

Council Grants Request and Club Will Move to City Hall Quarters

The new office room in the city hall which is to be occupied by the Commercial Club is fast nearing completion. At Tuesday's council meeting an agreement between the Commercial Club and the city regarding the use of the new office room and the council chamber for assembly purposes was reached. The council ratified the proposition asked by the club committee. The club will dispose of its billiard and card tables and move its furniture and equipment into the new quarters as soon as they are ready for occupancy. A saving which will amount to quite a little will be made and the club will have downstairs quarters as it should have. The request made by the Commercial Club to the council follows:

"The special committee appointed by the Ashland Commercial Club for the purpose of negotiating with you for the use of certain parts of the city hall beg leave to make the following request:

"First—That the room on the

ground floor of the city hall, now being remodeled, be rented to the Ashland Commercial Club for its office at an annual rental of \$1 per year.

"Second—That electric light and electric heat be furnished and that an indirect lighting system be installed in the office room.

"Third—That the use of the council chamber be granted on the first Monday of each and every month and at such other times as desired, with the understanding that it should not at any time interfere with the meetings or business of the council.

"Fourth—That the Commercial Club upon its part will place in the council chamber for public use such chairs, tables and other furniture and fixtures as it now has, and not required, for use in the office.

"Respectfully submitted,
M. C. REED, Chairman;
FRANK JORDAN,
F. H. WALKER."

Buys City Lot and Will Build Residence

A special meeting of the city council will be held Friday evening to close up the sale of two lots just west of the J. F. Wolfe property on B street which came to the city through the failure of the former owner to meet pavement assessments, to Mrs. Delsman. Mrs. Delsman will commence immediately the construction of a \$2,500 home on the property. This is the second sale of property which has come to the city because of pavement burdens, W. B. Holmes having recently purchased the triangular piece at the intersection of the Boulevard and Iowa street.

Mrs. Delsman paid \$550 for the B street lots, this being a price placed on the lots some time ago. After the offer had been made to Mrs. Delsman a local real estate dealer offered to pay \$600 for them, but in view of the fact that Mrs. Delsman would build a home which alone will add \$56 a year to the city's revenue in taxes, light and water, the sale to her was approved.

Odd Fellows Buy Barneburg Block

The biggest real estate deal reported this week was the purchase by the Odd Fellows lodge of the Barneburg block on North Main street from Mr. and Mrs. Barney Nichols, residents of Los Angeles. The building is now occupied by A. R. Brown as the Plaza market. Consideration \$3,000. The order now owns several adjacent properties leased at a fair rental. In addition to lodge rooms proper which are rented to the Woodmen of the World, Pythian Sisters, Maccabees, and Fraternal Brotherhood.

Ashland Lodge, No. 45, has funded its indebtedness in a new issue of \$6,000 in bonds which were sold almost before they were off the printing press. The denominations are \$300 each, interest at 6 per cent, one bond redeemable each year obligatory, with privilege of redeeming as many more as the order sees fit.

Civic Club Invites Strangers to Picnic

A picnic which should be attended by at least two hundred of the women of Ashland, together with their men folk, will occur by next Tuesday afternoon, September 26, when the Civic Improvement Club gathers for a big picnic dinner at Litchia park picnic grounds. An especial effort will be made to get all the newcomers and strangers in Ashland to attend this picnic, and each club member is asked to bring at least one, newcomer or stranger. At 3 o'clock there will be a short business meeting and the following program: "Flower Gardens," Mesdames Briggs, Mattern, Winter, Vaupel, Lamkin and Swedenburg; "Household Helps," Mesdames Barber, Minkler, Cambers, Wilshire and Whittle.

Phone job orders to the Tidings.

Appreciation No. 5 From Pasadena

The following is the fifth appreciation of Ashland hospitality sent in by Pasadena people. It came in the form of a postcard to W. W. Ussher, who has made it a point to be courteous to visitors in Ashland. The card reads: "Just a small remembrance of your kindness to us in Ashland. We have had a fine trip and saw some beauty spots, but nothing so beautiful as Ashland. We are homeward bound and are as far as Lake Tahoe. They close here Sunday for the season. Again thanking you, I am, sincerely yours, Mrs. J. P. Stewart."

