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NEW DAY DAWNS FOR LENTS

Most enthusiastic meeting ever held by Club--75 sit down to banquet--Frank McCrillis proves "stem winder."

"Looks like nerve for you folks to ask to have Foster Road paved, when you don't do much in the way of improvements yourself," Frank McCrillis told the Lents Improvement Club at their banquet Monday evening at the Odd-fellows Hall. He further stated, however, that he believed the County ought to and would pave the road provided the Club did its duty. A Committee was appointed to follow out plans outlined by Mr. McCrillis.

The most successful function ever staged by the Lents Improvement Club was the banquet Monday night in the Odd-fellows Hall. The whole "Feed" was free, for the business men had kindly donated the food, the ladies gave their services in its preparation, the Odd-fellows gave the use of the banquet hall while the Lents Grange loaned the dishes. Even the speaker, Frank McCrillis, the "Town Specialist" for the Portland Chamber of Commerce, gave his services voluntarily, and those who know him realize this was "some donation."

A. D. Kenworthy, the President of the Club called the meeting to order after the important work of tucking the victuals out of sight had been completed, and introduced "Judge" Wm. S. Worden, President of the Board of Directors of the Mt. Scott Park Cemetery and Crematorium, as Toastmaster of the evening. After the chief speech of the evening, Mr. Worden called upon several local people to express their views.

Mr. McCrillis's speech.

Among other things Mr. McCrillis made a stirring patriotic appeal for loyalty to our country, loyalty to the Pacific Northwest and finally brought it home to his hearers by saying, "If you don't like Lents, move out; if you do like it, come to the front and help carry the burdens to make it something." He described an ideal city as one with new and up-to-date buildings; with the old buildings either torn down, or kept slick and clean and well painted; with lawns, neat fences, sidewalks, and everything kept clean and tidy. Talking about getting the city and county to help in improvements, he asked if anybody supposed for a minute that this would be difficult to secure if the local people had already done their best to clean things up, keep them clean, and put in such improvements as they could. Public officials always keep an eye on these things and public money is most freely spent where there is considerable community pride and local improvements are well in hand. He stated that the most intolerable condition was to be living on a county road within the limits of the city, but that he had had a good talk with Mr. Yeon and he believed that if a committee of five progressive business men were to be appointed to make it their business to secure Mr. Yeon's help and wait upon the County and City Commissioners, they would be successful in getting the County to pave Foster Road its entire length. He believed we could get farther if we cooperated with the other clubs down the line, and that the county could be persuaded to pave an eighteen foot strip clear through to 52nd St. The extra cost of curb-to-curb paving, and sidewalks, and the reducing to city grade might have to be borne by the property owners, but the county, and Mr. Yeon particularly were, he believed, willing to pave a connecting strip linking up the country with the city. He stated that Mr. Yeon would be glad of any excuse to pave this road. The County on the other hand would not look with favor on a committee waiting on them to accomplish this result. The one thing they wanted was to have a nicely worded little petition presented which they could quietly pigeonhole. "The County Commissioners are your servants," he said, "you have a right to demand this paving, and every auto owner in Portland will be behind you. They won't dare turn you down." He did not wish to be understood as criticizing the commissioners, and paid them a very high tribute, saying that he did not believe he had ever known a better body of city and county commissioners than we have now in Portland and Multnomah County.

With reference to the Improvement Club, Mr. McCrillis declared it was not right to elect officers and then expect them to do all the work; it was not fair to rely on the local newspaper to do all the boosting. Committees must be

appointed, put to work and then kept at work. Every body must boost, not only a few. "Your great need is industries--payrolls. Get after them, but don't expect to get a Ford Factory at once, go after something smaller, they'll grow. Gresham has a payroll now of \$100 a day; it began in a much smaller way. Improve your town, make it just as attractive as you can, clean up, paint up, get energetic men in office, stand behind them, and improvements will come fast enough."

H. E. BLOYD.
Of the local speakers, H. E. Boyd, cashier of the Multnomah State Bank, said that although he was often compelled in his official capacity to say "No," that in anything in connection with improvements, and especially the paving of Foster Road, even if the cost had to be stood wholly by the property owners--of whom they were one--the bank would say "Yes" every time.

F. R. PETERSON.
F. R. Peterson said he was glad of the meeting and felt that he had learned something by being present. He stated that one of the Commissioners was positively pledged to vote for the county paving of Foster Road, and the other two would be up for election next time, and wanted to be elected, and if we couldn't get the vote of one of them we were pretty poor politicians.

