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TOM RICHARDSON GIVES GOOD ADVICE

Tells of Method to Get Behind County Fair. Women to Help

URGES ACTIVE CLUB WORK

Writes to Local Boosters About Conditions Here. Praises the Banquet

COMMERCIAL CLUB BUILDING, Portland, Oregon, Nov. 3, 1913.

Messrs. H. C. Atwell, President Commercial Club; W. H. Hollis, E. W. Haines, J. W. Hughes, and others, Forest Grove, Oregon.

GENTLEMEN:—I don't remember in all my public work experiencing a more interesting occasion than the one at Forest Grove. When I say this I want you to bear in mind that we consider a dinner here in Portland a big event, and when you have halved that, it was an extremely remarkable occasion. I am not going to take up your time in reading a letter full of compliments, but at the same time I do want to repeat that it was one of the most remarkable bodies of people I ever talked to.

It would be impossible for you to get together such a gathering as that unless there was a splendid civic spirit beneath it all. Now I want to present a plan which I believe can be carried out, and that is that you make a canvass for new members of the Commercial Club, raising the admission fee to a sum that will bring you in some money. In addition to this, raise a general fund by subscription, paying so much per month for a period of two or three years. To show you how varied these subscriptions are here in Portland, I send you our present list up to date. Now if your largest subscription in Forest Grove did not exceed \$5 a month it would be easy to get a good, large sum, and you needn't waste this money simply because you have it. First of all, out of this fund you ought to guarantee the County Fair from loss, along the lines suggested by Mr. Hughes.

You cannot do otherwise than fail if you expect a hundred men to guarantee an equal amount of such a fund. This kind of a scheme has been tried a hundred thousand times in the United States, and without a single success. In the first place it is unfair for all to give the same to any cause, whether as membership into the Commercial Club or otherwise. For a fund which will develop a community it is unfair. What kind of a church would you have if everybody gave the same? If there

200 MEN ATTEND MEETING

Social Hygiene Work Given Good Start at Wednesday Evening Meeting

Wednesday evening nearly 200 men gathered in Wertz Hall and listened to the discussions by the members of the Oregon Social Hygiene Society and local people upon the prevalence, cause, and eradication of sexual evils. The meeting brought out that there is now a world-wide move toward betterment along these lines, and that while local conditions possibly were not as bad as in other places, yet enough facts were told to convince one that there was real cause for action.

At the close of the meeting Chairman C. J. Bushnell appointed a nominating committee of three to nominate seven men to form a permanent local board, the aim of which will be to work for education and prevention. The nominating committee are Dr. Bishop, Prof. Inlow and Rev. Barber.

The speakers of the evening were: President Bushnell, of Pacific University, chairman; Dr. J. S. Bishop; Calvin S. White, Secretary State Board of Health; Rev. J. M. Barber; Dr. H. W. Volmer; Superintendent H. E. Inlow; W. T. Williamson, of Portland; Attorney L. M. Graham.

A Word to Press Subscribers

It is the desire of the editor of the PRESS to print all the local happenings of interest, especially those of a boosting, industrial, educational or social nature. It is the desire to print the farming news as well as the town news and we will do our best to do so. But if you will phone, or write, or call and tell us about the party you gave, or the new house you are building, or the plans of your club, or the condition of your farm, or something that will please your neighbor, or any other of the many things your friends would like to know, and remember that the PRESS is printed on Thursday and that the news should be in as early in the week as possible, it will greatly help us to give you the best possible paper.

was only one degree in Masonry, and all had to pay the same to go through, how many Knight Templars would there be, and how few Masons there would be in the world? If we all had to pay the same amount of taxes in the county, what would be the result, and the same is true with regard to Commercial Clubs.

Now before you try to raise this money, get together twenty-five good, energetic women and have them pledge themselves to make an advance sale of tickets to the Fair for two months before the Fair takes place, giving two whole days to this, and not only canvass Hillsboro and Forest Grove but every other town and community in the County. Call conventions of growers of every character of production—vegetables, grain, hay, livestock, and everything else that you produce in Washington County, say during the summer or early in the spring, if you feel that that season would be better, and have the farmers make a canvass for big sales of tickets, and by the time the Fair opens everybody will be a partner in it.

