

FIRST DEBATES TO BE HELD FRIDAY

Albany, Lebanon and Corvallis Will Meet in Triangular Conference Contest-

INCOME TAX MEASURE WILL BE AT ISSUE

Ruby Moench, Archer Leech, Miles McKay and Margaret Gibson Represent Albany.

Friday is the date on which the first debates for this section of the state this year will be held for the Oregon high school championship, when the high schools of Albany, Lebanon and Corvallis will meet in a triangular contest. Each school will have two teams of two debaters each in this contest.

"Resolved that the income tax is a desirable feature of a state system of taxation for Oregon?" will be the question discussed in all three of the debates. Lebanon's affirmative team will meet Albany's negative team at this city, Albany's affirmative team will go to Corvallis to meet the negative team of the Benton county capital and Corvallis' affirmative team will meet Lebanon's negative team in the Strawberry City.

Albany High School will be represented in the contest by Ruby Moench and Archer Leech, forming the affirmative team, and Miles McKay and Margaret Gibson, composing the negative team. The Lebanon debaters will be Marcus Deer and Henrietta Durst, on the affirmative team and Russell Hall and Guy Frum on the negative team.

John T. Kennedy, of the James Kennedy Construction company went to Eugene this noon on a business trip.

S. H. Cobb, of Oregon City, transacted business here this morning, returning home this afternoon.

Con Gerhart, of Corvallis, was in the city yesterday morning on business. He is a well known insurance man of that city.

George P. Ekel and wife of Stayton, are visitors in the city.

S. C. Stewart, manager of the Lebanon Light, Water and Power company, of Lebanon, was in the city yesterday afternoon on business. He is a son of C. H. Stewart of this city.

F. E. Louney, of Jefferson, transacted business here yesterday afternoon, returning home this noon.

D. B. Stamp, of Monmouth, transacted business here yesterday afternoon.

A. J. Baker, of Eugene, was a business visitor in Albany yesterday, returning home last evening.

A. O. Reed, of Toledo, attended business matters here yesterday morning. He returned home this noon.

Alfred Tebbutt returned late last night from a business trip to Seaside in the interest of the Tebbutt Real Estate Co. He made the trip in a rig and reports the roads as being very muddy.

John Cunningham of Harrisburg was in the city this morning attending business.

Bennot Welch, of Gates, was in the city yesterday on business.

TANGENT BASKET SOCIAL NETS GOOD SUM OF MONEY

Tangent, Or., Dec. 8.—(Special to Democrat).—A basket social was given in the school house last Friday evening under the auspices of the high school assisted by the Tangent band. The program consisted of band music, recitations, solos, and selections by the new high school orchestra which has been organized only a few weeks, consisting of fifteen pieces under the direction of H. I. Robe, principal of the school. The proceeds of the social were \$40.25 which is to be applied toward paying for a new piano for the school. The school now has a class of piano students taught by Miss Mary Irvine of the Albany College conservatory.

MAN FILLS FOUR OFFICES

Through being drawn the other day as a member of the Linn county grand jury, Henry W. McElmurry, of this city, is for the next few months and officer of the county, city and school district in which he resides. Last spring McElmurry was elected a member of the Albany School board. In the city election last Monday he was chosen councilman from the third ward, winning a hotly-contested, three-cornered race. Last month he was drawn as a juror for the December term of court and began his service on the same day as the city election. Last Wednesday Judge Kelly ordered a grand jury empaneled for this term of court and McElmurry was one of the seven men drawn. Mr. McElmurry is an officer of the local order of I. O. O. F. and is treasurer of the Democratic county central committee.

FORMER ALBANY MAN HONORED BY GOVERNOR WEST

Floyde Bilyeu Will Head State Fish and Game Commission. Appointment Yesterday.

Floyde Bilyeu, a former resident of Albany but now a prosperous young business man of Portland, was yesterday appointed by Governor West as a member of the state fish and game commission. The other member is H. H. Clifford of Baker county. The commission was later organized by the election of Bilyeu as chairman and Clifford as secretary. The third member will be appointed in the near future.

Floyde Bilyeu is a son of J. M. V. Bilyeu of this city and has a large circle of friends in Albany who were pleased to learn of his selection as a member of the fish and game commission. He was recently elected vice-president of the Jackson club of Portland and is one of the young Democrats of Oregon who has taken an active part in politics.

