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## OLD ORCHARDS MUST COME DOWN

Horticulturists Met At Masonic Hall Saturday

## LONSDALE MAKES SPEECH

War, He Declares, Must be Made on Diseased Trees for the Salvation of Fruit Industry

The Forest Grove Horticulture society held another meeting in Masonic Hall, last Saturday afternoon, and owing to the inclemency of the weather there were only about one hundred present.

The meeting was called to order by President Curtis who introduced Mr. M. O. Lonsdale of Yamhill county, and one of the most prosperous fruit-growers in the state. Mr. Lonsdale is well known here not only among the fruit growers but by reason of his school-days being spent at Pacific University, and too, because of his ability as a singer.

Mr. Lonsdale talked for an hour and a half and told of his work in the fruit business and stated he had spent \$50,000 in the interests of better fruit, by investigating the diseases of the orchards, and that he had come to the conclusion that the Willamette valley must be rid of the old trees. He declared that this was the only way to successfully fight the disease that has been permitted to run so long in the orchards unthought. He said that the old trees should be cut down from two to two and a half feet from the ground and then graft on new fruits, and he suggested that this new apple should be the Newton Pippin as it is giving the best satisfaction in this valley. He says that the old orchards cannot be cleaned up on account of the long standing of the disease that has gained such headway in the orchards of the valley. Most of the trees are infected with dead spots under the bark and cannot be reached by spraying, but by beginning anew and spraying thoroughly every year, the orchard can be kept free from this and other diseases.

Mr. Lonsdale is perhaps one of the best posted fruit growers in the state and his talk here last Saturday will be a great help to fruit men who were fortunate enough to hear him.

Mr. Williamson, secretary of the State Horticulture board, spoke along the same line as Mr. Lonsdale, and his talk was also very instructive.

Another account of the fruit growers meeting written by a spectator:

Mr. Lonsdale planned an aggressive campaign against old uncared for orchards, and gave substantial reasons why the axe should be laid at the foot of the tree.

Mr. Lonsdale spoke briefly concerning the ravages of the scale in the apple districts of New York state and traced the westward progress of the pest until now the middle west is suffering from the scourge.

At the present rate of advance, ten years will see the apple industry ruined east of the Rockies, and apple consumers will have to depend on the Pacific Northwest for their apples. But it is not the scale that threatens our orchards, but the black spot.

This is a fungus of low order, the seeds of which are extremely small and light and are blown by the wind as dust, over a mile from the parent limb, ready to start up a growth on the trail upon which they light. A whole orchard may be ruined in a short time, probably before the owner is aware of the danger. Spraying is not a practical method of controlling the pest, as it is harmless on the reeds before germination and will not reach the disease after the fungus has penetrated the bark. The only practical way of treat-

ing an old tree is to cut it down about two feet from the ground and graft or bud the sprouts the second year. In this way a new top will be grown in three or four years.

The only right and safe way is to examine the limbs of a tree, when not too badly affected, and scrape away the outer rind of the bark, not allowing the knife to reach the wood. New bark will form over the spot, and only a small scar will be left. Mr. Lonsdale pointed out that the Yellow Newtown Pippin was the coming commercial apple, and the time is coming when the present old orchards now covered by slime and scale, will produce a large revenue to their owners. He stated that the Yellow Newtown Pippin will not produce a healthy tree if grafted on a stock in the nursery, but the roots are of too slow growth to support the top, but if grafted in the trunk of a healthy tree will produce a healthy top. Treated in this manner, this peer of all apples can be grown successfully in the Willamette valley.

## New Real Estate Firm.

Last week saw a transformation in the real estate field in this city that culminated in the merging of three firms that have heretofore found it unfortunate to both themselves and the community, to be competitors. A meeting of the firms of Wright, Cornelius & Co., Oregon Land Co., and A. B. Thomas, was held in the former office last Thursday, and after talking over the real estate situation in this city and county, decided to merge the above named firms into the Oregon Land & Trading Co., and proceed to incorporate.

Heretofore there have been seven active real-estate firms in this city and it is argued by those forming the merger that it was not only detrimental to the firms but to the entire community. This new firm proposes to carry on a large business and in every way to improve the community by extensive advertising in the east and at home. The firm is composed of good, reliable men who are hustlers in the business and doubt much good for the community will come out of the combination.

