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PAID DEPARTMENT IS NEEDED HERE

Fire Chiefs Stevens and Dowell Tell Local Club Paid Department Should Replace Volunteers.

LATER JOURNAL EDITION

Next Club Meeting Will Feature Illustrated Lecture By Dock Commission Engineer Hegardt.

Fire Chiefs Dowell and Stevens of Portland see no reason why Lents should not have a good paid fire department in the near future, providing the two-platoon system is not adopted at the forthcoming election. These two officials appeared before the meeting of the Improvement Club last Monday to discuss Fire Prevention and Fire Protection. Jay Stevens read the two-platoon law, and read letters from other cities showing that it was a failure with them. He stated that he did not see how anyone in Lents could support it at this time as it would inevitably put off the time when Lents should have a paid department. He said that the Fire Chiefs were planning to improve the circumstances of the firemen by gradually increasing the force and allowing the men extra days off until, in time, without any great expense at any one time, every fireman would have one day off in three, instead of one day off in six as at present. He said that the firemen refused one day off in five as a starter this year.

Chief Dowell quoted figures to show that after an additional expense of at least \$90,000, which he claimed would be inadequate, under the two-platoon system there would only be 190 men on duty in Portland at any time of the day or night instead of 306 as at present. Both Dowell and Stevens claimed that the Fire Prevention Bureau, which in two years has reduced the fire losses from \$1,500,000 a year to less than \$500,000, and brought the number of yearly fires back to the figure of about ten years ago, would be wiped out under the new system.

Other business transacted at the Club session was the appointment of a committee, consisting of Messrs. F. R. Peterson and H. L. Stevens to ascertain the wishes of the business men of Lents as to a later edition of the Journal being supplied to be delivered somewhere about 5:00 o'clock instead of about 4:00.

The date of the next meeting was left in the hands of the President, and it is probable that it will be held Monday, April 30, and that Chief Engineer Hegardt of the Dock Commission of Portland will deliver an illustrated lecture on Port development, showing pictures of other countries, and advocating the need of a modern grain elevator and terminal facilities to develop the Port of Portland to better advantage.

MILLARD AVENUE C. E. GUESTS OF MRS. LOPE

Music And Games Follow Committee Reports And Outline Of Future Plans For Society.

On Friday evening, April 6th, at eight o'clock, the Christian Endeavor Society of the Millard Avenue Presbyterian Church held their monthly business meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Lope, 7620 Sixty-fourth avenue. The principal business of the evening was the committee reports and the unfolding of their future plans for the society. The rooms were attractively decorated with Easter lilies and daffodils.

Music and games continued to a late hour when refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. W. Lope, and her assistants, Mrs. B. B. Boeman, Mrs. E. Reed, and Miss Beulah Miller.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. Lope, Mrs. B. B. Boeman, Mrs. Ramsey, Rev. W. H. Amos, Mr. Neil M. Robertson, Misses Essie and Elsie Strang, Mr. J. E. Johnson, Mrs. E. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Usher, Mrs. Julia Beede, Mrs. Anna Beede, Mrs. Spaulding, Misses Grace and Ella Tronson, Mrs. Tronson, Mr. Chas. E. Tronson, Miss Dorothy Neitzel, Mr. Robin Reed, Miss Olive Reed, Miss Beulah V. Miller, Mr. James W. Reed, Misses Lillian and Ellen Miller, Miss Mabel Cummings, Misses Lela and Evelyn Reed, Mr. Marion Glaze, and Miss Claudine Moore.

INITIATIVE MEASURE TO AID FACTORIES

Industrial Municipal Bond Bill To Be Submitted To Voters At The June Election.

Municipal aid in establishing factories in Portland is proposed in a measure which may be submitted to the voters June 4.

