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COUNCIL HELD ITS REGULAR MEETING

City Charter Recently Voted Upon Will Be Resubmitted to People in April.

ERRORS IN PRINTING HAS RESULTED IN MUCH TROUBLE

Several Important Questions Discussed by Council Last Evening Here.

The regular session of the city council was held last evening at the city hall and was attended by Mayor Gilbert, Recorder Van Tassel and Councilmen Lyons, Johnson, Blount, Cameron, Simpson and Hulbert.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved and the report of the committee on accounts and current expenses was adopted.

The committee on streets and public property relative to viewing Burkhardt Park reported that they had examined the grounds and found them to be well suited as a location for a city park and were favorable to the city acquiring 15 or 20 acres for park purposes provided the property can be secured on reasonable terms.

The streets and public property committee also reported that they had failed to arrive at any satisfactory agreement with H. Bryant regarding his park property.

The petition of W. S. Weaver to construct a cement wall on the property of Conrad Meyer was granted. The petition of R. Goldblatt to alter and repair a wooden building at First and Lyon streets was not granted.

Resolution No. 3, introduced by Councilman Lyons, providing for resubmitting the new charter of the city of Albany to the people at a special election to be held on Wednesday, April 16, 1913, was read and adopted. An ordinance providing for the election was also passed.

Typographical errors which were made in the printing of the copies of the new charter make it necessary to vote on it again. L. L. Swan was authorized to read proof on the charter before it is reprinted, and the matter of printing was referred to committee on printing and supplies.

A communication from W. W. Vaughn relative to construction of municipal lighting plant was read and placed on file. On motion the fire and water committee was ordered to procure five new beds for the use of the firemen at Engine House No. 2. The beds will be placed on the second floor of the building for use of the eight firemen who will hereafter be quartered there continuously.

Mayor Gilbert and Councilman Simpson were on motion each allowed expenses for their trip to Portland in connection with the purchase of the street flusher. The mayor was authorized to arrange with the county court for the construction of a concrete posthouse at the expense of the county. The building to be located upon property of the city.

The committee on health and police was authorized to confer with the county court relative to arranging for a joint county and municipal rock pile where county and city prisoners could be worked. Council adjourned.

RURAL MAIL CARRIERS ARE COMING HERE NEXT WEEK

Annual Convention Will Be Held in Albany; Delegates Coming from Linn and Benton.

That the rural mail carriers of Linn and Benton counties are going to hold their annual session in Albany on Saturday, February 22nd, was the statement made yesterday evening to a representative of the Democrat by A. O. Sturm of Lebanon, president of the association.

Many important matters will be discussed at the coming session, including better roads, future salaries, parcel post, and other subjects of interest to the rural mail carriers. There will be over fifty delegates in attendance at the convention on that day from all parts of the two counties.

H. J. Moore, a former resident of North Albany now residing in San Diego, arrived in Albany this morning and will spend a few weeks here visiting his sons, Homer and Dick. He will make a trip East before returning to California.

PYTHIAN KNIGHTS ENJOY VISIT TO LEBANON LODGE

Delegation from Albany Given Royal Welcome in That City Last Evening.

The delegation of Knights of Pythias of this city who went to Lebanon last evening to assist the Lebanon Knights in the work of initiation of a class of several candidates, returned home this morning, loud in their praise of the treatment accorded them by their Lebanon brothers.

The ceremonial session required the greater part of the evening and was followed by a fine dinner which was prepared and served by the ladies. There was nothing missing at the banquet, which was greatly enjoyed by the visiting Knights from Albany, Brownsville and Seio.

The following visiting Knights were in attendance at the lodge meeting at Lebanon last evening: Albany—L. M. Curl, Willard L. Marks, Rufus M. Russell, E. H. Craven, Noble Barton, Leonard F. McClain, A. W. McClain, N. D. Conn, E. J. Upham, E. A. Tate, John G. Bryant, Charles B. Reynolds, Walter B. Chance, W. W. Francis, Albert L. Kullander and Leland R. Gilbert. Seio—Walt Bilyeu and Frank Shelton. Brownsville—L. P. Gamble and Frank Isom. Oregon City—R. Simmons.

