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SCHOOL MACHINERY RUNNING SMOOTHLY

Lents School Starts With An Enrollment Of Six Hundred--Great Interest Manifest.

The wheels of the Lents school machinery are already running smoothly, in fact they started off at the opening of school as though well oiled up for the occasion, and no friction has since been evident. The present enrollment is 600, although still incomplete, being considerable above that of last year. An unusual interest has been apparent on the part of the students from the very first day of school and an eagerness to get down to the real work of the year, which augurs well for the final wind-up.

The school organization has been effected according to the old, or single group, plan, instead of the two-group plan which was inaugurated last year, and which it has been found necessary to abandon owing to the large classes which made it impossible to unite under two groups. A one-class organization has been effected throughout the school which is a distinct advantage as the teachers are thereby able to give much more individual attention than would be possible with two classes. Altogether there is every promise of a very successful school year and the enthusiasm of the pupils is not the least hopeful sign of this desired result being obtained.

The faculty is the same as last year with the exception of one less teacher, Miss Cavana having transferred to the Sellwood school. Miss Julia Burns has, however, changed her name since school closed last Spring and this year is known as Mrs. Racette. Lents and Woodmere schools have a new manual training teacher, James Shanks having been appointed to these schools; he will spend the first three days of each week at Lents and Thursday and Friday at Woodmere. Miss Louise Botkin is the new cooking teacher.

The subject of school lunches has not yet been decided. There is some apprehension felt as to the possibility of being able to serve anything like an adequate lunch at the old price of five cents owing to the increased cost of food stuffs. Some parents have expressed themselves as willing to pay ten cents, and there has also been suggested the alternative of the children bringing their sandwiches to be supplemented with a single hot dish of some kind at the school. The parents should interest themselves in this matter until a satisfactory conclusion is reached.

GATHOLIC CHAPEL CAR ON TRACK AT KERN PARK

The chapel car St. Peter, a "Catholic Church on Wheels," operated by the Catholic Church Extension Society of the United States, is visiting Portland and is now on a side track near Kern Park, on the Mount Scott carline at Sixty-ninth street and Foster road.

The car was open for inspection of visitors Sunday afternoon from 2:30 to 3:30 and also at the same hours Monday and Tuesday.

A series of lectures on the ideas, history, teachings and practices of the Catholic Church began Sunday at 8 o'clock, with Father Charles M. Smith, of Portland, as the speaker. The lectures are open to all. The chapel car is equipped with every appointment found in a big church and services are held with as much solemnity and convenience as in a permanent church building.

OLD FRIENDS MEET AFTER FIFTY YEARS

Mr. Joseph Hunt, of Mead Post G. A. R., now of Oregon City, but formerly from Stark County, Ill., visited at the home of his grandson, Harold Hunt on 43rd Ave. S. E., during the past week. Mrs. Hattie Beldin was invited to dinner and for the evening, greatly enjoying the opportunity to talk over old times. Mrs. Beldin's brother, Isaiah Bates, and Comrade Hunt having belonged to Co. B., 19th Illinois Infantry during the Civil War, the families being old friends before and after the war. They had not met before for upwards of fifty years, although living so near each other neither knew of the whereabouts of the other. Needless to say time passed very swiftly in recalling instances from the days of long ago when they were young. They both hope to live to see the National Convention in Portland when there will be more old acquaintances from "Mollie Stark" Ill., to greet.

INDUSTRIAL FAIR AT GILBERT SCHOOL

Splendid Exhibit Is Taken To County Fair--Interest And Enthusiasm Survive Vacation.

The Industrial Club of the Gilbert School, District No. 45, maintained their activity during the Summer months, last Friday, the 7th inst., witnessing the culmination of the season's work, at which time the Industrial Fair was held at the school building. This exhibit was worthy of more than passing notice. Sewing, garden products, canning and preserving and manual training work comprised the exhibit. Contests in corn and potato growing, as well as poultry and stock raising added greatly to the interest of the boys and girls throughout the season and the results demonstrated that their efforts had never been allowed to lag.

