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THATCHER VOTES SPECIAL TAX

Meeting Held in School House Last Saturday.

TWENTY-FIVE FOR, 6 AGAINST

People Satisfied With Last Year's Work and Have Some Good Roads in that District.

Last Saturday at 1:30 p. m., the voters of Thatcher road district voted another special tax of five mills for the improvement of the highways in that district. The meeting was held in the school house and was fairly well attended. John Beyers, the road supervisor, presided and after a discussion the voting began which resulted in twenty-five for the special tax and six against. The improvements to be made are designated as follows: One half of the tax will be used in building a macademized road beginning at the city limits of Forest Grove and going north on the county road as far as the funds will permit and at the same time insuring a good substantial road. One-quarter of the funds will be used on the Hillside road and the balance, one-quarter, will be used on the main road beginning at Thatcher and going north.

That the people of this thriving district are satisfied with the improvements made last year when the special assessment was made, is evidenced by the vote taken at the meeting Saturday. Mr. Beyers is a thorough road man and understands what it means to have good roads in his district. It will be only a few years, if this district keeps up the same interest in roads, until they will have all the roads thoroughly macademized, thereby enhancing the value of every piece of property in the district and at the same time minimizing the road expense in the years to come.

WILL REFURNISH HALL

Masons to Have Best Home in County When Plans Are Carried Out.

At the regular meeting of the Masonic lodge held Saturday night steps were taken which will give Forest Grove one of the best lodge rooms in the county, when the plans are carried out. The Masonic order has long been in need of a good meeting place and now as the fraternity is in a thriving condition the interior of the hall will be thoroughly rebuilt, papered, carpeted and new furniture will adorn the room.

Action was also taken that will eventually mean that Forest Grove will have a new meeting place for the fraternal societies that are now occupying the Masonic hall, for it was voted that when the hall is refurbished it is to be for the exclusive use of the Masons. There are now a number of other orders that meet in the hall, one of which it is understood will build a hall of its own. The order for the other fraternities to vacate will take effect June 1st, 1909.

Officers for the ensuing year were chosen and are as follows: W. M., H. J. Goff; S. W., Edwin Allen; J. W., W. W. McEldowney; Secretary, Ray Humphreys; Treasurer, John Thornburg; Tyler, M. E. Dilley. The installation of officers will occur next Saturday night.

Our Free Library.

The microbes of Christmas good will and Christmas cheer are already floating in the air, and there is no denying the fact that you and I have caught the infection. For this annual disease there is only one cure, prescribed since the world began, by the

Great Physician, and that cure is to open our hearts and try to make the greatest possible number of persons happy, by our gifts, accompanied by our love and good will. With this thought in mind I am prompted to make a few suggestions for the common good of Forest Grove residents, to help them solve the problem of distribution of their Christmas cheer.

I wish to say a few words in the interests of the Free Library and Reading Room, which belongs to all of you, and in which, of course, you are all interested. The patronage of the library is increasing all the time; the demand for more books is greater in consequence, but the supply, and the means with which to meet that demand does not proportionately increase. In very many of your homes there are no doubt one or more good books that might be spared, and would be cheerfully and gladly given to the Free Library were its needs fully known. We are also glad to receive contributions of old magazines, which are sold at a minimum price, the proceeds being used to swell the fund for buying new books. If any one feels prompted to play the part of Santa Claus and leave books or money at the library it will be greatly appreciated by the Board of Managers, the many patrons and the library.

LIBRARIAN.

Council Proceedings.

The city council met in regular monthly session Tuesday evening, all members being present except Councilman Roe. The regular routine business was disposed of after which a call for the city election was made. The annual election is set for Monday, January 11. The following judges and clerks were named: J. A. Abbott, H. H. Clark and John Templeton, judges; R. U. Peterson and W. N. Sears, clerks.

This year the officers to be elected are, the mayor, and three councilmen, recorder, treasurer and marshal. The three councilmen whose terms expire are, J. H. Wirtz, Sam Walker and C. L. Hinman.

The new charter will also be voted on, and it will appear on the ballot, 300—yes, 301—no. The copy for the printing of the charter in pamphlet form is in the hands of the printer and they will be ready for distribution about Christmas time.

