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NOMINEES NAMED FOR CITY ELECTION

Absolutely No Opposition Is Manifested at Caucus Held Tuesday

GOFF WILL BE MAYOR

Progressive Business Men Are Nominated for Council— Election January 12

As forecasted last week by the PRESS there were absolutely no heated discussions or opposition at the regular annual caucus held Tuesday evening in Vert's Hall for the purpose of nominating a city ticket. Everything went off smoothly, with no brown-taste-in-the-mouth effect.

For the first time in the history of the town—or as far back as the PRESS writer can remember, and that is back some little time—the whole ticket went through without a battle of ballots.

Secretary H. E. Ferrin cast an unanimous ballot for every candidate by vote of the assembly, and consequently the voters weren't given a chance to show their technique as counting experts. It was voted to call the ticket the "Citizens' Ticket," and every nominee is a progressive citizen who believes in doing things for the advancement of Forest Grove—without any radical measures.

Harry J. Goff received the nomination for the office of mayor; Marion R. Markham, incumbent, recorder; Robert Wirtz, incumbent, treasurer; and the following councilmen for two years: J. J. Wirtz, incumbent, R. F. Emerson and B. F. Purdy.

Harry J. Goff, nominee for mayor, is at present a member of the council, and the assembly voted unanimously that H. B. Johnson be appointed to fill out Goff's unexpired term on the council board.

On motion, the convention tendered a vote of thanks to the present council and outgoing members for their efficient work. Mayor O. M. Sanford presided at the meeting and expressed his appreciation of the vote of thanks, and said that when he first became a member of the council he resolved to do all in his power for the best interests of the city.

In the past two years Forest Grove has made rapid strides in conservative development. Forty blocks of streets have been paved; and a new fire house and jail have been built; the tower has been rebuilt into a good tool house; and the library has been made one of the best in the state for a town this size. There is but one way to estimate the worth of an official, and that is by the work done. The above record of the present city council and mayor will stand the acid test.

Farmers Offer Reward for Thief

Farmers near Raleigh in the east end of the county are offering \$125 reward for the arrest of the party that has been filching stuff in their neighborhood. J. F. Watkins, who is having a new house put up by Lee Sparks and Sam Marshall, of this city, is the last victim of the thief.

Mrs. Watkins recently underwent an operation at a Portland hospital and Tuesday of last week Mr. Watkins went into town, which left no one at home after the workmen had left the house at five until seven, when Mr. Watkins returned. It was presumably between these hours that the thief entered his house and took a fine overcoat and a pair of boots. He offers \$50 for the bad man's apprehension, and the neighbors have added \$75 to the reward offer.

Liquor Violators Fined \$50

Esli Doughty was found guilty in the Circuit Court of selling liquor to a minor and given a \$50 fine. In case he doesn't remit he will be required to serve twenty-five days in the county jail.

Joseph Lorusung was convicted of non-support of a minor child, but has not received sentence yet.

FIRST ESPEE ELECTRICS ROLL INTO FOREST GROVE

Citizens Delighted With Artistic Coaches—Cars Run to Gaston and Return

Tuesday afternoon the first electric cars over the Southern Pacific rolled into Forest Grove, and quite an audience gathered at the depot for inspection.

The coaches are red and are built for efficiency and speed. Instead of the time-honored trolley wheel the new cars are equipped with trolley rollers about fourteen inches long, which have the advantage of not running off the trolley wire.

I. J. Smith, conductor, Bert Lucas, motorman, and C. E. Hines, brakeman, made the trip and reported the road in capital condition. They made a run as far as Gaston and then returned to Portland. It is expected that cars will begin regular service about January 15.

ANNUAL FESTIVITIES OF MASONS AND STARS

A joint meeting of the Masons and Eastern Star was held Saturday evening in their lodge rooms, and a large attendance was out to enjoy the festivities. A sumptuous banquet was served and the time was happily spent in social converse.

