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SCHOOL GARDEN CONTEST SUGGESTS

Display Was One of Best Ever Held at School. Geo. Wamsley Wins \$5.00 in Cash. Many Other Prizes Awarded.

The garden and floral exhibit put up by the Lents school children last Friday in the school auditorium was a notable one. There was a fine display of products of all sorts, potatoes, turnips, radishes, lettuce, beets, onions, and similar vegetables. The flowers bore a similar range, but sweet peas predominated. About seventy-five pupils made exhibits and they received a lot of praise.

Prizes were awarded for the general exhibits as follows: first prize, Geo. Wamsley, five dollars in cash; second prize, Cyril Fleming; third prize, Chas. Kerns; fourth prize, Ralph Wamsley; and Julia Kellaher won the capital prize in the girl's garden contest. Grace Geisey won first prize in the sweet pea contest. Several minor prizes were given on general floral exhibits.

The following Lents people contributed to the prizes: Clyde Sager, potato hoe; Rayburn & Sons, handkerchief; Norden, vanity purse; Lents Hardware Co., fishing pole; Mrs. Bright, cash, \$1.50; Thomas Bros., ice cream; Otto Katzky, \$1.00; L. H. Carter, 25 cents; W. A. Hall, 25 cents; Optimist, one year subscription; John Manz, \$1.00; C. C. Wiley, 50 cents; Lents Grange, \$2.00; Mt. Scott Drug Co., ball bat; Forsen, Bender & Butts, \$1.00; Modern Shoe Repair Factory, pair of tennis shoes; Hawkins Barber Shop, two hair cuts; Duke Bros., ball and bat; L. E. Wiley, picture; O. E. Lent, \$1.00; Eggiman Bros., \$1.00; Kineman, fifty cents; and five dollars unnamed from Lents business men. A number of Portland firms also assisted, namely, Honeyman, Gill, Meier & Frank and Woodward & Clarke.

REBEKAHA LODGE INITIATES TEN

A class of ten were initiated into the Eureka Rebekahs Friday evening. There were in addition, a large number of visitors present. The drill team from Columbia Lodge came out in full force and there were visitors from Montavilla and Rose City Lodges. The installation of new officers will probably be held the third Friday in July. A team from all the lodges in the city will have charge of the installation.

S. P. & S. F. TO BUILD RAILROAD UP OREGON COAST

Under a joint agreement of the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe railroads, it is announced that a railroad will be built along the Oregon coast, construction to begin at the present northern terminus of the Northwestern Pacific line at Sherwood, Cal. The road will be built up the coast to Myrtle Point in Coos County, and will then proceed up the valley to the Rogue River, connecting with the Southern Pacific's main line at Grants Pass. It is stated that work will begin this present summer.

Water Rates to Take Tumble.

Notice was sent out this week that water rates in this portion of the city would take a tumble the first of July, and consumers received a rebate on their regular rates to apply on the next month's supply. This will be a welcome clipping from the regular list of family expenses. When we consider that this comes off of every family in the newly annexed territory it will amount to quite a saving. This will nearly offset the additional taxes which may be expected by the annexation process.

Mt. Tabor Line Extended

Not everyone knows it but the Portland railway is extending its Mt. Tabor line from the Reservoir to 82nd street, making a turn south from the Reservoir to a point about a fourth of a mile south of the Section line road, and thence east, to 82nd St. This will be a great advantage to people in this vicinity, and particularly to the members of Evening Star Grange.

Mrs. Pearl Horner and son Durward are visiting with Mrs. Daniels on Mt. Scott Avenue.



HOP FIELD IN THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY

TREMONT GETS NEW FIRE TRUCK

Last Saturday evening the Tremont Volunteer Fire Department dedicated their new hook and ladder truck. This was probably the most important event of the new department. The truck was purchased from A. G. Long & Co. of Portland, through the efforts of the Tremont Volunteer Firemen, the Seventy-Second Street Social and Improvement Club, and Councilman Allan R. Joy. The truck has some special features and is second to none in the city.