LEGISLATORS VISIT OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Sojourners of Young Cooks Who Serve Luncheon to Them at Waldo Hall.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Or., Feb. 12.—The ways and means committee of the state legislature visiting the Oregon Agricultural College yesterday, were the guests of the girls of the domestic science department at a luncheon which they prepared and served themselves. Since it was the opening day of the new semester, when registration was in progress and schedules somewhat upset, the young women are the more to be complimented on the success of their entertainment over which some of the guests waxed eloquent.

The senators present were T. L. Perkins, J. N. Burgess, C. L. Hawley, C. F. Lester, H. D. Patton and J. C. Smith. Representatives J. H. Carlin, S. A. Hughes, L. L. Mann, J. A. Westerlund, W. O. Smith and W. B. Potter. Messrs. E. Hofer, William Hamley, Davis, Harra, Melone, Meacham, Vance, Brown and Walker, Pres. W. J. Kerr of the college, Pres. I. K. Weatherford and Secy. E. E. Wilson of the board of regents, Prof. R. D. Hetzel of the extension division, Pres. A. A. Clarke of the Corvallis Commercial Club, Mayor Yates, and A. J. and B. W. Johnson of Corvallis comprised the list of guests to whom Dean Henrietta W. Calvin of the economics department acted as hostess.

The girls served five courses including salmon (fruit salad) and wafers; baked fish, tartar sauce, potato chips, brown bread sandwiches and celery; roast pork, dressing, gravy, cauliflower, hot rolls, peach marmalade, olives and coffee; mince pie and apple dumplings and pineapple sauce. The tables were decorated with pink carnations and asparagus fern from O. A. C. greenhouses.

On their arrival the guests were met at the station with automobiles by the city and college authorities and taken to the campus, where they saw the cadet regiment drill. After luncheon they inspected Science Hall, for the remodeling of which an appropriation has been asked, to suit the rooms originally meant for agricultural class rooms, for scientific laboratories for the departments of chemistry and pharmacy now insufficiently equipped.

The need of a new gymnasium was shown them by the physical training department, as a student body of some 1,800 men and women is now using the same space given the students almost 20 years ago when the enrollment was about 300. The agricultural and engineering buildings were also inspected with a view to certain changes desired. The visitors left on the evening train for Salem.

Dr. D. M. Jones of Seiadville returned home today after an Albany visit of several days. He is anxious to sell his property in Seiadville and return to Albany, his former home for many years, to reside. Dr. Jones was a Linn county school teacher in the '50s, afterwards beginning the practice of medicine in this city, fifteen or twenty years ago moving to Seiadville.

C. H. Burgraf, the architect, left this afternoon on a trip up the road. Rev. Hocking, of Shedd, returned home this afternoon after an Albany visit of several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Miltonberger of Nebraska are visiting here at the home Burkhardt of Albany.

F. H. Colpitts, the mining expert, has returned from Los Angeles, where he has been for some time in the hills. He reports an immense loss to fruit by the frosts and cold weather.

SHELburn MAN IS SENT TO THE PEN

Commodore Osborne Will Serve from Three to Twenty Years for Statutory Rape.

JUDGE KELLY PRONOUNCED SENTENCE THIS MORNING

Defendant Will Not Appeal to Supreme Court and Begun Serving Term Today.

That he must serve an indeterminate sentence of from three to twenty years in the Oregon state penitentiary was the sentence passed this morning at 9 o'clock by Judge Kelly upon Commodore Osborne of Shelburn who was found guilty last Saturday by a jury in the circuit court of the crime of statutory rape upon the person of Alice Wheeler, a 16-year-old girl.

Before passing sentence, Judge Kelly asked the defendant if he had anything to say and Osborne replied: "I am not guilty of this crime. I have a wife and I respect her and other women like her. I hold no ill feeling toward the court or members of the jury."

