

# COMMERCIAL CLUB HELD LIVE MEETING

Appropriation of \$500,000 Is Discussed By Club Members and Legislators.

DRAINAGE BILL WILL BE DRAFTED BY COMMITTEE

Matter of Lighting Steel Bridge Subject of Discussion With County Court.

That Oregon should be well represented at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition to be held in San Francisco in 1915, was the consensus of opinion at the regular meeting of the Albany Commercial Club which was held last evening and a lively discussion followed the reading of the resolutions which were submitted by Manager Stewart of the Commercial Club which read as follows:

"Whereas, The government of the United States has announced that the Panama Canal is about to be completed and opened to the commerce and navies of the world; and

"Whereas, The congress of the United States has designated the city of San Francisco as the place for the holding of a great international celebration in honor of the event and has invited all of the nations of the world to participate, and

"Whereas, The pride of our Nation in this great achievement can only be properly expressed through the participation of all of the states of our Union; now therefore

"Be It Resolved, That our senators and representatives in the state legislature be earnestly requested to support such legislation as will insure the participation of the state of Oregon at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition in a manner befitting its importance and dignity in the sisterhood of states.

The matter of an appropriation of \$500,000 from the state legislature for use by the state of Oregon at the exposition was discussed at length by Manager Stewart of the Commercial Club, Senator M. A. Miller of Lebanon, Representatives L. G. Lewelling of Albany and Porter of Halsey, F. P. Nutting, F. M. French, J. S. Van Winkle and F. J. Fletcher.

The consensus of opinion in regard to the appropriation by those present at last night's meeting was to the effect that the appropriation should be made for the reason that the state of Oregon was given the first chance to break ground at the exposition site in San Francisco and that this state had also been allowed to pick its building site first and that the state was allowed to take its choice of sites.

Some of those present were inclined to think that an appropriation of \$500,000 was too much and that half that amount would be sufficient while others thought that this state should be well represented at the exposition, believing that more new people will be attracted to this state through the exposition than by any other means.

L. G. Lewelling, one of Linn county's representatives-elect to the state legislature, was inclined to believe that the appropriation required was too large and expressed doubts as to whether the people of the state would be in favor of so large an appropriation.

Mr. Lewelling believes in abiding by the wishes of the majority of the people of the state and if they want that amount voted, it will be satisfactory with him. He had previously promised to take the matter of this appropriation up with the Linn county Business Council and will get into communication with each subordinate grange in the county and have them discuss the matter in an endeavor to ascertain how they stand on the matter.

After much discussion the resolutions were passed as read by Mr. Stewart. The matter of a new drainage bill to be drawn up and submitted to the state legislature was discussed for some time by the members of the Commercial Club, the representatives to the legislature, and the county court representatives in attendance and as a bill of this nature was favored, a committee consisting of L. G. Lewelling, H. H. Hewitt, L. L. Swan and J. N. Duncan were appointed to prepare the bill.

Manager Stewart announced that E. M. Underwood, chairman of the executive committee of the Portland Association of Credit Men who had been invited to address the club last evening, was unable to be here and would be secured for an address on "Fire Protection" later.

The committee consisting of F. M. French, D. O. Woodworth, G. E. Sanders, J. C. Holbrook, and A. C. Schmitt who were recently appointed by the club to confer with the county court in regard to having the steel bridge lighted, reported that they had conferred with court in regard to the matter and County Judge Duncan and Commissioner T. J. Butler who were in attendance at the meeting reported that the matter was being considered but that no agreement had been reached yet with the Oregon Power company.

The Commercial Club and business men have expressed themselves as being in favor of having the bridge better lighted and believe that the bridge should be lighted from one end to the other free of charge by the Oregon Power company. The Oregon Power company has three cables each carrying ten thousand volts of electricity on the bridge and have never been charged for the privilege of using the bridge as a means of carrying their lines to the other side of the river. In return for this priv-

# CONSTABLE IS UNABLE TO LOCATE PAUL ACKERMAN

Catlin Returned Last Night from Shedd; Man Has Not Been Home Since Sunday.

Returning last night from Shedd where he went in search of Paul Ackerman for whom he held a warrant charging him with intent to kill, Constable John Catlin stated this morning that he had been unable to locate his man although he had made a diligent search.

At the point in the road where the shooting took place, the officer found Ackerman's overcoat. He then visited the tent used by the man as a lodging place and found nothing to indicate that he had returned since Sunday night.

The constable made a number of inquiries among the people in the vicinity of Shedd and according to the statements made by those who had observed the man's actions for several days prior to the shooting of Ackerman, acted very strangely. The constable gave it as his opinion that he has committed suicide.

