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GOBLE GRANGE HOLDS FAIR.

Third Annual Exhibit by Patrons of Husbandry Well Attended and A Decided Success.

The Patrons of Husbandry of Gobble held their third Annual Grange Fair at the Redmen's Hall in Gobble last Saturday, and the same success awarded their efforts as heretofore. The exhibits were made in the banquet room of the hall, and there was a collection of farm products, canned fruits and vegetables, fancy work, etc., that was a credit to the community.

The Gobble fair has always given special attention to the exhibits of the children, and it is only for them that there was given any cash prize. The prizes were awarded to the following school children in the order named: Rosa Anliker, Nina Blake, Jennibelle Link and Lloyd Neer.

Mr. Jordan won the first prize on onions and apples, H. Wasser on potatoes, with Wm. Link second. Mrs. J. W. Armstrong received the first award for canned vegetables, and Mrs. J. M. Lindsay had the first prize pumpkins and the cabbage that was given second. Mrs. J. W. Armstrong's Hubbard squash was the best and she also received the second on c. r. F. Anliker got a second on cabbage, and Lee Byers had the best carrots at the show. Mary Thomas got second on carrots and first on vegetable marrow. Other prizes were awarded on vegetables whose names we could not obtain.

The following awards were made for chickens: A. D. Larsen first on Buff Orpingtons and Buff Leghorns; Lee Byers, first on White Wyandottes; Gladys Jordan, second on White Orpingtons.

The fancy work exhibit attracted considerable attention and was well gotten up. First prizes in this division were won by Mrs. A. D. Larsen, Miss Maudie Bishop, Georgia Fowler, Mrs. D. Link, Mrs. I. Link, Mrs. J. W. Armstrong, Mrs. G. C. Fowler, Mrs. M. Link, Mrs. R. Neer, Mrs. A. Neer, and Mrs. O. J. Link, while second awards were made to Mrs. Frank Bishop, Mrs. I. Link, Mrs. Ida Hunter, Mrs. A. Neer, and Mrs. O. J. Link.

M. Link is the Master of the Gobble Grange, while the committee in charge of the fair was Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Larsen and J. M. Lindsay. Their efforts for a good little show in 1911 have met with unqualified success, and no doubt 1912 will see the Gobble Patrons planning on something even better.

A GOOD POSITION

Can be had by ambitious young men and ladies in the field of "Wireless" or Railway telegraphy. Since the 8 hour law became effective, and since the Wireless companies are establishing stations throughout the country there is a great shortage of telegraphers. Positions pay beginners from \$70 to \$90 per month, with good chance of advancement. The National Telegraph Institute of Portland, Ore., operates under supervision of R. R. and Wireless officials and places all graduates into positions. It will pay you to write them for full details.

FOR SALE—One team, 1500 lbs, wagon and harness in good condition. Also on 1100 lb horse cheap. J. H. Lockmiller

FOR SALE—Homes and vacant lots in all parts of St. Helens. Prices, terms and locations to suit the most fastidious, J. W. Allen.

Registered Airdale terriers for sale. Harry D. Burrows, R. F. D. No. 4, Vancouver, Wash.

Chas. Muckle is doing everything possible to beautify his fine home in this city. The house is completed and has been occupied for some time, and by next summer he will have one of the prettiest yards in the country. Hundreds of loads of dirt have been put in, and during the past week a cement walk has been put around the yard.

Henry Watters came into town last Saturday with a fine five point buck in his buggy. He was driving along the road near the logging camp at Columbia City when he saw the deer coming down the road toward him. The result was some fine venison.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Muckle were Portland visitors on Sunday last.

Letters unclaimed at the St. Helens, Oregon postoffice for the week ending October 14, 1911. Harry Hughes, one letter; W. O. Husted one letter; C. B. Mills, one letter. Letters unclaimed for by October 28 will be sent to the dead letter office.

M. C. Gray, P. M.

Two Greeks tangled up on the sidewalk near the mill office at about noon Monday, and were gathered in by Marshal Frank Wilkins. City Recorder J. Q. Gage held court in the council room on Monday evening and fined each of the offenders the sum of \$7.50.

ROCK THE ROADS.

Some Fine Road Work Done at Gobble. Crushed Rock Turned Out Cheap By the County Plant.

The rock crusher is back on Union Square in this city and will be set up and housed in this week, ready for the crushing for the roads and to sell to private parties this winter. The crusher was taken from Houlton to Gobble on the 20th of August, and was in use down the river for 25 days, averaging 94 yards a day, for the season. Mr. Anliker, the Supervisor for the Gobble district, No. 5, built some two miles of macadamized road, the first in that district, and from the way the people talk they will not stop at that, as two miles will call for more.

The cost of moving the crusher to Gobble and bringing it back was \$96, the cost to the Gobble district being \$48. If they had bought their rock at St. Helens and shipped it down it would have cost them \$1.00 per yard, and another 25 cents to take it off the cars, making a total cost of \$1.25 loaded on wagons. By taking the crusher down from here rock cost the Gobble district 40 cents per yard in the bins and about \$1.00 rolled down on the roads.

