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LENTS NOW HAS ELECTRIC LIGHTS

Are Lamps Light Principal Streets Making Great and Long Needed Improvement for the Town.

At last we have the long-looked for electric lights. Tuesday these lights were turned on and the illumination they give is certainly some improvement to credit the local club with.

The lights are located at the corner on Main and Foster, one on Main near the school house, one on Main near the churches. Three lights were erected on the Foster road, one near Bright Realty and one at Fourth Avenue, one near the Brownwell place.

These lamps were ordered put in and are paid by and under the control of the Lents Improvement Club.

A subscription paper was circulated and signed by quite a number of the business people and residents along the streets that have been lighted.

Other parts of the town will no doubt get lights sooner or later. All that is necessary is to secure a number of signatures of property owners who agree to contribute a sum towards the \$5 each month that it costs to maintain them.

One thing is certain,--they will receive the best of care, for our townsman, Mysing, an employe of the Light Co., installed them and has the up-keep of them in his care. Tuesday night he worked until 2 o'clock getting them in readiness. These lights are turned on at 5:10 every evening.

Thus one by one, we get these improvements, with no assistance from the county, city and through no government other than that of the civic organization--the Lents Improvement Club.

WHY SINK WITH TAFT, IS THE CRY

"Organization" Men See Doom of Party If He Is Elected--Ohio Paper Up in Arms.

There are indications here that so called "organization" Republicans are getting ready to ditch Taft.

Up until three or four days ago they were as mum as oysters on the question of Taft's candidacy for re-nomination. Like all good bread and butter politicians they were waiting to see which way the cat jumped so they could jump the same way.

But this week there has been a noticeable change in their attitude. These same Republican leaders and ob-holders have begun to talk openly against Taft's renomination. To an impartial observer it looks as if the word had been passed down the line from "leaders up above."

There can be no doubt that many of the Republican job-holders who are now openly knocking Taft are doing so from purely selfish motives. One Republican, who holds a state position, was frank enough to put it this way:

"Taft will be beaten if he is renominated, and he will carry Republican candidates in all parts of the country down to defeat with him. Why should all of us sink just because he is sinking?"

Furthermore, word comes to Columbus from out over the state that post-masters generally are extremely worried lest Taft is renominated. They, too, would lose out if Taft should be defeated.

The opposition to Taft among Republicans who heretofore have been counted his staunch supporters has not reached the stage where they are naming the men who should be nominated. They agree, however, that a progressive must be named.

This new opposition to Taft is entirely distinct from that of the so-called insurgent and progressive Republicans who are organizing in different parts of the state to fight for the nomination of La Follette, or some other Republican of his type. They are headed in the same general direction, but their motives are as far apart as the poles.--Columbus Despatch.

BEAVER DAM DISCOVERED NEAR SANDY

Animals Industrious Laboring at Dam--Said to Be 100 in Colony.

(Special to The Herald)
Bullrun, Ore., Nov. 23.--Henry Oak of Bullrun, says there is a beaver dam near his claim east of Brightwood, that he believes contains fully 100 beavers. They have done a vast amount of work and have flooded quite an area. The law protects this industrious little animal however in this state and a person, who would catch any of these little animals would have a poor show of disposing of their furs.

The state chose wisely in adopting this animal as the state emblem and the Beaver State Herald in putting it at its mast-head is in line with a very general feeling that this industrious and hard-working little rodent is a pattern for human kind with their greatest brain power but sometimes less laborious existence.

Rockwood Masquerade.

Rockwood Grange will give its annual masquerade ball on Wednesday evening, Nov. 29. Four prizes will be given, two for richest costume, lady and gentleman, and two for most original characters, lady and gentleman. 25 cents for spectators, lady maskers free. Supper extra. Richards' orchestra and the usual Grange supper.