# FRED HOCHSPEIER ELECTED FIRE CHIEF BY BIG MAJORITY

Defeats Opponent By Five to One--Ed Horsky Is Elected Assistant Chief.

At the election for chief of the Albany Fire Department which was held in this city yesterday afternoon, Fred Hochspeier, who has served efficiently as chief of the local department for the past term, was reelected by a big majority, defeating his opponent, W. A. Eastburn, by over five votes to one. The total vote cast was 57. Hochspeier received 48 votes and Eastburn 9. For assistant chief, Ed Horsky who had no opposition, was elected, receiving a total of 53 votes.

# G. A. ENGSTROM AND MABLE HAZEL MARRIED TODAY

This morning at ten o'clock C. A. Engstrom, a well known young farmer residing east of this city, claimed as his bride Miss Mabel Hazel of this city. The ceremony was performed at the court house by County Judge Duncan and was witnessed by only the immediate relatives and friends of the contracting parties.

The young people will make their home on a farm in the vicinity of Albany.

# HERE IS THE MEANEST MAN IN CITY OF ALBANY

Here is the meanest man in Albany. The man in question visited the home of A. E. Keith, residing at 618 West 6th street at an early hour this morning and carried off a quart of milk, a portion of which was to be used for the breakfast of the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Keith. The bottle was found about a block from the residence by a neighbor.

# THIS COUPLE FIX FINANCES BEFORE THE MARRIAGE

Unusual Ante-Nuptial Contract Placed on Official Records of St. Louis.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 9.—An unusual ante-nuptial agreement between Louis Yahlen and Ray Eckert has been placed on file in the recorder's office.

The first clause in the agreement is that Yahlen will pay his bride \$100 in cash at the time of the marriage. Without conditions of any kind, he agrees to bequeath to his bride in his last will \$500. In case they live together as husband and wife for two years he will will to her \$1,000, including the \$500 in the previous clause.

If they live together three years or longer he will bequeath to her one-sixth of his estate, including the \$1,000.

It is further agreed that the wife shall have no right or claim, dower or otherwise, to share or participation in Yahlen's estate except as set out in the agreement.

Yahlen waives all right to the estate of his bride, and it is agreed that either may sell or encumber property without the other's signature.

No reason is assigned for this strange agreement.

J. W. Reader of Salem was in the city today on a short business trip.

Hege, the company is to be asked to furnish fire rights.

# WIEDER IS THROWN FROM A SPEEDER

Accident Occured Near Calapooia on Main Line of Oregon Electric Railway.

BROUGHT TO ALBANY FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT

No Bones Broken But Is Badly Bruised and Cut; Companion Uninjured.

Riding from Pirtle to Albany on a gasoline speeder, E. L. Wieder, salesman and stockholder in the Pirtle-Wieder corporation and a brother of C. H. Wieder, this afternoon met with an injury which might have resulted fatally.

While he was waiting for the Oregon Electric train which was due at Pirtle about 1 o'clock he was asked by an employee of the Oregon Electric if he cared to accompany him to Albany on his gasoline speeder, to which Wieder readily consented. He was given a front seat and enjoyed the experience until he arrived at the Calapooia when the front wheel of the car left the track, throwing him nearly under the wheels. He clung to the car until all four wheels left being buried under the car. His companion was uninjured, and after placing the car on the track, conveyed Wieder to his home in this city.

Dr. Shinn was called and upon examination found that no bones were broken although he was badly bruised and cut. His head and face were badly cut and he will hardly be able to resume his business duties for several days.

# PROGRAMS COMPLETED FOR TWO BIG CONVENTIONS

Butter and Cheese Makers and Dairymen Will Flock to This City Next Week.

Following are the official programs of the two big conventions which are to be held in this city next week:

