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GRESHAM NOTES OF INTEREST

Local and Personal Items of the People In and About That Busy and Growing City.

John Duley has returned from Seaside where he has been working.

Mrs. Mabel Meade has moved to Portland where she will make her home. Her address will be 1208, Belmont street.

There will be a demonstration of aluminum ware Friday afternoon in the Grange Hall.

Miss Margaret Dickey, of Portland, was the guest of Miss Lizzie Halliday last week.

Mrs. Bradford is visiting her daughter, Mrs. R. Lamsdowne, at Cottrell this week.

Mrs. E. A. Kelly of Montavilla, is visiting her granddaughter, Miss Bessie Howitt.

Geo. Parker and family have moved to Marshfield for a few months where Mr. Parker has employment.

Mrs. Cecil Metzger and little daughter, of Seaside, are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gullickson.

Miss Grace Lucinda Giese will lecture Friday night in the Commercial. She is not yet seven years old but has lectured many times before.

The Misses Rosalie and Lillie Luscher and Eva Turner visited Gladys Michell on Tuesday.

Mrs. O. A. Eastman has returned from Salem and Independence where she has been visiting.

Mr. Henry Dahl of Silverton, is visiting W. H. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Stafford and little daughter, were Gresham visitors Wednesday.

Earl Burch and wife visited the former's parents this week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Ross have gone to Rockaway Beach for their vacation.

Mrs. L. L. Kidder has as guests Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Eaton and little daughter of Peatonica, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Littlepage are moving to Portland to-day. Mr. Littlepage has a position there.

W. H. Congdon has sold his hotel to Mrs. Winnie Whalen, from Spokane, who takes possession today.

Miss Elizabeth Dougherty, who has been assisting in B. F. Rollins store, has gone to Portland and Miss Grace Wolfe, of Sandy, has accepted the place in Rollins' store.

Miss Clarissa Haile, Librarian, left today for Hood River where she will spend a part of her vacation and from there she will go to Rainier to a house party and then to the Mountains. During August the library will only be open afternoons.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Darnall of Lents, visited friends in Gresham last Tuesday.

Miss McNeill, of the main library, will be in the library during Miss Haile's vacation.

Grandma Wood, who has been visiting her grandson at Montavilla, has returned to her son's home here.

Mrs. H. H. and W. J. Ott were Portland visitors Wednesday. Mrs. H. H. Ott will leave next week for a visit to relatives in Kansas.

Miss Grace Lawrence is able to resume her duties again after a week's illness.

Miss Edna Vogel is spending her vacation at Sea View.

Mrs. W. C. Burch, accompanied by her daughters, will go to Seaside this week for an outing.

The home of Mrs. L. S. Osborn was the scene of a very pretty wedding last week when Miss Portia Osborne, eldest daughter of Mrs. L. S. Osborn, and Mr. Geo. Laver were united in matrimony. Mr. Laver is a furniture dealer in Carlton, Oregon, at which place they will make their home.

We are all glad to hear that Mrs. Max Schneider who has been ill for the past week is recovering. She is at the home of Mrs. Will Johnson in Portland.

Mrs. Mary Preston of Eagle Creek, and Mr. and Mrs. James Preston and little son, of Berkeley, California, spent Sunday with Dr. and Mrs. A. Thompson.

J. H. Hoss had the misfortune to get his foot badly hurt last Tuesday, when a loaded wagon ran over it.

Arthur Regner has sold his store to A. E. Lindsey, and will now go on the road for the Tad System.

Mrs. Ray Todd was given a very pleasant surprise last Friday evening when a number of friends presented her with a brass fern bowl.

LENTS CITIZENS AID NEW BAND

Lents Business Men Subscribe Monthly Fund of \$50 for New Band—Regular Concerts to be Rendered.

As an appreciation of the efforts of the newly organized band in Lents, the business men and citizens of the town have subscribed a fund of \$50.00 per month for a period of three months to assist the organization in carrying out its objects.

The raising of this fund came as a result of a request of the band that some assistance be given from a financial viewpoint, and accordingly a committee composed of Prof. Thielke, F. R. Peterson, F. A. Bohna, E. W. Miller, E. L. Rayburn and Dr. O. A. Hess was appointed to solicit the necessary funds.

The committee went to work last Friday morning and soon secured the amount as above stated. As yet all local business men and interested citizens have not been interested, and when the work is complete it is expected that the amount will reach \$60.00. Those who have not yet subscribed towards this fund will either be called upon by the committee or else they can find the subscription blank at the Lents Pharmacy, where they can contribute whatever amount they feel able.

The funds are to be used in paying Prof. Thielke for instruction, for purchasing music and whatever horns are necessary to equip the band with first class instruments. Prof. Thielke is charging only \$20.00 a month for his services, so that the band will have a comfortable amount from which to pay other necessary expenses. Any instrument purchased by the band will be left solely in the hands of the soliciting committee and should the band retire from the field at any time the instruments will be left in the hands of this committee to be used by any other local organization that may come in existence.