Now I want to say another thing: You should save all that park ground in the heart of Forest Grove, or in later years you will regret it. With improved transportation facilities the building up of the country, and the population of Portland of from 750,000 to a million, thousands of people will want outside homes, and there is certainly no choicer place than Forest Grove, so save that park in the heart of the city. There will come a time within the next decade when the service will only be 35 or 40 minutes between Portland and Forest Grove. In 1915 we will have the greatest travel ever known on the Coast. The cities and communities which organize first will be the ones that will win out. Now there has never been an occasion that offered so much for the present and future as today. Don't put this off, and ask all that read this letter to consider it as personal. If you could have a little leaflet, giving in a condensed form the striking attractions of Forest Grove and Washington County, so that it might go out in all letters, and then certain features of advertising that are a small cost—you need not waste a lot of cash.

You have had a splendid growth, the town has a metropolitan appearance, future years can do nothing other than make it a beautiful city. Our remarkable climate and exceptional advantages are going to make a densely settled country.

Please get together on this matter, and let me hear from you, and if I can be of further service, command me. Very sincerely yours,
TOM RICHARDSON.

Hollis Addresses Students

Oregon Normal School, Monmouth, Or.—State Senator C. L. Hollis of Forest Grove was the guest of the normal school Friday and addressed the student body at assembly on the subject of "A Proper Preparation for Life." Senator Hollis emphasized the fact that four-fifths of the future citizens get their training before leaving the 8th grade of the public schools and that in order that their preparation should be the best possible the normal students as coming teachers should make doubly sure of their own preparation. In speaking of the work done by the university and the agricultural college in preparing citizens he endorsed the university appropriation bills and was heartily applauded by his audience.

To Seattle

J. N. Hoffman left this morning for Seattle to meet with Alaskan buyers to arrange for a large part of the output of his dryer the coming season.

BANQUET RAISES ENTHUSIASM

OVER 150 FEAST AT CLUB FEED

Biggest Banquet in History of Commercial Club Is Success

Tom Richardson and the Local Speakers Tell of Needs and Inspire Action

Over one hundred and fifty progressive citizens of Forest Grove last Friday evening gathered together in the parlors of the Hotel Laughlin, and there, under the chaperonage of the Commercial Club, partook of the festivities of the hostelry, enthused over the speeches of A. No. 1 calibre, and were impressed at the tremendous possibilities of achievement open to a continued wide awake and energetic Commercial Club.

The parlors were decorated with Oregon grape and carnations, very appropriate for the occasion. Intermixed with the many good speeches were the following excellent menu and musical program:

MENU.
New York Counts
Consomme
Olives
Shrimp Salad
Pickles
Cranberries
Creme Potatoes
Punch
Ice Cream
Cake

MUSIC
Walker's Orchestra.
Forest Grove Male Quartette.
Vocal Solo, "Summer"—C. Chamirade—Miss Goldie Peterson; Mrs. H. E. Ferrin, accompanist.
Piano Duet, "Polonaise Militaire"—Chopin—Mrs. E. E. Williams and Miss Mamie Loomis.
Violin Solo, "Old Folks at Home"—Home—Professor F. T. Chapman.

Atwell Gets Harmony

Some place between the oysters and turkey, Toastmaster Atwell arose and announced that all the good people present had gathered in a spirit of harmony, whereupon he was interrupted by the orchestra harmoniously breaking forth in a good old ragtime melody.

After the symphony had been heartily applauded, the toastmaster introduced Secretary Hart, who read a report of the Club's status. He showed that the former excellent work of the Club had stopped last August on account of no funds. The Club now has a membership of fifty-three, which should be trebled in order to effectively accomplish what is expected of it. In 1912 the Club sent out 8,000 pieces of literature.

Get Acquainted With County

Next Judge W. H. Hollis spoke of the Commercial Club as a factor in local development. He told of how the Club was organized ten years ago as a Board of Trade, and of the many excellent accomplishments of that body. Then from the past to the present he called the attention of his hearers, and enunciated as sound and effective a program for future activities as could be devised. He said in part: "Now is the time to make the influence of Forest Grove felt thruout the entire Washington County. If we want the best city in the county we must extend our influence. If I were a merchant I would ascertain by personal visit the whereabouts of my patrons. There are only two classes of people who do not advertise more than any one else. This is going to be one of the best towns in the Willamette Valley, and now is the opportune time for effort along development lines; but the most effective work, that will bring the greatest returns, is work among the good people of the county. This year we had a good fair and will have a better one next. That is a worthy enterprise, for besides the great advantages of the fair itself, it brings the people to our

