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## CITY ATTORNEY LOGATES LENTS

**Says it is in City Till Some one Proves Otherwise. Opinion Rendered Tuesday. Arleta, Sellwood, and Other Suburbs Might be Effected.**

According to an opinion rendered by City Attorney LaRoche on Monday in response to a request for an opinion asked by Commissioner Bigelow he has published a statement as follows, which was published in Tuesday's Oregonian: When the State Supreme Court recently handed down a decision, declaring that the annexation of the Mount Zion and Sylvan districts to Portland was illegal because the people of Portland did not vote upon the question, it was feared that the decision would open up the way for a contest on all territory annexed since 1903, as it all has been annexed in a manner similar to that employed in the Sylvan and Mount Zion cases. This annexed territory involved the Sellwood district, all the territory on the East Side, east of East Forty-second street, and a large part of the Peninsula. It also effected Lents, which became a part of the city last July.

Mr. LaRoche says the election in which Sylvan and Mount Zion were brought into the city was not properly conducted, as proper notice of the election was not given residents of the district. In the Lents case, the decision says, there was legal notice and he believes the law was complied with sufficiently to make the annexation legal. He recommends, however, that it be a part of the city until the courts throw it out.

OTHER DISTRICTS NOT INVOLVED In the districts other than Lents, Mr. LaRoche says he believes there is absolutely no question about the annexation being valid, even though there might have been irregularities in the elections or the procedure before or after elections. He says there has been a great deal of money expended in improvements in the districts and they have been considered a part of the city so long that there would be no way of cutting them loose now.

In his opinion Mr. LaRoche says: "The Supreme Court of Oregon, in the recent case of Cooke vs. City of Portland, announced the principle of law that, in proceedings for the annexation of territory to the City of Portland, this city must observe not only all the requirements of its charter, but also the state law on the subject of annexation of territory. In attempting to annex the Sylvan district, the city of Portland did not observe any of the requirements of the state law and was otherwise remiss, in consequence of which the attempted annexation was declared to be void."

LAW NOT WHOLLY OBSERVED "In the annexation of the Lents territory our information is that the state law was complied with in part only, but the courts, notwithstanding the defects in the procedure in the Lents annexation, may declare Lents to be a legal part of the city of Portland, and we would advise you that in the opinion of this department it would be wiser to treat Lents as a part of the city of Portland until the courts have formally declared the proceedings of the annexation void.

"We are pleased to announce that, in our opinion, no questions regarding the legality of the annexation of any parts of this city can be successfully raised."

On the strength of this opinion it is expected the city will continue to collect licenses, taxes and to perform other duties in the district as in the past few months.

### Lents Grange

Lents Grange meets in all day session Saturday, April 11. The forenoon will be occupied in giving the third and fourth degrees. The Lecturer, Mrs. Darnall, has prepared the following program for the afternoon session:

Song, By Grange: Recitation, Ethel Wise; Song, Elsie Bright; Recitation, Winnifred Smith; Exercise, Famous Trees, 5 girls; Violin Solo, Milton Katsky; Cultivation of Trees for Home Grounds, H. E. Lewis.

### Entertainment.

On Friday evening April 10th, the Primary Dept. of the Arleta Baptist Church is to give a very interesting program.

The department is very much in need of a piano and they are taking this method of raising the money. Come and help the children and enjoy a pleasant evening.

## YEAGER THEATRE THE NAME

The new fine theatre about to open at the corner of Main St. and car line has been named. It is decided that the name shall commemorate the builder, Mrs. Yeager. The finishing touches are now being added. The woodwork has been stained and varnished. A very comfortable stage has been built and two good waiting rooms will provide comfortably for performers.

The ceilings are high and the ventilation will be first class. The dimensions of the rooms are such that all kinds of people will be satisfied. Persons preferring "way back" seats will find plenty of them. This feature in itself will commend it to every lover of the picture show. You won't need to sit jammed up against the curtain here.

The audience room will seat nearly 700 people and the seats will be high grade new seats. Most of the seats are here now and the work of installing them will commence at once. H. L. Irish has the theatre leased. He intends to lead in bringing good things to Lents. He thinks the people of Lents are entitled to the highest grade of shows and his listing will be independent and choice. The town will welcome something better than they have been heretofore receiving.

### Cello Canal Nearing Completion

Portland, Ore., Apr. 7, 1914 (Special)—Of great interest and importance to the entire Columbia Basin is the prediction made recently by Major J. J. Morrow, engineer in charge of this district, that river steamers would be passed through the Cello Canal before the first of next January. The past month of March was notable in that more actual progress was made on the canal than in any other single month.

