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Sewer Opponents Hold Big Meeting

Many Speakers Heard, Including Some of Those in Favor--Vote Favors Opponents Almost Unanimously--Mr. Douglas Gives His Views

The status of the proposed Foster Road trunkline sewer as the Herald goes to press is substantially as follows: This vote will be taken, according to the engineer's office, in the next ten days. It will be purely advisory, as far as the council is concerned, and every homeowner will have one vote, irrespective of the value of his holdings.

one 50x100 ft. lot will only approximate one cent per day when spread over the ten-year period allowed for the payment. They claim that such cost is out of proportion to the benefits received and might result in confiscation of property.

The city council decided not to hold a public meeting on Wednesday of this week, as first proposed, but will take a post card vote of the property owners affected as a guide to the wishes of those living in the district.

They claim that the proposed sewer will do the home owner no service for a long time to come, as it is only to be used for drainage of streets. Most of the people who have been circulating petitions against the improvement have also dwelt at length upon the final cost when the completion of the sewerage system is carried out, their estimates varying from \$5000 per lot to \$10,000 per lot, in their figures being difficult to explain.

The opposition's fight is in the hands of a committee of ten, with a sub-committee of fifty lieutenants as aids. The district east of 82nd street is said to be practically unanimously against, while from 82nd to 72nd, the sentiment is reported at this time to favor the project. West of 72nd to 62nd, the proponents are as nearly unanimous for as the Lents district is opposed.

The opponents also ask "why go to the expense of drainage when a pavement down the Foster Road can be obtained without a sewer?" The writer is unable to understand this claim as no details have been furnished, unless by the pavement is meant an 18-foot strip down the middle of the road to be built by the county.)

Saturday Night's Meeting Grange hall was filled to overflowing Saturday evening with property-owners of the Lents district who were present to voice their protest against the proposed Foster Road trunk sewer, as outlined by the city engineering department.

The speakers in favor of the measure claim that we should not worry about the eventual cost of the completed sewerage system as it probably will not be constructed for a number of years and that anyway when the health board feels that the Mt. Scott district is in absolute need of a sewerage system they will want it or not, as it is in their power to do. It is contended that we are bound to need and have sewers some years from now and that we may as well start paying for this trunk now, which will help drag the complete sewer cost over a much longer period and make it easier for everybody.

Wilbur F. Brock of south 92nd who has largely been in the eastern Oregon and who makes his home here during the winter months, called the meeting to order as temporary chairman. He stated the purpose of the meeting to be primarily to study the question and not to renege until all the facts were known and considered.

The further state it will be impossible to get the Foster Road paved without a sewer, as the city authorities have positively stated that it would be unwise and impractical for the city to take the Foster Road from the county unless it is lowered to grade and paved, and they (the city authorities) insist that the pavement cannot be laid without drainage and that the most economical drainage is by sewers; that 82 of the 86 sums of \$1000 for the street drainage for Portland are at the present time of no use, being so filled with mud that they overflow.

Nominations for permanent chairman being in order, T. J. Campbell placed before the meeting the name of L. L. Levings, stating that as the latter had previously appeared before the city council, he was familiar with himself with all phases of the question, he would be a suitable presiding officer. Mr. Levings was duly elected and Secretary.

It is claimed that the defeat of the sewer project will completely stop the paving of Foster Road, as there will be sufficient property owners to prevent from the east side into the narrow strip of pavement by the county to defeat that project, for they claim this would hold up final improvement.

A resolution was offered and voted upon favorably the effect that all speakers be limited to five minutes each. J. F. Scheurman insisted upon the proponents of the proposed sewer being allowed whatever reasonable time was necessary for them to set forth their reasons for favoring it, irrespective of the five-minute rule.

They state that increased values in property all over the Mt. Scott district, taking into consideration the amount far above the cost of the sewer.

There were at least fifteen speakers in the opposition's camp who spoke against the measure for five minutes each. Chairman Levings called Mr. Brock to the chair and took the floor himself, going over the points presented from the opposition.

