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Boosts for High Bridge Here

Mr. Editor of the St. Johns Review: I noticed an article in your paper written by Uncle Joe. It was written in a very quaint, old fashioned way, but the gist of his subject is worthy of more than a passing thought. It ought to engage the most serious thought of the business men of a growing and prosperous city. One of the best things that you have said in your paper was to mention a high bridge to span the Willamette river at St. Johns. The ferry was O. K. in its day and was a great boon to the people. But it is inadequate to the travel and is becoming more and more so. This is the era of automobiles and air ships and if the people of this city expect to keep up abreast with the times they must meet and cooperate with the demands of the public, whatever the cost. I understand that it costs the taxpayers of this county about twenty-five thousand dollars a year to run the ferry, to say nothing of about twenty thousand dollars for repairs. Give us a high bridge connecting the East Side with the West and then extend Fessenden street to intersect with the county road leading to the Interstate Bridge. Then something would be accomplished that coming generations will rise up and call us blessed.

Now, Mr. Editor, you talk about your clubs, your play grounds, your swimming pools, hillside plows, mowing machines and mountain scenery, but a high bridge will eclipse them all—a convenience, a necessity, the connecting link between two scenic highways, a blessing and a joy forever.—C. V. Zimmerman.

A farewell party was given at the home of Murna Beaver Saturday evening, June 12th, in honor of Bertha Young, who is going to make her home in Corvallis. The evening was spent in playing various games, after which delicious refreshments were served. The guests then departed, wishing Miss Young happiness in her new home.

An Extensive Tax Drive

The following statement is issued by Collector of Internal Revenue, Milton A. Miller: In this, as in every other section of the country, there will be conducted during the next two months an extensive tax drive for the collection of delinquent sales and other miscellaneous taxes, such as the so-called luxury tax, the soft drink tax, the admission tax, the manufacturer's tax, the tax on jewelry and works of art, and the tax on toilet articles and proprietary medicines. Reports of laxity on the part of dealers and other persons responsible for the return and collection of these taxes have reached the Bureau of Internal Revenue from many sources. To remedy this condition, a large force of revenue officers will be put in the field, and it is expected to result in the collection of millions of dollars in delinquent taxes. Information from the Sales Tax Unit of the Bureau of Internal Revenue is that many dealers in soft drinks and ice cream either are keeping no record of the amount of tax collections from such sales, or that the record is insufficient or incorrect. Special attention will be directed to the collection of this tax as well as the tax on toilet articles and proprietary medicines. Through the failure of retailers to collect in full the tax of 1 cent for each 25 cents or fraction thereof of the amount for which toilet articles and proprietary medicines are sold, it is estimated the government is losing several million dollars annually. The tax is collected by means of stamps ranging from 1 to 40 cents, which the law provides shall be affixed by the dealer, and cancelled. It is the intention to conduct as thorough and effective a campaign as possible in such a way as to bring to justice willful violators, and cause no embarrassment to merchants and business men who honestly are endeavoring to comply with the revenue laws.

Collar Pins. ROGERS.

My auto 'tis of thee, short road to poverty, of thee I chant. I blew a pile of dough on you three years ago; now you refuse to go, or won't or can't. Thru town and countryside you were my joy and pride, a happy day. I loved the gaudy hue, the nice white tires new, but you're down and out for true, in every way. To thee, old rattlebox, came many bumps and knocks, for thee I grieve. Badly the top is torn, frayed are the seats and worn: the whooping cough affects thy horn, I do believe. Thy perfume swells the breeze, while good folks choke and wheeze as we pass by. I paid for thee a price, 'twould buy a mansion twice; now everybody's yelling "ice"—I wonder why? Thy motor has the grip, thy spark plug has the pip and woe is thine. I, too, have suffered chills, fatigue and kindred ills, endeavoring to pay my bills, since thou wert mine. Gone is my bank roll now, no more 'twould choke a cow, as once before. Yet, if I had the mon, so help me John—amen, I'd buy a car again and speed some more.—Auto Links.

Lester Leroy Webb, the 10 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Webb of Whitwood Court, was drowned Sunday morning. Together with his brother he was engaged in capturing carp near some weeds fringing the west shore of the river and was on a plank. His older brother was on a log at the time. An uncle of the boys was near at hand and noticed that the brother of the little drowned boy had fallen off the log and the uncle rescued him. He then noticed that the little boy was gone from the plank, and his body was recovered a little later. Neither of the boys could swim. The parents and children had come from Nebraska only about a month ago. Funeral services were held at the chapel of the St. Johns Undertaking Co. Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. Dr. Jones preaching the sermon. Interment in Columbia Cemetery.