LINN COUNTY MAY HAVE EIGHT WOMEN SERVING AS PUBLIC OFFICIALS

If All Elected Last Week Qualify and Three Running for Office at Halsey Are Elected Win That Will Be the Number.

If all of the women elected in city elections in Linn county last week qualify, this county will have five women serving in municipal offices after January 1. It may have eight should Mrs. Ida Cummings be elected mayor of Halsey and two other candidates of the city council win in the election tomorrow.

In elections held last Monday Miss Helen V. Crawford was chosen city recorder of Lebanon; Mrs. N. Bridges and Mrs. L. A. Simons were elected councilwomen, as the case may be, in Sodaville, and Mrs. J. A. Thompson and Mrs. Charles Lyons were chosen members of the city council in Sweet Home.

Miss Crawford for many years was instructor in elocution in the Oregon Agricultural College and is one of the best-known women in this part of the state. She has a peach and walnut orchard in the edge of Lebanon and by careful, scientific care of the property has developed one of the best small commercial orchards in the state. She has been prominent in the work of the women's clubs in Lebanon and has taken an active interest in the upbuilding of the city. Besides Miss Crawford another woman was candidate for office in Lebanon, running for city treasurer, but she was defeated by Wayne Greene, the present city treasurer.

A peculiar coincidence in connection with the election in Sodaville was that the husbands of both of the women elected were chosen to city offices in the same election. L. A. Simons being elected city recorder and N. Bridges city marshal.

Three women ran for the council in Sweet Home, but one of them was defeated. It is reported that two women elected say they will not qualify, but it is possible that they may accede to the demand to serve the public and hence two of the six members of the city's legislative body will be women.

KIDDIES STERNLEY BATTLE IN LEAGUE CONTESTS

The Madison second team and the Central second team will play the deciding game in a series of three for the championship of a league composed of the Madison and Central second teams next Saturday at the Junior Athletic Park at Ninth and Jackson streets. In the previous contests Central carried one game at 14 to 6 while Madison carried the other by 6 to 0 allowing a decided variation, doubtless owing to the rapid growth of the youngsters in the interim between the games. Admission gratis.

Accepts New Position.—Gus Abraham, who has been employed by J. W. Casiek & Co. for some time has resigned his position and accepted a position with the First National Bank. He assumed his new duties this morning.

9TH STREET PROPERTY OWNERS HOLD MEETING

Meeting at the Vandrian hotel last night for the purpose of discussing the proposed pavement of 9th street, a large number of representative taxpayers discussed the matter of the improvement of this street from all angles. A committee of five was appointed for the purpose of obtaining further data on various kinds of paving material and ascertain if it would be possible to obtain a better price than that charged for the improvement of other streets. This committee will report at a later date and in the meantime no effort will be made by Mr. Ashby to push the petition already circulated.

GRANGE INSTITUTE TO BE HELD HERE

Matters Pertaining to the Progress and Welfare of Order Discussed.

BLANCHARD WILL PRESENT PLAN OF CO-OPERATION

B. G. Leedy Will Discuss General Grange Work--All Members Urged to Attend.

For the purpose of discussing matters pertaining to the progress and welfare of the Oregon State Grange of Linn and Benton counties, and more especially of the section adjacent to Albany, a grange institute will be held in Albany, December 16. This was the announcement made this morning by several prominent grangers, who are working earnestly to make the session a thoroughly beneficial one. All of the members of the grange are urged to attend this meeting.

The conference will convene at Woodman Hall at 9:30 o'clock and will last throughout the day. An interesting program is being prepared. The main features have already been arranged for.

C. E. Blanchard, of Grants Pass, one of the best known grangers in the state, will be here and will present a plan of co-operation. B. G. Leedy, of Corvallis, member of the state executive committee, will give an address on general grange work. Anybody else who would care to attend the meeting will be welcomed.

CITY NEWS.

Baby Born to Rev. and Mrs. Emerson.—Last night at 9 o'clock a baby girl was born to Rev. and Mrs. F. W. Emerson. Mother and daughter are both doing nicely.

