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CHRISTMAS AT LENTS CHURCHES

Birth of Christ is Subject of Song and Story in Sunday School Program. Children Receive and Give Treat.

The Methodist church and Sunday School have arranged for two evenings commemorating the birthday of Christ. The choir will give its annual Christmas Musicale on Sunday evening and all are invited to the service. On Christmas eve the officers of the Sunday School have arranged for special decorations with tree, from which a treat will be served to the members of the Sunday school. A pleasing program will be given in connection.

At the Evangelical church Christmas exercises will be given at 9:45 Sunday, Dec. 21, by the Primary department followed by treat, and the members will show Christmas spirit by remembering others. In the evening a chorus choir of 30 voices will give a beautiful cantata.

The Baptist church people will celebrate this joyous anniversary by special music rendered by a chorus choir the evening of Dec. 21, and Christmas exercises by the Sunday School on Wednesday evening.

St. Peter's Catholic church will be specially decorated for the Christmas services, Christmas day. There will be three masses, one at 6, one at 8 and High mass at 10:30. Peter's Christmas mass will be sung at this time and there will be other solo music.

The Friends church is arranging for a special program to be given by the primary department. Their decorations will be in the holiday colors with a tree. A treat for all those attending with Christmas music by a chorus choir trained by Mr. Fox. It has been thought best to give this program Christmas night, Dec. 25.

NEW CARS WILL BE TRIED OUT

Center door cars are being built at the shops of the Portland Railway Light & Power company and will be tried out in their street car service.

If they prove practicable more will be put into use from time to time. The cars will have no exits at either end with a center entrance in front of which the conductor sits and controls the door with a lever which also raises and lowers the steps. The lever cannot be operated while the car is in motion and the car cannot be started until the door is closed. The cars are pay-as-you-enter. Many of the ideas in the make up of the cars are original with mechanics in the shops, but the center door feature has been tried out in other cities. The four cars being built will be ready for use in a few weeks.

Evangelist Stricken

Rev. James Crooks, a traveling evangelist known in Lents, was stricken suddenly with apoplexy Tuesday on the ferry while returning to Vancouver, and died in a short time. The body was conveyed to the Kenworthy Undertaking parlors here. Funeral services will be held at the Nazarene church, E. 7th and Couch Sts., under the auspices of the Oregon Holiness association on Friday at 1 o'clock. Rev. C. Howard Davis preaching the sermon. Interment will be in the Rose City cemetery.

LOST—A Jersey heifer. One eye out. Call Tabor 4263. J. S. Kirkley, near Kelly Butte, Lents.

The Herald takes this opportunity to call the attention of its many readers to the fine displays of advertising shown in this issue, by the live and progressive Business Men of the town—The largest display ever seen at one time in this or any other paper in East Multnomah county. Lents can supply you with about everything you need. Its Business men are anxious to make this the BEST SUBURB around Portland. Why not support them by giving them your Trade. They deserve it in all the Service they are able to give you, and that Service will grow with the demand.

SOME CARELESS PEOPLE IN LENTS, EH?

Along with its wonders Lents has some very peculiar people. One of these came to public notice last week.

He is a real estate man and he is in the habit of absentmindedly eating most anything that looks like sugar.

He recently emptied a good sized can of onion salts before he found out the consequences. At another time he disposed of a package of saltpetre. We have no record of the result of this latter action, but it is likely that it had a very material effect in producing the fine complexion the gentleman wears. Saltpetre is notably used in tanning leather. Another freak peculiarity is that of a Lents girl. She absolutely refused to eat at a restaurant unless they serve onions with each meat order.

She thinks onions are good for her complexion. She went so far the other evening as to refuse her dinner order, at one of the swellest restaurants in Lents, just because there were not enough onions used in garnishing her meat order. She makes it very embarrassing for her young man frequently because she persists in making this dish so essential a part of her meals, as he is of a sort of an ashen blonde and does not feel the need of the food. She was raised on a farm and is used to it.

She uses the essence of onion juice for perfume, and has a number of other extravagant ideas.

DR. MCSLOY HAS NARROW ESCAPE

While driving in from one of his calls last Friday evening Dr. McSloy was surprised by running into something stretched across the road. The obstruction barely missed his head and gave the top of his auto cover a severe racking. On investigation it was learned that some careless workmen had stretched a guy wire from a lighting pole across the road, and staked it down. The electric company was notified to make good and they lost no time in looking into the delinquency.