Osborne when he arose to receive his sentence displayed no emotion and heard the edict of the court in silence, although at times his hands and face twitched and he appeared to be nervous.

Osborne received his sentence alone this morning, neither his wife or other relatives being in attendance at court when sentence was passed and apparently he was unconscious of the fact that from today on he will be confined within the four walls of the state prison.

The defendant will not appeal his case to the supreme court but will begin serving his sentence this afternoon when he arrives at the prison where he was taken by Sheriff Bodine.

Commodore Osborne was indicted by the grand jury last October for the crime of statutory rape committed during the months of May and June, 1912, upon the person of Alice Wheeler, a 16-year-old girl living at Shelburn. Following his arrest he was released by furnishing bonds for \$1000.

The trial of the case which was a most sensational one was begun in this city on Friday last week and was given to the jury at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon. A verdict of guilty was returned at 6 o'clock the same evening.

THIS MAN WILL BE MORE THOUGHTFUL AFTER THIS

Man Sees a Snake Swallow an Egg and Decides to Watch It Digest--Surprised.

Watching a snake for forty-eight hours to find out how long it would take the reptile to digest a hen's egg, is not exactly an exhilarating occupation, even for a devoted naturalist.

But when the naturalist, weary from his long vigil, finds that the snake has spoiled the whole thing through greedy stupidity, it becomes almost a tragedy.

Chas. Littlejohn, a taxidermist of Redwood City and a naturalist of wide reputation, was the person fooled by the snake. As a result, Littlejohn was a sleepy and disgusted naturalist when he came to preside last night over a meeting of the San Mateo county Game Protective Association.

Littlejohn keeps chickens. Last Thursday evening he entered the chicken house just in time to see a gopher snake swallowing an egg. The snake's movements were impeded by the large meal, and Littlejohn quickly imprisoned it so watch for developments. The shape of the egg could be seen plainly, distending the snake's skin.

The naturalist decided to find out how long it would take the digestive power of the snake to dissolve the egg shell. He did not grieve over the egg or waste time condemning the thieving snake. He simply sat down to watch.

It was 6 p. m. when he began his vigil. The snake went to sleep but Littlejohn by pinching himself occasionally and drinking black coffee and smoking, managed to keep awake nearly all night. To next morning the snake's stomach was just as big in the spot where the egg rested. Littlejohn was surprised. He had figured on about four or five hours for the digestive operation.

He kept on watch all day and the next night, with intervals snatched for sleep. The egg seemed to get larger instead of smaller. It seemed to be a particularly obstinate egg, refusing to dissolve and add to the snake's happiness.

Forty-eight hours had passed before Littlejohn lost patience, which speaks largely for the endurance of a naturalist. Finally Littlejohn became exhausted and decided to give it up. He slit open the snake's skin over the egg and out popped a china egg which had been placed in the henhouse to lure the hiddies into false hopes of motherhood. It was quite a blow.

STATE SENATOR TO DEFEND JIM HART

John Carson, Prominent Salem Attorney Will Represent Alleged Bootlegger.

CAPITAL CITY LAWYER WILL ALSO DEFEND JACK MILLER

Liquor Cases Will Be Tried in Judge Swan's Court on Next Saturday, Feb. 15.

Jim Hart, who was arrested yesterday morning by Sheriff Bodine, charged with selling intoxicating liquor in violation of the local option law on Sunday, Feb. 2 to R. B. Leabo, announced this morning that he will stand trial and Judge Swan stated that Hart's case will be taken up immediately following the completion of the trial of Jack Miller which is set for 8 o'clock Saturday morning.

Hart and Miller will both be defended by Attorney John Carson of Salem, who they have retained. Judge Swan of this city set the cases for trial Saturday, owing to the fact that Attorney Carson who is a member of the state senate from Marion county cannot arrive here before that time as his duties at the capital will compel him to remain there until that time.

Miller and Hart were both arrested on complaints signed by Sheriff Bodine as private prosecutor, charging them with selling intoxicating liquor to R. B. Leabo in violation of the local option law. Hart furnished bonds for \$500, signed by George Rolfe and P. Paulus and Miller secured his liberty by giving a bond for \$500 signed by Henry Suesens and Curtis Chance.

