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PRICE OF GRAVEL TO GET A RAISE

A heavy restriction has been placed on private road work and all other kinds of improvement where it is necessary to use sand or gravel, by action of the County Court in raising the price. Heretofore it has been the custom to pay the County the sum of five cents per cubic yard and all contracts were based on that figure. Now the price will be 25 cents per yard for public work done by contract, and 50 cents for private use of sand or gravel.

The contract awarded to Aaron Knighton for graveling Roberts' avenue was based on 5 cents per yard, his bid for the work being 55 cents. When the decision of the County Court was received on Wednesday Mayor Shattuck at once called a special meeting of the council, as it was evident that Mr. Knighton could not do the work under his contract for less than 75 cents per yard. The matter is held up for a week or so in consequence and the improvement will wait until final action is taken.

Another serious consequence will be the effect of the increased price on private work. The Dowsett & Pateneade building, now under way will require 600 cubic yards of gravel, for which 50 cents per yard must be paid. All sidewalks are private work and it will mean that much more to construct them. The increase of 45 cents a yard is too much for the people. It seems that the county court will allow users of large quantities of gravel to open a new place in the gravel pit, by stripping the surface but will not allow gravel to be taken from that already opened, and Road Superintendent Kenney has been instructed to fence the mouth of the pit and put on a strong gate with a stronger lock, and the first trespasser will be prosecuted. "The court has intimated that contractors who strip a place for gravel in some unused spot will be allowed pay for the work."

The new order is going to work a hardship on those who are seeking to improve their walks and roads, and will not have a very good effect on the construction of anything requiring the use of sand or gravel.

Family Dinner Party

A family dinner party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Metzger last Sunday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. John Weatherly of Newberg. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. John Weatherly, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Metzger, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Metzger, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Beers, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Beers, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cunningham, E. Beers, Sr., Will and Bert Metzger and Misses Jennie and Elsie Metzger.

Hauling of Pipe Almost Done

The last of the big water pipe for the second Bull Run pipe line went eastward this week, and that much of the job is finished. What was a spectacular scene last fall became commonplace enough and the few teams that passed through the city with their last loads attracted no attention.

For the past two or three months the pipe has been banked at a point near Cottrell from where it will be moved

and distributed along the line to the headquarters, ten miles further on.

A camp has been established on the flat below the bluff at Cottrell where the men and teams will have their headquarters for the next few months. A large quantity of feed and supplies have been hauled out there for the men and horses, much of it having been taken along inside the pipes during the past weeks. Ten or twelve teams and fifteen men will be engaged at the camp until all the hauling is done.

Unclaimed Letters

The following letters remain un-called for at the Gresham post office for the week ending March 25, 1911:

Gentlemen—August Greenfeldt, W. G. Grant, H. E. Hennemus, H. Veers, C. O. Lovegreen, Harry E. Carson.

Dead Letters—Chas. Lee.

Cards—Blaine Brown, H. W. Boothby (2), Mrs. Will Grant, Arminda Frost Ward, Mrs. A. D. Lytle.

These letters will be sent to the Dead Letter Office on April 25, 1911, if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say "advertised," giving date of list.

I. McCOLL, P. M.

"Bad Company"

If you have a boy that you see is going to the bad make it your object in life to set him right. What if you have to sacrifice business; what if you have to move somewhere where the associations will be better; what if you have to give up making a gentleman of him and be content to make him simply a man; what if you have to sacrifice yourself and give the best there is in you to save him?

No matter what the cost it will be a good investment in comparison with letting him go on the wrong road. Keep with him, and have him with you; work with him and get him interested; take him for a trip; give him an entire change of surroundings. Tomato plants do better after being transplanted.

Few boys are born vicious; and though nearly all parents mean well we cannot dodge the fact that in most cases bad boys are made so by their fathers and mothers—through indulgence, or false notions, or self-absorption, or thoughtlessness oftener than through simple ignorance.

Good advice, coaxing, entreaties, threats have about as much effect on a wayward boy as water has on a duck's back, and more radical methods of rescue must be adopted. If your boy goes in bad company root him out of it and keep him out of it even if you have to shut up shop and give your whole time to the work. If every parent felt his own responsibility and looked after his own boys there would be no "bad company."

Take time to keep your boy in the right road; you owe it to him, and to the world, and it will save you from the commonest cause of misery there is in this world. General advice is not worth a picayune; no two cases are alike; but there are few boys so bad that they cannot be rescued if you will set your mind on it and act. Oh, how many crimes do we commit on the plea of lack of time; but where a soul is involved we must break our fetters and speed to the rescue.—Pathfinder.

