

GARRETT PLANS

Auditor Barbur Has Scheme to Improve Vacant Lots.

BLOW AIMED AT FOOD COST

Proposal is to Have City Allow All Who Wish to Cultivate Unimproved Areas in Portland Free of Any Charge.

A system whereby the city may act as agent for owners of vacant property in the city in giving permission to other persons to cultivate the land has been devised by City Auditor Barbur and will be submitted to the City Council this week by City Commissioner Baker.

It is the plan to have the Auditor's office prepare an ordinance for the Council providing that property owners may file with the Auditor a list of unimproved lots and that private individuals may be given permission by the Commissioner of Public Affairs (Baker) to cultivate such lots free of charge.

Resolution to Be Presented. The proposition will be brought to an issue at the Council meeting Wednesday when Commissioner Baker will present the following resolution for adoption:

Whereas, a large number of lots in the city of Portland are unimproved, many of which are owned by non-residents; and whereas, many of these lots are covered with weeds, brush, thistles, etc., and are an eyesore to the city; and whereas, in many instances, especially with non-residents, it is extremely difficult for persons desiring to cultivate such lots to locate the owners or agents thereof; and

Bill's Preparation Urged. Whereas, the city as well as the owners of such lots, and many deserving persons, would be greatly benefited if some arrangement could be made whereby such lots could be given by the city to private individuals to cultivate unimproved lots; and

Resolved, That the City Attorney be and he be requested to prepare and submit to the Council at its earliest convenience, an ordinance providing that property owners may file with the Auditor a list of unimproved lots and that private individuals may be given permission by the Commissioner of Public Affairs to cultivate such lots free of charge.

INSURANCE TANGLE SOLVED

Chehalis Lodge Finds Beneficiary of Late Member in Portugal.

CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—An insurance payment has been disposed of this week by the Workmen Lodge of the State of Washington, which has been dragging along for about three years. The policy was that of Joe Gavita, who joined the Chehalis Lodge in 1913, making out his policy to his half brother in California.

The lodge then was informed that Gavita's mother was living in California and thought she was his stepmother. Later investigations led them to believe that she was his own mother, and the lodge has since been waiting for the county clerk and carriers have been employed to assist in the collection and distribution of the money.

EUGENE POOR GET APPLES

Preparations for Christmas Celebration Are Extensive.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Eugene is preparing for Christmas. The Yuletide mail, outgoing and incoming, has been the heaviest in the history of the city, according to Postmaster E. L. Campbell. Additional clerks and carriers have been employed to assist in the collection and distribution of the money.

SCHOOL WORK PROGRESSES

Centralia Parochial Institution to Be Completed in February.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The new parochial school building erected just west of St. Mary's Church will be completed some time in February. The shinglers finished the work yesterday. The new structure is three stories in height, a large auditorium occupying the third floor. A bungalow for the sisters will be built adjoining the institution, as soon as the latter is completed.

NEW SECRETARY IS NAMED

James McSparran Appointed by Vancouver Chamber.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—James McSparran has been employed by the board of directors of the Vancouver Chamber of Commerce to act as steward and secretary. Mr. McSparran has already assumed his new duties and is out collecting back dues from members.

Oregon Boy Gets Ohio Position.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Harry Hubbard, of Clatsop, and a graduate of the department of civil engineering at the Oregon Agricultural College in 1915, has accepted a position with the Medina Gas & Fuel Company, of Mansfield, O. He will be instrumental in a geological survey in search of gas and fuel.

GRIFFITH'S BIG PRODUCTION, "INTOLERANCE," IS PRONOUNCED WONDERFUL ACHIEVEMENT

In Dramatic Power, Size and Magnificence, Picture is Said to Be Unequaled—Four Great Periods of World's History Are Portrayed in Play Which Will Begin Engagement at the 11th-Street Playhouse, January 1, 1917.



"The Army of Cyrus"

W. GRIFFITH'S great \$2,000,000 spectacle, "Intolerance," will be the attraction at the Eleventh-Street Playhouse, Eleventh and Morrison streets, for a limited engagement, beginning Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, January 1.

Certainly nothing comparable to this production in dramatic power, size and magnificence has ever been shown upon any stage. For many years to come it is sure to be the ultimate of pictorial achievement. Not only is it deeply entrancing as an entertainment, but it also carries a message of such power that pages of editorials have been devoted to its praise.

Performances will be given every afternoon at 2:30 and every evening at 8:10.

IRISH WOMAN TEACHES LESSON OF CONSIDERATION FOR POOR

Addison Bennett Tells of Chance Meeting and Thankfulness Felt by Elderly Woman Despite Hard Luck, Because Others Are Thoughtful of Her.

BY ADDISON BENNETT. It was almost midnight, and Christ-mas was right at hand. The wind was cold, and a lingering fog made the night still more disagreeable. I was waiting for the last car but one to take me to a far suburb, and not fancying the ride overmuch, I was not in a very happy mood, surely not in a Christmas state of mind.

CANADIAN GIRL IS VISITING HERE.

Miss Sarah Ellen Rosen, of Winnipeg, Canada, who is the house guest of Mrs. H. Goldblatt, arrived here recently and will pass the winter in Portland.

