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COMMERCIAL CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

ENTIRE CHANGE OF OFFICERS
AND DIRECTORS.

HOBART HEADS THE LIST

Lively and Merry Session Held at
Club Rooms on Monday
Night.

President—C. L. Hobart, head of the
Madrona Land company.
Vice President—R. E. Kroh, owner
of Tokay Heights.
Treasurer—Sam H. Baker, cashier
Josephine County bank.
Secretary—W. P. Quinlan.
Board of Trustees—E. T. McKinstry,
George E. Lundberg, H. L. Gilkey,
T. B. Cornell, R. W. Clarke.

With the men named in the fore-
going the Grants Pass Commercial
club begins a new calendar year with
determination to reach for as many
industrial enterprises for this city as
it is possible to secure in the win-
ning of the west.

The annual meeting Friday night
was generously attended and matters
went with a businesslike swing from
first to last.

Retiring President George C. Sa-
bin was in the chair and after a brief
address by H. E. Gale regarding the
fruit industry in the county, a re-
port of which is printed elsewhere
in this issue, the chair announced
that the business in order was the
election of officers, and he also stated
that according to the bylaws and
by instruction of the board of trust-
ees only those members could vote
who were in good standing. Any
member more than three months in
arrears would be barred, said the
chairman, but he stated that any
one present who wished to pay up
before the balloting began was in-
vited to come forward. The list of
the members in good standing was
read out, and they numbered some-
thing like 200.

Nominations for President.

Isaac Best arose and nominated
C. L. Hobart for president. R. E.
Kroh exclaimed, "I second the nom-
ination." H. L. Gilkey moved that
nominations be closed and the secre-
tary be instructed to cast the ballot
of organization for Mr. Hobart. This
motion found a second in Sam Bak-
er. The chair put the motion and it
was carried unanimously.

The newly elected president was
called to make a speech. He made
brief remarks, thanking the club for
the honor conferred and stated that
while in Seattle he had observed a
condition in the Chamber of Com-
merce of that city, which he hoped
would prevail here. That was that
everybody pulled together; that he
had seen men who were bitter per-
sonal enemies named on same com-
mittees, but who never allowed their
animosities to interfere, but worked
together with a vim. "I promise you
that I will fill this position to which
you have elected me to the best of
my ability."

Kroh for Vice President.

E. S. VanDyke nominated R. E.
Kroh for vice president. "I second
the motion," said R. Z. Hartzler,
and moved the secretary cast a uni-
versal ballot. This was adopted and
Mr. Kroh was elected the second in
command.

"Speech!" cried a dozen voices.
"I thank you for this honor," said
Mr. Kroh. "I know the duties of the
office will not prove onerous. I
am proud to be associated in this
work with Mr. Hobart, and all the
rest of you."

For Treasurer.

T. P. Cramer nominated Dr. W.
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Received Late—

Correspondence from Williams and
Selma were received too late for
publication in this issue, but they
will appear later.

ROGUE RIVER LIME COMPANY TO BUILD

To rise on the Southern Pacific
right-of-way, opposite the round-
house, will be a warehouse for the
Rogue River Lime company and an-
other building nearby which will be
used to house the lime company's
big caterpillar traction engine.

Workmen are already busy at the
scene and the two structures will
rise rapidly. S. B. Gorvutt, manager
of the company, states that the ware-
house will be 40x80 feet in dimen-
sions and the engine house 16x36.
The engine house will also be used
to protect supplies needed for the
big caterpillar.

The Rogue River Lime company's
quarry is located on Cheney creek,
12 miles southwest from Grants
Pass. The company has made good
progress in getting its plant at the
quarry and work underway, and has
already turned out some lime, which
was sold to local people. When
ready for regular work the plant will
turn out 100 barrels of lime daily,
says Manager Gorvutt. But this ca-
pacity will be enlarged at a not dis-
tant date until the company is sup-
plying a large territory with lime.

The big caterpillar traction engine
will haul the output of the works to
Grants Pass, where it will be placed
in the warehouse beside the South-
ern Pacific tracks and loaded on
cars as orders require.