Here to Try Case.—Arriving here this morning, Attorney A. C. Woodcock of Eugene and G. O. Holman, of Dallas, are here to appear tomorrow before Judge Galloway for the plaintiff in the contested local option case at Harrisburg.

Mayor of Niagara Here.—M. McCaman, well known among his many Albany friends as the mayor of Niagara, but who in reality is an engineer at the Oregon Power company, was in the city yesterday and was entertained at dinner last night at the Hotel Hammett. The other members of the party were: E. D. Jassick, Gale S. Hill and H. E. Morton.

Grange Wants Public Market.—A public market will be established in Albany if the efforts of the Linn county Pomona grange are successful. At its last session the grange adopted a resolution petitioning the city council to establish such a market here.

The Council Meets Tonight.—The city council will meet tonight in regular session. Matters of importance to come up and an extensive committee report, it is understood, is to be made.

Galloway Here Tomorrow.—Circuit Judge Galloway will be here tomorrow to try the Harrisburg local option contest case. The court will be convened at 10 o'clock.

Swank Funeral Held.—The remains of Byron Swank, who died in Salem, were laid to rest this afternoon in the Sand Ridge cemetery. The funeral services were held in the church near Plainview.

Doctors to Meet Here Tomorrow.—The members of the 24th district of the Willamette Valley Medical Association will hold the regular meeting here at the Commercial club tomorrow night, commencing at 8 o'clock. It is expected that a large number of physicians from Eugene, Lebanon, Corvallis, Harrisburg, Brownsville, Jefferson, and various other smaller places will be present. Many local physicians will also attend.

Arrested for Drunkenness.—Jack Rains, a laborer, who is employed on a farm across the river, was arrested this afternoon by Officer King and placed in the city jail. Rains was loitering at the Oregon Restaurant when approached by Officer Al Marshall and told to go home. The officer offered to assist him to his rig but met with the reply: "I'll go home when I get ready." A little later Rains went out of the street and was immediately pinched.

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Uncalled for Letters. Albany, Oregon, Dec. 6th, letters mailed for and advertised Dec. 8, 1913.

C. A. Burns, Mrs. J. H. Bond, Mrs. Ida Byron (2), G. F. Booth, Roy Colwell, Chas. J. Fenner, Frank Grimes, John Gustafson, H. E. Gillespie, Mrs. Hattie Hullfield, F. L. Harrington, Emma Henkle, William E. Jackson, Jacob, A. C. McCarthy, H. Peterson, Pacific Nursery Co., Fred Wierick, Manley Wilson, Sarah Rhoades, G. S. Smith (2), Mrs. Lulu Eely, D. J. Stephens, O. G. Thayer, J. S. VAN WINKLE, P. M.

CUT RATE MERCANTILE STORE STOCK DAMAGED BY FIRE

Blaze of Unknown Origin Last Night Caused But Little Damage to Building.

Fire last night at 11 o'clock damaged the stock of the Cut Rate Mercantile store to the extent of about \$100 before the blaze was discovered and extinguished by the fire department. The damage is covered by insurance. The origin of the blaze is unknown. It was discovered a few seconds before 11 o'clock by Frank and Ed. Barrett and Grandpa Crawford, as they were coming out of the Elks' Temple, directly across the street. Two of the men rushed over and breaking in the door succeeded in moving much of the stock out of danger, while the third ran over to the Lyon street engine house, calling out the department.

The fire originated on the floor about 16 feet from the stove, apparently catching in some loose papers. Comparatively little damage was done to the floor and all the damage was to the stock. The proprietor is unable to account for the fire. It is believed that had the blaze not been discovered in time, that a disastrous fire would have resulted.

Land Show Program.—This afternoon Miss Beulah Hinkley of the Commercial club received from Manager Stewart a copy of the Oregon Day program which was given December 5 at the United States Land show, at the Coliseum, Chicago. The program was quite a protracted affair with something doing every few minutes from 10 o'clock a. m. until 10 o'clock p. m. The Royal Rosarians and the Eugene Radicators took an active part. Ten Oregon organizations were represented and the personnel of each representation is given. Mr. Stewart was one of the real Oregon farmers and was on the reception committee. He gave three different addresses.