WOMEN TO BE MEMBERS OF CLUB

Meeting Called for Tuesday Evening. Excellent Program Planned

Board Makes Explanation to Public in Regard to Punch Used at Banquet

Monday evening the Board of Directors of the Forest Grove Commercial Club met and discussed plans for the immediate growth of the organization. It was decided to submit a proposed amendment to the by-laws permitting women to join the club at the fee of one dollar. The secretary has sent out the following call:

Special meeting of the Commercial Club is called for next Tuesday, November 11th, at 8 P. M. at the Rogers Reading Room. Objects: For the purpose of voting on an amendment to the by-laws to admit women to become members on the payment of \$1, and for other important business. A good program, with music and short addresses, will be given. All officers and members and the general public are urged to be present.

ALFRED E. HART,
Secretary.

At the meeting Monday evening the Board ordered the following notice to be made public:

To the Public

The Board of Directors of the Commercial Club desire to say to the citizens of Forest Grove that the kind of punch served at the banquet last Friday evening at the Laughlin Hotel was not sanctioned or authorized either by the Club or by the Menu Committee. By order of the Board of Directors.
A. G. HOFFMAN,
Secretary, pro tem.

In addition, the following personal statements have been made:

Regarding the character of the punch served at the recent banquet of the Commercial Club, I deem it my duty to my associates on the Menu Committee, Messrs. Haines and Thornburg, as well as to the President, to explain that the committee, in designating punch as a part of the menu, had fruit punch in mind. The chairman of the Menu Committee having handed the President a copy of the menu, in order that the program might be added, Mr. Atwell remarked later that the caterer should be given plainly to understand that an exclusive fruit punch was intended. I thereupon stated I would see to the matter, but being very busy about my store during the day and until seven o'clock in the evening of both Thursday and Friday, I overlooked it.

A. G. HOFFMAN.

In answer to the question why I did not have the punch removed, I would say that, owing to the length of time taken to serve the banquet, I found it necessary to be absent from my chair much of time, in trying to expedite the program. Consequently, I did not taste the punch until after the banquet was concluded. My suspicions as to the contents of the drink was, however, allayed by remembrance of the understanding had with Mr. Hoffman.

H. C. ATWELL.

city! But we must go to the people to get their friendship and their business. If twenty-five men would make it their business to get acquainted with the community, and to be on hand at all their meetings, fairs and celebrations, their efforts, like the Biblical bread on the waters, will return many times over on the incoming tide of response to our sociability and hospitality."

Advocates Club Headquarters

On "Why Business Men Should Support the Commercial Club," H. J. Goff explained the workings of an active organization and showed why it was a great factor in the development of a community. He then struck at the

HIGHEST HONOR IS BESTOWED LOCAL MAN

Judge W. H. Hollis Honored By 33rd Degree in Masonry

The highest possible honor in the gift of Scottish Rite masonry, election to the 33d degree, has just been bestowed upon seven Oregon members of the order according to an announcement made by Sovereign Grand Inspector-General P. S. Malcolm, for the state of Oregon at the meeting at the Scottish Rite Cathedral.

The list includes five Portlanders and two from outside cities, the honored seven being as follows: B. B. Beekman and V. A. Avery, of Portland, and Judge George H. Burnett of Salem, Knights of the Court of Honor; Norris R. Cox, Adrian McCalman and W. J. Holman, of Portland, and W. H. Hollis of Forest Grove.

These members were elevated to this exclusive rank of Masonry at the last meeting of the Supreme Consistory, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons, of the Southern Jurisdiction, at Washington, D. C. on October 30 and the first notice of this action came with last night's session here.

The solemn and impressive ceremonial of conferring the degree itself upon these Oregon candidates will take place in about a month, and will attract to the conclave the highest dignitaries of the Order in the state.

very base of local conditions in regard to a Club building. There are 115 men in business in Forest Grove, and less than half of that number are members of the Commercial Club. The people here must take hold of this matter and provide a place for strangers to use as headquarters until they become acquainted, and for meetings, banquets, etc. Other cities of less size and far less possibilities than Forest Grove have large and well-fitted Club rooms that foster much good for their community. Hillsboro has 130 members and Forest Grove should have 200. We should get together, and with the business and professional men, the farmers and others, all get ready to take care of the great development due in Oregon in the coming years.

