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## LEAGUE OFFERS CANDIDATE LIST

Members of the Good Citizenship League met at the Baptist church Tuesday evening and re-organized for the year by re-electing the former officers: President, J. H. Bower; secretary, Dr. W. H. Pollard; treasurer, Dr. N. W. Emery.

The matter of placing a ticket in the field for the forthcoming city election was discussed, and the following were endorsed: For mayor, Chas. L. Scott; for councilmen, two years, J. W. Coffin and J. T. Donaldson; for recorder, Herbert E. Walker; for treasurer, Miss Lillian Gorrie.

Another meeting will be held at the Baptist church Friday evening, October 15, for the purpose circulating formal nominating petitions in circulation.

## MILK BULLETIN IS COMING

State University Surveys Economics of world's Milk Production.

A bulletin that will show the economic features of milk and milk by-products throughout the world will soon be issued by the State University at Eugene. Comparative costs between Oregon and other great milk producing regions will be shown. The purpose will be to indicate whether an outside market exists that would justify great expansion of the dairy industry in this state.

The bulletin is expected to perform the service for dairymen that last year's bulletin entitled "Markets for potatoes" did for potato growers. Four thousand copies of the potato bulletin were distributed and a new edition seems necessary.

## LAND GRANT IS DISCUSSED

Special Investigators Here to Learn Sentiment.

S. W. Williams, an investigator for the department of justice and Leonard Underwood, a special agent of the department of the interior, with headquarters in Portland, arrived in Eugene Monday morning and will spend a day or two in Lane County investigating sentiment regarding disposition of the Oregon and California land grant. Similar investigations have been made at other points down the valley and will be continued in other counties in which the grant lands are located. They expect to make one or two trips out from here to view some of the lands in question.

Their particular purpose is to learn the sentiment of the people in the counties most concerned regarding the disposition that should be made of the grant lands. Thus far, said Mr. Williams, but one man has been interviewed in Oregon who thinks the lands should be included in forest reserves, and but three men who think they should be turned over unreservedly to the railroad company.

Both men interviewed a number of Eugene citizens, and at 10 o'clock attended a meeting at the Commercial club at which members of the special land grant committee and others were present. At this meeting various plans for the disposal of the grant were discussed and strong representations against including the lands in the forest reserves were made. Most of those present at the meeting

strongly favored a plan, if one could be devised and carried out, that would provide for disposal of the lands at their actual value and give to the counties for public works the excess over the railroad's equity.

## RECEPTION TO MR. AND MRS. CHILDS

Rev. M. F. Childs came to the Free Methodist church of West Springfield as pastor after the conference last May. His wife started on an extended visit to the places of their former acquaintances in the east about the same time, and had not met the congregation here until this time. She arrived at her new home Tuesday evening coming by the way of California. Her husband joined her at Roseburg, where he had been holding the district quarterly conference in place of the district elder. The members of the congregation with several neighbors and friends to the number of 25, gathered at the parsonage early in the evening, loaded the table with choice eatables of their own providing and all enjoyed a feast together. It was a happy home-coming for Mrs. Childs and a pleasant social evening for all.

## To Try Again to Revive Fire Dept.

Half a dozen members of the Springfield fire department met at the city hall Tuesday evening to consider the matter of re-organizing the local fire department. The subject was discussed at length and finally it was decided to appoint a committee to call upon the business men and ask them to join the department. The committee was instructed also to write to each person whose name is on the roll of members of the local company, and ask that they attend the meeting next Tuesday evening, unless they wish to be dropped from the company.

The committee having these matters in charge consists of J. C. Mullen and Harry Keifer.

## HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

The first social event of this year was in the order of a reception given the Freshmen and new students by the old ones. It was held in the Woodmen hall, Friday, October 1st. At the door each was handed a card on which he was instructed to get as many names as possible. After this, a prize was offered to the class which could give the best stunt and yell. The Freshmen's was declared the best and they were presented with a "silver cup." Later in the evening punch and wafers were served after which every one left declaring that he had had a good time and felt better acquainted with his fellow students.

The foot ball team of the Springfield High school is out practicing every night after school getting ready for the coming game with Junction City which will be played here at Springfield October 23.

By a vote of the Student Body the High school will support foot ball this season.

A number of the girls are learning to play tennis and are practicing every night in anticipation of the tournament, the winner of which gets the fine racquet presented by the business men of the city.

## WENDLING SCHOOL PATRONS ORGANIZE

(Special to the Lane County News) Wendling, Ore., Oct. 14.—Parent-Teachers Association held their first meeting at the school house last Friday evening with a large crowd in attendance. The business of the evening consisted of the election of new officers and the discussion of many topics along the line of school improvement. Committees were appointed to make arrangements for the extension of the playground, and the equipment of playground, with additional apparatus. Arrangements are also being made for the installation of gas lights at the school house at an early date.

