

TIMBER BURNS IN BELROSE DISTRICT

PORTLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT ON SCENE, BUT WITHOUT WATER OF LITTLE AVAIL AND SOLDIERS QUICKLY EXTINGUISH FLAMES.

Shortly after 3 o'clock Monday afternoon Lents fire bell sounded a distress signal which brought out crowds of residents to discover the location of the conflagration.

In a surprisingly short time Mt. Tabor and Sunnyside Fire Departments dashed up Foster road to the scene of trouble, a tract of about four acres of timber at Belrose, stirring up a dust as they passed through Lents that almost surpassed the haze caused by the burning timber.

A detachment of soldiers from Vancouver had dug trenches, felled trees, and by other methods used where water is not available, succeeded in getting the flames under control before the fire departments arrived, and they could be of little service on account of the absence of water.

Mayor Baker had ordered out the fire departments, as Belrose is outside the city limits, and he and Fire Chief Holden were on the scene.

Fires in this section are of yearly occurrence, and their origin has not yet been discovered. Considerable timber and about forty cords of wood belonging to Mr. Wilson were destroyed in Monday's fire.

On the return trip Engine No. 19, Mt. Tabor Company, met with a little mishap which broke the steering gear.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Ask the printer. Sometimes there is a z in a name where there should be a y. Z printed does not look at all like y printed, but just look over your manuscript and see if there may not be a strong resemblance when written.

As a matter of fact, there is sometimes a great deal of heartache and disappointment in a name that appears in the news or business columns with letters in it that should not be there and letters omitted that should be there. Sometimes there is a good deal of money involved in such a mischance.

Now, printers are very wise people—almost always—wiser than people generally give them credit for being, but they are not perfect, for they have not wholly mastered the pestiferousness of names.

In view of this fact, it is well when sending communications for publication to be extremely careful to have the names spelled correctly and written legibly.

Plans for Special Military Training.

Need of specialized training for prospective soldiers is being emphasized by the government, and young men are being urged to attend college and join military units.

Details of the new plan are set forth by Newton D. Baker, Secretary of War, and H. P. McCain, Adjutant General, in communications received at Oregon Agricultural College, where, a military unit will be established next fall. The plan, according to details, calls for approximately 650 hours of military work each year on the basis of 33 weeks for the academic year and a six weeks' camp.

Cruelty to Birds Charged.

It seems inconceivable that any small boy reared in an American home and the public schools would be so inhuman as to torture little, helpless birds.

In the brush around Lents young birds have been found with one wing or leg shot off and left to suffer and, most cruel of all, some have been found tied by a wing and left to starve.

People in the vicinity are pretty certain of the identity of the culprits and if the practice does not cease information will be given to the Humane Society and Juvenile Court.—Contributed.

Lents Woman as Editor.

Mrs. L. M. Hedge is busy mailing copies of the latest edition of "Gleams of Grace, Through the Sheltering Blood." The 11,000 six-column folio issue was printed in the Herald office, and is full of words of Christian cheer and testimonies of physical and moral healing. It is a Pentecostal publication and is the eighth number, "published as the Lord permits."

SURPRISE PARTY GIVEN NEWLY-WEDS BY G. A. R.

A number of his Grand Army comrades and members of Shiloh Circle gave a surprise to Daniel Clark and bride Saturday evening at their home on Ninety-fourth street. They went in a body, carrying with them a quantity of water melons, which were quite the thing for refreshments on the dry sultry evening.

Mr. Clark surprised his friends a few weeks ago by going to Vancouver and having the ceremony performed which made Mrs. Elizabeth Weber, of Los Angeles, his wife, and as they carried their congratulatory messages in person Saturday.

Sunday School Rally.

Tuesday evening, July 30, at 8 o'clock, is the date set for the big Sunday school rally of the Multnomah County Sunday School Association, District No. 9, to be held at the Arleta Baptist Church, Sixty-fourth street and Forty-eighth avenue Southeast.

Harold Humbert, general secretary of the Oregon State Sunday School Association, who is attending the Summer school and conference at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, and international Sunday school convention at Buffalo, N. Y., will deliver the address of the evening, bringing a message from the great conferences which he has been attending, and touch upon different phases of the Sunday school work of the state for the coming year.

Dr. J. Earle Else, president of the Oregon State Sunday School Association, and Charles Staver, president of the Multnomah County Association, will also speak. The rally will be opened with an inspiring song service under the leadership of Mr. E. P. Towne, assisted by a Sunday school orchestra made up of representatives from the various schools.

