

COMMITTEE FAVORS CITY PARK FOR FAIR SITE

Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Lewis and Clark Centennial—Corbett's Report.

The first annual meeting of the stockholders of the Lewis and Clark Fair corporation was called to order by President H. W. Corbett at 10:15 o'clock this morning in the office of the secretary, 246 Washington street.

The reports of the president and secretary were read and adopted.

The old board of directors were re-elected unanimously. This board consists of H. W. Corbett, H. W. Scott, Adolphe Wolfe, Paul Wessinger, A. H. Devers, Rufus Mallory, John F. O'Shea, Leo Friede, Charles E. Ladd, W. D. Fenton, A. L. Mills, G. W. Bates, I. N. Fleischner, W. D. Wheelwright and F. Dresser.

There was not much business to be transacted, and, by motion, it was decided to hold an adjourned meeting of the stockholders on the first Monday in October, at which time the question of additional directors will be discussed.

About 50 people, representing 20,000 shares of the corporation, were present.

At a meeting of the executive committee, the sub-committee on the location of the fair site reported in favor of the City Park, with the Hawthorne Park as second choice.

The report follows:

PRESIDENT CORBETT'S REPORT.
 PORTLAND, Ore., July 7.—To the stockholders of the Lewis and Clark Centennial and American Pacific Exposition and Oriental Fair: The movement for an industrial exposition at Portland in 1906 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the first and greatest of American exploring expeditions, inaugurated by the Oregon Historical Society at its annual meeting in 1900, took definite shape in the incorporation, on October 12, 1901, of the Lewis and Clark Centennial and American Pacific Exposition and Oriental Fair, with a capital of \$300,000. In submitting my first annual report to the stockholders it is a pleasure to congratulate the people of Portland for their generous response to the

project, and surprising to the few who had mistaken Portland's traditional conservatism.

TRADITIONAL CONSERVATISM
 For lack of public spirit, the two days' effort resulted, when all the returns were received, in subscriptions amounting to \$30,000.

The capitalization limit fixed in the articles of incorporation having been passed, an increase became necessary, and at the special meeting of the stockholders, held February 14, 1902, the new stock was placed at \$500,000 to enable subscriptions to be taken outside of Portland. The state political campaign, one of the most hotly contested in the history of Oregon, opened shortly afterward, and had the effect, for the time being, of making our exposition a secondary consideration in the minds of the people. The new stock has not been taken up as well as had been hoped, partly because the city was well canvassed last November, and outside the city little has been done, but there is good reason to hope that it will all be placed and in time to be of use to us for the purpose of our exposition. Subscriptions received to date aggregate \$354,312, which, added to donations of \$700, makes the grand total \$355,012. We have yet to hear from the

TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILROADS.
 From which we expect in time to receive a substantial subscription. Steps have been taken to secure an appropriation from the state of Oregon, at the special session of the Legislature, if one shall be held. An early appropriation would show neighboring states our earnestness in the matter, and if not at such session, at the regular session in January, 1903. The matter of an appropriation by the national government will be formally laid before Congress at its session in December next, and the Legislatures of Washington, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, California, Utah, Nevada, Missouri and other states, which will meet in January, 1903, will be asked to make appropriations for exhibits. As Congress and the Legislatures of the various states which we shall invite to participate in our exposition will be governed to a large extent by what we ourselves do, the early completion of our capitalization to \$500,000 and a

LIBERAL APPROPRIATION
 By the State of Oregon, are of the utmost importance. The measure of success which shall attend our undertaking is in a degree dependent upon these contingencies.

On January 15, 1902, the stockholders of the company held their first meeting and elected the following directors:
 H. W. Corbett,
 H. W. Scott,
 A. L. Mills,
 Adolphe Wolfe,
 Paul Wessinger,
 A. H. Devers,
 Rufus Mallory,
 John F. O'Shea,
 Leo Friede.

On January 21, 1902, the directors con-

stituted the organization of the company by electing the following officers:
 H. W. Corbett, president.
 H. W. Scott, vice-president.
 First National Bank, treasurer.
 Henry B. Reed, secretary.