The lime company will soon prove
one of the big assets of Josephine
county. The promoters have already
spent considerable money in the city
and county, and when working un-
der full headway will have a payroll
that will be appreciated by the busi-
ness interests of the city.

COMMERCIAL CLUB APPOINT COMMITTEES

The newly elected board of trust-
ees of the Commercial club held
its first meeting in the club rooms
last night. Standing committees
were appointed for the work of
1912-13. Much enthusiasm was
shown by all and it was generally un-
derstood that the most important
work for the board to take up at
this time is the strengthening of the
club, to the end that a better feel-
ing among the members be generally
encouraged and the club put in a
good financial condition.

Committees will be appointed to
call on as many of the members as
it is possible to reach and enlist their
support in the building up of the or-
ganization and all working together,
so that when matters of interest to
the community are presented the
Commercial club as a whole will
work in unison in securing the de-
sired end.

Members of the board feel that
much good can be accomplished in
this way. A letter is to be sent to
every one whose name appears on
the roll, inviting them to get togeth-
er, attend the meetings and to not
be backward in voicing their senti-
ments. The opinion of all is desired
and requested on all matters. There
are a number of citizens who should
be members of the Commercial
club; these too, will be called on,
and their assistance and co-opera-
tion solicited.

As was generally expected before
the election the salary of the secre-
tary was reduced.

Standing Committees.

The following standing commit-
tees were appointed for the ensuing
year:

House Committee—C. L. Hobart
(chairman), W. P. Quinlan, T. B.
Cornell, R. E. Kroh.

Reading Room Committee—G. E.
Lundberg.

Reception and entertainment
Committee—R. E. Kroh (chairman),
R. W. Clark, L. R. Steelhammer.

Membership Committee—S. H.
Baker (chairman), W. P. Quinlan,
E. T. McKinstry.

Auditing Committee—L. L. Her-
rick (chairman), G. W. Donnell, H.
L. Andrews.

Municipal Affairs—H. L. Gilkey
(chairman), Geo. Calhoun, Jos.
Moss, Dr. Truax, C. H. Clements.

J. T. Logan came from his mine
near Waldo Wednesday on business.

PRIZE POULTRY ON EXHIBITION

LARGE AND VARIED DISPLAY
AMAZES RESIDENTS.

ASSOCIATION IS ORGANIZED

Efforts Are Advanced to Make Jose-
phine County a Poultry
Center.

Ribbons galore were awarded Sat-
urday at the poultry show, and the
throngs of humanity Saturday all
day and Saturday night which
filled the exhibition rooms were en-
tertained in a manner that brought
joy to all lovers of pure bred poultry.
The attendance could be classed cor-
rectly as a "crush," and that the
poultry industry is launched in this
city and county in earnest is a fact
not disputed.

All new visitors Saturday and in
the evening were surprised, as were
previous visitors, at the splendid ex-
hibit. The newly organized poultry
association which originated the
show, held a meeting yesterday af-
ternoon to further perfect the or-
ganization. All members were en-
thusiastic over the success of the ex-
hibition and will now continue their
work in earnest.

There are 73 first prizes, 41 sec-
ond and 26 third.

Following is a revised list of the
prize winners at the poultry show.

Barred Rock—Cocks: W. Allen,
Jr., 1st; Mrs. Maria Kemp, 2d; John
Summers, 3d. Cockerels: W. N.
Tolin, 1st; U. L. Upson, 2d; E. M.
Davis, 3d. Hens: John Summers,
1st; H. N. Parker, 2d; Peter Olson,
3d. Pullets: A. M. Heston, 1st; U.
L. Upson, 2d; Henry Huck, 3d. Pens:
Peter Olson.

White Rock—Cockerel: N. Rey-
nolds, 1st; H. E. Glass, 2d; W. H. Mc-
Arthur, 3d. Hens: E. A. Lagergren,
1st; D. T. McCord, 2d; E. A. Lager-
gren, 3d. Pullets: H. E. Glass, 1st;
N. Reynolds, 2d; H. E. Glass, 3d.
Pen: H. E. Glass.

