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CITY COUNCILMEN DISCUSS PROBLEMS

When Mayor Paterson called the city council to order last Thursday evening, all members were present except the outgoing member, J. J. Wirtz, and Councilman McCready, the latter being out of the city.

The first business, after the reading and approval of the minutes of the previous meeting, was hearing the report of Treasurer R. P. Wirtz. This report showed that on January 1, 1915, the general fund contained \$1,280.06, while a year later it contained \$349.99, a loss of \$930.07. With the amount inherited from the year 1914, the receipts for the year 1915 were \$30,086.16 and the expenses were \$29,736.26.

The treasurer's report on special funds is as follows:

Library Fund--	
On hand Jan. 1, 1915.....	\$ 251.91
Receipts.....	802.18
Disbursements.....	1,054.09
Road Fund--	
Receipts.....	3,053.10
Disbursements.....	3,053.10
1911 Street Imp. Fund--	
On hand Jan. 1, 1915.....	923.80
Receipts.....	6,662.67
Disbursements.....	6,205.00
Balance on hand.....	1,381.47
1912 Street Imp. Fund--	
On hand Jan. 1, 1915.....	221.04
Receipts.....	1,546.65
Disbursements.....	913.18
Balance on hand.....	854.51
1913 Street Imp. Fund--	
On hand Jan. 1, 1915.....	452.08
Receipts.....	1,758.41
Disbursements.....	1,960.00
Balance on hand.....	250.49
1914 Street Imp. Fund--	
Receipts.....	4,766.46
Disbursements.....	4,324.57
Balance on hand.....	441.87

The treasurer reported about \$2,600 still due the street improvement funds. The report was accepted and ordered placed on file. At this point a motion to adjourn prevailed, Councilman-elect Nixon took the oath of office succeeding J. J. Wirtz, and the new council was called to order by the mayor. After rollcall, Mayor Paterson suggested the first thing in order would be the election of a president and Councilman Nixon nominated Councilman Todd and the latter nominated Councilman Hoar. The vote resulted 3 for Todd and 2 for Hoar and the former was declared elected.

Rules of order were then adopted for the guidance of the council and the mayor stated that he hoped the new council would be a little more expeditious than the old in the transaction of business. Mayor Paterson then appointed the following committees for the year:

- Streets and Public Property—McCready, Hoar and Coon.
- Purchasing and Printing—Coon and Todd.
- Finance—Mertz and McCready.
- Water, Light and Fire—Todd and Nixon.
- Ordinance—Hoar and Mertz.
- Health and Police—Nixon and Coon.
- P. W. Watkins was appointed street and water commissioner, at salary of \$75.00 per month.
- Dr. Bishop health officer at \$1.00 per month, with additional compensation during epidemics, if they occur.
- Albert Kirkwood was re-ap-

pointed city engineer under the same contract as in the past.

R. C. Walker was re-appointed light commissioner at \$60.00 per month.

S. G. Morgan continues as chief engineer at the power plant, at a salary of \$85.00 per month, with Sam Ridgley and W. F. Stockman as assistants at \$75.00 each.

P. W. Watkins was appointed chief of police at \$10.00 per month and, on his recommendation, Elmer Bennett was appointed night watchman at \$50.00 per month.

City Treasurer Wirtz was re-appointed light and water collector.

All appointments were confirmed by the council.

The purchasing and printing committee was authorized to secure some new books for the treasurer and recorder and, it having developed during the talk about books, that the safe was too small to hold the books needed, the matter of having a vault for the keeping of books and records built in one corner of the council chamber was discussed and referred to the purchasing committee for investigation as to cost.

The mayor then offered for consideration an ordinance fixing the salaries of the mayor and members of the council. The ordinance provides a salary of \$4.00 for the mayor and \$3.00 for councilmen for each regular monthly meeting; no pay for special meetings or for meetings not attended; also \$2 50 per day and actual expenses for councilmen who must leave the city on city business. Councilman Coon was slightly opposed to paying salaries to the officers named, as he feared such a course might bring about a commission form of government, to which he was opposed, because of placing too much power in a few hands. Another councilman thought the salary feature might induce better men to run for office than in the past. On a vote being taken on first and second reading, all voted "Aye," Dr. Todd saying if he concluded the salary feature was bad he would vote against it at the next regular meeting, when final action will be taken.

The matter of extending the power line to the trap factory was referred to the light committee for investigation, after which council adjourned.