Mr. Anliker has a rough district to build roads in, but the taxpayers seem determined to have good roads, as they voted a nice mill special tax this year, and Mr. Anliker is cutting down the hills and making good grades in a way that will give the district roads in a very short time that the people can point out with pride.

The crusher is able, if it is kept busy, to crush all the rock that is needed for the St. Helens, Gobble and Rainier districts, and Jack Depain, the road boss of this district, says that if a side track was put in to the county quarry on the Lemont place, it could crush rock and load cars for the Scappoose and Warren districts. Its capacity is, we find, if kept in good order, about 100 yards per day of eight hours, and Mr. Depain says that he thinks the following program would be of benefit to the county: Set the plant up at the Lemont quarry in the fall and crush for Warren and Scappoose through the winter and spring, say from the first of October to the first of May. Move to the Yankton quarry the first of May, for a month, and on the first of June take it to Gobble and Rainier and in the four summer months all the rock that they will need can be crushed. It can be taken down and moved to Gobble or Rainier in four days and at a cost of about \$100. The cost of the moving can be saved in the first two days run, as compared with what the rock would ordinarily cost if shipped in from a private plant. Mr. Depain says that it is a waste to have the crusher lying idle and is strong for some arrangement that will keep it in operation.

W. H. Conyers, of Clatskanie, was a business visitor to the county seat last week.

Claude M. Johns, of Clatskanie, was attending court in the interests of a client last Friday. Mr. Johns but recently located at his new home and is more than pleased with Columbia County.

Work on the new school house is progressing rapidly during the fine weather that has been prevailing, and it seems certain that it will be ready by the first of the year if not before.

L. R. Rutherford and family are moving into their new house on the hill this week. Mr. Rutherford's new home is one of the many fine residences erected here recently, and has one of the most slightly locations in the city.

Mrs. Kettenhofen, of Mahitowac, Wis., a sister of Mrs. A. Ketel, is visiting relatives in this city.

The Ladies Aid of the M. E. Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Wm. M. Ross next Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dolman, of Portland were St. Helens visitors this week, coming down for the purpose of attending the services at the Episcopal Church on Wednesday evening.

The case of Parker vs. Daly was tried in the Circuit Court Tuesday and resulted in a decision for the defendant. This suit was over forty acres of land on the Nehalem between Pittsburg and Vernonia. This land was taken up by Daly over twenty years ago and he has a patent for it from the United States, but at about the time of the issuing of the patent he left the land and Parker has been living on it and paying the taxes for years. A tax deed was issued to him just a little over ten years before the time of the filing of the suit and so his title to the property was clear. At the time of Parker's moving onto the place it was worth no more than when it was taken up by Daly, and Parker has improved it and built a good house. It seems that he has the best title from a standpoint of fairness as well as in the law.

LYCEUM COURSE LAUNCHED.

St. Helens is Placed in Front Ranks of Progressive Cities by Superior Entertainment Course.

Next week will mark the beginning of aggressive work for the success of the first annual People's Lyceum Course. The committee has been busy for some months engaging talent, securing advertising matter, and making other preliminary arrangements. It is now prepared to offer to this community one of the best courses of entertainment ever presented in a town the size of St. Helens.

As the individual members of the committee solicit the patronage of our citizens they will carry the conviction that they are pushing an enterprise of inestimable value to the moral, intellectual, social and business interest of this locality. A Lyceum course is admittedly one of the strongest evidences of the progressiveness of any city. Its cordial support stamps the intellectual and moral grade of its citizens.

The Lyceum and Chautauqua platform is today recognized by our great politicians and statesmen, both progressive and conservatives, as one of the two great factors in the wave of insurgency and reform which has swept over this country in the last few years. The other factor is the newspaper, and these two institutions have, to no small extent, been traveling hand in hand. The newspaper, however, can not take the place of the Lyceum, nor the Lyceum of the newspaper, and the town which has not heard the views of our great public men from their own lips, and in their various effective styles of oratory, has missed that close touch and keen interest in the affairs of the day of which the Lyceum town boasts.

And then in every community there are young people both in and out of high school, who simply await the word rightly spoken, the inspiration rightly imparted, to spur them on through hardships to a goal worth while. Not only their parents but the community owes these young people the advantages which come from listening to good talent. Thousands of people throughout America today owe their inspiration and present success and happiness in life to the messages which came to them from the Lyceum platform at just the right time—messages not only to the head but to the heart.

Again, there is the great general cause of popular education to which the Lyceum and Chautauquas are the largest contributors. Comparatively few of America's millions of inhabitants go to college. If they are to be educated they must receive through other means and other institutions what is rightly styled "popular education."

Of equal importance is the maintaining of a high standard of entertainments in a country where everyone must in one way or another be entertained. The two great sources of popular entertainment today are the theatre and the Lyceum course. The theatre is a very mercenary institution, in fact is run wholly for money. Few Lyceum courses are run for profit and when there is a profit it goes into the building up of public libraries, other forms of popular education, or to increase the size and quality of the entertainment course of the subsequent year.

