

NIGHT PROWLER SPREADS ALARM

Unknown Man Enters Tobin Building, Tries Locks, Alarms Tenants, Escapes by Back Way. Probably Drunk and Slespy.

Whether the intention was burglary, incendiarism or simply looking for a night's lodging in what he supposed was an empty building, an unknown man invaded the second story of the Isis building Sunday night and caused a commotion. Harry Eldredge, wife, and sister have rooms in the building and shortly after midnight the sister was awakened by some one trying to unlock her door. She called to Mr. Eldredge and the intruder made no further attempt to enter the room, going to the other rooms. Appearances seemed to indicate there were others interested in the affair as strangely acting persons were seen on the street. Some passing boys were hailed and they attempted to come up the stairs but the intruder had a dog with him which interfered. The night watch came along about this time and the stairs were mounted. The man had disappeared. The dog was on the roof to the last and the man had dropped from the last wall to a shed and escaped.

The dog was recognized and the man is under suspicion, but up to the present time no arrests have been made. His actions around town had been observed during the evening before, but just what his motive was has not been figured out.

Old Land Mark Falls

Lent's oldest landmark succumbed to the march of progress last Tuesday. The old barn north of the "Old Corner" on Main street, built twenty-five years ago, was condemned as a firetrap and ordered removed. The order is not considered a hardship by any one. The barn has long been considered a firetrap. Many a resident of Lents has shivered at the prospect of the "old barn" being fired some windy night, by accident, or by an unconscious devotee of Bacchus, for the place was long a refuge for people who came in late, weary, and unsteady. When the new buildings to the North were put up two years ago, about ten feet of the barn front was amputated, and a new face was put on it. But the city dads say its face won't save it, so today its place is barren. The spot will probably be for sale now and prospects are for a substantial building on the site.

Entertained

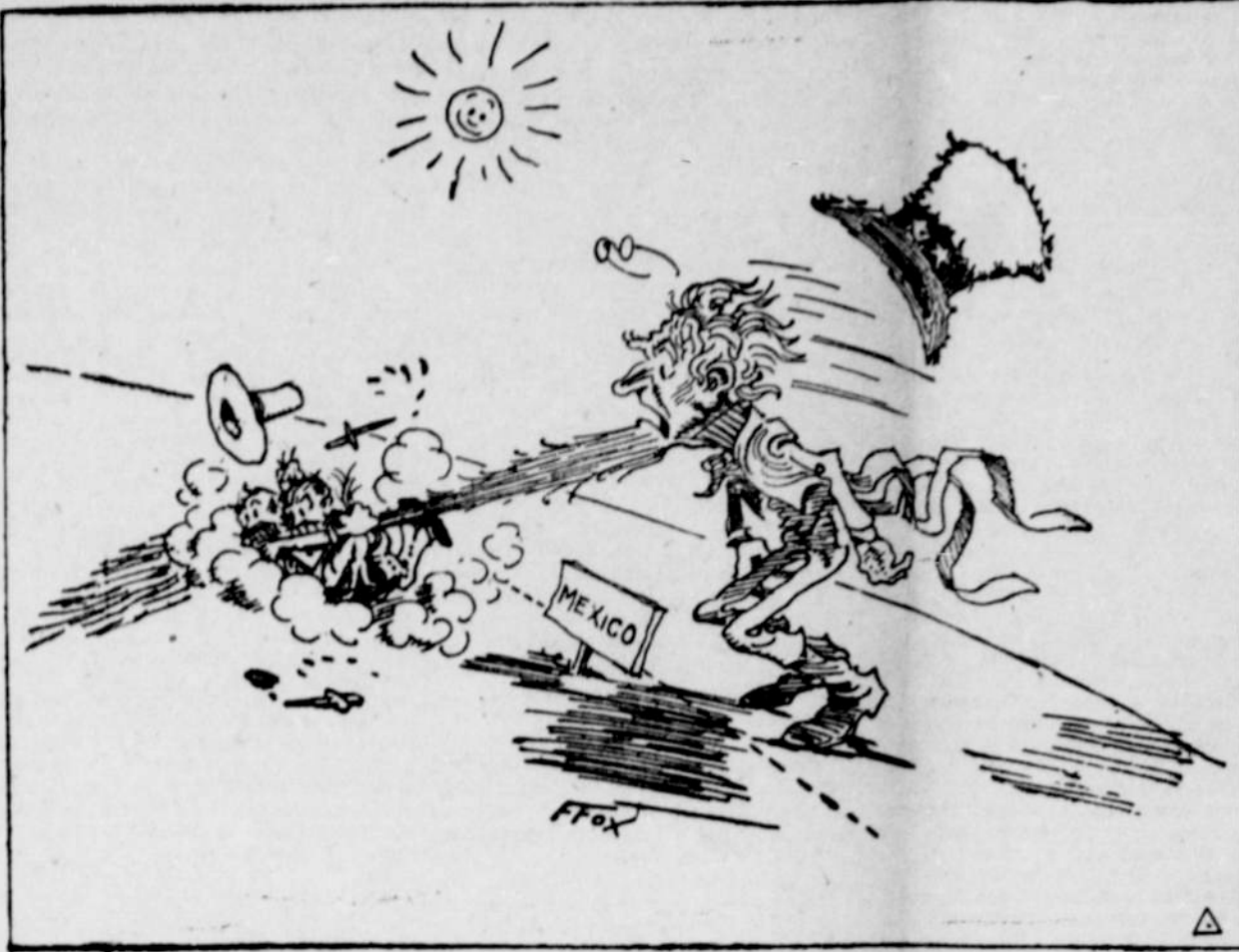
Dr. Fawcett, assisted by Miss Dunning, entertained for Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Brown last Wednesday evening. A turkey dinner of four courses was served to the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Brown, the Misses Seva, Mildred, and Bernice Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wallace and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Mortrude, Miss Mortrude, Master Ruben and Elmer Mortrude, Mrs. West, Miss Margaret Fawcett and Harvey Fawcett.

