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CITY OFFICIALS PROCLAIM MAY 17-22 CLEAN-UP WEEK

Following out the plans of the Clean-up, Paint-up and Spade-up week, I hereby designate the week of May 17 to 22 as being "CLEAN-UP, PAINT-UP and SPADE-UP WEEK."

The object of this campaign is to make homes more attractive, living conditions more sanitary, prevent fires, raise property values, and to attract tourists and possible home owners.

Portland is on record as the healthiest city in America; let us make it the most beautiful home community in America as well. This may be done by planting lawns, gardens and shruberies in yards and vacant lots, and by painting weather-beaten buildings and houses.

I, therefore, call upon all of the residents of this city to request their cooperation in helping to make our community clean, healthy, thrifty and beautiful.

GEORGE L. BAKER, Mayor of Portland.

To a stranger visiting a city there is nothing that appeals to them stronger than a spick and span clean city with fresh paint on every side.

A city with well kept lawns, flower beds and gardens tells in no uncertain way that its citizenship is made up of people of energy, progress and thrift.

It causes the home seeker to say: "Here will I pitch my tent." "Here is the place I have sought where my family may be brought in touch with people possessed of enterprise that stands for good living and high ideals."

Small block of text continuing the 'CLEAN-UP WEEK' article, mentioning Commissioner of Public Utilities.

PROGRAM OF GRANGE CONTEST AT NEXT FAIR AT GRESHAM

The Grange contest for points for awards at the forthcoming Gresham fair next fall promises to promote considerably friendly rivalry among the granges of Multnomah county, and already committee of the various Granges are getting ready to make a try for the chief award.

Exhibit of farm and household products grown by the membership of a Grange or community. Class 39—Awards: An award of \$100 will be given each Grange of Multnomah county that puts up a creditable exhibit for their community and an additional \$1 for each point which the exhibit scores over 75 points.

The scoring shall be done on the commercial and home values of the products exhibited. A reasonable number of standard varieties will be considered a complete exhibit but due credit will be given to large collections of varieties.

Where it is practicable the fruits and vegetables should be exhibited in marketable form. The following score card will be used: Grains, in four-inch bundles and shelled, 10.

LENTS "CLEANS UP" THURSDAY, MAY 20. The clean-up campaign committee has decreed that the day selected for Lents to "rise and shine" in the matter of exemplified cleanliness is May 20.

MEMORIAL SUNDAY SERVICES MAY 23D. Memorial Sunday services will be held at the Methodist church on May 23 at 11 a. m.

Dr. Ogsbury's Brother Back From the Rhine. Dr. Ogsbury received a visit this week from his brother, Earl G. Ogsbury, who was en route to his home at Lewiston, Idaho, from Camp Mead, Ill., where he was discharged from the army.

Mary E. Peterson. The death of Mary E. Peterson occurred last Saturday at the family residence at 5417 82nd street.

Mrs. Toon of 6504 82nd street, is seriously ill at the family home. Two daughters have arrived from a distance, and two sons are on their way to Lents to see the invalid mother.

TAX WILL REACH PROPERTY NOT NOW SUPPORTING SCHOOLS

Do you know Oregon is one of the very few states in the nation that levies no direct tax for the support of public schools? Do you know that the state of Washington gives \$20 per year for the education of every child within its borders?

Do you know that in Oregon the state gives nothing, the county \$10, and the interest from the irreducible school fund is \$1.85—making a total of \$11.85 compared our neighboring state's \$34?

Seventy per cent of our fund is raised by voluntary special tax. That means that property not organized into a school district pays little for support of the schools, and there are \$42,000,000 of such property in Oregon.

One way to help remedy these conditions will be to vote for the children's bill, No. 314, and the result will be that Oregon schools will be able to maintain at least a part of the efficiency they maintain now.

Ladies of Eastern Star Entertain with Program. On last Thursday night the ladies of Mt. Scott chapter, Order of Eastern Star, gave an entertainment in their hall with the following program, which was happily rendered:

Many New Businesses In the Arleta District. Within the past month five new grocery stores, two new plumbing shops, a second-hand clothing store, a lath mill and a drag-saw factory have been added to the Arleta business directory.

Alas, Poor Tabby. The fur market craves almost anything in the line of fur, at unheard of prices. It is learned that hundreds of boys and even men, are busy watching for stray tabbies, as their hides bring a couple of dollars each, when tanned.

In U. S. Navy for Five Years. James Bowen, recently discharged from the U. S. Navy, returned to the home of his parents. Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bowen of Kern Park, last Sunday. The son was in the service of Uncle Sam for about five years, and participated in the late war, in which period he crossed the Atlantic seven times with convoy vessels.

NO MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES BECAUSE INTEREST LACKING

Editor Mt. Scott Herald: There will be no Memorial Day services held on Monday May 31, for the reason that the people do not attend. Our memorial services last year were a failure.

Could the eyes of this generation be opened to the magnificent service of the brave boys who so bravely defended our flag that this nation should not "perish from the face of the earth," there would be no lack of respect for the "Boys in Blue."

GRANGE MEETING ADDRESSED BY O. A. C. INSTRUCTOR. Lents Grange held its regular meeting last Saturday.

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MONEY SAVED CAR RIDERS BY TAX RELIEF MEASURES

Big property owners in the downtown district of Portland, much of whose wealth and prosperity has been created through the advantages of modern street railway transportation do not now bear their fair share of this substantial benefit to their business.

The passage of these measures mean a comparatively slight increase in taxes, the levy being an average of 1.6 mills per year, or, in concrete figures it would mean \$1.60 for each man who pays taxes on an assessed valuation of \$1000.

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which the public service commission has stated would be necessary to meet the costs of the street car repaving and maintaining the pavement already laid, so that the abutting property owners, now exempt, will be required to bear their fair portion of this expense.

The success or failure of these measures vitally concern the suburban property owners because if they carry it will be possible to keep the street car fare down, while it is almost a foregone conclusion that if they do not carry the fare will be cutting them down from three cents a car to one cent per car, the difference being made up by taxation.

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This city it means an increase in taxes of only two tenths of a mill on the dollar or 20 cents on a thousand.

Over 230 school houses in Oregon are closed and locked because no teachers can be secured. On an average of 20 pupils to the school, this would make over 4000 boys and girls of Oregon who are deprived the education to which they are entitled.

Blanche Rife and William Limback run a most exciting race during the gymnastic period Wednesday morning. William won the race.

Louise Durrie, Jessie Knox and Loree Rayburn led the class in an arithmetic test given during the week.

The pupils of room 3 and 6 went on a nature study walk last Thursday.