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## COMMERCIAL CLUB HOLDS MEETING

Attendance Was Good. Committee on By-Laws Report. Next Friday Evening a Full Attendance is Desired

Thursday evening was the date for the regular meeting of Lents Commercial Club. The hour of opening found a fair attendance. President Rostad called the meeting to order and announced that there was no one present to represent the committee on rules and by-laws. After considerable discussion it was decided to appoint a supplementary committee to assist in the work of drafting some rules for the club. At this juncture a member of the committee made his appearance and submitted a copy of the East Side Business Men's Club rules as being adaptable for the use of the Lents Club. The whole question was again taken up of dismissing of the committee, appointing another, and revising the rules proposed.

Messrs. Rortad, Buchten, and Tyler were appointed to attend to this duty. Motion was made to call the new club the Lents Civic Improvement and Commercial Club. It was also decided to make the monthly dues twenty-five cents. Admission will be free. Some of those present thought that twenty-five cents a month was just about twenty-five cents a month more than most of the eligible membership would pay, but it passed anyway without debate. A special meeting will be held on Thursday evening at which committee number two will present a complete set of rules and regulations for the guidance of the organization.

Miss Elsie Bright rendered a solo, and Miss Hartwing gave a piano solo.

A full attendance is anticipated on Friday evening of this week, when the club may fairly said to be launched. A great deal depends on the way it starts off. There are a lot of things to be looked after in this part of the city and something of this sort must be kept up or else there will be no organized way of accomplishing the things which are going to come up from time to time. A committee from the Club waiting on the Mayor has several times the force that a self appointed committee has, or that an individual can effect. Then there are times when a full representation will be desirable.

## Lents Team Wins Fast Game From Orioles.

In the fastest game ever seen on the Lents diamond, the Lents Giants defeated the Orioles with a score of 2 to 3 in eleven innings Sunday. Matt Boland was on the firing line for the Giants and only gave the birds 4 hits, while Cobb, for the Orioles held the Giants to six hits. Strike outs, Boland 6; Cobb 7. Errors, Giants 4; Orioles 5. Both scores made by the visitors were on wild heaves from catcher Shea.

## VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPTS., TO HOLD TOURNAMENT.

At a meeting of delegates from The Volunteer Fire Departments of Gresham, Lents, Estacada and Tremont, held at the fire hall at Gresham Monday night, May 12, it was decided to hold a tournament at Gresham, Thursday, June 5. There will be a parade at 11 a. m. A prize will be given for the best decorated apparatus. In the afternoon a hub and hub race, a race against time, a ladder climbing contest, a coupling contest and a relay race will be held. Prizes will be given in each event and in most, first, second, and third, money.

The companies expecting to take part are Oregon City, Linnton, St. Johns, Tremont, Woodstock, Fairview, Estacada, Lents and Gresham. The following members went from Lents:

Fay Rayburn, chief; Wm. Boland, assistant chief; M. S. Hazen, secretary; Frank Rayburn, foreman; Bud Carter, Wm. Giggins, D. D. Berge. Christ Thomas, Claude Lent and Mayor I. F. Coffman.

## M. E. CHURCH

The people of the M. E. church will observe Quarterly Communion services, 11 a. m. Preaching at Bennett Chapel 3 p. m. Preaching at night by the pastor.

W. Boyd Moore, Pastor.

Mr. Carl Fisher of Wadens, Minn. visited the Katsky Bros. on Tuesday en-route for his home after a four months tour of the United States.



Views of various manual training products on exhibit at the recent Lents School Exhibit. All children's work, a larger part of which was done at school.

## BACHELORS CONGRESS A DISTINCT SUCCESS

BELL STATION, Monday, May 12.—The Wichita Parent-Teacher Circle presented the comedy, "The Bachelors Congress" to a crowded house. The entertainment was a decided success, financially and artistically. The large cast of nearly fifty persons performed their various parts with the ease and intelligence of trained professionals.

From the rise of the curtain to the finishing chorus, every scene was accomplished with a precision and enthusiasm that reflected credit on the intelligent and conscientious work of each and every performer, and the careful and thorough training given them by their stage director, Miss Geneva Lockes.

Mr. Harry Avery deserves special notice for the very clever rendering of the lines and action of the leading part of Jack Benton. He was very pleasing both in his appearance and work.

Miss Dixie Caffel played the part of Betty Sawyer with a dainty girlishness that was very appealing.

Mr. Claire Jennings was remarkably clever as the French Count and his Parisian dialect and gestures were perfect.

Mrs. Bronte Cravat was very bright and pretty in the light comedy part of the maid Kitty, and received the generous applause of the audience for the pleasing manner with which she sang "Dreaming" at the close of the prologue.

Miss Mamie Mullen deserves credit for the able handling of the difficult role of the aristocratic mother, and the drilling and leading of the musical specialties.