BILLS ALLOWED

J. F. McGill	1 50
I. H. Smith	4 50
H. H. Clark	4 25
E. B. Sappington	50 00
R. W. Tucker	2 00
Clark & Dixon	20 00
E. W. Haines	263 00
L. J. Corl	24 20
J. G. Lenneville, sal.	10 00
V. I. Fuqua, lab.	9 30
Goff Bros., sup.	77 04
E. A. Dixon	15 54
VanDoren & Jennings	19 00
A. G. Long	23 00
R. P. Wirtz, com.	4 25
S. G. Hughes	49 16
J. H. Wirtz	8 50
Library	62 00

Conservatory Concerts.

Two recitals will be given on Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 16 and 17. The first will be given by advanced vocal and instrumental students. The second will present Mr. Dwinell Clapp, violinist, assisted by teachers of the conservatory—Misses Clapp and Leah Lieser. Orchestral parts of two concertos will be played on the piano by Miss Sewell and F. T. Chapman, also teachers of the conservatory. No admission fee is charged to the Conservatory recitals and the music loving public is invited to attend them. Further notice of other recitals will be given next week. Each recital is given at Marsh Hall at 8 p. m. sharp.

Misses Lizzie and Jennie Armstrong returned Tuesday from an extended visit to their old home in England.

WILL BANQUET B. OF T.

Invitations are being received by members of the Board of Trade to a banquet to be given by Pacific University at Herrick Hall, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 15.

This promises to be one of the successes of the season, as the banquet will be given in the new hall and will no doubt be attended by a great many business men and others. President Ferrin states that he will have something of importance to announce on this occasion. The object of the banquet is to further unite the movement for a greater Forest Grove, and a bigger University.

About the Woman's Club.

From the Sunday Journal we take the following from the pen of Mary F. Farnham, president of the Woman's Club: "Although the aims set forth in the constitution of Forest Grove are social and literary the members do not wish to hold themselves apart from the broader work of the Oregon federation. It was, therefore, with interest we entered into plans of the federation for a campaign in the interests of the Open Air sanatorium and to present to the citizens of Forest Grove the dangers from tuberculosis. A meeting under our auspices was addressed by Dr. Pierce and also by Mrs. Trumbull of the Portland club, who spoke more especially in the interests of the Visiting Nurses' association.

Since our organization three years ago we have interested the directors of the public schools in manual training. The success of the work amply justifies the appropriation we made toward equipment.

Our club, which now consists of 60 members, maintains four departments of special study, each under a competent leader. Household economics in particular receives enthusiastic support. During our three preceding years most of the regular club work was directed to the study of American history and institutions. The growth of department work and the increase in membership makes the plan of united study no longer desirable. This year we have selected topics along the line of local interests and the broader lines of federated work. Our open meetings give ample testimony that the Woman's club is appreciated as a social and intellectual factor in Forest Grove. We do not open our doors so wide that the pleasures of life may be enjoyed without its responsibilities; we are glad, however, to make an occasional contribution to the community life of our town. In the spring we shall hold a special conference for our members under the direction of Rev. Jeannette O. Ferris, whose experience in legislative work in Iowa makes her residence in Oregon a valuable resource for our club women. At the time of her visit in Forest Grove Mrs. Ferris will give under our patronage an open address on "Bonnie Scotland."

One of our members was a delegate at large to the biennial at Boston and her report of that convention was given the first meeting of the current year. Through the biennial and the convention at LaGrande we expect a stimulus that will give us a desire for closer participation in the work both of Oregon and the nation.

Paris Millinery Sold.

Miss Marie Spieschaert disposed of the Paris Millinery Parlor Wednesday, to Mrs. N. F. Rider and daughter, of Portland, who have taken charge. The deal was made by Walter Rosswurm.

Tyler for Thirty-three Years.

There is probably no other person in the state of Oregon who holds the record equal to that held by M. E. Dilley, who has been Tyler of the Masonic lodge of this place continuously for thirty-three years. Brother Dilley is one of the most faithful of Masons and is always found at his post of duty.