As proposed, the measure provides for the issuance of \$500,000 in 20-year 4 per cent municipal bonds to be known as "factory aid bonds," to provide money to lend on adequate security to firms seeking to establish factories, but handicapped for lack of capital. The measure is in accordance with the campaign to build up Portland in an industrial way by establishing factories and payrolls. The proposal is to have a committee of three business men appointed to administer the loans. The committee would be bound by certain obligations regarding the type of factories, the nature of security back of the loans and the ability and character of persons or firms to which loans might be extended. Other committees would be appointed to campaign for patronage of home industries and home products, "quality, prices and service being equal."

The municipality would sell the \$500,000 in 4 per cent bonds and would lend the money under strictly business conditions at 5 per cent, thus realizing 1 per cent in excess of the interest necessary to float the bonds. This 1 per cent would go to pay all costs of administration, and the balance would go into a sinking fund to care for all depreciation which the bonds might suffer. The period of the loans would be fixed and on the money being paid back to the city it would be available for further loans. All unused or idle funds would be invested in municipal securities until needed. At the end of 20 years the money would be available for redemption of the bonds. The cost of administration would be cared for by the persons or firms obtaining the loans, the interest would be met in the same way and the redemption of the bonds would be by money returned at the end of the loans, so that the city would be out nothing either directly or indirectly.

The plan would involve no expense to the city or the taxpayers, the bonds being merely an extension of municipal credit for the benefit of factories which otherwise could not be established. The bonds would finance themselves. The only expense of administration would be that of clerical service. The committee in charge of the fund would serve without pay, under the terms of the measure.

MODERN WOODMEN HOLD INITIATION CLASS

Large Delegations From Other Lodges of City and Gresham Help In Success of Evening.

The Modern Woodmen Lodge of Lents held a session of unusual interest Wednesday evening. At this time they entertained lodge delegations of all the lodges of the city, Gresham, Alberta, St. Johns, Rose City, and others. A large class of candidates were initiated, from the different lodges represented. Refreshments were served and a delightful social time enjoyed.

LENTS ODDFELLOWS TO HONOR GRAND MASTER

Rebekahs And Oddfellows To Unite In Reception To Henry Westbrook, Retiring Officer.

On Tuesday evening of next week the Odd Fellows of Lents chapter will entertain the Grand Master, Henry Westbrook, at an open reception to which all members of the Rebekahs and their families and friends are invited. Refreshments will be served.

ALPHA EUREKA CLUB PERFECTS ORGANIZATION

The ladies of Eureka Rebekah Lodge met at the home of Mrs. Blafus on 65th Ave. this afternoon to perfect the organization of their social club. Alpha Eureka Club was the name decided upon. Fifteen members comprise the charter list. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Abet, 292 32nd St., on the first Thursday in May.

GILROSE P. T. A. MAKES BIG HIT

Large And Enthusiastic Audience Grooms Rendering Of "Deestrick Skule No. 23" Saturday.

BASKET BIDDING BRISK

The Famous "Highland Fling" By Little Miss McCulloch In Costume Much Appreciated.

The entertainment given under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher Association of the Gilrose school in the school auditorium on Saturday evening was a very successful event. There was a large and enthusiastic audience and a splendid program. Miss Roberta Downing, of the Gillespie School of Expression, was present and gave some of her delightful readings. The "Highland" dance given by little Miss McCulloch, dressed in costume, was a very clever and pleasing performance. Her mother accompanied her.

The most ambitious part of the program however, was the presentation of the play, "Deestrick Skule No. 23," by members of the Parent-Teacher Association. This little comedy had been cleverly localized and was executed with a perfection of detail that simply brought the house down. Certainly the youngsters of the district would not be able to "put one over" on their parents when it comes to acting. They very evidently had not forgotten the pranks of their school days and after the exhibition which they gave that evening they will never again be able to tell their children how good they used to be in school. The children have them with the goods now. Great credit is due Mrs. Kirkham who worked up the play and was largely responsible for its success.

At the conclusion of the play the baskets containing the refreshments were auctioned off. The bidding was lively and interesting, one basket selling for \$2, and several others bringing nearly as much. The results of the sale were highly satisfactory, a larger sum being realized than at any previous entertainment given by the association. The proceeds are to be devoted to the purchase of play ground equipment.

