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## BUSINESS MEN WANT NEW CLUB

NEW COMMERCIAL CLUB SOON TO BE ORGANIZED

Property of the Old Organization to be Sold for the Purpose of Meeting Obligations.

Believing that business and pleasure cannot be pursued successfully together, the Independence Commercial Club, at a called meeting held in the Club room Tuesday evening, voted to abandon the social features of that body and work in the future wholly on business principles. The billiard tables belonging to the club will be sold and the money derived from such sales will be used to pay the indebtedness incurred by that body, which has been practically dormant for some time past. When this has been accomplished the old club will probably become a thing of the past.

But it is not the intention of the members to remain quiet on the subject of development. A new club will be organized, new by-laws adopted, and work will be pursued with renewed vigor.

At present the spirit of progress is more in evidence in this city than it has been for years and with the assistance of a good live commercial club, every interest should be carefully looked after. There is a great deal of work to be accomplished during the summer and it is important that the representative business men of the city be represented in the new organization. When the call is sent out for volunteers, it is hoped that every man in business will respond and be identified with the new club.

### CALL FOR WARRANTS

Notice is hereby given that all Polk county warrants presented and endorsed, not paid for want of funds previous to January 1st, 1911, will be paid upon presentation at my office. No interest will be allowed after date of this notice. Dated this 2nd day of March, 1911, at my office.—Tracy Staats, County Treasurer. 40-42.

Geo. H. Himes of Portland, secretary of the Oregon Pioneer Association, and assistant secretary of the Oregon Historical Association, was in the city Monday. Mr. Himes is one of the pioneer printers of the west. He was here to obtain some facts about the early history of this valley from Mrs. Hill, one of the earliest settlers now living in the Willamette valley.

The ladies of the Leisure Hour Reading Club cordially invite the public to an "At Home," Friday afternoon, March 17, from 2 to 5 o'clock in the library parlors.—It being the second anniversary of the organization of the library. Light refreshments will be served.—Bring a silver offering.

Wm. Kurze, who has been employed at the Independence National Bank for some time past, and also city recorder, has resigned both positions, taking effect last Tuesday, and will soon move to California.

Editor Stett of the Monmouth Herald, has been very sick with LaGrippe, for several days but is now convalescent.

J. S. Cooper, who has been in California most of the winter, returned to his home in this city Wednesday. Mrs. Cooper will remain in the south for some time.

## STOCK MEN IN CITY

Members of Oregon Jersey Cattle Club Visit Polk County.

Sixteen members of the Oregon Jersey Cattle Club were in the city Wednesday and visited the celebrated herd of Jersey cattle belonging to Ross B. Nelson. They also visited the herd owned by J. B. Stump at Monmouth and returning, stopped at the H. Mattison farm where another handsome herd was found.

At the Nelson farm near here, they were delighted to see the \$3,000 bull, Noble Peer, which is owned by Messrs. Nelson and Stump, and viewed other imported animals in the herd with much interest.

Few towns in the state, if any, which the Club has visited this season can show as good cattle as Independence, and truly these herds are a credit to the town as well as to the owners, and Mr. Nelson's herd in particular, is attracting the attention of stock breeders all over the Northwest.

He expects to sell the herd soon but will retain his interest in Noble Peer.

## WILL IMPROVE HIS STOCK

C. P. Hembree is not only an advocate of good hogs, but he encourages the growth of fine horses in this part of Oregon, and to more fully realize his utmost expectations in the development of stock on the farm he is booked to use the services of one of the best stock horses in the United States, known as "The Bondsman." This animal is said to be valued at \$11,000.

## FROM THE COUNTY COURT

In the estate of Nancy J. Browne, deceased—Resignation of B. Wilson as executor is accepted; Jesse T. Irvine appointed in his stead, a bond having been approved and filed; letters to issue, and on turning over to Jesse T. Irvine all money and property belonging to said estate, to be finally discharged; letters issued February 24.

Eggs for setting. Thoroughbred Plymouth Rocks, S. B. White Leghorns, S. B. Brown Leghorns and White Orpingtons.—J. G. McIntosh. Both Phones. n-40-1f.