The management of the band has agreed to give regular weekly concerts on the business streets, or wherever most convenient, in consideration of the monthly donation, and the first concert will be rendered some time next week.

The giving of weekly concerts will be a big boon to Lents and all business interests. The band is rapidly rounding into shape for concert work and the citizens of Lents will be treated to many excellent concerts during the next three months.

When the soliciting committee visited the citizens and secured the monthly fund for the band they stated that the first collection would not be made for 30 days from date, and through some mistake the collecting committee of the band started collecting the first month's subscription this week. As soon as it was informed that the collections were not to be made until 30 days the committee desisted and no further collections will be made until the further notice.

C. A. Cox, a signal engineer for the O. W. R. & N. company was seriously injured in an accident which happened near the depot there about 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, says the Outlook.

Mr. Cox, A. F. Hamlin and A. C. Charlton, all signal engineers were on their return to Portland on a speeder, when the sudden falling down of a cantling bar, derailed the car, hurling the men violently to the ground. Cox sustained a cut on the back of his head which may prove a skull fracture. The man was hurried to the city in an auto ambulance, which arrived 30 minutes after the accident. He was still unconscious when he left here. Hamlin had his hand cut, but Charlton escaped uninjured. Mr. Cox is a single man. His home is at Clarney, where his mother and sisters live. Dr. Hughes of Gresham attended the injured man.

BAD ACCIDENT AT FAIRVIEW

Read the new announcement of The Lents Emporium in this issue of The Herald.

WANTED.
Names of 1000 Ex-Kansans.
Address, H. A. Darnall, Lents Oregon.

LENTS CITIZENS PETITIONING FOR VOTE ON ANNEXATION

Petition is Being Circulated to Place Question of Annexation of Lents to Portland Before Lents Voters at Coming Election—Public Sentiment Greatly Divided.

A petition in the hands of L. A. McKinley, of the Bright Realty Co., is being circulated among the citizens and voters of Lents, asking that the matter of annexation of Lents to the city of Portland be submitted to the people at the November election.

The work of circulating the petition was started this week, and up to the time of going to press many signatures of local voters were affixed thereto. The petition merely provides for the placing of the question of annexation before the voters for their rejection or approval, but it is self evident that those behind the movement are in favor of annexation and will use their influence to that end.

While the petition has been signed by several voters, and there is every indication that many residents will affix their names thereto, it is undeniable that there will develop a strong opposition and that a fight to the finish will ensue, for there is heard on every hand expressions from prominent people who oppose annexation and will fight the movement to the last ditch. The people who are circulating the petition are people who have the best interests of Lents at heart and who truthfully believe that annexation will prove a benefit to the greatest number of people concerned. On the other hand, those who are opposed, do not hesitate in saying that annexation is not the best thing at the present time, and hold that the benefits derived from going into the city will more than be offset by increased taxes and additional burdens.

Aside from those who favor annexation and those who directly oppose the movement, there is another faction or set of people, who believe in forming a separate corporation and allowing the taxpayers and citizens of Lents to conduct their own municipal affairs. These people hold that there is sufficient taxable property in the Lents district to maintain a capable municipal government and provide all necessary municipal improvements.

The last pulse secured from the Lents public indicated that the lines between the three factions were closely drawn, and apparently there has been but little change since then, unless there is a greater growth of sentiment in favor of providing a separate incorporation and "padding our own canoe," so to speak.

Now that the question has again been raised there will be no end to the discussion and arguments that will ensue from those who hold certain beliefs. The Herald intends, in the near future, to afford the people of Lents with much valuable statistics regarding the amount of taxable property in Lents, and other various points of importance that may have a tendency to bear on any of the various questions raised.

Various citizens report that the detestable dog poisoner is again abroad, and as a result no less than 20 dogs have been poisoned during the past three weeks, many of them valuable and highly prized by their owners.

Tom Cowing was among those who lost a valuable dog and offers a reward of \$25 for the arrest and conviction of the culprit who committed the deed.

Live business men advertise during dull times to make business lively.

THE BIG "BULL MOOSE"



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FINE RESIDENCE IS TRANSFERRED

J. L. Harvey Becomes Owner of Alfred Baker Home—Other Business and Realty Deals Consummated.

The modern two-story residence belonging to Alfred Baker and situated on South Main St. between the Brock and Deaton residences, was sold last week to Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Harvey, of Laurel, Ore. The purchase price has not been made public, but is said to have been about \$6000.00. This figure is said to cover the residence and a tract of ground 80x113 feet. In the transfer Mr. Baker secured a tract of 60 acres, partly improved, near Laurel.

The residence has been vacant for several months, owing to the fact that Mr. Baker was a resident of Portland, but it is one of the most attractive and comfortable homes in Lents or the Mt. Scott district, and in the near future will doubtless sell for a larger figure than that paid by the new purchasers. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey expect to make it their permanent home, however, and are now occupying the same.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey were residents of Elgin, Or. for many years, but have resided at Laurel the past four years. They are excellent people and are welcomed to Lents.

