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PEOPLE FAVOR SEWER PROJECT

WILL CARRY BY OVER EIGHTY PER CENT.

INTERVIEWS OF LEADING BUSINESS MEN AND RESIDENTS CAST SHADOW OF COMING EVENTS AT POLLS MONDAY.

On the 28th day of March the voters of Independence will be called upon to vote to bond the city for the establishment of a system of sewers. Any legal voter who has complied with the law as to residence will be qualified to cast his vote at this election. A mass meeting has been called to discuss the various phases of the subject as affecting the taxpayers of Independence. At this meeting many of the leading citizens of Independence will make addresses, among them being Mayor Hoffman, Attorney B. F. Swope, W. W. Percival, Dr. Dunsmore, Rev. Weber and others.

The approaching election is the chief topic of conversation this week. Bets have been offered that there will not be twenty per cent of the votes cast against the sewer project next Monday. It appears that the people are pretty much of a mind on the subject, so much so that the entire town seems to have resolved itself into a boosting committee in support of sewerage. The following expressions from prominent business men shows that all the leading business men and residents are enthusiastic in their support of the sewer project.

"The tendency will be for the up-building of the town, better residences, better business houses. The health of the community will be improved. Without a system of sewers, it is only a matter of time when an epidemic is going to strike this town.—M. Merwin.

"While it will benefit us much personally it will improve the general health of the town. I think it is the proper thing to safeguard the health of the community. It will mean a good many thousand dollars to Independence in locating new people. So insignificant the cost to the house of Conkey, Walker & Lehman they will never realize what they have paid for the construction of these sewers.—G. W. Conkey.

"Like any other small place property will be enhanced in value by the construction of a sewer system.—Zed Rosendorf.

"I think the sewer system is the best thing for the town that could be built at the present time. I think it will carry. I have heard no one that is opposed to it. As one of the largest taxpayers of Independence I favor the measure.—J. S. Cooper.

"I am in favor of the sewers. Any town without sewers is greatly handicapped from the standpoint of health. We have need of it here. The benefit I expect to derive from a system of sewers will far out-balance the cost. I would like to see the sewer system, streets paved, school facilities, etc.—Dr. Allin.

"I am heartily in favor of sewers. For the reason that I haven't been here long enough to vote I would rather have nothing to say on the subject. Some people will think I am becoming unduly active in something I have no voice in. It seems very essential that the people should vote the bond issue at this time. Proper sewerage to a city should be the first consideration in the establishment of a town. It will attract desirable citizens to establish themselves in business if we have good sewerage, schools, etc.—B. F. Swope.

"Of course I am in favor of the sewer. I heard a prominent business man say that if they did not sewer the town he would leave it before the snow flies again. You can count my vote for the sewer system.—Dr. L. L. Hewitt.

"I think the sewers will be very beneficial. I have never lived in a

city before where the frogs sung us to sleep. We must sewer this town or die in a mud hole. People coming in here will not stay on account of these conditions.—L. G. Reeves.

"We think one of the first things we ought to have is the sewerage. It will increase the value of property and make our town more healthy and more prosperous. One of the greatest things sewers will do will be to bring people to our town. You can quote us as being 'right in' for sewerage, first, last and all the time.—Alice & Calbreath.

"I haven't thought much about it yet. I think the sewer system is the proper thing. There is nothing we need worse. It will help everybody. I am in favor of sewers and willing and glad to contribute my portion to the cost.—O. A. Kramer.

"There are so many good reasons that I favor the sewer question that I hardly know which one is best. From the sanitary standpoint there is no question but what a sewer system is very essential to the people of Independence. For that reason, if no other, I would vote for it.—Arthur Moore.

"I believe that the health of the city of Independence demands the immediate establishment of a sewer system. Put me in the column as voting yes.—P. H. Drexler.

"I believe that a sewer system is for the best interests of the community of Independence from a sanitary standpoint at least. It is one of the best advertisements for any city. I am very much in favor of it.—C. W. Irvine, Cashier.

"I should think that anyone could see that the sewer system is a good thing. Sewers are always desirable in any community. The present unsanitary condition of the city is sufficient argument. The town has too many cesspools and private sewers emptying into the street. There is no doubt in my mind but what it will carry. The intelligent element of Independence will vote as a unit for the sewerage system. I favor it, not because I am a member of the council, but because we need it. The establishment of a sewerage system in Independence will place our town in the progressive columns along with others of the state. It will be an inducement to other people to locate here.—K. C. Eldridge.

"In the first place the building of the sewer system will be the means of employing the laboring men of the city. It is something that is needed in every town of this size. It will help to build our town. More people will come when they find that we have a sewer system and I am heartily in favor of it.—W. E. Craven.

"To make it short, I am in favor of sewers.—B. Wilson.

"I am heartily in favor of improvements. The sewerage should be done before the streets are graded and paved. I expect to vote for the sewers.—J. W. Kirkland.

"I have favored the sewer system all along. I favor any improvements that will tend to better our condition.—J. Dornisfe.

"I am in favor of a sewer, because I believe it to be an important foundation stone in the building and growth of our city.—M. C. Williams.

"I am in favor of any public improvement that is for the benefit of the public at large. You can quote me as favorable to the sewer project.—W. Dawes.

"Because the sanitary condition of the city demands it, Independence will never amount to anything until it is sewerred. Next year we want to pave our streets and to do this we must have our sewers laid first.—Word Butler.

