

KRONENBERG IS PRESIDENT

Commercial Club Elects Officers for the Ensuing Year.

PLAN NEW ADVERTISING CAMPAIGN.

Extend Time of Reduced Initiation Fee for 30 Days.

The regular meeting of the Commercial Club was held in the club rooms Friday night, and the main business before the meeting was the election of officers, which passed off smoothly and harmoniously.

The newly elected officers are all good live men and the club is assured of a prosperous year.

The officials elected are: J. L. Kronenberg, president; Geo. Geisen-dorfer, vice president; H. L. Hopkins, secretary; O. A. Trowbridge, treasurer; J. T. Sullivan, member of executive committee.

The four elective officers together with the fifth member constitutes the executive committee.

The matter of publishing a booklet for the advertising of Bandon was brought up and on motion the president appointed a committee of five to arrange the copy, etc., for a suitable booklet and present the draft to the club for their sanction before it is submitted to the printers for bids.

The committee as appointed is as follows: Dr. L. P. Sorensen, Donald MacKintosh, Joe Wandling, H. L. Hopkins and L. B. Felsheim.

Two new members were taken in at this meeting and on motion it was decided to extend the time for the new membership campaign, with the initiation fee at \$1.00, for another four weeks, or until Friday, April 17.

A few communications were read and other business of minor importance transacted, after which the club adjourned to meet next Friday night at which time the new officers will have charge, and every member should be present and encourage the new officers in taking up their work.

SCHOOLMASTERS' CLUB HAS ENJOYABLE OUTING

On Saturday last the members of the Schoolmasters Club of Bandon enjoyed an excursion to Riverton where the day was spent in a manner both pleasurable and profitable. A number of teachers from Coquille and other schools on the river were present also.

In the forenoon a program was given at the Riverton school house. Miss Mary D. Ritchie gave a very able presentation of O'Shea's Practical Problems in Teaching. Mrs. Miller, principal of the Riverton school, outlined the work of standardizing the schools as it is being done in some of the more progressive counties.

Miss Vreeland, representing the state board of health, spoke at some length on sanitary and unsanitary conditions in and about school buildings. This was followed by a discussion of the importance of good schools by Supt. Hopkins of Bandon.

After dinner the teachers were conducted through the coal mines of Riverton. This was one of the most interesting events of the day, and the most exciting for some of them. Returning from the mines the crowd again convened at the school building to listen to Supt. Baker's talk on standardization of schools in Coos county. Mr. Baker is doing a great work for the schools of this county in raising them to a higher standard of efficiency.

Supt. Howard of Coquille discussed the inconsistency of the present system of taxation. At the close of this speech the meeting hurriedly adjourned so that people could catch the boat.

All voted the day a great success and hoped there would be many more like it.

COOLEY CASE MAY BE TRIED IN COQUILLE.

Word comes from Curry county that the A. R. Cooley case may possibly come to trial during the April term of court, and it is stated District Attorney Meredith will ask the court for a change of venue to Coos county, following the grand jury investigation, providing an indictment is returned. This action, it is said, is foreshadowed through a general pro-Cooley sentiment in the lower end of the county, and quite prevalent over the section.—Marshfield Record.

DOW BUSINESS IN BAD SHAPE

LIABILITIES MAY EXCEED THE ASSETS SEVERAL TIMES.

Although the settlement of the late F. S. Dow's affairs has not yet reached the point where they know exactly the status of them, it was stated today by a man close in touch with them that the liabilities would many times exceed his assets.

By some it is estimated that his liabilities will exceed his assets by about \$20,000.

The Balfour-Guthrie company, the Goldenrod Milling company, the Murphy-Dow Building Material company and some others are reported to be among the largest creditors.

So far no claims have been formally filed with Administrator W. P. Murphy, so the exact amount of his deficit is not known.

Administrator Murphy has arranged to have Expert Wann expert the books of the Dow companies as soon as Mr. Wann completes his work at which will be within a few days.

So far as can be ascertained now, the deficit is due to the fact that Dow had not been doing a profitable business and his overhead expenses had been eating up his own money and the funds he handled. This doing business at a loss had been going on for a long time, but under the complicated business he was doing Dow was either unaware of the extent of it until recently or had been hoping for a growth that would save him.

The amount of Dow's assets will be known as soon as I. S. Smith, A. E. Diment and W. F. Miller, appointed to appraise his property, get along pretty well with the work.

In addition to the loss of his own funds for the companies which he was representing, it is said that Mr. Dow lost \$4000 or \$5000 which Mrs. Dow received from an estate and which was put in to develop the business.

There is also a question as to part of Mr. Dow's insurance. He carried \$3000 in the Woodmen in favor of his wife and this will go to her. The \$5000 was in the Mutual Life of New York and he had just made application for the beneficiary of this policy to be changed from this estate to his wife. This application for the change in beneficiary was not forwarded to Portland until the Sunday previous to the fatal Friday on which Mr. Dow ended his career in the Bay. In consequence the formal change had not been made in the home office of the company and now some of the creditors will endeavor to secure the \$5000 it is said, on the grounds that it is payable to the estate.