BARBER ALLEGED TO HAVE SOLD MORTGAGED SHOP

Carl Bilyeu Claims S. B. Clark Has Skipped Out with \$175 of His Money.

Called to the barber shop at the foot of Lyon street near the S. P. depot this noon, Chief of Police Austin received the complaint from Carl Bilyeu, who recently purchased the fixtures of the shop from S. B. Clark, for \$175, that it was found a mortgage of \$150 was against the property, and that Clark had skipped out. Chief Austin was asked to try and locate Clark and this the officer agreed to do. Meantime, it is said, that Bilyeu will start action in the matter immediately.

Up until a few days ago the shop was conducted by Clark, when it was turned over to Bilyeu for \$175. It was not until this morning, claims Bilyeu, that it was discovered a mortgage was against the property in the sum of \$150. A penitentiary term is the penalty of such an offense as that Clark is alleged to have committed.

Changes of Precincts.—County Clerk Marks is today busy checking over the changes of the county precincts made by the county court and will by tonight have the work completed. Tomorrow a report will be given of the changes, giving the new boundaries of the various precincts, as rearranged. The changes were made as a result of woman suffrage making the precincts to large as they were.

Kendall Back on Job.—After an illness of several weeks, Deputy Sheriff Kendall went back on the job today.

McKnight Goes to Portland.—Leaving this noon, County Judge McKnight went to Portland to attend the county court convention being held there. Commissioner Russell went down yesterday and will join the judge upon his arrival. They will return tomorrow afternoon.

MANY HOBOS ARE NOW ABROAD THROUGHOUT VALLEY

Nineteen Were Quartered in City Bastille Last Night; Police Are Busy.

That scores of hobos are abroad not contrary to the prevailing conditions of previous years, is indicated by the fact that nearly every night the city jail has been crowded with "sons of the wanderlust" dominated by a spirit of "I am looking all over for a job but I hope I won't find it."

Last night no less than 19 were quartered overnight in the city bastille. The night before nearly as large a number were given lodging over night and the night before that fully 20 were turned loose the next morning and told to get a move on.

The police have been kept busy chasing the boys. They are given 5 minutes to leave town, being told that the mayor is mad, because of their persistent loitering about the streets. Constable Catlin reported this morning that he invited nine last night to board No. 221 and locate in other parts where there is plenty of work. He said he saw them all safely on the train. Officer King said this morning that some bad looking characters are among the army of "Weary Willies" and warns against anybody trying to ascertain if they are honest.

Sudtell Attends Stock Show.—Ben T. Sudtell, the local auctioneer left this morning for Portland where he will attend the stock show.

Will Admitted to Probate.—Upon petition of S. J. Delaney, Judge McKnight this morning issued an order admitting the will of L. W. Delaney, deceased, to probate. The petitioner was also appointed executor. The deceased passed away in Linn county, Nov. 20, 1913, leaving an estate of \$5,200, consisting of personal property in this county and an estate in Nebraska. Eight heirs survive the deceased, being his widow, S. J. Delaney and seven children.



FURNITURE AT AUCTION

EVERY SATURDAY, at 2 P. M.
AT SUTTELL'S AUCTION HOUSE AT
128 W. 2nd St. Phone 134-R

An extra fine lot of Furniture and furnishings at this week's sale, including 2 heavy Vernir Martin beds like new, costing \$37.50, Turned oak dresser, dining tables with chairs to match, rocking chairs, lot of new pictures, cook stoves and heaters, dishes, many other articles to numerous to mention. Don't miss this sale. Auction sale every Saturday afternoon.

Prizes given away free at every sale.

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<p>Ladies Hand Bags in New Styles, 50c to \$5.00</p> <p>Silk Scarfs in all shades, plain and fringed 85c to \$2.50</p> <p>Fancy Aprons embroidered and lace trimmed 25c to 65c</p> <p>Ladies Umbrellas, in a great assortment, priced 95c to \$5.00 ea</p>	<p>Fancy Ribbons in two lots. Special at 17c and 25c yd</p> <p>Children's Sweaters all sizes, \$1.25 to \$2.50 ea</p> <p>Infant's and Childrens Mittens and Gloves 15c to 25c pair</p> <p>Real values in Table Linens, Bed Spreads, Linen Towels, Silks Dress Goods, etc.</p>
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