They also call attention to the fact that the city planning commission's plan to eventually make Foster Road one of the five wide highways radiating from the east side into the heart of the city will be indefinitely held up if the paving of this link of the highway is defeated. They point to the fact that when the Foster Road is extended in almost a straight line from Anabel to Grand Avenue as the commission proposes, it will bring the Mt. Scott district approximately a mile closer to the Hawthorne bridge in distance travelled, resulting in large increases in property values in our district.

Several speakers from the Johnson Creek neighborhood were heard, and it was brought out that should an attempt be made to empty surface water in the creek an injunction will be sought from the court, upon the ground that the creek will not take care of the surface water flowing into it at the present time, and any increase in the quantity will enhance the damage to adjacent lands from the overflow every season.

I will not take any more of your valuable space, but in closing I wish to state my belief that the wise man will not do himself and his property the injustice of making snap judgment on a measure of such importance to the future of our district, but before the postcards on which he cast his vote are issued from the city hall, he will listen to the arguments on both sides of the question, coolly and judiciously, and then cast his vote in accordance with whether he figures the improvement will increase the value of property in a larger degree than the amount of the assessment or vice versa, taking into consideration the undoubted fact that he will have to pay for sewers at some time.

There were no representatives present from the city engineer's office, although a report was current that they had been invited to attend. This Mr. Johnson of the engineer's office stated to the Herald was not true.

Yours truly, G. P. DOUGLAS, Secretary-Treasurer, Woodmere Community Club

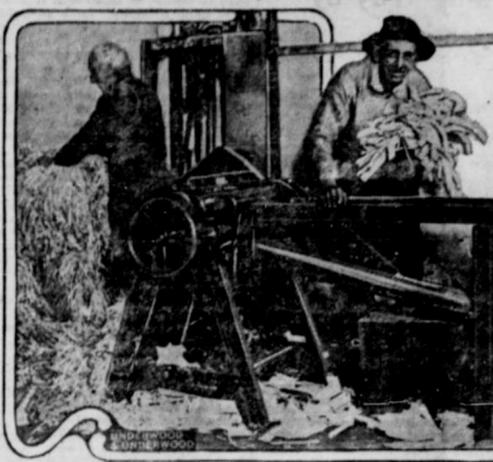
Favors the Sewer Project Editor of the Herald: Consideration of the proposed sewer under Foster Road and 82nd street for the purpose of furnishing drainage for those streets should not be undertaken with any partisan feeling in the minds of the residents who will be called upon to vote in the near future for or against the construction; such feeling cannot possibly help their interests, but may damage them to a large degree.

DRUNKEN DRIVER GETS FINE AND JAIL SENTENCE A fine of \$100 and ten days in jail was the sentence meted out by Judge Rossman Saturday in the case of P. Weber of Lents, charged with driving a motor car while intoxicated. Weber was arrested on East Third street after midnight on February 23.

Let them give careful thought to how the proposed improvements will affect their property values, both at the present time and in the future. The speakers against the improvement lay stress on the fact that although they admit that the cost of the proposed sewer to the owner of

The authorities are said to have found two-thirds of a gallon of moonshine in his car. A woman was riding with him in the car. Lenency was asked for him by counsel on the grounds that he had a wife and a baby on a few months old to support. The judge refused to reconsider his verdict from the nature of the evidence in the case. Weber faces arrest by federal authorities on the charge of transporting liquor when he is released from the city jail.

Making the Helpless Independent



An outgrowth of the outdoor relief department of the county charities of Los Angeles, gives an opportunity to persons, who otherwise would be county charges, to live independent lives, or if crippled or handicapped in other ways, partially to support themselves. Departments have been established where old articles are made over into new. The photograph shows the machine with which paper from the fumigating department is shredded for various uses.

Local News--Personal Gossip

Mrs. May Landon of 89th street is visiting relatives at Gresham.

The Neighbors of Woodcraft are to have a 500 party at Lents grange hall this (Friday) evening.

The community dance given at Lents school house Saturday evening was well attended.

Mrs. W. C. Stearns of 96th street underwent an operation recently in Portland Medical hospital.

E. L. Harris of Salem visited overnight one day last week with his sister, Mrs. Olive Kelly, 5405 89th street.

Mrs. William Etchell of 4541 88th street has been quite ill at her home for the past two weeks. She is reported as improving.

