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SCHOOL BOND ELECTION

District Number 2 Will Vote on Question of New School Building Next Saturday.

On Saturday, May 1, an election will be held at the city hall by the voters of school district, Number 2, for the purpose of deciding whether or not the district shall assume a bonded indebtedness of \$40,000 for the purpose of constructing a new school house to accommodate the increasing enrollment of pupils.

The matter was widely agitated last Spring, the congestion in the rooms of the old school house having already become great enough to demand relief of some kind. Various delays, however, prevented the matter from being brought to a vote in time for the needed new building to be erected last summer.

With the opening of the Fall term, the school board, confronted by a demand for more schoolroom, which was now imperative, secured a temporary solution for the problem and a moderate relief from the crowded conditions in the schoolhouse, by having a small building erected for the accommodation of the children in the primary grades.

Even this transient relief, it appears, was not sufficient to outlast the present school year and for several months, the old demand for more room has been more insistent than ever before. For the purpose of meeting this demand and settling the question of schoolroom, for a number of years to come at least, the school board has called the Saturday election.

J. A. Lynch Buys Confectionery Store.

Johnson Brothers, the popular confectioners who have conducted a store in Dallas for several years, have sold their establishment to J. A. Lynch, who took charge of the business Saturday. Messrs. Johnson will remain in Dallas for the present, not having fully determined what line of work they will take up in future. The new proprietor, Mr. Lynch, is well known to citizens of Dallas, having been in business here for a number of years and his many friends will wish him all success in the new enterprise which he has undertaken.

The Morris chair offered by Adams & Brobst to the person who could name the longest list of articles carried in stock in their big furniture and implement store, was awarded to the daughter of John Diehm, of Polk Station.

COURT HOUSE NOTES

Items of Interest From the Records in the County Offices Briefly Told.

PROBATE.

Estate of John W. Martin, deceased—final account approved and administrator discharged.

Estate of Elizabeth Butler, deceased—final account approved and executor discharged.

Estate of William Kneuer, deceased—inventory and appraisements filed and approved.

Estate of Mary J. Percival, deceased—estate admitted to probate; J. L. Riggs appointed administrator; bond filed and approved; J. B. V. Butler, Otis Wolverton and Armond Riggs appointed appraisers.

Estate of Lawrence Davis, deceased—Dr. Andrew Kershaw, Superintendent of Grand Ronde Indian Agency, directed to turn over to the administration the funds belonging to said estate, held in trust by said superintendent.

Guardianship of Hattie Gill, a minor—final account set for hearing Thursday, May 27, at 10 o'clock a. m.

REAL ESTATE.

F. W. Waters et ux to Waters Brothers Investment Company, land and lots in West Salem, \$1.

A. H. Dodd et ux to Robert M. Wenderly, lots in Falls City, \$1.

W. P. Marrs et ux to M. W. Wilkins, 80 acres, t 7 and 8 s, r 5 w, \$12,500.

Wilford D. Bancroft et ux to Electra L. Bancroft, lots in Falls City, \$1.

Aged Pioneer Dies in Albany.

Mrs. Addie Magers went to Albany, Friday, to be at the bedside of her father, Henry Johnson, who had been ill in the St. Mary's Hospital in that city for several months. Death came as a relief to the aged sufferer Sunday. Mr. Johnson was an Oregon pioneer of 1854. He was born in Georgia 86 years ago and after coming to Oregon settled in Benton County where he resided continuously until the time of his death. He is survived by seven children: Mrs. Addie Magers, of Dallas; Mrs. Lydia Collins, of Seattle; Alfred Johnson, of Richmond, Utah; John and Samuel Johnson, of Portland; and Mrs. Maud Williams and Robert L. Johnson, of Oregon City.

Dr. J. V. Scott was in Dallas yesterday, enroute for Portland on a business visit.

MAROONS MEET MATCH

Dallas Baseball Team Easily Wins Over Portland Aggregation by Score of 5 to 0.

The game between the Dallas baseball team and the Maroons, of Portland, Sunday afternoon, was won by the local nine by a score of 5 to 0. The attendance at the game was better than at any of the previous games this season, both the grandstand and the bleachers being well filled.

More than 100 visitors from Falls City and Black Rock came down on the special train which was run for the occasion and many automobiles and carriages from other neighboring cities brought parties of interested spectators to watch the contest.