Despite the bad weather about seventy-five people gathered at the fire house to dedicate the new truck. An address was made by A. G. Long in which he set forth the benefit of a well organized and equipped volunteer fire department to a community. He took up the relative positions of the paid department and the volunteer departments in regard to their relations to the public. In the course of his remarks he presented the Tremont Department with a beautiful service speaking trumpet. Battalion Chief Stevens was next on the list of speakers. His remarks were especially educating and encouraging to the volunteers. Capt. Zellar of engine thirty-one at Kern Park, then took occasion to express his appreciation of the volunteer firemen. M. S. Hazen of Lents Fire Company made a short talk on the volunteer firemen and on the subject of the district tournament of volunteer firemen. L. Rossell was there with a report of the Gresham Tournament, and his usual boost for Tremont. Mr. Foote the genial grocer of Tremont recited some tales of the railroad engineers' difficulties in life. Mr. Arnold of Tremont then made a very fitting address.

At this stage of the game all attempts at speech making was abandoned as the ladies served ice cream and cake, and no one was able to do any more talking. Chief Weiser was proven to be the best man with the edibles.

The visitors, led by Mr. Long, then ran the new truck into the engine house and gave three rousing cheers for the Tremont volunteers. Then after three cheers for the visitors by the fire laddies, the meeting was adjourned.

PORTLAND MAN HEADS ASSOCIATION OF NURSERYMEN

To the Pacific Northwest goes the honor of providing a man to head the American Association of Nurserymen for the coming year. The convention of the association held in Portland last week was the first meeting of the organization ever held west of the Rocky Mountains, and at its final business session Friday morning, J. B. Pilkington of Portland was unanimously elected president. The 1914 meeting will be held in Cleveland, Ohio. At that time a strong effort will be made to bring the association to San Francisco for its meeting in 1915.

Mr. Woods of Terth Avenue who has been quite ill is better.

STATE NEWS NOTES IN BRIEF FORM

Wool sales at Condon aggregated 700,000 pounds, at prices ranging from 10 1/4 to 14 7-8 cents.

Thieves broke into the clothing store of John Anderson in Forest Grove and made away with about 50 suits valued at over \$700.

The farmers of Ashland have perfected a producers' association, and the question of establishing a public market there is being canvassed.

Accused of tying a bunch of straw to a horse's tail and setting fire to it, at St. Johns, Otto Russell was fined \$10 and costs for cruelty to animals.

Judge M. C. George was elected president of the Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers, at the annual meeting at Portland.

Jay H. Upton, of Portland, was elected department commander of the United Spanish War Veterans and Salem was chosen as the place of next meeting.

By an oversight in enacting a new law dealing with conditions that were disclosed by Portland's vice clique scandal the defendants in these cases will go unpunished.

The county court has appropriated \$750 to be used in defraying the expense of assembling a creditable exhibit of Douglas county products at the state fair at Salem in September.

A Walla Walla county grand jury has reported that two drug stores in the "dry" district at Enterprise have filled during 10 months 10,700 prescriptions for intoxicating liquors, or an aggregate of over 2000 gallons.

According to a report of the state market inspector filed at Roseburg, the Oregon Soldiers' Home scored 97.5 out of a possible 100. The inspector says this is the highest score recorded by any state institution in Oregon.

Guarded by three forts and strings of electrically controlled mines which extend from the Oregon to Washington shores, defenses at the mouth of the Columbia are considered as good as any which protect the harbors of the United States.

The Oregon Bankers' association session at Corvallis, elected W. L. Thompson of Peffleton as president for the ensuing year. The bankers decided to cooperate in the movement toward securing large tracts of land for colonization purposes.

Governor West has appointed Ernest Ringo, a Salem lawyer, special agent and prosecutor for the governor's office, under a law passed many years ago. A law passed at the last session appropriated \$1000 a year for the work.

A solid gold nugget worth \$1500 was panned by George Armstrong and Richard Sturton on their Dutch Gulch placer claim three miles from Susanville and 60 miles from Baker. It is thought to be the largest nugget ever found in the northwest.