Only three of the committees provided for in the by-laws have been appointed. These are the executive committee, the ways and means committee and the advisory committee.

On February 14, 1902, the stockholders, at a special meeting called for the purpose, adopted bylaws.

The directors had hoped to be able to report to this meeting the location of the site where the fair of 1905 is to be held, but the problem, notwithstanding the large number of tenders made by property owners, is not an easy one to solve. Seven sites, all more or less desirable and

VARYING LARGE ACRES.
 Have been offered, but the board has withheld its decision pending the receipt from Omaha, San Francisco and other cities where fairs have been held in recent years, of detailed information bearing upon the proximity of site to the trade center of the city, gate receipts, transportation, etc. The directors have deemed it wise to defer their decision on this all important subject until they have received and carefully considered all the data obtainable. They are mindful that the amount of money which they will have at their disposal must be carefully considered, and that a false move on the question of site would be a costly one. The main consideration with regard to the site is its ability to attract attendance. In other words, to promote gate receipts. All other considerations dwindle before the item of gate receipts and the consequent increased value of concessions, etc. for the exposition will cost money, and revenue will be required to meet expenses, guard against deficiencies and insure success.

I shall discuss slightly from the routine of an annual report to discuss briefly the advantages which we shall derive from the exposition of 1905. First and foremost is the industrial and commercial development of the Pacific Coast region, and more particularly the states which, in whole or in part, comprised "The Oregon Country," as it finally passed to the sovereignty of the United States, under the treaty of 1846 with Great Britain. For more than 60 years we have been advising, urging, even coaxing the world to come to us, but our efforts have been rewarded by only a limited share of its surplus population and working capital. "Nature has displayed here her most magnificent powers, and our country has more than its full share of"

the commerce of the great Pacific lies at our very door." The Legislative committee of Oregon, memorializing Congress in 1846 to establish territorial government here, was moved to declare: "Without dilating upon the great importance of this territory as an appendage to the Federal Union, or consuming your valuable time in repeating to you the oft-repeated advantages, we would, etc. Before Burnett and after him, before the provisional government and after it, in Congress and out of Congress, in the '50's, in the '60's, in the '70's, in the '80's, in the '90's, and in the first years of this century, we have extended the welcoming hand to

SETTLER AND CAPITALIST.
 and pointed out to them the opportunities our country offers to industry, energy and enterprise. We have extended every means within our power to attract immigration and capital, but our progress has been but slow and ours is still the wonderful distinction of being the least developed of the world's hospitable regions, while the East and the Middle West, and even the South, have pushed forward with astonishing rapidity. Having the greatest agricultural section in the world we are hardly out of the pastoral stage of our existence. In 1890 the agricultural products of Oregon, Washington, California, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming were valued at \$12,068,275, or about five per cent of the total of the United States. What the figures were for 1901 I am unable to state, as the census returns for agriculture have not been fully published. It is probable, however, that while our

AGGREGATE PRODUCTION
 Greatly increased in the 10 years ending with 1900, our relative standing was not so materially changed as desired.

Our backward condition in agriculture, industry and commerce is due to the operation of very natural laws. Our land has not been needed until now for home building. Captain Hiram Martin Chittenden well says in his book on "The American Fur Trade in the Far West," that "For 40 years after the purchase of Louisiana the people of the United States were at a loss to know what to do with their new possession." It was not yet needed for settlement, for the Eastern shore of the Mississippi was still an un-subdued wilderness in which the stream of emigration might lose itself for many years to come." The acquisition, between 1802 and 1853, of Louisiana, the Oregon country, Texas, California, etc., all lying west of the Mississippi River, added 2,138,489 square miles to the area of the United States, nearly three times the area of the young nation at the close of the Revolution. Settlement of this vast region was, of course, slow, though one of the first great migrations followed the footsteps of Lewis and Clark to the western shore of the continent, the Pacific Coast, or more particularly Oregon. What impelled our

HARDY PIONEERS
 to tread over mountains across 2,000 miles to the shores of the Pacific, facing hostile Indians and privation at nearly every foot of the way, and leaving behind them the great food-producing plains of the Mississippi Valley, must ever remain one of the unexplained mysteries of man's movements. But they came and their presence here added the weight of settlement to the American claim of sovereignty based upon discovery and exploration and their patriotism we shall commemorate in 1905, as well as the heroic achievements of Lewis and Clark.

