

Newsy Items from Nearby Towns

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Damascus.

The rainy weather is causing the farmers to get behind with their spring work.

The road force keep at work on the roads regardless of disagreeable weather.

Some of the wood haulers have stopped their work on account of the bad condition of the roads.

The Damascus school is closed indefinitely on account of scarlet fever.

Frank Krotch is slashing down his old orchard and trimming it up in good shape. That is what all the old orchards need.

Mrs. Emma Habel is visiting at her old home this week.

Roy Young, grandson of Mrs. Wolfhagen, is down with the measles.

Mr. Schwartz, Gertie and Francis, are down with scarlet fever. Elsie is reported as improving.

J. H. Carlson is getting out wood and is continuing regardless of the weather.

Miss Hattie Allen is visiting her sister, Mrs. Wealthy Royer.

Some of the young men of this neighborhood have enlisted in response to the call of their country. Others have offered their services which may be accepted.

The dance given at the German hall Saturday evening was well attended and all had a good time. It is reported that this will be the last entertainment given by the German Society until the troubles across the seas are settled, which we all hope will be soon.

Happy Valley.

Two more weeks of school following this week.

There will be a spelling and arithmetic contest at Wichita on Friday, April 20th. Representatives from the 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grades of the Happy Valley school will take part in this contest.

J. D. Gutchinson, who has leased the H. C. Ulrich place, is spraying the orchard and trimming the berry bushes. He still has about eight acres of Cuthbert raspberry plants to set on the place. When he is finished there will be 30 acres of small fruit on the place, consisting of raspberries, blackberries and black caps.

Earl Deardoff, who has been working on night shift for the Vaughn Machine Works, at Gresham, will work on the day shift hereafter.

Mr. Albert Buswell will work the Frank Strichroft farm this season on shares.

There has been no seeding or planting done in this community yet. Everyone is getting very anxious however, to get in some of their crops.

Arlita, Kern Park.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Laurelwood Methodist Church will hold a public meeting at the church on Friday evening of next week, the 27th inst. Mrs. Miller, one of the national field workers of the society, will be present and speak. The mite boxes will be opened at this time. The public are invited to attend.

Mountain View Rebekah lodge of Arleta will entertain the ladies of St. Helens and Gresham lodges on Saturday evening of next week, the 28th inst. The degree staff will exemplify the work upon this occasion.

The Arleta Parent-Teacher Association held a successful meeting Friday afternoon. The work of the Camp Fire Girls was presented by Miss Bessie Nelson, a student of Reed College. Mr. James Brockaway explained the work of the Boy Scout movement. Mildred Boon told the story of the Echo Maid. The Camp Fire girls gave a song, "Burn, Fire Burn," in costume. Some first aid work was given by a member of the Boy Scouts under the direction of Mr. John R. Leach.

Mrs. G. W. Snider, who was ill the first of the week is about her duties again.

The ladies of the Anabel Presbyterian Church have organized a Mission Study Class under Mrs. Warren, who has been for a number of years in South America, as their teacher. The text book used is

Farm and Grange Notes

Lents Grange.

The two-platoon system of fire service formed the chief topic of discussion at the open lecture hour of the Lents Grange on Saturday afternoon last. Mr. Irving, secretary of the two-platoon campaign committee, presented the measure and urged its adoption from the standpoint of the welfare of the men, also contending that the efficiency of the service would be in no degree impaired. He presented letters, telegrams, and documentary evidence from many large cities of the country in proof of the successful operation of the system where it had been tried, declaring that the measure was right in line with progressive legislation and should receive favorable consideration at the hands of

the voters of the city. Fire Chief Stevens spoke on the negative side of the question. Mr. Stevens invariably argues the question from the standpoint of efficiency. He is not unmindful of the welfare of the men. He contends that if the voters of the city are willing to spend the necessary additional funds for fire protection and service that it would be better to allow the men one day off in three than to adopt the two-platoon system. His earnestness and sincerity impress his hearers, and the absolute knowledge which he possesses of the subject is very convincing. Those who have listened to these discussions on different occasions are impressed with the absolute sincerity of those representing both sides of this

Bellrose-Gilbert.

