

TWICE of late some one has suggested in Lents that it would be the proper thing to lynch parties that did not appear to them to have done the proper thing. In both these instances time has shown that even extreme legal punishment was unwarranted. And even if it were warranted that extreme legal punishment were warranted it would not justify the exercise of an illegal punishment such as lynching. Oregon courts are not always right, and perhaps not always exacting enough. Perhaps judgment is not always just. But they are safe. Occasionally some one escapes but in most cases there is a reasonable punishment offered for offenders. If all the illegal proceedings that occurred were duly discovered and punished, there would be no one left to lynch, or to do the lynching. Since so many escape "what is coming to them" there is some justice in being more merciful to the fellow who is not so successful in being deceptive. Now this in no way is an endeavor to justify deception or cussedness. It ought to be punished wherever and whenever it is discovered, but where the fellow who hasn't stolen "pins," or apples, or watermelons, and other unmentionable articles. And if he has not stolen them, hasn't he contemplated how easy he might do it and how he could "get away with it."

WE are not so sure that our correspondent, "Reader," says just what he means in his paragraph on home protection, etc. He surely does not mean to imply that lynching is a proper instrument with which to oppose the species of degeneracy illustrated in his statement, or alleged to have shown his hand here last week. The home must be protected, but the proper place to protect the home is at the polls. People blame their officers for not enforcing the law. If they were to take more interest in selecting worthy officers they would get better service, the laws would be enforced with greater firmness and promptness. But the majority of the people are careless about the selection of their officials. Just to prove it, we elected a man to the legislature in this county last fall that was renounced by his own party, that had fled the state in the face of unfavorable publicity, even before the election, and in spite of a general knowledge of all this he was elected anyway. If they are so careless in an instance where exposure is so general, what may we expect when there are reasons to doubt? An aroused interest in election results will ultimately bring the reformation.

People of Gresham are to be congratulated on the fact that their fire of last Sunday morning was no worse than it was. The impossibility of opposing a fire of that magnitude with the apparatus at hand is apparent to anyone who has ever seen conditions as they exist when an east wind of this section of the country is blowing. Had half the homes in the western section of Gresham gone the same way there would have been no cause to wonder. But this fire will ultimately prove a blessing to the town. More substantial buildings will take the place of the old ones and the town and its people will be wealthier thereby.

The Cottage Grove Leader proposes to amend the state Constitution so that no measure defeated by popular vote can be considered again for six years. That will be acceptable to most of us. The only thing the matter with it is that it cannot be applied to the measures that were defeated this fall. It will require an initiative measure to amend the constitution to this end and that will take two years more. But then it will have to be done.

Communications.

To the Editor.—In consideration of events which have lately taken place in Lents, there are some questions which present themselves very strongly to the writer. Namely, while it is understood that we have laws to protect life, have we any law which really protects the purity of our homes? There is not a true husband or father in this country who would not give his life freely to protect the purity of his wife or daughter, but does the law protect him? Suppose a man admits a fellow into his home to help him up and the black-hearted traitor attempts to ruin his daughter, and then threatens the father in his own home because he enters a protest against such villainy. Will the community action, support, or allow such action to pass unheeded? Suppose the father, resisting such a fiendish act unintentionally cripples or stays the villain, should he be censured as a criminal or rather regarded as a true blue man who does his duty in defending his home? It is said that sentiment is the foundation of law. Shall we have a law which will protect our homes with a death penalty if necessary? Is there a man worthy the name of an American who does not esteem the purity of his loved ones above life? What is a life worth that has been debased and ruined by a licentious cur? Are we under any bonds to society, our country, or our maker, to tolerate or help propagate such curs?—Reader.

Daily Mails

Mails at the Lents postoffice arrive and depart daily, except Sunday, as follows:

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At The Churches

Arieta Baptist Church
10:45 a. m. Bible School.
11 a. m. Preaching service.
7:30 p. m. Evening services.
8:15 p. m. B. Y. P. U. meeting.
7:45 Prayer meeting.
Everybody welcome to any and all of these services.

Millard Avenue Presbyterian Church
10 a. m. Sabbath School.
11 a. m. Morning worship.
6:45 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E.
7:30 p. m. Evening worship.
7:30 p. m. Thursday, midweek service.
8 p. m. Thursday, choir practice.
Rev. Wm. H. Amos, Pastor.

St. Peter's Catholic Church
Sundays:
8 a. m. Low Mass.
10:30 a. m. High Mass.
8:30 a. m. Sunday School.
12 M. Chior rehearsal.
Week days: Mass at 8 a. m.

Seventh Day Adventist Church
10 a. m. Saturday Sabbath School.
11 a. m. Saturday preaching.
7:30 p. m. Wednesday, Prayer meeting.
7:45 p. m. Sunday preaching.