The rich region, along the Mississippi which our first settlers passed by when they piloted their cow columns towards the Willamette Valley, have now filled up

Land has advanced in value out of the reach of the farmer of moderate means and man is turning to the Pacific West for cheap lands, large production, and equable climate for his home.

While we made no great advancement during the first 50 years, from 1850 to 1855, Oregon was soon thereafter

ADMITTED AS A STATE.
 and since that Washington, Idaho, Montana and Wyoming have been added to the galaxy of states. Our advancement since has been comparatively rapid considering the means of communication we have enjoyed. The completion of the transcontinental railroad to California in 1868, soon thereafter the rapid construction of the Northern Pacific, and the Oregon Short Line, and the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company, and the Great Northern, and the Canadian Pacific, brought us in closer relation with the Eastern states. We are now entering upon a new era of rapid advancement in agriculture, manufacturing, and with the commercial intercourse of the Orient, we will probably eclipse in importance any previous 50 years in our national history.

The Northwest, in consequence of its location on the Pacific and its advantages of exchange in product between this portion of our country and the Orient, will change the

COMMERCIAL ACTIVITY
 from the former one of diminutive character to that of a great commercial highway of nations and transfer the trade from the slow progress of the sailing ships in the India trade, and from the Suez Canal, to the route across the American continent and thence across the Atlantic to Europe. This can do otherwise than enlarge our commercial dealings with the Orient, as well as with European nations, making America the great entrepot and storehouse through which commerce is to find its way, and the great financial institutions of the world will be established and located within the borders of the United States.

Space will not allow me to give in detail the advanced civilization that has taken place in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, and the Northwest, and the British possessions on the north, and California and New Mexico on the south. Suffice to say that its advancement is phenomenal, unsurpassed in its grandeur, and its progress indicates its future great destiny, in trade, commerce, manufacturing, industrial pursuits, refinement, and in the arts of civilization.

A word in conclusion. Let us view our proposed exposition in its true aspect. It will be the first fair of

NATIONAL IMPORT
 ever held in a relatively new and practically undeveloped country, and the first held on the outer fringe of a continent with a sparse population on three sides and the ocean on the other side. It will be the first exposition to be held for the primary purpose of peopling unoccupied areas of virgin soil and forest, and promoting industrial development for coming generations. It is the only centennial exposition that can ever be held in honor of an addition to the American domain that has resulted from discovery and exploration. In the very nature of things the country itself must be an exhibition, must be the chief attraction. It is our country in all its grandeur, beauty and productiveness that will draw the

VISITOR FROM THE EAST.
 not architectural extravaganzas, nor machinery in huge piles. Let us then make the most of our mountains, rivers, forests, magnificent bands of cattle, grains, grasses, fruit, dairy products, minerals, timber, roses, advanced manufactures, Oriental wares, etc., so that the visitor to the Lewis and Clark Fair in 1905 will be able to see the Pacific Coast at a glance and form an understanding of its true relation to its national trade field on the Pacific. If we follow these lines, keeping at all times within our means, our fair will be profitable to those who visit it, beneficial to ourselves individually and collectively, and a success financially and otherwise. Our exposition will so bring our Pacific States to the notice of the world, that a forward movement in all lines of industry will set in, the end of

which we shall not live to chronicle.

Respectfully submitted,
 H. W. CORBETT, President.
SECRETARY REED'S REPORT.
 Portland, Or., July 7.—To the Stockholders: Herewith please find my annual report. The capital stock of the company is \$500,000, divided into 50,000 shares of the par value of \$10 each. To date subscriptions have been procured to 35,431.2 shares, representing \$354,312. To this is to be added donations, payable in the same manner as stock subscriptions, amounting to \$700.00, making the grand total \$355,012. All except a very small proportion of this has been taken in the City of Portland.