## BRIEF NEWS OF THE WEEK

A recent estimate placed the population of the world at 1,467,000,000.

The bill, providing that the names of candidates for United States senator shall be placed on the ballot at the primary election, passed the Kansas House.

The California Senate passed the Gates constitution amendment for the recall of all elective officers.

Advices from China to the American Red Cross indicate that 2,500,000 Chinese will die for want of food if assistance is not rendered immediately.

With parades, band concerts, receptions and speeches, San Francisco Saturday celebrated her victory over New Orleans in securing national indorsement as the site of the Panama exposition.

That the present divorce laws of Nevada will probably remain unchanged for two years at least was evidenced when the Senate, by a good majority, voted to postpone action indefinitely.

Bob Jones and John Veazy, negroes, charged with the murder of white men, were taken from the Warrenton, Ga., jail by a mob and lynched.

An initial dividend of 2 per cent was declared on the stock of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway, which is the new Pacific Coast link of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Company.

## NEW INVENTION EXHIBITED HERE

CORVALLIS BOY INVENTS AUTOMATIC RAILROAD SWITCH

Company Has Been Organized and Stock is Now on the Market.

J. T. Lance and son, O. L. Lance, of Corvallis, are in the city for a few days and in the Enterprise building they are demonstrating a patent automatic switch, invented by the junior Lance, which is destined to be in use on all lines of railroad before the young inventor is many years older.

Mr. Lance is making an effort to sell stock in the company of which he is president. The young man has secured extensive patents on the switch and has strong endorsements of prominent railroad men fully commensurate with the importance of the invention.

The invention is a device which opens and closes switches from the engine while in motion and may be operated by the engineer. Besides being a money and time saver, it is a safety device calculated to prevent wrecks which so frequently occur from running into open switches.

By the aid of his engine and several yards of track he is making a very interesting and convincing demonstration. And since coming, Wednesday morning he has had an opportunity to explain his invention to many people and so favorable does it appear he has sold stock to some of our business men.

The young man has worked on his model for five years, while attending school, and has finally developed the invention to a point where men of ingenuity recognize the merits of it and have given their unqualified endorsement. He is now selling stock that he may establish a factory and get the article on the market.

If you are looking for the noblest as well as quality, in foot wear, remember we carry the largest and best stock of men's ladies' and children's shoes to be found on the West Side. Conkey, Walker & Lehman.

## CHICKEN DINNER

The Mission Cafe will serve a chicken dinner next Sunday from 12 'til 2 o'clock. This does not mean the usual service of the ordinary city restaurant—a nickel's worth of chicken bones with a side dish rebashed from some previous meal. A chicken dinner at the Mission Cafe means a dinner of well cooked chicken, suitable dressing accompanied by delicate side dishes, celery and relishes. It will also include dainty desserts and delicious coffee, tea and milk. The price will be 50 cents. A real chicken dinner cannot be served for less, and to any dissatisfied patron the price will be cheerfully refunded.

To those who do not care for a chicken dinner, we offer cracked crabs, oysters, Eastern or Olympia, in any style, and our usual short order menu, served in a manner that will appeal to the most exacting tastes. As soon as the goods can be obtained it is our purpose to serve tamales, noodles, pigs feet, and numerous other orders along these lines which have never been obtainable in this city. Our liberal patronage has already shown that Independence people appreciate good service, and the supply is steadily creating a corresponding demand for the best.

"If it's in the market, we will serve you with it."

The Mission Cafe.

## FOR STANDARD FRUIT BOXES

Legislature Passes Bill Fixing Legal Size Approved by Governor.

"This standard apple box prescribed in the bill that has passed the Legislature is the standard now for British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, Montana, and Oregon," said Representative Westerlund, introducer of the measure.

"This is the box desired by the growers, as against the box described in the Lafean bill, which was defeated in Congress. The Lafean box is the one desired in the East. These men object to our box because they say it does not contain quite a bushel. But, as a matter of fact, our box contains as near a bushel as feasible, in making the fine apple pack that has made Oregon famous. That pack has largely made our apple industry the success that it is, and the growers insist on having a standard size box which will also keep the pack up to the standard.