They will maintain offices at the old stand of the Oregon Land Co., near the postoffice, and will have conveyances sufficient to take care of the large immigration that is working its way into the Oregon country. The united efforts and the extensive acquaintance of the four gentlemen composing the new firm will place it in a position to get the best results for both buyer and seller.

## School Board Meeting

The school board held a meeting in the office of Clerk Corl Monday of this week and transacted such business as usual. All the members were present.

The fire drill as mentioned in last week's News had the attention of the board and as a result of a discussion, the following resolution was adopted: "Resolved, That the principal and the teachers of the Forest Grove Public School, be required to have fire drill at least every two weeks. Principal or any teacher to give signal for such drill."

"That the teachers are requested to not only have their pupils leave the building by regular exits, but at times to change to other exits, so in case of fire, they will be under full control of their teacher. Also, the sounding of the city fire bell to be taken as a signal for fire drill."

A motion was made and carried that any teacher who wishes to retain his or her position in the public school for the following year must file an application with the school clerk at least two months before the close of the school year. A fire gong was also ordered to be placed in the school building where it could be heard by all the pupils and teachers.

Bills to the amount of \$43.42 were allowed and ordered paid.

The R. F. D. mail leaves the post office at 9:45 a. m.

## CIVIC IMPROVEMENT MEETING

Annual Assembly at Masonic Hall Last Night—Good Program.

The annual meeting of the Civic Improvement society was held in Masonic hall last evening, and a large audience was present.

The secretary, Miss Mary Farnham, read the annual report which contained evidences of improvements in this city and more civic pride of our citizens.

Dr. Chas. Hines read a very interesting paper on Sanitation. Miss Maud Shannon sang a solo and Dwinell Clapp rendered a violin solo, while the college orchestra furnished splendid music.

The principal address of the evening was that given by Miss Millard, head of the children's department of the Portland library. The substance of her talk was the responsibility of parents of children, in the selecting of good books and teaching them along lines that they are most interested, and following up the teachings step by step providing the child's interests are matters of good.

The annual election of officers was made and the following were chosen: President, Harry Haynes; 1st vice president, Walter Hoge; 2d vice president, Mrs. G. O. Rogers; secretary, Miss Farnham; treasurer, W. A. Kane; executive committee, H. L. Bates, A. G. Hoffman, W. H. Hollis, Dr. J. S. Bishop, Edward Seymour, Mrs. Frank C. Taylor.

## Barrett for Joint Senator.

W. N. Barrett, a well known attorney of this city, and a member of the last legislature from Washington county, has announced his candidacy for the nomination for Joint Senator in the coming primaries. The district which he hopes to represent is composed of Washington, Yamhill, Lincoln and Tillamook counties, and he has received assurances of strong support from Yamhill and Tillamook, and has reason to believe that he will be as cordially supported in Lincoln. He is thus far the only candidate mentioned for the position from this county, and his friends here seem confident of his nomination, and if nominated, that he will be elected. Mr. Barrett is complying with the necessary formalities of the primary law, and will make the race, which his friends hope will be successful. He has always ran well at home, and naturally will be pleased to get a strong vote in his own county.—Argus.

## Arrangements for Commencement.

Arrangements have already begun at P. U. for commencement week. This year the program will be extensive and elaborate and it is expected that this year will see one of the best commencements in the history of the college. J. Q. A. Bowlby of the class of '67, of Astoria, who was last year elected president of the Alumni, and together with Rev. J. E. Walker and Dr. Dave Rafferty of the same class, will have charge of the exercises this year. These three gentlemen composed the class of that year, and they were instrumental in placing the petrified stump on the campus that marks the site of the first building.

## Hyde Property in Litigation.

Special meeting of the council was called Tuesday evening, Mar. 17, for the purpose of transacting general business.

The controversy between the city and E. A. Hyde, over the Hyde property, which is claimed by the city to stand on a public highway, was the theme of discussion. According to the abstract it is shown that the property stands 16 feet on Council street, but it is claimed by Mr. Hyde that an error was made in the deed, which was drawn years ago, when only one building stood on that street. The mayor was authorized to proceed to court and have the matter settled.

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## RECEIVER IS APPOINTED.

Geo. Bagley Is Named by the Court in the Haines-Kane Case.