A Splendid Record Achieved.

H. W. Snashall, president of the Farmers Mutual Fire Relief Association, reports the association has broken all former records in 1917. The annual statement shows 383 new members gained, 17 fire losses paid, aggregating \$4911; \$1,036,677 of insurance written, one assessment levied, and \$700 invested in Liberty Bonds during the year. The association is entering its fourteenth year, and has over 4000 members carrying \$4,250,000 insurance. It has made an annual saving of over 50 per cent to its members. At the annual meeting in January Andrew Brugger of Gresham was re-elected director for the ninth year. Farmers desiring to join may obtain information from H. W. Snashall, Gresham, R. A., or Herman Loeding, secretary, 409 Stock Exchange building, Portland.

Farewell Service for Soldier.

At the Friends' Church, Sunday evening, the usual order of service was suspended after the singing to do honor to a departing member, Emel Swanson, who was called to Fort McDowell.

J. Allen Dunbar gave the opening address on the theme, "The Ideal Young Man of Today." Miss Terrell, pastor, and Mrs. Effie Tamplin gave impromptu talks. The Sunday school children presented Mr. Swanson with a vest pocket Bible when he left Monday evening. It is expected that he will finally go into reconstruction work with the Friends' unit of the Red Cross.

Military Drill for Boys.

The Multnomah Guard non-commissioned officers will hereafter instruct groups of youths from 10 to 16 years of age in military drill. The intention is to organize a junior guard. Instruction will be given every Tuesday and Thursday evenings between 7 and 8 o'clock at the following parks: Brooklyn, Columbia, Forestry, Kenilworth, Mount Park, North Parkway, Peninsula Park, Sellwood, Terwilliger, and Lincoln. All youths are asked to report and aid in promptly forming a company at each of the parks.

FISH STORY NO. ONE

Ralph Stanz, the popular real estate dealer accompanied by a jug of buttermilk and his "Tin Liz" went fishing last Sunday and caught seven rony pinto trout, but returned them to the sparkling waters of the Clackamas. Mr. Stanz is going angling again as soon as he can get his breath, but not on the Clackamas river.



CONSERVE SURPLUS FOOD---THAT IS A BIG DUTY OF HOUSEWIVES



The Productive Home Garden Promises Not Only Fresh Vegetables for the Table, But a Surplus for Canning and Use Next Winter.

Upon the women and girls, and boys, too, in the homes of America rests the large and important responsibility of making sure that the surplus of vegetables, berries, and fruits grown this year is not wasted even in part. It will be a patriotic service to can, dry or otherwise conserve the large surplus of vegetables expected from

A PATRIOTIC CONJUGATION.

I can	We can
You can	You can
He can	They can

the extraordinary efforts everywhere in America to increase production.

In every community in the country food is being produced in back yards and vacant lots that never before were used for this purpose. Last year, according to the United States secretary of agriculture, the home-garden movement was estimated to have stimulated the planting of from two hundred to three hundred per cent more gardens than ever before had produced food in the United States. This year, it is expected, even last year's record will be surpassed. Every family with available ground has been urged to plant and cultivate a home garden.

Eat all the vegetables and fruits you need, use them to the utmost to lessen your demand for other food-stuffs. But can, dry, brine or otherwise conserve all the surplus.

By conserving the surplus the home women and girls in the country and in the cities and towns will be doing their part to lessen the national de-

CONSERVE SURPLUS FOOD.

Increased planting of vegetables this year almost certainly will mean an unprecedented yield of fresh vegetables in the spring and summer.

This will mean plentiful supplies for summer tables and a large surplus.

This surplus, to be useful to America, must be conserved.

It must be canned, dried, brined, or stored in the homes of America.

Home-conserved food means that the home will be more nearly self-sustaining and that the burden on transportation will be lightened.

Women who have never canned should now learn how; women who know how should prepare to do more.—United States department of agriculture.

mand for wheat and meat and the other foods that are needed in increasing quantities by our armies and the allies.

Decrease Food Costs.

Not only is there a national responsibility calling for the conserving of food, but there is an obvious personal advantage. Every housewife knows

the cut that can be made in table expenses by a larger well stocked with jars and cans of home-preserved fruits and vegetables. Furthermore, the use of an abundant supply of fruits and vegetables is at all times essential to health. The problem of furnishing an adequate supply of food often is to be solved only by such conservation. The need for variety in the diet is met most easily and economically by the surplus of the abundant season preserved for the time of scarcity.