Mrs. Ernest Zepplin has been very ill at her home on 92nd street and her little daughter, Ione, is just now recovering from the measles.

Mrs. Fred Hedges, who is employed at the Katsky Bros. department store, is taking a week's vacation and her place is being filled by Mrs. Lewis Mason.

Mrs. J. G. Leahman's family at 6421 82nd street is in quarantine for diphtheria, their daughter Florence having contracted the disease.

The funeral of Jessie Gebach, aged 38 years, who died Friday, was held at Kenworthy chapel Monday at two o'clock and interment was made in Multnomah cemetery.

The ladies of the M. E. church will hold their monthly silver tea at the home of Mrs. J. E. Hanken, 5640 84th street, Wednesday afternoon, March 16th.

Every Wednesday evening, beginning with this week, members of Mt. Scott Chapter 110, O. E. S., are giving dancing lessons to those who are fond of the light fantastic. It is planned to give eight lessons in all.

Mr. and Mrs. James Reardon of Wheeler, Or., are moving to Portland and for a few days are stopping at the home of a relative, Mrs. Alice Steinman, on 85th street.

Those who love "Way Down East" will enjoy again these simple home-loving people and the humorous side of their lives as presented in this play, dressed as the New England people dressed a half-century ago. The dresses, hats, wraps, etc., were inherited by one little lady, who brought five trunks full to Oregon with her. The players will move in an atmosphere of auld lang syne, and the grandfather's clock and the spinning wheel to add realism to the play.

Little Frank Moudenhaugh of 82nd street was recently accidentally shot by Walter Pitt, who was handling a revolver thought to be unloaded. The wound was quite an ugly one through the leg.

The players have ability and enthusiasm and as the play is bubbling over with merriment, all will enjoy it, young and old alike. Good music will be a feature of the evening. Come and bring your friends. Children 15c, adults 25c, including war tax.

Mrs. S. D. Pomeroy of 5629 88th street entertained Friday afternoon in honor of her little daughter, Lois. The guests were three little schoolmates, Isabel Jamison, Charlotte Sullivan and Vivian Howe.

The Herald is in receipt of an interesting letter from Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Blanchard, who are well known to residents of this locality. They were present at the inauguration of President Harding and have visited many places of interest in the east. Their letter will appear in next week's issue of the Herald.

Organized Evil Forces at Work; Seek the Disintegration of Society.

By CALVIN COOLIDGE, Vice President-Elect.



I speak in behalf of higher education. There is need not only of patriotic ideals and a trained intelligence in our economic life, but also of a deep understanding of man and his relationship to the physical universe and to his fellow man. There has always been evil in the world. There are evil forces at work now. They are apparently organized and seek disintegration of society. They can almost be recognized by a direct appeal to selfishness. They deny that the present relationship of men has any sound basis for its existence. They point out to men with untrained minds that it takes effort to maintain themselves and support government and claim that they ought to exist without effort on the accumulation of others and the denial that men have any obligations toward one another. The answer to this lies in a knowledge of past human experience and a realization of what man is.

The sources of the state of mind which supports civilization are education and religion. We hold by the modern standards of society. We believe in maintaining modern civilization for the protection and support of free government and the development of the economic welfare.

The great test of an institution is the ability to perpetuate itself. It seems fairly plain that these institutions can survive with the aid of higher education. Without it they have not the slightest chance.

We justify the greater and greater accumulation of capital because we believe that thereupon flows the support of all science, art, learning and the charities which minister to the humanities of life, all carrying their beneficent effects to the people as a whole.

Unless this is measurably true, our system of civilization ought to stand condemned.

Local Man Bond Loser

\$1000 Liberty Disappears From Coat Pocket on Monday

To loan a \$1000 Liberty bond to a friend to use as collateral in a business deal and then to have the friend lose the bond from his pocket was the unpleasant experience this week of John H. Donaldson, or "John D", of Lents people. Mr. Donaldson had the bond in his safe deposit box in the Multnomah State Bank, where it had securely rested since he purchased it several weeks ago. Tuesday afternoon Mr. Donaldson took it from the box and the borrower took it in his inside coat pocket among some other papers and boarded the car for Portland. After transacting business along Front street the gentleman went to his home in one of the other suburbs of the city. About 7 o'clock that evening it occurred to him to look for the bond and see if it was where he had placed it. To his surprise and dismay, it was not there and Mr. Donaldson was immediately notified.