A receiver was appointed by Judge McBride in the Circuit Court Monday, for the Commercial Mining company, which was asked for by E. W. Haines in his complaint against Frank T. Kane, his former cashier. Mr. Geo. Bagley, F. T. Kane's attorney, was named by the court, and this decision ties up the 74,000 shares of stock held by Kane in that company. The original suit filed by Mr. Haines against Mr. Kane, is not likely to come up until the next term of court.

## Grange Resolutions.

Hillsboro, March 14th, 1908. "Whereas there is a Bill coming before the voters of the state at the coming election in June, providing for the exemption of a large amount of property from taxation and transferring the share of the taxes which that class of property now bears to the real estate of the state, which is already carrying more than its just share, and

"Whereas we believe that the best interests of the state demand that the burden of taxation should be equally distributed upon all classes of property, and that present laws should be so enforced as to compel every form of property that has been heretofore, in large measure escaping, to pay its just and full share rather than to give any of it a legal means of escaping tribute, "Therefore, be it resolved that this Convention, representing the Granges, that the owners of real estate and the taxpayers of Washington County, hereby recommends to the voters of Washington County and to the state at large that they vote "No" upon this measure.

"Resolved that the secretary of this Convention furnish a copy of these resolutions to each of the newspapers of the county with a request that they be published.

## Birthday Party.

Master Hill Templeton celebrated his twelfth birthday Monday evening, with a small party given to a few of his school friends. After an hour spent in playing games, each boy was given a slip containing the name of a state, and each girl one containing the capital of one of the states. The slips were opened and each state found its capital and marched away to the dining room where a dainty lunch was served. Those present were: Martha and Gertrude Allen, Elizabeth Levy, Margaret Hancock, Eleanore Larne, Charles Hancock, Bryan Abraham, Dan Pidcock, Robert Abernethy, Ralph Buffman.

## Notice to the Public.

Anyone having cancelled notes paid at my bank from 1898 to 1903 please bring or send them in and give date of payment and to whom paid. It will be greatly appreciated by the undersigned. During that time a large number of notes were paid and the money never turned in to the bank. This will greatly assist us in adjusting the affairs of the bank.

Since the publication of this notice a large number of cancelled notes have been sent in for which I thank my friends for so doing, and hope that any others who have such notes will send or bring them in as soon as possible. E. W. HAINES.

## Card of Thanks.

The undersigned wish to thank all neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted us in the late sickness and death of our wife and mother, Mrs. Shipley. Also we wish to especially thank the nurses, Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Hartman, who so kindly administered to her during her illness.

M. H. SHIPLEY,  
MR. AND MRS. E. W. HAINES.

It is understood that Miss Gladys Hartley, who is one of the teachers in the conservatory of music at Pacific University, is soon to resign her duties on account of her health.

## Bond--Stewart.

A pretty home wedding occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Stewart of this city, Wednesday morning at 7:30 o'clock, when their daughter, Miss Elizabeth, was made the bride of Mr. Richard Bond of British Columbia. The ceremony was spoken by Rev. H. L. Bates of this city, and the full ring ceremony was used. The bride was gowned in a brown traveling suit and carried a bunch of carnations. The wedding march was played by the bride's sister, Mrs. Lynn Lancefield, of McMinnville. The bride was unattended except by the bridegroom and the ceremony was performed in the bay window.

After the nuptial knot was tied the guests, who comprised only the immediate friends and relatives, sat down to a bounteous wedding breakfast. The rooms were handsomely decorated. The parlor was bedecked with red carnations, potted plants, ferns and palms, while the dining room was handsomely decorated with daffodils. Mr. and Mrs. Bond left on the 8:45 train for Portland from where they will go to Seattle, Vancouver on their wedding tour, and about May first will be at home in British Columbia, where the groom is in business.

The bride is one of Forest Grove's prominent young ladies, and the best wishes of the entire community follow the happy couple to their new home.

The guests were: Misses Maud Buxton, Maude and Kate Shannon, and Mesdames W. W. McEidowny, John McCrum and A. B. Caples, besides the bride's sister Mrs. Lancefield and her brother, Elliott Stewart of Portland.

## Seven Years in Pen.

Circuit Judge McBride yesterday sentenced John Inglebrezen, of Cornelius, to an indeterminate sentence of from one to seven years for placing a tie on the Southern Pacific track near Cornelius, early in the morning of January 9. Young Inglebrezen is but 18 years of age and seems hardly responsible for his actions.