Tuesday, December 17, 1:30 p. m. session. Call to order; president's annual address, Pres. C. H. Fraer, Eugene; report of the secretary, F. L. Kent, Corvallis; Oregon's Dairy Imports, T. S. Townsend, Portland; Factory Regulations—Present and Needed—Deputy Dairy Commissioner E. T. Judd, Portland; discussion, led by A. H. Lee, Portland, 8:00 p. m. session: Music, supplied by the conservatory of music of Albany college. Address of welcome, Mayor P. D. Gilbert, Albany; response, Carl Schalling, Portland; the Producer and Consumer in Relation to Clean Milk, Prof. T. D. Beckwith, Corvallis; address, Guy M. Lambert, U. S. Dairy Division, Wednesday, December 18, 9:00 a. m. session: Butter Makers' scoring contest. The three highest scoring entries of butter at the recent Pacific Dairy Show will be on exhibition, through the courtesy of T. M. Townsend, 10:00 a. m. session: The Market Problem for the Local Creamery, W. W. Quimby, Creswell; Co-operative Cheese Sales, F. W. Christensen, Tillamook; Butter or Cheese—Which?, Chas. Ray Cloverdale; Manufacture of Ice Cream and Ices, C. M. Egbert, Portland, 1:30 p. m. session: Chemical Detection of Substitutes for Butter Fat, A. S. Wells, Dairy Chemist, Portland; Salt Tests, O. G. Simpson, O. A. C.; Milk Powder Starters, Robert Wilson, Corvallis; Reports of Committees; election of officers. Announcement of awards. Wednesday evening session: Joint social session, with Oregon Dairymen's Association, under the auspices of Albany Commercial Club. Note—One and one-third fare for round trip, on the certificate plan, on all railroads.

Oregon Dairymen's Association Program.

Wednesday, December 18, evening: Joint session with Oregon Butter & Cheese Makers' Association, under the auspices of the Albany Commercial Club. Thursday, December 19, 10:00 a. m. Call to order; address of welcome, by Mayor P. D. Gilbert, Albany; response, annual address, by Pres. M. S. Shrock, "The Eye of the Master Fatteneth His Cattle," by C. C. Dickson, Shedd; Condensed Milk Production, by P. G. Kinzer, Forest Grove, 2:00 p. m. session: Address by A. K. Risser, U. S. Dairy Division, Salt Lake City; Certified Milk Production, by J. E. Dow, Deer Island; Needed Dairy Legislation, by W. K. Newell, Gaston, 8:00 p. m. session: Music furnished by department of music of Albany public schools; Cow Testing Associations in Humboldt county, Cal., by S. J. Damon, Ferndale, California; Rural Organizations, by Prof. H. MacPherson, Corvallis; The Pacific International Dairy Show, by O. M. Plummer, secretary, Portland, Friday, December 20, 10:00 a. m. Secretary's report; election of officers; Farm Butter Making, by Peter Elson, Astoria; Dairy Regulation, by J. D. Mickel, dairy commissioner, elect, Hillsboro; The Tuberculin Test, by Dr. H. F. Morel, state veterinarian, 1:30 p. m. session: Experiences of a Dairy Inspector, by Deputy W. B. Duncan, Salem; Contagious Abortion,

# CORPORATION BOYS LOCAL LUMBERYARD

Concern Will Also Absorb the Potter Lumber Company of Mill City.

"HUBCITY LUMBER COMPANY" IS NAME OF CORPORATION

R. A. Smith of Albany One of Incorporators; Potter and Hill Stockholders.

The "Hub City Lumber Company" is the name of a new corporation which filed its articles of incorporation at the county clerk's office this morning. The incorporators of the company are J. F. Potter and B. B. Hill of Mill City and R. A. Smith of Albany.

The new company has acquired the Albany branch of the Chas. K. Spaulding lumber yard at this city and will absorb the Potter Lumber company, including its milling property in the vicinity of Mill City.

The deal consummated with Chas. K. Spaulding does not affect the Spaulding yards at Salem and other points in the Willamette valley.

In the articles of incorporation filed today, the purpose of the corporation as set forth in the articles is to buy, manage and conduct lumber yards, to manufacture lumber and its products and to construct and operate railways and engage in the logging business.

# OREGON HOTELMEN HAD FINE TIME AT SEASIDE LAST WEEK

Manager Westbrook of St. Francis Hotel of Albany Was Among Those in Attendance.

B. R. Holbrook, manager of the St. Francis hotel of this city returned home Sunday evening from Seaside where he spent the week-end attending the annual session of the Oregon hotelmen. When interviewed by the Democrat representative regarding his trip, he said:

"We certainly had a delightful time and were treated royally while we were at the beach. We left Portland Friday morning and arrived at Seaside at about 1 o'clock in the afternoon where we were met by the Seaside band and a reception committee headed by Dan Moore, proprietor of the Moore hotel. The delegation of about fifty hotelmen from various parts of the state had luncheon at the Moore and in the afternoon a business session was held when a large number of committees were appointed and officers elected.

"On Friday evening a grand ball was held at the auditorium and the crowd spent the evening dancing. We went to Gearhart Park Saturday morning where at noon we were served with a seafood dinner of eleven courses which was one of the most elaborate affairs I have ever seen. The dinner was served to the visiting hotelmen by the Gearhart Hotel company and the guests were treated splendidly at Gearhart. Many of the party went in the surf wheel at Gearhart and others in the swimming tanks. The weather was beautiful at the beach.

