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MAYOR'S ADDRESS

First Business Meeting of the Council Held at City Hall Tuesday Night
 The Matter of Tax Levy Fixed By Outgoing Council Considered.

Gentlemen of the Council:
 The most important thing to be done is to put our charter in shape so that what is done will be done legally. Then the council will feel more like going ahead.
 The outgoing council, at its last meeting, appointed a committee to look after this but as yet nothing has been done and I should like to add one of this council to assist that committee. It will be necessary to get the draft of a new charter ready for the coming session of the legislature.

Gentlemen of the council, permit me to call your attention to the financial condition of our city. It is true there is now about \$800 in the treasury, but there are now bills due to the amount of over \$300, thus leaving less than \$500 on hand.

I feel there is much to be done in the way of improvements. Our streets are in bad condition. They need drainage. It doesn't look right to see ponds of water standing over the city. There should be a number of new cross-walks and I should recommend that a grade be established on the business streets so that all sidewalks be uniform and on a level or even grade and further that all walks in the business portion of the city be of cement; and that the city put in cement cross walks in the business portion of the city, as far as funds will permit.

With you gentlemen who have been elected to govern the affairs of our city, I feel confident the best interests of our city will be carefully and judiciously looked after and that progress and the betterment of the city's interest will be the chief aim. This, we feel should be a year of progress and improvement. The great Lewis and Clark Fair to be held in Portland will attract thousands of people from all over the country and no doubt a great many of the visitors to this Fair will come to see Oregon to seek homes and investments and we all as good citizens should do all we can to improve our property and homes; see that our sidewalks are kept in good condition; keep up our lawns and improve the sanitary conditions the best we can. It should not require orders from the council to do all these things. It should be borne in mind that councilmen get no pay for the time they give to the city, nor should they be asked to give all their time to looking after the condition of sidewalks, alleys, etc.

The above is the statement prepared by W. A. Messner as his inaugural upon assuming the duties of the office of mayor of Independence.

The first business meeting of the council was held Tuesday night. The treasurers and recorders report were read and G. A. Hurley elected treasurer for the ensuing year. The regular batch of monthly bills was allowed. The matter of the cutting down of the levy by the old council from 7 miles to 5 was taken up. The view was generally held that in view of this being the Fair year when every town is vying with others to put up a good appearance that it is unwise to cut down the levy for the present year but there seemed to be no remedy.

New York city has the largest public school in the world. It has ninety four class rooms and 4,200 pupils, 2,500 boys and 2,000 girls.

Walked 47 Miles.
 A victim of a "dry" county dropped into Independence Monday. He was a resident of Benton county and lives four miles beyond Alesca. At four o'clock Sunday afternoon it dawned upon this Bentonite that the prohibition law had taken effect and he set out immediately for Independence.



HON. B. OTT LOUGHARY
 Senator from Polk County.

where the exhilarating beverage is daily dispensed over the bar. The distance is 47 miles and he walked every step of the way reaching here at 5 o'clock Monday afternoon. The first place visited upon reaching Independence was a



OREGON STATE CAPITOL AT SALEM.

The Oregon state legislature convenes next Monday. So far there has been proposed no legislation of unusual importance but this session will have to face the demand for the biggest appropriation in the history of the state. Polk county's delegation, headed by Senator Loughary have few pet measures to put through.

saloon and the first thing called for was a drink. He got his drink, supplied himself with a flask of the same and the "dry" man from Alesca passed on.

Didn't Even Get It.
 One of our Georgia editors played in hard luck the other night. Just as he was about to step into his new \$5,000 automobile, two of the bed slats broke and he woke up.—From the Cedartown (Ga.) Standard.



J. S. COOPER
 Representative from Polk County.

Out of the four Corvallis saloons closed on New Year's day by the local option vote, two intend to locate in other places while the remaining two are running their places as lunch counters with card-rooms attached and soft drinks on sale. This curious and novel proceeding has attracted a patronage greater than the proprietors enjoyed before closing the saloons.

