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### The Weather.

Tonight and Saturday, partly cloudy.

### WHAT GREATER SALEM SHOULD HAVE.

There are those who are indifferent to the progress of Greater Salem as the Capital City of Oregon.

There are a few persons in every community who are indifferent to everything but their own affairs.

But the average American citizen wants to be public-spirited, and not just simply hog for himself all the time.

The Journal is regarded by some as being ahead of the procession in its demands for Greater Salem, but it is not.

Demands for progress must be made by some one, and from the ladies who are improving Marion square to those who are demanding asphalt street improvement, we sympathize with them all.

This city cannot stand still, and it cannot resist the spirit of progress, without driving people away who should become permanent citizens.

Greater Salem should have some better streets as soon as possible.

One street should be asphalted this coming year.

A sewer system that will guarantee good drainage to the city and suburbs is almost a sanitary necessity.

**THE STATE HOUSE SHOULD BE PAINTED WHITE.** The work can be ordered done at the special session.

Wilson avenue should be parked, and we should not wait for a few public-spirited ladies to eat cookies and drink tea at each other's homes to raise the funds. Where there is a will there is a way.

The Journal believes the people want these things done, and done right and right away, not after we are all dead and gone.

If they are never demanded and never undertaken, they will never come about themselves. Citizens of all parties favor these improvements, and what the people demand they will find ways and means to secure.

And who can say these demands are wrong or even unreasonable?

### SOUND POLICY FOR THE SUBURBS.

The three new wards of this city

## Mind your doctor. He says: "Ayer's Cherry Pectoral for coughs."

J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

In the third ward the people who want clean, progressive young men in public affairs should see that Otto Wilson is made the nominee.

He is a native son, a life-long Republican, has never held office, and would make a creditable man to have in the city government.

### FREE DELIVERY FOR GREATER SALEM.

The Greater Salem Commercial Club should take up the matter of securing letter carrier service for the territory in the new wards.

Part of the population is now served once a day, but is only on the free rural mail routes. All of Greater Salem should have free delivery.

The government will not establish free carrier delivery unless the proper amount of sidewalks are established.

This proves that the suburban wards are in need of improvements, in order to get the benefits of civilization.

### Two Centuries' Shrine.

Pottstown, Pa., Nov. 23.—As the oldest edifice of that denomination in this country, the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the organization of the congregation of Swamp Lutheran church, located in New Hanover township, Montgomery county, is attracting wide spread attention among Lutherans. The celebration opened today and will continue through tomorrow, consisting of historical addresses and other exercises, participated in by prominent clergymen and laymen of the denomination.

Although the two centuries that have passed since the handful of Lutherans met and organized have clouded much of the congregation's early history, the claim that it stands first among the Lutheran organizations of the country is authenticated by the records that are still preserved. The members first worshipped in their homes, Rev. Daniel Falckner being the first pastor. Various clergymen served until 1742, when Dr. Henry Melchior Muhlenberg, one of the most noted Lutheran clergymen of the 18th century, came and served until 1767.

The first church was erected in 1721, and in 1767 it was supplanted by another, the structure that stands there today. In 1867, on the 100th anniversary of its erection, it was completely remodeled, and again in 1886 it was improved. Very little in the interior, with possibly the exception of the wainscoting, remains of the old edifice as it originally was, but the substantial stone walls remain almost the same as when constructed. The pipe organ, built in 1801, by Charles Dittenderfer, is still used by the congregation.

The revenues of the new wards are not needed, and should not be used to pay off the old city debt.

There are persons in the old city limits and in the new wards who say we will count their population and take their taxes and give them as little as possible.

They will now clamor to have the old city debt wiped out immediately, and will oppose all expenditures for improvements in the new wards.

That is a narrow and selfish policy that should not prevail. Let a policy of fair and liberal treatment of the new wards be inaugurated.

If the new wards had been taken into the city ten years ago they would now be in far different condition from what they are.

They would all have improved in proportion as Yew Park has, that was then taken into the city and has made John H. Albert a rich man.

If a liberal policy is exercised toward the new wards for five years all the property in them will come into the market at double its present value, and there will be two houses standing in them where there is one today.

### THE SCIENCE OF DOORMATOLOGY

The man does not live who likes to be made a doormat of.

It is not good diplomacy to make a doormat of your friends.

It is a good plan to make proper use of the doormat—before your own door, to keep the house clean.

Just observe how much dirt is carried in off the dirty streets and dirty crosswalks. The floors of stores and offices show it.

Have you a doormat in front of your place of business, in front of your residence?

All the churches should have doormats in front of their entrances, for the sinners to wipe their feet upon before entering.

The doormat is the exception and it should be universal. Every house should have a doormat, a bath tub a book shelf.

### A YOUNG MAN FOR ALDERMAN.

Otto Wilson for alderman in the third ward would mean a man in his prime and with his future before him to serve the people there.

He is a successful business man who gives employment to others, and does not depend on political jobs to get his living.

The mere fact that he is a bicycle dealer and owns and operates an automobile proves that he is alive, and would fight for good streets.

A young man in the prime of life who has his stake to make in the progress and upbuilding of the community is a valuable man for alderman.

At the coming Republican primary

## JOURNAL X-RAYS

The direct nomination plan has given the Republicans the strongest and best candidates that have ever been put up in this city.

A boom for the presidency is very nice, but the average merchant is pretty well pleased over the prospect of a good, booming holiday trade.

Frank Wrightman sounded the keynote of the Republican campaign, when he eulogized the grand young man at the front in the White House.

Why should the government have to buy a right of way to build a canal along its own river—the Columbia? Don't Uncle Sam own the Columbia? To hear Portland push talk, one would think the Harriman syndicate owned it, and the government had to get their permission to build a canal along its banks.

A direct nomination convention of the people shuts nobody out from being a candidate, allows every citizen to say who shall be the candidate of his own party, and leaves no machine dictating who the people shall put up for office. That is, altogether democratic and American.

Hauling on gravel and hauling off mud has been the policy of this city for forty years. Shall that continue for forty years more? Anything better than that is regarded as almost a crime by some of the mossbacks, but nothing is too good for the street of beautiful Salem, if the money is honestly expended. There has been enough gravel hauled on to make a fine foundation for crushed granite, crushed rock, or even crushed gravel. Some persons have even advanced to the asphalt stage and are not considered nutty on other matters.

Some talk Court street; some Commercial street; some Twelfth and state from the S. P. Depot to the Wilamette Hotel; but whatever street makes the first break for a permanent improvement, at least as good as the farmers and county judge have built out to Liberty, will reap a harvest. Let's import some of those Liberty hayseeds.

Advocating street improvements does not necessarily advocate jobbery. The people want one hundred cents on the dollar for the money spent.

Does not this town need a street improvement policy that consists of something besides dumping unscreened sand and "goose-egg" gravel on our principal business and residence streets? Men whose brain hasn't expanded beyond the unscreened goose-egg stage ought to quit expending our road and street funds for a while.

Is unscreened gravel dumped on our streets any better at the hands of Citizen Frizzell or Citizen Griswold than it was at the hands of Republican Riggs? Men should be elected to the council regardless of party who have advanced at least to the broken rock stage on the road highway of development.

Neurasthenia, St. Vitus' dance and brain-fag are conditions that usually baffle drug treatment, but each responds gratifyingly to osteopathic measures. Osteopathy courts investigation.

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