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## COUNCIL FAVORS ACQUIRING SITE

City Dads Passed Resolution Expressing Disposition to Purchase.

## CENTRAL SCHOOL SITE MAY BE BOUGHT BY CITY

City Hall Proposition Comes to Favorable Termination at Council Meeting.

The Albany City council last night expressed a unanimous disposition to acquire the Central school site, to be used for city hall.

Favor, however, was only given to the matter after a lengthy discussion on the proposition recently launched by the Commercial club, for the city to purchase site from the school district No. 5, to erect a city hall, facing Ellsworth street.

In turn the school district is to acquire the college property for school purposes.

Councilman Lyons did not favor the proposition, his contention being that too much was being asked for the property and that the city could not afford to assume such an obligation at the present time. Other councilmen were unfavorably inclined upon contention that by the removal of the school those outside the city limits would be getting the benefit of something they did not help to secure. Councilman Cameron in particular upheld this contention. However, they voted with the other after the matter was thoroughly threshed out.

It took President H. M. Crooks of the Albany College, Judge H. H. Hewitt, J. S. Van Winkle, J. A. Howard, F. M. French and T. G. Hockensmith and all of the councilmen to thresh out the matter.

President Crooks told of how the matter had been presented some time ago and that the school board turned it down. After explaining the matter in detail, he simmered down to the real proposition, which was: "Are the members of the council willing to pay the college \$22,000 for the Central school property?"

Previously it had developed that it had been decided at a school board meeting, that that body could not purchase property unless with funds held in the treasury or with property on hand. Otherwise an election should be held. It was voiced that the school board is favorable to the proposition and that they had tentatively agreed to trade the school property for the college property. In turn the city is to purchase the Central school site from the college authorities. The building is to go with the trade.

After the matter was thoroughly discussed by Messrs. French, Hockensmith, Van Winkle, Hewitt and Howard in conjunction with the councilmen, the goal was reached, when Councilman Hulbert moved that the council pass a resolution expressing the willingness of the council to acquire the property, providing all terms are met.

With this conclusion on the part of the council, everything is up to the school board. A meeting of that body is to be called this afternoon to discuss the matter and decide upon it finally. In the event of the deal, the city is to secure possession of the property by the end of the school year in 1915.

So the council is willing to purchase the property at \$22,000, free from incumbrance, including the building and sidewalks, possession to be given by June, 1915. The proposition that the school board is to work on, is for the trade of the property to the college authorities.

Near the End.—The meetings at Grace church do not end till Sunday night, but only two more meetings in the week. Tonight the subject will be "Lot's Wife." On Friday night Mrs. Edgar may conduct the services.

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## GREAT GAME SCHEDULED FOR NEXT SATURDAY

Albany College Will Tackle the Pacific University; Both Teams Matched.

That the Albany College football team expects a hard game here Saturday afternoon at Athletic park with the team from Pacific University and that the colleg boys are confident of winning through the ingenuity of several freak formation plays that have not been worked in the games played, was the statement made this morning by Coach Flo.

Coach Flo said that this will be the hardest game of the year for the college as keen rivalry exists between the two teams. "We will work some freak formation plays," said Coach Flo, "that have not been tried thus far. They have a good stock of them and will play them for all they're worth. We are confident of winning and I expect a great game as both teams are about evenly matched."

The game will be called at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the Athletic park. Everybody is urged to get out and support the game.

## JURY LIST FOR DECEMBER TERM OF COURT DRAWN

Names of Thirty One Leading Citizens of County Compose the List.

The jurymen for department No. 1 of the circuit court for the December term was drawn yesterday by County Clerk Marks and Sheriff Bodine as follows:

John Schimaneck, farmer, North Scio; T. O. Chesshir, farmer, South Lebanon; M. H. Chase, farmer, Calapooia; S. H. Elliott, merchant, Lebanon; S. H. Goin, farmer, Shelburn; J. W. Barton, clerk, West Albany; R. C. Burkhart, farmer, North Lebanon; H. C. Harkness, merchant, Albany; H. W. McElmurry, retired, East Albany; J. D. Irvine, farmer, South Brownsville; L. E. Walton, druggist, Halsey; N. D. Conn, contractor, East Albany; S. B. Tyer, carpenter, North Brownsville; A. L. Norman, farmer, Lacomb; G. W. McGuire, farmer, Knox Butte; Thos. H. Quigley, farmer, Shelburn; D. Taylor, stockman, Halsey; Geo. B. Wheeler, farmer, Center; J. W. Wilson, farmer, Soda-ville; G. E. Belts, farmer, South Brownsville; E. B. Doty, farmer, Calapooia; Harry Mullen, farmer, Santiam; L. H. Knight, farmer, Syracuse; Frank Skipton, farmer, East Albany; Asa Baker, farmer, North Lebanon; S. Freerksen, retired, West Albany; M. Story, farmer, Sweet Home; J. H. Johnston, farmer, Fox Valley; C. H. Wain, farmer, South Scio; A. G. Propst, farmer, Price; A. A. Bender, farmer, Tangent.