Visitors at the exhibit were greatly surprised at the excellence of the display. Messrs. Miller, Kreuder and Farnsworth were the judges of the agricultural and poultry display, while Mesdames Rindie, Boardman and Thaw acted in like capacity for the domestic science display. Winners of first prizes are as follows:

Sewing, Ruth Renne; potato growing, Lucile Shively; canning and preserving, Julia Fields; baking, Verna Stark; Jack Ferris won the prize for the best pig exhibited, and Norman Fury carried off first prize for bird houses. William White won first prize in corn growing contest.

The poultry exhibit was exceptionally fine. The judges were unable to make a choice and each exhibitor was given \$1.00 for their exhibit. The entire display has been taken to Gresham to the County Fair this week. The work has been carried on under the direction of the Industrial Club department of the O. A. C. Popular opinion in the district gives great credit to Miss Minnie Davis, one of the teachers, for the interest kept up during the vacation months. She was assisted in the assembling of the display by other teachers and members of the Parent-Teacher organization.

School started in District No. 45 on Monday morning of this week with an enrollment of 110. Prof. Ager in charge with the same corps of teachers as last year with the exception of one who dropped out at the call of cupid; her place has not been filled. Five teachers comprise the faculty.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY W. C. T. U. CONVENTION

The annual convention of the Multnomah County Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held in the Forbes Presbyterian Church, at Graham and Gantenbein Avenues, on Wednesday and Thursday of next week, September 19-20. The opening session will be held at 10:00 o'clock a. m. Wednesday morning. Regular routine business will occupy the greater part of the first day. Wednesday evening Chief of Police, M. F. Johnson, will give an address on "What Prohibition has Done for Portland," which every one should hear.

On Thursday morning will occur the annual election of officers, also, reports of officers on the work of the past year. On Thursday afternoon Mrs. Lola Baldwin will speak. Mrs. Jennie M. Kemp will also speak at this session on "Patriotism Applied."

The sessions open promptly at 10:00 a. m. and 2:00 p. m. Lunch will be served on both days and a silver offering will be taken to defray expenses. Lowell Patton will have charge of the music during the convention.

The following is the program which will be rendered:

Wednesday a. m.
10:00 Devotional Exercises.
Appointment of Committees.
Five-minute reports of Superintendents and local presidents.
Noontide prayer, Frances Swope.
Lunch.

Afternoon.
2:00 Devotional Services, Mrs. Scott.
Minutes of morning session.
Continuation of Reports.
Music.

Evening.
8:00 Devotions by the Pastor.
Music led by Lowell Patton.
"Mother Goose" Hooverized.
Recitation by seven children.
Address, M. F. Johnson, C. of P.
What Prohibition has Done for Portland.

Thursday a. m.
10:00 Devotions, Mrs. Martin.
Music.

GOING! GOING! GOING! GONE!

The Popular Dairy Herd Of Chirs Gesme Goes Under The Hammer At Good Prices.

"All the world and his wife" were there last Thursday to see the fun. Where? Why at the auction sale of course when Chris Gesme proprietor of the Jersey Lily Dairy sold off thirty head of his herd. All morning they began to gather, coming in rigs, on horseback, in wagons, buggies, surreys, and on foot, and for several blocks every available hitching space was pre-empted.

After all there isn't anything in the wide world just quite like a "really, truly," old fashioned, country auction sale and this was surely one. The best fun was watching the crowd, and judging by the number who did the bidding, the majority seemed to have come to enjoy the sport. There was the big bashful hubby standing by watching his wife do the bidding, the easily excited man with his nervous anxious wife holding him by the coat tails. The poor man who was never sure of his own mind, if he got the animal he was bidding on he felt sure he had been "bumped again," if he failed to bid high enough and the auctioneer had knocked it down to the other fellow he felt sure he had lost a good bargain and kicked himself for not bidding another dollar.

There was the staid family man anxious to reduce the high cost of living and wondering if he could get a good quiet respectful and quite respectable family cow, there was the young man anxious that the new baby should have tuberculin tested milk, and quite in the background, oh not at all anxious to be seen or heard were the real buyers, the shrewd bidders who had looked the cows over well beforehand, who knew their pedigree and their age, the amount of milk they gave, when they were fresh and what their milk tested.