Three Peaches Three Pounds

Three peaches, each weighing one pound; three peaches, each twelve inches in circumference for a total of one yard; three peaches, each a "peach" in taste as well as looks, were brought to the Tidings office Thursday on a plate or, rather, brimming over the sides of a plate which would barely hold them. The monsters were Globe peaches from the orchard of T. J. Greer and were remarkable for their uniform coloring and size. No, they are not on exhibition, but perhaps someone could be found around the office who would tell you how good they tasted.

Livestock Sales This Week Make Total of Over \$50,000

John Hunt of Portland left last night with eight double-deck cars of lambs, numbering about 2,020. He brought them in several days ago from Hiatt Prairie and is taking them on to Portland.

G. B. Mansfield arrived last night with 70 head of mules and five head of horses in three cars from Klamath Falls. Fifty-three head of the mules are two-year-olds from the Sprat Wells ranch at Bly. They are a fine lot of mules, one weighing 1,240 pounds and a good many being 15 hands high. Mr. Mansfield says it is the best lot of two-year-old mules he has ever seen. The remainder of the mules and the horses were picked up at Klamath Falls. The entire shipment is headed for the Mansfield brothers' 3,000-acre wheat ranch at La Crosse, Wash., and will be loaded out tonight. A. D. Barr, who used to be with Mansfield brothers but now lives in Ashland, is going north with Mr. Mansfield to assist in handling the stock, but will return to Ashland, Mr.

Barr says that 13 cars of cattle left Klamath Falls on the 19th to go to Miller & Lux of San Francisco.

J. H. Carlton, for Miller & Lux, will load out tonight about 550 head of cattle all billed to this firm at San Francisco. About 20 cars will be required. The beef will go to the stockyards and the feeders will be taken to another station for rest and feed. These cattle are largely from the Dead Indian summer range and are in fine condition. The cattle were bought from George Owen, Henry Barneburg, F. E. Bybee, John Rader, Joe Rader, Marsh Garrett, C. S. Cingade and several other local parties. It is understood that the price paid was 6 cents for beef steers, 5 1/2 cents for feeders and a little less for cows. The Owen cattle made a big bunch, Barneburg's numbering 98, while from Bybee came about 50 head and from the Raders and Garrett about 100 head. Cingade had 15 or 20 head and the remainder came in small lots from different parties.

POSTPONE REUNION.

The annual reunion of the Southern Oregon Pioneer Association, which will be held in Jacksonville this year, has been postponed from September 28 to October 5. Sons and daughters of early settlers as well as the old-timers themselves are invited this year. The erection of a building for a pioneer exhibit in Litchia park will be brought up.

Son of Famous Hiker Visits

Young Billy Weston, son of E. P. Weston, the noted pedestrian of former days, has been visiting the old soldiers' encampment last week on a hike from St. Paul to San Francisco, five months being the time limit. He belongs to the Sons of Veterans and has seen service in Cuba and the Philippines. He left Portland last Monday.

Young Weston lays claim to the championship of the world, his record for 100 miles being 14 hours, 36 minutes and 28 seconds. His average daily walk is said to be from 50 to 80 miles. His first long hike was taken with his father at the age of 19 years, when he hiked across the continent.

Club Women Are to Meet at Rogue River

A meeting of the executive board of the First Southern Oregon District Federation of Women's Clubs has been called by the president, Mrs. W. W. Canby, at Rogue River, September 26, to plan the work for the coming year and perfect plans for the general meeting in the spring.

The officers and chairmen of the different departments this year comprise the following well-known club women of southern Oregon: President, Mrs. W. W. Canby, Grants Pass; first vice-president, Mrs. E. D. Briggs, Ashland; second vice-president, Miss Marian B. Towne, Phoenix; recording secretary, Mrs. C. D. Hoon, Medford; corresponding secretary, Mrs. L. O. Clement, Grants Pass; treasurer, Mrs. J. A. Buchanan, Roseburg; auditor, Mrs. F. C. Smith, Jacksonville; district organizer, Mrs. J. F. Mundy, Medford; chairman of art, Mrs. G. S. Eaton, Grants Pass; civics, Miss Josephine L. Panot, Roseburg; conservation, Mrs. C. L. Scheffell, Medford; education, Mrs. W. W. Ussher, Ashland; legislation, Mrs. O. N. Gilmore, Rogue River; library, Miss Blanche Hicks, Ashland; public health, Mrs. N. S. Noblit, Medford; press, Mrs. Philip Helmer, Grants Pass.

The club women of Rogue River will entertain the members of the executive board at luncheon on that day.

The \$500,000 Coos Bay pulp plant has been dismantled and the machinery sold to a British Columbia firm.