H. L. STEVENS.
H. L. Stevens of the Stevens Cash Department Store said that Foster Road paved only in the centre would be like a horse half-curried. He believed that good improvements, and side-walks would be the best possible way to fill up our empty stores.

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LAFF-A-LOT CLUB WORK FOR RED CROSS

The Laff-a Lot Club met on Thursday afternoon of last week with Mrs. Nellie McGrew. The afternoon was spent at Red Cross work. Hereafter the Club will meet at 10:00 o'clock for their semi-monthly meetings and will devote the entire day to the work of the Red Cross, enjoying a noon-day luncheon.

CHRISTMAS MAIL MUST GO BY NOV. 15

1. With the approach of the holiday season, special attention is being given to the delivery of Christmas mail to enlisted men serving abroad. Arrangements have been perfected by the Navy, War and Post Office Departments whereby Christmas mail to the American Expeditionary Forces in Europe and to the crews of U. S. Naval vessels serving in European waters will be delivered by Christmas morning. Without the fullest cooperation on the part of the public it will be impossible to accomplish this result.
2. The families and friends of enlisted men are urged to observe the rules adopted by the Navy, War and Post Office Departments, particularly in three essential respects:--
 1. Mails to reach sailors and soldiers by Christmas must be posted not later than November 15th.
 2. Every package must bear conspicuously the words "Christmas Mail," the complete address of the person for whom it is intended, and, in the upper left-hand corner, the name and address of the sender.
 3. Every parcel must be so packed and wrapped as to admit of easy inspection by the postmaster. No parcel will be dispatched to Europe which has not the postmaster's certificate that it contains no prohibited articles.
 3. All mail for men serving on board vessels of the Atlantic Fleet and in European waters should be addressed to the U. S. S., care of Postmaster, New York, N. Y. All mail intended for men serving in the Pacific and Asiatic Fleets should be addressed to the U. S. S., Asiatic Station, Via San Francisco, Cal., or U. S. S., Pacific Station, Via San Francisco, Cal.
 4. Recruiting Officers are instructed to give this information prompt and

NEWSITEMS FROM DOWN THE LINE

Chronicle of Weekly Events in Arleta And Kern Park Varied And Full of Interesting Doings.

Halloween affairs of the Nashville neighborhood were held at the home of Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Gilbert.

Wilford Hollingworth, of Ft. Canby, 12th Co. Oregon Coast Artillery, has been spending a week's furlough at his home at Nashville station.

Mrs. Adelia Johnson, of Kern Park, was united in marriage to Mr. E. A. Walker Thursday of last week.

A strong Hoover campaign is being carried on in the Arleta-to-Tremont district.

The meeting at the Public Library Monday evening was well attended. The site for the new Carnegie library is already selected and solicitors will be sent out among the people in the near future. There has been about \$225.00 already pledged.

Dr. Joseph Hunt, of Oregon City, is visiting his grandson, Harold Hunt and family, on 43rd Ave. near 72nd St. S. E. Last Friday night Arleta lodge I. O. O. F. was honored by a visit from Geo. W. Trefren, Grand Master; E. E. Sharon, grand secretary; and A. H. Johnson grand conductor.

Chisholm's store, corner Foster Road and 67th St., was entered some time Sunday night and three sacks of sugar, three sacks of flour, canned goods and other merchandise taken. The Telephone box was broken and cash removed. From appearances it was inferred that the stuff was removed in a truck.

Dr. Joseph Hunt, of Oregon City, spent Sunday with Mrs. Hattie Beldin and the days of auld lang syne recalled. On Monday they journeyed to Lents where they spent the afternoon with Mrs. Orlando Boardman, another Stark County, Ill. friend of their early days.

Mrs. Harry Usher has been ill for the past few days.

The president of the Arleta W. C. T. U. wishes to publicly thank the manager of the New Method laundry for doing some work for them free of charge. This certainly shows a patriotic spirit and was heartily appreciated.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Brock, on Friday Oct. 26, at 6738 Whitman St., a son.

Misses Sara Buell and Sadie Carlson spent Sunday at Forest Grove visiting Mrs. F. A. Carlson and family.

Mr. L. C. Jordan has been quite fortunate in having a visit from his father, Mr. W. Jordan from Columbia Falls, Montana. He returned East last Monday.