Mr. Edgar Canfield was very good in the two parts of Hez. Kennedy and Willie Neverwork.

Mr. Robert Cravat was neat and pleasing in the part of the Butler James.

Mrs. Lena Rouse and Miss Una Rilea as the daughters of Mrs. Benton dressed and acted their parts very nicely.

The Congress of the Old Maids and Bachelors was the big comedy scene of the evening. The audience laughed and applauded in turn as the Old Maids and Bachelors wrestled for witty supremacy.

Mr. John Gibson in the part of Judge Biowhard and Charley Ruabe in the German doctor were extremely funny and added to the hilarity of the occasion.

Mr. Archie Watt as the reporter handled a long and responsible part in an able manner. Mr. Ward Watkins was picturesque in the part of the Shiek Abon Abraham, the owner of the wonderful carpet, as was Bennie Hurst the caretaker of the same. Mr. William Rilea was good as the Irish policeman.

The specialties during the "Congress" deserving special praise were: the Old Maid Vocal solo by Mrs. E. Adeline Darline, the Baseball Recitation and the Vocal Solo encore by Mr. Alfred Hurst, the Male Quartette in "Gee I'm Glad I'm Single" and the Old Maids in "Nobody to Marry Me."

Mrs. Matilda Hurst made a strong and convincing president of the Old Maids and Mrs. Florence Watt was pathetically funny as the aspiring secretary.

Mr. Bertha Schuid made a hit as the saucy policeman of the Old Maids Convention, and Miss Alice Schuid was

## CONTESTANTS BUSY FOR FINAL STRUGGLE

Many Promises out for Final Rush. Big List Will be Found When Contest Closes. Several Contestants may Drop out but Final Weeks will be Active ones.

Just two weeks and two days more will elapse before the close of the Herald's big Piano-Motorcycle-Watching Contest closes. Saturday evening, May 17th will be the date for the dropping of all contestants which show a figure below 200,000. Of course if it were only a hundred or so short then would be some leniency shown, but that is the standard and it is expected that there will be a number raise their vote very materially before that date. The contest has been a lengthy one and due opportunity has been given every one interested to make a good showing. There have been many fine days during the spring when there was a chance to canvas the country far and wide. We know that quite a stretch of country has been scoured but we are not so sure that all has been done that might have been done. The two weeks to come will show something more along that line.

Much interest has been developed, not only among the contestants, but others, over the fine prizes offered. The Eilers, \$425 piano is known far and wide as one of the best instruments ever put up for a prize. It is well made, has a fine tone, and is highly ornamental to any home. It is certain that it will be appreciated wherever it is placed.

The Eagle Motorcycle will be a thing of joy. It will be useful from the day it is won. At this season of the year the motorcycle is especially handy. Picnic trips by motorcycle are quite the thing. The roads will be lined with them this summer. They are cheaper than a horse—that is more cheaply maintained, and they cover far more ground in the time and just as safe. Very few accidents are reported to people who ride motorcycles. The fellow who gets in the way may suffer to some extent. But they—the Eagles—are under such perfect control that there is no occasion to injure anyone.

beautiful as the young bride in the final transformation.

The proceeds of the entertainment will be used by the Wichita Parent-Teachers Circle for the strengthening of their work in the school and homes of the immediate vicinity.

## GARY & WILHELM MOVE TO TREMONT.

Carey & Wilhelm, until recently doing business at Millard Avenue, have moved to the new building on East 72 and Tremont. The new location is thought to be a more satisfactory one than that formerly occupied. It is very conveniently located, has good car service, is a new building, well arranged with fine lighting. There is every reason to believe that the firm will profit by the change. They already have a large list of steady customers and the change will put them in close touch with a good many others. Carey has recently solved the difficult problem of selecting a life partner. This is all the more important since the partnership that formerly existed between him and Wilhelm was practically dissolved some time ago, altho the firm name was retained. The new partner was a Wilhelm, so the firm name is still appropriate.

## Hold Live Stock Show.

Union makes the claim it will have the biggest and best live-stock show in Oregon this year. Its dates are June 5, 6, 7. The big feature of the show will be fine horses, while the splendid cattle for which Eastern Oregon is famous will also be on exhibition in large numbers.

## Feed Hogs Potatoes

Klamath farmers are fattening hogs on their surplus potato crops. Ten carloads of hogs have been shipped into that district from Sacramento and if the potatoes on hand can be utilized profitably in this way, other large shipments will be made.

## Corn Growing Contest

To stimulate interest in growing corn in this state, the Oregon Agricultural College offers ten prizes for the best ears of corn grown by boys and shown at the State Fair. Entries must be made not later than September 22.