He placed the obstruction on the railroad track before daylight in the morning, and but for the watchfulness of the engineer, the Forest Grove local passenger might have been wrecked.

## Mrs. Jones Dies.

Word was received here yesterday that Mrs. W. A. William's mother, Mrs. Parker Jones, had died at her home at Seaview.

The remains arrived here today and will be interred in Forest View cemetery, from the residence of her daughter at 1:30.

Geo. F. Zimmerman, the present city marshal of Tillamook, has entered the political arena to contest the coming primaries for the nomination for sheriff. Mr. Zimmerman is quite well known throughout the county although he has only been here about three years. He has a good many friends and ought to be quite a factor in the race for sheriff, as he is qualified to fill the office, should he be successful.—Tillamook Herald. Mr. Zimmerman was recently pastor of the Christian church here, and his many friends in this county hope he will succeed.

Friday evening at half past seven, there will be a meeting at the M. E. church, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. Among the speakers will be Mrs. O. M. Sanford, who will give reminiscences of Frances Willard and of temperance work; and Rev. Daniel Staver, who will talk on the progress in temperance work. Good music and collection taken.

The Bankers and Merchants Mutual Fire Relief Association and W. H. Hollis, who have offices together in the Wagner building, will on April first move into the room formerly occupied by the Times on Pacific avenue. The room is being painted and papered and generally overhauled, and will make efficient offices for these concerns which seem to have outgrown the present quarters.

## GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Gates Pass 50th Mile-Stone

## MANY GUESTS ARE PRESENT

Big Celebration of Family at Their Home Saturday—Received Many Presents.

On Saturday, Mar. 14th, Mr. and Mrs. Austin H. Gates of Forest Grove celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding, which took place at Wadham's Center, Ill., Mar. 14th, 1858, with a reception to their friends and relatives numbering about forty. The tables were extremely beautiful with a golden mass of daffodils and oranges lending an appropriate color scheme to the occasion. After the dinner, strains of music burst forth amid the anecdotes and reminiscences of the merry makers which lasted until the hour of departure.

There numbered quite a few of their old Nebraska friends, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Schaefer, Misses Barbara A. and Kate Brickey and Mr. Bert Breed. Mr. and Mrs. Gates were fortunate in having so many of their progeny with them, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. George Gates and family of Dallas, and Mr. and Mrs. John W. Gates and family of Hillsboro, besides many grand children and two great grand children. Mr. and Mrs. Gates' other children, two daughters, who reside in Nebraska, were unable to be present.

Other guests included: Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Catching, Mrs. Emma G. White, Mr. and Mrs. James Gates, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Gates, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Marshall, Mr. John Christian Giltner, Mr. Don Giltner, Mrs. Zoia Hartramp, Mrs. Andrew Phillips, Mrs. Frank Giltner, Misses Grace and Ester Gates, and Mr. W. J. White of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Gates were the recipients of many handsome gifts.

Mr. Gates was one of the early pioneers of Nebraska, settling in Burt county in 1856. In 1863 he enlisted in Co. B, Second Cavalry, to fight the Indians and served one year with Col. Robert W. Furnas. Mr. Gates came from a family of fighters, his father was a Captain in the Revolutionary war.

Nineteen years ago Mr. and Mrs. Gates came to Oregon and settled in Polk county where they lived for six years when they moved to this city and have since held their residence here. They are well known all over the county and count their friends as legion. The guests, in token of their esteem and love for this noble couple, gave them many handsome presents. The News wishes them many returns of this happy occasion.

## School Report.

The following is the report of the Watts district school for the month ending March 13th: No. days taught, 20. No. days attendance, 809. No. days absence, 72. No. times late, 41. Average daily attendance, 40. The following pupils were neither absent nor tardy: Rachel and Paul Pechin, Pearl and Louis Stevenson, Esther and Walter Dilley, May and Hilah Brick, Alice Wilson, Clarence Rice, Frieda, Sophia and Fred Schmale, Laura and Roy Knighten, Richard, Louie, Henry and Albert Busch, Helen, Philip and Bertha Lesser, and Oliver Buxton. O. B. KRAUS, Teacher.

C. E. Dickenson, a paper-hanger of Tacoma, and C. W. Rue, a butcher and baker of Everett, Wash., are in town the guests of Joe Leneville. They are both looking for locations and are well pleased with what Forest Grove has to offer.