From the Eugene section comes the information that while the 1913 prune crop is larger in volume than for several years, the fruit ranges relatively small in size. The Eugene evaporating plant is running to full capacity and is putting about 800 bushels of prunes through the drying room every 24 hours. Packing of the dried fruit for shipment will begin in about ten days.

It is stated that an unusually large proportion of the prune crop is being marketed as fresh fruit than ever before and this fact, in connection with the unfortunate prevalence of dry rot in nearly all sections of the state, is expected to result in a marked decrease in the dried product. Early quotations for dried prunes are very attractive, indications pointing to an unusual European demand later in the year.

The region around Dallas has this year turned off an immense crop of hops of unusually high quality and for some time the city has been over-run with buyers who are anxious to relieve the growers of their holdings. A few sales have been made at 25 cents but many of the farmers are holding for better prices and it is thought there will be no general unloading until the prices reaches 30 cents. Shippers are having difficulty in securing cars to handle the hops and, as the warehouse is full, the delivery of the product will have to stop unless the car shortage is relieved.

LOOKS AS THOUGH SAM WOULD SIMPLY HAVE TO JOIN IN.



—Fox in New York Sun.

J. F. COOK OF SAGINAW HEIGHTS DIES

As was his customary habit, J. F. Cook, of Saginaw Heights, got up early Monday morning, prepared his breakfast and was about to leave for his work when a sudden paralytic stroke overcame him. He was able to call his wife, who found him on the kitchen floor. He was removed to his bed and gradually became unconscious and his condition grew more serious until about six-thirty when he passed away. Mr. Cook leaves a wife and three small children to mourn his loss, and numerous sympathizing friends. He was for a long time employed by the Warren Construction Co., and they have signified their intention of giving some assistance. Mr. Cook carried some insurance.

The funeral was held Wednesday.

