

EQUAL SUFFRAGE CLUB ORGANIZED; DAVIS PRESIDENT

Plans Made to Conduct State-Wide Campaign for Votes for Women; Speakers Give Slogan for Fair Sex.

Permanent organization of the Men's Equal Suffrage club was effected last evening at the Commercial club. A full set of officers was elected, and preliminary arrangements made for a state-wide campaign for the extension of the ballot to women. The assembly hall of the club was crowded. Judge H. V. Kavanagh of the circuit court and John P. (Jerry) Rusk of La Grande, speaker of the house in the last legislature, were the principal speakers.

The officers elected were: President, W. M. Davis; vice president, Judge John P. Kavanagh; secretary, Attorney Arthur Langguth; treasurer, W. D. Cridge; directors, Robert A. Miller, W. H. Pear and Richard Deich. A constitution and by-laws were adopted. Meetings will be held monthly, and membership is extended to voters at the next election. No women can join, as there is another organization for them. At present, work of organizing Multnomah county will be taken up, but as the campaign advances the state will be organized. The names of George N. Davis, Dr. Emmet Drake and Judge Kavanagh were offered for directors, but each man declined, saying he had not the time.

Does Not "Destroy" Home. Judge Kavanagh said he had recently made a trip through Washington and California, during which time he talked with many people about the woman suffrage amendment. The judge said he was thoroughly convinced the old idea is erroneous that woman suffrage would destroy the simplicity of the home woman.

"I had occasion to observe this one result, and I gave particular attention in homes where I visited," he added. "I wish to say that I found the maiden and the mother just as fair and as charming, as they were previous to the adoption of the suffrage amendment."

"The old prejudices against women voting are passing. Oregon is practically surrounded by states allowing women to vote. Our state should have been the first to adopt it. Woman suffrage is one of the most advanced steps in true democracy. It is the next step in popular legislation. A few years ago people did not look kindly upon this question. Woman was not then the breadwinner she is today. There are many interests today that touch the woman closer than the man. Such interests are the school, home, and herself as a wage earner."

"It has been said that politics would draw the woman down. This is an unfair statement. The result will be that woman will elevate politics. Women will force better men and better issues." The judge advocated the handling of the question with diplomacy. He said a campaign of education should be conducted. Publicity, the mails, and public speaking are the agencies through which the voters should be reached. It was also predicted that this would be the last campaign in this state the suffragists would have to wage, as the question would carry.

"Jerry" Rusk Speaks. "The people adopted the Australian ballot system, the direct primary election laws, corrupt practices act, and other popular laws, but have rejected one of the most important movements for public good," said "Jerry" Rusk. "One of the most prevalent reasons given for not extending the ballot to women is that it will degrade them. I contend that woman will purify politics. All the other popular election laws elevated politics, and the adoption of the suffrage amendment will still further clean the political arena. If Oregon would have had woman suffrage 20 years ago, the state would not have experienced some of the dirty games indulged in by politicians."

Robert Miller, one of the old Democratic war horses, said that when it comes to taking up political questions, that woman comes with a cleaner and more ethical hand than man. She is entitled to vote as a matter of right, and not one of theory, added the speaker.

C. M. Mullen cautioned the club against nominating men who would be candidates for office, saying that the voters at large would say the move was one to advance the candidate's election. He also advocated a campaign of education.

New Building Leases Ready. Cottage Grove, Or., Jan. 12.—Most of the new building being erected by Cooper and Powell has already been leased. The west half of the lower floor has been taken by the Rees-Wallace company and will be modeled into a store room. The entire upper floor, 76x90, has been leased by the militia boys for an armory.

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PERSONALS

S. R. L. Penrose, president of the Whitman university at Walla Walla, Wash., is a guest at the Portland. J. P. McNaught, a prominent rancher and stockholder of Hermiston, is registered at the Portland.

J. Y. Baruh and wife and L. Zellerbach and wife of Los Angeles are guests at the Portland. Messrs. Baruh and Zellerbach are officials of the Pacific Paper company of San Francisco and Portland.

Thomas Barie, an official of the Pennsylvania Steel company of Steelton, Pa., is a guest at the Portland. Leo Teutsch, a prominent merchant of Pendleton, is a guest at the Imperial.

George B. McLeod, a lumberman of Astoria, is registered at the Imperial. J. A. Westerlund, representative in the state legislature from Jackson county, is a guest at the Imperial from Medford.

F. E. Newby, an apple grower of Hood River, is registered at the Imperial. A. C. Dixon, a lumberman of Eugene, is registered at the Imperial.

Frank J. Taylor, a salmon packer, and J. C. Driscoll, manager for the Union Meat company, of Astoria, are guests at the Imperial.

E. D. Cusick, banker and attorney of Albany, Or., is registered at the Imperial. B. J. Hecker and J. T. Wentworth of Albany are registered at the Imperial.

Walter L. Ross, the well known merchant of Falls City, and wife are registered at the Imperial.

C. H. Sproat, the well known apple grower of Hood River, is a guest at the Imperial. N. J. Judah, a newspaper publisher of Astoria, is registered at the Imperial.

W. A. Hubbard, a merchant of Centralia, Wash., is registered at the Seward. Robert H. Milligan, a business man of Vancouver, B. C., is a guest at the Seward.