Buff Rock—Cocks: H. E. Glass,
1st. Cockerels: E. G. Harris, 1st.
Hens: H. E. Glass, 1st. Pullets:
E. G. Harris, 1st; H. E. Glass, 2d and
3d. Pen: E. G. Harris.

Partridge Rock—Cock: C. P. Moun-
ton, 1st. Cockerels: Mrs. Gravin,
1st. Pullets: Mrs. Gravin, 1st and
2d.

White Wyandotte—Cock: A. M.
Heston, 1st; Mrs. Cahill, 2d. Cock-
erels: Will Scoville, 1st; E. M.
Davis, 2d; Lynn Sabin, 3d. Hens:
Mrs. Cahill, 1st; A. M. Heston, 2d
and 3d. Pullets: Will Scoville, 1st;
E. M. Davis, 2d; Will Scoville, 3d.
Pens: Will Scoville.

Partridge Wyandotte—Cockerel:
S. B. Gillette, 1st. Pullets: S. B.
Gillette, 1st and 2d.

S. C. Rhode Island Red—Cocks:
Robert Jewell, 1st; Amos Meyer, 2d.
Cockerels: E. Chilson, 1st. Hens:
C. R. Brechtbill, 1st; Mrs. Mary
Storck, 2d; C. R. Brechtbill, 3d.
Pullets: C. H. Brechtbill, 1st; Amos
Meyer, 2d; C. H. Brechtbill, 3d. Pen:
Amos Meyer.

R. C. Rhode Island Red—Cock: N.
T. Best, 1st. Pullets: N. T. Best,
1st, 2d and 3d.

Black Langshan—Cockerel: Her-
man Horning, 1st. Pullets: Herman
Horning, 1st, 2d and 3d.

White Leghorn—Cocks: Geo. Cra-
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Miss Minnie Williams, who has
been spending a few days in Grants
Pass, left Tuesday for her home at
Medford, where she will remain for
several days and then go to Los An-
geles to join her sister.

W. P. Quinlan, the newly elected
secretary, is a busy man, and as he
is thoroughly posted on the needs,
hopes and aspirations of the people
of the city, and is man of executive
ability, it can be said in all truth
that his work for Grants Pass and
the county at large will result in
substantial rewards.

TO ESTABLISH Y.M.C.A. DISCUSSED AT BANQUET

One hundred and thirty men from
all walks of life, artisans, profes-
sional and business men standing
shoulder to shoulder at the banquet
tables and singing "My country,
'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty"
was an impressive scene witnessed
at Bethany Presbyterian church
Tuesday night at a banquet tender-
ed by the men's clubs of the city to
C. A. Phipps of Portland.

The occasion was a gathering of
men from the various men's clubs
of the city for the purpose of listen-
ing to an address by Mr. Phipps on
the "Men and Religion Forward
Movement," which has taken a firm
hold of all sections of the country.

This movement is one taken up by
the brotherhoods of nine denomina-
tions, also the Gideons, the Interna-
tional Sunday School work, and the
Y. M. C. A., 12 different branches of
church work uniting for the one end.

In his speech Mr. Phipps elaborated
on the five branches of the
work, viz: Bible study, boys' work,
social service, missions, evangelism,
and for an hour told of the progress
of the work for better citizenship.

At the close of the speech it was
decided to form a committee from
the various religious organizations
of the city and canvass the situation
with the view to establishing a Y.
M. C. A. in Grants Pass.

The banquet was prepared and
served by ladies of Bethany church
and from bouillon to cafe noir, with
chicken pie at the correct place in
the menu, all was perfection, both as
a culinary achievement and in the
manner of serving.