ANNEXATION LEADS BY 21 VOTES THE FIRST WEEK

Herald's Straw Ballot on Annexation, Incorporation or Remain As We Are Grows Interesting--Separate Incorporation Next in Popularity

Annexation of Lents to Portland.....	74
Separate Incorporation.....	53
Remain As We Are.....	44
Total.....	171

That is the sum total and substance of the first week's campaign in the interest of the Herald's straw ballot on the determination of the future of Lents.

It shows 74 votes still favoring annexation to Portland, with 97 votes against it, being divided as follows: 43 for incorporation and 44 to remain as we are at present.

The question has been argued pro and con during the week and it may be said has been the topic of one or two spirited and hotly contested debates.

During the week one or two things happened that have changed the face of things materially. One of these is the announcement of the increase of Portland taxes by a good margin over last year's. Indeed it is enough so that taxes on a home worth \$2,000 are raised from \$41.00 last year to \$50.00 this year.

This has gone against annexation very tellingly, the vote going to the next favorite,--incorporation. Then again in the Mayor's 1912 budget he allows the Arieta district, that was annexed last election, only enough to purchase a chemical engine for her volunteer department, instead of establishing a fire station as had been asked for to protect this large territory,--pointed out as one of the wealthiest, largest and fastest growing parts of Portland. If Arieta could not gain this after repeated requests and demands what could Lents hope to get?

One man protests against annexation in the following language: "I tell you we won't go into Portland until that city bestirs herself in the behalf of other recently annexed suburbs. There is too much unimproved territory between here and Portland that needs attention before we should THINK of it, and then, there is too much boom land adjoining us that would be used for speculative purposes. Let Portland pave her streets, furnish better fire and police protection up to our line and

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REPAIR OF BIG DAM BEGUN AT ONCE

When Completed Will Form Artificial Lake of Over 80 Acres.

(Special to The Herald)
Cherryville, Ore., Nov. 24 --A force of men are now employed at the dam getting the debris of the damaged and destroyed flumes ashore for further use. It is now said rock drillers will soon be at work exploring for bed rock at this point where the dam will be built, in order to secure the proper foundation. It is thought they will follow the plan established at Estacada where immense rods were inserted in the river bed, around which cement was laid. This dam when made will form an artificial lake covering more than 80 acres, along the shores of which will be built summer cottages.

The immense number of sacks containing cement at the dam although under cover, have nearly all set, but it is claimed that they can be run through a rock crusher and made as good as ever. It is quite probable that a big force of men will be put at work here in the spring and work pushed to get the dam completed.

MASQUERADE BALL HERE WEDNESDAY

Grange Hall to be Scene of Thanksgiving Event --\$10 in Prizes.

A grand masquerade ball will be given under the auspices of the Grange Hall association here Thanksgiving eve, Wednesday, Nov. 29. Although only decided on this week it has never-the-less aroused quite an interest and many are planning to attend. Ten dollars in cash prizes have been put up as follows: \$3 for best sustained character in lady's costume, \$3 for best sustained character in gent's costume, \$2 for best lady waiter and \$2 for the best gentleman waiter. A midnight supper will be served in the hall. Dancing until 3:00 a. m. to the strains of a good orchestra. Come join the crowd--everybody will be there--biggest event of the season, the posters read, so get out your masquerade duds and fall in line.

LAFFERTY SPEAKS TO GOOD AUDIENCE

Duke Hall Scene of the Denunciation of Big City Press.

Speaking before an audience of fifty or sixty attentive listeners at Duke's hall, Wednesday eve, Rep. A. W. Lafferty held forth at length on his activities at congress as the representative of the people. Cashier Rostad, of the Multnomah State Bank acted as chairman of the meeting. Mr. Lafferty told of his efforts in behalf of the people in land grant suits, of the irrigation and reclamation projects, and of a proposed bill for the return of \$7,000,000 to the state from the sale of public lands. He even went so far as to explain away the mysteries of his supposed "improper correspondence" with a Washington high school girl. He denied ever having been visited by the "irate" father, or daughter, but admitted sending a visitors pass and a note therewith. But he added, nothing that could be misconstrued as improper was contained therein.