At the home of Mrs. J. D. Keliher of North Seneca street June 18th occurred one of the most delightful surprise parties of the season, it being the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Keliher. The ladies met at the home of Mrs. D. A. Wright about 11:30 a. m. and from there proceeded to the home of Mrs. Keliher, who was taken unaware, not even suspecting it was her birthday. At the noon hour the long table fairly groaned under its load of good things to eat. After all had partaken of this bountiful repast, about thirty in number, the guests were ushered into the parlor where Mrs. Keliher was made the recipient of many beautiful little gifts, for which she thanked all present. Every one present was happy and enjoyed several selections on the piano by Mrs. Homer Lindsey. All departed wishing Mrs. Keliher many more happy birthdays. Those present were: Mrs. J. D. Keliher, Mesdames Luman, Janzen, Toole, Helms, Maher, Trotter, Lemon, Shaw, W. W. Shaw, Emerick, Miller, Russell, Finch, Rasmussen, Farr, D. A. Wright, F. Wright, Crow, Macle, Knowles, Lindsey, Stapleton, Messrs. Dr. Lewis Keliher and Earl Keliher; little Miss Artis Russell and Thelma Miller; Master Edward Albertson, Rose Marie Lindsey, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Lindsey, and Dean Howe Stapleton, little son of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Stapleton.—One Who Was There.

Mrs. and Mrs. K. McRae and son Lloyd and Harold Holdman, nephew of Mrs. S. C. Cook, motored over from Pendleton last Friday, making the trip in fourteen hours, including a two hours' delay at Hood River on account of construction work. Lloyd McRae and Holdman will remain to attend the summer course of the Allen College Preparatory school in order that they may enter University of Oregon in the fall.

Harry Ormandy of Ormandy Bros., well known furniture dealers, is enjoying a vacation in Southern Oregon and California.

The murder of a young man named Dubinsky by two young men named Brake and Moore was a cold blooded and brutal affair. Brake and Moore hired Dubinsky to drive them to Oregon City from Portland in his car and on the return trip Brake, according to confession of Moore, struck the driver, on the head with some instrument, killing him, and the two then threw the body off the Oregon City bridge where it was recovered last Sunday. The crime was committed, according to the confession, for the purpose of securing the dead man's auto. The murderers for the past three months have resided on Polk street, where they had secured rooms. They had been employed at the Cooperage plant and apparently had been leading decent lives. Brake was aged about 20 years and Moore 19, and they came here from the East. Beyond that little or nothing is yet known concerning them. Their apprehension was brought about through a young lady friend of Brake, who he took out riding in his ill gotten car the following day, and who noticed the blood stains still remaining in the car. The police department also did splendid work. The act was a dastardly one and no doubt a full measure of punishment will be dealt out to the perpetrators. In a later confession Moore assumes responsibility for the crime.

Tuesday of last week Mrs. N. Campbell was hostess to the Pythian Sister Altruistic Club at her home, 227 W. Tyler street, at an all day session. The forenoon was spent in the general routine of work. Dinner was served at 12 o'clock, after which the meeting was called to order and the business was gone over. When the hostess entertained the ladies with several pieces on the piano. It was decided to meet with Mrs. Nettie Dunmore at an all day session June 29th, at her home, 607 S. Fessenden street, when a good attendance is especially desired.—Reported.

A Splendid Demonstration

About fifty St. Johns people attended the demonstration given by Mrs. Laura Jones Rawlinson at the Little Theatre on 23d and Washington streets June 11th. She teaches the Dunning System of Improved Study, and it was wonderful to see tiny children five to ten years old who had studied from five months to one year do problems that grownups who had studied music for years could not do. Transposition strikes terror into the hearts of most musicians, but one little boy transposed his piece in any major or minor the audience called, which was little short of marvelous. Mrs. Rawlinson used the most difficult combination of rhythms she could possible find and the children defied them without one mistake. Melodic dictation was another feature. The teacher played on the piano a melody and a child twelve years of age reproduced it on the blackboard, she never having heard it before. This showed the value of ear training in modern music study. A trio played from memory by five years olds elicited much applause.

Mrs. Dunning was there in person and gave a short address to the children and told them that after studying for years in Europe she returned to New York to teach just advanced pupils, but in her work she found the so-called advanced pupils were woefully lacking in the fundamental principles, and that is how she originated this delightful Dunning System. She was presented with a beautiful bouquet of orchids. After the program was completed the young performers were given gorgeous baskets of flowers by their admiring friends and relatives. Mrs. Rawlinson also was presented with a beautiful basket of flowers. Then followed the most welcome part of the program, viewed from the standpoint of the children, and that was a party on the stage.

Mrs. Rawlinson, who has a splendid stage presence and personality, is to be congratulated upon the wonderful showing made by her pupils and the successful manner in which the whole affair was staged and carried off.

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