On May 9, 1902, the Board of Directors levied an assessment of 25 per cent on the capital stock and on all donations, the same to be payable on the first day of July. The assessment should bring into the treasury the sum of \$88,725.00, of which amount there had been voluntarily paid to the secretary up to Saturday, July 5, 1902, \$54,581.75. The amount remaining unpaid on that date was \$34,143.25, a large part of which there is good reason to expect will be paid in voluntarily.

No claims have been paid out of the funds which have been derived from subscriptions to the capital stock.

Respectfully submitted,
 HENRY E. REED, Secretary.

THE FAIR SITE.
 Previous to the meeting of the stockholders, a meeting of the executive committee was held. The report of the public committee on the selection of a site was read. This was vigorously objected to by Directors Rufus Mallory and Leo Friede. However, it was adopted by the executive committee and will be brought before the board of directors for action. The sub-committee consists of A. L. Mills, F. Dresser and Paul Wessinger, and the salient point of the report is as follows:

"Your committee believes that, to be a success, the Fair must be located near the center of population, in order that the attendance of our own people shall be as great as possible, and that it should be easy and quick of access from the hotels and boarding-houses. Facilities for reaching the grounds must be ample, and the fewer obstacles to surmount in transportation and reaching the grounds the better for the attendance.

"Your committee therefore concludes that the choice of sites is narrowed down to two locations—the Hawthorne tract and the City Park.

"That, as there should not be expended a great deal of money in improving the property of individuals, and as the cost of the Hawthorne tract would absorb a large sum of money, which might be used to better advantage for the ultimate good of the city and our country, and as the bulk of travel to and from the Fair would have to cross our bridges, already much congested at times with travel—not to speak of any possible accident to any of the bridges—your committee concludes to recommend as the site the City Park.

"Granting that the postoffice is the center of the city, the park is within easy access. What money may be spent on improvements remains permanent to the property of the city, and there should be no difficulty in arranging for further additional street car facilities for the transportation of the public.

"In conclusion, it is the opinion of your committee that the park, especially that section directly west and southwest of the upper reservoir, admits of the arranging of a Fair of the most unique character, different entirely from anything ever attempted in any of similar enterprises in the East.

"Its unsurpassed natural scenic beauties can be utilized to the most excellent advantage; the buildings can be so arranged that they can be seen from almost anywhere in the city at daylight, giving the heights a most picturesque appearance, and when they are lighted at night and the electrical displays are in operation they will look like an enchanted city built upon the heights above the town, and yet within easy reach of every one.

"Those within the grounds will be able to look down upon our fair city with its background of snowcapped mountains, with our magnificent river, with its prominent buildings, and with its houses, large and small, as within a beautiful garden, rich with green and full of fragrant roses. Your subcommittee has not en-

deavored at this time to enter into any detailed computation of possible earnings and expenses; but has tried as briefly as possible to report its opinion on the site and general scope of the Fair.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.
 Following the stockholders' meeting, the board of directors met and took the oath of office. They will subscribe to it at their regular meeting next Friday at 4 p. m. President Corbett reappointed the ways and means and executive committees, and appointed the following as the finance committee: Adolphe Wolfe, chairman; Paul Wessinger, A. H. Devers, C. E. Ladd and A. L. Mills.

The press and publicity committee will be appointed on Friday.

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SUBURBAN NEWS OF NEARBY TOWNS IN BRIEF.

OREGON CITY.
 (Journal Special Service.)
 OREGON CITY, July 7.—Rev. A. J. Montgomery returned Friday night from a two-months' visit in the East where he was accompanied by his family who returned with him. He attended the Presbyterian General Assembly in New York City and visited relatives in Eastern cities. Yesterday morning Mr. Montgomery occupied his pulpit in the First Presbyterian Church and spoke on "The General Assembly." His host of friends in this city are pleased over his return.