German Evangelical Reformed Church
10 a. m. Sunday School.
10 a. m. Saturday, German school.
8 p. m. Wednesday, Y. P. S.
11 a. m. Sunday worship.
Th. Schildknecht, Pastor.

Lents Evangelical Church
Sermon by the Pastor, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.
Sunday School 9:45 a. m., C. S. Bradford, Superintendent.
Y. P. S. 6:30 p. m. Lowell Bradford, President.
Prayer meeting Thursday 8 p. m.
A cordial welcome to all.
F. R. Hornschuch, Pastor.

Kern Park Christian Church
Corner 69th St. and 46th Ave. S. E.
10 a. m. Bible School.
11 a. m. and 8 p. m. preaching service.
7 p. m. Christian Endeavor.
8 p. m. Thursday, mid-week prayer meeting.
8:45 p. m. Thursday, Bible Study Class.
A cordial welcome to all who will attend any all services.
R. Tibbe Maxey, Minister.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
One block south of Woodmere station.
Holy Communion the first Sunday of each month at 8 p. m. No other services that day.
Every other Sunday the regular services will be as usual.
Evening Prayer and sermon at 4 p. m. Sunday School meets at 3 p. m. B. Boatwright, Supt., L. Maffett, Sec.
Rev. O. W. Taylor, Rector.

Lents M. E. Church
Preaching 10:45 and reception of members.
Services at Bennett Chapel M. E. Church 3 p. m.
Sunday School 9:45.
Epworth League 6:30.
Prayer meeting Thursday 7:30 p. m.
Preaching services Sunday evening 7:30.
Bring your friends to these services and enjoy a great blessing.
W. Boyd Moore, Pastor.

Lents Friend's Church
9:45 a. m. Bible School, Clifford Barker Superintendent.
11:00 a. m. Preaching services.
6:25 p. m. Christian Endeavor.
7:30 p. m. Preaching Services.
8:00 p. m. Thursday, mid-week prayer meeting.
Junior Christian Endeavor meets Friday after school.
A cordial welcome to all these services.
Rev. John Riley, Pastor.

DALLAS-WHEELING COMPARISON SHOWS EFFECT OF PROHIBITION UPON ARRESTS.

Result in West Virginia City is Nothing Less Than Startling.

In November, the Wheeling, West Virginia, police department arrested 121 people. In Dallas, Texas, a license city of about double the population, there were 1116 arrests. If Dallas had the same rate as the prohibition city of Wheeling, instead of 1116 she would have arrested about 242.

There is no need, however, to compare Dallas with Wheeling. The best comparison is Dallas with Dallas. In the spring of 1914 Dallas had two school elections on Saturday and Tuesday and the saloons were closed on Sunday, giving three days out of four which were dry. On the Wednesday following these four days, 9 cases composed the entire docket of the City Court, and they required only eight minutes. "It is the briefest docket and the shortest session of the court I have ever known," Judge Richardson remarked at that time. "Three days of the last four have had closed saloons. A few more like that and this court would be out of a job."

If the number of arrests in Dallas for November were at the same rate as for these four days, three of which were dry, instead of having 1116 arrests she would have had 72 arrests.

The Clarksburg, West Virginia, Telegram quotes the public officials of that city as saying that but one-seventh as many arrests were made there during July, August, September and October as were made during the corresponding months of last year. Three members of the force have been cut off as a result of prohibition.

Lents Baptist Church

Lord's Day, Dec. 27, Bible School 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 a. m. Sermon theme: "Last Words"
Elmo Heights Sunday School, 2:30 p. m.
B. Y. P. U., 6:30 p. m.
Evening worship, 7:30 p. m. Sermon Theme: "Imagining A Vain Thing."
A cordial welcome to these services.
J. M. Nelson, Pastor.

Advertised Letters

Advertised letters for week ending December 19, 1914: Burnham, Mrs. Margaret; Butcher; Hern Johann; Clendenning, Mrs. Lulu; Ellis, Mrs. Nellie; Fredricks, Will; Goodmam, Mrs. F.; Hanaway, Mr.; Hanson, Harry; Hogue, Viola; Jacobs, Ward; Johnson, Cordie; Kamp, Mr. Rogers, E.; Stephens, Margaret; Taylor & Brooks; Voltz, George.
Geo. W. Spring, Postmaster.

A coast representative of Libby, McNeil & Libby has been in conference with business men at The Dalles to establish a cannery there.

A plant to manufacture veterinary remedies is to be established in Portland.

The Commonwealth Conference at Eugene last week endorsed consolidation of all state boards and commissions under a few heads.

Jackson county spent this year on good roads, \$500,000. Pacific highway cost \$325,000.

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