

WEST SIDE ENTERPRISE

FOURTEENTH YEAR.

INDEPENDENCE, POLK COUNTY, OREGON, MARCH 3, 1908.

NUMBER 50

GOOD WORK IS BEING DONE

Mass Meeting of Saturday a Big Success.

COMMITTEES ARE APPOINTED

Will Canvas Country for Stock and They are to Report Next Saturday.

Saturday at two o'clock the business men and a number of farmers met at the opera house to discuss ways and means looking to the establishment of a cannery at this place. The inclement weather kept many out of town people away and in consequence there was not as large a crowd as would have otherwise been in attendance. Those present were very enthusiastic and all favored the idea of a cannery and there is no doubt that one will be built in the near future. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Butler and W. A. Messner was elected temporary chairman and B. F. Jones secretary of the meeting. The object of the meeting was stated by the chairman and Mr. Jones made a talk on the investigation of the Salem cannery made Friday by himself and others. The plant has been increased in capacity the past year and after paying all expenses and \$3000 for extension work there was a seven per cent dividend declared for the stockholders. The plant represents an expenditure of \$10,000. The price paid during this season for raw material was: apples (culls) \$13 a ton; cherries, 3 1/2 a pound; peaches, \$30 a ton and strawberries, four cents a pound. They are only prepared to can fruit. Woodburn is putting in a \$11,000 cannery and as a cannery is but one step toward getting a larger population we will see the country around Woodburn populate rapidly.

This part of the state has been given over almost exclusively to hops and thus when hops are a good price everybody is happy and has plenty of money, but when hops are down the consequence is that everybody is blue and the country goes to the dogs. With a good cannery here there would in time be not less than one-third of the hops plowed up and the land given over to producing tomatoes, or other crops that would bring in good returns at all seasons and thus relieve the situation.

The cannery at Brownsville has paid 30 per cent on the investment and land has doubled in value was the statement of Verd Hill who visited Corvallis and Albany last week and who met one of the stockholders of the Brownsville plant in the latter city. The land has been cut up in small tracts and where one family lived before the advent of the cannery, now five and six are living and doing well.

The question came up whether or not the farmers would furnish the raw material to keep a cannery busy if one were erected here. Replying to this Mr. Nelson said that if the cannery were built the farmers would cover it up with products. Other farmers talked along the same lines and all favored the cannery.

On motion of B. F. Jones, a committee of seven was appointed by the chair to solicit for stock in the cannery and at the same time to get agreements from the farmers to furnish so much product for canning. The following were appointed: B. F. Jones, Arthur Moore, V. Hill, F. Huntley, W. W. Butler, Ross Nelson and H. Hirschberg; the committee was authorized to ascertain the price of a suitable site for the cannery.

In speaking of the probable yield of tomatoes Mr. Huntley said that he had marketed from one-third of an

acre, 200 bushels of perfect tomatoes and that there was a waste of about 100 bushels which would have been good canning material. This would mean a yield of at least 300 bushels of perfect fruit or 900 total for canning purposes to the acre. This is a good yield and a few acres would give a family a handsome income.

Points brought out during the discussion were that a cannery would bring more people here, that there would be no need then to send away for help to pick hops, thus keeping thousands of dollars at home that are sent out for that purpose.

There is an unlimited demand for asparagus, also good demand for rutabaga, squash and pumpkin, all of which do well here and are very productive.

The meeting then adjourned to meet again next Saturday at the opera house to hear the reports of the committee and also to try have some speakers present who have had experience in canneries so that they can tell the farmers what would be the most profitable crops to plant.

NEW POSTAL RULING.

After the first of April all newspapers will have to affix a one cent stamp to all papers sent to subscribers more than one year in arrears. In some ways this will work a hardship on country publishers, but in the end they as well as their subscribers will be benefited as it will do away with the credit system, the bane of existence to the country editor. It is just as easy to pay the first of the year for a paper as it is to wait two or three years and as a rule it is much easier. All country papers are willing to extend credit to their friends and many of them do so to an unlimited extent. This has given rise to a feeling that the home paper does not amount to much or the editor would not be so anxious to get subscribers at any old price and pay any old time. Proportionately the country paper gives more for the money than any business man in any line of trade, yet he is supposed to be giving but little by many people and he is largely to blame for it himself. He should set greater value on his product and then people will have greater respect for him. Following is the ruling that goes into effect April 1.

Sec. 446, paragraph 4: "A reasonable time will be allowed publishers to secure renewals of subscriptions, but unless subscriptions are expressly renewed after the term for which they are paid within the following periods—daily, within three months, tri-weeklies within six months, semi-weeklies within nine months and weeklies within one year—they shall not be counted in the legitimate list of subscribers, and copies mailed on account thereof shall not be accepted for mailing at the second class postage rate of 1 cent a pound, but may be mailed at the transient second class postage of 1 cent for each four ounces or fraction thereof, repaid by stamps affixed. The right of a publisher to extend credit on subscriptions to his publication is not denied or questioned, but his compliance or non-compliance with this registration will be taken into consideration in determining whether the publication is entitled to transmission at the second class postage rates."

CALL MEETING.

Independence, Or., March 3, 1908. The annual meeting of the Independence Driving Club. Will be held at the city hall on Saturday afternoon, March 7th, 1908, at 3 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing a full board of directors, a president, secretary and treasurer and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

W. W. Percival, President.
B. F. Jones, Secretary.

MUCH INTEREST IS MANIFESTED

In Oregon by People of the Eastern States.

