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**LANE'S GIFT OF GAB**

Senator Lane finds the gift of gab no small asset in performing his Congressional duties. The "insidious lobby" stands no chance with Oregon's talkative senator who meets their advances by such a stream of words that they have no opportunity to voice their pleas, departing in a species of dumb distress.

Meanwhile the lobbyist is taking to the woods in the vicinity of the national capital, and a cynic, noting the latter day activities of Congress has observed that ours is becoming "a government by investigation."

Four years ago Senator Robert M. La Follette declined to vote on the zinc item, making from his seat the explanation that he had financial interest in a zinc property that would be directly affected. There was a good deal of sneering at the demagogic bid; but now the senate has directed its judiciary committee, while investigating the lobby, to learn whether any senator is financially interested in the production of anything affected by the tariff. The thing that was demagogued four years ago gets adopted this year. That happens a good many times, and investigations of one sort and another make it happen.

**HARVESTING STRAWBERRIES**

Harvesting the strawberry crop this year is proving more than ordinarily difficult on account of the shortage of pickers. The fact that boats have not been able to get up from Portland because of high water has kept many pickers away and the warm weather caused the crop to ripen rapidly. On some ranches it is said that large quantities of berries spoiled in the field because not enough pickers could be secured.

Last year the situation was relieved to a considerable extent through the Portland Y. M. C. A., which maintained a branch office here and supplied pickers. They found it difficult, however, for the reason, they said, that adequate accommodations were not provided for the class of pickers they were able to supply. They declared that pickers could not be supplied unless more was done for their comfort after they arrived.

The present year tends to show that there was considerable truth in the conclusion reached by the Y. M. C. A. It did not attempt to repeat the experiment this year and the problem of securing and retaining pickers remains unsolved.

Hood River will continue to have a county attorney in the person of Attorney George R. Wilbur until November, 1914, at least. A referendum petition was filed calling for a special election on the measure creating county attorneys in Oregon and the election was to have been held next November. However, Judge Galloway of the Supreme Court has just held that such an election would be unconstitutional and the referendum on this measure will now have to be held over until the general election next year.

Bryan's grapejuice has become as famous as Fairbank's cocktail and the secretary of state need never be thirsty so long as he lives, according to present indications. Following the publication of details concerning the grapejuice banquet Mr. Bryan has received cases of that beverage from every manufacturer in the United States and the department "wine cellar" is filled to overflowing.

Vacation time is here and if Hood River had one or more summer hotels she would be drawing her quota from Portland and other Coast cities. No more beautiful spot in which to spend a summer vacation could be found than among the foothills and mountains of Hood River Valley.

It is none too early to jot down the dates for Hood River's Horticultural Chautauqua—July 21-28—and to plan to be there. Nor can there be a more opportune time in which to entertain visitors from out of town. The event promises to be as enjoyable as it is unique.

Positions on Hood River's city council are not being sought as assiduously as on Portland's commission. However, if \$5,000 were appended to the office the flame of patriotic ardor would no doubt burn as brightly here as in the Rose City.

While many are attending Portland's Rose Festival this week Hood River also can boast of her roses. Thousands of bushes, bearing an endless variety of blooms now make Hood River a miniature rival of the Rose City.

It is a deplorable thing when tipping is practiced by even a few young men, or boys, of a community. It is a vicious practice at the best, but especially so among young men of immature judgment and deficient in proper ideals. They are made to feel that they must do as the rest if they are to be "one of the bunch" and in a thoughtless moment start a habit which they may regret for many years to come. Such a practice cannot be too severely condemned.

**TO GIVE PLAY AT OAK GROVE JUNE 18**

The entertainment to be given by the young people of Oak Grove, under the direction of Mrs. Louise Boyden, preparation for which has been going on for several weeks, will take place on Wednesday evening, June 18, at the Oak Grove school auditorium. Following is the program.

**"A KENTUCKY BELLE"**

Synopsis  
Time—Present.  
Place—Blue Grass Region of Kentucky.

Act 1—Sitting room in the home of Miss Mariah Douglass.  
Vocal music by popular Hood River talent.

Act 2—Same as Act 1. Four weeks later.

Plano solo, "Veil Dance" (Rudolph Fremi)—Miss Alberta Staten.  
Plano selections from Grand Opera—"Lucrezia Borgia," Mrs. Louise Boyden.

Act 3—Same as Act 1 and 2. Monday morning.

**CAST OF CHARACTERS**

Miss Mariah Douglass (a maiden lady with aristocratic tendencies)  
.....Anna Sutton  
Isabel Douglass (niece of Miss Douglass, with democratic tendencies)  
.....Bessie Stranahan  
Marie Van Harlenger (friend of Isabel)  
.....Hilja Hukari  
Col. Wm. McMillen (suitor to Isabel)  
.....Arvo Hukari  
John Carson Gordon, alias Jack Carson, (a wealthy student of sociology)  
.....John Stanton  
Dr. Blake (a middle-aged practitioner)  
.....Grant Palmer  
Miss Madden (a trained nurse)  
.....Vera Gano

Mrs. Gordon (mother of John Carson Gordon)  
.....Alberta Sutton  
Miss Gordon (sister of John Carson Gordon)  
.....Helen Suthoff  
Three Telephone Linemen—Messrs. Tovi, Arvi and Ratto Annala.  
Cindy (negro maid)  
.....Alice McCurdy  
Henry (negro boy, engaged to Cindy)  
.....Paul Lancaster  
Friends of Marie Van Harlenger—Elma Annala, Hilja Annala, Helen Suthoff, Katherine Skinner, Eva Annala.  
Admission 25 cents; children 15.