Another deal of considerable importance in business circles was brought to a close this week whereby A. Brugger transferred a half interest in the management of the Mt. Scott Bakery to E. A. Wagner. Mr. Brugger has been in active management of that concern for the past several years and has made a success of the same. He still maintains the ownership of the property in which the store and bakery are located and will be a co-partner with Mr. Wagner in the stock and management. Mr. Wagner has been connected with the establishment for a long time. He is familiar with the business and will help to maintain, if not improve, the standard of the products of that firm.

TO IMPROVE UPPER SNAKE

LEWISTON, IDAHO, July 30.—(Special)—The Lewiston Commercial Club has launched a campaign for the improvement of the upper Snake river to allow for the operation of light draft gasoline launches. The movement was inaugurated following an address delivered before the club by Mayor J. R. Glover, of Asotin, one of the owners of the gasoline boat Prospector, which has successfully navigated the Snake river to a point 106 miles above Lewiston. Letters have been sent to the Idaho senators and congressmen, explaining the navigation situation on the upper Snake river and requesting them to secure data of cost of improvement of the upper Snake river to make navigation practicable by boats of the Prospector class, using their influence to secure government appropriation for such purpose.

The club also appointed a committee to secure a state appropriation for the same purpose, all moneys thus secured to be expended under government direction.

HAIL DAMAGES IDAHO CROPS

LEWISTON, IDAHO, July 28.—(Special)—Crops on the Nez Perce prairie between Vollmer and Nez Perce were damaged this week by hail, the loss being estimated to reach at least \$75,000. The storm struck the prairie at the breaks of Lawyer's canyon about a mile below the railroad bridge and traveled in a northeasterly direction for a distance of about 5 miles. The width of the storm was from a mile to a mile and a half and much of the fall grain was practically beaten in the ground and is considered almost a total loss. The hail stones were as large as marbles and much of the hail remained on the ground next morning. While the loss is severe to those farmers immediately affected, it is estimated that the general benefit of the accompanying rain will far overbalance the injury.

Mrs. M. M. Eaton is visiting a sister in LaCamas, Washington.

LIGHTNER GIVES VIEWS ON BRIDGE

County Commissioner Lightner Says \$800,000 Is Excessive Price For Top Deck of New Steel Bridge.

County Commissioner Lightner, addressing the Rotary Club at its luncheon at the Portland Commercial Club Tuesday on the subject of bridges, declared that he believes \$800,000 to be an excessive valuation on which to base the rental charges for the use of the upper deck of the new Steel bridge, in spite of the rise in the cost of structural steel within the past few years. He held that the cost of the upper deck should be compared with the cost of the Hawthorne bridge, rather than with the cost of the new Broadway bridge.

"This would make the estimate \$407,000, and, adding \$63,000 for the increase in the price of steel, we would have a round \$500,000," he said. "Five per cent is too much to pay even upon this valuation, for plenty of money can be borrowed on public bridge bonds at 4 and 4½ per cent."

Mr. Lightner asserted that in his opinion the present system is wrong, and that either the county should build and operate the bridges, or the city should do both. Outlining the history of bridge building in Portland, he quoted figures from the cost of operating three county bridges and from these figures estimated the cost of operating the upper span of the new bridge. About \$9000 a year for salaries was the expense on each of the three bridges now operated by the county. The total cost of operating them last year was \$81,136.

Edward O'Neill was chairman of the day. Mr. O'Neill is the artist of the club and one of the amusing features introduced yesterday was an array of caricatures of his fellow clubmembers, which were displayed on the walls of the dining-room.

FARMERS' ASSOCIATION WILL MEET IN ATLANTA

The next annual meeting of the American Association of Farmers' Institute Workers will be held at Atlanta, Georgia, November 11 to 13, 1912. At the same place and beginning November 13 will be held the annual meeting of the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations.

Notice has been sent out early in order that farmers' institute workers in arranging their work may have in mind the date of this meeting, and so arrange that it may be possible for all who are interested to attend.

AUTO CLUB PRESIDENT ASSUMES IMPORTANCE

Cherryville, Or., July 31—E. Henry Wemme, of Portland, President of the Portland Auto Club, has crested a number of arches over the public roads on the way to the Mountains with the inscription "Private Way—No Trespassing." How long since has E. Henry Wemme, whoever he is, become the owner of the Public Highway?

GRESHAM YOUNG MAN MARRIES CLEONE GIRL

Miss Myrtle G. Jenkins, daughter of Mrs. Harriet Jenkins, became the bride of R. W. Thorp, only son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Thorp, last Sunday. The ceremony was performed by Rev. George F. Hopkin at the Methodist parsonage at Gresham at 7 o'clock Sunday evening. The couple was accompanied by their sisters, Miss Edith Jenkins and Miss Esther Thorp. Immediately after the ceremony they returned to the bride's home, where a reception was held.

The couple left on a wedding trip to Victoria, B. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Thorp expect to reside in one of the Sound cities. Mr. Thorp is an engineer for the Northern Pacific Railroad Company. The bride has lived here for a number of years. The groom lived many years in Gresham.