TROUTDALE AS A BUSINESS CENTER

The prospects for a good year at Troutdale are better. Several large farms that have heretofore been held under one ownership will be divided up this summer and put into cultivation by residents, who will add a good many new names to the population of the vicinity. Work is still being pushed forward on the Troutdale-Kenton cut-off and that will bring a considerable number of laboring men into the town. Just out of town to the west the county work on the new county farm is being carried forward as rapidly as it can conveniently be done. Many acres of wild land have been cleared up, broken and will be seeded down to grass, and planted in grain and vegetables this spring.

The new orchards being set out lies between the two railroad tracks and will contain five acres of varied fruits, just like a family orchard, for the use of the people on the farm. It is intended to also raise all the vegetables necessary for their use and a large garden will be planted, as well as a big field of potatoes. An extensive meadow is also coming on from which the farm herds will be fed, and it is more than likely that there will be a surplus of several commodities to sell before many years have passed by.

The county buildings are well advanced. A large 50x100 barn has been completed. It is indeed a model barn. The Superintendent's house has also been erected, and a large force is now at work on the main building and heating plant. The foundations are all to be of cement. The heating plant will be 50x87, two stories high. The main building will be three stories and 40x100, making it practically four stories and a basement. Its outer walls will measure over 300 feet. It will be a magnificent looking building, facing the north, and overlooking the entire breadth of the Columbia valley, with a fine view of the river, the railroad, and the electric line which passes about 100 yards to the north. The building will have two wings with a connecting centre, dropping back well, with extensive porches on each front. Every effort is being made to have it entirely modern in every respect, through there will be no elevators, except for freight or invalids.

The land outside has been all drained. The slope is northward, and just undulating enough to make it an ideal natural park effect. Just to the east a dense grove which will for the present be preserved as wind protection.

The employees for this work are making Troutdale headquarters, and when the farm is ready for occupancy, it will be an important customer of Troutdale products.

Many Beautiful Yards to be Ruined

It is evident that the pipe line people are planning to go at the ditch through town as soon as the season gets settled. Several of the residents have been warned to get their yards in shape for the opening of the ditch. This will mean a great loss on the part of a good many of the people effected. Not only will they suffer the annoyance of having their premises torn up and made unsightly for the summer, but they will suffer the loss of a lot of ornamental shrubbery, trees, and smaller plants that can never be replaced. Prominent among those who will have to bear the loss, will be Mr. and Mrs. Leslie, whose beautiful yard has been the beauty spot on East Powell street for many years. Roses, and evergreens, flowering Hawthorne, tulip trees, maples and practically all will have to be removed to make way for the water system. Some small amount will be paid by the city of Portland for the destruction effected, but no pay can replace the larger trees and shrubs to be removed.

He Took the Blame.
"The guilty man always gives himself away," said a detective, "for, like the chap who bought the forty-cent bathing suit, he can't hide his guilty conscience. The chap I have in mind entered the water at Atlantic City in a forty-cent suit of blue flannel. As he splashed about he was joined by a girl friend. The girl flashed her bright eyes over the tumbling expanse of sea and then with a sigh of delight she said:
"Isn't the water blue today?"
"It's shameful," said the man, with a hot blush; "it's perfectly shameful how this cheap bathing flannel runs!"

Serving the Luncheon

A Farmer's Wife Entertains at a Three-Course Meal.

The sight of the Black Eyed Susan growing along the lane leading up to the house decided the date of Mrs. Reed's luncheon. This was aided by the fact that there was a lull in the farm work just then. The days were hot, but the wide, screened porch would easily accommodate her half dozen guests.

A farmer's busy wife does not have much time to keep her dining table polished to the state of brightness necessary for a luncheon cloth and dainty doilies. Mrs. Reed covered her table with a heavy damask cloth. In the center she placed her old, brown bean pot filled with the Black Eyed Susans. Just before serving time she scattered a few of the more perfect blooms carelessly over the cloth.

The place cards were only plain calling cards bearing the guests' names. The table was simply laid with plain white china and the silver necessary for the few courses. Muskmelon halves on service plates and glasses already filled made the first course easy for the young neighbor girl who helped her serve.

Being without other assistance, the hostess had to help get the next course ready. This was thoroughly substantial and consisted of delicately fried chicken and brown gravy, potatoes mashed and browned in the oven, tender cabbage cooked as the southern women do it with a hot dressing of mustard, vinegar and cream, and tiny baking-powder biscuits. The plates were served in the kitchen and the gravy and biscuits were passed by the maid.

They finished with green gage sherbet, chocolate macaroons, and small cups of black coffee. Here again in the serving Mrs. Reed excused herself to her guests who, being so used to it in their own homes, did not consider it a breach of good form.