## GRANGE MEETS IN REGULAR SESSION

The regular monthly meeting of Lents Grange was held Saturday. Four new candidates were added to the membership and two were reinstated. The usual run of business was handled. After the dinner hour the regular lecture hour was held and several very interesting numbers were given. S. H. Haynes gave a discussion of "Second Choice Voting and the Short Ballot." Mrs. E. P. Smith read a selection on "Co-operation." which was discussed at some length. Mr. Benfield spoke on the public market idea. Recitations were given by Richard Hees and Myrtle Brock. Mrs. Gertrude Stratton-Frink rendered a solo.

## THIEF STEALS PAIR OF CHINESE PHEASANTS.

M. K. Hedge is bemoaning the loss of a pair of highly prized Chinese Pheasants, which were stolen from his backyard some time last Saturday night or Sunday morning. As these were the last of his pets he feels considerably peeved at party or parties who took them. His other pets were a herd of 30 rabbits which the dogs of the town, headed by one "known" vicious hound took delight in killing off one at a time till the whole herd was gone. The Herald force deeply sympathizes with him.

## 660 lbs. From One Potato

An Oregon lad beat the best record made in England in raising the greatest number of potatoes from a single tuber. An English boy raised 220 pounds from 11 potatoes and the English papers saw something in that to crow about. An Albany boy winning the state contest among school children last year grew 660 pounds from one potato by transplanting sprouts from the original which had 13 eyes.

## EVANGELICAL CHURCH.

Sunday, May 18. Preaching 11 a. m. by the pastor. In the evening at 8 o'clock, Bishop Spring, who presided at the annual conference at Salem last week, will preach. The public can expect a great sermon. He is spiritual, eloquent and edifying unto all. A hearty welcome to all.

P. Conklin Pastor.

## COUNTY JAILS IN GOOD CONDITION

New Court House Jail Is Well Arranged And Clean. Kellys Butte a Model Retention Home And Work House.

A visit to the county jail during the past week was the result of a number of observation recently made from persons who were evidently disposed to find fault. The visit to the jail situated on the top of the court house. At first thought it might appear that this would be a strange place to locate a jail. But an inspection of it will reveal that it is just the place. It is out of sight, it is airy and light, above the dust and noise of the street, and easily kept clean. There is less danger of the prisoners escaping, for any one leaving this floor must do so by way of the elevator and since the building is fire-proof the prisoners are not at any time in danger of fire. An inspection of the rooms and cells showed them to be clean and comfortable beyond expectation. The cots are all provided with blankets, comforts, pillows and mattresses. There are arrangements made so that every prisoner can have a bath once a week or oftener. New prisoners are all subjected to baths, if there is any evidence of the need of it.

The kitchen is as neat and clean as the kitchen of one of the leading downtown hotels. The cooking is mostly done by steam. The tables and utensils are scoured white or bright and shiny. There is no filth or dust or dirt. One would feel perfectly free to take a meal from these tables and without any feeling of repulsion or distrust. There would seem to be just one reason for complaint, and we doubt that it would receive any support. That is, that the county has gone to extreme lengths to provide for the comfort and sustenance of its defective classes. The question arises, is the county under any obligation to undergo so much expenditure for the comfort, of a class of people who have disregarded social conventions. Many of them have not been used to "square meals" or clean ones. A bath is or has been considered an unnecessary extravagance or a dangerous exposure; the soft side of a board, log or heap of earth a luxurious couch.

The woman's department is notable for its light airy rooms, its clean couches, covered with white sheets, metal beds, wire mattresses, blankets, etc. They are provided with a table and dine separately from the men.

Apparently some one must have gotten a wrong impression in regard to this place. A visit to Kellys Butte did not change the view. While this place is not quite so elaborate as the jail over the courthouse, it is a modern jail in every sense. The rooms are light and airy. The windows are large and let in a flood of pure air and sunlight, if the day be fine. The beds are mattresses with quilts and blankets. The blankets are washed freshly about every ten days. The place does not bear the odors of the customary jail or workhouse. On inquiry made of the prisoners, information was gained that they had enough to eat, good food, good beds, were treated well, were reasonably healthy, were clean, took a bath at least weekly, were not troubled with vermin or bedbugs, required all new comers to take a bath, and if they declined, they were given due notice and then "soused." They must keep clean. One fellow declared they had too much to eat.

The kitchen here is large, well provided with modern conveniences, clean, scrubbed daily, and the food looks palatable. There is just one criticism to offer. The storage room for perishable foods, such as meat and bread, is not suitable, as it cannot be kept in first class sanitary condition. A little expenditure for cement and the application of the labor at hand would provide a roomy, clean, cool, dry, storage place for articles of food, and prevent considerable loss by early decomposition. The addition of a number of conveniences common to ordinary markets would prove to be an economy.

## A Unique Commercial Club

Salem has started something new in the organization of a commercial club that will include in its membership farmers and fruit growers of the surrounding country as well as business men of the city. Probably no section of the state is in closer touch with its outside territory, and such a move is of great benefit to both city and country.