## CITY NEWS

Young Trees Grow Apples.—Grown on a two year old apple tree near Mosier, Or., cultivated by Shrift brothers, several specimens of Spitzenberg apples of remarkable size and perfection were exhibited in Albany today.

Whirlwind Issued.—Containing interesting articles of school life and activities at the high school, the November Whirlwind, the official paper of the Albany high school has been issued. It is a four page five column publication, gotten up in the order of a regular newspaper and reflects much credit on Miles McKey the editor in chief and the following assistants: Miriam Page, Will Ellis, Davis Leisinger, Harold Williglas, Ruth Pennebaker, Ruby Moench, Robert Boescher, Madeline Rawlings, Dora Stewart, Gertrude Swank, Margaret Gibson, Mabel Clausen, Belle Thompson, Delmer Gildow.

Streets to Be Improved.—The following street improvements are to be made as the result of the recommendations submitted to the council last night by Superintendent Junkin: Cement sidewalk and curb on Broadalbin street on the east side and adjacent to the east fifty feet of lot No. 5, block No. 4. A. G. Senders, M. Senders and Lena Sternberg, owners. Cement sidewalk and curb on the south side of block 16, in Hackelman's Second Add on Seventh street, between Railroad and Jackson street.

## SENATORS AGREE WITH WILSON

Poll of Senate Shows Sentiment Favors Policy Being Pursued by Administration.

## SOLUTION OF MEXICAN PUZZLE NOW IN SIGHT

Plan Would Eliminate Huerta; Truce Would Be Declared Between Warring Factions.

(By United Press Association) Washington, Nov. 13.—"There are elements in the Mexican situation which I cannot at present discuss and which make it look to me very much more favorable," said the president this afternoon. The president would not be quoted further, but made it plain that an agreement is in sight involving the elimination of Huerta and everything he represents. The president wouldn't discuss the information on which he based his optimism but which it is evident that he is more cheerful than since Lind was sent to Mexico. Inasmuch as communications have been received from O'Shaughnessy and Hale at Nogales, following a conference with Carranza, it is conjectured that the triangular correspondence is progressing which means not only Huerta's retirement but a truce between the warring factions.

Washington, Nov. 13.—After admitting that the president is preparing a statement concerning the Mexican situation for the purpose of laying the matter before congress, it was suddenly announced that its issuance had been temporarily delayed. The action followed the arrival of messages from O'Shaughnessy from Mexico City and from Hale at Nogales. The change in the plan is construed as meaning that the administration believes that improvement in the situation is ahead.

Senate Opposes Intervention. Washington, Nov. 13.—An unofficial poll of the senate today showed only Senator Stone favoring armed intervention in Mexico. The majority of the members are in favor of permitting the rebels to import arms and for forcing a financial blockade against Huerta. Practically all of the senators are supporting the Wilson policy.

Conference is Held. Washington, Nov. 13.—Secretary Bryan admitted that O'Shaughnessy telegraphed saying that Lind started today for Vera Cruz; also that a message had been received from Hale following the latter's conference with Carranza. He would not discuss the details.

Lind at Vera Cruz. Vera Cruz, Nov. 13.—When Lind arrived here he was accompanied by all official attaches to the American embassy at Mexico City except O'Shaughnessy.

Leave Donations at Court House.—Mart Bilyeu announced this afternoon that all of those who are contemplating donating articles for the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society for Thanksgiving, can bring in the donations any time now. They are instructed to leave the articles at the court house and they will be cared for and shipped to the proper place by Mr. Bilyeu.

Bouquet Presented.—The Democrat appreciates a beautiful bouquet of chrysanthemums, presented by the Modern Travelers' club, and which was on exhibition at the fair. The chrysanthemum fair was held under the auspices of the Modern Travelers' and has just closed one of the most successful events ever held. The proceeds will go to the public library.

Case Taken Under Adjudication.—Yesterday afternoon after hearing testimony in the case of Elizabeth Wiley against J. J. Whitney et al, to set aside deeds, Judge Galloway took the case under advisement and each side is to submit briefs before the decision is made. At the conclusion of this case Judge Galloway adjourned court and returned to Salem. He will not return until the end of next week.