Coffee, cake, sandwiches and candy were on sale in addition to the baskets.

ANABEL PRESBYTERIAN ANNUAL S. S. BANQUET

Full Report Of Year's Activities Followed By Plans For Coming Year To Improve School.

Tuesday evening the teachers and other workers of the Anabel Presbyterian Sunday School gathered about the banquet table in the Sunday School rooms of the church for their regular monthly worker's conference.

Following the transaction of the usual routine business, plans were completed for the entertainment of the District Institute of the Sunday Schools of the Mt. Scott District, which will be held in the Anabel church on the afternoon and evening of Sunday, April 22.

A special effort is being made in the school to increase the attendance and to promote punctuality and regularity. A goal of 250 present in Sunday School on Sunday, May 6, was set up.

June 10, is the day chosen as Children's Day, when appropriate services will be held at the time of the regular morning church hour. Mrs. Taylor, Superintendent of the Primary department was selected chairman of the committee on program for that day.

The Misses Garnet Johnston and Olive Morrow of the organized class of young women and Ruth Johnston and Norma Dryden of the organized class of younger girls were elected by their respective classes to represent the school in the Girl's Conference held at McMinnville April 20, 21 and 22. Mrs. Elton Shaw was selected to accompany the young ladies as their chaperon.

Miss C. Olson, Mrs. B. A. O'Mealy and Mr. and Mrs. Elton Shaw were elected delegates to attend the State Sunday School Convention at Newberg next month. Mr. F. P. Baum was chosen as alternate.

Celebrates Birthday

Mr. and Mrs. R. Simms of Creston station, entertained a number of friends at their home on Saturday evening, the occasion being the birthday anniversary of the former. A number of Lents people attended.

JOINT RECEPTION FOR H. WESTBROOK

Arleta Oddfellows And Rebekahs Entertain In Honor Of Retiring Grand Master.

On Friday evening of last week the members of Arleta I. O. O. F., and the ladies of Mountain View Rebekah Lodge tendered a joint reception to Grand Master Henry Westbrook, whose term of office is nearly over. A large gathering assembled for this delightful occasion. Guests were present from several of the lodges of the city, over 100 being present in all.

A splendid musical program was rendered during the earlier part of the evening. Miss Maud Alvord, musician for the Rebekahs, contributed a patriotic instrumental medley, which was enthusiastically received. Other numbers consisted of a mandolin solo by Percy Harris, accompanied by Miss Alvord; an instrumental duet by Harry Grable and Miss Garnet Johnson. Two songs by a quartette composed of Messrs. Fred Griffith, J. F. Whitney, Clyde Grable and Mr. Grable Sr., were very much enjoyed. All of the music was of an exceptional character, each participant being called upon to respond to an encore.

Mr. Westbrook was called upon for an address and responded in his usually pleasing manner. And also, as usual, he threw bouquets (?) with discriminate indiscriminate among his audience. His victims were wholly at his mercy, with no opportunity for a "come back," but it will certainly be interesting if the time ever comes when the tables are changed. We will venture to assert that Mr. Montgomery might get even for the entire bunch if the opportunity ever presented itself. Mr. Westbrook did not confine himself entirely to bouquets however. He spoke of the finest things of life for which Oddfellowship stands, giving emphasis to the patriotism which is being manifested by the Order in this time of National crises, at the same time voicing the hope that war might be averted even at this late hour and our nation saved from the terrible ravages of war. He congratulated the Arleta lodge for the splendid bunch of young men who were joining the order, and expressed the warmest appreciation for the loyalty of both the subordinate and Rebekah lodges during his term of office. He closed his address by leading the audience in a salute to the flag.

Mr. Anderson, a Past Grand Master, who had assisted in the organizing of the Arleta lodge, was present and gave a brief address, congratulating them upon their growth and activity.