After luncheon the table was pushed.

New Uses of Cement.

European engineers are appreciative of the value of cement grouting for repairing defective masonry. Lining wells and for making tunnel roofs water tight. In Germany a well polluted by infiltrations was put into satisfactory condition by lowering into it a sheet iron drum, filling the space between the drum and the walls of the well with portland cement and withdrawing the drum after the cement had set. The damaged masonry of the tunnel was repaired by injecting liquid cement under pressure. Air at a pressure of seventy-eight pounds per square inch sufficed to force the cement into place.

LENTS TO HAVE NEW \$15000 BANK

A new bank has been incorporated for the Lents District. The demand for a bank at that place has been so great that a company of Portland people have gotten together and already the new institution is a certainty. The new firm has as its leading men C. F. Hendrickson, Sylvester Peterson, Anton Eckern, and H. Rostad, all of the Scandinavian Bank, and F. P. Drinker of the First National Bank of St. Johns. The new institution will be capitalized for \$15000 and will plan to open up for business in about a month. It will be known as the Multnomah County Bank. Mr. Rostad will probably be in charge at first. If this bank is opened up and carries out its plans it will go after all the business of the Mt. Scott district, with a vigor that will outclass the recent Mt. Scott bank so far that a comparison will be a silly joke.

The Multnomah County Bank has not selected its location yet. Consideration is being given to a part of the property held by the Mt. Scott Bank. If satisfactory terms can be arranged the property will be taken over and this will also greatly relieve the creditors of that bank. The property is valued at \$7500.

As yet no definite favorable news is forthcoming from the Mt. Scott Bank. Receiver Tobin still finds new tangles to unravel. It was reported that President Meyers had been arrested, that warrants were out for him, and a lot of other things, which have all been found to be unreliable. Undoubtedly Meyers will come up for consideration by the Grand Jury now in session. It is barely possible that he will be under arrest by the time this article is in print. Nothing would please the Lents people better than this—except, perhaps, that they might learn that the bank's assets would pay out all of the indebtedness—and that is too improbable to entertain for a moment.

As supposed, the action of the grand jury was to bring an indictment against Meyers, and in addition cashier J. C. Law, and vice president, W. S. Davis were also indicted and placed under arrest. It is evident that Law knew all the time that the bank was in a bad condition and that the dealings were illegitimate. It is not probable that Mr. Davis did, since he had practically nothing to do with it except to meet at direct meetings. Meyers has up to this time been able to evade the officers and it is not known whether he is in town or not.

The most valuable consideration in placing an advertisement is the number of readers you can reach through the medium you are using. The Herald always has been, and it continues to be, the most widely read paper in eastern Multnomah and Clackamas Counties. Don't make a mistake by failing to consider this.

Commercial Club Meets

Wednesday evening was the appropriate time for the next meeting of the Commercial Club. The meeting was called to order by president elect Nelson. After roll call and Secretary's report, Mr. Nelson addressed the assembly and explained why he thought it would be inadvisable for him to act as president, and asked to be relieved. Mr. Cleveland, Mr. Bachmeyer, Mr. Smith and Mr. Meyers were nominated for the place. But the modesty of all the candidates was appalling. After everyone of them had declined

It was decided to put them all to a vote with the result that Mr. Meyers, president of the first State Bank, was chosen and immediately called to fill the office. Mr. Meyers having been the vice president, a new incumbent for that position was necessary. Chas. Cleveland was chosen for that.

The committees headed at the last meeting were partially able to report. The entertainment committee will consist of Messrs. Stirling, Albertson and Kidder; Finance, Howitt, Pateneade, and Schwedeler; Membership, Shattuck, Cleveland and Brugger; Ways and means, Bachmeyer, Congdon, Marshall; publicity, Thorpe, Darnall and St. Clair.

The revised constitution was then taken up and read in full, after which it was adopted.

E. L. Thorpe acted as secretary of the evening and probably will fill the office until secretary elect is ready to assume his duties.

A few bills were presented for consideration. Adjournment was made until April 12th.

Grange Dance

Multnomah Grange will give another dance Saturday April 1st. The usual Grange supper will be served. Richards orchestra. Undesirables will not be allowed to remain.

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Issued Demand Certificates.....	612
Paid Demand Certificates.....	617
Issued Time Certificates Bearing Interest.....	114
Paid Time Certificates Bearing Interest.....	60
Opened Savings Accounts July 1st to Jan. 1st.....	49
Issued Bank Drafts.....	2454
Sold Bank Money Orders.....	594
Number of Loans Made.....	1432
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