"The sessions closed Saturday evening with a big banquet at the Moore Hotel at Seaside. During the business session a legislative committee was appointed to look after several new bills in the interest of better roads and better hotels."

# WILLAMETTE POULTRY ASSOCIATION ELECTS OFFICERS

At a meeting of the Central Willamette Poultry Association held in this city the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Edward Schodt; vice-presidents, Roy Warfield, of Alsea; T. H. Goddard, of Mill City; J. F. Isom, of Halsey; C. W. Vunk, of Albany; and Gene Simpson, of Corvallis; secretary-treasurer, Dr. F. E. Seavers, of Albany; assistant secretary, Walter H. Worrell, of Albany; executive committee, J. F. Isom, of Halsey; Roy Hutchins, of Tangent; and A. S. Hart, W. E. Baker, Claud C. Bray, Robert N. Torbet, J. E. Ross, C. B. Winn and A. B. Hinz, all of Albany.

A. E. Keith, advertising manager for the Hamilton store, accompanied by his wife and children, returned Saturday night from Portland. Mrs. Keith and children have been visiting for several weeks with relatives and friends at Seattle and were met at Portland by Mr. Keith.

By Dr. W. B. Hollis, Corvallis; Reter Sires, by Dr. James Withycombe, Corvallis.

Notes—One and one-third fare for round trip, on certificate plan, on all railroad lines in the state.

# MINING ENGINEER WANTS DIVORCE FROM HIS WIFE

Alleges She Became Infatuated With Another Man and Left His Home in 1911.

Alleging that his wife, Minnie E. Colpitts, became infatuated with a man named John Hinkle and that while he was absent in the East on a business trip in October 1911, his wife cohabited with him at his home in Gates and also at a hotel in Salem, and later deserted him and went to Los Angeles with Hinkle, F. H. Colpitts, a mining engineer of Gates, today filed suit for divorce in the circuit court in this city.

Colpitts alleges in his complaint that after his wife and Hinkle had resided in Los Angeles for several months, they removed to Portland where they are now living. The couple were married in Portland on March 12, 1905, and have no children.

M. S. Coon of Oakville was attending to business matters in the Hub City this afternoon.

# PROGRESSIVE CITIZENS TICKET WINS AT HARRISBURG

Dr. O. B. Long Is Elected Mayor; T. J. Anderson Elected Recorder for Eleventh Time.

Harrisburg, Dec. 10.—(Special to Democrat.)—At Harrisburg yesterday for the eleventh time T. J. Anderson was elected city recorder. Others elected were Dr. O. B. Long, mayor; J. L. Norwood, treasurer; Mahlon Hawk, marshal; H. R. Sherrill, R. L. Weatherford and Jake Marguth, councilmen for two years, and Virgil Cartwright for one year. These were all on the Progressive Citizens' ticket.

The opposing ticket was called the People's Law and Order ticket, and consisted of R. K. Burton for mayor, J. J. Cramer for recorder, R. C. Shisler for treasurer, A. J. Hill for marshal, S. L. Robinson, W. F. Elliott and A. M. Pryor for councilmen for two years. Virgil Cartwright was also on this ticket for councilman for one year.

The successful ticket was elected by an average of 35 majority.

# M'DOWELL RETURNS FROM AN EXTENDED TRIP

Returning Saturday night from a business trip to Eastern Oregon and points in Southern Idaho, L. A. McDowell of the McDowell Shoe company of this city reports business conditions in the eastern portion of the state to be in excellent condition.

Mr. McDowell has some land in the vicinity of Burns which he inspected on his trip and is elated over the fact that a new railroad is being built in the vicinity of his holdings.

# MARRIAGE AT TWENTY-FIVE, GET NURSE FOR THE BABIES

Mrs. Belmont Tells Suffragists That's Way to Live; "Not for Me, Says Pretty Maid.

New York, Dec. 7.—In addressing the members of the Junior Political Equality League at their first meeting today, Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont told them that twenty-five was the proper marriage age and that after marriage the wife should keep right on with her work and hire somebody to care for the babies.

The association was formed by Miss Eugenia McKenzie, a Parkhurst suffragette recently from London, and is composed of girls from 16 to 18 years of age.