Rev. and Mrs. P. A. Moses, of Corvallis, were in the city yesterday afternoon, on their way home after a visit with their son Jesse at Stayton, and daughter, Mrs. Jenks at Tangent.

Dennis W. Merrill, the timber cruiser and dealer, left this afternoon for Toledo on timber business.

Mrs. Robert Conn returned this noon from a visit with her folks at Tangent.

G. L. Alexander returned today from Portland, where he has been several weeks officiating as U. S. jurymen, and his partner, Mr. Kirkpatrick, went to Salem to look after the state legislature.

MADAME NORDICA PLEASED TWO THOUSAND PEOPLE

Immense Crowd Hears Soprano Sing At Salem Armory Last Evening at 8 o'Clock.

That Nordica is a singer of marvelous power was the universal opinion of the forty or fifty Albany people who heard the celebrated prima donna last night, at Salem, at the armory, before an audience of about two thousand music loving people of the Willamette valley. She made a tremendous hit.

Nordica is a woman of striking personality, singing with an expression that reaches the heart. Her voice is one of wonderful range and culture, retaining its splendid qualities, though she is now forty-four years of age. She is majestic and queenly in her bearing and sings with her soul as well as with her voice.

An interesting feature was her response to a call for the Star Spangled Banner, which she sang with much feeling, the immense audience joining in the chorus. She also sang Home Sweet Home, touching the hearts of all, and Judge Kelly, of this city, who was present, was heard to remark that this was one song that he could appreciate all the way through.

The trip was greatly enjoyed by the crowd of Albany people, a social as well as a musical event long to be remembered.

Among the Albany people who attended the concert were: Judge and Mrs. P. R. Kelly, Dr. and Mrs. Elmer C. Gipe, Mrs. Fred P. Nutting, Mrs. William H. Hornbrook, Mr. and Mrs. C. Clinton Page, Mr. and Mrs. William Pollack, Mrs. Nina Wadsworth Cahler, Miss Madeline Rawlings, Mrs. John G. Bryant, Miss Lettie Pratt, Miss Ada Pratt, Saraella Pratt, Miss Leitha McCullough, Mrs. Fred Dawson, Miss Anna Dawson, Miss Janet Dawson, Mrs. Frank M. Powell, Miss Maude Bryant, Ray Cleaver, Mrs. J. R. Martin, Zilpha Galloway, Frank Bryant and Mrs. Hans Flo.

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1,000,000 AUTOMOBILES NOW IN UNITED STATES

License Numbers Not Indicative of Total Number of Machines Used.

New York, February 13.—Figures sometimes lie. One may see an automobile with the license tag number "103,477, N. Y.," but there are nowhere near as many automobiles as that running in New York.

The same is true of other states, according to the official organ of the Automobile Club of America, which declares that license numbers show greatly inflated totals. The exact number of cars in New York is not known, but according to the comparison given for California, there are 86,174 license numbers but only 38,968 cars in actual service. In Indiana, it is said, there are actually 25,197 cars, although 64,000 are registered.

Nebraska is said to have 16,500 cars, although registry numbers run as high there as 33,277. It is estimated that throughout the country now there are nearly a million automobiles in use, or roughly one car to every hundred persons.

PATCEL POST GREAT THING SAYS POSTMASTER JOHNSON

Grills Corvallis Merchants for Not Advertising Their Business Enough.

That the new parcel post will be a great thing for the people and a poor thing for the express companies, was the opinion of Postmaster Johnson of Corvallis who also called upon the business men of the city to meet the new conditions, as follows:

There is no denying the fact that several Corvallis business men are asleep. There is a woeful lack of co-operation among all of them. They are not unitedly reaching out for trade. Considering the increase in population I very much doubt if Corvallis is doing the volume of business she was 20 years ago. We are getting only the trade that comes to us without effort.