The matter was reported to the police detective bureau and steps taken at once to prevent the lost bond from being disposed of. The police are said to be of the opinion that the man's pocket was not picked, and that the bond will be eventually recovered. John D.'s hopes rose with a jump Tuesday evening when his telephone rang and a man's voice inquired if he had advertised a lost bond. Upon being assured that he had, the interrogator wanted to know what steps had been taken to prevent it from being negotiated, saying he had lost \$200 in like manner some time ago and he was anxious to know how he could prevent an unlawful possessor realizing upon it. Mr. Donaldson has been assured that the loss will be made good by the person from whose custody the bond disappeared.

"IN OLD NEW ENGLAND" AT WOODMERE SCHOOL

Under the auspices of the Woodmere Parent-Teachers association the Clackamas Dramatic Club will give an entertainment in the assembly hall of Woodmere school, 89th street, Saturday evening, March 19, entitled "In Old New England."

Those who love "Way Down East" will enjoy again these simple home-loving people and the humorous side of their lives as presented in this play, dressed as the New England people dressed a half-century ago. The dresses, hats, wraps, etc., were inherited by one little lady, who brought five trunks full to Oregon with her. The players will move in an atmosphere of auld lang syne, and the grandfather's clock and the spinning wheel to add realism to the play.

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NO REASON FOR BEGGING ON PORTLAND STREETS

No reason exists for any able-bodied man in Portland begging food or lodging or "mooching" on the streets, was the substance of a communication issued recently by the American Legion unemployment committee.

"The unemployment committee has the Portland situation so well in hand that there is no justification for any able-bodied bread winner seeking alms in the city," it said. "We can give every man at least enough work each day to provide food and shelter for himself and dependents, if any." Members of the committee said that it had come to their attention that many had availed themselves of the jobs offered and then had gone to the Salvation Army and similar institutions to beg for lodgings and meals. The public is asked by the communication to refer all caught begging to the unemployment committee, where it is declared that work awaits every deserving person.

LENTS PARENT-TEACHERS MEETS FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Lents Parent-Teachers association meets in the assembly hall of the school, Friday, March 18th, at 2:45 p. m. The speaker of the afternoon will be Dr. F. C. Kobs, teacher of psychology, whose subject will be "The Mistake of Children." Other numbers on the program will be songs by the pupils of Miss McDonald's and Miss Chapman's rooms, and a piano solo by a pupil of Miss Alton's room. A plant will be given to the room having the greatest number of mothers present. Refreshments will be served. Mrs. P. A. Kennedy is chairman of the refreshment committee. The Crown Products Co. will demonstrate Mazola oil.

CATALOG DISPLAY AT LENTS BRANCH LIBRARY

At the Lents library an interesting and timely display of new seed catalogues may be seen, also magazines showing house plans are at the disposal of the public. This is really an advantage, for nothing is shown in our public libraries that is not authentic and one may many times obtain help and suggestions.

FIFTY-EIGHTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OBSERVED

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Waggener, of 6639 85th street, celebrated their fifty-eighth wedding anniversary last Friday afternoon at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Harry Chapin, 6683 87th street. Mr. and Mrs. Waggener are aged 81 and 75 years respectively, and have five children living. They were the recipients of several presents, among which was a big one presented to Mrs. Waggener on behalf of the members of the Shiloh circle of the Ladies of the G. A. R., of which Mrs. Waggener is a member, the presentation speech being made by Mrs. Hamlin, president of Shiloh circle. John Walrod, commander of Reuben Wilson post, in behalf of the G. A. R. presented Mr. Waggener with \$10. Rev. Sibley, pastor of the Lents M. E. church, presented the couple with \$5 as a gift from the members of the church.