This is the foreword of a series of articles prepared by food-conservation specialists of the United States department of agriculture. The articles are designed not only to guide those who have never conserved before, but to help those who have had years of experience. Simple, practical directions will be explained, proved recipes will be given, and every effort will be made to provide plain workable instructions. The articles to follow in this series will deal in detail with canning, drying, brining, pickling, peeling, and jelly making. Those who wish detailed instructions at once are advised to write to the division of

A PLACE FOR SURPLUS TIME.

Everybody can! Put your spare time into cans and jars. Home canning is kitchen patriotism.

Don't have an empty preserving jar in your neighborhood next fall.

If you have more preserving jars than you can fill, lend them to a neighbor who will make them work for the nation.

publications, United States department of agriculture, Washington, D. C., for publications on the subjects in which they are particularly interested.

Intermittent Boiling.

For the benefit of those to whom the intermittent boiling or processing may not be familiar, it may be explained that this consists merely of placing the cans or jars of material to be treated in the boiler or canner, and boiling for the required length of time on each of three successive days. By many this is considered a safer procedure than the use of a single long period of boiling.

If you employ this method, when the jars are being given the second and third boiling treatments, you should loosen the clamps or unscrew the lids slightly just before you place them again in the boiling water. Tighten covers at the end of each boiling. As the seal of the jars is loosened slightly during each boiling, the metal-capped jars, sometimes called "hermetic" jars, are not suited to intermittent work. Jars with self-sealing wire-clamped tops are most satisfactory to use in intermittent canning. Save your screw-top jars for packing fruits and tomatoes, which require but one period of boiling in a water-bath outfit.

Would-be-con--Can you use a poem on "Our Daily Bread?" Editor (without looking up)—No; what we want on our daily bread is butter.—Roston Transcript.

LENTS BOY "OVER THE TOP" WITH OREGON FIRST

Mrs. Paul Beinecker, 6131 Ninetieth street, was in the Herald office this week and left to be published, for the benefit of his friends here, a letter just received from her son, William. Everybody in the state is proud of the Third Oregon, and Lents people are especially proud of their boys who have distinguished themselves in service. A very trim military picture of the handsome young soldier with the stars and stripes in the background, and a clipping from a French publication telling of the American troops' first important victory, at Amiens, are other inclosures in the letter, which is very dear to the mother waiting at home and longing for the end of the war in a speedy victory. The letter follows:

"In France, June 1, 1918—My Dearest Mother: Well, here I am again, still safe and sound and as healthy as can be. I have been 'over the top' for my first time and, believe me, things certainly were exciting, and we made things very exciting for the Boche—and then some. It's certainly a great life, if you don't weaken. I would like to tell you about the French life, but can't. The most important thing in this drive was that the American forces were for the first time launching a big attack without the support of the French troops, and the men that were launching the attack were the first ones to set foot on French soil. I was transferred just in time to be one of the boys that went over the top and I certainly am proud of it.

"Clarence Johnson, also from Lents, was the only other boy from the old Third Oregon Infantry that went 'over the top.' He is in Company I, and I am in Company K, Twenty-eighth Infantry. With love, "Your dearest son,

"WILLIAM KNECHT."

COUNTY FAIR PRIZES LARGE.

Premium List Considerably Enlarged to Give Schools Representation.

The premium list for the county fair is being prepared and will soon be ready for distribution. A number of changes have been made in the list of prizes.

Prizes are being offered in both city and county school departments and neither will conflict with the other. This work is to take the place of the old juvenile department, which has been abandoned. The county fair board is offering \$250 in prizes for each division, and a large range of subjects is named upon which the prizes will be awarded.

In the county division the subjects include practically all field and garden crops, hogs, sheep and poultry, canning, sewing and food production. Dairy herd record-keeping and the raising of Belgian hares are also included for premiums.

In the city of Portland list the prize-taking exhibits will take the form of school exhibits and will include vegetables and flowers, rabbits and poultry, manual training, home economics insofar as these subjects are taught in individual schools.

Grange Changes Meeting Day.