A banquet was served at the conclusion of the program. The ladies had planned that for once they would see to it that Mr. Westbrook had enough pie and when the time came for serving that delectable desert he was presented with a "socker" lemon pie that looked as though a special tin might have been made on purpose for the occasion, so nearly did it compare in size to a cart wheel. It was a most enjoyable occasion, the spirit of good fellowship prevailing being fully up to the high standard for which these lodges are noted.

CRESTON MASS MEETING

Will H. Daly Club Discusses Proposed Municipal Light Plant.

A public mass meeting was held at the Creston school auditorium on Monday evening under the auspices of the Creston Will H. Daly Club to discuss the issues involved in the municipal campaign. Frank W. Winn, an engineer, formerly of the Water Bureau, spoke on the proposed light plant. He is thoroughly familiar with the Bull Run Reserve conditions and well qualified to speak on the subject. Dr. C. H. Chapman, ex-President of Willamette University, gave a historical sketch of the man who put Bull Run water in the homes of the city at half the former charge.

There were several musical selections, including solos by Mrs. Edith Wickham-Densmore. The Richter Orchestra also furnished music during the evening.

Returned Missionary to Lecture.

On Tuesday evening of next week, the 24th inst., a very interesting meeting will be held at the Free Methodist Church of Lents. At this time C. S. Casberg, a returned missionary from India, will give a stereopticon lecture and will relate many interesting incidents connected with his work in that country. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend this lecture. Admission free. A free-will offering will be taken.

CIVIC LEAGUE DISCUSSES BONDS

Highway Commissioner E. J. Adams Of Eugene Debates Deputy H. A. Johnson.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Adams Declares Expense Borne By Autoists—Johnson Retorts Bill Badly Drawn.

An interesting session of the Oregon Civic League was that held last Saturday at the Multnomah Hotel to discuss the \$6,000,000 Bond Issue. E. J. Adams of Eugene, one of the new State Highway Commissioners, defended the measure while H. A. Johnson, a Deputy in the office of City Commissioner Dieck opposed it. Mr. Adams has a very pleasing personality and made a very good impression. He devoted most of his argument to showing that the expense of the whole project including principle and interest would be taken care of by the revenue derived from auto licenses.

Mr. Johnson admitted that the cost of paving as contemplated in the bill would be borne by autoists, but stated that the cost of preparing the roads for paving would have to be borne by the taxpayers of the various counties, and that this would probably be greater than the \$6,000,000 appropriated for paving. Apparently assuming from the well-known position of some of the Highway Commissioners that the paving to be laid would all be bitulithic he stated that Boston had had this paving for only about fifteen years and that it was now going to pieces badly and having to be replaced. He stated that the bonds were to run 26 years, or ten years after the paving would have become worn out. Mr. Adams evidently leaned strongly toward concrete paving, and suggested that in some places a concrete base with a thin carpet of bitulithic from time to time would be ideal. Mr. Johnson asked why it was that the bonding act forbade co-operation with the Government in the laying of paving unless it was that the Government engineers would have something to say with reference to the specifications whereas the roads in Eastern Oregon, which were not to be paved were to be put in in conjunction with the Federal Government. He gave several examples of roads that would have to be straightened or rebuilt by the various counties before they would be ready for paving. He declared that a few counties, Tillamook for example, had so manipulated things that they could take 30 per cent of the entire first year's appropriation if they were ready for it.

Mr. Adams replied that the paving would be put in for \$1 a yard, that no royalties would be paid on patent paving, that they would co-operate with the U. S. engineers, and had power to straighten out all places on the roads which needed attention. Mr. Johnson declared that the bill would not permit of these things, and that other bills were also passed by the past legislature making them impossible, and tying the State Commission's hands, and ended by saying if he could be shown that he was wrong he would support the bill.

SOMETHING WRONG WITH THESE PRICES

\$2500 Worth of Gaston Potatoes Bring \$6000 in East. \$2000 Added by Speculators.

Here is the story of how Oregon potatoes increase in value at the rate of \$1 a mile as they travel East. A car of 655 sacks standing on the track here is worth \$2500. When it reaches the New York market, its value rises to \$6000.