They knew to a dollar or two just how much they were willing to bid on any particular cow; they couldn't be rattled or excited; and quietly they let the other fellows do their excitable bidding and in most cases they finally carried off the bacon. Yes, for the cows were first class, one of the finest herds of Jersey cattle in the state, and the average man was unable to appreciate their full value, hence most of them were disposed of to other dairymen. The cows sold from \$40 to \$125, and the heifers from \$17.50 to \$40, averaging up in the neighborhood of \$30 a head. The choice cow, at \$125, went to Gus Nelson of Holbrook, a dairyman who supplies the Oregon Creamery and is backed by them. Another backed by this firm was C. Matthias also of Holbrook. The largest buyer was Mr. Trinblad, who bought seven head, all over \$100. S. Shryock of St. Helens took away three, and F. W. Hoecker two. Among the local buyers were H. L. Lewis, R. E. Emily, Andrew Heiman of the Portnomah Dairy, J. J. Rader (Happy) the genial Mt. Scott car conductor known to all who use that line, Nels Neilson and John Abuhil.

The auctioneer was W. S. Wood of Vancouver; and the clerk H. E. Bloyd of the Multnomah State Bank.

Another auction sale was held Tuesday at Mt. Tabor when the Durham-Holstein herd of Fritz Wahl brought an average of over \$30 a head for thirty-three cows. They were very fat and sold readily. From all indications money is plentiful and moves very freely.

Minutes.
Reports Auditing Com. and Officers.
Election of Officers.
Memorial and Noontide Prayer conducted by Mrs. Jane Donaldson.
Lunch.

2:00 Devotionals, Mrs. Hockster.
Minutes of morning session.
Address, Mrs. Lola Baldwin.
Solo, Mrs. Lucia.
Reports of Superintendents of departments allied with Red Cross work--Flower Mission, Foreign Speaking people, Soldiers and Sailors.
Report on Temperance and Labor.
Mrs. L. F. Addison.
Address, Mrs. Kemp, "Patriotism Applied."
Report of Resolutions Committee.
Minutes. Adjournment.

Onion and other odds can be removed from kettles sauce-pans, etc., by putting some wood ashes in the article, adding boiling water and letting it stand on the back part of the stove a short time.

BERLIN OR BUST MAKE KAISER WISER

Slogans Of Soldier Boys On Way To Eastern Cantonment--Hundreds Of Friends Greet Train.

Seventeen cars of soldier laddies passed through Portland last evening from Camp Lewis, Wash., en route to Charlotte, N. C., stopping at the Union Station for two hours, thus giving the friends and relatives who were appraised of their coming an opportunity to visit with them, hundreds being in waiting for that purpose. As the long train came to a standstill the boys began piling out of the windows all along the line and commenced hunting friends or being hunted by them. It required some time for the right people to find each other, but it was accomplished. It was a jolly bunch of boys and a brave bunch of fathers, mothers, sisters, wives, sweethearts and friends, who sought to keep their own feelings in the background and give their laddies a smiling farewell, bottling up their tears for the solitude of home. Company B and Company C. Engineers, and Co. I. Infantry were on the train.

A delegation from the Epworth League of the Lents Methodist Church were on hand to greet Charles Wilson, of Co. C. Engineers. He was looking as "fit" as a new pin and on good terms with all the world, giving a very interesting description of the splendid appointments of Camp Lewis, which covers 70,000 acres and is some city itself. He also spoke in terms of highest praise of the work of the Y. M. C. A. George Howe, of this district was also there, his mother, Mrs. Howe, of 82nd St., and his sister, Miss Ruth, and his brother, John and wife, besides other friends were there to greet him.

Some of the cars were covered with banners, giving name and number of the company which they contained; also the slogan of the company. Co. B. flaunted "Berlin or Bust," in glaring letters across their car, while Co. C. boasted of their intention to "Make the Kaiser Wiser." If Co. B. succeed in the task they have cut out for themselves Co. C.'s slogan will be automatically realized. Here's hoping.

The train arrived at 8:15 and pulled out at 10:00 o'clock, the intervening two hours passing all too quickly to both the boys and their friends.

