would have implicated himself in business that was dishonorable, in my opinion. They are perfectly willing to talk of the reorganization, but not of the organization. If it was rotten in the first place, it was rotten all through."

Testimony is Read. The representative of the Oregonian also read the testimony of various witnesses to show that the charges of the

company were excessive and the quality of the gas poor. The argument of Teal & Wood was summarized as follows: "Originally the charges on which the Oregonian laid the greatest stress were as follows: "That the gas company had inflated its stock in the last two years to the amount of \$800,000. "This charge was admitted to be untrue.

"That the company required deposits from its customers for meters, which amounted to \$57,756. "This charge was shown to be untrue, and the total amount on hand as guaranteed by payment of bills was found to be but \$8,789.25, and that the custom of requiring deposits in such cases is not only proper, but well nigh universal.

Deception is Denied. "That deception was used by the company in connection with its use of meters; that 5,000 of them were in use, using from 1,000 to 3,000 feet of gas a month, and that the company fished and stole from the consumer 79 cents a month on each meter, a total of \$3,900 a month, or a total steal of \$42,000 a year. "These charges were shown to be false.

"It was shown that no deception was practiced in the use of these meters. "It was shown that the total number in use on January 1, 1906, was but 2,307, and the amount received in the month of December, 1905, the sum of \$2,345.80, and for the year 1905, \$78,878.85.

"That charges were made for setting meters; that it encouraged its workmen to cause leaks, etc. "These charges were shown to be without foundation, and it was further shown that the company during the year 1905 expended the sum of \$4,012.03 for setting meters, the sum of \$2,293.21 for adjusting and repairing meters, the sum of \$3,140.32 for inspection and adjustment, the sum of \$5,984 for plumbers' jobs, gas company's jobs and miscellaneous work, and the sum of \$1,244.70 for cost and inspection."

Oregonian is Arraigned. The Oregonian was mildly arraigned in the following language: "The foregoing, other than the complaints of individual consumers, were the ones dwelt on by the Oregonian. They were accompanied by epithets of the most insulting kind. The company and its employees were called 'grifters' so many times that it became a by-word. It was charged with 'extortion,' 'stealing,' 'theft,' 'filching' and 'bunking.'

"So outrageous and extravagant were the charges of the Oregonian that it is not a matter of surprise that an impression exists that the fight on the company was deliberately started and systematically prosecuted for personal reasons and to gratify private resentment.

"When the investigation commenced the Oregonian, in the role of complainant, absolutely abandoned the charges it had made and relied on and attempted to change its base by creating a great uproar about nothing, and by this strategy cover its failure to make good on the charges it had made."

Dies at Corvallis. Corvallis, Or., June 18.—The funeral of the late Mrs. Richard Turner, who died in this city at 1 o'clock yesterday morning, occurred at 2 p. m. today, at Buena Vista, Polk county, where the remains were taken this morning for burial.

Mrs. Ida M. Turner was born in Louisiana, Missouri, January 8, 1857. She was married to Mrs. Turner at Pleasant Hill, Illinois, February 20, 1877. They came to Oregon 21 years ago, residing at Albany, Dallas, and then coming to Corvallis. In girlhood deceased was Miss Ida M. Baker. She was a member of the Rebekah and Circle lodges of Dallas. The survivors are the husband, a son, Bert Turner of Nevada, and a daughter, Miss Lulu Turner of this city.

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