How many of you are making a satisfactory increase in your sales? Of course if you are satisfied all well and good, but if not, it behooves us to consider the cause of this apparent stagnation and determine upon a remedy.

If I were a business doctor called in to make a diagnosis of the case I should say that the patient was suffering externally from catalogues, and internally from lack of co-operation. As a cure for the internal disorder I should recommend co-operation as a specific, warranted to effect an early and complete cure; externally I should insist upon catalogues and more co-operation.

Catalogues suggest purchases. From reading catalogues unheard of articles become household necessities. Did it ever occur to you that much trade is diverted from local channels by catalogue suggestions, and that many articles purchased elsewhere might just as well have been bought at home had the local business men taken pains to inform the public regarding the variety and quality of stocks carried at home. Why can't the business men of Corvallis get together and jointly put out an illustrated catalogue as often as twice a year. Meet the catalogue houses on their own ground. Go after the business in a practical way. Advertise your merchandise. Meet competition. Don't complain about the mail order houses but get together, and with co-operation and the proper business spirit you can reclaim three-fourths of the business now going to eastern mail order houses.

London, February 13.—There is a craze just now for crystal embroideries for wedding and evening gowns. A particularly novel gown of this sort was worn by Miss Swinfen Brown one of the most recent society brides.

This was of satin tulle, of softest make, in the lustrous ivory of the magnolia blossom. The upper skirt was drawn away on either side like a loop curtain over a petticoat of the same material and draped up into three pleats at the back. Cutting across the gown, the right shoulder to the hem of the left, was a wide band of deep patchwork—cream Brussels lace, bordered with net which was worked over in a feather design of tiny crystal-like frost on a window pane.

The sweep of the lace was broken at the waist by folds of tulle which passed under crystal bands, while the corsage was bordered with parchment-like lace.

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EVANGELIST LEWTAS GAVE FINE SERMON LAST NIGHT

The Attendance at Meeting Is Excellent; Much Benefit Being Received by People.

Rev. John Lewtas preached another excellent sermon at the First Methodist church last evening, and the large crowds which attend both the afternoon and evening meetings are being greatly benefited by the services, and in almost every service a number express their desire to become Christians.

The subject for this evening is "Christ, the Physician." The music by the chorus choir is excellent. The public is invited to all the services.

H. J. Speer, a leading merchant of Tangent, was in the city today.

SANTIAM RIVER IS SCENE OF DROWNING

Welcome Garland, A Prominent Lebanon Youth Victim of Sad Accident.

CANOE OVERTURNED AND 2 BOYS THROWN INTO WATER

Body Recovered After Search by Joseph Smith and Will Chamberlain Yesterday.

While in Lebanon last evening, the Democrat representative heard the details of a sad accident which occurred on the Santiam river at that city yesterday afternoon and resulted in the drowning of Welcome Goehrend, a 17-year-old youth and a prominent high school student of that city.

Yesterday being a holiday, Goehrend accompanied by Russell Hall, also about 17 years of age, secured a canvas canoe and started up the swift river for a short trip. When nearing the bridge which spans the stream in the eastern part of the city, the canoe suddenly overturned throwing its two occupants into the river.

Young Russell, who is a good swimmer, managed to swim to shore, but Goehrend, who was either unable to swim or attacked by heart failure, sank immediately. Several of the schoolmates of the young men witnessed the accident from shore and gave the alarm.

A large crowd of Lebanon people flocked to the river and a number of men began dragging the river for the body which was recovered within an hour by Joseph Smith and William Chamberlain who dove to the bottom of the river several times before they succeeded in locating it.

All efforts to resuscitate the young man were without avail and the remains were taken to the undertaking parlors of Everett, Kyle & Epperly and the parents of the drowned youth notified.

The drowned youth is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Goehrend residing in the north part of Lebanon and the father and mother together with other children survive him. Young Goehrend was captain of the basketball team of the Lebanon High school where he was prominent in the affairs of that institution.

He was said to have been a young man of excellent character and leaves many friends in Lebanon to mourn his death.

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