METHODIST LADIES GIVE SILVER TEA

The Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church will hold a silver tea on Wednesday of next week, the 19th inst., at the home of Mrs. Sanders, 6113 83rd St. S. E. A general invitation is extended to all the friends of the church to attend. There will be an excellent program, followed by a social hour and refreshments.

LENTS WIRELESS IS ATTACKED AT NIGHT

Residents living in the vicinity of the Federal Wireless station near the Estacada car line, just South of Lents, report that two attempts have been made within the past week to put the radio out of commission, the last one being on Tuesday night, at which time some unknown enemies fired upon the station. The attack was made about midnight, but was unsuccessful.

Since this station has been taken in charge by the government it has been placed in charge of Gunner F. E. Stone, U. S. N., who has a crew with him. It is one of the most powerful radio plants on the coast and the navy department is taking every precaution to protect it from harm. Guards were on duty at the time the attack was made and the entire staff was ordered out and a search instituted, but no one could be found near the place. The supposition is that the shots were fired from a high-power, long-range rifle by some one who wished to put the station out of commission.

BUTTER SCOTCH

"Coffee A" sugar..... 3 lbs
Butter..... 1-4 lb
Cream tartar..... half teaspoon
Lemon flavor..... 8 drops
Add a sufficient quantity of cold water to dissolve the sugar. Boil without stirring until it will "break" when dropped in cold water. When done, add the flavor. Have a well-buttered pan or plate ready and pour the candy in about 1-4 inch thick, when partly cold, mark off in squares. NOTE--By pulling the above mixture when partly cold, it will turn white like ice-cream candy.

NEWSY ITEMS FROM DOWN THE LINE

Chronicle Of Weekly Events In Arleta And Kern Park Varied And Full Of Interesting Doings.

Miss Gertrude Taylor, 2930 63rd St., S. E., is having quite a siege with rheumatism. She has been confined to the house for some time.

Harry Taylor, who is on duty in Honolulu recently sent his mother and sister some beautiful specimens of native workmanship as souvenirs.

Mrs. Clyde Hildreth received word that her mother, Mrs. Hill, died in Australia some three months ago. The news was a long time on the way, nevertheless the shock was just as acute. Mrs. Hildreth's friends extend their sympathy to her in her bereavement.

The Whitney family and Mrs. Wm. Taylor and daughter, Miss Gertrude, camped four or five days on the banks of the Clackamas river last week, finding blackberries a-plenty. Three and a half large pails full were picked on Sunday. Mrs. Taylor was up to her eyes in the canning business the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Prentice and Mr. Prentice Sr., spent Sunday evening last with Mrs. Hattie Beldin. Hot coffee was served and the evening spent with music.

The Arleta auxiliary of the Red Cross will meet at the W. O. W. hall, Arleta, at 2:00 p. m., on Wednesday a ternet of next week, the 19th inst., and every alternate Wednesday thereafter. All who are interested in the work of the Red Cross are requested to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Walker came down from Seattle the last of the week where Mr. Walker is in the employ of the Sears Roebuck Co. The Walkers are spending their vacation period visiting at the home of Mrs. Walker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Snider of 4418 79th St. S. E.

Mrs. Emory Gilmore left Saturday for an extended visit in the Middle West. Mrs. Gilmore started a little earlier than she had planned on doing on account of the news reaching her that her brother who is very ill in a hospital in Nebraska, was not expected to recover. It is her plan to visit her aged mother also while in Nebraska.

The wedding of Miss Lois Birch and Mr. Allen Black occurred Wednesday of next week.

On next Friday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. Geo. Merry, 7103 55th Ave., all ladies who want to do their "bit" can sew for the Red Cross. Bring needles and thimble. No refreshments. Just good hard work. A number of ladies met at the home of Mrs. Merry last Friday for this purpose. The time was spent in making bed-sacks and hemming handkerchiefs. In addition to the work a very instructive talk by Mrs. Ward Swope, of the Arleta W. C. T. U., was listened to on the subject of the "Woman's National Defense League." The following were present: Mesdames Hanscom, Crum, Hill, Swope, Battie, Burdick and Evans. Let us hope that others will help to swell the numbers at the next meeting.

