

MR. HENRY PECK AND HIS FAMILY AFFAIRS

By Gross

HENRY JR. SAYS



NOW I GOTTA GET WISE AN WORK THE DOPE RIGHT HENRY PECK JR

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CITY OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER.

CONSIDERING THE FACT that Oregon City is not afflicted with a paid fire department nor does it have the annual expense of salary and maintenance, the boys who crawl out of bed at all hours of the night and get soaked to the skin in order to save life and property ought to be given better equipment with which to work.

It is unreasonable to expect men to haul the hose carts through the mud and slush of the streets to an early morning fire. The blaze at the bakery on the hill Monday morning was an example of the work that the lot of the fireman entails. The mud on Seventh street seemed to be inches deep after a rainy day and night and the members of the companies were expected to haul the carts through that mud for blocks, unroll the heavy reels of hose, and stand in the soaking rain and mist over a hose that was jumping at every pump from the powerful engines at the station.

The fact that they did do it speaks well for the department. It shows the interest that the boys have in the welfare of their own city and their devotion to the standards of their respective companies. It is more than can be expected of any volunteer department, however, to call upon men who are working through the day, demand that they crawl out of their comfortable beds at an unearthy hour in the morning and fight fire through the rest of the night. There are few of us who would do it but most of that few seems to have gotten into the department.

Oregon City needs and badly an automobile combination wagon. It should have the proper equipment with which to fight these fires. The present hand carts should be used only as auxiliary plants to the main wagon and that should be an automobile equipment.

Fire company supply houses are now putting out a truck that carries several hundred feet of hose, a large chemical tank, two or three long and short ladders and other equipment that a fireman needs in cases of emergency. Such a wagon costs about \$1000 and would be one of the most potent factors that the city could have in the way of fire prevention. One man could run the machinery to the scene of the fire and the other members of the companies could be on hand at the fire without having to run all over the known earth dragging a heavy hose cart through the mud and slush of the streets after a heavy rain. It stands to reason, from the past experiences of this city, that there will be a great deal of rain through the winter months. It is not a very bright prospect for the fireman who plans to stand by his post and respond to every alarm that comes in, calling out his company.

To have pulled the hook and ladder outfit from Main street to the top of the hill on such a morning as Monday was, would have been a most difficult task. It would have taken a force of men to accomplish, probably a larger force than could be easily gathered together on the short notice that a fireman gets.

There are many instances in fire fighting when a long ladder is needed

to get to the second or third story of a building and reach the seat of the conflagration. Unless the hose can be directed at the seat of the fire, all of the water in the world will not put it out until the building has been thoroughly drenched. By the time that most fire departments, even in big cities, can accomplish this, the structure has been so badly damaged as to be beyond repair. The thing for the city to do right here at home is to get a wagon that carries all of the equipment that the ladders need in a hard fight with the fire demon and that will save them the necessity of lugging the cars all over the town through the mud, except in extreme cases where more hose is needed. In that event, a group can later be sent for the carts on a general alarm.

It seems to the Enterprise that the fire boys who devote their time and attention to fighting conflagrations and who stand out in drenching rains to save life and property ought to be given better equipment than they now have and that the combination wagon is one way to help them along this line.

PAUL HELIEU, the famous painter of beautiful women, has selected two whom he believes to be the most beautiful in the United States. He has travelled over a greater portion of the United States painting the portraits of some of the leading women in social and political lines in the country. From the mass of information that he has gathered and the women whom he has seen, he believes that Miss Vera Maxwell, an actress, and Mrs. Leonard M. Thomas take the palm in this respect.

Brother Helieu has been unfortunate in his list of feminine acquaintances. Though we shall have to admit that the women whom he has given the leading place in feminine beauty are in the highest classes of awards, we cannot understand why they should be given the highest honors among the American beauties that fairly fill the landscape of the country. There are few men in this country who would agree with the distinguished painter in his selection. They will, generally, admit that he knows a beautiful woman when he sees one but each and every one of them will probably be able to cite other instances that ought to rank even higher in the classification than the ones whom the foreign artist has chosen. An artist is usually erratic anyway and loses his mind every time a beautiful woman appears on the scene. In this case, the artist evidently attended one of the Paris theatrical productions when he lost his heart the second time, though he had before loudly proclaimed that no one in the United States could equal Mrs. Thomas.