BUSINESS MEN ENTERPRISING

Window Decorations in Keeping With Holiday Season Displayed By Merchants

Making a tour of the business section of Lents one is moved to remark that the local business men are among other things, up to date in their window display.

J. M. Allen, dealer in electrical supplies and fixtures, beside his regular display has a neat little plat of ground with realistic trees and bungalow as nicely built as one could wish. It must certainly be furnished inside with everything to be desired which electricity, our modern all around servant, can provide.

Duke Bros. meat market windows are filled with a supply of such toothsome dainties both in the meat and vegetable line as to make one hungry just to see them.

It is well the Mt. Scott Drug Co. moved when they did for their store is already filled to overflowing with goods while Santa's chimney is located right in the window for convenience in distributing gifts.

Katzky Bros. are using their windows for a display of useful and beautiful articles that are most tempting.

The Emporium has its windows filled with articles which will speedily answer that oft repeated holiday query, "What shall I give?"

The Lents Pharmacy Co., are offering a series of inducements in their holiday season display which it is hard for the shopper to pass without investigating and investing.

Other merchants will soon line up on their window displays to keep up with the procession.

LENTS HARDWARE CO. IN- STALLS FIRST CASH CARRIER

The members of the Lents Hardware Co. who are making strenuous efforts to place their stock of goods on the shelves to be ready for a holiday opening Dec. 23, have been working overtime and practicing nights on that new cash carrier system, the first one to be installed in Lents. F. R. Love of the Meat and Produce Co. was the first customer for whom the carrier was put in use. His purchase amounted to 60c for which he gave \$1.00 receiving the change via carrier.

WHEN A MAN GROWS IMPORTANT.



—Webster in New York Globe.

EVANGELICAL CHOIR WILL RENDER CANTATA

For the third consecutive year the choir of the Grace Evangelical Church have prepared a Christmas cantata.

The one to be rendered this year was written by E. L. Ashford, and has for its theme the beautiful Christmas carol by Franz Gruber, "Holy Night".

There are twelve numbers on the program, which consist of full choruses, quartets, a duet and solos. Three favorite numbers from cantatas of previous years have been included, thus making a full, well-balanced program.

Among the very able crops of soloists are: Miss Elsie Bright, Mrs. H. A. Goode, Mrs. W. O. Ash, Sopranos; Mrs. Hazel Mull, Contralto; J. S. Ash, H. V. Retherford, Tenors; W. O. Ash, N. G. Hedlin, H. A. Goode, and L. C. Bradford, Basses. The chorus, consisting of twenty eight voices, is under the direction of Alvin K. Bradford, assisted at the piano by Mrs. E. W. Morrill. The members of the chorus are: Sopranos—Mrs. W. O. Ash, Miss Elsie Bright, Miss Pearl Clark, Miss Ione Forte, Mrs. H. A. Goode, Mrs. R. W. Reynolds, Miss Maude Strack, Miss Olive Strack, Miss Hazel Sommerfelt, and Miss Inez Ward.

Altos—Mrs. C. W. Clark, Mrs. C. B. Coffman, Miss Ginrich, Mrs. Hazel Mull and Mrs. Hulda Ulrich; Tenors—J. S. Ash, C. S. Bradford, C. W. Clark, Mark Conklin, Harold Retherford, David Straubridge, and E. E. Ulrich; Basses—W. O. Ash, Lowell Bradford, I. M. Ginrich, H. A. Goode, and N. G. Hedlin.

This program will be rendered the Sunday evening before Christmas, Dec. 21st, at eight o'clock. The public is cordially invited to be present and enjoy the treat. There will be no charge whatever, but a silver offering will be taken to help cover the expenses incurred in connection with preparation of the music, such as books and programs. If the crowd which attended previous cantatas can be taken as any indication, it will be well for all who wish seats to come early.

MRS. THOMAS OF BULL RUN PASSES

Mrs. Rhoda Bilyeu Thomas, of Bull Run wife of George Thomas died Thursday, December 11, at the home of her son, Mack Thomas, with whom the aged couple have been making their home.

Mrs. Thomas was born in Missouri in 1834, coming to Oregon with her parents in 1852, and settling with them in Linn county, marrying George Thomas the next year. They have made their home in Bull Run since 1878. The deceased is survived by seven children, four sons and three daughters, and her husband. The funeral was held Sunday from the Mack Thomas home, Rev. W. J. Wirtz officiating.

