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Board of Trade Elects New Officers

The annual meeting of the Forest Grove Board of Trade was held last Friday evening in the assembly hall in the rear of the free reading room. Reports of various committees were received and the following Board of Directors elected for the ensuing year: G. S. Allen, V. S. Abraham, E. W. Haines, W. N. Ferrin, Willis Goff, Victor Limber, A. G. Hoffman, W. H. Hollis, and Edw. Seymour. The Board in turn elected Pres. W. N. Ferrin, of Pacific University, to fill the executive chair; A. G. Hoffman, vice-president; G. S. Allen, Secy., and E. W. Haines, treasurer.

Several matters of import to the citizens of Forest Grove were discussed at this meeting of the board, and it is evident from the enthusiasm displayed by those present, that everything will be done toward advancing the interest of the city. The matter of the United Railway coming to Forest Grove was taken up and a determined effort will be made to secure the cooperation of all land owners through whose property the survey has been run, in-so-far as securing permanent right-of-way at nominal damages is concerned, as that seems to be the main contention upon the part of the United officials, that too high a valuation is set upon the land which they require.

The question of presenting a bill to the next Legislature for the purpose of securing a certain percentage of the road poll tax from Forest Grove, to be used on the city streets, was also brought up. Hillsboro gets 60 per cent of such tax and Cornelius gets a like amount. This matter will be gone into more fully at later meetings, and some concerted action determined upon.

BUXTON

Family of John Lee are on the sick list.

N. P. Nelson made a trip to Portland last week.

Chas. Lazott made a business trip to Hillsboro last week.

Born to the wife of Albert Smidlin, March 2nd, a girl.

Chas. Stephens returned last Saturday from a Portland trip.

David O'donnell made a business trip to Hillsboro last week.

Mr. Seedleman, of Forest Grove, was a Buxton visitor Sunday.

Big dance 17th, good music, good management. Everybody come.

The little daughter of Fred Johnson was quite sick for a few days last week.

Benj. Ingles has moved his family in his brother's house near McFarland's mill.

Dr. Via reports Fritz Brown rapidly improving and expects him to be about again in a short time.

Born to wife of Wm. Riggle, March 6th, a girl. Weight 8lb. Mother and baby well. Will is happy.

The debate last Thursday night on question: "Resolved, that modern inventions are a detri-

ment to the laboring class", resulted in victory for the affirmative.

Chas. Peterson returned from Eugene, last week where he has been visiting his father, who is quite sick.

T. B. Perkins, James Cummins, Ambrose Smidlin and John Bellish were in Hillsboro Thursday on business.

Mrs. C. E. Burghind, wife of foreman Burghind of P. R. & N. Co., was visiting Beaverton friends this week.

Calvin Blair, head bookkeeper for Sweeney Construction Co. at the front, was a visitor in Buxton Saturday.

Wm. Bagley, Sr., was up from Bagley's switch Saturday looking over his timber, which is being logged off by the Hillsboro Lumber Co.

The boys formerly in the employ of the defunct Buxton Lumber Co. were made happy last week by checks for labor performed last summer.

Albert Watson and Marsh, capitalists of Forest Grove, were in Buxton and vicinity last week looking over good real estate and took options on everything in sight.

Meeting of the Grange

One of the most interesting and profitable meetings of Gale Grange of recent date occurred last Saturday when the Hillsboro Grange met in session with the local Grange.

At the morning session a class of nine was initiated in the last two degrees. They were Mr. and Mrs. John Templeton, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Marsh, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. DeShazen, Mr. and Mrs. L. Sparks and Mrs. Emma Stillwell.

At noon a splendid dinner was served and a general good time and social hour was enjoyed. In the afternoon, the program was carried out by Mrs. Buxton. The question of the proposed constitutional convention was ably debated by Messrs. Baker, Haines, Bates and Marsh. One of the speakers maintained that the Grange had no state constitution from a legal standpoint.

The majority concurred in the opinion that owing to the enormous cost, a constitutional convention would not be advisable, and all expressed views in favor of amending the present constitution.

After the important business had been disposed of, S. T. Walker favored those assembled by rendering an original song, "The Cow".

After some interesting talks by the visiting members, the meeting adjourned to meet again the first Saturday in April.

There will be a meeting of the Grange next Saturday, March 12th, at Hillsboro. A number of the members of Gale Grange expect to attend. The regular delegate from the local Grange are Messrs. Daniel Baker and S. T. Walker and Mrs. Dorothy Broderson.

Mrs. J. G. Lenneville and Mrs. Chas. O. Roe are in Hillsboro today in the interest of the Eastern Star.

Regular Council Meeting.

The City Council met at the usual place Tuesday evening.

E. W. Haines was present and asked for a franchise to run his electric light wires through the city. The matter was referred to the Committee on Streets and Public Property.

It was ordered by the Council that side walks be constructed on south side of block 12 Curtis Addition, and on north side of 1st North Ave. between B and C Streets.

A committee was appointed to secure more suitable and more comfortable quarters for the future meetings of the Council.

The following is the report of the financial condition of the City on March 1st as made by City Treasurer E. B. Sappington: General Fund - \$1673.52 Library Fund - 196.49 Building Fund - 2224.34 Water Fund - 6022.57

In payment of February bills, warrants for \$920.37 were drawn against the general fund, for \$70.00, against the library fund, for \$392.86 against the water fund.

Chicken Ordinances Invalid.

After a careful review of the authorities, and of the statutes of the state governing matters of this nature, the City Council Committee, to whom the proposed ordinance restricting the "rights" of chickens was referred, reported that as now framed, it would contravene the Constitution of the State.