The game was very one-sided at the start. Dallas secured four runs in the first and one in the second inning, but from that time the game settled down to a closer contest and neither side scored further. Bowen's work in the box for Dallas was flawless. He was credited with striking out 14 men against 5 struck out by Winterbotham, of Portland, and during the entire game only three hits were secured off of him by the Maroons. Dallas secured 7 hits off of Winterbotham.

Mullen, of Portland, and Boydston, of Dallas, proved themselves the heavy hitters each securing a two base hit. Stolen bases are credited to Boydston, Shorey and E. and W. Barham, of Dallas, and Yett, of Portland.

The line-up was as follows: Dallas—Sheridan c, Bowen p, Fenton 1st, Toole 2d, Hunt 3d, Shorey s s, W. Barham l f, E. Barham c f, Boydston r f; Portland—Demcomb c, Winterbotham p, Donaldson 1st, Stoops 2d, Williams 3rd, Tauscher s s, Briggs l f, Mullen c f, and Yett r f. G. O. Grant acted as umpire. A game has been arranged for next Sunday against the Hop Goids, of Portland.

Railroad Officials Visit Dallas.

A party of the officials of the Southern Pacific Company were in Dallas, Saturday, enroute from Yaquina to Portland. Their three special cars were taken from Dallas on into Portland with the regular afternoon passenger train. In the party were William McMurray, general passenger agent; John Scott, assistant general passenger agent; W. H. Jenkins, travelling passenger agent; J. N. Buckley, general superintendent; and J. F. Meyer, car service inspector.

C. L. Starr returned to Salem yesterday after an over Sunday visit in Dallas.

HOLDS SPECIAL SESSION

City Council Receives Bids on Street Improvement and Curb Construction For New Districts.

The City Council met last night in called session for the purpose of receiving bids on the hauling of crushed rock for street improvement, the building of new streets, and the construction of cement curbing in the proposed improvement districts.

F. J. Morrison entered a bid of 70 cents per cubic yard for the hauling of the rock from the city crusher to the places designated for improvement and L. E. Bradley, of Washington county, appeared to offer a bid on the street construction work. The council however declined to consider Mr. Bradley's bid at that meeting, since the time allowed for filing bids with the city auditor had expired at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Four bids on curb construction were offered. One by John Olin, one by D. M. Metzger and two by W. L. Soehren. Mr. Olin offered to build the curbing for 25 cents per 1175 cubic inches, excavation, cutting of sidewalk, etc., to be charged extra. D. M. Metzger's bid was for construction around the property of the Evangelical Church alone at a rate of 20 cents per linear foot. The first bid submitted by W. L. Soehren specified the property before which curbing was to be built, fourteen property owners whose curbing would involve something more than 3000 feet being mentioned and a rate of 5 cents per linear foot being offered.

His second bid in which no specifications as to the places where the curbing was to be built were mentioned, offered straight curbing at 25 cents and corners at 30 cents per linear foot, materials used to be of the same quality as those used in curb construction last year. He further agreed to construct curbs out of first-class materials throughout, at 27 1/2 cents per linear foot on straight construction and 32 1/2 cents for corners. Mr. Soehren later made the statement that his bid included all preparatory excavation.

All bids were referred to a committee consisting of Councilmen Cosper, Ellis and Coad with instructions to submit their report and recommendations at the next regular meeting.

Before the close of the session Mr. Soehren requested that the council make preparations for securing a right of way for an additional pipe line from Canyon creek to Applegate, as it would be a matter of only a comparatively short time until it would become necessary to draw upon the latter stream in order to supply the demands made upon the water system of Dallas.

Independence Has Building Boom.

Yesterday's Oregonian contains the following brief "prosperity dispatch" from Independence, our sister city in the eastern portion of the county: "A building boom has struck here which promises to have far-reaching effects before it is over. At present there are two large business structures being built. One is a large implement warehouse, being erected by Hanna Brothers. W. F. Campbell is building a two-story brick building joining the J. S. Cooper block. The lower floor is rented for stores and the upper floor will probably be used as Commercial Club rooms. The ladies' auxiliary to the Commercial Club is progressing nicely with the arrangements for the free public library. A house has been secured, and as soon as the new books ordered arrive, arrangements will be made to open the library about June 1. The ladies secured over 100 books for a starter by a book shower, and have about \$350 for new books. The City Council donated \$100."