From end to end the great ditch is the scene of ceaseless and effective activity. Locks are being constructed, gates installed, the bottom of the canal is being floored with steel bars over which is poured thousands of tons of concrete, the sloping sides are being ripped in one place with reinforced concrete, in another with rubble masonry and in still another with great blocks of lava rock, according to the character of the backing material.

At the head of Five Mile Rapids a little band of men is at work boring holes into the rocky walls of the gorge, carefully examining the material brought up by the drills and carefully recording their observations. These men are the pioneers sent out by the states of Washington and Oregon to determine the feasibility of construction a great dam across the river at this point for the purpose of installing the most powerful hydro-electric plant west of Niagara Falls. The river is only about 200 feet wide at the head of the rapids, but the depth nearly equals the width.

### Sunday's Ball Game

The Giants defeated the Columbia Hardware team Sunday in one of the fastest games ever seen on the Lents grounds, the score being 2 to 1. Webb, for the Giants pitched a fine game, got 14 strike outs and allowed 5 hits. Highronomis for the Columbia Hardware, pitched a great game, getting 7 strike outs and allowed 3 hits. Batteries for Hardware, Highronomis and Baile; for Giants, Webb and B. Boland. Next Sunday the Giants play the Kenton Giants and a very fast game is assured.

Lents teachers these days are very busy. School garden work is a very important item this week. The ground is in excellent shape, and the pupils are very much interested. Aside from the garden work, the teachers are very busy in committee work, helping to arrange the new course of study for the Portland schools. The following teachers were chosen at the meeting of the teachers at Lincoln high school to help with this work: Prof. Hershner, Frances Smith, Violet Cavana, Carrie Hunt, Roxanna Schroyer, Lizzie Aasmus, Nell Nroran, Essie Shinn, Stella Smith and Maud K. Darnall.

### Seventh Day Adventist Church

Saturday Sabbath school, 10 a. m. Saturday preaching, 11 a. m. Wednesday prayer meeting, 7:30 p. m. Sunday preaching, 7:45 p. m. Subject: The Sealing of 144,000 people which will be taken alive from this earth when Christ comes.

### Millard Avenue Church Entertained

On Monday evening April 6, the regular monthly worker's conference of the Millard Avenue Presbyterian Sunday School was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Zehrung at 7105, 48 Ave. S. E. The first part of the evening was spent in rehearsing special music and arrange the program of the Easter services of the Sunday School which will be held in the church at 7:30 Sunday evening. Every one welcome. The officers and teachers then discussed items of general interest to the school. Reports from several teachers were then made and discussed at length.

## Registration Closes May 1

### Registration Office Open Saturday till 9 P. M.

**Women should not use Husband initials when registering**

### GILBERT TEAM DEFEATS THE WASHERMEN

The Gilbert W. S. played the Troy Laundry team Sunday on their grounds at Gilbert Sunday afternoon and won the game by a score of 8 to 3. Gilbert's got in its work on runs. It made more than double the losses of the Washers and then captured the score. Gilberts lost, 2 by strike-outs, 2 by wild pitching, 2 by wild throws and 1 muff. The Washers muffed 2, missed 2, and threw 3 wild.

### NEW INSTITUTION FOR LENTS MOTHERS

Lents has a large number of mothers who find it necessary to go away from home to work. Some of them work in Lents. Others go to distant parts of the city. If there are several children in the family they must be left at home. If there are older brothers and sisters they may be kept from school to care for the babies. To relieve this condition it is proposed to start a day nursery in Lents. Several ladies have been making a study of the question and it is probable that something will be done before long.

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These reports showed a steady increase in the average percentage of attendance as well as in the enrollment of the school. The remainder of the evening was spent in conducting an open parliament wherein various subjects were discussed, among the temperance question had a prominent place. With but a couple exceptions the entire force of officers and teachers was present. Refreshments were served and after singing a rousing temperance song the conference adjourned to meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Williams at 5521, 68th, on Monday evening May 4th.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Boester, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Zehrung, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Valentine, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Shaw, Mrs. J. F. McLoney, Mrs. J. D. Moore, Mrs. M. E. Williams, Mrs. S. M. Zehrung, Mrs. Bernice Cone, Elsie Strang, Frances Jones, Essie Strang, Queenie Swanson, Mildred Zehrung and Eleanor Jean Shaw, Mr. Yost, Roy N. Stearns, Rollin Moore, Neil Robertson, Rev. W. H. Amos, Theo. Zehrung, Edgar Zehrung, Harold Shaw and Paulus Shaw.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. church will hold a "White Sale" Tuesday, April 14, in the basement of the church. There will be an open window of all kinds of fancy articles. And handkerchiefs from every state will be on sale. Booths to represent different countries, where you can get a good lunch at a reasonable price. Come and bring your friends to the Laurelwood Methodist church, Tuesday all day and evening, April 14.

