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Useful Christmas Goods

Of all kinds and descriptions.

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We can help you.



Woodmen of the World. General Organizer Rogers will be at camp meeting Friday night, and a full attendance is requested of all members. By order of P. L. Frazier, consul.

B. P. O. Elks. Meeting tonight. Initiation. Orchestra rehearsal at 7 o'clock. Banquet. H. H. OLINGER, Exalted Ruler.

Church Destroyed. Fort Wayne, Ind., Dec. 3.—St. Paul's Lutheran church was destroyed by fire this morning; loss \$80,000, with small insurance.

Warship Went Ashore. Victoria, B. C., Dec. 2.—The British warship Flora went ashore this morning in a fog on Denman Island. The damage is unknown.

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 Made by THE SIDNEY POWER COMPANY, Sidney, Oregon.
 Made for family use. Ask your grocer for it. Bran and shorts always on hand.

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Potatoes, Potatoes, POTATOES
 Call and see us before you sell your crop
James M. Kyle & Co
 175 Commercial St.

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 Three Days
From Today

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REPUBLICAN CITY CAMPAIGN

The Republican Candidates for Mayor and Alderman Stand for All Possible Progress and Development of Greater Salem Consistent With Good Business Administration.

REPUBLICAN CITY TICKET.
 For Mayor—Frank Waters.
 For Aldermen.
 First ward—Robt. E. Downing.
 Second ward—R. A. Crossan.
 Third ward—A. Gesner.
 Fourth ward—J. Frank Hughes.
 Fifth ward—J. W. Young, Geo. F. Jacobs.
 Sixth ward—E. C. Churchill, Frank Smith.
 Seventh ward—Andrew Vass, Lee Atchison.

Republican Candidates for Aldermen—All Workingmen.

In the first ward the nominee is Robert E. Downing, a son of Hon. Geo. S. Downing. Mr. Downing has been a life-long Republican, is a dealer in livestock, and one of the active, hard-working business men of the city.

In the second ward R. A. Crossan will lead the Republicans to victory. He is a hop buyer, and a veteran of the Union armies; is prominent in Grand Army circles.

In the third ward Lon Gesner is the nominee. He came to Oregon in 1845, was captain of a militia company during the war, has been in the state senate and city council. He was Indian agent at Warm Springs, and points with pride to his public record. He secured the construction of the state sewer when he was in the legislature, and is a surveyor by profession.

Frank Hughes, the candidate for alderman from the fourth ward, is a quiet, hard-working young man, with good business sense. All his interests are involved in the building up of the fourth ward. His election will be a cause for congratulation in that part of the city. He is a self-made man, having worked in the store all his life, and holding no office but assistant adjutant-general and lieutenant of a militia company.

In the fifth ward the nominees are J. W. Young, a carpenter and contractor, who was one of the committee to build the I. O. O. F. temple and opera house in this city. He also constructed the First Baptist church, two government buildings at Chemawa and many private residences in this city. The other nominee in this ward is Geo. B. Jacobs, a blacksmith and wagon maker, and a hard-working man.

In the big sixth ward the nominees are E. C. Churchill, who works in Brown & Lehman's sash and door factory. He conducted a factory in this city, which he sold out to Hansen & Landon. He has a splendid record for being a man who earns an honest living, as have all the nominees. His colleague on the ticket is Frank Smith, a butcher and buyer in the employ of Steusloff Bros., and one of the most industrious men in the city.

In the seventh ward the nominees are A. Vass, who has been a salesman with the Capital Lumbering Company for 15 years, and Lee Atchison, who has been occupying a similar position for Buren & Hamilton for eight years. Such facts about candidates speak louder in their behalf than any words of eulogy.

The Party for Young Men. With a young man in the White House, with young men in state and county offices, with a young man for mayor and many for aldermen, is it any wonder that the young men favor the Republican party this year?