St. Paul's Guild Entertained

The ladies of St. Paul's Episcopal Church Guild of Woodmere were delightfully entertained by Mrs. Arthur Geisler at her beautiful new home on Main Street, Wednesday afternoon from two until four o'clock. Games and conversation were the order of the afternoon, after which dainty refreshments were served. The colors used were pink and white. The guests were seated at small tables and in a side room little Miss Dorothy and Master Paul Geisler presided at a smaller table, entertaining Kathryn Allen and Hazel Plant. Those present were: Mesdames Allen, Boddy, Furth, Gessell, Geisler, Plant, Katsky, Lent, Tibbles, Thompson, Sears, Shuelenberg, Ed Klant, Bertha Boatwright, Van Etta, Sharp, Ward, and the Rector, Rev. O. N. Taylor of Irvington. A most enjoyable afternoon was spent by all. About 4:30 all adjourned to their respective homes declaring Mrs. Geisler to be a capital hostess. Mrs. Geisler was assisted by Mrs. Samuel Allen and Mrs. Nellie Boddy.

NEW ROAD TO YELLOWSTONE.

"The Black and Yellow Trail" to Be Built From Chicago.

South Dakota, Wyoming, Minnesota and Wisconsin are interested in a highway from Chicago to the Yellowstone National park, to be known as the Chicago, Black Hills and Yellowstone Park highway, or "the Black and Yellow Trail."

The tentative route is from Chicago north along the lake shore to Milwaukee, west through Madison to LaCrosse, north to Winona, west through Minnesota and South Dakota, following closely the line of the Chicago and Northwestern railway, through the Black Hills and on to Yellowstone park.

Chester Cieslinsky, of "Chester's Barber Shop" has bought I. F. Coffman's stand and will continue to operate it in connection with his shop. The customary accommodations and privileges will be accorded friends and patrons of the place.

Among those who have gone to the State Fair on "Portland Day" are Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Barker of Seventh Ave., North, and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Willis of Tenth Ave., South.

LENTS GIRL SEES MILK SHOW

On Wednesday, the teacher and a number of us children went down to the milk show at Meir & Frank's store. They showed how to take care of milk. We saw a clean barn and a dirty barn. There were the cutest little cows in the barn. There were cows in the pasture eating, and there was a fence around it. We saw meat with tuberculosis on it. We saw a patent milker.

We had a sample of Mt. Hood ice cream.

We saw four of the cutest babies from the Baby Home of Portland. They were so fat! We got a souvenir pencil from the Baby Home.

There was a refrigerator with a lot of things in it, and a bottle of milk uncovered. We read a lot of "Don't's" about milk; one was "Don't leave milk uncovered in a refrigerator with other things because it draws the taste;" another was, "Don't leave milk bottles unsealed."

We saw an old fashioned churn made in 1842 by Robert Wilson Morrison. It was made out of mulberry wood.

As we were coming home, I saw an Indian, his squaw, and papoose. They were wrapped in blankets and had beads on. The Indian had his hair in two braids.

Hallie May, 5th Grade, Lents School.

Mr. C. C. Moore, of the United States Department of Chemistry has been in Oregon for two weeks studying the adaptability of Oregon Potatoes as a new product for the manufacture of starch. He has declared his faith in the possibility of establishing factories for the manufacture of starch and glucose from potatoes and has had a meeting with prominent Portland business men with this end in view. It is stated that the Pacific Northwest at present consumes about 10,000 tons of starch per year, practically all of which is shipped from the East. The establishment of a starch mill in Oregon would supply this annual demand and would also provide an outlet for surplus spuds during season of low prices.

It is stated by officials of the Northwestern Fruit Exchange that over anxiety on the part of growers to dispose of their fruit is costing them many thousands of dollars, as many of them have sold their apples at prices 25 to 50 cents below the actual market value of the fruit. They state this is one year when the grower can practically name his own price for the better grades of apples and that a little care and patience in marketing will result in handsome additions to the bank account.

Everything is in readiness at Condon for the opening of the Tri-County Fair to be held on October 1-2-3. The grounds have been put into first class shape and two new and very large buildings—an exposition hall and a stock barn, each 60 x 100 feet—have been completed and made ready for exhibits. The great drawing card for the Fair is expected to be the sports program, many notable features being scheduled. The O. W. R. & N. will put on special trains and make low rates.

PARENT-TEACHER CLUB PREPARE BIG PROGRAM

Friday evening, Oct., 10 will be a big day for the Parent-Teachers' Club of Lents. Plans are maturing to make it the beginning of the social center movement in this suburb. If all carries out well their aim to secure the auditorium for community use of various kinds and to make the school the heart of our activities. A night school is anticipated and a new Domestic Science building is the ideal just now.