### HOW HE PUT OUTSIDE COMPETITOR ON THE RUN

This is no theory framed up in some city guy's office. Here is something that actually happened. That is, here is how one merchant put his out-of-town competitor on the run.

It happened in a country town in Ohio. Two carloads of goods—staple necessities of life—were standing on the side track. They had been shipped in from Dayton to fill a demand, supplied by an outside salesman who had happened to be in town with the proper buncos to "get away with the orders,"—and that, too, at prices a shade higher (plus the freight) than the local merchants' quotations on the same articles delivered at the customer's door. This struck me as rather amazing and I thereupon investigated the cause of the unfortunate situation.

Dropping into the leading grocery store of the town, I inquired why, they didn't stop this intrusion into their trade. "How are you going to stop it," growled the "boss." "Advertise!" I retorted. "Advertise?" replied the grocer, "why I'm one of the best customers our local paper has. I think I've had something in every week for nigh on twenty years, but I don't see as I realize any difference. My name is known anywhere within trading distance of here anyhow." Then I lit into him, "Now, my friend, that is just it. Your name is known well enough. But how about your goods? You know there is advertising and then there is advertising. One kind spreads your name all over everything until your goods are hidden behind your name. There is no use of your paying the local paper for telling the people what your name is. What you want to do is to stimulate an interest in your goods. Put out a 'Leader' every week. Make the price of one particular commodity so attractive that it will draw customers into your store. Once in, they will see something else they need, won't they?"

"Feature your 'Leader' in the local paper in a different setting. Be sure now. Make it different. You know, people never think of looking for your old ad, and they couldn't find it if they did. It is obscured by its uniformity and utterly buried in a crowded mass of other matter of identical type and general appearance. And then what's the use. The people already know your name. Therefore, just for a trial of six weeks, buy four times the space. Leave a good vacant margin around yourself just for accentuation, that is, just to make 'em see you. And above all things, give prominence to the article and the special price. Make it appeal to the shopper's frenzy for bargains, and they will come with a rush. Never mind your name. They won't miss your store. Here's why: This same special leader' will monopolize your whole front window. They can't get by without noticing that your store looks different.

"Next week focus your forces on some other special leader, and so on for six weeks.

Sequel: He did just as I told him. Other merchants did likewise.

Consequence: Not another carload of foreign goods has been shipped into that town since! "Nuf said."

The Ladies Aid Society of Bennett Chapel have arranged with the Lents Methodist Choir to repeat their Easter Cantata on Friday, April 17, at Calkins Hall, Gilbert Station.

## SOME FACTS ABOUT ALBINA PUBLIC MARKET

The Albina Business Men's Association composed of the leading business men of Albina, (a district adjacent to Williams avenue and Russell street) are going to open a public market, April 29th. They have set Wednesdays and Saturdays as market days, and the hours from 8 a. m. till 11 a. m. Temporarily at least it will be a street market, but Mayor Albee assures them that before the rainy seasons this fall a shelter will be provided.

It is the general opinion among people who are acquainted with the advantages of a public market, that before this market has been running long the people of Portland will be willing to vote bonds for a permanent public market.

The opening of this market, will be a demonstration to the people of Portland. We have every reason to believe that other markets will follow as in Los Angeles where they have twelve public markets.

### Cantata at M. E. Church

The choir of the M. E. Church under the direction of Mrs. C. A. Daniels, have prepared a Cantata entitled "The Resurrection Hope," by Carrie B. Adams, which will be given Easter Sunday evening, at the M. E. Church, Sixth avenue. This cantata is composed of six choruses, two duets, three mixed quartets, and a number of solos for various voices. The singers are: Sopranos: Mesdames Frost, Herd, Moore, Daniels, and Misses Ruth Howe, Hilda Turple. Contraltos: Mesdames Sells and Sandberg. Misses Edna Blything and Florence Gething. Tenors: Messrs Wilson, Burgett, Anderson, Sperro, and Moore. Basses: Messrs: Faith, Hollingsworth, Gething, Wilken-son and George Hollingsworth.

### The "Home Beautiful"

I want to help those who are interested in flowers. The amateur who is ignorant of even the common names of flowers is seriously handicapped. Not acquainted with their common names, how is it possible to understand the habits and needs of certain plants? We are confronted with difficult botanical names of plants but we recognize the fact that we no longer speak Latin or Greek, but English, so it has been no little work to translate the names of flowers into common English. So when we mean "Columbine" we will not call them "Aquilegias" (the Latin name) nor "Snapdragons" "Antirrhinum" Any one who has ever been interested in floriculture has had the opportunity to easily learn all that is sufficient from the numerous seed catalogues so generously offered to all who wish them. Too many make the mistake of buying seeds or plants before they understand just what they want, and what their soil will best produce. It is most satisfactory to select those flowers that are easily grown and constant bloomers. By a careful selection you can have a brilliant show all season.