The Young Men's Republican club has gone on record for clean politics, and for a Republican administration. The ridicule to which this club of Salem's most energetic young business men has been subjected at the hands of the Citizens' press representatives, will not tend to wean them from the ranks of the party, which has the only enviable record throughout the country. It may be (for so very secret were the meetings of the Citizens' push) that the votes of the young Republicans are not wanted. If so, that is good, for the Republican party wants them. That is where they be-

long, and any abuse which will return to the camp those likely to straggle out of the ranks, is considered a compliment by the active members for the cause of the young Republicans.

Give Salem One Decent Street.

If the Republican ticket is elected there is reason to hope that the coming year will see one decent street built in the Capital City. There will be a large cash street fund, and it should not be all spent hauling unscreened river sand and gravel onto the streets in summer, and hauling it off in winter—usually just before election. If the Citizens' ticket is elected the people need expect no change from the old-fashioned process that has been the rule for forty years—a rule that has been abandoned by the progressive prune growers of the red hills, to the shame and disgrace of the Capital City. The Republicans hang the banner of progress at the head of their campaign column, and the hayseeds howl about what they have done. But they promise neither the city nor the suburbs any progress whatever. This campaign will decide whether Salem shall take a stand for progress, or endorse cold-blooded "business."

The Citizens' council abandoned the popular loan plan of funding the city bonds that fell due the past year, to save the expense of a special election, when the interest they would have saved would have several times paid the expense.

They refused to give the people the benefit of the Australian ballot law, on the ground of expense, and, instead, force the poll tax law, to keep as many as possible from voting.

They went back on their own lighting contract, the best the city ever had, under which they claim the city has saved \$11,500, after the managers held a secret meeting at which it was proposed to hold up the contract to promote "real estate interests."

They enacted a restrictive bicycle ordinance that was uncalled for, then went back on it, and when it was revived by veto of the mayor, refused to enforce it.

No Argument Against Frank Waters for Mayor.

The only accusation that has been brought against Frank Waters, the Republican nominee for mayor, is that he is a good fellow. That was the accusation made against Governor Chamberlain, and it elected him. It is not a crime in the eyes of the people to be "a nailing good fellow."

The Citizens' managers are tormented with the fear that the Republican nominee for mayor can't hold down the job. Let us inquire into this a little. Could we want a better representative of the people than "a nailing good fellow?" This self-made "nailing good fellow" was the choice of an open, direct primary, not of a few retired capitalists in a back room, with locked doors to select him. There is absolutely no cause for presuming the Republican candidate is not as honest and fair-minded a candidate as Salem ever had.

The attempt to slur the good name of any man is bad business, and to accuse him in the same breath with being a "nailing good fellow," is paradoxical. To presume that because Bill Waldo resigned the mayoralty, that Frank Waters must, is as sensible as to presume that Waters must affiliate with certain political movements, because others do.

There are other features to this matter of a competent mayor. Hon. Geo. H. Williams, of Portland, was chosen because of some certain qualifications, which all went to make up a "grand old-man," but have you noticed the result? What has become of municipal government in Portland under the Williams' administration? So much for the possibility of good government from a seeming composite of the cardinal virtues.

If worst comes to worst, and the Republican candidate for mayor is liable to be pestered to death, or

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

JOHN F. CORDRAY, Mgr.

Friday, Dec. 4

Special Engagement of the Famous Olympia Opera Co. and MISS LOTTIE KENDALL Supported by an exceptional cast, including its famous Beauty Chorus In Richard Stahl's Master-bit of Comic Opera.

"Said Pasha"

No advance in prices. \$1.00, 75c, 50c, 35c.

Seats on sale at box office Friday at 9 a. m.

burdened beyond carrying capacity, what is to prevent him from calling on City Recorder Judah to see him through? Mr. Judah will not abandon any mayor the people may elect. If Mayor Waters gets to a point where he cannot handle the affairs of the city properly, he has the satisfaction of knowing that he can call on the ubiquitous city recorder for help. He can take a flying leap onto the back of the Citizens' Holy Moses, and flee for safety to the streets of Cairo, a popular pastime at the Greater Salem Carnival. All pleasanties aside, there is no argument against Frank Waters for mayor, and he is such a perfect and considerate gentleman that he can count on the cordial co-operation of the Citizens' officials who still will be in office for a year after he is elected. Those who now represent him as a weakling will find that he is a man of clean hands and brave enough to undertake any task the people may impose upon him. Those who say he will be "managed" look at men from no other standpoint.

