

THE CHARTER COMMISSION

Held Final Meeting in the City Hall and Completed Work

THE GREATER SALEM BOUNDARY LINE ESTABLISHED AND ADOPTED—AMENDMENTS TO CREATE PARK BOARD, FIX SALARIES LIMIT OF OFFICERS OF CITY.

The Salem charter commission held its final meeting in the city hall last evening, at which time all of the work heretofore mapped out was carefully gone over and corrected, ready to submit to the approval of the two local bodies which they represent. Those present were: J. H. McNary, chairman; N. J. Judah, secretary; W. A. Slater, E. A. Pierce, John Bayne, S. A. Riggs, Thomas Sims and Thos. Burrows.

The sub-committee on compilation, of which W. T. Slater is chairman, reported fourteen amendments, which, with slight corrections, were adopted by the commission.

They were: To subdivision 4 of section 6, providing for a board of health and for records of vital statistics.

To subdivision 6 of section 6, providing for the acquisition of public utilities.

To subdivision 9 of section 6, to license, tax and regulate certain callings, trades and professions.

To subdivision 14 of section 6, providing for an eight-hour day, and a minimum wage for unskilled labor in the city service.

To subdivision 41 of section 6, to license, tax and regulate water, gas, electric, telegraph and other quasi-public corporations, and to fix the minimum rates to be charged by these corporations for public and private service.

To section 8, fixing the maximum salary of the recorder at \$1,200 per annum instead of \$1,000.

To section 10, fixing the maximum salary of the marshal at \$1,200 per annum instead of \$1,000.

(These two last named amendments may be obviated by the adoption of other amendments considered last night.)

To section 15, providing further qualifications for municipal officers—notably, the requirement that the voter shall have paid his road poll tax for the current year.

To section 23, amendatory of the bonding privileges of the city.

To section 25, providing for the establishment of a park board.

To section 74, adjusting road supervision and collection of road tax within the city.

To section 5, providing for the appointment of the marshal instead of election and kindred matters.

To section 7, regulating the vote of the mayor in the appointment of subordinate officers by the council.

To section 10, striking out certain portions relating to the collection of taxes which are obsolete.

To section 2, further amending the proposed expanded boundaries of the city.

The secretary of the commission was instructed to draw a report of the work of the commission for presentation to the common council, on Tuesday night next, and to the Greater Salem Commercial Club, on Wednesday night next.

The commission has been to some slight, but very necessary expense, in the matter of surveys and typewriting, bills for which will be submitted to the council and the club for payment, share and share alike. The work of the commission has been achieved in twelve meetings during the past sixty-eight days, and it is hoped, by those who have given it faithful and disinterested attention, that it will pass favorably in the appointing bodies, and that only serious and valuable amendments will be considered and adopted by the council and club.

The sub-committee having in charge the matter of correcting the survey of the boundary lines for the proposed Greater Salem reported that it had completed its work and submitted the following report, which was adopted: Proposed boundaries of the City of Salem:

"Beginning where the south line of Locust street in Highland Avenue addition to the City of Salem, Oregon, if extended westerly would strike the middle of the Willamette river, thence easterly along the westerly extension of the south line of said Locust street and along the south line of said Locust street and along the easterly extension thereof to the east line of the right of way of the Southern Pacific Railroad; thence southerly along the east line of the right of way of the Southern Pacific Railroad to the north west corner of the westerly extension of the State Fair Grounds; thence east along the south line of the westerly extension of the State Fair Grounds to the inner angle thereof; thence southerly along the west line of the State Fair Grounds to the southwest corner thereof; thence easterly along the south line of the State Fair Grounds to a point due north of the most northerly northeast corner of the donation land claim of A. F. Waller and wife in township 7 south, range 3 west, of the Willamette Meridian; thence south to the most northerly northeast corner of the said donation land claim; thence southerly along the east line of said donation land claim and along the east line of Simpson's addition to the City of Salem to the center of Salem and Turner county road; thence southerly along the center of said road to the northeast corner of lot 4 in Miller's Mill Creek Rural Home tracts; thence southerly along the east line of lot 4 in said Miller's Mill Creek Rural Home tracts to the line running east and west through the center of section 36, in township 7 south, range 3 west, of Willamette Meridian; thence westerly along said line through the center of sections 35 and 34 to the east line of South Commercial street; thence southerly along the east line of South Commercial street to the easterly extension of the south line of City View Cemetery; thence westerly to the southwest corner of City View Cemetery; thence due north to the middle of the Willamette slough; thence down the middle of the Willamette slough to the middle of the Willamette river; thence down the middle of the Willamette river to the place of beginning."