The first apportionment made by the state under laws passed by the last legislature was received by County Treasurer Lewis. The apportionment amounts to \$10,173.46 and is to be used by the agricultural society

which has charge of the annual county fair in Multnomah county.

Arguments were heard in the supreme court in the suit brought by L. H. McMahan, a Salem lawyer, to restrain Secretary of State Olcott and State Treasurer Kay from expending \$450,000 appropriated by the legislature for the reclamation of lands in the Columbia Southern project.

No longer will producers be able to market their fruits in Oregon under misleading labels, if the efforts of State Dairy and Food Commissioner Meeckle avail. This official has begun action to eliminate this bad feature of the trade in an effort to aid the grower who puts up an honest pack.

Lizzie Clark has brought suit at Hillsboro against Hare & Glikerson, sawmill men of Manning, to recover \$15,000 damages. The plaintiff is a cook, and complains that she was buried in the debris of a tree which the defendants' workmen felled across a cookhouse which she occupied. She alleges that she was permanently disabled, and may lose her eyesight as a result of her injuries.

To make a study of the mineral resources of Oregon and induce capital to develop them, is the object of a bill passed by the legislature creating the Oregon Bureau of Mines and Geology, and the prediction is made that it will increase the elemental wealth of the state by millions of dollars, for estimates place the value on the importations of clay products alone at \$5,000,000 annually, and the importations of cement, building stone and other building materials also run into millions yearly.

A synopsis of the game and fish laws of the state of Oregon has been issued by William L. Finley, state fish and game warden. The pamphlets will be distributed among the gun stores throughout the city and state.

Will G. Steel, who will take up the office of superintendent of Crater Lake Park on July 1, will work in conjunction with Mr. Finley in making Crater Lake Park a big game refuge as well as a place of scenic beauty. An effort will be made to get a number of European birds into the park.

M. E. CHURCH

In the morning, pulpit will be supplied by committee of the Christian Citizenship Conference and tickets will be handed out to those desiring to attend. Preaching at Bennett Chapel at 3 p. m. In the evening the pastor will preach and conduct evangelistic service. These meetings are always helpful. We shall be glad to see a large attendance of those who are earnestly seeking the better life.

W. LOYD MOORE Pastor.

Mrs. Coon, who has been spending the past two months in Eastern Oregon, has returned to her home on 5th Ave. Mrs. Coon's daughter-in-law, Mrs. Bud Coon, of Grass Valley accompanied her home.

37 GRADUATE FROM LENTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

This has been one of the most successful years in the history of Lents schools. The attendance has been larger than ever before. Interest has never been better and the work of the schools has been carried on with a limited amount of disturbing influences and more than ordinary harmony. An unusual interest is being developed in the practical things of life. Manual training and home work and gardening have received additional recognition from many more pupils than usual and the prospects are favorable to an increased interest along these lines.

The ninth grade class of the year has been a large one and thirty-seven members of the class have complied with the standards and received their certificates for the completion of the work. This entitles them to entry into any high school in the city of Portland, so far as educational requirements are concerned. One of the striking things in connection with this class is the reduced age at which the work has been completed. Only a few years back it was considered pretty good if a boy or girl completed the eighth grade, the equivalent of the city's ninth, by the time they were sixteen or seventeen. This class probably runs considerably under fifteen as an average. The following members of the class completed the work:

Margaret Boland, Harold Bradford, Catherine Butterfield, William Callahan, Nancy Caples, Marion Cheever, Fred Collins, Margurite Cooper, Harry Curran, Opal Davis, James Duncan, Mabel Emerson, Francis Ewoldt, Freida Folkman, Ivan Hamerlynck, George Jones, Luzelle Kearney, John Kearns, Marjorie Kellogg, Lillie Keidahl, Cecil Landon, Winifred Leurs, Ruby Love, Florence Lutz, Garrett Maul, Geraldine MaxMeyer, Howard McElvain, Montia Parker, Leslie Pepper, Marie Rathkey, Elsa Schmidt, Edith Schram, George Simmons, Bertie Taylor, Alta Wood, Lucy Woodworth, Fred York.