H. A. Wright, a civil engineer of Estacada, is registered at the Seward. W. H. Ward, a harness manufacturer of Goldendale, Wash., is a guest at the Seward.

J. W. Campbell, an automobile dealer and ranch owner of Roseburg, is a guest at the Seward.

Dr. L. G. Ross of St. Helena, Or., is registered at the Perkins. G. V. Edwards, a real estate operator of Hood River, is a guest at the Perkins.

J. A. Pope, a business man of Astoria, and wife are guests at the Perkins. H. M. Metcalf, a business man of Washougal, Wash., is a guest at the Perkins.

Frank Davenport, the well known lumberman of Bull Run, is a guest at the Perkins. W. E. Wren, a business man of Salem, and wife are guests at the Perkins.

L. L. Thompson, a merchant of Stayton, Or., and wife are registered at the Perkins. Major John H. Soper, a sugar cane raiser of Honolulu, is a guest at the Oregon.

A. J. Mason, the well known fruit grower and shipper of Hood River, is a guest at the Oregon.

R. D. Burns, a merchant of Walla Walla, and wife are registered at the Oregon. E. L. Camplin, an automobile dealer of Seattle, is registered at the Oregon.

W. B. Pearce, a merchant of Seattle, is registered at the Oregon. William Gerig, the railroad manager of Medford, is registered at the Bowlers.

J. H. Lauterman and R. Gardner of Salem are registered at the Bowlers. Dr. J. H. Bordin of the Southern Pacific hospital at San Francisco, is a guest at the Cornelius.

E. C. Rowe, a merchant of Hillsboro, and wife are guests at the Cornelius. F. E. Stewart, a merchant of Halsey, Or., and wife are guests at the Cornelius.

J. S. Seed, building contractor of this city, leaves Sunday night on the Shasta Limited for a few weeks' business trip to Los Angeles.

Councilman William Schmeer, who has been ill since last Tuesday, as the result of exposure during the recent disagreeable weather, is improving and will be out in a day or two. Rising from a sickbed, Mr. Schmeer attended the Wednesday meeting of the council.

The condition of Jerome F. Thern, son of Frank B. Thern, manager of the Pacific Grain company, is improving, and Dr. A. J. Giesy, who is attending him, feels that he has an even chance for recovery. Young Thern has been ill since last July, when he came in from his timber claim in Lincoln county. Early in September his condition became so serious that he was taken to the Good Samaritan hospital. A few days ago he suffered a relapse, which left him very weak, but he is much better today, and will soon be able to receive visitors again.

Sold Back Sr., the well known Chinese merchant, who is suffering from congestion of the lungs at the Good Samaritan hospital, is slightly better today, and hope is held that he will soon be out of danger.

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PLANS TO BREAK MONOPOLY UPON STREET LIGHTING

Executive Board Favors Letting Mt. Hood Co. Bid; P. R., L. & P. Now Has City Contract for Arc Lights.

Declaring in favor of competitive bids for city lighting in future and recommending that the Mount Hood Railway & Power company be asked to bid for the installation of 29 arc lights on the Peninsula at once, the light committee of the city executive board yesterday afternoon started a movement which it is hoped will break the monopoly that the Portland Railway, Light & Power company has held for years.

The city executive board, which met after the lighting committee had adjourned, adopted the report of the committee and referred the matter to the city attorney for an opinion. The Portland Railway, Light & Power company has the city tied up for three years yet by contract and it is possible that the terms of this contract may not permit of the Mount Hood company's bidding successfully.

Mayor Favors Plan. Mayor Ruesslight told the board he is in favor of the city acquiring the distributing system of wires, poles and equipment that furnish the arc lights. The city would then be in a position to buy power from different companies and would gain the advantage of competition.

Officials of the Mount Hood company have already petitioned the city for a chance to bid on the installation of arc lights in the great district on the peninsula bounded by Vancouver and Patton avenues and Portland and Columbia boulevards.

Their petition is backed by the Peninsula Addition association, composed of 350 taxpayers, and other clubs. A. L. Morris, representing these taxpayers, told the board yesterday that there is not a street light in their district and that the Portland Railway, Light & Power company has refused to install street lights there unless the people will sign contracts for house lights also.

"This we can not do," said Mr. Morris, "for we have already signed long term contracts with the Mount Hood company and are getting lights for household purposes 50 per cent cheaper than other sections of the city are getting them."

Contract Awarded. The Mount Hood company has agreed to put in bids for these arc lights and we want to give the company a chance. We are not making a fight for the company, however, but simply are pushing a campaign for street lights.

The board awarded the contract for the improvement of Raleigh street from Fifteenth to Twenty-eighth street to the Warren Construction company. The pavement is to be bitulithic. C. A. Bigelow, a member of the street committee of the board, objected to the letting of the contract on the ground, he said, that the bid was not competitive and that the prices charged for material

were too high. The board established a precedent by awarding the contract, the president being that street improvement contracts are to be let in future whenever the great majority of the property owners demand certain improvements, regardless of what the price of these may be.

As H. O. Reeder, a member of the street committee who opposed Mr. Bigelow, expressed it: "If the property owners want to pave the street in front of them with gold, it is not the province of a mere city official to say they may. We are here to do what the people want us to do."

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