## BABY SHOW WAS GREAT SUCCESS

Prof. Beckwith and Miss Thayer of Agricultural College Made Examinations.

## FIRST EUGENICS SHOW IN ALBANY HELD YESTERDAY

Thirty-Eight Babies Were Entered; and Interest and Enthusiasm Was Intense.

With 38 babies entered, the first eugenic baby show was held yesterday in the armory in connection with the chrysanthemum fair and intense interest and enthusiasm prevailed and the event was an unprecedented success. As a result other baby shows are now being contemplated. Twenty-seven babies went through a thorough examination by Prof. Beckwith and Miss Thayer of O. A. C., assisted by local physicians. Only a limited number of babies could be examined, as it takes care and time—hence there were many mothers disappointed. However, there is a plan on foot to have another show soon at which a large number will be taken care of. Too much praise cannot be given Prof. Beckwith and Miss Thayer for their intelligence and efficiency in this line of extension work. They also gave their valuable time without remuneration. The cards were taken to O. A. C. where they will be carefully scored and returned and the results published. The Modern Travelers' club desires to express their appreciation to Prof. Beckwith and Miss Thayer, also to Dr. Robnett, who gave up almost the entire afternoon assisting in the work.

The babies that stood high in the baby display show which was also held at the armory, are as follows: In weight: From 2 to 6 months, Dorothy Hollich, 5 months, 18 1-2 pounds; 6 months to 1 year, Lester Fiddleman, 10 months, 23 1-2 pounds; In weight and height, 1 and 2 years: Edwin Loren Bray, 31 pounds, 34 inches; 2 to 3 years, Charles Geotting, Jr., 37 1-2 pounds, 38 inches; 3 to 5 years, Francis Bray, 38 1-2 pounds, 42 inches.

To Attend Salem Meeting.—Leaving this noon for Salem, C. H. Stewart, O. H. Russell and E. C. Roberts will attend the meeting of the valley commissioners at that place this afternoon, at which time officers of the organization are to be elected and any other business transacted. The meeting is being held at the Salem Commercial club and convened at 2 o'clock. Three such committees from each of the eight counties linked in the plan to advertise the valley as a district at the Panama Exposition, are in attendance, making twenty-four delegates in all.

San Francisco Hotelman Here.—Chester W. Kelly, manager of the Manx hotel of San Francisco was in the city this morning. He left this noon for Portland. While travelling through the valley, Mr. Kelly is incidentally advertising his hotel. While here he stopped at the St. Francis.

Invitations to Be Issued.—Invitations are to be issued today for the annual Knights of Columbus ball, which will be given on Thanksgiving evening at the armory. Elaborate preparations are now under way for the dance and from present indications will far eclipse any previous event held by this order. People of the local social set are looking forward to the dance with much pleasure.

Petition for Letters of administration.—In the matter of the estate of George W. Spurling, deceased, petition was filed today by Josephine Spurling for letters of administration. George Spurling died in Linn county on August 18 last, leaving an estate of \$1,100. Three heirs were left. The petitioner prays to be appointed administratrix of the estate.

Gets Five Days in Jail.—Charged with drunkenness, Frank Simpson was arraigned in the police court this morning and given five days in the city jail in default of fine. Simpson was arrested last night by the night policemen and spent the night in jail.

## \$2000 DAMAGE CLAIM FILED AGAINST CITY

Youth Broke Arm Last September While Walking Along Sidewalk.

Demanding damages against the city of Albany in the sum of \$2000, Paul Edgar Dwyer, a youth, by his guardian, Laura M. Dwyer, through Attorney Mark Weatherford, filed claim for damages as the result of injuries alleged to have been sustained by stepping into a hole in a sidewalk, falling and breaking his arm. The accident occurred on September 28, last, while the lad was walking along the south side of Eighth street between Broadalbin and Ellsworth streets. His left arm was broken, wrist dislocated and the muscles of the member were strained, it is alleged.

The claim was read before the council last night, and was placed in the hands of the committee on ways and means with instructions to investigate the condition of the street.

## VALLEY EDITORS WILL HOLD SESSION HERE

Next Saturday is the Date Set; Local Editors Are Slated for Talks.