City Physicians Explain Why They Prescribe Nuxated Iron

To Make Beautiful, Healthy Women and Strong, Vigorous Men

NOW BEING USED BY OVER FIVE MILLION PEOPLE DAILY

Quickly transforms the flabby flesh, toneless tissues and pallid cheeks of weak, anaemic men and women into a perfect glow of health and beauty—Often increases the strength of delicate, nervous, run-down folks 200 per cent in two weeks' time.

New York, N. Y.—It is conservatively estimated that over five million people daily in this country alone are taking Nuxated Iron. Such astonishing results have been reported from its use both by doctors and laymen, that a number of physicians in various parts of the country have been asked to explain why they prescribe it so extensively, and why it apparently produces so much better results than were obtained from the old forms of inorganic iron.

Not long ago a man came to me who was nearly half a century old and asked me to give him a preliminary examination for life insurance. I was astonished to find him with a blood pressure of a boy of 20 and as full of vigor and energy as a young man. He filled him with renewed life. At 30 he was in his health; at 40 he was a careworn and nearly all in now at 50, a miracle of vitality and his face beaming with the buoyancy of youth.

Dr. King, M.D. The skin of anaemic men and women is pale. The muscles are flabby, the brain fags and the memory fails, and they often become weak, nervous, irritable, despondent and melancholy. When the iron goes from the blood of women the roses go from their cheeks.

Dr. Von Unruh, M.D. In the most common foods of America, the starches, sugars, white syrups, candies, polished rice, white bread, macaroni, spaghetti, macaroni, etc., are found. Refining processes have removed the iron of Mother Earth from our vegetables, and macaroni, spaghetti, etc., are cooked in responsible for another grave iron loss.

Dr. Sauer, M.D. Therefore, if you wish to preserve your youthful vim and vigor to a ripe old age, you must take Nuxated Iron. It is a form of organic iron, just as you would use salt when your food is deficient in sodium.

Dr. V. Von Unruh, M.D. I have given Nuxated Iron to a fair and professional trial, and have been more than pleased with the results. I will continue its use.

Dr. Sauer, a Boston physician who has studied both in this country and in great European Medical Institutions, says: "As I have said a hundred times over, organic iron is the greatest of all."

MILL LOSS HITS TOWN

UNEMPLOYMENT IS CAUSE OF DISTRESS AT GARDNER.

Reconstruction Plans Are Denied, but Lower River Does Not Expect to Be Without Mill.

MARSHFIELD, Or., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Since the burning of the Gardner Mill Company's plant at Gardner, the populace, which was for the greater part dependent upon employment furnished by the company, is likely to be greatly distressed before it recovers from the situation.

O. B. Hinshaw, manager of the concern, is pessimistic about reconstruction. The company owns the district to the extent of a considerable portion and besides has 25,000 acres of timber and 10,000 acres of logged-off land, besides their vessels and the tug Gleaser.

The company was started about 65 years ago by Captain Nowlin, who died of an advanced age. W. F. Jewett, the junior partner, died several years ago. Captain Nowlin, a millionaire, said before his death that the profits he made from lumbering at Gardner were the basis of his large fortune.

The originator of the business was a man who took pride in starting young men in business, and he placed W. F. Jewett in charge of the department many years ago. Captain Nowlin had a record of having helped many worthy young men to a start in life, and, in relating his experiences in that line of philanthropy, said he made only one mistake.

The mill recently burned was the second about a year ago. The first had been destroyed in 1888. People understanding the lumber wealth in that district do not believe the lower river will be without a sawmill for any great period.

SHOPPER HAS ACCIDENT

Teacher Suffers Fracture of Ankle While Visiting City.

Miss Restora Adams, a schoolteacher, who came to Portland to do her Christmas shopping, slipped and fractured her left ankle yesterday noon while running to catch a Vancouver car at Second and Washington streets.

Miss Adams was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital in the police patrol wagon. She has been teaching school at Taylor's Landing, on Sauvie Island. Her mother lives in Seaside.

Fish Dynamiters Are Fined. JOHN DAY, Or., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Lige and James Davis, brothers of Winton, were brought before Justice of the Peace White Monday night by I. B. Hazeltine, deputy state game warden, and were each fined \$100 and costs for dynamiting fish in the middle fork of the John Day River. This practice has

been quite prevalent in the northern part of the county.

Chehalis Moose Band to Play. CHEHALIS, Wash., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—The Chehalis Moose concert band will give a programme of sacred music at the Liederkreis Hall here Sunday afternoon. This local band has made a reputation for good concert work.

Hogquian-Aberdeen Game Off. ABERDEEN, Wash., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Hogquian football players have cancelled the Aberdeen-Hogquian alumni game scheduled for Christmas. The Hogquian team has been crippled by the loss of two stars who have left the city for the holidays.

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

Advertisement for DEWITT'S Toothache Gum. The ad features a portrait of a man and text stating 'DEWITT'S Toothache Gum STOPS THE ACHE, CLEANS THE GUM, PREVENTS DECAY. Sold everywhere - 15c. C. S. Dent & Co., Detroit, Mich.'

New Year's Oregonian

Annual Number, Jan. 1, 1917. Will be the most interesting and complete edition ever published. You will want to send copies to your friends in the East. On sale Monday, January 1, 1917. Single copy 5c, postage 5c in United States and Possessions; foreign 10c. Fill out blank form and send to Oregonian office, Sixth and Alder Sts.

Form with columns for Name, Street, Town, and State.