The officers of the Association are: Mrs. Patterson, president; Mrs. Mathers, vice-president; Mrs. Savage, secretary; Mrs. Matteson, treasurer.

## WENDLING NOTES

Mrs. John Ruche of Wisconsin, is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Faye Abrams.

Mrs. Elmer Miles was an over night guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stout last Monday.

Mrs. N. Nielson drove her Studebaker car to Junction City Saturday returning that evening with her mother-in-law, Mrs. Nielson and son Carl Nielson.

Miss Olive Smith of Springfield was a week-end guest of Miss Myrtle Copenhaver. She returned to Springfield Sunday afternoon.

M. A. Barnes, Booth-Kelly tally-man spent Saturday and Sunday visiting friends in Eugene.

Mr. Jairrett and wife returned this week, after a short honeymoon trip to Seattle. They have already moved into their new home.

## REBEKAHS TO GO TO COTTAGE GROVE

Thirty or more members of the Juanita lodge of Rebekahs of Springfield leave at 6:30 tonight by motor-bus for Cottage Grove to attend the meeting of the order there, held in honor of the visit of Mrs. Rose Palmer, president of the Oregon assembly.

Those going from here are Mr. Mrs. J. E. McKibben, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Staniger, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Durrin, Mr. and Mrs. J. Earler, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Donaldson, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Korf, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bally, Mrs. Lucina Richardson, Mrs. M. J. McKlin, Mrs. Al. Montgomery, Mrs. Jessie Newman, Mrs. Strubin, Mrs. Ed. Collins, Mrs. Riley Snodgrass, Mrs. D. Crouch, Mrs. Hoover, Mrs. J. H. Brumette, Mrs. J. W. Baker, Mrs. Earl Moore, Mrs. Griffin, Misses Ella Young and Miss Florence Coffin, Mrs. Sam Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. John McKay.

## GRAVEL TRAINS READY TO WORK

Operations at the Natron gravel pits were resumed today with the taking to the pits of the necessary cars, and the loading for first runs to the front at the Acme bridge tomorrow. The steamshovelman arrived last evening, together with two train crews and one engine. Two more engines are expected tonight. By the end of the week graveling operations will be in full swing, and the work will continue until the northern portion of the Coos bay line is completed, which will not be for several months at the least.

## OLIVER JOHNSON GOES INTO OLD BUSINESS

A deal was completed the first of the week whereby Oliver Johnson, formerly in the hardware and furniture business here, purchased the interest of Chas. Walker in the hardware firm of Walker & Holbrook, and the firm becomes Holbrook and Johnson.

Mr. Johnson has been driving the Booth-Kelly lumber truck to Eugene, and will give up this work and enter the store just as soon as a man is secured for his place. Mr. Holbrook came to Springfield from Albany several months ago, and has already won a high place in the business life of Springfield.

## BOARD PUT UP FOR THE DISPLAY OF NOTICES

Byron Smith, clerk in the local post office, has constructed a fine signboard which has been placed on the wall of the lobby for the display of official notices of which the postmaster often has a number to post. Ronald Roberts painted the board, and Postmaster Stewart had a part in its erection—he bossed.

## CLIFF LYBARGER SELLS HIS LUNCH COUNTER

Cliff Lybarger, who opened a lunch counter here a year or more ago, this week sold his business to Mike Edwards of Fall Creek and will give possession tomorrow, the 15th. Mr. Lybarger will move to his place in the Stewart addition, and will remain there for some time.

## PREPARE TO HAVE A "DRY" SEASON

Portland Will Take Care of Laboring Men After January 1st.

Portland, Ore., Oct. 13.—To provide a place of resort, after the prohibition law goes into effect January 1 next, for laboring men who now gather in saloons, the city today leased a four story building and will fit it up at once.

The ordinance providing for the innovation was introduced by City Commissioner Geo. L. Baker. It was passed unan-

mously. Under the plan outlined by Mr. Baker there will be reading rooms, musical instruments, a gymnasium, baths and a limited number of beds for unemployed men. All of the conveniences will be free to visitors except the beds. Men who sleep at the resort will be required to work out the price of the beds.

## WANT MONEY RAISED FOR HARRISBURG BRIDGE

A delegation of Harrisburg men were in Springfield Tuesday circulating a petition asking Lane county's court to stand half the expense of building a bridge across the Willamette at Harrisburg next year. The petitions were freely signed by our business men and the residents generally. The Harrisburg men felt highly elated over the reception given them and the general feeling expressed here favoring the early building of the bridge there.

