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H. L. JOHNSON HAS BECOME FARMER

H. L. Johnson has taken hold of a considerable part of the old Johnson homestead and has been developing it since early last spring. About sixty five acres of land has been cleared up and a large part of it has been plowed and a considerable part of it was in cultivation this summer. It was planted to potatoes and Mr. Johnson estimates that he has between 3500 and 4000 sacks of potatoes in bins on the place now. He planted it to American Wonder potatoes and the yield was very prolific in fine potatoes.

Much of this ground was very low and with poor drainage. The whole tract had to be drained and some of it tiled. Deep ditches were dug and the main line are large ones that carry a big stream of water. In addition to this a large open ditch extends lengthwise of the field and a lateral ditch runs along below the bluff and carries off the drainage from the hills.

In addition to this he has had this side of Johnson creek pretty well cleaned out for over a half mile, affording the best channel it has ever had. The willows and brush along the bank have been cleared away and much of the logs and snags have been pulled out and burned. It is the intention to continue the clearing of a large tract east of the road. After the land gets well conditioned he will grow not only potatoes, but he thinks it will be great soil for celery and onions. It has every appearance of making high grade onion land and that is about as valuable land as can be found anywhere.

In bringing all this out of what was a wilderness a year ago, Mr. Johnson has spent several thousand dollars, and he expects to spend considerable more. He intends to build himself a residence on the ground and improve it with orchard and garden. What was long regarded as waste land will be converted into the most valuable land east of Portland, in the county.

JOE NORDBERG DIES OF ACCIDENTAL SHOOTING

While Joe Nordberg and Ray Dahlberg were out shooting on the rifle range at Clackamas Wednesday afternoon Joe was accidentally shot. The boys were carrying small 22 rifles and, according to witnesses, Joe stooped over to attend to his shoe, the rifle discharged striking him in the right side of the neck, passing into his head and causing almost instant death.

Joe was seventeen years of age, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Nordberg of 82 street. He has been employed by the Hazelwood company.

The body was taken to the Kenworthy undertaking rooms in Lents, and his funeral will be held Friday afternoon, Rev. Hornscomb conducting the service. He will be buried at Mt Scott.

Mint Marks

Coins struck at the Philadelphia Mint have no mint mark. Those struck at all other mints of the United States are distinguished by a small letter near the bottom of the coin. These letters are: "C" for Charlotte, N. C., discontinued in 1861; "CC" for Carson City, Nev., discontinued in 1893; "D" for Dahlonega, Ga., discontinued in 1861; "D" for Denver, Col., coinage begun in 1906; "O" for New Orleans, La., discontinued July 1911; "S" for San Francisco, Cal.

Woodstock Car Robbed

Two masked robbers stopped a Woodstock car at 60th Ave. and 54th street at 1 o'clock this morning and relieved the conductor, B. W. Cooley, of \$9.75. The car had no passengers.

OREGON NEWS NOTES

Suslaw salmon are being shipped to all parts of the Pacific Coast.

The lumber steamer, Fifield left Toledo this week with 350,000 feet of lumber and steamer Bandon is expected in a few days for a similar load.

The Lime industry of Southern Oregon boosted by shipment of 110 tons to Lane County for fertilizer.

Two sawmills at Baker will expend \$18,500 on four drykilns.

The Western Union Telegraph Co. reports 30 per cent increase of business.

The Eugene County court plans a \$5000 water reservoir at the poor farm.

Myrtle Point is to have a new post-office building.

Public work adds \$3500 a week to Pendleton payrolls.

SAGINAW HEIGHTS HAS EARLY MORNING FIRE

Fire companies at Lents, Grays Crossing, and Kern Park responded to an alarm of fire at 2 o'clock on Tuesday night. The trouble was located at 96th Street and 48th Ave., just at the brow of the hill on Saginaw Heights. The property belonged to U. Homer. He was not present, nor was any one else with authority to speak as to the cause of the fire. It was thought for a time that the owner might have perished in the flames, but developments of the next day removed that suspicion. It was completely destroyed, being practically burned to the ground before any help arrived. The wet condition of the ground and other buildings prevented further damage.

During the day Wednesday a young man who had been working on the building made several trips to confer with the fire department at Kern Park. The owner has not yet shown up. There were several houses in the neighborhood of 92nd Street burned within the past year that have not been paid by insurance companies and there is good reason to believe that they never will be paid.