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There shall be a Park Board to consist of three members, and no person shall be ineligible as a member of said board by reason of sex. The members of the board shall be appointed by the common council for terms of three years except as hereinafter or otherwise provided, and may be removed by the said council at any time.

Upon the taking effect of this charter the council shall immediately appoint three persons who shall constitute the Park Board one of whom shall serve until the first regular meeting of the Common Council in January, 1904; one until the first regular meeting of the Common Council in January, 1905; and one until the first regular meeting of the Common Council in January, 1906, but subject to removal as above provided, and as their terms expire thereafter, the Common Council shall appoint their successors to serve for the term of three years.

In case of vacancy occurring in the Park Board from any cause the same shall be filled by appointment by the council for the unexpired period of the term of the member whose place became vacant.

The said board shall have the general management and supervision of all parks, squares, openings and public grounds surrounding public buildings now owned or hereafter acquired by the city, and shall also have power to prohibit, regulate and control the planting, trimming, growing, use, preservation and maintenance of any or all shade or ornamental trees, shrubs, plants or flowers in, upon or over any park, boulevard, street, path or sidewalk of the city; and also to cause the removal of noxious and infected shrubs and trees.

The said board may adopt such rules and regulations for the use, management and supervision of the parks, squares, openings, public grounds, and surrounding public buildings, and places of recreation, now belonging to the city or hereafter acquired by it, as to the board may seem reasonable and necessary; such rules and regulations not to be inconsistent with the provisions of this charter or the city ordinances.

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No park, square, opening or public ground, belonging to this city, shall be used for any private or public purpose, except upon permit first had from said board.

The Park Board shall have power and authority to employ, hire and discharge, from time to time, such workmen and laborers as it may deem necessary to the proper conduct and management of the public places under its control.

The Park Board shall, at the first regular meeting of the Common Council in June and December of each year, report to the council in detail the receipts and expenditures of the board and an estimate of the necessary expenditures for the carrying on of the work of said board for the ensuing year. Said statement must show the class of the employees and the salaries paid to them and the number employed. The council thereafter may make such appropriation as it may deem necessary to meet the expenses of said board. A failure to make the report heretofore provided for shall be sufficient grounds for the removal of any one, or all, of the members of said board.

TWO NEW ENTERPRISES

TANNERY AND SOAP FACTORY IN LIST OF PROBABILITIES FOR SALEM.

Recently the Greater Salem Commercial Club inserted advertisements in several trade papers, calling attention to the advantages offered here in different manufacturing lines.

In answer to one of these advertisements, there arrived yesterday from Santa Cruz, Cal., two gentlemen who are looking for a suitable location for a tannery and soap factory.

They are Messrs. Lochee and Myers, and they express themselves as pleased with the prospects. They were introduced to a number of persons by H. B. Thiesen, president of the Greater Salem Commercial Club, among them being Mayor Bishop, who gave the visitors something of the history and experiences of the tannery that was run for a time in connection with the Thos. Kay Woolen Mills here.

Salem at the present time has no tannery, and there would seem to be a splendid opening for such a concern, and there is plenty of room for the operations of a soap factory. It is to be presumed that the two institutions, or the one institution with the two lines of manufacture would work well.

Years ago Salem had a tannery, and its output commanded good prices in the markets, being of an excellent quality.

Every encouragement should and no doubt will be offered to these people to locate here and establish their proposed manufacturing plant.

TRIED TO WRECK A TRAIN.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 20.—An attempt was made to wreck the "Frisco" fast passenger train from Birmingham last night, three miles east of this city. Just before the train arrived before a high trestle, three miles out, a farmer discovered four men laying cross-ties across the track. He advanced towards them and they fled. A short distance further on it was found that several spikes had been drawn and laid on the rails. The train was flagged and stopped within a few yards of the obstruction.