The following officers were installed with impressive ceremonies:

Eastern Star—Mrs. A. Hinman, worthy matron; W. H. Hollis, worthy patron; Mrs. J. A. Thornburg, associate matron; Mrs. Joseph Lenneville, secretary; Mrs. Dorothy Seymour, treasurer; Mrs. P. C. Starrett, conductress; Mrs. Charles Bump, associate conductress; Mrs. Carmack, Ada; Miss Leon Graham, Ruth; Mrs. Mayne Abbott, Esther; Christine Mackrodt, Martha; Mrs. E. E. Williams, Electra; Mrs. A. B. Todd, chaplain; Mrs. Highy, warden; O. S. Highy, sentinel. Those installed in the Masons were: W. H. Hollis, W. M.; E. R. Wirtz, S. W.; P. C. Starrett, J. W.; J. A. Thornburg, Treas.; H. C. Parker, Sec.; L. M. Graham, S. D.; H. T. Giltner, J. D.; J. G. Lenneville, S. S.; O. S. Highy, J. S.; C. A. Broderson, Tyler; C. O. Roe, Marshall; D. T. Thomas, Chaplain.

After installation of the officers a big banquet was served, and a general good time was enjoyed by all.

Moulton May Train Beavers

"Dad" Moulton, a former track coach of Pacific University, who resigned from Stanford has written to Walter McCredie, manager of the Portland Beavers, for the job of trainer on that team. Mac has taken the letter under advisement and says that he may take "Dad" on, as he thinks him an excellent trainer. Of course his work would not be to show the players anything about the national game out merely to look after their physical well being. It is said that a cut in salary was what caused him to quit Stanford.

McFarlanes Buy Lumber Yard

James R. McFarlane and James R. Jr., of Manning, have bought out the Willis-Place Lumber Company, and from now on will operate the business. They are not new at the lumber business as they operated a large yard at Hillsboro some time ago. J. F. Willis will move to the Byron LaMont 60-acre farm west of town and will entertain himself grubbing stumps the rest of the winter. He thinks that it may help some in reducing his weight.

Banks Poolroom Quits

The Banks billiard and poolhall, owned by Zachary Seelye, closes its doors January 1. Mr. Seelye two weeks ago was fined \$25 for allowing a minor to play pool in his hall, but this, he says, did not determine his disposition to close up the business, though he admits that the order given at the same time by Governor West's special agent, that no card playing should be allowed and that each pool and billiard player should pay for his own cue instead of the loser practically "killed" his business.

COMMERCIAL CLUB WILL HOLD BIG MEETING

President H. J. Goff Urges Farmers to Attend and Gives Good Argument for Development Club

In a communication from President H. J. Goff of the Commercial Club he tells of the worth of such an organization to a community and urges the farmers to take part in the big get-together meeting to be held within the next two weeks. Following is his letter: "The Commercial Clubs of cities thru the Willamette valley have been a great factor in the up building of the country. They have been the means, in a great many cases, of bringing different kinds of industries to our state through calling individual notice, the benefits to be derived from the particular locality in which the commercial clubs are located. It is through the public spirited enterprise of the commercial clubs that factories are located and public enterprises developed. The Commercial Club, of Forest Grove is no exception to the rule. Through its influence much has already been accomplished for this section of Washington county and a great deal more can be accomplished by the united efforts of its members.

"The year 1914 is going to be an epoch in the annals of the history of Forest Grove and vicinity. For our Commercial Club to accomplish the work we would like to do, we must have not only the support of its members, but also of all of our citizens, and not only those residing in town, but also those in the surrounding territory. We need and must have the support and assistance of the farmers of this community. In some of the valley towns which we know, the farmer membership of the Commercial Club comprises about one-half of the total of the membership. Here we have never had any help outside of the city, which probably is due to the fact that we have never caught it. Whatever is a benefit to the business man in the city, is also a benefit to the farmer living in the vicinity of that city. They must work together for the benefit of the entire community, and we desire to bring the farmer and the business man of this section of Washington county closer together the next two years.

"There will be many thousands of

people coming to the Pacific Coast during 1915, and we need to prepare for that event. If we lie down and make no effort to inform those people about the great advantages we have here, other cities will get what we might have had. It is no use waiting until next year, that will be too late; now is the time and we ought to get busy.