Another important point, do not make the mistake of crowding too many flowers into the yard. A few varieties well cared for, are a continual source of delight, not only to the owners, but think of the pleasure a tastefully kept yard gives to those who pass by. Lents is noted for its numerous and beautiful babies, those dear little buds of humanity, we meet them on any of our streets in charge of their happy, proud mothers. Now we wish to hear that Lents is noted for its numerous and beautiful flower gardens and well kept lawns.—Mrs. Mattie Boone Ross.

### Correction

A Statement made in last week's paper relative to "Shorty Campbell and another young man seems have been unwarranted. Information that seemed reliable was incomplete, and we are pleased to say the boys were held entirely blameless in the matter with which their names were connected.—Ed.

That the wheat farmers of Eastern Oregon do not spend all their coin in the purchase of more land to grow more wheat is indicated by figures supplied by the automobile dealers in that section. Within the past six weeks buzz-wagons to the value \$68,000 have been furnished to Umatilla County alone and the other wheat counties have taken nearly as many. The wheat growers with large acreage find the automobile a necessity and they purchase them as a regular part of their business equipment.

The revival meeting being held at the Friend's church is meeting with fine success.

## PUBLIC MARKET NOW ASSURED

**Yamhill Street From Third to Fifth to be Trial Market. More Space if Necessary. Temporary Cover Will be Provided.**

As predicted last week the City Commissioners have decided to allow the use of Yamhill street from Third to Fifth and more if necessary, for a Producer's and Consumers Market.

This was in response to a meeting of the Executive Committee of the association which met last Thursday afternoon at the city hall and considered plans for the market and after deliberations met with the commissioners at four o'clock to present the plans. The Commissioners heard the plans with great interest and asked many questions concerning the manner of conducting the market and the probability of support. The committee convinced the commissioners that they had considered all those matters and that they would endeavor to interest the women's organizations of the town in the marketing question. It was explained that arrangements had been made to bring a prominent woman from Seattle to Portland to meet the women and explain the value of the market to all the housewives of that city, and thus prepare the city of Portland for the coming market.

The main question advanced by the commissioners was whether the location favored would offer facilities for the market, whether it was wide enough, whether teams could be handled in the space afforded, and whether the producers would patronize it.

The question of whether the producers will patronize the market is really the largest question of all. Unless a fair showing can be made for the first three months the market would likely be a failure, and the very thing all the farmers have been wanting would be farther away than ever.

To make possible the most opportune time to begin a market it was advised that the opening be made about the middle of May. The fruit season should be well along then, the season being somewhat advanced this year, and all other farm vegetable products pretty well matured. Young poultry should be ready to market by that time, and almost every farm could turn off something.

The commissioners took the matter under advisement and gave the committee an answer on Monday. According to the plan as we now understand, one side of the street will be used for a market from the wagons and the other will be supplied with tables about six feet long, upon which the farmers may place their produce. They will probably arrange some sort of temporary covers for the tables. It is probable that this market will be open from early morning till noon on five days of the week, and on Saturdays all day.

It is now the farmers and gardeners duty to get in readiness for the opening of this market. Persons intending to offer their products on the market will probably be required to prove they produce the articles offered for sale, and they will likely be required to pay a small daily market fee. In neither case will these requirements be unreasonable.

### Heard at the Registration Counter

Affable clerk to stylish lady: How old are you? Fifty years old. Where were you born? In Virginia. What are your politics? I am a Southern Democrat. Ah, said the affable clerk, I need not have asked you that question as you are from Virginia, although I suppose there are some Republicans in Virginia. Oh Yes, there are some there but they are all niggas. Pass on to the next station please.—J. Huntington.

Robert Evans, corner 82 street and Powell Valley road, suffered an accident last Friday, April 3, at Gresham. He was riding a motorcycle which skidded on the wet road, throwing him violently to the Maccadam pavement, fracturing his left shoulder and cutting his face severely. He was brought to his home in the night and Dr. Fawcett was called, who set the broken shoulder and bound up his wounds. The skidding was due to an automobile that was carelessly run into the motorcycle.

A Truth center has been started at Grays Crossing, second door from Blackburn's store. Any one who is interested in the study of Practical Christianity and Divine Healing are welcome. Class meeting Tuesday and Friday 8 p. m. Children's class Saturdays 11 a. m.