It is really too bad, both for Brother Helieu and for his reputation as a judge of beautiful women, that he had never spent a little while in Oregon and in Oregon City. His education might have been materially broadened and he would have been rather slow to announce so emphatically that the most beautiful women of the United States live in New York. An artist's education along this line can never be really broad until he has seen the women of Oregon and he can never rank very high as a judge of feminine beauty until he has lost his heart and mind frequently to the charms of the members of the sex who live in this state. Really, we don't think very much of Brother Helieu's selections. We don't deny that they are beautiful women but we cannot concede the point that there are in this commonwealth women whose pictures would give the distinguished artist complete and lasting heart failure and force him to retract everything that he had ever said about women in general. Oregon women are an education and the artist ought to have the chance to meet a few of them before he goes around shouting the beauties of the women of New York.

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Christmas Shoppers Swamp Merchants in Demands For Goods

Never before in the history of the city has the Christmas business in Oregon City exceeded that of this year, in the opinion of the majority of local merchants. Several of the store keepers have looked forward to a dull season but contrary to their expectations, their stores have been filled to their capacity and the business done across their counters has outdone any previous year. It has been found necessary for the shops to stay open in the evenings to accommodate the throng although the stores are filled as soon as they open. Less business goes to Portland each year, merchants believe. Oregon City people are beginning to realize that local stores carry stocks that are as complete and as up-to-date as any in the big city and that prices are just as reasonable, said one prominent citizen Monday. It is probably partially due to this fact that the year 1913 has seen such a great increase in Christmas trade. The effect of the "shop early" movement on Oregon City is doubtful. Some are of the opinion that this agitation merely started the season earlier while others maintain that the effect of the campaign is hardly appreciable. The stores are crowded from early morning to late at night. Goods of every kind are being bought for presents from furniture to articles of clothing and from candy to kodaks.

DELEGATION PLANS SURPRISE FOR POOR

Representatives of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, of the Elks and the Moose met Monday night in the rectory of St. Paul's church to complete arrangements for the care of the poor of Oregon City. Three years ago the brotherhood started this movement, last November they were joined by the Elks and this year by the Moose. Circulars were sent out by the rector of St. Paul's who with a representative of the Elks and Moose looked

up the needy. Families were then at the meeting apportioned to the different organizations. Not only will all the poor children be given toys, candy and nuts, but the older ones will be provided for more substantially. Every effort has been made to locate all poor families. The following met with Mr. Robinson Monday night: Representing the Elks, T. P. Randall, T. W. Bradley, H. L. Kelly; the Moose, Chas. Noble, G. Reddick, C. Reddick, P. Fannican; the Brotherhood, John R. Humphrys, Rev. C. W. Robinson.

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FRANCHISES RUSHED THROUGH COUNCIL

street as rapidly as the city engineer and the city council direct. The improvement that will have to be made there in order to allow wagon space in certain sections after the road is laid will probably cost several thousand dollars. Though the council does not contemplate that all of this is to be done at once, it does insist that the railroads shall do their share of the work as rapidly as the city is ready to begin on its portion of the construction.

The Carver Line. The Carver franchise asks for a right of way through the city on Center street from the north boundary of the city, along the street in a southerly direction to Fifteenth street, thence along that street westerly to Water street to the southerly terminus of the street.

The Clackamas Southern on the other hand, asks for the franchise on Water street between Twelfth and Fourteenth streets. Both have practically the same provisions allowing the construction of a single or double track on the street, making it unlawful for any person to hinder or obstruct in any way the laying of tracks through the streets of the city given by the provisions of the franchise and providing a penalty for any employee of the railroads who shall abuse passengers or use any profane language in or about the cars.