Do You Want Progress or Expensive Theories

Do you want clean streets? Vote for the Republican ticket.
 Do you want improved streets? Vote for the Republican ticket.
 Do you want a street light to find your way home? Vote for the Republican ticket.
 Do you want to ride on the sidewalk? Vote for the Republican ticket.
 Do you want anything else? Vote for the Republican ticket.

Foolish Talk About Force.

All the talk emanating from Capt. Mahone about shouldering his musket to drive the saloon keepers and gamblers out of Salem is not American, but anarchistic in sentiment. There are others talking about proceeding by the sword and bayonet route to make men better and reform the world. This has ever been the last resort of fanaticism. It is the Mohammedan cry of conquering the world with the crescent and the sword, and unworthy of intelligent citizens of a free country. Happily it does not extend very far, and a majority of the next city council will be composed of men who will not encourage the Holy Roller system of government.

The Ticket for the Workingman. The workingman who wants the city to prosper should vote the Republican ticket. He can count on no encouragement in the way of public improvement from the Citizens' party.

CHICAGO STORE
 PEOPLES BARGAIN HOUSE

Sweeping Reductions All Over The Store for This Week Sale

On next Monday morning our store will be turned into a Xmas Bazaar and until that date we will give the people a chance to buy dry goods cheap, cheaper than you ever saw them before offered in Salem. We have to do it. We need the room badly. Read on.

- 75c Silk finished Velveteens, yd 48c
- 65c Cardinal Cashmires, yd 33c
- 39c Wool dress goods, 40 inches wide, per yard 23c
- 2c Valenciennes Lace, yd 1c
- 7c Outing Flannel, yd 4 1/2c
- \$1 Black Silk Peau de Soie, yd 65c
- No. 5 All Silk Taffeta Ribbon per yard 3 1/2c
- 3c Cotton Batting, roll 4c
- 35c White Table Damask, yd 24c
- 8c White Towels 24c
- 12c Blue Striped Ticking, yd 9c
- 7c Best Calicoes, yd 4c
- 39c Wash India Silk, yd 25c
- Children's 35c Union Suits 23c
- Ladies' 19c black cotton Stockings 5c
- Broken lot of Corsets, half price. \$1.50 fine wool waists 85c
- Ladies' 75c Union Suits 45c
- Best Spool Silk, spool 34c
- Best Saxony Yarn, skein 3 1/2c
- Fancy Silk Handkerchiefs 5c
- Best Sans Silk, ball 2c
- Good sized Blankets 1 1/2c
- Better blankets very cheap.
- Men's 25c Silk Neckties 10c
- Boys' 16c suspenders 8c
- Men's 25c suspenders 12c
- Men's 25c wool socks 15c
- Men's 39c fleeced underwear 25c
- \$2.50 fur boas, price \$1.95
- \$1.65 black silk mercerized skirts 95c
- Odd lot children's 25c underwear 15c
- 25c wool fascinators, price 10c
- Better ones, very cheap.
- \$3 French flannel waists 1 1/2c
- \$1.50 fine wool waists 85c

THE CHEAPEST STORE IN THE NORTHWEST.
M'Evoy Brothers, Court Street, Salem, Ore.

Furs

High grade furs—suffers beauties that suggest a frosty Xmas in face of winter's biting blasts. We have the best the market affords at prices as high as \$35 each, and for every dollar expended on furs here you receive more than a hundred cents' worth of style and satisfaction.

UMBRELLAS FOR CHRISTMAS



Of course you will have an umbrella on your list. Here you will find the best line in town to select from. Handles and covers the prettiest and best, and prices take little jumps from 75c to \$6.00 each. Make your selection early.

SUIT CASES
 If your friend travels much, give him a suit case a Christmas gift. We were never better equipped to supply your needs in this line.

Prices from \$3.50 to \$15

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