Holy communion was solemnized yesterday morning in the Congregational Church and in the evening at St. Paul's Episcopal Church and at the Methodist Church. The quarterly conference of the Methodist Church will be held tonight and all of the members of the church are requested to be present.

The City Council will hold a special meeting tonight when the curfew ordinance and other important matters will come up for action.

The new county officers went into office this morning. Judge Ryan is re-elected for a four-year term. Clerk Cooper is succeeded by F. A. Slight, whose chief deputy has not yet been appointed. Sheriff Cooke transferred his office to J. B. Shaver and the chief deputy in the Sheriff's office is E. C. Hackett. The new Recorder of Conveyances is Henry E. Stevens, who succeeds Tom P. Randall and the Deputy Recorder is Chauncey E. Ramsby. Enos Cahill succeeds Treasurer A. Luelling and John W. Melgrum is the new surveyor, succeeding Ernest P. Randa. R. L. Holman succeeds Dr. M. C. Strickland as corner, William Brobst, who succeeds J. R. Morton as commissioner will take office the first Wednesday in August and the newly elected assessor, James F. Nelson, will take over the office from Assessor Williams next January. The retiring deputies are: Deputy Sheriff J. E. Jack, Deputy Clerk O. D. Eby, Deputy Recorder Louva Randall, Deputy Treasurer J. H. Luelling.

Oregon City won the baseball game at Pendleton yesterday by a score of 10 to 6. This is the third game in as many days. The first game was won by Pendleton on July 4, with a score of 15 to 3, and the second game on Saturday was also won by the Eastern Oregon boys with a score of 4 to 3. The Oregon City nine will go to Walla Walla from Pendleton and play two games there, returning home the last of the week. In time to play at Chautauqua next Friday. The games with Dayton and Pomeroy have been called off and the

home team is scheduled to play in the Chautauqua baseball tournament with Vancouver, Chemawa, Mount Angel and some Portland team yet to be selected.

The monthly report of the Register and Receiver of the United States Land office for June is as follows: Homestead entries, 100; acres embraced in homestead entries, 15,125.90; final homestead proofs, 7; acres embraced in final homestead proofs, 1129; timber entries filed on, 32; timber entries proved up on, 16; cash sales, 55; acres embraced in cash sales, 5123.37; amount received from cash sales, \$3615.99; fees and commissions, \$1927.79; total amount received, \$11,846.75.

Sherman J. Burford, who was appointed chief deputy in the County Clerk's office by the new Clerk, F. A. Slight, has resigned, as he expects to secure something more profitable.

INTERIOR INFORMATION IN COMPACT STYLE.

ST. HELENS.
 (Journal Special Service.)
 ST. HELENS, July 7.—After laying idle for several years, it is now believed that conditions are favorable that the big sawmill, the property of Muckle Brothers, will start up soon. It was the announced intention of the proposed lessees, Messrs. Smith and Murray, to begin the needed repairs on the mill as soon as the bonus of \$2,000 required to do the grading to induce the Northern Pacific Railroad Company to build a spur from Houlton, a mile and a quarter distant, should be assured. This amount has been practically subscribed by the citizens of St. Helens, and one of the promoters of the sawmill is expected here from Portland today. The output capacity of the mill will be increased, and will be enabled to cut from 50,000 to 100,000 feet daily.

The following new officers of Ava Temple, Rathbone Sisters, were installed Saturday night: Most excellent chief, Lena B. Denning; senior chief, May Whitney; junior, Anna Richardson; manager, Ida M. Harris; mistress of records and correspondence, Sarah Quick; mistress of finance, Lucy M. Gray; protector of temple, Clara Switzer; guard of outer temple, Clara Cliff. The past chief is Mrs. Marie Watts, and the installing officer was Mrs. Lucy M. Gray.

McMINNVILLE
 (Journal Special Service.)
 McMinnville, July 7.—Mrs. E. Hubbard and daughter, of Indianapolis, Ind., are here on a visit to J. W. Hobbs, Mrs. Hubbard's brother.