COUNTY COURT

Road Supervisors to be Appointed by County Court This Week
 Judge Galloway Holds Two Days Session and Grants one Divorce

The county court, in session at Dallas this week, is wrestling with the problem of appointing road supervisors.

In Buena Vista precinct, there is an effort to have Mr. Roe appointed in place of Supervisor Becker, who is said to have established a reputation of enforcing road work, rigidly.

There is a move on to have Luckiamute precinct of which W. E. Williams is supervisor, cut in two and making Mr. Hannan supervisor of the west half and Mr. Hanley of the east half.

There is a petition in for creating a new precinct off the east end of Jackson and west end of Douglas precinct.

There is a "scrap" on to make a change in the Salt Lake Precinct in which D. L. Keay of Perrydale and Mr. Kenneth are interested.

Supervisor Brunk, who has allowed himself to become odious to

granted as prayed for.

J. T. Ford, sheriff, vs E. V. Dalton; suit to cancel deed; decree granted as prayed for.

J. T. Ford, sheriff, vs F. E. Meyer; suit to cancel deed; decree granted as prayed for.

Agatha Dyck vs Angenatha Reddekopp; partition; default against defendants; E. M. Smith appointed guardian ad litem for minor defendants; report of guardian filed and Henry J. Rose, Geo. W. Meyers and Abram Reistel appointed referees.

J. W. Myer vs T. A. Lylesley & Co; mandate; dismissed as per mandate with costs attached to plaintiff.

Rebekahs Install.

The Clover Leaf Rebekah Lodge at their regular meeting Tuesday night, had installation of officers and three candidates were also initiated into the mysteries of the order. Refreshments were served by the committee in the banquet hall after the ceremonies of the evening were finished. The installed officers were: Kathryn Jones, N. G.; Nellie Graves, V. G.; May Huntley, Secretary; Nora Mattison, F. S.; Edna Irvine, Treasurer; Mabel Crossy, Warden; Lola Perry, Conductor; Goldie Irvine, L. G.; Ella Irvine, O. G.; Florence Allin, R. S. N. G.; Hattie Henkle, L. S. N. G.; Nellie Hillard, R. S. V. G.; Clara Williams, L. S. V. G.; Mrs. Frances Conkey, Chaplain.

POMONA GRANGE MEET

Awakening of the Grange Spirit in Old Polk. Mrs. Waldo Talks

Pomona Grange held a meeting in the K. of P. rooms in Independence Wednesday. The attendance was not large but it included some of Polk county's best citizenship and gave evidence of an awakening of the grange spirit in the Blue Ribbon County of the state. Mrs. Clara Waldo state lecturer, drove



FRANK FAWK
 Representative from Polk County.

fifty miles to attend. Hon. Frank Butler district organizer and Mrs. Butler were also present. Entertaining and instructive talks were delivered by Mrs. Waldo, Mr. Butler, and others in attendance and had they let it be known at what hour the meeting was open to the public, a large crowd of Independence people would have been present. At this meeting it was decided to make Independence headquarters for the county grange. With the rich farming country surrounding Independence and with so many interests in common with the grange there should be a strong organization here. Every farmer in the surrounding country and many residents of Independence should lend the movement their heartiest support.

D. A. Hodges, C. D. Calbreath and John Bartow have been intrusted to look after membership to charter a local grange. It should be organized here with a big membership to start with.

H. Hirschberg vs Martha Sloper et al; suit to quiet title; decree granted.

Judge Galloway convened court Monday and continued over Tuesday. The following causes were disposed of:

Louise Weinhard et al vs Edward and Serelia Patras; suit to foreclose mortgage; default and decree as prayed for.

E. L. Levens et al vs G. M. Gooch et al; injunction; settled and dismissed.

B. R. Nicholas vs T. H. March; suit to quiet title; default and decree.

Isaac H. Whealdon vs Mary C. Whealdon; divorce; default and decree granted.

Lucy Neal vs Wm. Neal; divorce; dismissed.

Washington Natl Bldg & Loan Assn vs J. C. and Mary Morrison; foreclosure; dismissed on motion of plaintiff.

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