**HAS WILD RIDE ON RIVER**

Carried down the swiftly flowing waters of the Columbia River at flood stage for 30 miles on a small crudely constructed raft, trusting to providence to get him out of his perilous position, was the experience of a 19-year-old youth who was picked up by the ferry crew at Grant Ferry, near Maryhill the last of the week.

The lad was on a scow that broke loose from its moorings at McCredie station on the North Bank road and drifted out into the current so quickly that he was unable to get ashore. After drifting down the stream for several miles the scow struck a rock and hung up, starting to go to pieces, when the youth hastily improvised a small raft and cut loose from the scow.

**NOTICE**

We have a client who desires to secure a loan of \$2100.00 on first mortgage on 40 acres of land about three miles south of Hood River. Will pay 8 per cent interest. Phone 3183. 131tc STARK & HAZLETT.

**Oak Grove School Meeting**

The annual meeting of School District No. 11, comprising the Oak Grove District, will be held Monday, June 16, at two o'clock in the afternoon at the Oak Grove school house.

This is an old motto, but one that we should always remember: "There's so much good in the worst of us and so much bad in the best of us that it hardly behooves any of us to talk about the rest of us."

The News for strawberry tickets.

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**PIONEER WOMEN ARE ENTERTAINED**

Pioneer women of the city were very pleasantly entertained Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Bert Stranahan in honor of Mrs. O. L. Stranahan, whose 75th birthday it was. There were 14 ladies present as follows: Mrs. Monroe, Mrs. John Hendricks, Mrs. Newton Clarke, Mrs. John Parker, Mrs. S. F. Blythe, Mrs. O. L. Stranahan, Mrs. A. B. Jones, Mrs. John Wilson, Mrs. J. H. Gill, Mrs. George Drowell, Mrs. A. Ingle, Mrs. Alma Howe, Mrs. Stanton and Mrs. Crouch. Mrs. James Stranahan and Mrs. C. F. Sumner assisted Mrs. Stranahan in entertaining her guests and a delightful afternoon was passed.

After a luncheon was served the women who helped win Hood River from the wilderness told many interesting reminiscences of the early days. Mrs. Newton Clarke said that her reputation as a Sunday School teacher had preceded her when she arrived. Soon afterwards Mrs. Hendricks invited her to a dance. Her first partner was Frank Sherrieb. He proved such a proficient dancer that Mrs. Clarke was afterward shocked to learn that he was a Methodist, she said. She was speedily enlisted as a Sunday School teacher and for many years was a most faithful worker.

Mrs. John Parker owned one of the first grocery stores in the city. She told of some of her amusing and interesting experiences while selling goods to Hood River's first settlers.

Mrs. Alma Howe said that one of the things which stuck most persistently in her memory was the impression she received when Mrs. Dethman bought of Henry Howe, then clerking in Mr. Smith's store, 14 pairs of children's shoes at one clip.

Mrs. Blythe still remembered and recounted some of her experiences

while at the boarding house kept by Russell Peeler on the site of the present Paradise Farm. Mrs. John Wilson expressed her thankfulness that she had been able to spend so many years in Hood River, amid such beautiful natural surroundings and among so many good friends and neighbors. In the early days there was a rivalry between herself and Mrs. Hendricks over which deserved the title of belle of the town. However, she said the winters were long and sometimes lonesome and recalled how Mrs. Potter used to offer 25 cents an hour to have someone to talk to.

Mrs. Stranahan was one of the first postmasters of Hood River and talked entertainingly of some of her experiences during her term of seven years in that capacity.

**NEW ADDITION TO HOOD RIVER**

E. W. Winans has just filed a plat of Winan's East Addition to the City of Hood River. The land platted lies between Sherman Avenue and Eugene street, on the bluff of Hood River. This addition throws on the market a few beautiful building lots which slope gently to Hood River bluff and toward State st. The soil is entirely free from rock and of good quality for garden. Prices of the lots vary from \$250. to \$450 with 10 per cent down and \$10 a month deferred payments. Reed & Henderson, Inc. are agents. 21-tfc

**BIDS FOR WOOD**

Bids will be received by the clerk of school district No. Four until June 14, 1913, for 25 cords of four-foot slabwood and 30 cords of split four-foot body wood. To be delivered at the Barrett schoolhouse. Also ten cords of sixteen-inch fir or pine wood delivered in the shed at the East Barrett schoolhouse. The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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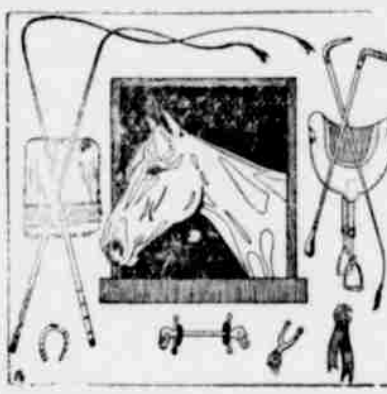
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