THE HOLIDAYS ARE AT HAND

Evidenced by the Beautiful and Attractive Decorations of the Windows

NEVER BEFORE HAVE SUCH EXTENSIVE AND ELABORATE STOCKS BEEN IN EVIDENCE AND THE VOLUME OF TRADE EXCELS FORMER SEASONS.

The holiday season is now at hand and the merchants of Salem have made extra efforts to prepare an elaborate display of their stock to the best possible advantage.

Window holiday decorating is an art in these days and probably in no city in Oregon does this art come nearer to the point of perfection than right here in Salem. And to show that the patrons of the various business houses appreciate the work in this line, groups may be seen almost any day now, standing in front of the various show-windows gazing at the varied assortments within.

Every dealer in the city has a larger stock of goods on hand this year than ever before, and surely none have reason to complain of dull times, for the stores are nearly all crowded to overflowing every day. The good crops and high prices have made everybody happy and they are indulging in the comforts and luxuries of life to a greater extent than ever before.

Some of the stores which have taken extra pains in holiday decorating are the following:

Joseph Meyers & Sons, at the corner of Liberty and Court streets, has about as beautiful a set of windows as could be found anywhere. In one of the Court street windows is an arch about six feet high and four wide, the frame trimmed in yellow cheese cloth and white cut paper, and red yarn so woven in the center as to form a perfect spider's web, artistically displaying the quality of the fabric represented. Each window has its special features, and it would be hard, indeed, to find prettier windows or a better display. The windows were arranged by D. A. Dinsmore, assisted by R. W. Holman.

On the corner of Commercial and Court streets, T. Holmerson & Co. have an elaborate display, and their artist, Al Hurst, certainly knows how a window should be dressed to be attractive. The Court street windows contain some very pretty designs, while one on Commercial street has a very striking and effective winter scene. Hundreds of small black threads are suspended in this window and every two or three inches are tiny bits of cotton, tied to the threads, the whole so arranged as to move up and down. In amongst the threads and cotton are furs and other articles symbolical of the Arctic regions, and the whole has an extremely wintry appearance.

Men are not the only ones, however, who are artists when it comes to getting up designs for holiday window decorating. There are no prettier or more attractive windows in town than are those of Mrs. Fraser, at "The Leader," on Commercial street, and the work and designing was executed by Mrs. C. C. Keller. One attractive feature is a glass-ship, fully rigged, and has the appearance of one just reaching the home port, laden with a rich cargo after a voyage to a foreign land. These windows are very pretty and reflect credit upon the designer.

At 298 Commercial street, J. L. Stockton has some very pretty windows, though he has not put forth any special effort at special holiday dressing. In his window are neatly arranged articles showing what may be found inside the store, and as a nicely dressed window is always attractive, Mr. Stockton's display ranks well with the others.

J. J. Dalrymple's windows, always attractive, are more so than ever as the holidays are approaching. Here again no special effort has been made in the way of an exclusive holiday display, but the windows are filled with rich and showy articles, among which are some exquisite designs in burnt leather, executed by Miss Anna Hopf, and others in burnt wood done by Mr. Albert Hopf. The windows were dressed by Carl Hopf, an employee of the store.

The Woolen Mills Store windows, though not in genuine holiday attire, are among the most tasty in the city. Mr. Evans is the artist here, and samples of the stock fill the big windows in such variety as to prove the excellence of the same as well as the good taste of the artist.

When it comes to elegance in arranging a lot of articles in a window in such manner as to show them off to the best advantage, the display in the windows of G. W. Johnson & Co.'s store would be hard to beat. Pretty nearly everything in the way of wearing apparel for men is on exhibition here, and it would be a trying matter to pass by there without going in to make a purchase even if one were not in need.

The New York Racket and the Fair Store each are loaded with holiday goods, and it would not be possible to mention an article that would be classed in the list of Christmas novelties that are not on sale at these stores.

Among the drug stores in the city which have taken on holiday attire are those of D. J. Fry and Dr. Stone. Mr. Fry has some attractions in his windows which are new and novel, consisting of strips of red baby ribbon suspended from the ceiling, and upon which are tied sprigs and leaves of Oregon grape, the effect being very pretty.