Election Judges and Clerks

The county court has selected judges and clerks of election for the county for 1916 and those for Forest Grove and Gales Creek are as follows:

Northeast Forest Grove—Day: J. W. Baldwin, Oliver C. Jackson, judges; Allen Rice, E. B. Catching, Chas. P. McCann, clerks. Night: H. T. Buxton, E. A. Dixon, judges; Walter Roswurm, E. O. Buxton, Arthur Shearer, clerks.

Northwest Forest Grove—Day: J. C. Clark, R. O. Stevenson, judges; Ray Giltner, W. H. McEldowney, Merle M. Reder, clerks. Night: R. M. Taylor, E. S. Abra-

ham, judges; Vic Fuqua, Ed. Davis, Ed. Dixon, clerks.

Southeast Forest Grove—Day: L. S. Porter, John Wirtz, judges; D. D. Bump, P. C. Starrett, C. R. Morgan, clerks. Night: John Ireland, John E. Bailey, judges; Ben Whited, Loren Watkins, Robert Wirtz clerks.

Southwest Forest Grove—Day: A. G. Hoffman, Wm. J. McCready, judges; Geo. Patterson, John Thornburg, Manche Langley clerks. Night: A. E. Scott, J. C. Latta, judges; M. S. Allen, Malcolm Bean, E. R. Wirtz, clerks.

Gales Creek—Day: James Churchill, Nick Bothman, judges; J. R. Greenwood, J. W. McRoberts, Frances White, clerks. Night: N. C. Lilly, J. E. Lewton, judges; J. B. Bateman, Chas. E. Potts, R. B. Lilly, clerks.

The pay is \$3.00 per day and the first judge named is chairman of the board.

Miss Hesseltine Leaving

Miss Marjorie Hesseltine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hesseltine of this city, leaves tomorrow for Topeka, Kansas, where she goes to take a course in music at Washburn college. Miss Hesseltine will specialize on pipe organ and orchestra music and her many friends in Forest Grove expect her to give a good account of herself in the Kansas institution. She has for the past eighteen months been a student of Pacific University and her fellow-students have given a number of social functions in her honor during the past ten days.

On Thursday evening, instead of their regular program and business meeting, the Kappa Delta girls gave a jubilee in honor of Miss Hesseltine. Delicious lunch was served during the evening and each member wrote and sealed a letter, which Miss Hesseltine is to open, one day, until the supply is exhausted.

Saturday evening Mrs. Yakel and Miss Monroe gave a dinner party in honor of Miss Hesseltine at the Yakel home, those in attendance being Lura Tamiesie, a Kappa girl from Portland; Marie Wells, Margaret Marsh, Carrie Senders, Helen Brunner, Emma Craft, Donna Mack, Mrs. Hesseltine, Marjorie Hesseltine, Mrs. Yakel and Miss Monroe.

The Royal Neighbors Installed Officers

Mrs. Dora Emerson, assisted by Mrs. Alice Marshall, as ceremonial marshal, last Friday evening installed the newly-elected officers of Rosewood camp No. 3835, Royal Neighbors of America, as follows:

- Oracle—Mrs. Carrie Graham.
 - Vice Oracle—Mrs. Mary Porter.
 - Chancellor—Mrs. Libbie Potwin.
 - Recorder—Mrs. Winnifred Aldrich.
 - Receiver—Mrs. Nellie Ives.
 - Marshal—Mrs. Eula Shearer.
 - Inner Sentinel—Mrs. Lizzie Sappington.
 - Outer Sentinel—Maude Perry.
 - Manager—Anna McKay.
 - Physician—Dr. Quentin Tucker.
- Following the installation ceremonies, the ladies enjoyed a nice lunch and a social session that breathed the spirit of fraternalism.

Mrs. M. W. Patton was hostess to the Young People's Missionary society of the M. E. church, on Monday evening of this week. A program, with Miss Edna Mills as leader, was enjoyed by all members present. Light refreshments were served.

PIONEER MASON IS LAID TO REST

High School Pupil Called

Siegus M. Berthold, aged 16, son of Rev. and Mrs. Berthold of Cornelius, died at the family home in that town last Friday of heart failure. Besides his father and mother, he leaves to mourn his untimely death, five sisters and one brother.

Deceased was a bright and manly youth and great sorrow is felt over his death by his mates in the Forest Grove High School, as well as those who knew him at Cornelius.

