

OLD WATER TOWER AT PRATUM RAZED

History of Structure Recalled; Modern Filling Station Will Replace

PRATUM, Nov. 17.—(Special)—A marked change in Pratum's appearance has been effected by the tearing down of the old windmill and tank tower which supplied water for the southern part of the town for over a quarter of a century.

This tower was built at a time which is remembered only by the pioneers. The building served at one time also as a store owned and operated by Rice Brothers. Later it was sold to Sam Ludi, who in the adjoining shop plied his trade as village blacksmith. Mr. Ludi is now a cattle raiser at Fort Rock.

At a still later time Perkins & Merchant had a garage and machine shop in the place. Last summer Mr. Shields rented the place for a blacksmith shop.

It is now being torn down on account of its being considered dangerous to adjoining buildings. Mr. Shields is building in its place a new filling station, which will be Pratum's third.

People are remarking that if Pratum should build toward Salem as fast as Salem is building toward Pratum, the two soon would meet.

Unless the P. E. F. company or the Mountain States Electric company hurry and get a power line to Pratum, a number of residents plan to install individual plants. It is pointed out that if this happens, it will be much harder to get a sufficient number of subscribers for the power line.

Mrs. A. Bowen has received word from Seattle that her nephew there was seriously hurt in an accident.

A program will be given at the schoolhouse Friday evening, November 18, followed by a basket social.

Although the Pratum Sunday schools had no summer slump, officials of the Methodist Sunday school believe there is room for growth and to this end will give a Rally day program Sunday, November 20. Special music by the choir and orchestra is in charge of Mrs. Paul Silke. Large attendance is expected. The church will be decorated with large yellow and white chrysanthemums.

Bridge Club Entertained At Home In Independence

INDEPENDENCE, Nov. 17.—(Special)—Miss Myra Montgomery was hostess at an attractive

one o'clock luncheon Wednesday at her home on South Fourth street, when members of the bridge club of which she is a member, were her guests. Thanksgiving favors marked places for the following guests:

Mesdames George F. Cohrs, Guy Walker, Asa Robinson, S. B. Walker, A. L. Thomas, G. D. Godfrey, Z. C. Kimball, C. W. Butler, Charles Irvine, George Carbray and B. F. Swope.

Mrs. H. C. Childs of Hollywood, Cal., was the honor guest.

The rooms were attractively decorated with ferns and chrysanthemums.

Mrs. Hugh Hanna will be hostess to the club at its next meeting.

ALASKA FOLK VISIT

MR. AND MRS. HAL HIBBS AT INDEPENDENCE

INDEPENDENCE, Nov. 17.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Hal Hibbs of Juneau, Alaska, are here visiting relatives and friends. They expect to go on to California in the near future.

Mr. Hibbs was engaged in fox farming in Alaska, but has disposed of his holdings. He was formerly in the hardware business with his father and brother-in-law of this city.

Mrs. N. C. Byers of Saskatoon, Sask., Canada, and Mrs. Yack of Montana, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis of this city, enjoyed a trip to Salem Wednesday, accompanied by their sister, Mrs. R. E. Duganne.

They are enjoying the balmy Oregon weather which they say is quite a contrast from that of their home surroundings.

Mr. and Mrs. Asa Graves from Portland visited this week with Mr. Graves' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Graves.

Secretary of Northwest Conference Dies in Europe

Professor Henry L. Hopkins of Pacific university, secretary of the Northwest Conference, is dead at Constantinople, according to reports received here. No details concerning his death have yet come to light. Hopkins was a strong supporter of athletics among the smaller colleges, and was a big factor in bringing about organization of the conference.

SPORT MENTORS VISIT

INDEPENDENCE, Nov. 17.—(Special)—George Ray of Waldport and Melvin Ray of Toledo, athletic coaches at the high schools in those cities, visited with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ray, over the Armistice day week-end. They were accompanied by Lloyd Boerman of Portland.

FIVE BROTHERS WIN HONORS AS LIFE-SAVERS



In Fort Worth, Tex., there is a quintet of brothers—the Blasi—who have won highest honors as members of the Red Cross life saving crew. Each of the brothers has been credited with saving two lives. The photograph shows Mr. and Mrs. Peter Blasi and the five life savers—left to right, Ignatius, Frank, Otto, George and Peter, Jr.

GLEE TRIP PLANNED

W. V. MEN SINGERS TO TRAVEL AT SEMESTER CLOSE

A trip through eastern Oregon and Washington between semesters is being arranged for the Willamette university men's glee club by Laurence Schreiber, manager.

Many of the contracts with various towns have already been signed. Among the places to be visited are West Linn, Portland, Hood River, The Dalles, Pendleton, Athena, Walla Walla, Kennewick, Prosser, Yakima, Ellensburg, Tappanish, Goldendale, and Washougal.

The club has received an invitation from University of California to participate in an all coast glee contest to be held some time in February. Whether the club will accept has not yet been decided.

Former King's Valley Man Dies At Pendleton, Aged 65

INDEPENDENCE, Nov. 17.—(Special)—Leonard D. Frye, aged 65 years, died at his residence in Pendleton. His body was shipped here for burial.