The Needlecraft Club met at the home of Mrs. Rindle Tuesday. A very enjoyable afternoon was spent. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Anderson on April 30th.

Everybody in this section is anxiously waiting for clear weather.

The next "unexpected" supper will be served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. French on Saturday evening of this week. There will be at least two birthday anniversaries to receive recognition which, with other interesting features will assure a pleasant evening.

Cherryville.

Cheer up! Summer is coming some time.

No bright days since the 17th of March, but we will live in hopes.

Talk about unfavorable and unreasonable weather! The last season the writer lived in Illinois March came in pleasant and continued pleasant all through the month, causing the fruit trees to blossom and fruit to set, while April and May were abominable beyond description, killing all the fruit of every sort. June was blistering hot, as was the entire summer. The corn crop was good. The intense heat was nearly intolerable. So other states have their drawbacks.

There is an armed guard stationed at the dam near here and a search light maintained all night, so that any one prowling around there has to give an account of themselves or suffer the consequences.

Deppold, the shingle man from Portland, and his financial banker, Attorney Carter, of Portland, were in town last week making arrangements for the locating of their mill near here. They expect to start about the first of May if the weather permits.

The donkey engine from Marmot was brought across the river this week and nearly submerged like a submarine when it took to deep water.

The death of Frank Rockefeller at Cleveland, Ohio, lately, calls to mind the circumstances of the deadly enmity existing between him and his brother, John D., on account of the dishonorable manner in which Frank was beat out of his valuable property on the Iron Range, near Duluth, Minn. Lynn Galarneau, who has a claim near here, lived at Duluth at the time and is familiar with all the circumstances connected with this affair.

Kendall.

Mr. Oleson, who was hurt in the auto and street car accident a few weeks ago, is home from the hospital, but will not be able to do active work for some time yet.

The next meeting of the Ladies' Aid will be held on Friday of next week at the home of Mrs. Thorsen for an all-day session.

Mrs. O'Sullivan returned recently from an extended visit to Idaho, where Mr. O'Sullivan is engaged in mining.

Mr. Mumford, familiarly known as "Billie," an elderly gentleman stopping at the O'Sullivan home, died suddenly on Saturday of last week.

Several of the houses of this vicinity, which have been vacant for some time, are rapidly being taken and the occupants are preparing for Spring gardens.

There is quite a little ground in this vicinity idle that might be planted but for the want of seed. Any one having potatoes or money to buy them would no doubt be able to realize a return of two for one or \$1.50 for every dollar invested, making a good profit for both parties to the transaction.

Quite a number from here will attend the patriotic parade in Portland Thursday. Also committees from the Parent-Teacher Association and Ladies' Aid who will improve the opportunity to do some shopping.

question and it is being argued on its absolute merits as it is viewed from the different standpoints. Judge Gatens, who was present spoke in favor of the bill, declaring that the voters were quick to respond to any measure involving the expenditure of large sums of money, but a measure involving social betterment of any character met with opposition—that nothing was regarded so cheap as men. An item of interest to voters of Lents was brought out in the discussion that by the adoption of the two-platoon system, involving as it would an additional cost of approximately \$90,000, would indefinitely postpone the time when a paid fire service would be possible for this district.

Other features of the program were musical numbers including an instrumental solo by Miss Myrtle McNeil and a duet by two little girls of the Woodmere school, who were secured through the efforts of Mrs. Hogue, as were also the two boys who gave the character song, "Romeo and Juliet," which was enthusiastically received. Mrs. Armstrong gave a reading which was much enjoyed.

Mr. Bodley, of Creston station gave a very interesting talk on "Tomato Culture," which was very profitable and instructive.

The morning session of the grange was devoted to degree work. A dinner was served during the noon hour. Mrs. R. E. Thomas is chairman of the dinner committee for the May meeting and promises a surprise for this occasion.