LENTS GRANGE ELECTS OFFICERS

Lents Grange held its regular meeting Saturday. There was an excellent attendance. The morning session was taken up with business and third and fourth degree work. After dinner an exceptionally interesting lecture program was delivered. Among those appearing on the program were: Mrs. Robert Reynolds, Miss Horner, Mrs. Smith and Prof. Ball, of the Arleta schools, and several renditions by the children.

The committee on disposition of the hall stock reported the stock sold and the money invested in a good mortgage. The election of officers resulted in the choice of Mr. Kreuder for Master, Mr. Young, Overseer; Mrs. Darnall, Lecturer; Mrs. Miller, Chaplain; Mrs. Faler, Treasurer; Mr. Nelson, Steward; Mrs. Hotchkis, Secretary; Mr. Blantus, Doorkeeper, Mr. Miller, Assistant Steward; Mrs. Adkins, Lady Assistant Steward; Dorothy Smith, Ceres; Muriel Smith, Flora and Stella Henderson, Pomona.

Suspect Turned Loose

Several evenings the first of the week a fellow who gave his name as Ray Pearl was seen hanging around town and acting in a suspicious manner. The attention of the local patrolman was called to the fellow and after some observation he arrested Pearl and searched him. Pearl had previously claimed that he was "getting a line on a girl here in Lents." Searching discovered a revolver hidden away in the fellow's inside pocket. Why it was necessary to carry a revolver while "getting a line on a girl," seemed queer so Pearl was taken to police headquarters and booked for carrying concealed weapons.

The next morning, when brought before Judge Stephenson, Pearl's lawyer whispered something to the Judge and the case was dismissed. No explanation was made to the policeman why his charge was turned down and he naturally feels that his services are valueless, so far as the municipal court is concerned. And Lents people are concerned as well. If suspicious characters from this section of the city are dismissed without explanation this will be a good resort for that class of undesirables and life and property will be in constant danger. Pearl was subject to \$50 fine for carrying a revolver. He got away for nothing.

Woodmere Parent-Teacher Club

There will be a regular meeting of the Woodmere Parent-Teacher Association held on Friday evening, December 19, at 8 o'clock at the Woodmere school house. An interesting program has been prepared and a good attendance is desired.

BUSINESS MEN THINK LENTS HAS VERY BRIGHT FUTURE

Interviews with Local Business Men are Unanimous in Propheying Good Things For Lents as a Portland Suburb

A Herald reporter in interviews with local business men obtained an expression in regard to what they thought of the future of Lents, and every one was a boost.

C. E. Sager, of the old corner grocery says, "Lents has a brighter future than any other suburb of Portland. It is now going forward with a boom."

In conversation with Arthur Geisler of the Mt. Scott Drug Co. he made the statement: "I have lots of confidence in Lents. I hear it from all the salesmen that make the territory about Portland that Lents is the best suburb of Portland. This year has been a little bit slow but I am expecting 1914 to be an extra good year. The Panama Canal can't fail to make a big town out here for Portland has to grow east. I have been here for the past ten years and have watched the development of Lents during that time."

Wiley & Allen, Fire Insurance men said, "We believe Lents is all right, and that it has the greatest future of any of Portland's suburbs. All the people think Lents has a good future. No other suburb of Portland compares with Lents as a trading point. We expect the town to develop into something good."

The proprietor of Bruggers Bakery stated, "I can't tell about the future, but the present is pretty fair."

The junior member of Thomas Bros. Confectionery store remarked: "Lents has a pretty prosperous future, although I think if the car service was bettered it might take away trade which would naturally stay in Lents."

"I think if Lents keeps on growing as it has, nothing will equal it as a suburb of Portland. I know of a three story concrete structure that will be erected as soon as the coin is raised, and this aside from those already contemplated. I want \$5000 in my Christmas stocking to spend in business right here in Lents," said R. M. Allen of the Lents Electric works.

A. M. Simons of the Main Street and Carline confectionery store said, "Lents is showing much improvement. They are doing lots of building and it is now the best suburb around Portland."

The Mt. Scott Meat Market proprietor was very busy and responded, "Too many things to tell."

E. L. Rayburn, General Merchandise store says: "It's the hub of the city. The future of Lents is all right, but the democratic administration is ruining the prosperity of the country at large."

W. E. Goggins of the Modern Shoe Repair Factory stated in response to the query of the future of Lents, "It's all right if they'd drop that library question and fix up the streets."