It might also contravene the Constitution of the United States as depriving the said chicken of the right to life, liberty and pursuit of being. Owing to the great value of eggs and fowls these days, the latter are secured every protection and their rights are zealously guarded. As the matter stands now, chickens need not stay in their own back yard, but may visit the neighbor's onion patch or flower bed with impunity, and Wm. Doerrs, the capable police force, is without authority to inflict grievous bodily harm upon them, or to put them in cold storage on a charge of unlawful trespassing. It is predicted that the news will give rise to much crowing among that element whose victims provoked the ill will of the neighbor and occasioned the framing of the ordinance.

Earnings of City Light Plant

Amt. Earned February	
Light	\$328.40
Pumping	100.00
Street Light	11.00
Expense.	
Wood 72 cds at \$4	\$288.00
Engineer	50.00
Assistant engineer	33.35
Collecting	10.00
Incidentals	11.00
	\$391.35
Bal.	48.05

BANKS

The Banks school completed with the Fir Grove school, at the latter's school house, in a Spelling Contest, Friday, March 4th. A large number of visitors were in attendance and enthusiasm ran high. Although for a while

the pupils standing were 10 to 5 in favor of Fir Grove, Banks won over them by the close margin of 1. Banks and Fir Grove pupils will spell again next Arbor day at the schoolhouse of the former. Visitors are cordially invited.

Rev. Stuart, of the Methodist church, preached at the Fir Grove church Sunday.

Fern Smith opened school at Green Mountain last Monday. Miss Smith is an efficient music teacher, and although this is her first school her ability as an instructress will insure her success.

Elmer Hopkins and Florence Eberly were joined in marriage Saturday, March 5. All the happiness possible is wished the youthful pair as they sail the uncertain sea of life. The groom is in the Livery Stable business here.

A rousing debate was had by the Fir Grove Debating society Friday, February 25. Question was: "Resolved that we should adopt National prohibition". Negative won over the affirmative 2 to 1. Question for next Friday, March 11, is: "Resolved the Unions do more harm than good".

Fire Department Meeting.

The Forest Grove Volunteer Fire Department met in regular session, Wednesday night, at the Council Room. The usual routine business was transacted and appointments to positions for the year were made.

A list of positions is posted in the ladder and truck house for the use of members of the company. Notice was received that a set of smoke protectors were shipped from the East and are expected to arrive at any time.

Campaign for Good Roads is Now On in Earnest.

The Oregon Good Roads association is at home to the people of Oregon in the Beck building, Portland, with Judge Lionel R. Webster at the head. The purpose is to unify the Oregon effort to provide solid and well built highways. To this end a campaign of popular education has been inaugurated, including plans for mass meetings in every county.

Proposed good roads legislation will be fathered. Practical demonstrations of proper road construction will be forthcoming. The institution of a state highway commission is among the things hoped for. A fund of approximately \$7800, to be contributed in portions, annually, has been subscribed.

Every newspaper in the state is being enlisted in the state wide good roads campaign. Thousands of citizens are preparing to cooperate. Judge Webster will proclaim the gospel of good roads in every town. It was for the good roads cause that he resigned his judgeship recently.

"We shall make our plans and our efforts practical in method and result", says Judge Webster. "We want to see a time when the county will be allowed to issue bonds for the construction of solid highways within its borders. We want to see a time

High School Entertainment Most Artistic Success

The entertainment given by the pupils of the Forest Grove High School last Saturday evening was a pronounced success from an artistic standpoint, but not as remunerative financially as it should have been. Although the program was arranged over night, so-to-speak, it was excellent in every respect, and demonstrated the amount of care exercised by Prof. Gardner and his assistants in the training of the participants.

Every number was well rendered and the several choruses showed careful coaching. Anna Laura Goodman, in her rendition of "Marguerite", displayed a well modulated and very sweet voice. Leata Newton delivered "The Face on the Floor" with considerable expression and dramatic instinct. John Doane scored a hearty laugh with his "A Foolish Teuton". The Girl's Sextette and Male Quartette, both in double numbers, sang to repeated encores, and Miss Taylor and Mr. Gardner in the celebrated "A. B. C." duet, made a decided hit. The evening's offering was brought to a close with a topical song "Bill of Fare" rendered by a double quartette, and it was necessary to repeat this number twice before the audience were satisfied.

It is the intention of the High School pupils to repeat the entertainment at an early date, when a more diversified and attractive program will be offered. As these entertainments are for the purpose of raising funds with which to complete the payments on the piano and other musical instruments possessed by the school, they should be well patronized by all who have the interest of education at heart.

when the cost of building roads will be equally divided between the adjacent land owner, the county and the state. We desire an arrangement whereby the convict labor of the state may be devoted to the building of the roads.

"We would like the power to send them from one county to another, to mass them upon particular portions of the work. All these things depend upon possible success in procuring constitutional amendments and legislation.

"In every Oregon county branches of the Oregon Good Roads association will be organized. These will be encouraged to cooperate in the general plan to provide Oregon with continuous good roads. We shall be successful because Oregon citizens generally are more interested in building solid highways as arteries of trade and development than in any other subject. Nothing relates more vitally to development than the building of good roads.

Holbrook Lodge No. 30, A. F. & A. M. Special meetings Tuesday evening, March 15, and Saturday evening, March 19. Work in the E. A. degree. Visiting brethren welcome. EDWIN ALLEN, W. M. A. BEN KORI, Secretary.