GENEVIEVE FOSTER GAINS NEW NOTORIETY

Genevieve Foster, formerly a Lents girl, now held at the State Detention Home for girls at Salem, has been making a new record for herself of late. She and another girl recently ran away and were captured a few miles south of Salem. The matron of the institution undertook to punish them for the misdemeanor. They were put on bread and water for a few days but Genevieve refused to eat it, made a general fuss and as a consequence was placed in solitary confinement. Her conduct during this attempt was so extreme that the matron put her in a straight jacket to restrain her from self inflicted injuries. She has managed to get her name in the papers for the past week. The board of managers of the institution has investigated the case and decided she deserved all the punishment she got, and some additional. There are several people around Lents who will say amen to that. Genevieve was about the limit of extremities so far as this section of the state has experienced.

Swine Breeders Offer Aid

Oregon swine breeder's can help solve the problem of good breeding stock for girls and boys of the pig clubs by sending to the club leader at O. A. C., Corvallis, a list of brood sows and gilts that they have for sale. This should also help the breeders find a market for their surplus breeding stuff. When these lists are received by the agent he will send them to club members making inquiries. Lists should be detailed enough to give intending purchasers an idea of the quality and other necessary points. Either pure breeds or high grades may be listed for sale. Address lists to L. J. Allen, Pig Club Leader, O. A. C., Corvallis, Oregon.

How Taxes Are Increased

(J. Wm. A. Busch in Fort Rock Times.) The constant increase of court expenditures is inexplicable to the burdened taxpayers who have not gone to the trouble of seeking a solution based upon investigation. The trouble primarily is traceable to the legislative mill which grinds out an endless quantity of useless and often harmful laws. Such hodge-podge products of the legislative machinery leads directly to increased court business. Another bad practice of legislative bodies is that of paying more attention to party politics and the spoils incident there to than to the real business that should have consideration. There certainly should be some plan adopted whereby legislatures will attend to making laws and not to seeking spoils.

This article might have been written for Multnomah County. Besides five Circuit courts in this county we have three district courts. The district courts are busy perhaps half of the time. Of course "they say" they are busy and that they are a great help.—Ed

SUITORS.



—Zere in Brooklyn Eagle.

Live Local News From Woodmere

(Contributed by Woodmere pupils.)

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Carroll spent last week visiting at the home of Mr. Knutson of 6318, 84 street.

Mr. Boylan, of Brentwood, who has been seriously ill for some time is slowly recovering.

Mrs. Wells and her mother, of Woodstock, spent Monday, Nov. 8, visiting with Mrs. G. L. Carr of 62 Ave.

Bessie and Vera Mesher spent Saturday Nov. 6, at the Central Library exhibit. Mr. Krohn, supervisor of gymnastics, complimented the 8B and 9th grade of the Woodmere school for their excellency in their club swimming.

Millford Schille and Frank Harrington made the trip to the Columbia River last Sunday on their bicycles. They report muddy roads.

Mrs. G. W. Cox's sister from Kansas came to visit her last week. This was a happy reunion as the sisters had not seen each other for twelve years.

R. F. Olson of 6903, 59 Ave. S. E. spent Sunday at Marmot, Oregon where his father now resides.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Erickson from Vancouver, Wash., visited Mr. and Mrs. Proudfoot Sunday, Nov. 7.

Mr. Ehler, who has been visiting his sister-in-law, Mrs. Wagner, of 8035, 60 Ave., and also the San Francisco Fair has returned to his home in Idaho.

Mrs. G. L. Mendenhall, of Sunnyside, and Mrs. Joe Rasmussen of 82 street spent Nov. 5 at the home of Mrs. G. L. Carr in honor of Mrs. Carr's house guest, Mrs. Barker, of Troutlake, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Lewis and Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Lewis with their families spent Sunday visiting father and mother Lewis, of 8th Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Grishow have moved to their new home on 5919, 83 street and Woodstock Ave.

Miss Harris, of 63 Ave. and 87 street has gone to spend two weeks with her sister who resides in Hillsboro.

Miss Emma Duncan spent Sunday with her sister at Argour.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Wiltshire, of Indianapolis, Ind. have come to Portland to make this their permanent home. They are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Gay. These Indians were near neighbors of the Hoosier Poet, James Whitcombe Riley.

Mrs. Stearns of 7926, 80 street has gone to visit the fair.

Many of the Woodmere students have visited "The Land Show" and all report that their visit there was full of interest to them.

The class of Junior boys of the Millard Ave. Sunday school are going to organize a club next Friday night at the home of Mr. Merry, the teacher of the class. He will be the club's master.

Last Friday the 8B reading changed their program and Bessie Mesher recited a poem in the Russian language while Conrad Wolf favored the class with a German recitation.

The girls of the Woodmere school are proud of their indoor base ball team and are anxious to play against some of the other schools for the championship. Geo. L. Carr, of 62 Ave. left Monday

Nov. 8, for Washington on a business trip. He expects to be absent several weeks.

