

LADIES' AUXILIARY ANNUAL MEETING

Reports of Committees, Election of Officers and a Social Meeting Enjoyed by Many.

The Ladies' Auxiliary held a very enjoyable and helpful meeting in the club rooms Monday afternoon, there being a large crowd present.

The following program was enjoyed by all: Duet, Miss Kinney and Mrs. Ireland; talk by Rev. Robt. McLean on the civic improvement work in the cities of Porto Rico, he giving some very good suggestions for our own city, such as getting hold of available property along the river and foothills to be used for drive-ways and parks; solo, Mrs. Walker; president's report in full; solo, Marion Clark; reports of secretary and treasurer. Mrs. Gunnell then gave a splendid report from the civic improvement committee and some extracts from this report will be given next week.

Action was then taken on the matter of sending a petition to congress protesting against the increase of postage on periodicals. It was decided to send out the petition and secure as many names as possible.

The nominating committee reported and the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Susie Bannard; vice-president, Mrs. Sabin; secretary, Mrs. Wharton; corresponding secretary, Mrs. McCracken; treasurer, Mrs. Norton.

At the close of the meeting Mrs. Gunnell, in her pleasing way, presented Mr. Clevenger with a dozen silver spoons, the ladies feeling that he had sacrificed a great deal of comfort the last two years while his wife so faithfully gave her time, strength and thought to the work of the auxiliary, leaving nothing undone that could be done to make the work and plans a success; and we know that while she may have the name of resting, it will only be in name, as we feel sure her counsel, help and advice will be required at all times.

The Valley Union.

At a meeting of the incorporators of the Rogue River Fruit and Produce association, held at Medford March 3, Dr. Reddy was selected to secure the subscription of stock with the help of all the members of the committee.

The meeting of the stockholders will be held at Medford April 16, at 11 a. m., to elect directors and adopt by-laws, and to attend to any further business.

This association will undoubtedly have the support of all the large fruit growers in the valley and it should have the help of every small fruit raiser, as he will be much more benefited than the party who ships carloads.

Grants Pass shipped about a dozen cars of fruit last year and the whole valley expects to ship 800 cars this year. It behooves us to get into the large association and be helped by the large shippers, who realized about twice as much as the small ones last year.

The fruit growers of this valley must be united to properly advertise, grade, pack uniformly and, lastly, sell the fruit right. Then we can protect ourselves against the organized and dishonest commission men and demand justice and right from all. Railroads would settle claims promptly, buyers would pay cash here, and the whole valley will prosper. Every person in this county will be benefited by this association, and every fruit raiser and business man should take at least one share of stock and more if he can afford. We have everything to gain and nothing to lose, and we should act accordingly.

Good Cough Medicine for Children.

The season for coughs and colds is now at hand and too much care can not be used to protect the children. A child is more likely to contract diphtheria or scarlet fever when he has a cold. The quicker you cure his cold the less the risk. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the sole reliance of many mothers, and few of those who have tried it are willing to use any other. Mrs. F. F. Starcher, of Ripley, W. Va., says: "I have never used anything other than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for my children, and it has always given good satisfaction." This remedy contains no opium or other narcotic and may be given as confidently to a child as to an adult. For sale by M. Clemens.

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DEPARTMENT COMMANDER VISITS GRANTS PASS

One of the most pleasant social events of its kind was held in the G. A. R. hall on Front street Thursday afternoon when General Logan post and corps met to entertain Department Commander I. S. Shaw, who has been making an extended trip in the interests of these orders.

The large hall was well filled with an interested and expectant audience, all eager to meet and help entertain the distinguished guest. "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" was sung after which Commander John Patrick and Adjutant J. E. Peterson introduced Mr. Shaw as the honorary guest and first speaker for the afternoon. He was followed by Rev. McLean, Rev. Leach and Dr. Carter.

As all of these speakers, with the exception of Rev. Leach were of the "boys of '61," each having served through the "dangers and hardships more terrible than any encountered by the armies of other lands in the four years of bloody strife, and who today are proud to be veterans of the Civil war and members of the Grand Army of the Republic.

While each address was reminiscent of the soldier's life on the battlefield, march and camp, the present need of perpetuating and preserving an undivided land was not forgotten.

Nor did the department commander forget the grand and noble work of the Woman's Relief Corps, the only accepted auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The song, "America," closed the entertainment, after which refreshments were served and a pleasant old-time social hour was spent in making the acquaintance of Commander Shaw and renewing the good-fellowship between post and corps.

Roosevelt May Have Fever.