The July meeting of Multnomah grange will be held at its hall at Orient Saturday, July 20, instead of July 27. The change is made on account of the grange field day. The program will be in charge of Mrs. Margaret Wheeler and is the first of a series of contests for membership, attendance and excellence of program. Mrs. Wheeler will manage two programs and Mrs. Myrtle Ball, the other captain, two programs.

Home Guard at Pleasant Valley.

Saturday evening, July 8, a home guard was organized in Pleasant Valley by Colonel Hibbard and other officers, assisted by the Multnomah Home Guard band of Portland. Thirty-three were present to take the oath. T. P. Campbell was elected captain and much credit is due to him for the success of the organization.

Reporters Wanted.

The Herald wants to get in touch with a number of people who are willing to report news from their respective districts, each week, and in addition, if they wish, to receive subscriptions and other business for the paper. For particulars please call Tabor 7824 or come to the office, in Lents.

MEETING OF LEPTS GRANGE NOTABLE

DR. ESTHER CLAYSON LOVEJOY RECEIVED TO MEMBERSHIP AND RESOLUTION SENT TO FRANCE—GRESHAM GRANGE GUESTS.

The meeting of Lents Grange in Odd Fellows hall Saturday was an inspiring occasion. After the usual business session and luncheon came the entertainment program, which was one of unusual interest.

Gresham Grange were guests, and the assembly of about 200 joined in singing the opening number, "America," with great spirit giving the recently added touching sentiment:

"God bless our splendid men,
Bring them safe home again,
God bless our men,
Make them victorious,
Patient and chivalrous;
They are so dear to us—
God bless our men."

Next came the "Penny March" to the strains of "Marching Through Georgia," the chorus being sung with a will by all present. The money thus contributed is used to supply flowers for sick members.

Little Miss Lenry Boogaert rendered a piano solo with unusual skill for one so young, and Mrs. Robertson Cook stirred the patriotic spirit of her hearers in her presentation of "The Perfect Tribute," giving on the encore the beautiful poem, "The Little Blue Star in the Window," expressing the feeling of every true American in regard to the service flag.

Hamilton Johnstone then spoke upon the necessity of united effort to the end of speedy victory in the termination of the war. He said that we should not allow smaller issues to absorb our attention and create dissension, that we cannot stop to "mend fences when the barn is on fire." He pointed out that wrong acting is the result of wrong thinking. That right concepts produce right activity, and that it is because Germany knew this that she set about to first poison the minds of peoples in order to accomplish her evil purpose. He then read President Wilson's message to President Poincare on Bastille day, which follows:

"America greets France on this day of stirring memories with a heart full of warm friendship and of devotion to the great cause in which the two peoples are now so happily united. July 14, like our own July Fourth, has taken a new significance, not only for France but for the world. As France celebrated our Fourth of July, so do we celebrate her Fourteenth, keenly conscious of a comradeship of arms and of purpose of which we are deeply proud. The seas seem very narrow today, France is so close neighbor to our hearts. The war is being fought to save ourselves from intolerable things, but could also be fought to save mankind. We extend our hands to each other, to the great peoples with whom we are associated, and to the people everywhere who love right and prize justice as a thing beyond price, and consecrate ourselves once more to the noble enterprise of peace and justice, realizing the great conceptions that have lifted France and America high among the free peoples of the world. The French flag flies today from the staff of the White House, and America is happy to do honor to that flag.

WOODROW WILSON."

Mr. Johnstone closed by offering the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted by the Grange:

"Resolved, that the 14th of July message you have just heard be the sentiment of America's millions; that it be delivered through Four-Minute Men of the Committee on Public Information to the French Ambassador for transmission to the people of France, and that this audience, with thousands of others this day, salute and honor our noble Ally, the Republic of France."

Dr. Esther Clayton Lovejoy occupied the remainder of the session with a discourse glowing with patriotic fervor. She stated with ringing conviction that "we can win the war and win it now." She said that nothing else is worth while at stake. That the "fate of mankind is at stake, our religion is in danger."

Dr. Lovejoy said that she is a farmer and that she expects when the war is won to return to her little ranch near Roseburg and spend the remainder of her days. She requested that as a testimony of their appreciation, the Grange make her a member. So now Lents Grange has the distinction of numbering among its members the eloquent speaker who gave them a glimpse of her experience on the battle fields of France and brought most vividly to their minds the need of the people across the waters as well as our own dear soldiers in conflict that every American citizen put his whole energy into helping relieve suffering and bringing the war to an early and victorious ending.