He says this was a part of a plot laid by the Southern Pacific Railroad lobbyists and furthered by the Oregonian Publishing Co.

The editors of the Journal and the Oregonian came in for a round of scoring and denunciation that should make their ears burn for a month. Calling them "small, two-by-four, cigarette fiends, etc. etc." he attempted to explain just why the only place you read of his work in Congress is in the Congressional Record.

He returns to his post at Washington a week from Monday when he will serve as Congressman at a regular session for the first time.

TURKEY DAY TO BE CELEBRATED

Entertainment of Merit and War-Time Supper to Be Given at Grange Hall By Veterans and Wives.

Turkey day in Lents will be celebrated in a good old fashioned way. The main thing on the program will be a Thanksgiving entertainment and supper to be given by the Reuben Wilson Post of the G. A. R. Shiloh Circle and Sons of Veterans. At this time you will hear: Music by Drum Corps

Welcome Address..... John Walrod
Prayer by Chaplain..... Mr. Wiley
Star Spangled Banner..... Wilson Post and Shiloh Circle

Remarks on the Flag..... M. L. Pratt
Short War Tales..... Com. Baker and others

Quartet..... Sons of Veterans
Recitation..... Miss May Strickrott
Music..... Wilson Orchestra, Jungle Band

Solo..... Sons of Veterans
Drill..... Young Ladies of Lents School
Declaration, Papa's Letter..... Little Girl
Cornet Solo..... Ned Curtis
"50 Years ago,"..... John Huntington
Quartette..... Sons of Veterans
Remarks..... Mr. Shaw
America..... Audience

As an added attraction that does not appear on the program you will hear; Dr. Hall, of Portland, the celebrated humorist, and an elocutionist of rare merit, also the Ladies Quartette of Woodlawn. If you want to hear something interesting, humorous, pathetic or classical, attend this entertainment. An old time supper will be served consisting of hardtack, coffee, beans and mess pork. After the supper dancing will be afforded those who wish and all for the one admission of 25 cts. The committee who has the affair in charge is made up of the following: L. Ross-sall, John Walrod, A. W. Powers, John Huntington, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. J. C. Martin, Mrs. Margaret Wilson, Mrs. Grace A. Graves, W. E. Baker, W. W. McDowell, L. E. Wiley.

LENTS BUSINESS MAN WEDDED

Arthur Lambert and Hettie Peters Married Last Saturday Eve--Reception at Grange Hall Thursday.

The marriage of Arthur Lambert, one of our prominent business men, to Mrs. Hettie May Peters was solemnized at the home of the groom on N. Main street Saturday eve, Nov. 18 in the presence of only immediate relatives and friends. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Boyd Moore of the Lents Methodist church. After the ceremony a bounteous feast was served after which the happy couple left for Portland, going to Independence and nearby towns for a short wedding tour. Thursday evening a big reception was held at the Grange hall at which about 110 guests were entertained at a banquet. Mr. Lambert is proprietor of the confectionery store that bears his name and has been a resident of Lents for nearly two years. Mrs. Peters has been a resident of this place for some time and has many friends here. The newly wedded couple have the best wishes of a host of friends who join with the Herald in wishing them a long and happy wedded life.

PLAN WOODEN AUTO TRACK INTO WOODS

Mr. Lee, who holds considerable real estate near Sycamore, and Robert A. Miller, are negotiating with the Coos Bay Traction Corporation for a wooden auto truck track construction into their tracts of land with a view to transporting the wood products and subdivison later. It is stated by the Vice President, Mr. Reese, that they contemplate putting the track through into the farming district along the Clackamas.

WISE TURKEYS TRAINING DOWN FOR THANKSGIVING



If only turkey birds were wise they'd read the sporting pages, Discovering there the secret rare of lengthening out their ages. By training down instead of up they'd so reduce their meat That when Thanksgiving day comes round they'd not be fit to eat, And when the buyer came along to talk with Farmer Jones He'd say, "Why, I these birds can't buy---they're only skin and bones!"