British residents as well as natives are wondering, says a cable from Gondokoro, whether Colonel Roosevelt, who sailed yesterday for Khartoum, is disease proof as well as accident proof. No sooner had the colonel and his party started on their trip down the Nile than several cases of African fever broke out among those who had been in close touch with Roosevelt, and today Dr. Troesch, a French missionary, who took dinner with Mr. Roosevelt yesterday, died of the fever. The district commissioner also has been stricken with the disease. He, too, was active in entertaining the colonel.

Similar reports come from the Kampala district, where a scourge of African fever developed a few days after the hunting party departed.

Friends of ex-President Roosevelt in Washington are somewhat worried over a statement made by Captain Fritz Duquesne, noted African lion hunter, says a special, that "Bwana Tumbo" and the other members of his party are likely to be stricken with the dread sleeping sickness, or African fever, when they get back to civilization. The news cabled from Africa that Dr. Roderick Troesch, a missionary, had been stricken with fever and died within a few hours after taking lunch with Colonel Roosevelt, prompted Duquesne's prediction.

"The Roosevelt expedition has been in more than a score of zones of the sleeping sickness," said Duquesne, "and it is highly probable every member of the party now has the virus in his veins. It may not develop until they reach Europe or even America. It is positively dangerous to allow Mr. Roosevelt and his party to return to this country without having a bacteriological examination made of their blood. Mark my words—before the party gets to Europe, either African fever or the sleeping sickness will break out among them."

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Demands Pay for Taking Cold.

First of its kind in the history of legal jurisprudence in the United States was the action instituted by the state of Washington, on the relation of E. G. Merchant, of Spokane, to recover \$5000 damages for a cold contracted while serving as a juror in the superior court in December, 1907. Judge J. Stanley Webster dismissed the jury which heard the evidence and arguments, and decided for the defense. An appeal to the supreme court may follow.

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EZRA MEEKER, PIONEER, TO START ACROSS CONTINENT

Lumbering oxen, yoked to a battered prairie schooner, with its tar bucket swinging from its rear axle, will carry Ezra Meeker, pioneer of the Oregon country, back over the trail which he and his family used in making the trip through the wilderness between Kansas City and The Dalles, Ore., 58 years ago. He will be accompanied by W. B. Mardon and Mrs. Mardon and two helpers, the party following the trail eastward by way of Walla Walla, Wash., southwest of Spokane.

Though more than 80 years of age, Meeker is endowed with the unconquerable spirit of the western settler and is hopeful of carrying out the work of marking the trail from east to west in memory of the brave men and women who blazed the way that led to the opening of the Pacific empire, before his spirit crosses the great divide. He retraced the old trail in 1906, erecting granite memorials in the larger towns and cities, also visiting President Roosevelt at the White House.

The purpose of the trip, upon which the Meeker party will start within three months, is to secure data and other information necessary to map the trail and to arouse interest in a campaign for funds with which to complete the work. There is a committee bill before congress appropriating \$50,000 to provide granite monuments and markers, but a clause requires the father of the idea and the various historical societies interested to manifest their sincerity by subscribing whatever money may be necessary, in addition to the appropriation contemplated by the government.

It is planned to select a representative from each historical society in the six states covered by the trail to assist in locating the overland route and placing the monuments.

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Indian Educator Weds.

News has been received of the marriage at Hot Springs, Ark., of Miss Estelle Reel, superintendent of all the Indian schools, to Cort Meyer, a prominent rancher at Toppenish, Wash. Miss Reel was considered the most efficient woman in the government service. She was the second state superintendent of public instruction in the state of Wyoming, being elected in the fall of 1892, and was re-elected. At her second election she issued an address to the cowboys of the state, calling upon them for their support and the result was she secured the vote of nearly every cattleman and cowboy in Wyoming.

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Texas Doctor Arrested.

Dr. J. T. Newberry, of New Hary, Tex., is accused of having given the six-year-old daughter of George Christian poison instead of quinine, which caused her death and he is now under arrest charged with negligent homicide.

Apples Cure Liquor Habit.

In an address before the State Horticultural society of Iowa, Dr. Samuel Bailey, of Mount Aire, a member of the National Medical society, declared that apple eating would kill the taste for cocktails and other strong drinks. He said it was the meat eaters who became addicted to strong drink and advocated fruit eating as a solution of the liquor problem.

J. J. Hill's Prediction.

James J. Hill, of the Great Northern, in an address delivered at St. Paul to the Minnesota Retail Hardware Dealers' association, predicted that we are to have fifteen more years of prosperity for farmers in the northwest particularly with the adoption of improved methods of farming. He said:

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