The Arleta W. C. T. U. had a very nice meeting at Lucky Cottage on Tuesday the 23rd. Mrs. Stella Wilson former president of the Union now living at Burns was down on a visit, gave a beautiful talk and Mrs. Sarvis gave a fine paper on Francis O. Willard, her childhood and life work. Fifteen members and two visitors being present.

On Friday Oct. 26th, the Arleta W. C. T. U. presented Arleta school with a picture of Francis Willard, the presentation was made by Mrs. Hansaker, pastor of the Congregational church. Mrs. M. L. Hidden gave a very inspiring address and a fine programme was given by the children of the school.

Arleta Union will entertain the County Institute on the 3rd Thursday in Nov.

Halloween Birthday Party.

A surprise party was given on the evening of October 20 in honor of Robin Reed's 18th birthday, at his home 6743 78 St. Games and music were very much enjoyed. Ghosts, strange noises and dimly lighted rooms gave everything a very ghostly air.

Partners for refreshments were found by braving the chilly air and gazing into a mirror by aid of a candle. At a late hour a general scramble for lost coats and hats began.

Those present were: Lena Johnson, Jessie Farnsworth, Harold Star, Edna Downing, Robin Reed, Dorothy Downing, Harold Brabell, Marguerite Copper, Fred Dogina, Pearl Star, Dalbert Hays, Ivy Star and Elinor Van Buskirk. Wide publicity. L. C. PALMER.

ARLETA'S NEW BRANCH LIBRARY



Above is a picture of the library at St. Johns, and it is hoped that the library building to be established at Arleta will be a building of similar general appearance and generous proportions.

Yes, Arleta, meaning by that term the district bounded by Anabel on the West and Firland on the East, is tired of the little rented room library situated in an inconspicuous position on a side street, and are going after the real thing. You see, it's this way: the Andrew Carnegie Library Fund will soon be a thing of the past, and it is expected that after the close of this year there will be no more free library buildings donated, and the proposition has been made to the Arleta district that they can secure one of the very few library buildings left if they donate the site to build it on.

That was altogether too good to be missed so a Committee composed of Messrs T. E. Speers, W. H. Gillis, J. K. Ross, Wm. Woodham, Dr. W. D. Lockwood, and John R. Leach was formed to put the matter before the people.

A big mass meeting was held Monday night to discuss ways and means of raising the money to buy a site. Two lots have been decided on, each 80x100, on the corner of Foster Road and 45th, valued at \$1800, with all the street improvements in and paid for. The district has been divided into four districts for the purpose of a house-to-house canvass, with the following as Captains: Mrs. J. J. Hansaker, Mrs. McKenzie, Mr. Blanchard, Mr. Bowen, Mr. Walters, and J. Allen Harrison, while the committee will act as free lances. At a preliminary canvass \$354.50 was raised in one forenoon, and it is expected to raise \$500 as a start before the canvass proper begins.

A benefit show is being held to-night at the Princess Theatre, with a good war film, and Robert Strong of the Library Association of Portland as a speaker.

From all indications there is no doubt about the matter, and the new Library building will soon be an accomplished fact. If Foster Road is paved at the same time it will add immensely to the pleasure of the event. The money must all be raised by November 10th.

TWO AUTO ACCIDENTS IN MT. SCOTT DISTRICT

A Mount Scott car struck the automobile of John Eisenblatt, a Scappoose rural carrier, at East Thirty-fourth street and Hawthorne avenue Sunday night, and, according to Motorcycle Patrolman Gouldstone, knocked the machine 150 paces, or nearly a block and a half, before it stopped. Mrs. Eisenblatt was thrown out and badly bruised, and her three children, who were with her and their father in the car, were shaken up but escaped without serious injury. The automobile was wrecked.

Helen Lucinia, 10-year-old daughter of Mrs. R. Lucinia, 471 Patton road, probably was fatally injured when she was struck by an automobile driven by A. F. Fisher near Kendall station Sunday night. She was taken to St. Vincent's hospital suffering from a fractured skull. According to Mr. Fisher the girl ran into the road with some other children, crossing directly in the path of his auto. Patrolmen Wright and Nelson who investigated the accident, reported that from tire marks on the pavement where the car skidded, Mr. Fisher must have been traveling at an excessive speed, as he did not stop within 80 feet.

If you want Germany to win this war, waste food--use up the food needed by those who are fighting her.

CAMP FIRE AND ENTERTAINMENT

Musical Program and Patriotic Address at Odd Fellows Hall Saturday Evening.