Both of Salem's book stores have such a line of holiday goods this year

DO YOU WANT TO SAVE \$ \$ \$ \$ \$

And at the same time select your holiday presents from one of the largest stocks on the coast? Our assortment of FURNITURE, CARPETS, WALL PAPER and PICTURE MOULDING is very complete and right up to the new things of the day:



Morris Chairs

Are still the popular Xmas gift. We knew their reputation and laid in a good stock. We have them at \$3.95, but good ones at \$6, at \$8, at \$9 and on up.



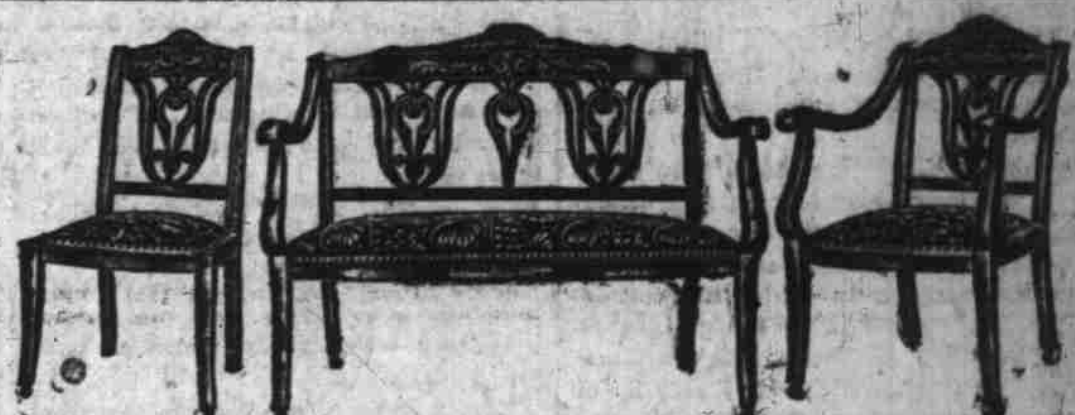
Oak Bedroom Suits



Good ones at \$20, at \$25, at \$27.50, at \$30.

This Beautiful ...Parlor Suit

Of three pieces only \$17 for three pieces. Upholstered in light shades of valour. Very good value.



BUREN & HAMILTON

The Low Price Furniture House.

as were never before seen in any book store in the city.

Patton Bros' store contains many new features and in the windows may be seen dolls, toys and almost everything calculated to please all kinds of people, black and white, little and big, and nothing is lacking to make the attraction complete.

The W. H. Burghardt Co.'s store on Commercial street is another attractive place just now. The windows are filled with the prettiest designs for the season's trade, and here, again, is seen the science of window dressing.

W. W. Zinn, the State street confectioner, has his place of business trimmed up in the most up-to-date fashion. There are candy canes in all the colors of the rainbow, and the children may be seen singly and in groups any hour gazing wistfully at this varied assortment, wondering which sort Santa Claus would select for them.

The Spa, too, is gaily decked in holiday attire, and from the loads of confections to be found there it appears that the old gentleman with the long whiskers will be able to find plenty to go around this year.

The jewelry stores also have added some attractive features. The Barr Jewelry store, at the corner of Liberty and State streets, has some of the most dazzling show windows ever seen in Salem or anywhere else. Not much decorating has been done by this firm, but the window display is so rich and yet with such taste that it is worth anyone's time to stop and examine the beautiful assortment.

The jewelry firm of S. W. Thompson & Co., at No. 110 State street, has a window full of blissing gems, and while their display is always admirable, extras have been added to give lustre to the holiday occasion.

Another State street jewelry house worthy of mention is that of Chas. H. Hinges, at No. 85 State street. Mr. Hinges is not only a jeweler, but an artist as well, and believes in observing the Christmas season with fitting decorations, and the consequence is that his windows are among the very prettiest in the city. He thinks the season is not fittingly observed if there is no holly in evidence, so he has suspended on red ribbons several beautiful wreaths of holly with red berries attached. In his windows, while sprays of holly and Oregon grape in other conspicuous places set off the surrounding sparkling gems in a way that makes one wish he were a millionaire when passing the store.