The guests were: Rev. and Mrs. Sibley, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bellett, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Scheurman, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. E. Jake, Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Smith, Mrs. James McSloy, Mrs. Conrad, Mrs. Anna M. Melvin, Mrs. Charles McGill, Mrs. T. O. Connell, Mrs. Ray Scherhorn, Mrs. John A. Graves, Mrs. H. F. Ernest, Mrs. Alma J. Lord, Mrs. E. M. Scheurman, John Walrod, O. V. Dudley, M. McGreer, Mrs. John Maffet, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Badley, Mrs. C. Norene, Mrs. L. W. Davis, Mrs. J. T. Strahl, Mrs. Alice Woodworth, Mrs. Alice Peterson, Mrs. Joe Bush, Mrs. John Huskey, Mrs. Mary Wilkinson, Mrs. Chester McGrew, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McGrew, R. J. Jussey, Mrs. E. A. Dennis, Mrs. Ray L. Davis and daughter Helen and son Hugh, Mrs. E. A. Hamlin, F. E. Zigger, Mr. and Mrs. E. Jake and Mrs. Belle Elwood.

LENTS PARENT-TEACHERS HAS LARGE MEMBERSHIP

That the Lents Parent-Teacher association is in a flourishing condition is shown by the roll of that body, to which seventeen new names were recently added. Under the direction of the president, Mrs. F. O. McGrew, and the various other officers and committees, the association has been active of late in the promotion of affairs within the scope of its objects. The community dances which the organization has promoted during the last few months have been well supported and have furnished much enjoyment to those who have attended.

The roll of members is as follows: Maxine Alton, Mrs. Carrie Asher, Miss Jessie Armstrong, Mrs. E. Brunner, Mrs. A. Brugger, Mrs. H. L. Banker, Mrs. A. Barr, Mrs. Black, Miss Loretta Chapman, Mrs. Chas. Chick, Mrs. A. E. Droste, Miss Marion Dickey, Mrs. Maud Darnall, Miss Ruth C. Damon, Mrs. E. E. Evans, Miss Nita Farmer, Mrs. C. L. Geselle, Mrs. O. A. Hags, Miss Laura Harvey, Mrs. May Howe, Mrs. Blanche E. Heden, Mrs. Ray Hanaberry, Mrs. Axel Johnson, Mrs. P. J. Joerg, Mrs. H. Jossy, Mrs. Otto Katsky, Mrs. Leo Katsky, Mrs. Kerr, Mrs. E. A. Kennedy, Miss Evelyn Lawrence, Mrs. James Leitch, Mrs. Laura I. Leach, Mrs. Alice Locke, Mrs. Lienkemper, Mrs. G. E. Locke, Mrs. A. Mathes, Mrs. Munson, Mrs. Elizabeth Mirwald, Mrs. G. W. McKay, Mrs. Melvin C. McLeod, Mrs. F. M. McLeod, Mrs. Norene McDonald, Mrs. Thos. McSloy, Mrs. Mabel Marcy, Miss Gladys Michael, Miss Hollis Michaels, Miss Mary Mancur, Miss Bess O Osborne, Mrs. Clyde Sager, Mrs. E. Snyder, Miss Amy Steinberge, Mrs. W. F. Sanders, Mr. B. A. Thayer, Miss Marie Train, Miss Clara Vaughan, Miss Grace Wolverson, Miss Eva Wash.

LENTS FIREMAN INJURED WHEN CHEMICALS EXPLODE

G. G. Faulkner, 32 years old, 9623 Sixtieth avenue, was severely burned about the face and hands last Tuesday evening when chemicals he was mixing at the Sixteenth and Washington street fire station exploded. Faulkner is a fireman and was engaged in mixing sugar, potash and sulphuric when the concoction exploded while he was bending over it. He was taken to the emergency hospital, where his injuries were dressed. He was later removed to his home. Although painful, his injuries are not serious, according to physicians.

"PEEPING TOM" CAPTURED AND DRAWS \$50 PENALTY

A "Peeping Tom" in the neighborhood of 54th avenue and 74th street was caught by police officers Tuesday evening and taken to the police station in the patrol wagon. Shots fired by the officers brought the chap to time. His sentence was a \$50 fine and one day in jail. He was alleged to have been peering in the windows of two young girls. He is said to have a wife and family.