Mrs. Belmont had hardly launched into her address and had just told the girls about the marrying age when one of them piped up with:

"But that's entirely too long to wait. And besides, if a girl marries, shouldn't she stay home and keep house and not—"

"Not at all," interposed Mrs. Belmont hastily. "When you marry keep right on with your work. Then you will have enough money to hire a cook and your home will be happier."

"How about the babies?" chirped a dark-eyed, black-haired girl in the front row. "Ought not a girl stay at home and care for the children?"

"Certainly not," emphatically answered Mrs. Belmont. "A young mother would be very little use to a baby. It is better to hire an older and more experienced person who knows how to take care of children."

"Oh, I don't think that's an ideal way to live," said the brunette, rather scornfully.

"It may not be ideal," said Mrs. Belmont, "but it's practical. A wife should have an independent purse and should not have to go to her husband for money."

"Well, when I marry," resumed the dark-haired one, "I want my husband to give me everything. I don't want to have to work for the money."

"If you can find that kind of a man, go ahead," advised Mrs. Belmont, and the meeting adjourned.

Fred Pollett of Corvallis returned home this morning after spending last evening in Albany on a short business trip.

# Y. M. C. A. DIRECTORS MET AT ALCO CLUB

Appointed Committee to Make Canvass of the City Next Friday For Subscriptions.

WORK OF REMODELING ALCO CLUB TO BEGIN IMMEDIATELY

Delos Foster of Kellogg, Idaho Accepts Offer to Become General Secretary.

The board of directors of the newly organized Young Men's Christian Association of this city met last evening at the Alco Club to make further arrangements for the work that is to be carried on.

It was decided last evening to make a canvass of this city next Friday for funds for the new institution and a committee consisting of Messrs. A. C. Schmitt, L. E. Hamilton, W. A. Eastburn, J. A. Howard, J. L. Tomlinson and C. C. Bryant were appointed as a finance committee to secure funds on that day. The committee will be assisted in the work of canvassing the city next Friday by Mr. Wright, the assistant secretary of the state association who will arrive here Thursday evening.

It is the aim of the finance committee to raise \$2000 and every effort will be made to secure this amount immediately so that the work can proceed without interruption. A portion of this amount will be spent in taking over the property of the Alco Club, another portion for renovating the building and the remainder to guarantee the current expense for the year's work.

Through the generosity of the Alco Club the Y. M. C. A. association is able to begin work without delay such as usually accompanies the starting of such enterprises and local people should appreciate this fact and make their donations liberal. The association proposes to carry on all branches of the work including social, athletic, educational, and religious divisions.

The men's and boys' departments of the association will be kept separate, and the latest ventilated steel lockers and fixtures will be installed. As soon as the funds have been secured the transfer of the Alco Club property to the association will be effected and the club rooms closed while the work of renovating the building is being accomplished. It is thought that the work will all be completed in time for the association to begin active work shortly after the first of the new year.

Word was received today from Mr. Delos Foster, assistant secretary of the Kellogg, Idaho, association to the effect that he had accepted the offer made to him by local men to become the general secretary of the new association in this city and that he will arrive here soon to begin his duties. Mr. Foster was at one time a student at Albany College and later at Stanford University. He has been identified in the association work at Watsonville, California and at Boise, Idaho, and has for some time been the assistant secretary of the Kellogg, Idaho, association, which is a large and prosperous institution.

Mr. Foster will come to this city with the highest recommendations and will undoubtedly meet with the approval of the citizens of Albany. The officers of the local association feel that they have been fortunate in securing so able a man for this important association.

The following are the officers of the local association recently elected who will serve for the ensuing year: E. Sox, president; C. V. Liffner, vice-president; I. H. Ralston, secretary; and H. W. Torbet, treasurer. These officers with the chairman of the finance committee, Mr. Schmitt, constitute the executive committee.

# Robinson-May Nuptials.

At the home of Mrs. E. A. Smith, 341 E. 4th St., Albany, Dec. 9th, 1912, Graves Robinson and Julia May were married. Rev. Elbert H. Hicks of the Baptist church officiating. Miss May is an Albany girl and Mr. Robinson is in business at Corvallis where the happy couple will be at home to their many friends immediately.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Young, of Spokane, are in the city on a visit at the home of Mrs. Young's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Rhodes, while on their way to Phoenix, Arizona, on a winter's trip.

W. W. Holt of Mill City was in Albany yesterday afternoon on business returning home this morning.

# GIFTS FOR THE BOYS & THE GIRLS AID SOCIETY

M. E. Bilyeu, janitor of the Linn county court house, has been engaged during the past few days in packing ten boxes of fruit and other holiday gifts which will be shipped today to the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society of Portland. The donations were made by the school children of Albany.