"I said when the proposition of voting on high schools came up that I didn't think there would be more than twenty votes in opposition to it. I feel that the feeling of civic pride is higher now than it has been for some time and that the taxpayers of Independence will empower the council through their votes on Monday next to proceed at once in constructing the system of sewers which is now up to them. This will certainly be to the betterment of our town and will locate many outsiders with us.—J. L. Hanna.

"I am in favor of the sewerage proposition. It will do more to en-

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SALEM'S GREAT ANNUAL EVENT

LEADING HORSEMEN OF VALLEY WILL ATTEND.

FORTY THOUSAND VISITED HORSE SHOW LAST YEAR—ALL RAILROADS WILL GRANT LOW RATES.

The annual Horse Show at Salem will be held Friday and Saturday, April 8 and 9. This event is one of the most important of its kind to the farmers of the Northwest, where the farmers and stockmen can see the best horses of all breeds.

The first day of the horse show will be exhibiting the different horses in a magnificent parade. The second day will be devoted to a sale. At this sale buyers and sellers will assemble from all parts of the country, and as the entries of stock are to be printed in catalogue form and sent broadcast, there will be no difficulty in finding buyers for all available horses in the country.

Last year the Salem Horse Show equalled the annual state fair exhibition. Probably 40,000 people were in Salem to see it. This year it will be better and a larger crowd is expected. Low rates for round-trip tickets are granted by the railroad.

The Horse Show Association, of which C. L. Dick is president and R. L. Paulus is secretary, is a permanent organization, so that this event will be handled in a business-like manner from year to year. It is planned to erect a bleacher and a grand stand along the streets, which will be taken down and stored for another season. There is a movement on foot to erect a \$25,000 auditorium in which this event will be held in the future.

The Willamette valley farmers should attend an exhibition of this kind and give it their hearty support, as it is more largely to their benefit than anyone else's. The exhibition is free and Salem will do her utmost to entertain all in a loyal manner.

COMMENDS SEWER PROJECT

C. W. Leonard of Monmouth, who was in town Tuesday, was a caller on the Independence Enterprise. Mr. Leonard was much elated over the proposed sewerage of the town. He is an old-timer of the county and takes an active interest in the affairs of the town. It might be of some weight to the voters of Independence to have his expression on the matter. To a representative of the Enterprise Mr. Leonard said: "I do not know of anything that you could do which would be more beneficial to the city of Independence than a system of sewers. 'Cleanliness is next to Godliness' is an old adage that applies very forcibly in the case."

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Calvary Presbyterian

At Calvary Presbyterian church on Sunday morning, being the Easter anniversary, the morning services will be conducted by the children of the Sunday school, and the young people. A program consisting of recitations, readings, class songs, solos, etc., will be given by the children, and the choir of the church will render several Easter anthems. The pastor will fill out the program by an Easter talk. The Sunday school will meet at the usual hour, 10 o'clock, and the Easter exercises will begin at 11.

In the evening, Lyon Lodge, No. 29, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, accompanied by the members of Adah Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, will assemble at 7:15 at the Masonic hall, and proceed in a body to Calvary Presbyterian church, where Dr. Dunsmore will deliver a sermon appropriate to the occasion. Special music is being prepared by their excellent choir, and a pleasing and profitable service is anticipated. The public are cordially invited to

all these services.

Easter Day at Christian Church

The service next Lord's day will point out messages from both the death and the resurrection of Christ. Part of the Bible school hour will be devoted to recitations by the children and to Easter singing. The subject of the morning sermon will be "The Message from Calvary". The choir will render music largely in keeping with this theme. The evening theme will be "The Message from the Open Tomb". Most of the Easter music will be given in the evening. Mr. Thompson will be pleased to meet and teach all young men at 10 o'clock a. m., who want to learn more about the Bible, and who will assist in forming a Bible club, similar to the Baptist Baraca club. A base ball team is being organized among the young men of the Bible school and these about to come into the school. The Bible study and prayer on Wednesday evening should receive the attention of all members and others. The young men and young women held a joint preliminary meeting Tuesday evening, at which the pastor explained the organized Bible club movement. Clubs for both will probably be organized next week.

At the Methodist Church

Next Sunday instead of the regular Sunday school review, the hour from 10 to 11 will be taken for a special sermon to children by the pastor. During the regular preaching hour the choir and the children will render a special Easter program. Epworth League will begin at 6:30; Leader, Prof. McIntosh; topic, "Christ's Resurrection". Preaching at 7:30. Mid-week revival, Tuesday evening. Young people's prayer meeting, Friday evening.

Willgrow will make your flowers grow.—Butler Produce Co.

H. H. JASPERSON PASSES BEYOND

LEFT DENMARK TO ENJOY RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

METHODICAL IN HABITS, GENEROUS AND SYMPATHETIC, H. H. JASPERSON WAS LEADING CITIZEN OF INDEPENDENCE.

H. H. Jaspersen, whose death occurred in this city last Tuesday morning at 7:30, was among the old and most highly respected residents of this city having resided in Independence for almost twenty-five years. During his residence here he was occupied in many pursuits. He was first engaged in conducting a sash and door factory, afterwards conducting a general store for several years, and shortly previous to his death he retired from the undertaking business and from active business life.

Mr. Jaspersen was born in 1841 in Fyen, Denmark. He served his king in the army of Denmark during actual warfare for two years during the term of which service his father and mother both died, their deaths occurring but six weeks apart. In 1865 he came to America, the object of his emigration being to live in a country in which he could enjoy freedom in his religious belief. He was a member of the church of Latter Day Saints, whose followers were subjected to many persecutions in his native country. The assassination of Abraham Lincoln occurred while Mr. Jaspersen was en voyage to this country and the news of that occurrence

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