WILL VOTE ON BONDS

School district No. 15, which is Forest Grove, will vote on the proposition to issue bonds or warrants in the sum of \$12,500, on Monday, December 28, at the school building, for the purpose of purchasing a site and erecting a new school building. The polls will open at 1 p. m. and remain open until 4.

There are now about 650 children in the district of school age, and the facilities are much handicapped.

New Postmaster.



W. W. McEldowney, assistant postmaster, has been notified by Congressman Hawley, that his name has been presented to the Senate as postmaster for Forest Grove. Mr. McEldowney has been assistant under postmaster Atwell for the past eight years and is one of the most efficient assistants this office ever had. Mr. Atwell's term expires February first.

Cost of Campaign.

Expense account statements on the last campaign in Oregon for presidential electors have been pouring into the secretary of state's office during the past three days and the lists are nearly complete, says the Statesman.

Secretary McArthur, chairman of the state republican committee, gives his list of receipts as \$5560 and disbursements as \$5219.10.

The democratic headquarters at Portland announce expenditures of \$1165.97 and receipts of \$1292.35.

One Salem man is represented. This is August Huskentin, democratic candidate for presidential elector, who expended \$7.50 for hall rent contribution; \$7 for livery hire; \$2.75 for railroad fare, and for hotel and incidentals \$45.25.

The socialist party declared that it had not spent a cent for election purposes, the chairman's office being created to give the party legal standing in the state.

O. P. Coshaw, democratic candidate for presidential elector, said he had devoted \$25 to assisting the campaign.

F. McKercher, prohibitionist candidate for presidential elector, said he had spent \$5 a month in contributions to the prohibitionist state central committee, having paid \$45 to date.

The chairman of the independence party gave a statement of receipts of \$359 and disbursements of \$359. All this money, he stated, was received from the national committee.

Locates in Eugene.

J. L. Lenneville, recently of Minneapolis, Minn., has located in Eugene and has bought a half interest with Ralph Weed in the electrical supply business. The firm name will be "The W. L. Electric Co.," with headquarters at 42 West Seventh street. This new firm will, in a very short time, have a complete stock of electrical fixtures of all kinds. Mr. Lenneville has had 24 years experience in the electrical supply business and the firm is prepared to handle everything in the electrical line. Register.

Mr. Lenneville is a brother of Joe Lenneville of this city and lived here prior to moving to Eugene.

Died.

Mrs. Giles Wells died at the home

of her daughter, Mrs. Ira Bradley, Saturday morning, aged 79 years. Deceased had been an invalid for the past four years.

Mary M. Means was born August 5, 1829, in Tennessee, but when a child her parents moved to Illinois. She was married in 1855 to Giles Wells. They moved to Kansas in 1879 and in 1883 Mr. Wells passed away. She came to Oregon in 1892 to live with her daughter, Mrs. Bradley, where she has since resided. She leaves four children, two daughters and two sons, Mrs. J. W. Jerin, who lives in Arkansas, Waldo E. Wells, in Washington, Mrs. Bradley and H. J. Wells, the local feed store man.

The funeral was held Sunday at the residence, Rev. Sias officiating. Interment at Banks.

Died.

Mrs. Verene Siegrist died at her home in Hillsboro Friday evening. She was born in Canton Argau, Switzerland, January 12, 1853, and came to Oregon in 1871. She married Adoll Siegrist March 12, 1873, in St. Louis, Mo., the husband dying in 1888. A brother, John Haller, resides at Seattle.

Mrs. Siegrist has been a member of the Congregational church since its organization in that city. The following children survive: Mrs. Otilie Shute, wife of Cashier A. C. Shute, of the Shute Bank, Hillsboro; Herman and William, LaGrande, Ore., and Adoll and Frederick, Hillsboro.

Died

Jeremiah A. Long, aged 67 years, died at his home in Cornelius, Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock. The funeral will be held at the M. E. church, that place, at 11 a. m. Friday, and interment will be at Forestview cemetery. Deceased was a member of the Hillsboro Post G. A. R., and leaves a wife and two sons.

PROBATE COURT

Estate of Fedde Carstens, deceased. Sale of real property confirmed.