The annual meeting of the Willamette Valley Editorial Association will be held at Albany, Saturday, November 22, at promptly 1 o'clock, in the St. Francis hotel. In addition to the election of officers for the ensuing year, the following program of short talks will be given:

"Credit and Debit Problems of the Small Daily," E. M. Reagan, Albany Herald; "How to Get the Small Advertisers," C. G. LeMarsters, Amity Standard; "Duty of the Newspaper to Higher Education," Charles L. Springer, Corvallis Gazette-Times; "The Job Department vs. the Newspaper," W. H. Totten, Dallas Observer; "Cost of a Cost System," A. E. Scott, Forest Grove News-Times; "Things an Editor Thinks," W. H. Hornbrook, Albany Democrat; "How an Editorial Association Makes Business for Me," H. E. Hodges, Silverton Appeal; "How the Oregon Newspaper Field Looks to the New Comer," G. T. Taylor, Molalla; "What a Newspaper Should Print," Carl Abrams, Salem Statesman.

## CITY NEWS

Albany High on to Halsey.—The Albany high school will go to Halsey Saturday to play the Halsey Athletic club. The Halsey aggregation defeated the Albany College team some time ago by a score of 6 to 0 and the high school defeated the college aggregation Friday by a score of 12 to 0. In view of these facts local fans look for a good game.

Marriage Licenses Issued.—Yesterday marriage licenses were issued to the following: Clarence T. Morris, age 34, and Nellie Banks, age 20, both of Holley; Oscar L. Golden, age 23, and Arella F. Long, age 18, both of Brownsville.

Linn County Representatives Met.—Meeting at the Commercial club last night, C. H. Stewart, E. C. Roberts and O. H. Russell, chosen to represent Linn county in the organization plan perfected for the purpose of advertising the valley as a district at the 1915 exposition, discussed the plan informally and prepared to attend the meeting at Salem this afternoon.

Football Films Arrive.—The moving picture films taken of the Oregon-O. A. C. game at Albany last Saturday by Bill Hayward's new machine will arrive in Eugene today. They have been developed in Portland, and have turned out well. The pictures were taken by George Gaurley, a Eugene photographer who formerly developed movies in California. Some 1400 feet of pictures were taken on Saturday.—Eugene Register.

Funeral Held this Morning.—The burial services of O. P. Hendrickson, who died at Heppner, was held this morning in the chapel of the Fortmiller undertaking establishment. Interment took place in the city cemetery.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT MAY YET BE FORMED

Reorganization As Proposed Met with Dissention But Reconsidered.

## COUNCILMEN DISAPPROVE OF PAYING THE FIREMEN

Compensation Was Meant Only for Those Who Reel Hose and Repair Apparatus.

For awhile last night it looked as though Albany's fire department was not to be reorganized, according to an ordinance introduced at the last council meeting and which was to come for final reading last night but upon motion of Councilman Hulbert it was decided to reconsider the matter.

Disregarding the report of the committee on fire and water, who investigated the matter, approving and recommending the passage of the ordinance, the council voted down the reading of the document for final action.

Later during the meeting, after Councilman Blount made a pointed plea for reorganization, it was decided on motion to reconsider the proposition. Mayor Gilbert referred the ordinance at the instance of Councilman Blount to the ways and means committee for investigation.

Dissention over the ordinance arose as the result of disapproval of a member of the committee on fire and water to paying the firemen, on the contention that the city wasn't large enough to have a paid department and that if some were paid all would have to be treated likewise. It was pointed out that the compensation was merely for those who made their headquarters at the fire house, for doing the general work, such as reeling hose and keeping the apparatus in repair.

The volunteers, it was said, would not regard this as discriminating against them, as they would be relieved of this work and at the same time assisted at the fires by the paid men.

The ordinance calls for a complete reorganization of the fire department. All of the fire companies were meant to be consolidated and a substantial organization perfected. The sum of \$10 per month was provided as compensation for eight call men who are at present making their headquarters at the fire house.

The reports of the recorder for the quarter just ending was read and placed on file.

It was decided that the city would go half with C. B. Winn towards placing the sidewalk in front of the Winn home on Fourth street near Lyon on the established grade. This was the result of an announcement that Mr. Winn had signified his willingness to pay half of the cost. The difference in the sidewalk was caused by the raising of the sidewalk around the Galbraith property at the corner of Lyon and Fourth streets.

## J. A. JONES OF DEVER GROWS STRAWBERRIES IN NOVEMBER

Grown in his home garden during the past few weeks and picked Tuesday, a box of strawberries were received at the Democrat office yesterday from J. A. Jones, of Dever, Or., a well known farmer of that section of Linn county.

The berries are remarkable in that they matured during the recent cold snaps. A few of them are thoroughly ripe while some are only partially. All are of an average size. The flavor is natural and all that appears to be different from the strawberries grown in season, is that the berries sent by Mr. Jones were grown in November. They are of the fourth crop of this season.

Cascadian Here on Business.—Here attending business C. B. Reese, of Cascadia, a well known resident of that section, is a guest at the Hotel Vandran.