The badly involved condition of Mr. Dow's affairs make it difficult for those trying to straighten them out and it is greatly regretted by the many friends of the family and especially of Mrs. Dow.

The warehouse business had been recently separated from the others and incorporated as the Southwest Warehouse company. This included the docks and warehouses in Marshfield, Coquille, Bandon and Myrtle Point. W. P. Murphy is conducting the business under this as he was a stockholder and officer of the company.—Coos Bay Times.

Get The Recorder—a live newspaper twice a week, \$1.50.

BE THERE ON FRIDAY NIGHT

FIRST MEETING OF COMMERCIAL CLUB WITH NEW OFFICERS.

The first meeting of the Bandon Commercial Club with the new officers at the head will be held at the club rooms Friday night, and every member should be present and help to encourage the new officers.

Then, too, there is much important business to come up. The work for the new year will no doubt be outlined and the committee on publishing a pamphlet and other advertising matter will probably report, so that we can get busy at once on the preparation for a big advertising campaign which will bring this section of the country to the front, and give it proper publicity.

ASK TO HAVE THE ROAD BOND LIMIT RAISED.

Mayor A. T. Morrison, as chairman of the Good Roads Association of the county, is now advocating an initiative measure to raise the bonding limit for road funds from two per cent of the assessed valuation of the counties to five per cent. This measure it is proposed to make state-wide. Mr. Morrison says that there are many people who oppose a \$450,000 bond levy for Coos county because it is too small to give us anything but pieces of roads, who would be glad to vote for a million and have a road from the Bay to the county line via Coquille and Myrtle Point constructed. There is a good deal to be said in favor of that proposition, and we hope Mayor Morrison and other boosters like him will say it to the people so effectively as to get the proposal to raise the bond limit on the ballot in November.—Coquille Sentinel.

IDLE ARMY BUYS LAND AND DEFILES SHERIFF.

Sacramento, March 23.—Purchasing an acre of land on the ranch of Morris Brooke, about four miles north of the city, by the payment of \$70 down. The Kelley faction of unemployed "army" outwitted the Sacramento officers and defied anyone to "remove them from their own property. The situation was discovered by the sheriff when in answer to a riot call from Brooke, he and his deputies rushed out to drive the men from the Brooke ranch. The sheriff found 40 men on a portion of the ranch and about 100 more on their way there, men being stationed along the roads directing the recruits how to get there. The land is in the district known as north Sacramento, and the residents there are aroused. It is believed the dispersed Kelley "army" that originally mustered 900 men, may gather on the acre of ground. The arrival from Sacramento of a wagon load of provisions indicated that financial backing for the army in being secured somewhere. The county officials are in a quandry.

MYRTLE POINT BANK RUMORS

STARTLING DEVELOPMENTS IN MYSTERIOUS ROBBERY ARE PROMISED.

The Coos Bay Times says according to reports received there, some startling developments may soon be brought to light in the Myrtle Point bank robbery case.

District Attorney Liljeqvist said that there was nothing definite to give out, but has intimated that the case would be taken before the next grand jury and that indications pointed to some surprising facts being brought out.

SUBSTANTIAL DECREASE IN NUMBER OF RY. ACCIDENTS

Washington, D. C., March 23.—A material decrease in the number of train accidents and in the number of persons killed and injured in such accidents was shown by an Interstate Commerce Commission bulletin issued for the quarter ending September, 30, 1913. During the quarter 211 were killed and 4011 injured in train accidents, a decrease as compared with the corresponding quarter of 1912, of 77 killed and 587 injured. An increase of 123 killed and of 1904 injured was shown in "other than train accidents," including accidents to employees while at work, to passengers getting on or off cars, to trespassers and others, the total being 2890 killed and 19,753 injured.

Through industrial accidents not involved in train operation, but occurring to railway employees, other than trainmen on railway premises, 132 people were killed and 32,878 injured, an increase of 18 killed and 3994 injured. The total number of collisions and derailments on steam railways for the quarter was 3913, of which 173 collisions and 223 derailments affected passenger trains. The financial damage done amounted to \$3,239,159. It was pointed out that 10.3 per cent of the derailments were caused by broken rails and 25.1 per cent by defective equipment.

A LOGGING ROAD IS NOT PUBLIC CARRIER, DECISION

A logging road is not a public carrier and hence has not the right of eminent domain nor the right to utilize a public street or highway for right of way. This was the gist of a decision of the Oregon Supreme Court received today, reversing a decision of the Coos county circuit court in the case of Anderson, Brunel and others vs. the Smith-Powers Logging company et al. The plaintiffs live on South Slough and attacked a franchise given by the county to the Smith-Powers company to use a South Slough road for highway. It is a victory for L. A. Liljeqvist. Incidentally, the Supreme Court held as unconstitutional a law under which the franchise was granted. The case was important as a precedent, but not in this particular instance, as the logging road was about to be taken out anyway.—Coos Bay Times.