A very unique invitation was sent to the various patrons of the Woodmere school last week in the shape of a promissory note. The following is a copy which was to be signed by each parent and the name of their children was to be written in the place of where Effie appears in this note:

One visit..... Portland, Ore., Nov. 5, 1915
Four days..... after date I promise to pay to..... Woodmere school..... one visit..... with interest in (Effie) Value received. 3 o'clock.

One of the most successful affairs of the week was a party held at the home of Miss Bernardine Michaels of 359 East 48 street. The evening was spent in games and music. The party was a masked affair and Miss Augusta Sovine and Albert Deereved were the prize winners for the best dressed couple. The house was decorated to represent a woodland. Miss Ruth Hansen and Carl Prior favored the guest with many selections on the piano. Raymond Hansen and C. Green each rendered several vocal solos, while Chester Parker entertained the crowd with his many impersonations. The latter part of the evening was spent in dancing. All present report a fine time.

Word comes from the contractors that Foster Road from the Jenny road to Johnson creek cannot be opened up till the very last of November as some of that was not put down until Oct. 29 and a 30 day period is required for it to cure.

Infection From Books

Our fear of tuberculous infection may be allayed, at least on one score. For the risk of infection from a book used by a tuberculous patient is slight unless the book is obviously soiled. This conclusion was reached as the result of experiments by Messrs Kenwood and Dove and was published in The Journal of the American medical association for August 7th, 1915. Nevertheless, we are advised to avoid any risk, however slight, and the following simple preventives are suggested—

- Badly soiled books should be burned.
- Books used by tuberculous patients should be disinfected or, at least isolated for a month.
- Slips should be pasted in every book, reading—
- Do not cough into a book.
- Do not moisten the fingers to turn the leaves.
- Do not leave a book open when not in use.
- Moist heat is suggested as a simple means of disinfection when not harmful to the materials of which a book is made.—M. V. H.

Daily Mails

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

Arrive	Depart
8:00 A. M.	7:15 A. M.
12:50 P. M.	12:30 P. M.
3:30 P. M.	5:30 P. M.

EX-CASHIER ROSTAD VISITS PORTLAND

H. Rostad, acknowledged forger, and ex-cashier of the Multnomah State Bank, was in court this week before U. S. District Judge Wolverton, the instance being a trial between the bank and the bonding company that guaranteed Rostad's reliability. The bonding company puts up the plea that it has paid Rostad for the damage sustained by the bank. As that would be no protection to the bank suit was brought by the officials to recover the amount of his bond. Rostad was on hand to hear the evidence and perhaps give testimony. He appeared very easy at first and smiled when reference was made to his forgeries, but as evidence developed, those who watched him say that his smiles turned to frowns as the case for the bonding company seemed to weaken. If the bonding company loses it will then stand ready to prosecute him for each and every forgery on separate counts and that might give him several shivers.

LENTS GRANGE TO HAVE FINE SESSION

The regular monthly meeting of Lents Grange will come Saturday. The regular morning session will dispose of the business matters. Dinner will be served to grangers by a special committee and the lunch basket plan tried for the past two months will be at least temporarily relegated. After the dinner hour the doors will be open to any one who wishes to attend. The program will begin about 1:30.

The program will begin with a piano duet by Esther Mitchell and Dorothy Sells. Mrs. J. W. Hawkins, who so ably addressed the grange a few months since in regard to child life, will speak on "The Manhood for Our Boys." She will be worth hearing and every mother in the county should hear this address. Mrs. Leo Katsky and Miss Gertrude Katsky will give a piano duet. Walda Ripley will offer an instrumental solo. "Teaching our Boys to Save and our Girls to Help in the Home," will be the subject of a talk by Rev. Hornscomb of the Lent Evangelical Church. Mr. Hornscomb is a good speaker and he will make his subject very interesting.

Events in Eastern Multnomah

N. F. Ross, of Fairview celebrated his 83th birthday last Thursday.

Gresham will have a special day at the Portland Land Show next Friday.

G. H. Dammeier has returned from San Francisco with his Jersey herd and nine ribbon prizes, and \$720 in cash.

John Palmblad, of Powell Valley celebrated his 75th birthday last Sunday. District Attorney Evans addressed the citizens of Gresham at the Public Library Thursday evening on the approaching dry spell which is expected to go into effect about January 1st.

The Gresham High school played Hill Military Academy on Gresham grounds on Friday afternoon. Several of the Gresham boys got "stewed" before the game was over. The question is where did they get it?

Albina Floss, one of the old timers of Columbia Heights, was laid to rest on Nov. 1st.