Ellendale Road Will Be Improved.

Bert Dennis took out the county road roller yesterday to begin work on the road from Ellendale to Dallas. Farmers living along that road have donated labor in grading and spreading the crushed rock, which is furnished gratis by the City of Dallas from its crusher above Ellendale, and the county will assume its share of the task in completing the improvement work with the road roller. This work is truly important, securing for the farmers of that neighborhood a good highway into Dallas, adding an extra section to the county's system of macadamized roads and furnishing the city a first-class roadway on which to bring into Dallas the crushed rock for its street improvement work. It is the aim of the County Commissioners to have this piece of work finished this week if possible, so that the roller can be taken to the Bridgeport vicinity where the contractors are to begin their season's work of road building at once.

"California Raisin Day."

California invites all the world to eat California raisins on April 30—every day, for that matter, but particularly on April 30—which has been added to the calendar of festival occasions as a day of rejoicing. Eat California raisins on "California Raisin Day," April 30.

CIRCUIT COURT DOCKET

May Term of Judge Burnett's Department of Circuit Court Will Convene on the 10th.

Following is the docket for Judge George H. Burnett's department of Circuit Court, which will be convened in Dallas, Monday, May 10:

J. A. Harps Manufacturing Company vs. T. A. Riggs, action for money; F. A. Turner for plaintiff.

Vick Brothers vs. Earhardt & Meyer, action for money; J. H. Flower for plaintiff.

State of Oregon vs. John Courtney, assault with intent to commit rape; J. H. McNary for plaintiff.

L. U. Josse vs. D. C. Harris, action for money; M. E. Pogue and William Kaiser for plaintiff; George G. Bingham for defendant.

The Averill Machinery Company vs. F. N. Smith and S. B. Tetherow, action for money; Sibley & Eakin for plaintiff.

C. L. Fitchard vs. M. E. Gillespie, action for money; B. F. Jones for plaintiff.

Corvallis & Alsea River Railway Company vs. E. W. Strong, action for money; McFadden & Bryson for plaintiff.

Charles Kohn & Company vs. G. L. McMurphy and H. Fugitt, action for money; Oscar Hayter for plaintiff.

F. Moyer vs. Polk County Mill & Lumber Company, action for damage; H. H. Latourette for plaintiff.

Fred Stettler vs. William Schindler and Ann Schindler, action for money; James G. Helzel for plaintiff.

Salem, Falls City & Western Railway Company vs. Pierce Riggs et al, condemnation; Oscar Hayter for plaintiff.

M. Bailey vs. Benton County, Oregon; damages; Weatherford & Wyatt for plaintiff; McFadden & Bryson for defendant.

Normal Regents Will Meet.

Governor Benson has issued a call for a meeting of the board of normal school regents to be held in the capitol May 8 for the purpose of determining the future policy of the board in regard to the normal school question. The three normal schools, Monmouth, Ashland and Weston, are now operating as state institutions by private subscriptions until the end of the school year, the board having granted this lease of life at the February 24 meeting, after having adopted a resolution declaring them closed from that date. What the policy of the board will be at the May meeting is only a matter of conjecture, but judging from the attitude of the members at the previous meeting the schools will be compelled to operate as private institutions under lease from the state. Since the board receives its financial support from the maintenance fund of the normal schools and the legislature failed to provide for them at the last session, the board is without funds to pay the expenses of the members in attendance upon meetings and they will respond to the call at their own expense. Their attendance, however, is not obligatory.—Statesman.

Interesting Relic From Grand Ronde.

A. G. Magers, of Salem, recently received a rather interesting relic of Oregon's pioneer days, it being a heavy oak moldboard of the plow used by General Phil Sheridan, at that time a lieutenant, on the Grand Ronde Indian reservation. There were no disc plows in those days, and in fact none of the fine plows which the farmers of those days find necessary, and yet do not fully appreciate. The moldboard is from two to four inches thick, made of a piece of Oregon oak. It was originally provided with a cutter or front made from a wagon tire, but this has been lost, and only the wood remains. It still has the wooden plugs by which it was fastened to the plow frame and is in a fine state of preservation.—Salem Journal.

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