Following are the names of those composing the party: A. J. Hill, Thos. W. Somerville, Atty. J. L. Norwood, M. Hawk and M. D. Morgan.

## Traveler Escapes Perils of the Deep

A Mr. Henderson, formerly a resident of Camp Creek, and a friend of the E. E. Brattain family, arrived home from Madagascar Monday, after a trip of four months on the way. Their ship, the Pretorian, barely escaped being torpedoed on the way across the Atlantic, and was run into in a fog and the prow bent back double. The ship limped into Quebec with a decided list, and with the masts splintered by a bolt of lightning.

## S. P. INSPECTORS FIND OREGON LINE WELL KEPT

At End of Trip Over Entire System Cards Turned in and Gold Medals Awarded.

Engineers of various divisions of the Southern Pacific company spent Tuesday night in Eugene on their annual trip of inspection of the lines in Oregon. The engineers are being piloted over the Portland division, which includes all of the company's lines in Oregon, by F. M. Siefert, engineer of the Portland division. The other members of the party are J. Q. Barlow, assistant chief engineer of the company; R. M. Drake, assistant chief engineer and chief of maintenance of way; W. H. Kirkbride, engineer of the Sacramento division; D. A. Porter, engineer of the western division; Otis Weeks, engineer of the Salt Lake division, and C. A. Wester, engineer of the Shasta division.

This inspection trip covers an itinerary of over 8,000 miles. The engineers inspect each depot, each section, each pumping plant and each roadmaster's district. Each one of the engineers makes a separate inspection of these properties and each makes his own markings, which at the end of the trip are turned in and the station, the section, the pumping plant and the roadmaster's division in each engineer's division showing the highest rating will be given a gold medal.

Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co., announces opening of line between Eugene and Florence.

The Nashville and Toledo creameries have distributed over \$10,000 each to the farmers of that section the past year.

## STUDENTS WATCH COUNCIL WORK

The town council, at its regular monthly meeting Monday night, amended the ordinance governing the keeping of swine in the city limits of Springfield, and will now allow persons living in the suburbs, where the distance between houses is considerable, to keep the animals.

A communication announcing that the Springfield library had been made a depository for all state reports, was referred to Councilman Peery, who is also a member of the library board.

The city treasurer was given authority to take up outstanding warrants with funds on hand.

I. D. Larimer was appointed a member of one of the election boards to take the place of Geo. Ohlson, who has removed from Springfield.

The salaries paid some of the officers were discussed, but no action was taken.

Members of the civil government class of the high school attended the meeting to observe the processes of town government in actual operation.

## NEW RAILROAD IS INCORPORATED

Articles of Oregon, California and Eastern Filed at Salem.

Salem, Ore., Oct. 13.—Articles of incorporation were filed today by the Oregon-California and Eastern railway, surveys for which have been made by Robert E. Strahorn. The declaration of purpose proposes a line from Bend, Crook county, to Lakeview, Lake county with branch lines running from a point at or near Silver Lake, Lake county, to Kirk, Klamath county; from Millican, Crook county, to Arden, Harney county, and from a point to be determined to the Warner valley. The Oregon office is at Portland, and the main office at Carson City, Nev. The capitalization is \$100,000. P. B. Ellis is president, L. S. Ellis vice-president and William Muller, secretary and treasurer.

## FOREST NOTES

According to a recent compilation of the Department of Agriculture, approximately 1,900,000 acres represents the total land area of the United States. Of this area about 878,000,000 acres of 46 per cent of the total, is in farms. Only a little over half of this farm land is improved.

Of the total land area of Oregon, 61,188,000 acres. 19 per cent or 11,685,000 acres is in farms. Of this farm land approximately 4,275,000 acres is improved farm land, which is 7 per cent of the total.

In Washington the total land area is estimated to be 41,775,000 acres, of which 27 per cent or 11,721,000 acres is in farms. Approximately 6,373,000 acres of this farm land is improved, which is 15 per cent of the total.

In 1906, the first law was passed giving the several states a share in the National Forest income. The first allotment made to Oregon under this law was \$7,585; the last fiscal year gave Oregon \$69,545 as its share of this income. Washington's first allotment under this law in 1906 was \$1,923, while the State's share at the end of the last fiscal year was \$62,423.

**A TRUTH TO HAMMER HOME**

and it doesn't make any difference how many homes we hammer the point in—the more the merrier. Quality counts all the time and price that's reasonable can go with it. Small profits and large sales are our long run. That's how we do it. Hardware of class—distinctive, up to the moment—just what you want—right when you want it. Our stock is in perfect condition. It shines—there is an elegance to the interior of our store, if it is just hardware.



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