The meeting Friday evening will have a full program. Among the persons who will speak in behalf of the movement will appear: Mrs. O. R. Addison, Mrs. Katsky, Mr. Dunbar, Rev. Taylor, Rev. Moore, Mr. Darnall, Mr. Plummer, and Supt., Alderman. Miss Norma Scheldknecht will supply some good music.

Public Meeting

A Public Meeting will be held in the Assembly room of the Lents School on Friday evening, Oct. 10th, at 8 o'clock.

The main purpose of the meeting is to give the parents and teachers a chance to get better acquainted. Mr. Alderman and Mr. Plummer will be present and express themselves on the proposed improvements in the line of school work such as the Establishment of a night school and the erection of a Domestic Science building. It is expected that several good representatives of the Community will state their views on the question up for consideration.

Young People Preside

The young People of the Methodist Church had charge of the evening Service, in the absence of the Pastor. Rensselaer Wilkinson Presided and Wilford Hollingworth gave an outline of the Bible Study Class to be organized this winter. The speaker of the evening, Mr. Youngblood, a young business man of Portland, gave some very forceful facts, using the Bible as substantiate all he said. The meeting was greatly enjoyed by all.

WANTS CONVICTS ON ROADS.

New Prison Head Will Seek Thus to Employ Nearly a Thousand.

Judge John B. Riley, the new superintendent of prisons in New York state, announced that he would apply to the prison commission for power to employ prisoners upon state highway construction. Mr. Riley thinks that nearly a thousand men could be used each year to advantage in road construction.

The new superintendent plans to send out only those prisoners whose terms are about to expire. This policy, he thinks, will not only lessen the number of escapes, but will build up the men long confined in cells, so that when they are finally released they will be in physical condition and able immediately to take up manual labor.

The plan of employing convicts was tried by Joseph F. Scott when superintendent, and in his annual report it was strongly urged as a means of bettering the condition of the men.

WATSON PEOPLE LOSE RATE

Portland Railway Will Fight Reduced Rates, Watson Held Outside Of Suburban Rate Requirement.

The movement began several weeks ago to secure a five cent fare to Watson station. The citizens of that district got out a petition to the Portland Railway and the matter was presented to the Lents Improvement Club. A special committee was appointed to take the question up with President Griffiths of the Portland Railway, and the matter has been under consideration for several weeks. It was taken up with the state Railway Commission and on last Saturday the Company refused to grant the various petitions and requests. The Probabilities are that it will be a long drawn out contention unless the State Commission acts more promptly than it has been accustomed to do. And it is safe to say that the Company will not hurry the case.

The Company shows every inclination to wage the battle to the finish, if for no other reason because of the distance of Watson from the terminals in Portland. By way of Golf Junction, as the cars now run, the distance is 9.76 miles; by way of Lents Junction on the Mount Scott line, the distance is 8.44 miles. In brief, Attorneys R. A. Leiter and Harrison Allen, for the company, set up six definite reasons why a 5-cent fare will not be granted.

First—the law applies only to street railway lines in cities of over 50,000 where the lines are wholly within the city limits.

Second—the law applies to a continuous trip within the city limits.

Third—the Springwater Division is not a street railway within the act, there being a marked distinction between commercial lines, suburban, interurban and street railway lines.

Fourth—Watson is not entitled to a 5-cent fare on the Mount Scott line to and from Lents, because it is not one continuous trip in one continuous direction and that such a trip would be a combination street railway and interurban line trip.

Fifth—the franchise of the Mount Scott division does not control because the line to Watson was not constructed at the time the franchise was granted.

Sixth—the situation is controlled by the difference in operation of street railway and interurban lines—the cost of operation of an interurban line being so much greater and the density of traffic so much less than that of a street railway line.

The company's attorneys asked Commissioner C. B. Atchinson, sitting as the entire commission, if he would not consent to an opinion from the Attorney-General or the District Attorney as to what constitutes an interurban line. Atchinson turned this suggestion down. He also declined to take testimony on that point.

The next step will be an appeal to the courts to decide on the legal points raised by the street railway company, and the Watson people will, it is understood, lose no time in unlimbering for action along that line.