WESTWARD IS WATCHWORD

The Judges in Prize Contest are Having Strenuous Times.

The Executive Committee of the American Association of Passenger Agents is meeting in Chicago this week to decide upon the details of their convention this coming summer, to be held in Seattle. J. H. O'Neill, of Portland, is a member of this Committee, and when he left for the East last Friday carried with him a most cordial invitation from the Portland Commercial Club to include at least a two days' sojourn in the "Rose City" in the itinerary of the Association's Northwestern trip. Their friendliness for Oregon has been manifested by the traveling passenger agents on innumerable occasions.

Mr. John Harper, who will superintend the float for the Rose Festival, in June, is an expert in this line, and for many years has had charge of this feature for the "Veiled Prophet" of St. Louis.

Various organizations in the Oregon Development League are adopting a special letter-head for use during March and April only—something so striking that the colonist rates cannot be overlooked by its recipient. Business men are using the same stationery. Already answers are arriving to advertisements inserted in the greatest agricultural, fruit and dairy journals of the country by the League about the middle of February, and long lists of enquirers are being sent to the different commercial secretaries whose organizations affiliated with the State body. Hundreds of thousands of pieces of literature are going out from every part of Oregon. Every mail carries its message. Especially valuable are the fruit bulletins and report of the Oregon State Dairy Association sent from the home office. The Los Angeles Information Bureau maintained by Oregon reports a number of people coming north immediately as a consequence of its few weeks' work.

"The trend of civilization has always been westward," said Henry Watson Cornell in a lecture recently delivered before Portland Business Men, "since it crossed Asia to sweep through Europe. Immigration is now flowing West through the United States with irresistible force, but the Pacific Coast is the limit of this great tidal movement, and here will be found the greatest cities of the world. The solidity and substantial character of Portland must impress any visitor, while the vast tributary district of both Oregon and Washington represents greater wealth than can ever be taken from the gold mines of the continent."

March 15th has been named by the judges of the Commercial Club's \$5,000 contest as the date when their labors will probably be completed. It is proving an arduous task to judge the hundreds of papers submitted.

The Notsy Few.

Senator Jonathan Bourne in his open letter to the republican voter of Oregon declares that the opposition to statement No. 1 is composed of a very few noisy politicians who wish to return to the old method of auctioning off the United States senatorship.

This is plain talk, but it is to the point. Senator Bourne is a

plain, blunt man and submits to no machine censorship when making public statements for the benefit of the people.

He tells the people of Oregon how they can elect a statement No. 1 legislature and still be assured of a republican senator. The plan is simple. Oregon is a republican state. She gave Roosevelt 43,000 plurality. She has a statement No. 1 republican candidate for the senate.

Let the republican voters vote for this candidate, and let the democratic voters vote for their candidate. This is square and honest and fair and will destroy the parties, as Judge Lowell, T. T. Geer, Harvey Scott and others fear.

Let the people demand that all candidates to the legislature stand for statement No. 1 and then let the republican voters vote for the statement No. 1 republican candidate for the senate.

This will insure the selection of the people's choice and it will also insure the selection of a republican senator, as the state is republican by heavy odds.

Why should an overwhelming republican state fear to trust a senatorial election to the republican voters? We can have reform and still have strong and influential parties. But in order to have clean parties we must have no machine. The people must be the dominant power.—East Oregonian.

By purchasing 50,000 shares in the Utah salt mine, owned by Idaho sheep growers. Oregon sheep men receive 500 tons of salt annually at the cost of mining, which at present prices means a saving of \$3 per ton.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the Estate of Andrew J. Newman, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Polk County, and has qualified.

All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified, together with the proper vouchers therefor, to the undersigned at his office at Independence, in said County, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated and first published January 31, 1908.

B. Wilson, Administrator of the estate of Andrew J. Newman, deceased.
Oscar Hayter, Attorney. 5w

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Independence National Bank

CHARTER NO. 3079

At Independence, in the State of Oregon, at the close of business, February 14, 1908.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$118,200 91
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	4,440 44
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,200 00
Bonds, securities, etc.	26,208 38
Banking-house, furniture and fixtures	17,832 21
Other real estate owned	10,200 00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	21 25
Due from State Banks and bankers	16,234 06
Due from approved reserve agents	40,853 49
Checks and other cash items	622 89
Notes of other National Banks	200 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	129 4
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie	\$ 23,220 75
Legal-tender notes	100 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer	622 89
(5 per cent of circulation)	622 89
Total	\$272,981 48
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000 00
Surplus fund	10,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	11,086 68
National bank notes outstanding	12,000 00
Dividends unpaid	720 00
Individual deposits subject to check	148,993 73
Demand certificates of deposit	9,740 71
Time certificates of deposit	31,943 74
Certified checks	354 63
Total	\$272,981 48

State of Oregon,)
County of Polk,)
I, C. W. Irvine, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

C. W. IRVINE, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of February, 1908.

S. WILSON, Notary Public.
CORRECTOR—Attest: D. W. Sears, J. E. Rhodes, H. Hirschberg.

FIRST STATE BANK

Independence, Oregon.

CAPITAL, \$25,000

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Manager.

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PAID CAPITAL \$30,000.00

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OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS
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J. B. V. Butler, F. S. Powell, A. B. Stump,
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