One Man Wins Twelve Families

Twelve families as residents of Ashland largely if not entirely as the result of one man's kindness and assistance are pretty good evidence of the value of courteous hospitality. To the extension of the glad hand and his interest in strangers W. W. Ussher attributes the purchase of seven homes in Ashland by outsiders and the residence here of five more families in rented houses. To all who look for real value only in tangible assets here is food for thought. If one man can add fifty persons, more or less, to Ashland's population merely by smiling and trying, others can do the same. One hundred persons following this example effectively will nearly double the population, sell seven hundred homes and rent five hundred houses.

1916 Crater Auto Travel Beats 1915

Auto travel to Crater Lake, despite the shorter season due to heavy snows, for this season exceeds that of a year ago by 270 autos, while the total number of tourists is rapidly approaching the record total of 1,915, being only 248 shy on September 15. The total travel to September 15, 1915, was 10,545, the total autos 2,076, while the figures for the present year are: Travel, 10,297; autos, 2,346.

Select Seed Corn.

Better quality and yield of next season's Oregon corn crop may be furthered by careful selection of home-grown, acclimated seed. Since maturity is one of the vital factors, the selection should be made now, according to the Agricultural College specialists, while the early and late maturing ears. These ears should be well formed, of medium size, well formed, with quite deep kernel and good top and bud. They should then be stored where there is no danger of frost or mold affecting their vitality.

Mrs. Leta Vaupel Jackson, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Vaupel, in this city, returned Tuesday to her home at Portland.

Bad Food Causes Strike at Hilt

John Anderson returned Tuesday from Klamath Falls, where he has been working in a sawmill as has also Howard Frame, of this city. John will leave soon to accept the teachership of a school up in Wasco county. He and Howard went from here to Hilt where they worked one night. The whole night crew struck the first night because of the rotten meat and sour food which was sent to them for lunch nightly according to John.

The Ashland boys went to Klamath Falls where they landed a job within a few hours, laborers being much in demand. He reports seeing Neil Shinn who is employed in a shoe store over there. Also Clarence Lane who was on a trip to Eastern Oregon.

Early Morning Fire Burns Barn

Early Tuesday morning the fire department was called out to fight a blaze which destroyed the barn belonging to Mr. Powell and which was situated near the corner of Nutley and Woolen streets. The barn was an almost total loss but was insured. Several chickens were roasted in the barn and a hog was only saved by heroic work, someone pulling him out by the hind foot.

Portland Stock Report, Sept. 18.

Cattle—More cattle came to hand than were looked for today. While the run was small, indications were that it would not be over last Monday's run. Total receipts for the day were 976. Steers sold at \$7 for the best, with the bulk better than \$6.50. Cows were sold as high as \$6 and bulk brought \$5.50 up to the high spot. Bulls \$3 to \$4.25.

Hogs—Receipts of but 1,400 made a short market that went to \$9.85 on prime lights. Quality as a rule was nothing out of the ordinary. Bulk of light hogs went over \$9.60. Sheep—Receipts were 1,400. Lambs sold at \$8.50 for the best, wethers at \$6.75 and ewes at \$5.50. Demand was good.

Mrs. Daley and Bernal Culy of Medford were dinner guests of Mrs. T. M. Lynch Wednesday.

Hughes Rally and Fine Program At Chautauqua Bldg. Friday Night

Preparations are being made for a monster public rally in the Chautauqua building Friday (tomorrow) evening in the interest of the republican candidate for president, Chas. Evan Hughes. The committee in charge of the arrangements is composed of E. D. Briggs, E. V. Carter and O. F. Carson. This insures a good program.

As a preliminary feature the Ashland band will play in the bandstand. The meeting is called promptly for 8 o'clock and the program in the building as planned will consist of the following numbers in the order stated:

Music by the band, vocal solo by Earl Rasor, vocal duet by Misses Anderson and McCormick, recitation by the inimitable Dick Posey (R. P. Campbell).

Mrs. E. R. Hanley, first vice-president of the state Hughes Alliance, will talk for a few minutes. Mrs. Hanley is a good speaker; she knows what to say and how to say it effectively. Be sure to hear her.

Colonel Washburn from Table Rock precinct will speak with his usual vigor. The colonel is original, forceful and very entertaining with what he has to say. All who have ever heard him talk will certainly improve this opportunity to listen to him again. Those who have not heard him will miss a great treat and a rare opportunity to enjoy a direct, logical and splendid exposition of the issues of the day.