If these potatoes had been shipped to Mayor Mitchell of New York—or to a state market—they could have been distributed to the consumers at a cost of not to exceed 50 cents per sack for handling.

These figures speak for themselves: New York speculators' price...\$6000 Spuds in Gaston...\$2500 Freight...818 Handling in N. Y....327

Real value...\$3645 3645 Speculators' profit...\$2355 The consumers were robbed of almost as much as the original cost in Gaston. State Exchanges would make this impossible.

J. A. McCORD BURIED BY MASONS LAST SATURDAY

Obituary Of Local Engineer Recently Killed At Steel Plant—Sermon By Rev. Jasper of M. E. Church.

Joseph A. McCord was born Jan. 30, 1876, in New York City. While a mere lad, in company with his aunt, he moved to Oregon. They settled at Bandon, where for years he served as an engineer on the river steamers, finally becoming chief engineer. On August 26, 1903, he was married to Minnie A. Morris of Bandon, who still survives him, and deeply mourns the loss of a faithful husband. He came to Portland about seven years ago, and worked steadily as chief engineer for the Columbia Contract Co. Owing to the transfer of his boat to Alaskan waters, he had not been regularly employed until he took a position in the plant of the North Western Steel Co., where he met with his fatal accident Friday, April 6. He was taken to the St. Vincenta hospital, but he did not regain consciousness and died Monday, April 9, at 12:30 o'clock. He leaves to mourn his loss, besides his wife, one brother and two sisters in New York, his aunt, Mrs. Costello, of Bandon, and a cousin, Mrs. A. T. Fetter of Alameda, Cal.

He has led a good life and has made many friends. He did not choose to profit at the expense of his fellow laborers. When the strike was on this last winter he was offered a good position, but he would not take it in opposition to the ideals of the workers, and he finally accepted the position which resulted in accident and death.

His father was a Mason for forty-nine years. Mr. McCord was also a Mason, and was an ardent lover of the order. He requested that the Masonic apron be buried with him.

While he never became a member of the church, he was trained by Methodist parents, and always held their teachings as true. Rev. F. M. Jasper, of the Lents Methodist Church, preached his funeral sermon. He was faithful to his family and to his employers. Once more one of God's honest workers has passed on from this world of struggle, joy, and tears. Some time we hope to clasp his hand again, where there is no pain, where we will find him engaged in the work which his heavenly Father knows he was prepared to do.

Funeral services were held on Saturday afternoon last at Kenworthy's Undertaking parlors, in charge of the Masons, and was the largest funeral that has been held in Lents for some time.

KILL FLIES AND SAVE LIVES

The Fly Is Tie That Binds Unhealthy To The Healthy.

Kill at once every fly you can find and burn his body.

Observers say that there are many reasons to believe that there will be more flies this season than for a number of years.

The killing of just one fly now means there will be billions and trillions less next summer.

Clean up your own premises; see and insist that your neighbors do likewise. Especially clean "out-of-the-way-places," and every nook and cranny.

Flies will not go where there is nothing to eat, and their principal diet is too filthy to mention.

The fly has no equal as a germ "carrier"; as many as five hundred million germs have been found in and on the body of a single fly.

It is definitely known that the fly is the "carrier" of the germs of typhoid fever; it is widely believed that it is also the "carrier" of other diseases, including possibly infantile paralysis.

The very presence of a fly is a signal and notification that a housekeeper is uncleanly and inefficient.

Do not wait until the insects begin to pester; anticipate the annoyance.

April, May and June are the best months to conduct an anti-fly campaign.

The farming and suburban districts provide ideal breeding places, and the new born flies do not remain at their birth place but migrate, using railroads and other means of transportation, to towns and cities.

Kill flies and save lives!

M. E. Ladies Hold Tea.

The monthly silver tea of the Ladies' Aid was held on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Dawson, 92nd St. An interesting program was given including solos by Mrs. Hurd and Mrs. Sells and readings by Mrs. Near and Mrs. Alice Woodworth.