The Miller Mercantile Company opened its large store Saturday evening. The McMinnville band was in attendance. Many hundreds of people visited the place, each one receiving a souvenir.

John Willis, who was sent to the insane hospital at Salem last fall, died Thursday and was brought here for burial last Saturday.

The hay crop of Yamhill County has been somewhat damaged by the recent rains, but other crops have been greatly benefited.

Rev. Stone, pastor of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, will preach a farewell sermon next Sunday. All other pastors of the city will be present, thereby showing their appreciation of Rev. Stone's work during his pastorate here.

NOTES FROM THE BEACH

(Journal Special Service.)
LONG BEACH, July 6.—The inclement weather which threw a damper on the social events is improving, the advance guard of summer visitors has arrived, the building of the cottages is progressing rapidly, and altogether the outlook is for a busy season. Groups of bathers are seen in the surf daily, and every one is looking forward to the time of the clamcakes and other beach events.

Independence day was celebrated here with much gusto, the usual races—horse, pony, bicycle, three-legged, etc.—being largely attended, as was the display of fireworks in the evening.

Among the handsome cottages erected this season is that of Mrs. J. Grigs at Seaview. It will be ready for occupancy within a few days.

PERSONAL.
 Mrs. L. Hendricks of Fort Canby was a visitor to Long Beach this week.

W. L. West and wife of Portland are at the beach this week.

A. J. Cowman of Beloit, Kan., is registered at the Portland.

J. Norris of New York was a recent visitor to the beach.

Mrs. L. Richardson of The Dalles arrived at the beach this week.

T. B. Graham of Spokane is at the Portland.

E. N. Smith of Portland made a trip to Long Beach this week.

E. S. Rivers and wife of Nampa are sojourning at Long Beach.

Mrs. L. K. Walter and daughter of

Boise are spending a few days at the beach.

W. O. Rudy of Portland is at Long Beach for a few days.

Lester Corbett and F. B. Suplee of Astoria, Ia., are at the Portland.

John M. Hansen of Nampa is at the Portland.

Miss Fay Harriman of Fort Canby was a visitor to Long Beach this week.

Mrs. G. N. Sutherland and daughter of Sacramento, Cal., are at Long Beach.

George Hatton of Janesville, Wis., is registered at the Long Beach hotel.

Misses Dina Holmes, Lillie Plowhead and Una Madden of Caldwell, Idaho, are at Long Beach this week.

H. D. Maynard of New York is at the Long Beach.

A. E. Wright of Payette, Idaho, is at the Portland.

Mrs. C. E. Christman and family of Boise are guests at the Hackney cottage, Seaview, this week.

Paul Vial of Portland was a recent arrival at Seaview, where he will spend the summer.

Harry Stokes and wife of San Francisco were guests at the Hackney cottage this week.

Miss Pauline C. Baum of Portland is a visitor at Seaview this week.

George Collins of Portland is at the Hackney cottage this week.

Mrs. Hanson and family of Portland are at the Habersham cottage.

Louis Jeannot and wife of Stokes, Idaho, are at the Hackney cottage.

J. A. McCune and wife of Weiser, Idaho, are at Long Beach.

OREGON BRIEFS.
LA GRANDE.—William Hill, an ex-convict arrested for larceny, was shot by Constable Childers Saturday while attempting to forcibly resist the effort to imprison him. He died yesterday.

BAKER CITY.—Charles I. Flynn has been appointed Deputy Grand President of the Order of Eagles for the State of Oregon. He succeeds John Lamont, of Portland.

ROSEBURG.—T. H. Lovell residing on Lower Calpoola Creek, a few miles north of Roseburg, shot and killed Morave Roadman, aged 48 years, yesterday. The crime was the result of a feud. Lovell claiming Roadman has interfered in his family affairs. Lovell voluntarily surrendered to the Sheriff.

THE DALLES.—A fire resulting from the explosion, as is supposed, of a kerosene lamp yesterday morning, destroyed the European Hotel, entailing a loss of \$300, partly covered by insurance. In the effort to put out the fire, the Wasco County court house was injured to the extent of \$700.

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