

COMMERCIAL CLUB OF ASHLAND HAS ELECTION THURSDAY

ASHLAND, May 12.—Ashland specifically will hold a primary election on Thursday this week, May 13; but this will be a Commercial Club measure to nominate 12 directors under the new dispensation. The electorate is composed of 527 members of the organization, and each member is not only entitled, but urged to nominate 12 members as his or her choice for a board of directors. The names of the 24 members receiving the highest number of votes in this primary will be placed on a final election ballot, together with any additional names, which may be placed thereon by petition signed by at least 25 members. Nomination papers for this primary election, May 13, have already been mailed out, and polls are now open and will close at 7 p. m. on that date. Final election ballots will be mailed to every member on Monday, May 17, and the 12 receiving the greatest number of votes in the final election will compose the new board of directors. This board will elect the officers of the club, including president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary. Remember, the primary election is now on, and will close Thursday evening, May 13, and the "general" election will begin on Monday, May 17. "Vote for twelve."

Representatives in the interests of Wood and Johnson as presidential candidates have appeared here recently, and on Thursday evening, May 13 at city hall, Mrs. Jennie Kemp of Portland will define sufficient reasons "Why I am coming home to vote for Hoover." All are invited, especially the women.

Funeral services of the late Chas. E. Abbott, who died at the family home near city limits, on Monday, were held on Wednesday at Elks temple. "Charley," as he was familiarly known, was a genial fellow of a remarkably sunny disposition, and many friends will regret to learn of his passing. He was ill a long time with a phase of blood poisoning which finally overcame a persistent vitality. He leaves a wife and several children.

In some circles, Hillah Temple's "homecoming" ceremonial will be held on Saturday, June 5, presumably in Masonic Temple. The executive committee to look after engagements in general includes G. W. Dunn, E. D. Wagner, T. H. Sampson, C. W. Mims and O. Winter. Dunn is also "master of transportation" insofar as investigating the opportunity of securing two or three Pullmans for the trip to Portland is concerned. Invitations to the ceremonial are now being gotten out, the form in this instance being a large card instead of pamphlet announcement. A number of deputy potentates have been appointed for various districts of the state. George S. Calhoun represents Josephine county, residing at Grants Pass; Worth Harvey of Cottage Grove, Lane county; R. D. Williams of Roseburg, Douglas county; Jack Kimball of Klamath Falls, Klamath and Lake counties. These appointments expedite various matters connected with the business routine, and a deputy for the coast region with headquarters at Marshfield, is under consideration. The Klamath Shriners will organize a club and attend the ceremony here in a body with flying colors, touring by auto. Camping sites in the park are awaiting the visitors.

In the Masonic calendar this week, Wednesday evening is the time set for Alpha Chapter of the Eastern Star to pay a visit to Reames Chapter of Medford. The same evening there will be Red Cross work in the commandary here. On Thursday evening, Ashland Lodge No. 23 will meet for routine and degree work, matters connected with the new Masonic home, to be erected at Forest Grove, to receive special attention.

The approach of summer was the signal for Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Freeberg to start on their customary auto trip, the tour this season to be extended to the central west, notably Wisconsin, and they will be gone several months.

On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Caroline Schuerman entertained a company of ladies at her home on G street, the guests of honor being Mrs. V. M. Frost, of Seattle, and her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Carless of Talent.

Bishop Sumner, of the Episcopal diocese of Oregon, was in Ashland last Sunday, conducting the evening service, and confirmed a class at Trinity Episcopal church.

The Baptist congregation of Grants Pass visited Ashland in a body last Sunday and conducted services in the local church. It was a trifle cool

to have the picnic reunion in the parks, as originally planned. However, come again.

A dual birthday observance occurred at the home of Rev. Wm. Johnson recently, both he and his wife having passed the four-score limit by a half dozen years. A number of mutual friends made the event one of more than ordinary social significance.

Dawson Foster, former shoe salesman here and of late connected with a leading establishment in this line at Santa Barbara, Cal., has been an Ashland visitor of late.

Mrs. Bay L. Sherwin, for several years past a resident of West Salem, Wisconsin, recently lost her mother, after prolonged illness. Many friends hereabouts are wondering if this change in the family circle invites

that Mr. Sherwin will return to Ashland to live, she having retained a substantial residence property on Oak street during her long absence.

The Missionary Society of the Christian church has elected Mrs. W. L. Headley, president; Mrs. M. M. Decker, vice-president; Mae Benedict, secretary and treasurer. A future gathering of the society will be a picnic reunion in the parks.

A soil survey of Jackson county, the first undertaking of the kind in the state, has been completed and results published by the Agricultural college. It is written by H. V. Tartar, former station chemist, and F. C. Rivner, superintendent of the Southern Oregon experiment station at Talent. In a general way the components of Jackson county's soil are classified as non-acid and in its cultivation

"deeper plowing is recommended to liberate the latent plant food."

W. H. Johnson, cashier of the Bank of Jacksonville, is going to Philadelphia as delegate from Southern Oregon to the general assembly of the Presbyterian church, a gathering which is notable in religious annals. His wife will accompany him and they will be gone a month. Another Ashland pastor is leaving

this vicinity, Mrs. Elyn Hobart, who after efficient service here for the past two years or more, has resigned to accept an appointment as state evangelist under Free Methodist church auspices in California.

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