W. K. Newell, in speaking of the Club and the farmer, told of the change of attitude of late years of the business man to the farmer. He said it was the farmer's business to raise the products, but it should be the duty of the business man to help him find a market for his produce. He praised the work of the local cannery, and told of the much greater value of the label as a boosting appeal than a highly colored booklet. He hoped that the farmers will be invited to help rebuild the Commercial Club and the community.

E. W. Haines, in striking a balance of the Club, very plainly explained the present financial condition as: Assets, 0; liabilities, 0; undeveloped holdings, the support of every citizen; required investments, an effective publicity and development campaign; legitimate profits, the best town in the valley.

A. G. Hoffman frankly told of the past year in the Club's work and urged the business men to support it better in the future, saying, "Every business man is working for an ideal business. A Commercial Club works for an ideal town. For the business man to realize his ideal, the Club must attain its ideal, which means that the work of the Club is the work of the business man."

Mayor Urges New Charter

Mayor Sanford dwelled upon the wonderful advancement of the city of Forest Grove during the past three years, in which time the many paved streets and other improvements have taken place. He then told of what the city needs and decidedly stated that Forest Grove has outgrown its present charter, and that a more modern and comprehensive document should take its place. He also told of the urgent need of a sewerage system for the city, and gave it as one of the immediate necessities for future administrations of city government to look after.

Best Place on Earth

"This city is the best place on earth to live in," said President Bushnell, of Pacific University. He told of the

CITY VOTERS IN FAVOR ALL ACTS

Hillsboro, Salem, Sherwood and Many Other Towns Enter Dry Ranks

STATE PASSES 4 MEASURES

All Referendum Measures Pass Except Sterilization Bill

Every measure at the recent state election was carried in the Forest Grove precincts. Following are the official results:

	North	South	Total
	P.	F.	F. G.
State university	Yes 129	163	298
Repair Fund—No	116	93	209
Majority for			89
State university	Yes 123	160	283
New Building—No	125	99	224
Majority for			58
Sterilization act—Yes	122	163	285
No	126	94	220
Majority for			65
County	Yes 160	182	342
Attorney Act—No	77	64	141
Majority for			201
Workmen's	Yes 175	202	377
Compensation—No	73	69	142
Majority for			245

RESULTS OF PROHIBITION CONTEST

"Wet" Towns That Go "Dry"
Salem, Oregon City, Springfield, Hillsboro, Woodburn, Dufur, Rainier, Stayton, Sherwood, Gresham, Harrisburg and precincts 57, 58, 59, 60 and 61 in Portland.

"Dry" Towns That Go "Wet"
Lostine, Sweet Home, Waldport.

"Dry" Towns That Stay "Dry"
Wallowa, Florence.

"Wet" Towns That Stay "Wet"
The Dalles, Joseph, Milwaukie, Sutherlin, Banpon, Newport, Falls City, Wasco, Haines, Metolius, Eagle Point, (Continued on page four)

Receives Fourth Invitation

H. C. Atwell, manager of the cannery will speak for the fourth consecutive time before the Washington State Horticultural Society at its annual meeting, December 17, 18, 19 to be held at Walla Walla. Mr. Atwell will also address the Oregon State Horticultural Society at Portland, December 10 to 12.

LIBRARY OPENED TODAY

Institution is Becoming Popular and Improvements are Appreciated

Today the Rogers City Library opened its doors to its many patrons after a closed period of over a month, during which time the former rooms have been enlarged until now the entire building is occupied by the library. The building has been painted inside and out, windows cut in the side, and a rearrangement of rooms has taken place. The front room will be known as the reading room, the center apartment as the library, and the rear room as the rest room or committee room, in which any and all kinds of public meetings are invited to be held, and also farmers and visitors to our city are welcome to make this room their headquarters.

During the rule of Mrs. Sanford as librarian, that is during the past three years, the library has increased in size from a small corner of the building with 300 books, to its present occupancy of the entire building with 1,600 volumes, and reading room and rest room in connection.

Mrs. Rogers, upon giving this building to the city, probably little realized the great number of people her gift would benefit, for the present number of library patrons is over 1,500, and many High School and College students often find recourse to the information contained therein.