Fell Down Stairs

The eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Near of 8th Avenue and Center Street, after going upstairs Saturday evening to retire leaned over the bannister to listen to the close of a birthday party below. In some manner he lost his balance and fell striking on his face, driving his upper teeth up under the nose. Several stitches were taken in the lower lips. He is still confined to his bed but is doing nicely.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

The pastor will preach Sunday morning on the subject, "Can God Heal the Sick," and in the evening on, "The Other Nine." The Junior B. Y. P. U. will meet as usual at 3:00 p. m. The Elmo Heights Sunday School convenes at 2:30 p. m. We invite your attendance at the services of this church.

Rev. J. M. Nelson, Pastor.

W. C. Bryant visited his sister, Mrs. M. B. Hogue, last week on his way to Monmouth to be present at the commencement exercises at the Oregon State Normal. He is a member of the board of regents.

LENTS MAN VISITS GETTYSBURG

John Walrod Among Old Veterans That Go To Famous Battlefield. He Recalls Many Incidents of the Battle of Gettysburg.

The enlisted man of our army was as a rule a soldier of splendid courage, full of vim, energy and perseverance. Those who entered in the service in the beginning of the war did so without any incentive except that of patriotic duty. They were young men who did not wait for commission nor delay until large pecuniary considerations were offered in the shape of bounties, but at the first call promptly enrolled their names as private soldiers, resolved to do all in their power to preserve their country undivided, and their flag unsullied.

What a brave lot of men they were. Full of vigor and life, how they would cheerfully face the foe and how courageously they would die for their country and the flag, is indelibly stamped upon my memory. Fifty years ago the first of July 1863, I, as a beardless boy, fought in the ranks of Co. A. 7th Wis., Infantry, was wounded and taken prisoner. Then my hair was as black as the raven's wing, my step elastic, and I was full of life. I do not go to Gettysburg with the implements of war now, but to smoke the calumet of peace that we may be in perfect harmony.

I am writing and my mind reverts back to those days. I seem to feel the cold chills going up and down my spinal column. And as I prayed to the Lord to protect me, reminds me of an old darkey of Charleston, S. C., when the earthquake there some years ago gave them such a shaking up. He said, "Oh Lord come down and help us in this great time of trial. Don't send your Son but come yourself, dis am no place for boys."

Ere this will be published, I will be well on my way to that famous battle ground of Gettysburg. And from there I will give you an account as it seems to me now. John Walrod.

OREGON TO BE CENTER OF BIG FISHING INDUSTRY

Oregon is likely to become the center of a great fishing industry within the near future if the investigations of the government confirms the report of extensive halibut banks off the coast of Lincoln County. A large number of launches are now being fitted out at Newport, on Yaquina Bay, for the purpose of exploiting these recently discovered banks, and those which have already started operation are returning to port with capacity loads of splendid fish. The extent of the banks is stated to be sufficient to supply the Pacific Northwest with fish for years to come.

LENTS GRANGE DRILL TEAM VISITS EAGLE CREEK

About thirty of the members of Lents Grange visited the grange at Eagle Creek last Saturday, including the Lents Grange Drill team. The team put on the third and fourth degrees with the drill. All report an excellent time. Eagle Creek Grange is one of the strong granges in the state and they had invited Springwater Grange to be present, so the attendance was excellent.

Kelley Klan to Meet

The Kelley Klan, descendants of the Kelley family of Oregon and Washington will hold its annual reunion at 663 Williams Avenue Saturday, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Manley. Most of the Klan are descendants of the Oregon pioneers, Clinton, Gilmore, Albert, and Arehon Kelley, who settled in the vicinity of Portland. There are about 200 of these people who make it a custom to attend these annual reunions. Besides a big banquet, there will be a program, a prominent part of which will be a record of events connected with the family during the past year. Miss Agnes Kelly is secretary of the Klan, and Miss Nellie Fawcett is historian.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH.

Sunday, June 29, 11 a. m. Sermon by a delegate to the World's Christian Citizenship Conference. 8 p. m. sermon by the pastor. Special music at each service.

P. Conklin Pastor.