Miss Alice Rasmussen, of Corbett has gone for a month's visit in California.

Miss Hester Thorpe, of Gresham, was one of the winners in the "Logan Berry Song Contest" closed this week.

City taxes in Gresham next year will run about 7 mills.

Gresham Grange will meet next Saturday with seven new candidates lined up for initiation.

A Mr. Hess committed suicide at Troutdale the first of the week, due to despondency over the difficulties he had in securing work.

Dancing will be legal in Gresham up to one o'clock on Sunday morning, according to a new ordinance that is just being prepared for presentation at the next session of the council. Time must be getting precious in Gresham when the dances begin so late they must run over on Sunday that way.

Advertised Letters

Advertised letters for week ending Nov. 6, 1915: Amundson, Sarah; Campbell, Rose; Chitwood, Rev. D. J.; Groener, Mrs. Gertrude; Hamant, W. A.; Huston, Laurence; Huckle, Beulah; Huyche, Dr. A. H.; Hutchinson, L. A.; Huyche, Dr. A. H.; Johnson, Mrs. Mary; Richard, Mrs.; Strollingler, Gus; Travis, Mrs. Millie; Whyte, Lucile; Weber, Mr. and Mrs. H.; Gross, Wessel Nickel. 6212, 91st St., 6133, 91st St., 133, 91st St.

Geo. W. Spring, Postmaster.

COUNTY FAIR GREATEST SUCCESS IN HISTORY

The secretary's report of the work of the county fair this year exceeds in interest all its predecessors. The reason for this is that it shows a greater amount of receipts and clear gains than has ever before been possible. The fair this year had all its predecessors to thank for its success. Experience counts, and the men who have been with the fair since its beginning and who are still with it have learned something about how to manage a fair. But there are several other elements that entered into this year's successes.

For the first time in the fair's history, it is probable, there was nothing of the personal injected into it. The officers all did their parts. Old time elements that opposed the success of the fair have lost out and they find that the only way to be in the swim is to swim with the promoters of the fair. A few of the old bunch who thought the fair could not run unless they handled it have had their try and they found that running a fair was not entirely due to the fact that a fellow may think he is the only person in the county smart enough to handle the job, and if he can't have the big job he will knock everyone else. It takes harmony of action to run a fair the same as anything else and the various committees must each attend to their several duties. These essentials have been realized and the fair's success is largely due to that.

The next thing that served to make it successful is that the directors have not been afraid to use some money, to borrow if necessary. The fair is gradually coming to be better equipped than ever before. The evidence of prosperity has won them support from the county officials and their premiums were really attractive and the exhibit was the best ever seen.

And we must not except the wonderful weather that prevailed during the entire period of the fair. Just warm enough to be pleasant and just cool enough to keep everything looking fine. No rain, and big gate receipts every day. The total receipts were \$13,349.84. The total disbursements were \$14,558.56. But this includes \$6,000 of outstanding debt, so the fair is nearly \$5,000 ahead. About the only apparent leak was in the policing and caretaking of the grounds. The sum of these two items was about double what it should have been, and yet perhaps this included work done on the grounds during the year.

Any way there is little to criticize about the fair these days and a whole lot to commend. It is to be hoped that the present officers will continue to hold the job another year.

EVENING STAR HAS FINE SESSION

The following program was given at Evening Star Grange on Nov. 8: Piano solos, Everett Ball; recitation, Julia Hickey; piano solo, Helen Smith; readings, Miss Leah Melvin; vocal solos, Miss Hazel Hardie.

J. O. Conville of the City Park Department spoke on the subject, "Our Parks." He told of what was being done along the line of caring for, and arranging the various city parks, and spoke especially about the trees which should be planted. Some trees are suitable for this climate, and others are not, also some are suitable for parks, and others are not. He said the park department was striving to plant only the good trees in the parks and also street parkings.

Mrs. Frances Isom read a fine paper on "The Library." She told about the organizing of the county libraries, the branch libraries and depositories of the city into what is said to be one of the best library systems in the U. S. She said the library is well patronized and is something of which we should all be proud.

The next meeting, being Dec. 4, will be election day, so a special announcement was made that the election of officers will take place at 11 a. m. instead of in the afternoon as heretofore.

Mrs. M. O. Hedge was the victim of jokers Saturday evening. She was prepared to visit a lodge down town and just as she was leaving the house a group of friends came fling in. The thing was all planned by her man and Mrs. Freeburg, the occasion being her birthday. Those present were Dr. and Mrs. Hess, Clyde Sager and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Freeburg, Dr. and Mrs. Osgbury, Otto, Fred, and Leo Katsky and their wives and Miss Holmes. Several nice presents were received.