A splendid entertainment is being arranged for Saturday evening of this week, Nov. 3rd, to be given as a musical benefit entertainment and Camp Fire for Reuben Wilson Post G. A. R. It will be held in Odd Fellows Hall at 8:00 o'clock. Some of the finest talent of the community and city has been secured for the program, worth many times the modest price of 15 cts. which is all the ladies are asking. The program will include a patriotic address by Judge Morrow. Refreshments will be served after the entertainment for 10 cts.

The general public is extended an invitation to attend this entertainment and camp fire, have a good time, listen to a fine program and have supper around the camp fire with the veterans and ladies of the G. A. R., all for the small sum of 25 cts., but if you cannot stay to the camp fire come to the program any way.

SOLDIER LADDIE WRITES FROM CAMP GREEN

Camp Green, Charlotte, N. C.
Dear Friends of the good old town:--I thought perhaps a word from one of the Lents boys would interest you as a great many of us are scattered over the nation and are training to fit ourselves to fight the nations which for over three years have been a menace to the world.

It took six days for our train of Oregon engineers to steam from Camp Lewis, Wash. across the fertile fields, over the plains, through corn and cotton fields to Camp Green, which is situated only two miles from the little town of Charlotte, N. C.

We had a wonderful trip, as stops were made and we were given time to wander through the streets of some of our noted towns such as St. Louis, Chattanooga, Tenn. and Atlanta, Ga. and other interesting points.

To be perfectly honest, folks, the people here in Charlotte thought the Western boys were of the kind that they had read about in the Buffalo Bill and Wild West stories, and that when we arrived here we would proceed to "shoot up the town," but now they have changed their minds and give us the glad hand all around. They take us to church in their autos, invite us to luncheons on Sunday and take us for joy rides. But of course nothing can take the place of old Oregon, where the Fir trees grow tall and where the mountain streams are clear, even though it does rain a little once in a while.

PLEASANT VALLEY HOLDS HARVEST FESTIVAL

The Harvest Home Festival given by Pleasant Valley Grange at their hall at Sycamore on Saturday last was a huge success. It was an all-day and evening affair and was largely attended, not only by the members, but many representatives from neighboring granges were there, and the general public came out to the open lecture hour in the afternoon remaining for the supper and evening session.

A splendid agricultural display was staged in the hall. All kinds of vegetables, grains, fruits, nuts, canned fruits, and fancy work were exhibited, having been arranged most artistically and serving as splendid decorations for the commodious hall.

A sumptuous supper was served at 7:00 o'clock. A splendid program was given in the evening, with addresses by Hon. Frank Mulkey and County School Superintendent Alderson. Several musical numbers were also given.

WHEAT! MEAT! SUGAR! MUST BE CONSERVED

One Wheatless, Meatless Day a Week Will Enable Us To Supply The Allies

The Lents Parent-Teacher Association held a very interesting meeting in the assembly hall of the school on Friday afternoon last. Two musical numbers were given by the primary grades, one of them a patriotic song and the other a little Autumn motion song.

Attorney Jerry Boonough gave a practical and interesting address on "Food Conservation," speaking with authority, having a commission from the Government to act in this capacity. This week is food conservation week, when a house to house canvass is being made to secure signatures to the pledge cards. Mr. Boonough explained that the request was made that three articles of diet be conserved to the greatest extent possible--wheat, meat and sugar. If the housewives of the country responded to the request that would be all-sufficient; otherwise, the request would later take the form of a stringent command.

In giving the reasons for the request for food conservation campaign at this time Mr. Boonough stated that our allies found themselves at this time just 367,000,000 bushels of wheat short of their usual consumption. The United States and Canada are asked to assist in making good a part of this shortage, the former to furnish 100,000,000 and the latter 120,000,000. The 1917 crop for this country is estimated to be 700,000,000. If every family in the United States will serve three wheatless meals a week we will be able to send the requested amount to the countries across the water.

In regard to meat the shortage in Europe has been caused by the killing of 33,000,000 meat producing animals because of the inability of the warring nations to feed them. It is therefore necessary for this country to supply meat to the armies of Europe as well as to prepare to re-stock the old world when the war shall have ceased. One meatless day a week will also make this

Sincerely,
CHARLES G. WILSON.

Millions of women and children in Europe--our allies--can be saved from bitter hunger if you will eat one slice less of wheat bread each day.