EARTH CRACK SWALLOWS TWO IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Pottsville, Pa., March 23.—The earth opened and swallowed two miners and a work shanty on the mountain side at Kehley run colliery at Shenandoah, and although large forces of men were put to work, both inside the mine and on the surface no trace of the men or the building has been found. They may have dropped a distance of 500 feet and it will require weeks to learn their fate.

MAN ARRESTED FOR MURDER

GEORGE MEYERS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY HERE SATURDAY EVENING.

George Meyers was arrested here Saturday night and taken to Chetco Sunday to answer for the murder of a young man named Isenhart.

The killing occurred some time in February. The two men were neighbors and according to Meyers' story, went out hunting together, and after hunting for some time they decided to go over to another canyon to see if they could get a deer. They separated here and Meyers claims he went over to the canyon and hunted for about three hours and then returned. In the meantime he says he heard a shot, and when he returned he found Isenhart lying dead about fifty feet from where he left him. Meyers then strapped the body of the dead man on his pony and took him home, instead of leaving him there for the coroner to investigate, and there is where he thinks he made a mistake.

Meyers tells a good straight story and it would seem from the circumstances that he would have no reason for killing Isenhart, but the case will be investigated.

Meyers tells a good straight story family is still living on it, while he was granted a leave of absence for five months and says he was going to work for a short time.

OLD OPPONENTS FACE EACH OTHER AGAIN THIS YEAR

Z. T. Siglin, says the Marshfield Sun, has his hat in the ring and will run on the Democratic ticket for sheriff, should he land the nomination. There is no question but that he will have W. W. Gage, present incumbent for his opponent in the race. It will not be a meeting of strange faces in a contest for office but will present a political anomaly, verifying the oft used expression, "politics makes strange bed-fellows." Some years ago Taylor was dispossessed of the sheriff's office by Gage, running on the Populist ticket with a one term platform, when the Pops made a clean sweep of Coos county offices. Siglin, the steadfast guard of the democrats, and Gage, the Pop-Democrat, now face the barrier and both astride of the Democratic mule. But the successful candidate doesn't care what he's riding on so long as he gets there.

CAMPAIGN IS WARMING UP

Many Candidates for City Officials Are Being Suggested.

MEETING HELD LAST SUNDAY.

Committee is Appointed to Confer With Citizens' Committee.

As the time for the city mass meeting and election draws nearer there seems to be more interest aroused in the campaign for city officers.

Last Sunday afternoon a meeting of temperance people was held at the M. E. Church and the proposition was brought up and discussed at some length, but nothing definite was done except the appointing of a committee to confer with the citizens' committee already appointed on the proposition of getting suitable men for the various offices.

The committee appointed was W. I. Smith, E. A. Philpott, Mrs. E. Dyer and Doc Sparks. A McNair who is a member of the citizens' committee was present at the meeting and discussed the question at some length.

In regard to city officials so many have been suggested for the various offices that it would be impossible to mention them all. But among those most prominently mentioned for mayor are: J. L. Kronenberg, J. W. Mast, C. R. Wade, John Nielson, H. J. Dipple, Dr. L. P. Sorensen, Geo. T. Topping, D. M. Averill and others.

For the office of City Recorder here seems to be general satisfaction with the work of E. B. Kausud, and he will in all probability be selected again with little or no opposition.

As to Councilmen, there is so much amber, or at least there have been so many suggested that we certainly ought to get a council that would do things about right.

Among those we have heard mentioned for the east ward, are J. L. Kronenberg, F. J. Chatburn, J. H. Gould, J. Ira Sidwell, Herbert Brown, R. W. Windsor, E. B. Fish, Dr. S. J. Mann, W. C. Sellmer, Fred Mehl, and others whose names we do not now recall.

For the west ward the names of Dr. L. P. Sorensen, Dr. S. C. Endicott, I. T. Sullivan, F. S. Perry, B. C. McKinnis, F. E. Oakes, C. R. Wade, O. A. Trowbridge, C. E. Bowman, C. E. Klepfer, E. H. Fish, and others have been suggested.

It would seem that out of all this bunch of men, nearly all of whom would be good men for the positions that a mayor and six councilmen could be selected that would be a credit to any city, and accomplish some good work during the next two years.

WHISKEY POURED INTO THE SEWER AT ALBANY

Albany, Ore., March 23.—Eight hundred and forty two pints of whiskey was confiscated here by orders of the circuit court yesterday under a prosecution alleging the liquor had been shipped into dry territory and not properly labeled. Sheriff Bodin and Chief of Police Austin poured the contents of the bottles into the sewer. Last night 40 pints were taken from a dray which was enroute to a local drug store and that liquor was also emptied into the sewers.

FEATURES RESTORED TO FACE MADE DESOLATE IN SAMWILL

Baltimore, March 23.—With a new nose, made from one of his ribs, strapped to his face, which was denuded of features in a sawmill accident three years ago, Ross Allen, a young Canadian, is recovering from a remarkable operation at a hospital here. It was the most important of a series of skin grafts which have given him new lips and now a new nose covered with skin taken from his forehead. The last operation was completed a week ago and is considered a success by the surgeons.



A scene from "Frontier Days at Walla Walla, Washington." This interesting feature is to be shown at the Grand Theatre tomorrow night.