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PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS.

REPUBLICANS.
F. J. Miller, Albany
R. R. Butler, Baker City
J. A. Lee, Portland
A. C. Marsters, Roseburg

DEMOCRATIC.
Sam White, Baker City
E. J. S. McAlister, Portland
Bernard Daly, Portland
O. P. Coshaw, Roseburg

The county commissioners' court recently received a dozen fine new iron benches for the park blocks. They are much larger than the old ones and they fill a long felt want, says the Eugene Guard. The tax payers were kindly given an opportunity a short time ago to sign a petition asking the court to make a liberal cash donation toward paving Eugene's streets about the court house grounds and city parks, but we have seen no petition in circulation praying the county court to purchase iron benches for the park blocks. Cottage Grove is unfortunate in not having a county government to assist it in paving its streets and beautifying its city parks. This is something to strive for.

Now is the time for the Commercial Club and all of Cottage Grove to get busy. Thousand of homeseekers will arrive in this state from the east during September and October, all eager to cast their lot in a thriving and progressive community. Lane county can make room for a thousand or two wide-awake active men and women.

The Drain Nonpareil says: "No one expected work to resume on the Drain Coos Bay road this fall, or until after the election. But those who are in position to know, say there is no doubt whatever that work will be resumed next spring and rushed to early completion."

Hundreds of men are being added to the forces in the mills every few days, and thus good old General Prosperity is coming into command of his invincible army.

I. L. Harding suggests that the valley in which he resides be mentioned as Lynx Valley instead of "Lynx Hollow." We think the suggestion a good one.

The Roseburg city council has a great squabble on over the location for a city drinking fountain. Near beer is good enough for those city dads.

Mr. Debs shaves himself, it is said. Probably because the barbers insist on doing most of the talking.

Everybody talk the doctrine of good cheer and 1909 will be a prosperous year.

Things are beginning to move again. Put your shoulder to the wheel, or get out of the way.

No, Taft can't "win in a walk." He's so fat he waddles.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

Earl Simeral has returned home from a trip east.

It is probably better for girls to be shot by repulsed suitors than to marry them.

Miss Zelma Maples is home from a visit with a sister in Washington state.

Mrs. Lonzo Willard came up from Eugene Saturday for a few days visit with friends and relatives.

Miss Alma Hartung went to Salem Monday to visit with friends and attend the state fair.

Mrs. J. V. Thornton and daughters, Mrs. Jas. Plaster, and Mrs. Archie Thompson, and husbands, are spending the week at the state fair at Salem.

The Eugene City Council has prohibited the sale of "near beer" in that city. The penalty is a fine of from \$25 to \$200 or imprisonment from ten to 30 days' or both.

Those who went to Newport on the Sunday excursion and there were many, report seeing the ocean very rough as the result of a storm, but the weather was exceptionally fine.

T. M. Densmore came down from Cottage Grove Monday, where he is drying prunes, and hurried back on the presumption that it was going to rain.—Register.

Frank E. Alley and wife, of Roseburg, were passengers on Monday morning's train for the state fair where Mr Alley has 26 fine horses on exhibition. He is a brother-in-law of our townsman, Al Churchill.

Smithson, Gilbert and Kelly the famous Oregon athletes, who won honors in the great Olympic games at London this summer, were tendered a rousing reception at Portland on their home coming Monday.

The public and high school opened Monday under favorable auspices, a full attendance not being enrolled from the fact that a good many children have not yet returned to town from the hop fields and other places. A most successful school year is assured.

At the state convention of the Modern Brotherhood of America which was held in Portland Saturday, H. O. Thompson and T. W. Jenkins were elected delegates to the supreme lodge convention which will be held at Davenport, Iowa, October 14. Mr. Jenkins will start on his trip east October 4, Mr. Thompson being unable to go.

Saturday evening just as the big new moon was peering over the Bohemia mountains, a company of young people comprising six couples, climbed to the crest of McFarland butte overlooking the brilliantly lighted town, and there in the moonlight made merry during the evening. Some choice confections were distributed and a good time was enjoyed. The company comprised: Misses Helen McGee, Dessie Harms, Dollie and Daisy Hawkins, Lula Willard and Mable Holmes, of Eugene; Messrs Lloyd Bisby, John Woodard, Chas. Hall, Dr. Ingram, Martin Anderson, and Mr. Bath.

High jinks was held at the Masonic hall last Friday evening on the occasion of the first meeting of the Eastern Star order since the summer vacation. The much talked of wedding was pulled off on schedule time, but proved a burlesque—a darktown wedding—done up in real old fashion southern style, with colored attendants. The role of groom was ably sustained by the genial Ben Lurch, while Mrs. A. Brund played the part of the blushing bride. F. D. Wheeler as the colored parson officiated at the ceremony but the (color) line was drawn when he proposed to kiss the bride. The wedding ruse had the effect designed—brought out a full attendance and a most pleasant and enjoyable meeting was held.