Services were held at the Evangelical church, King's Valley, Wednesday, with Rev. J. L. Burns in charge. Mr. Frye formerly lived in King's Valley. He is survived by his wife and four sons. His son Elmer lives in Independence. He also has two brothers

NEW INCORPORATIONS

Peninsula Properties, Inc., with headquarters in Portland, and capital stock of \$50,000, has been incorporated by E. F. Doyle, J. O. Bailey and George J. Perkins.

Other articles filed in the state corporation department follow: Pioneer Holding company, Hot Lake, \$5000; J. F. Phy, Ada B. Phy and W. T. Phy.

Oregon Feed and Flour company, Portland, \$35,000; H. A. Thiessen, Earl C. Kruger and George J. Perkins.

Schroeder and Gano, Inc., Bandon, \$25,000; Henry A. Schroeder, C. W. Gano and Elton Schroeder.

Hill Aeronautical school, Portland, \$25,000; V. W. Strode, Gordon E. Mounce and Ben W. Hill.

Notices of dissolution were filed by the Fountain Transfer company, Portland; Imperial Auction Mart, Portland, and Ames Water System, Estacada.

PORTLANDERS VISIT

INDEPENDENCE, Nov. 17.—(Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Dorain Dickinson of Portland are visiting with Mr. Dickinson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Dickinson of this city. Dorain is in the postal service at Portland, serving on the delivery force.

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42 FAMILIES ARRIVE

MANY NEW SETTLERS COME TO OREGON IN OCTOBER

PORTLAND, Nov. 17.—(Special)—Forty-two new farm families with new capital of \$127,500 were reported as a result of the land settlement work of the Portland and State Chambers of Commerce for October.

From California came seven families, Idaho two, Iowa three, Kansas six, Minnesota three, Nebraska five, South Dakota two, Texas two, Washington two, New York two, Indiana two, Wisconsin two and one each from North Dakota, Colorado, Canada and China. Eighteen other families arrived but not yet located.

Last week's arrivals were R. Zarowski, wife and seven children, Pilot Butte, Saskatchewan; M. A. Nichols and family, Melbeta, Nebraska; M. D. Fuller, Plainview, Minnesota, and C. E. Wallis and wife, Conway, Ohio—all looking for Oregon farm homes.

SPRAINS ANKLE

INDEPENDENCE, Nov. 17.—(Special)—Miss Midge Hewitt suffered a badly sprained ankle Wednesday evening while attending a rehearsal for a fashion show at the grade school auditorium.

FATHER VISITS

INDEPENDENCE, Nov. 17.—(Special)—G. W. Haynes of Newport is visiting with his son, Ben Haynes, of this city.

ZENA'S COMMUNITY CLUB MEET FRIDAY

Good Program Prepared; Victim of Auto Accident Still In Hospital

ZENA, Nov. 17.—(Special)—An exceptionally good program is being prepared by the teachers, pupils and club members for the first meeting of the community club Friday night. Refreshments will be served after the program which will be held at the Zena schoolhouse.

Miss Gertrude Walling of Portland was a house guest over the week end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Walling.

Mrs. Mary B. Crawford of Salem is in Zena where she intends to spend the week end at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne D. Henry.

Mrs. Sylvester Decker, victim of an auto wreck on October 28 at Nesmith Station, Polk county, is unable to leave the Dallas hospital although she is slowly improving physically. Her mind is not clear and she does not mention the accident in which her husband was killed.

Mrs. James A. French and two children, Evelyn and Harold, are making an indefinite visit at the

home of Mrs. Alfred French of Salem. Mrs. Alice Simpson and her brother, C. S. Crangle, were Wednesday callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Crawford.

FACTS BROUGHT OUT

DEMAND FOR CONTINUED HIGH RATES TRACED DOWN

PORTLAND, Nov. 17.—(AP)—Suspension of the low railway freight rate on imported walnuts in the shell from north Pacific coast ports to Mississippi valley points, which the interstate commerce commission proposed to put into effect November 1, was brought about not only by the protests of the North Pacific Nut Growers' corporation of Dundee, Ore., but also through the protests of seven California firms, the governor of California, the Los Angeles county farm bureau and the Los Angeles chamber of commerce.

This fact was learned by Erwin A. Taft, manager of the foreign trade department of the Portland chamber of commerce, who studied the matter when the Oregon nut growers protested and decided that the proposed rates only effect would have been to give Portland a chance to procure for its docks and terminals a substantial portion of the import walnut tonnage now coming into the United States through California ports. The foreign trade depart-

ment asserted that the new rate would not affect the market for walnuts, and therefore would not affect the Oregon growers.

The present rate is \$1.75 per 100 pounds for transporting walnuts in shells from any port to the Mississippi valley. The proposed new rate, now suspended until June 1, 1928, was to be \$1.25 per 100 pounds from north Pacific coast ports only.

A hearing on the matter has been set for 10 a. m., November 25, at San Francisco.

Borah To Take Wet Issue Into National Convention

WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—(AP)—Senator Borah, republican, of Idaho, will carry his campaign for a definite stand by the parties in the coming presidential campaign on the eighteenth amendment before the convention of the national grange at Cleveland.

At the request of the grange, Senator Borah will speak on this issue Friday night. He inquired what subject was preferred and was asked to make a prohibition speech, a subject which he discussed last Saturday night in New York.

It is considered likely, however, that the Idaho senator will take the opportunity to present also his views on farm relief.

Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler says that thinking is a lost art. It might also be said that the people are voting as they think.

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