ALMEDA MINE AND EXPERTS DISCUSSED

M. J. Anderson, manager of the
Old Channel mine of Galice, recently
purchased by George E. Sanders, re-
ports much mining activity in that
district, considering the time of
year. He says:

"Much good road work has been
done by the county court and some
of the worst places of former sea-
sons are rapidly packing into good
shape, so heavy traffic can be car-
ried on much earlier than in former
years. This will enable the Al-
meda mine and other large prop-
erties to operate to full capacity in-
stead of being tied up by bad roads
until late in the spring. With or-
dinary weather, it is expected the
Almeda will start its furnaces in
about two weeks, or as soon as the
management is certain of open
roads.

"The Almeda is a great mine, lo-
cated on a mammoth lode known as
the 'Big Yank,' which can be traced
for miles through the mountains. It
is one of those big, low grade ore
bodies worth millions to its owners
and to the community when once the
problem of transportation and oper-
ation at a minimum cost is solved;
and the good road work down the
river is going a long way towards
solving the problem. In fact, if
Josephine county and the Almeda
company had gotten together in
road construction, and had the com-
pany expended the money it put into
the auto truck road to Leland on the
county work on the Merlin-Gallice
road, a first-class auto highway
would now exist, and continuous
mining operations be possible in the
Galice district.

"There seems little doubt that the
Ortolo and one or more other prop-
erties will put in milling and other
machinery 'when the roads settle'
and everybody is confident of a pros-
perous season.

"Of course we 'mud miners' on
the Old Channel don't want an early
spring and the late snowfall looks
good for a bumper gold crop. Two
giants are busy day and night
throwing six-inch streams into some
of the finest looking gravel in Jose-
phine county, and we are moving
from 5,000 to 8,000 yards of it a
day. I would not like to say how
much gold we expect to clean up or
how rich the gravel is, as it might
look as though I was attempting to
qualify as a mining expert; and my
experience with mining experts has
not been good. I never saw an ex-

BOND ISSUE IS EN- DORSED AT POLLS

THOUSAND LESS THAN HALF
VOTE IS CAST.

CITY PUT ON CASH BASIS

Salary and Franchise Amendments
Also Carry at Special
Election.

With a voting strength of about
1000, less than one-half of that num-
ber of voters of the city cast ballots
Friday in the special city election to
amend the charter in three particu-
lars. All three propositions carried,
the total vote cast being 454.

The balloting resulted as follows:

Salary amendment, granting to the
common council the right to fix the
salaries and bonds of all city officials
by ordinance and making said ordi-
nances subject to a referendum for
a period of thirty days after approv-
al: Yes 253; no 199; majority for
amendment 54.

Bonding amendment, granting to
the common council the right to is-
sue bonds, not to exceed \$80,000, for
the purpose of taking up the present
warrant indebtedness of the city:
Yes 309; no 145; majority for
amendment 164.

Franchise amendment, prohibiting
the granting of any franchise for the
use of the streets and alleys of the
city of Grants Pass except by vote
of the majority of the electors of the
city of Grants Pass: Yes 325; no
129; majority for amendment 196.

The vote by wards was as follows:

First Ward.

For salary amendment—Yes 99;
no 42.

For bonding amendment—Yes
114; no 28.

For franchise amendment—Yes
111; no 30.

Second Ward.

For salary amendment—Yes 90;
no 46.

For bonding amendment—Yes
107; no 29.

For franchise amendment—Yes
109; no 27.

Third Ward.

For salary amendment—Yes 31;
no 35.

For bonding amendment—Yes 39;
no 27.

For franchise amendment—Yes
45; no 21.

Fourth Ward.

For salary amendment—Yes 33;
no 76.

For bonding amendment—Yes 49;
no 61.

For franchise amendment—Yes
60; no 51.

Arthur P. Johnson of Seattle, sec-
retary of the Northern Life Insur-
ance company, is visiting his mother,
Mrs. F. H. Applehoff.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Mitchell left
Wednesday afternoon for Sweetwa-
ter, Tex., Wednesday afternoon. They
will remain at that place indefinitely.

pert (who testified as such) that
didn't find just exactly what he was
paid to find, and there is now on file
in the courts of this district affida-
vits of prominent experts showing
there would be no gravel where our
giants now sit and that it is entirely
outside of the run of the channel,
but the gravel is there just the same
and enough to run a number of
years. We have no 'experts' on the
premises. L. C. Hudson, a man of
28 years' experience in hydraulic
mining, has full charge of all by-
draulic work and we have not had
to call in any scientific miners as
yet.