MRS. SOUTHRAD GIVEN FAREWELL RECEPTION

The ladies of Clinton-Kelly Methodist Church, situated on the Powell Valley Road between E. 39th and E. 40th Sts., are arranging a farewell reception in honor of Mrs. E. E. Southard, of E. 40th St., who expects soon to leave for Dallas, Ore., whither Mr. Southard has preceded her, having purchased the local newspaper of that city.

The reception will be given at the home of Mrs. E. L. Anderson, of E. 41st St., near Creston station, on Friday evening of this week and promises to be a very pleasurable social event.

INTEREST UNABATING IN LOCAL RED CROSS

The local auxiliary of the Red Cross met on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Dr. Hess. The meeting was well attended and interest is increasing in the work judging by the number of knitting needles that are flying about town. Hereafter the meetings will be held in the sewing room of the school on Friday afternoon of each week. A little difficulty has been experienced in getting sufficient yarn to supply all who express a willingness to assist in this part of the work, but it is anticipated that this difficulty will soon be overcome.

ARMY Y. M. C. A. FILLS THE GAP

Keep In Touch With The Boys At The Front And In The Training Camps.

This incident happened very recently at the naval training station on Goat Island, in San Francisco bay. Fifteen hundred rookies, lads who had just arrived at the station were surrounding a sailor perched on a box distributing mail. The boat had just arrived and the mail was being handed out. As the names of sailors were called the lads would step up and receive the letter addressed to them. It was a fascinating sight. The sailor distributing the mail would call out a name and immediately would come a reply and a willing hand backed by a happy smile would reach out and take the letter. Then the lad would walk away, his face fairly beaming. He would seek a quiet spot and read and sometimes re-read the letter.

So it continued for fifteen minutes until the crowd was pretty well thinned out. All around were sailors intently reading. Some had a smile on their faces, others looked more serious and there was one lad who sobbed as if his heart would break. "Bad news?" questioned his chum. "Poor old Towser's gone," sobbed the lad in reply. "The folks say that he wouldn't eat a thing after I left and they found him Sunday back of the barn, dead."

The last letter had been distributed to its owner and the postman had departed but there still lingered a dozen or more boys with long faces and serious mien. They were the lads for whom there was no letter. It meant a whole lot to those boys to hear from home. It would have lifted a heavy load from their hearts to have received just one line from someone that cared. They felt, in their boyish way that no one thought of them. They were despondent and in a frame of mind that meant disaster to them.

Then there went among them a secretary of the Navy Y. M. C. A. He knew what the matter was. He had seen incidents like this before. And he knew what to do. With a cheery smile and a word of good will he went to them individually and invited them to share in the entertainment at the association building that evening. And they went. Boyish minds easily adjust themselves to conditions. They forgot the thoughtlessness of the folks at home and entered into the spirit of the evening.

All of which carries its lesson. Keep in touch with your boy. The home influence is the strongest tie he has to keep him morally straight. When it fails, the Y. M. C. A. can sometimes reach out and save the day.

WELCOME ASSURED OREGON SOLDIER BOYS

To the People of Oregon: The United States Government has selected Charlotte, North Carolina, as the site of one of the mobilization camps and the War Department has decreed that the troops from your State will be stationed there.

The Charlotte Chamber of Commerce, the Charlotte Ministerial Association, and the Young Men's Christian Association take occasion, therefore, to express their pleasure at this decision and to assure the troops and all those whose interest in them is closest and affectionate of the welcome which awaits them.

We wish the troops who come to us to use the offices and facilities of our organizations freely in whatever way may be of advantage to them. We extend the same invitation to those who visit the soldiers in this camp and we pledge the hospitality and hearty welcome of our entire citizenship both to the troops and to their friends.

Very sincerely,
Charlotte Chamber of Commerce,
By David Owen, President.
E. N. Farris, Executive Secretary.

CONSOLIDATION OF ARLETA FIRMS

H. Dillman and H. L. Dickinson, two business men of the Arleta district, have consolidated their interests to what they believe to be their mutual advantage. The former has been conducting a blacksmith shop at Laurelwood, while the latter has operated a filling station. The new company has established a garage in the brick building at 6419 Foster Road. A repair shop and filling station will be operated in connection with the business. Auto accessories will also be sold. A square deal is assured to all patrons.