CASTO The Kind You Know
Salem's
Signature
of Chas. H. Hinges

LOST A FINGER

MISS EMMA SNYDER SUFFERS A PAINFUL ACCIDENT AT WOOLEN MILL.

(From Sunday's Daily).

Miss Emma Snyder, a young woman 17 years of age, was quite seriously injured at the Thomas Kay Woolen Mills in this city, about 3 o'clock p. m. yesterday.

Miss Snyder is comparatively a new hand at the mill, and it was while attempting to clean a loom which was in motion, that the accident occurred. Dirt and threads had accumulated in the loom, and, without waiting for the machinery to stop Miss Snyder attempted to remove the dirt, and while thus engaged her left hand was caught in the moving machinery, and crushed.

A physician was immediately summoned, and it was found, upon examination, that the third finger of the left hand was badly crushed, that an amputation was made necessary, and the finger was accordingly removed at the first joint.

She was taken to her home on Twenty-Fifth street, where she was made comfortable and last night was resting as easy as could be expected, knowing she will be maimed for life.

A GOOD SUGGESTION—

It is not known to every one that there is published from the Statesman building the Pacific Homestead, the farm paper with the largest circulation on this coast—and the best farm paper on this coast. Its guaranteed, sworn and proved circulation will be a minimum of 10,000 for the year 1902, and it is expected to reach 12,000 or more. It is a twenty-page paper, published weekly, and always contains a number of illustrations giving the conditions and progress of agriculture in the Northwest. The Homestead has become a very successful newspaper. Its subscription business extends from Northern California to British Columbia, and from the Pacific Ocean up into Montana and Utah. And its advertising business covers the whole United States field. So it is very much more than a local journal. However, some of the residents of Salem who have friends and relatives in the East have been sending them copies of the Homestead. There is no better immigration literature, though the paper contains no boom matter. It deals in facts and results. If you have a farmer friend in the East who should be living here, make him a Christmas present of the Homestead for a year. It will make an appropriate present, and will be appreciated. Depend upon that. It costs only \$1 for a full year, fifty-two papers of twenty pages, which in all will contain at least 500 pictures.

PROPERTY CHANGED HANDS—

F. W. Durbin, recently appointed to take charge of the stock of goods and accounts of John C. Hertz & Co., yesterday filed a petition requesting the court to grant him an order to sell the stock of goods and fixtures to Samuel Adolph for the sum of \$4,510, which Mr. Adolph had offered for the same. Mr. Durbin stated that he considered this a fair offer, and Judge Boise granted the petition and issued an order permitting the sale.

HEAVY PRUNE SHIPMENTS—

The shipments of prunes are continuing this year much later than hitherto. Usually the shipping season closes about December 1st. This year it will not end until the holidays, at any rate. One packing house may be taken as a sample of the whole score and more. This particular firm is running with its whole stock of nearly 200 employees on full time. The work is sufficient to warrant keeping open two or three hours of the night as well as the full number of daylight hours. —San Jose Mercury.

JUST LIKE FINDING IT—

Solon Baker, one of the energetic farmers of the Red Hills, believes in diversified farming. Mr. Baker yesterday brought into town and sold to Flitts & Doty twelve of his fine geese as were ever brought in market. The twelve weighed just 10 pounds, and brought the seller a neat little sum when it is considered that they never have eaten a penny's worth of grain excepting what they picked up out of the fields. He said he raised them from a single pair, that they had been no trouble, and that he considered the price he received just the same as finding it much. The lot netted him about \$7.

RETURNED HOME—

Superintendent Thos. W. Potter, of the United States Indian Training School, returned from his trip on last evening's train. Mr. Potter went as far as Washington, where he attended to business in connection with the institution, and he stopped at several Northwest reservations on his way home, looking up more students. With work soon to begin on the large boys' dormitory, to be built of brick, and to cost, with its furnishings, about \$25,000, with many other improvements under way or contemplated, and with a constantly growing institution, Superintendent Potter is leading a rather strenuous life. The Salem institution is forging rapidly to the front place among the Indian Schools of the United States. Only a few more years of such growth as has been experienced since Mr. Potter began his work there, some six years ago, will suffice to put this school at the head of the whole list, both in attendance, in facilities, and in excellence of work accomplished.