E. A. Eggiman of Eggiman's Meat Market said, "I think Lents has a big future."

The senior member of the Katzky Bros. Department store stated, "Naturally as I am living here I think it's all right and the only place on earth."

N. N. Nygaard the shoe man remarked, "It keeps growing. I think the future is good and Lents is going ahead all the time. It has ever since I came and now they are going to build more and better than ever."

M. K. Hedge who has recently enlarged the scope of the Lents Hardware Co., says, "It would take more than a page to express my good words for Lents. I wouldn't be investing the amount of money I am and putting in such a stock if it hasn't a rosy future."

John Manz the tailor states, "Lents has a pretty good future. It's a good place to do business in."

F. R. Peterson of the Lents Pharmacy answered the question: "Lents has a great future although just now business is quiet everywhere because of uncertainty in the political situation, this is a great drawback."

E. S. Sells stated: "I feel the future of Lents and vicinity is beyond all reproach and criticism."

J. W. Copeland of the Copeland Lumber Co. "Lents is a corner all right. It is one of the best suburbs of Portland. We are looking for a prosperous year of 1914. This district is out far enough to be a good business center and we think there is a fine future for Lents."

H. E. Pease of the Pease Undertaking parlor says: "Lents is prosperous.

It looks as if it would outstrip any other suburb of Portland."

H. Roestad, Multnomah State Bank: "Judging from what is going on, the future of Lents is excellent. I think when the currency bill is passed this unsettled state of the people will pass and we will enter upon an era of great prosperity. Speaking for this institution we have never done a better business than we are doing right now. Our deposits have now reached the highest mark in our history."

L. E. Wiley of the Wiley Grocery and Feed Store remarks: "Times seems to be real prosperous. We are now having street work done which has been needed badly for some time. The new buildings being put up show that the people have faith in the stability of the town."

Mayor Coffman: "What do I think of the future of Lents? It's good, we're growing right along."

Dr. J. Fawcett: "I was just saying the other day, so far as my observation goes, that of all the suburbs of Portland Lents has the brightest outlook because of the superior environment. It has the best country tributary to it and more people come here to trade. Clackamas people come from the south and even Gresham is practically a tributary. No doubt the business acumen displayed by the Lents Commercial club has much to do with the present outlook for I hear it often mentioned in that connection."

A. D. Kenworthy, of the Kenworthy Undertaking Co.: "During the last ten years I have been in Lents on an average of four times a month. I have seen the thickets give way to home builders until it is now a little city. The future of Lents is what we make it. The location, railway facilities, good roads, all tend to make Lents the best suburb of Portland. Co-operation is the thing that will boost most."

J. L. Robinson of the Theckla Bright Co., stated: "I think Lents has a great future. It's a mighty nice town. Things are a little quiet in the real estate business just now everywhere but in the early spring I am looking forward to doing a fine business. I think the future of Lents is better than anything else around Portland."

Dr. McSloy: "I'm optimistic in regard to the future of Lents. It is the best suburb of Portland and will outstrip anything else. If it didn't I couldn't afford to stay here. At present it is a poor man's town but we are getting a better class of buildings and better improvements in every way."

Cecil Duke of Duke Bros. Meat Market: "I think Lents is the best suburb of Portland. There has been more building and other evidences of prosperity, more money spent here the last year than in any other part of Portland, and I think next year will be even better."

CHAS. KIRSCHENMAN PASSES AWAY

Chas. Kirschenman, of Ninth Avenue and Carline, died suddenly Friday morning. Mr. Kirschenman has been sick for several months, supposedly of kidney trouble. He has been around town from time to time, and has really been feeling better within the past two weeks, than usual. He ate a hearty supper last evening, retired as usual and slept well. He got up about four o'clock this morning, and then returned to his bed, but before lying down was seized with a choking sensation. He called for help, and by the time his brother, who was in an adjoining room, reached him, he was helpless. He soon became unconscious, and gradually sank away. Mr. Kirschenman was about thirty years of age, an exemplary young man, a carpenter by trade, and has been an active member of the local Oddfellows lodge. His presence will be missed in their meetings. He leaves a father and mother, and a brother, who will have the sympathy of a large circle of friends.

The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at Kenworthy Chapel and the Oddfellows will attend the ceremonies.

Mrs. Alice Crane came home from the hospital Thursday, after undergoing a serious operation.