Enlisted.

We are at war. Yes, we are engaged in a world-wide war and we as farmers have been enlisted into the services of our nation and of humanity.

The fighting strength of any nation is made up of three forces, namely, the producers, the manufacturers, and the army and navy.

It is the duty of all American farmers to serve their country by producing the largest crop possible and especially those crops which can be shipped as foods to the men who are doing their actual warfare. Experienced farm labor is scarce and will be more and more in demand so it will be our duty to recruit new material to fill the ranks by employing inexperienced farm help whenever it is possible. We should plan our work so as to produce the greatest amount of foodstuffs with the smallest amount of labor and utilize every foot of productive soil.

RIGHT LIVING.

In the firm control of our thoughts lies the secret of the most wonderful possession of which we can boast—character. It is as much a matter of habit as of will, this being always honorable, truthful, just. Having formed our principles of right living, conscience invariably points to a whole hearted loyalty to them. And when baser motives try to sway the mind, why, here is just where your will power may profit by exercise.

Oath of the Turkish Doctor.

The oath which young doctors take in Turkey when they come before the medical examining board contains the following pledge: "That when I am called at the same time by two different patients, the one rich and the other poor, I will accept the call of the poor without taking into consideration the money offered and will do my best for his treatment, and that I will never decline to answer any call, day or night, during the reign of common diseases or of an epidemic of contagious disease."

Odd Habit Among Rooks.

Among the odd habits of rooks is the way that members of the same rookery have of intermarrying generation after generation. The males always choose their wives from among their near neighbors, and if one should be so bold as to bring home to his rookery a bride from a distance the other rooks will invariably refuse to receive her and will force the pair to build some way off. In the neighborhood of big rookeries outlying nests of this kind may always be found.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Multnomah. In the matter of the estate of J. E. Heiler, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, A. Kermode, Administrator of the estate of J. E. Heiler, deceased, has filed his final account in the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Multnomah, and that Friday the 27th day of April 1917, at the hour of 9:30 a. m., of said day, at the Court House at Portland, in said County and State, has been appointed as the time and place for the hearing of objections to said final account and the settlement thereof.

A. KERMODE, Administrator.
W. K. Royal, Attorney, Suit 622 Henry Building.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Multnomah County.

In the Matter of the Estate of Mary E. Taylor, deceased. No. 14227.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed Administrator of the Estate of Mary E. Taylor, deceased, by the County Court of Multnomah County, Oregon, and has duly qualified. All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby notified to present the same, duly verified and with proper vouchers as required by law, to the undersigned at 801 Northwestern Bank Building, Portland, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Date of first publication April 19, 1917.

Date of last publication May 17, 1917.
WILBUR F. BROCK, Administrator.
C. L. Barzee, Crawford & Crawford,
N. W. Bank Bldg., Attorneys for Administrator.

NOTICE OF HEARING FINAL ACCOUNT.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Multnomah County.

In the Matter of the Estate of F. P. Keenan, Deceased. No. 13175.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, executrix of the estate of F. P. Keenan, deceased, has filed in the above entitled Court and estate her final account as executrix of said estate, and that said Court has set and fixed Monday the 14th day of May, 1917, at the hour of 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, at the County Court Room in the Court House of Multnomah County, Oregon, as the time and place for the hearing of said Final Account, together with any objections there may be to the same, and for the settlement of said estate.

MARY B. KEENAN, Executrix of the Estate of F. P. Keenan, Deceased.
Dated and first published April 12, 1917.
J. J. Johnson, Attorney for said estate.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT.

Notice of appointment of executrices in the matter of the estate of C. W. Budd, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have been appointed executrices of the estate of C. W. Budd deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Multnomah County, and have qualified. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same to me at 621 Henry Building, Portland, Oregon, with vouchers and duly verified within six months from the date hereof.

Dated and first published April 12th, 1917.

MARY A. BUDD,
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