Funeral services were held in the German Lutheran church at Cornelius Monday and quite a number of the pupils of the Forest Grove High School attended out of respect to their late schoolmate.

Pacific University

A busy week: final exams began yesterday, (Tuesday.)

The Modern Language club held a pleasant meeting Friday evening at Herrick Hall.

We are proud of our basketball team. While the Pacific College team is the strongest in years, our team won a 26-19 score on their own floor last Saturday, making the third victory this season.

The initial numbers of the Express won many pleasing compliments from students and faculty members. We are glad to see this new enterprise and wish the paper success. This town and vicinity should be able to support two newspapers.

Rev. Dunlap, the Methodist minister, gave a most interesting talk in chapel Friday on "Source of Power" as applied to leaders of men. The gist of the talk could be expressed in this single sentence: "The price of success is supreme consecration."

Since Puget Sound college went back on us, we are glad to have received an offer from our old rival, Willamette U., to meet us in debate. The men on our debate team will give a good account of themselves. The news of this offer was received with joy by the team as well as the rest of the school.

Ivan Donaldson was suddenly called home last week on account of the unexpected death of his mother. The student body adopted resolutions of condolence and forwarded same to his address at Tillamook. His many friends in Forest Grove as well as in college sincerely sympathize with him in his sorrow.

A special car has been chartered to carry the crowd to McMinnville to witness our victorious team win another victory in basketball. For years McMinnville college has been our strongest rival. The P. U. team this year is one of the strongest in our history. We believe they will win from "Mc" and we are going along one hundred strong to see them win. All friends in town are welcome to go in the "special" that care to see the supreme contest of the season, if you make your reservations in time. The train leaves the S. P. depot Saturday evening, returning after the game. Phone "Hap" Morgan for further information.

The Hillsboro High School basketball team defeated the Estacada team Saturday night, at Hillsboro, by a score of 28 to 12. After this game the Hillsboro second team took on a team from North Plains and won by a score of 20 to 6.]

A man well known and highly respected by the pioneers of Forest Grove passed away in Portland last Saturday, when the Grim Reaper summoned Isaac Meier, aged 82, to his last reward.

Deceased was one of the first merchants of Forest Grove and, although he has been a resident of Portland for the past forty years, he was in business in Forest Grove fully ten years prior to going to Portland. He at one time conducted a general merchandise store where the Roefurniture store now stands and later a drug store on the site of the Forest Grove National bank. While he never became a merchant prince, he always made some money, much of which he gave to charity. At one time he is reputed to have owned 6,000 acres of school land in this state, but a financial depression caused him to sacrifice practically all his lands. For many years "Uncle Ike" has conducted a little bookstore in Portland, where all the children who knew and loved him came to purchase and exchange books. Although he never married, he loved children and their company gave him more pleasure than anything else unless it was the companionship of brother Masons, for whom he held a high regard. He was the last of the charter members of Holbrook lodge, A. F. & A. M., organized September 18th, 1860, and so highly was he esteemed by the members of that lodge that on Dec. 27th, last, when the lodge observed St. John's Day, the members sent a man to Portland to bring Uncle Ike to Forest Grove for the celebration. At that time nothing serious appeared to be wrong with him, although he was noticed to be growing a little unsteady on his feet from a general breaking down of the system and his death may be attributed to the infirmities of age.

Deceased was born in Germany and his only known relative in America is an uncle, said to live in California.

The body was brought to Forest Grove Monday and prepared for burial by Undertaker J. S. Buxton and the funeral services were held in the Forest Grove Undertaking company's chapel yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The funeral was under the auspices of Holbrook lodge and the rites of that order were enacted at the chapel and the grave, Senator Hollis taking the leading part.

The High School Growing

Thirty-one new pupils began attending the local high school last Monday morning and two new teachers were required to look after the new-comers. Miss Celia Hunkins, a graduate of Reed College, Portland, is a new instructor in German and History, while William Hoyt of the University of California teaches commerce.

Miss Bara Stewart, a graduate of the Monmouth normal, is a new teacher at the central building, where she teaches the sixth grade.

The many Forest Grove friends of Mrs. W. F. Schultz will be pleased to learn that that most estimable lady is recovering nicely from an operation for goitre, performed at the Good Samaritan hospital, Portland, Jan. 17th. At last reports, Mrs. Schultz was able to sit up a part of each day and her ultimate recovery is only a matter of time.