"Within the next two weeks the executive board of the Commercial Club expects to hold a 'get-together' meeting, the date of which will be duly advertised at which time we hope to have a great number of our farmers join in with us to boost this movement along. We want you to be thinking about it and working for the interests of this community, and when the meeting comes you will then be able and ready to decide on the kind of advertising this community needs and the legitimate way of boosting.

"The County Fair, while the first to be held at Forest Grove, shows what can be done by united effort, and the results of our exhibit at the State Fair make it manifest that a little effort, a joining together in the work, and each one contributing a part, will make Washington County the first of all the counties in the whole state in agricultural exhibits. As last year was the first experience in making an exhibit, we labored under a disadvantage, but with the experience obtained, there is no reason why the future exhibits from this locality should not be much greater and finer in every particular.

"We have the advantage of excellent soil, practical and experienced farmers and adequate crops to draw from each year. The Commercial Club can be an important factor in bringing about this pleasing and profitable method of advertising, and it is essential that the business men and farmers should unite in this effort.

"In closing I want to ask every one in this part of Washington County to come to our meeting and help boost the banner county of the banner state of the Pacific Northwest."

H. J. GOFF, President Commercial Club.

GRAND OPENING TODAY AFTERNOON AND EVENING

This afternoon and tonight, January 1, the First National Bank will hold its grand opening in its new \$45,000 building. There will be music by Walker's Orchestra and refreshments will be served. An invitation has been extended to the general public.

Boy Arrested at Banks

Ronald Hall, a youth who is a ward of the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society in Portland, was arrested at Banks the latter part of last week on suspicion of having stolen a revolver, which he sold to a party for \$3, its value being \$25. Deputy Sheriff Applegate went to Banks and took the boy in custody, and the lad finally confessed that he had stolen the gun in Tillamook and that he was from the detention society and had been out on probation with a family in the Tillamook country. He was returned to the society in Portland.

Good Game Tonight

A rattling good basketball game is promised tonight, Thursday, at the P. U. gymnasium. The Rainier High and the College Freshmen will contest for supremacy Saturday night next the Forest Grove High play the Rainier boys.

JUDGE J. H. STEVENSON WAS BUSY JOURNALIST

Lair H. Gregory Tells Story in Sunday Oregonian—He Was Former P. U. Student

An interesting story concerning John H. Stevenson, the Portland jurist, and son of Judge Robert O. Stevenson, appeared in the Sunday Oregonian. Judge Stevenson grew up in the Watts district and is a graduate of the Watts school, and every native son of Washington County is proud of the record he is making as judge of the Municipal Court in Portland. The Oregonian story was written by Lair H. Gregory, a staff writer. The story follows:

"John H. Stevenson, now Municipal Judge of Portland, came to this city 13 years ago from his father's ranch near Forest Grove, Oregon, with a few dollars in his pockets and an ardent ambition to succeed. He went to a business college for three months, until his money ran out, and then he turned to the newspaper field.

"He became a suburban reporter for an evening newspaper at a salary of \$6 a week. All he had to do in that capacity was to get all the news from seven suburbs, as widely scattered as Rome's seven hills, with Vancouver, Wash., thrown in. His seven suburbs, some of which were very suburban at that time, were Fulton, Woodstock, Sellwood, Mount Tabor, Montavilla, Woodlawn and St. Johns. It was 'some beat,' as would be said in newspaper circles.

"Stevenson would comb Vancouver in the morning, rush to the office and prepare his copy, and dash out to a suburb in the afternoon. He figured that he circled the globe several times in the two years he had this detail.

"While he was on the job never a new sidewalk went in, or a pet dog took ill, or a roof was re-shingled that Stevenson did not chronicle it in his 'Suburban Notes.' He was an indefatigable news gatherer. After he had been on the beat a few months, people would leave 'social' items for him at the drug stores and groceries. Knowing this, a competitor on another paper devised a scheme to discredit the quality of his society notes. The competitor 'planted' an item that went like this: 'Genevieve Jones, a popular member of the Jones family, died last week. Her death is much regretted by a large circle of friends.'