The company submitted additional data as to the valuation of its physical properties, a process which has been going on for several months. The commission, in addition to such items, has also asked for details of the original cost of the company's properties, of the operating cost, of the value of its power rights and its development work and for figures on the revenue and expenditures for each class of customers served by the corporation.

Rev. John Riley, the new pastor of the Lents Friend's church, arrived here last Tuesday, accompanied by his wife, daughter, and his mother. Rev. Riley comes here from Boise, Idaho, where he has been engaged in pastoral work. He is not a stranger to many of the Friends of Portland and Newberg and we anticipate for him a career of usefulness in this community. The church is fortunate in obtaining the services of Mr. Riley to follow up and build upon the foundation laid by Rev. Edward D. and Myra B. Smith who have labored faithfully in this charge for several years past.

The membership of the Methodist Church, as well as the community, will be pleased to learn that Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Moore are returned to us for another year.

BIG IMPROVEMENT CLUB MEETING

Friday Evening Promises Unusual Program. Speakers, Moving Picture Show. Library Question Up.

Friday evening will be a hummer with the Lents Improvement Club. After the usual details are settled the matter of a public library will be taken up and given a thorough airing. It is probable that the discussions of the evening will be the end of that sort of publicity on the matter.

Judge Jas. P. Stapleton of Vancouver and Hon. J. H. Molta of St. Johns will be present to talk on the question of the interstate bridge.

L. M. Lepper, president of the Greater East Side Club will give an instructive talk about the Panama Canal and its construction and will illustrate it with his moving picture apparatus. Mr. Lepper has shown these in various parts of the city and they are highly commended. There will be no charges or collections. Everybody is invited to come to Seward's Hall where the meeting will be held.

SANDY WILL HOLD BIG FAIR

Sandy will hold its second annual Fair tomorrow and next day. Much interest has been shown in making the arrangements and it is expected that this will be the best fair ever held in Sandy. The fair will be opened on Friday morning with a parade led by the Sandy Band. Several valuable prizes will be given. Friday afternoon the baby show and eugenic exhibit will be held in the I. O. O. F. hall, commencing at 1 o'clock. No child under 6 months or over 4 years will be examined. At 2:30 a baseball game will be played between Sandy and Eagle Creek teams. From 8:30 P. M. to 12 M. there will be dancing in Shelley's hall.

On Saturday morning, October 4, at 10 o'clock, the awarding of prizes will take place in Shelley's hall, followed by a literary and musical programme. Saturday afternoon there will be several horse races and foot races. All night dance in Shelley's hall; also dancing both afternoons if the weather is stormy. All of the exhibits will be in Shelley's hall.

The first meeting of the Woman's Club of Sandy after the Summer vacation, will be held at the home of Mrs. Blanche R. Shelley at 2 o'clock Thursday.

Fox & Pridmore have opened a new meat market on Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Wolfe have gone to Gratz, Pennsylvania, for an extended visit to their old home.

Miss Hazel Mills has gone to North Yakima, Wash., to spend a few months visiting friends.

Mrs. Elsie Bell and her small son have gone to Portland to spend a week with relatives.

Farewell

Members of the Methodist church to the number of forty-five, gave Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Brown and family a pleasant surprise on Saturday evening previous to their departure for their future home in Kenton. With addresses and music the evening passed only too quickly. After light refreshments were served, all departed with regrets that the many years the host and family had spent in church fellowship must be broken.

Oregon Kansans Meet

Quite a nice crowd of former Kansans met at Manchester Hall, Fifth and Oak Streets, Tuesday evening, with the view of organizing a Kansas Club. While the attendance was not large there was an enthusiastic assembly which proceeded at once to a temporary organization. A committee on organization was elected which will prepare a simple form and present it in two weeks. It is probable that the next meeting will be on Wednesday evening, two weeks hence, and that it will be held in the assembly room of the Journal building, second floor. All Kansans, former Kansans, native born Kansans, or persons who have lived in that state five years or more are invited to be present. The meeting will be announced later.

Mr. Foster of 10th Avenue, while digging a cesspool at the Harris home was struck on the head by a rock. At first it was not considered serious, but later symptoms developed which confine him to his bed.