Estate of Jas McNulty, deceased. Administrator authorized to lease property belonging to said estate.

Estate of Jas Boldrick, deceased. Thresa Boldrick appointed temporary administratrix. Bonds filed for \$5000.

Estate of R M Bisbee, deceased. Final settlement filed and estate closed of record.

Estate of A H Vincent, deceased. Bond filed and approved. Letters will issue.

Estate of E E Brooks, deceased. Final account filed and estate closed of record.

The News office was favored with a call from a representative of the Commissioner of Labor, whose headquarters are at Salem, one day this week. He dropped into the back end of our office, "rubbered" around a little, winked his eye at the office devil, and a few days after his departure we received a letter requesting us to "cough up" several ducats, or about five dollars, in order that we may be issued a certificate to continue in business another year. Talk about your petty grafts to supply jobs for the office seekers! This is certainly going the limit. Our office cat has refused to wag its tail since the commissioner's visit for fear the authority from Salem would condemn it as a menace to the peace and dignity of the rear end of a print shop.—Roseburg News.

Spokane's National Apple Show is attracting attention from fruitgrowers all over the United States this week. Eighty boxes of the choicest fruit shown at the Portland exhibit of the Northwest Fruit Growers' Association and Oregon State Horticultural Society are being displayed, while twenty other boxes of premium takers are rushing across the continent to New York City to be shown in Macy's window and then forwarded to the rulers of England, France and Russia, in specially sealed boxes to insure their safe arrival in London, Berlin, Paris and St. Petersburg.

COURT GRANTS RESTRAINING ORDER

E. W. Haines, Banker, Petitions Circuit Court Judge McBride.

WANTED CLAIM PAID IN FULL

J. W. Bailey, et al State Food Commissioner, Restrained from Asking for a Receiver.

E. W. Haines, Banker, of this city filed in the circuit court Tuesday a petition asking that an order restraining J. W. Bailey, State Food Commissioner from asking for a receiver for the E. W. Haines bank, which closed its doors last February, and whose business has been in the hands of a committee ever since.

From what can be learned, Mr. Bailey, who is a creditor, has asked that his claim be paid in full and if it was not so paid he would bring suit to collect same. Judge McBride Tuesday granted a temporary restraining order according to the petition which was directed to J. W. Bailey, John Doe and Richard Roe.

Since the closing of the bank by Mr. Haines, the committee has been working diligently to clear up the business of the bank and have so far succeeded that they have paid the creditors 25 per cent of their claims and it is understood another 25 per cent will soon be given. The assets of the bank given by Mr. Haines at the time it was closed have in almost every instance yielded more than was expected but the only complaint, if any there can be, is that the property is not selling as readily as was expected. As compared with the defunct banks in Portland the Haines institution has, under the committee system, returned more to the creditors than any of the banks that went defunct at about the time the Haines bank closed. From the present indications there seems to be no doubt in the minds of the committee but what every dollar will be returned with interest.

The new Catholic school and church at Roy, was formally dedicated on Tuesday, of last week, by Archbishop Christie, of Portland, assisted by Rev. Fathers Bucholzer, of Hillsboro, and Kittenhofer, of Verbort, and three other ministers from the Benedictine Monastery and school at Mount Angel, Marion county. The dedicatory ceremonies were impressive, and were witnessed by several hundred people, who came from various Catholic centers in this county. The church and school building is one of which the membership at Roy should feel proud. The school, which will be opened some time next Fall, is commodious and modern. Roy is on the P. R. & N. railway, about eight miles north of Hillsboro. A townsite has been laid out, and as it has a fine agricultural country surrounding it should be quite a church and business center.—Argus.

The Bazaar is hard up for room. Wagon loads of toys and Xmas gifts come in right along and the place is full to overflowing. There is only a narrow aisle for the customers, and as the crowds get larger every day, Mr. Staehr is almost to his wits end to make more room. A great reduction in prices is offered on pianos, organs, violins, guitars, mandolins or any musical instrument to make room for the toys, and a good many people are taking advantage of the price reduction in order to get them a musical instrument at a price never heard of before, but more room must be had at any cost.

There will be a dance at Masonic hall Friday evening.