"After Stevenson had run this, the competitor exposed him somewhat to this effect:

"The Genevieve Jones whose death is so deeply regretted by our esteemed contemporary is the genial and popular cow of the Abner Jones family. Her owner, a prominent and well-known milkman of the Woodstock section, says the deceased was the best cow he ever had."

"After Stevenson had established a reputation as a fearless and tireless suburban reporter, he was promoted to be Court House reporter. From that he became star reporter and political editor of his paper. While he was political writer, he gained the nickname of 'John Middle-Name Stevenson' through his zeal for getting the middle names of persons he wrote about. It used to be said that on being introduced to a man, Stevenson's invariable rejoinder would be: 'Oh, yes, glad to meet you. Middle name, please?'

"He worked as a newspaper man in the day time and studied law at night, and six years ago he was appointed a deputy in the office of the District Attorney. Since then his rise has been rapid."

S. G. Hughes Gets Doll

That great big beautiful doll which K. N. Staehr had in his window just before Christmas, and was the envy of every girl in town, is now in the possession of Miss H. Helen Hughes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Hughes. George Thomas, the G. A. R. man, drew the doll and Mr. Hughes the gold watch offered by the Bazaar. Mr. Thomas couldn't figure out what he could do with a doll, and as Grant hasn't got any use for more than three or four watches they traded prizes, and H. Helen is quite sure that her father was right in getting the doll.

ESPEE ELECTRIC IS GRANTED 45 DAYS

Extension from Decmber 31 After Signing Contract for Crosswalks

NAYLORS WRITE CHECK

Paving Company Paid in Full and Property Will Not Be Sold

The Southern Pacific people were given a franchise extension of forty-five days from December 31 by the City Council in special session Monday night, the railroad folks having previously signed a contract with Jennings & Van Doren for the completion of cement crosswalks abutting their property.

Vice-President K. B. Kumpe, of the Linden-Kibbe Pavement Company, was present and received payment for the entire amount of work done on pavement abutting the property of Edward and George Naylor and Miss Martha Traver, and hence litigation was frustrated. The property had been advertised to be sold Saturday last, but Friday Edward L. Naylor wrote a check for \$2011.34 to cover the entire cost of pavement of property of the three aforesaid parties.

The paving company bind themselves to repair all defects that may occur in the curbs due either to cracks or crumbling or forfeit the property owners the sum of \$200.

RED CROSS STAMP MONEY USED IN THIS COUNTY

The Woman's Club of this city sold \$60 worth of Red Cross Stamps this year and some of the money will be used for the care of a tuberculosis patient in the east end of Washington County. Mrs. C. E. Walker, chairman of the public health committee of the local club, received a letter the other day from Mrs. Sadie Orr-Dunbar, chairman of the state committee of Woman's Clubs, stating that the state organization would stand back of any pledge the local club might make to the party receiving help. Last year \$40 of the Red Cross Stamp money was used for work in this county. Medicines and supplies have been purchased from local stores.

CONDITIONS IN VICTORIA DESCRIBED BY LOCAL MAN

Andrew Phillips, who with his family is on a visit to relatives in this city from Victoria, B. C., is doing well in the Canadian country as representative of the Carter Car Company. He says that the American made cars are far in advance of any machine made in Canada or in England.

The autos, he says, made in those countries are strong, but do not have the artistic finish that cars made in Uncle Sam's land have. This is also true of shoes and clothes, according to Mr. Phillips. He said that among the strange things up there were the high stone walls built around the fine residences, castle-like fashion, the habit of pedestrians and conveyances turning to the left, and the lack of agricultural land.

Wages are a little higher up there than in the states but the cost of living is correspondingly higher. Eggs have been selling for 60 to 70 cents per dozen; bacon at 35; ham at 28-30; beef-steak, 18-20; butter, 35-50 per pound, and gasoline, 28-30. There are five American chauffeurs who keep their autos in the Ford garage. Hindus and Chinamen are in Victoria in abundance.

Robert Loomis returned from Sherman County Tuesday evening, where he has been for the past two months, working on the Lig Loomis ranch.