One of the latest advantages which has been pointed out for a Lyceum course is its benefit to the town's commercial needs. The west is first to take definite note of these advantages. Chambers of commerce in some of the towns on the Pacific coast are lending their heartiest support to the bringing into their midst on the regular Lyceum courses such men as Gov. Folk, Gov. Hoch, Judge Ben Lindsey, Champ Clark, congressmen and senators. They say it is an advertisement for the town and still better congressmen, and senators who have never visited the west, on their Lyceum tours are becoming familiar with the needs of that important part of our country.

Watch the Mist for full details as to the progress of the canvass for tickets.

Mrs. Lydia Fry of Salem Ore, arrived in St. Helens Tuesday. She contemplates making her home with her nephew the Rev. A. A. Heist for the winter. They will occupy the Martin White residence while Mr. and Mrs. White are on their trip east and south.

W. C. Lee, a business man from Rainier, was a visitor to the county seat last Wednesday.

The Ladies Aid, of Houlton will serve supper tonight at the Oddfellows Hall in Houlton, from 2 to 8. The public is invited.

A friend from Warren notifies the Mist that we made a mistake in the announcement of the marriage of Lillian Brecke and George H. Hazen. They were married on Tuesday afternoon, October 10th, by Reverend Hollingshead, in Portland.

J. A. PENDER INDICTED.

Grand Jury Returns True Bill Against Man Accused of Wehrman Murder.

Last Friday the Grand Jury began the work of investigating the murder of Daisy Wehrman, committed on the 4th of September, and after working on the matter Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, a true bill was returned at five o'clock Tuesday evening, indicting James Arthur Pender, charging murder in the first degree.

A mass of circumstantial evidence was presented to the jury. L. L. Levings, the detective who has been on the case from the start, was the first man called, and his testimony was probably as strong and has as much to do with the indictment as that of any person who went before the jury. A. N. Creadick, the Portland expert who examined the body, was also called to testify as to his findings.

Chas. E. Lindloff told of going past the house on the evening of the crime and seeing no one there despite the fact that Pender claimed to have been there and had a light burning in his tent at this time. He also corroborated the testimony of the mail clerk in regard to the mail to a certain extent. Elizabeth Siercks testified as to the finding of the bodies of Mrs. Wehrman and her son.

F. B. McNaughton and V. H. Foster, reporters for the Oregonian and Telegram, told of the scratches that were on Pender's face on the morning that the crime was discovered, and also of his actions at the cabin where it was committed. Mrs. R. E. Bates told of putting a package of stenciled muslin that was afterwards found on the cabin floor in the community mail box, while W. S. Chambers and J. M. Frye were also witnesses helping to make the chain of evidence in regard to the mail taken from the postoffice and found in the cabin complete.

Guy Whitney, who works in Watts & Price's store and gave the mail to Pender on this day, identified the paper found in the cabin as the one that was given to Pender.

Sheriff Thompson and Deputy Sheriff Grant were among the witnesses, having a complete knowledge of the case.

John H. Riley and Joe Hanson, the two Portland men who have a shack in the vicinity of the Wehrman cabin, told of the revolver that was in their cabin, and which is believed to have been the one that killed Mrs. Wehrman. At about this time the trunk containing the gun was broken into, and then attempts made to conceal the fact. They also testified that Pender had borrowed this revolver and knew of its existence.

Frank Wehrman, of Portland, and Mike Hansen, who lives near the scene of the crime, were called, and also Coroner Frank Sherwood, who spent several days and nights working on the case while it was in his charge and to whose care and foresight is largely due the fact that the officers have anything at all to work on. The last witness was F. L. Perkins, a reporter for the Telegram.

The prosecution have completed their case and claim that they have the necessary evidence to secure a conviction, but it is not probable that the case will come to trial before the May term of court, as there will be time necessary for the defense to prepare their case.

HOULTON MAN PASSES AWAY.

Abraham Crouse, for twenty years a resident of Houlton, died at his home in that city on Saturday last, after an illness that confined him to his bed for the past six years. The funeral was held on Monday at the M. E. Church, the interment being at the Oddfellows cemetery in Warren.

Mr. Crouse was born in Keswick, New Brunswick, on the tenth of November, 1831. At the age of eighteen he moved to Aroostook County, Maine, and was one of the pioneer lumber men of that section, engaging in the lumber business until he came to Columbia County in 1891. He located in this vicinity, and engaged in logging until a little over six years ago when he retired from active work to buy the Meeker place in Houlton, where he was living at the time of his death. Very shortly after giving up logging he was troubled with rheumatism and this was followed by paralysis, which caused his death.

The deceased leaves a wife and twelve children, ten of whom were present at the funeral.

Card of Thank

We wish to express our thanks to friends in Houlton and vicinity, for their kindness and sympathy in our bereavement, and for the beautiful floral tributes.

Mrs. Abraham Crouse and family.

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