Construction Time. The Carver line is allowed 90 days in which to begin and 18 months in which to complete the road while the Clackamas Southern expects to begin construction work within 30 days after the franchise is granted. O. E. Eby, attorney for the local company, asserted at the council meeting Monday night that the company would begin construction almost at once and that double tracks would be placed wherever they could be placed under the terms of the franchise that had been granted.

The city council has the right to revoke the franchises whenever the railroads violate the terms and provisions that they contain and may do so with short notice. It has also the power to regulate the hours of freight and passenger service and is the arbiter in all disputes between the two railroads.

Common User Clause. The franchises contain a common user clause, allowing either concern the right of way over the property of the other. They also allow the companies to build a line of poles down the street to carry the electric current for the trolleys that will pass over the thoroughfares included in the contract.

The property owners along the street have all along objected to the granting of franchises on the ground that their values would be lowered and that their property would be made worthless. The council has had several conferences with them and heated remarks have been passed between the representatives of the taxpayers and the officers of the railroad companies. The council, however, decided that the companies should be given the right of way over the street if they would, in return, improve that thoroughfare and keep up with the pace set by the city for the work. The question of the cost of the improvement was often discussed by the council and the railroads but the companies agreed to do as much work as the city would do and to improve the street beyond the outside edge of their tracks.

The ordinances are now up to the mayor for his signature and will become effective as soon as he places his name to the franchises.

He Was a Champ. "I will confess to you," she said, "that I am older than I look. I will be thirty-one my next birthday."

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE Notice is hereby given that I will at the next regular meeting of the city council, apply for a license to sell liquor at my place of business, Fourth and Main streets, for a period of three months. A. J. KNIGHTLY.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the County court of the State of Oregon, for the county of Clackamas.

In the matter of the Estate of Elmer Jones, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been, by order of the county court of the state of Oregon, for the county of Clackamas, appointed executor of the last will and testament of Elmer Jones deceased, by order duly made and entered on November 21st, 1913. Any and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same, duly verified as by law provided, to the undersigned executor, at his place of residence, to-wit, on Water street between Ninth and Tenth streets, Oregon City, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice. Dated and first published December 9th, 1913. A. HILLEBRAND, Executor of the Estate of Francis Sales Beck, Deceased. DIMICK & DIMICK, Attorneys for Executor.

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Motherhood May Better Equip a Teacher; Education Board Should Let Down the Bars

By Mrs. JOHN PURROY MITCHEL, Wife of New York's Mayor Elect

DO NOT see why the New York board of education should refuse to take back a teacher because she is MARRIED OR A MOTHER unless it can be proved that it interferes with her profession as a teacher.

Perhaps we are losing some of our best teachers. MOTHERHOOD MAY BETTER EQUIP A TEACHER. We do not know. The business man can leave his office for prolonged absences because he has to. He may be called to Europe. But that is no reason why the business cannot go on. He has his affairs so arranged that the business can be carried on in his absence, and so it is with the teacher.

IF SHE CAN ARRANGE HER HOME AFFAIRS SO THAT SHE CAN ATTEND TO THE BUSINESS OF TEACHING I CANNOT SEE THAT IT IS ANY ONE'S BUSINESS BUT HER OWN. AS LONG AS SHE DOES NOT NEGLECT HER SCHOOL DUTIES I CANNOT SEE WHAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION HAS TO DO WITH IT. TO MY WAY OF THINKING IT IS SIMPLY A PERSONAL MATTER WHETHER SHE IS MARRIED OR SINGLE, AND THE QUESTION OF WHETHER SHE GOES ON WITH HER BUSINESS OR NOT CANNOT BE DECIDED BY ANY BUT THE INDIVIDUAL HERSELF.

Of course it would never do to grant prolonged leave of absence without salary. You could readily see what would happen and what an unlimited FINANCIAL DRAIN it would be on the city.



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