An ordinance assessing cost of grading and graveling River street on abutting property was read and passed.

An ordinance assessing cost of Fifth street sewer between Lurch and Veatch property, passed.

A number of bills were audited and ordered paid by warrants.

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BIDS OPENED FOR NEW STEEL BRIDGE

Contract Will be Awarded or Bids Rejected by Council Thursday Evening—Other Business.

The regular monthly meeting of the city council was held Monday evening and considerable business of importance was transacted, including the opening of bids for the construction of a new steel bridge across the river on Main street.

Puget Sound Bridge & Dredging Co. Seattle, Wash.:

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For bridge not including piers nor planking.....\$4,620 00
For planking roadway..... 200 00
For planking sidewalks..... 100 00
For piers complete as per plan..... 900 00
From above amount will deduct \$325 if the brackets for sidewalk and handrail are omitted. Will agree to place these on bridge any time within a year for..... 425 00

Upon motion the bids were ordered laid on the table for consideration of the council until Thursday evening when the lowest bid will be accepted, or all rejected by the council.

Representatives of all three companies submitting bids on this proposed steel bridge were present at this council meeting.

All Bids Rejected.
Just before going to press the Leader is informed by the mayor that all bids for steel bridge have been rejected by the council and the old bridge will be repaired at once to serve for another year.

The resignation of George Comer as councilman was read and accepted, Mr. Comer having taken up his residence in Portland. J. M. Isham, C. J. Howard, J. H. McFarland and Harry Hart petition for bringing their residence properties into sewer district. Petition granted.

A petition was read asking the city council to widen and make uniform in width, Railroad avenue north along the S. P. railroad from the depot. This petition was unanimously signed by property owners on said street and other citizens. Petition laid on the table until next regular meeting.

A petition was presented asking for construction of a sewer or drainage pipe on east side of S. P. railroad from the slough in the O. & S. E. railroad yard to a point 700 feet down the railroad track, which would change the course of this slough from its present channel through town. The cost of this drain pipe is estimated at for galvanized pipe 24 inch, \$1,773; sewer pipe, \$2,500. Councilmen Bartels and Elledge were appointed to interview property owners regarding this drain and report at next meeting.

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STATE FAIR IS A WHOPPER THIS YEAR

The state fair at Salem opened under the most favorable auspices Monday morning and with the largest exhibits and largest attendance of any fair yet recorded at Salem.

With the exception of a few minor details, which are yet unfinished, the morning's opening was well-timed, and the exhibits were open for the inspection of the visitors.

The stock exhibits are all staged for the weekly show and one to pass a thorough judgment on them would be compelled to visit the barns for at least two days for that purpose. In addition to the stock and agricultural exhibits there is an exceedingly large poultry display.

NEW FLORAL EXHIBIT.

Adelhelm Wyrsch, the florist of St. Benedict's Abbey, for the first time has 15 specimens. He shows a Rex begonia with leaves 20 inches long, the tubarora begonia, the Cedar of Lebanonia from Jerusalem, the salvia Zurich, and four rare ferns. The Abbey also sends 12 feet long hemp from a seven-acre field, and specimens of onions. They will have an exhibit of Burgundy grapes in Wednesday. This is the first time the Abbey sends a floral exhibit and it is very creditable to their enterprise.

FINE CHICKEN SHOW

A large number of birds are in the coops and nearly as many more arrived Sunday.

WATCHED RACERS.

The trotters and pacers which started in the pink of condition, in the races this afternoon have been the object of the greatest precaution on the part of the trainers for the past 24 hours. Most of the trainers stayed in the stalls with their horses last night, to prevent any one from interfering with them. Although the practice of "doping" is indulged in very little at the Salem track, there have been a few instances where a good horse has been ruined on the eve of the race.

"IT'S ALL RIGHT."

The Drain Nonpareil says: "The new sheath gown is being discussed up and down, all along the line, even by some editors. It appears that this much-discussed new style of garment is open on both sides a distance of several feet, and is said to be really very charming. Editor Conner of the Cottage Grove Leader says it is "all right as far as he can see."

R. W. Veatch Buys Farm.

On Monday R. W. Veatch of Eugene, but late of this city, bought the fine little 66 acre farm of F. B. Phillips on Row river six miles east of this city, consideration not given out. This place joins the farm of Hamilton Veatch a brother of the purchaser and is largely fine bottom land. Mr. Veatch informs the Leader that he will plant several acres to winter apple trees this fall or early in the spring.

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