Colonel Washburn has the faculty of putting things up in a new way and provides for his audience something different from a stereotyped political address.

Walter L. Toose, state organizer for the National Hughes Alliance, will talk as the concluding feature of the program, following which an Ashland branch of the Hughes Alliance will be formed.

Everybody is urged to attend the meeting tomorrow night. Remember the hour, 8 o'clock. Ashland should have the largest Hughes Alliance branch in the state.

BAND CONCERT TONIGHT.

The band concert which was slated for last night was postponed until tonight and will be given at the usual hour of 7:45 from the Litchia park bandstand. In recognition of the support which the contributors to the band fund have given this year, the band will give two additional free concerts on the two Thursday evenings following this evening.

City Not to Blame For Razor's Spill

Earl Rasor's wagon overturned while he was navigating the bumpy grades at Nevada street some time back. He looked to the city for damages. At Tuesday's council meet City Attorney Moore rendered his opinion on the matter. He states that he learns from the city engineer that that portion of Nevada street where the accident occurred has never been opened up as a street by the city and is still private property, and hence in his opinion the city was not to blame for the accident to Rasor's equipage. The report was accepted. Mr. Moore suggested, however, that the city open up the street and put it in shape, and the matter was referred to the street committee and city engineer.

Liquor Branch Gets Mayer In Bad

S. J. Mayer, proprietor of the Mayer Incorporated Liquor House of Hornbrook, Cal., will probably stay in California, for a time at least. The reason for this surmise lies in the fact that in Portland a warrant for Mr. Mayer's arrest is lying in waiting for him. This is the first warrant of its kind issued in the state.

The details of the case are as follows: Mr. Mayer conducted a Portland office for his California wholesale house. One bookkeeper was employed and is now under arrest. The district attorney of Multnomah county discovered that orders and payments for liquor were being accepted by the Portland branch through opening a letter addressed to another man of the same name as his, by mistake. A plain clothes man went to the Mayer office, ordered liquor and gave his check, delivery to be made through the regular legal channels. Accepting payment for the liquor in the state lays the Mayer employe and Mr. Mayer himself open to a heavy fine.

If sympathy could only be converted into cash it's doughnuts to fudge that there wouldn't be so much of it wasted.

The Linn-Benton Growers' Association cannery at Brownsville, Ore., has more orders than it can fill.

An \$80,000 hotel is to be built at Bend.

Oregon Hens Gain Rank In Contest

The Oregon hens jumped to third place in the Missouri National Egg-Laying Contest at the end of the tenth month of laying, and another pen of the same breed had reached sixth place in the Storr's contest.

The Oregon hens at Mountain Grove held third place at the beginning of August, but during the month made noteworthy gains, being at the end of the month but 11 eggs behind the second pen and 46 behind the leaders. They are competing against 103 entries of leading layers from the United States, Canada and England. They had averaged 196 eggs per hen at the end of the tenth month.

Oregons hold the record for the best week's laying at Storr's with 64 eggs to their credit. They have been first for each of the last two weeks and were second the preceding week. Their record last week was 55 eggs as against 50 for their nearest rivals and 32.9 for the general average of all pens. They not only gained a place last week but came within a single egg of gaining two places. The contest ends November 1.

Plan To Widen Park Avenue

A forerunner of a much needed improvement, the widening of Park avenue, was the appointment of a committee at Tuesday's council meeting, which will take up the matter with the owners of the property needed.

The matter was discussed at some length, the discussion centering around the Billings barn property. On motion of Mr. Banta a committee of three was appointed to confer with Mr. Billings concerning his property, the Chautauqua people concerning the strip necessary on the east side of the street, Mr. Peruzzi concerning a corner of his property needed and any others whose co-operation might be needed.

During the course of the discussion City Attorney Moore vouchsafed the opinion that land could be condemned for park purposes if the owner refused to consider a reasonable offer.

Boys Kill Semi-Tame Squirrel in Park

Two thoughtless boys were hauled up before the Recorder's court Tuesday and fined ten dollars for killing a gray squirrel in the city park, the fine afterward being suspended pending good behavior.

Jim Wyant and Edgar Pefferle, in an unthinking moment killed one of the pretty little semi-tame gray squirrels which are becoming numerous. They were detected and will have to walk the chalk line in the future. Any future offenders will not receive the leniency granted these first offenders.

The first car of Coos Bay coal shipped over the new railroad went to Harrisburg.