The legal box for apples will be 18 inches long, 11½ inches wide and 10½ inches deep, and the legal pear box will be 18 inches long, 11 1/2 inches wide and 8 inches deep. These are the inside measurements.

Oregon has been behind the rest of the northwest states in this respect and our bill now puts us on the same plane.

"The special box provided is somewhat larger and may be used by growers who prefer it, and that amendment was perfectly satisfactory to us, as added in the senate."

Representative Westerlund said that growers had given virtually unanimous approval to the standard box as incorporated in the bill. Governor West has not yet determined his action as to the Westerlund bill.—Opinion server.

## CAN RAISE CORN

Independence Man Gets 453 Bushels from 4½ Acres.

John F. Groves of Independence, yesterday sent our Mr. White a half dozen ears of yellow dent, perfect in every way, accompanied by the following letter: "I am sending you today by express some yellow dent corn. This corn was planted May 20, which was 20 days later than it should have been planted. However, as late as it was put in, I husked 453 bushels of corn from a little better than 4½ acres, and besides this amount husked I had about 65 hop pickers who had all the roasting ears they wanted during the picking season."

Mr. Groves' letter conclusively proves that good corn can be grown in this section, despite the many and continued assertions to the contrary. All you have to do is to be careful in the selection of land for the purpose and the climate will do the rest.—Polk County Itemizer.

## COUNCIL FAVORS PAVEMENT

Resignation of Wm. Kurze Accepted and Attorney Swope Appointed.

The regular meeting of the common council was held in the council chambers Wednesday evening. The matter of paving the streets during the summer was brought up and discussed at some length and it seems more than probable that arrangements will soon be made to begin the work.

B. F. Swope was elected recorder to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Wm. Kurze.

Warner's corsets, the best and most popular corset on the market today. Every pair guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction. For sale by Conkey, Walker & Lehman.

## WILL LAUNCH A NEW BOAT

NEW BOAT TO BE LAUNCHED BEFORE JUNE FIRST

Independence Man is Building New Boat to be Launched in Willamette.

Wm. Ball is building a boat to be run on the Willamette river between this city and Salem for the exclusive accommodation of passengers and light freight. Mr. Ball expects to have the boat in operation before June 1st, next. It will be a double deck vessel propelled by a 40-horse power gasoline engine, which has already been purchased, and will be shipped to Independence soon.

Mr. Ball recently passed the required examination before the examining board of engineers at Portland and is licensed to operate the new craft as soon as it can be finished and launched. It is his intention to give the traveling public the best service that has ever been given on the Willamette river between here and Salem, and the boat will probably make at least three trips daily each way.

This new enterprise means a great deal to the people of Independence and tributary towns and the proprietor should not only receive the hearty encouragement of Independence people, but he should also receive their support.

To equip the boat as he intends, will mean an expenditure of considerable money and it is deserving of all possible encouragement. Mr. Ball will make every effort to meet the demands of the traveling public and the boat will be provided with all the requisites for comfort.

## TEMPERANCE MEETING HELD

The Loyal Temperance Legion held their regular meeting on Sunday in the Presbyterian church. An increased number was again enrolled which speaks well for the interest the children are taking in the noble cause. It not only speaks well for the children but it also manifests a co-operative spirit on the part of the parents which is most gratifying to the leaders, and brings the home and the Loyal Temperance Legion into closer relations and enables the parent and teacher to co-operate intelligently in the education of the most precious of earth's treasures—the child.

When a systematic earnest effort is made to this end to surround the childhood of Independence with that loving wise care in the impressionable years of life it will bring forth an hundred fold. A united, concerted work for the children will pay better than any other philanthropic work that can be done. The next meeting will be held at 3 o'clock in the Presbyterian church.

Next Sunday evening, at Calvary Presbyterian church, Dr. Dunsmore will deliver the forth of the series of sermon-lectures on "The History of The World's Religions." The subject for the evening will be "The Jews," and their place in the economy of the world's religions. Special music by Calvary's popular choir.

The Hop season has commenced in this vicinity. Several loads of Japs were taken into different parts of the country yesterday where they will be engaged during the summer in the yards.

Our line of infants and children's shoes are complete. A large line to select from in all colors, both in button and lace.—Conkey, Walker & Lehman.