M. E. LEAGUE NOTES

The beautiful silver cup given by Dr. Youngson for the best average attendance according to membership, at the mid-winter institute held at First church, was won by Lents, with an attendance of 56 per cent. The monthly business meeting of the league was held Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Hazel Altmatt. Thirteen members were present and three new names added to the roll. A hard times party is to be given on March 18.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Perkins have sold their store at 65th avenue and 88th street and their future home will be Medford, where Mr. Perkins and son Verne will conduct an electric appliance store.

Money Goes to Clarence

Week's Totals in Trade-at-Home Contest Shows Some Changes

Clarence O'Neil kept up the pace this week in the trade-at-home contest and turned in a total of 100,000 votes, sufficient to win the \$5 prize. There were several other contestants with large totals ready, but as the hour for turning in the coupons found several around the Herald office, and they had an opportunity to see the total of Clarence, it served to dampen their enthusiasm, as he undoubtedly had more in reserve. A new entrant who should have been credited last week is Gena E. Locke, with a total of 15,500. Mrs. B. S. Jones increased her totals to 61,500 and her slight changes will be noticed in the standing below: Clarence O'Neil 256,400 Margaret Leitch 163,050 Mrs. B. S. Jones 61,500 Gena T. Locke 15,500 O. M. Shields 4,500 Miss E. V. Barker 2,900 Miss Helen Kanne 2,300 Claudine Moore 1,500 Lucille Dugan 1,500 Lester Calvert 550

PLANS UNDER WAY FOR PORTLAND ROSE FESTIVAL

The 1921 Rose Festival board has been organized and Henry W. Kent, executive secretary of the Portland Service League appointed chairman of the floral parade committee. Mr. Kent has named the 6,000 officers of the league as his associates on this committee, and hopes to arrange a parade which will be a great community pageant—a parade of a million roses—which will attract the attention of the world to Portland through the motion pictures, magazine writers and press associations.

Every boy and girl in Portland will be asked to plant a Rose Festival garden. Special prizes on seeds, plants and bulbs will be given through the league. Three boys and girls in each group of approximately ten neighbors will be given first, second and third prizes for the three best gardens. This will mean that about 36 boys and girls will ride in the precinct cars that are to be decorated by the people of the precinct with flowers grown in the precinct by the boys and girls. Assistants of the men and women will be permitted but on a score of points the boy or girl who does all of the work will gain in points.

The committee is especially anxious that sweet peas be planted at once so that they will be in bloom by June 8. Any good seed catalogue will give full directions or the Portland seed houses will do so. All rose bushes should be carefully pruned, fertilized and sprayed at once in order to get the best bloom. Save your cuttings and plant them in your garden for future use. For further formation, call office of the Portland Service League, Auto. 552-22.

LENTS GRANGE IN SESSION ALL DAY ON SATURDAY

Lents Grange will meet in Grange hall Saturday in all day session. In the morning the first and second degrees will be conferred. In the afternoon there will be a flag presentation by Mesdames Thomas and Pollock. Rev. E. A. Smith will deliver an appropriate address and there will be a solo by little Miss Hedin. W. S. U'Ren, well known to grange members, will deliver an address on "Peoples' Power League proposed amendment for abolition of the state senate and election of the people's business occupation instead of their political parties." The degree team of Russellville Grange will attend and at 3:30 will put on the work of the third and fourth degrees.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Rev. F. B. Culver, pastor. Freshing at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 9:45 and Y. P. A. at 6:30. We desire to call your attention to the special literary and musical program to be given in the church auditorium on Friday night, March 18th, under the direction of the Y. P. A. The purpose of this program is to secure an offering for the superannuated fund of the church. No admission will be charged, but small bags will be handed out with the request that those desiring to do so place a few pennies within as they are many pennies within as they are many years old. The committee has arranged for some splendid talent, so that you will find it well worth while to reserve this evening for the program.

The young men's class spent a delightful evening on Friday last with Clarence O'Neil, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Dille, on 92nd street. This interesting class is made up of about twenty five young men, with Rev. Culver as their teacher. Besides having a class organization, they are two basketball teams, which play every Saturday night at Washington high school. The second team, with Tom O'Brien as star player, tried itself out with the team from the Christian Brothers school last Saturday night. Result, 25 to 24 in favor of Christian Brothers.