"A good mining engineer qual-
ified by education, experience and
honor called to examine and report
on a mining property; is of great
value; but the class of experts so
called that have cursed Josephine
county, ready to testify for or
against a property for \$10 a day,
are the limit."

CITY HALL IS SOLD FOR SUM OF \$10,000

The Grants Pass city hall was sold
last night by the council to the
Mashburn Company (Golden Rule
store) for the sum of \$10,000.
George E. Lundberg bid \$8,000 and
F. H. Blake bid \$7,000.

The trade with Mashburn was \$5,-
000 cash and \$5,000 to paid July 1,
no interest on deferred payment, and
the Mashburn company to take
charge of the building; not earlier
than July 1.

Lundberg's bid of \$8,000 provided
for \$1000 cash, \$5000 in six months
and \$2,000 in one year, interest at
6 per cent.

Blake's bid of \$7,000 provided for
\$2,000 cash, and \$5,000 on or before
six months from date, interest at 8
per cent.

Stricker moved that certified
checks of Blake and Lundberg be
returned to them, which was a way
of saying the council would then con-
sider Mashburn's bid. This was
adopted. Mashburn was present and
was asked by Mayor Smith how
much time he could give the city pro-
vided his bid was accepted. The
Golden Rule manager stated that he
had a chance now to get hold of
some cash out of the money market,
but that chance would fade quickly
if he did not act at once.

"Can you give us until Saturday
to decide the matter?" asked the
mayor.

"Then, in that case I could not get
a definite reply to my man before
Monday," said Mashburn.

"Let us take a recess," said the
mayor, and the councilmen, mayor
and Mashburn adjourned to the
auditor's office a few minutes and
discussed the matter. On the re-
turn of all parties to the council
chamber Stricker moved that the
Mashburn bid be accepted, with the
proviso that the purchasers do not
take possession before July 1, and
that all movable objects, including
bell and jail cells be reserved to the
city. Seconded by McLean. Her-
zinger moved to amend this motion
by providing a rider to the effect that
the city make preparations to begin
to build at once a new city hall on
the lots the city owns at Fourth and
H street. This proposed amendment
was thought by several of the coun-
cilmen to be unnecessary, as the
same matter could be adopted in a
separate motion. But Herzinger in-
sisted on the amendment to the or-
iginal motion. A vote resulted in
five yea votes and three nay. Her-
zinger's amendment being adopted
the original motion, to accept Mash-
burn's bid, was put to a vote and re-
sulted in seven yea and one nay,
Caldwell voting nay. Stricker then
moved that the mayor name a com-
mittee of four councilmen to look
into the question as to what class
and kind of building was best for
the new city hall, to look over the
site and determine how the building
should front, and other details. May-
or Smith then appointed on this
committee Clark, Stricker, McLean
and Everton.

COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Josephine County Sunday
School convention in session at the
Presbyterian church Wednesday was
well attended and of great benefit to
Sunday school workers. In the af-
ternoon State Superintendent Phipps
gave an excellent talk on "Weak
Places Made Strong." He urged
teachers' training and gave sugges-
tions for carrying on the work. He
also gave some thoughts on the boy
scout movement. The following of-
ficers were elected: President, Sam
H. Baker; vice president, W. C.
Long; secretary, Miss Etta Kerkhof.

Superintendents of the various de-
partments of Sunday school work
elected were: Teachers' training, R.
K. Ross; elementary department,
Mrs. W. B. Field; home department,
Mrs. A. M. Heston; adult depart-
ment, Mrs. W. R. McCracken; tem-
perance and good citizenship, Mrs. E.
C. Macy; missions, R. K. Hackett.

The new officers will be glad to
assist any school in the county and
also help any community to establish
a Sunday school where none exists.