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NOTES AND COMMENTS

Have you registered?

How's your garden coming on?

Did you ever notice that a woman who will scream and run from a mouse will cuddle a rat in her hair without batting an eye?

It's good to be alive in this glorious climate, knowing that over the water life is a very uncertain thing and, in many cases, scarcely worth the living.

The editor of the Express had a typewriter for sale, so he advertised it in the Express—and sold it. Go thou and do likewise, if thou wouldst make a dicker.

Editor Scott of the News-Times announces himself willing to receive the republican nomination for the state legislature. Well, if legislation favorable to the newspapers is wanted, we'd better send a few editors. The other interests have been pretty well looked after, but the editors have been so busy electing other people that they have overlooked their own interests.

A working man took the editor to task the other day for devoting so much space to telling people to patronize the home merchants, saying the home merchants were not loyal to the community; that some of them sent away from home for goods they didn't have in their own stores; some sent out of town for mechanics when they had work to be done, etc. That may be true, brother, in some cases. Just because certain merchants stab the town is no reason why the rest of us should follow suit. The writer will admit, however, that the working man is not under obligations to patronize the merchant who sends away for what he could buy in Forest Grove. But there are plenty of merchants here who ARE loyal to the town. Patronize these.

TOMORROW

You've all heard about the little girl that wanted to see tomorrow. She'd wake her mother up in the middle of night and whisper, "Mommie, is this tomorrow?" Each time her mother would answer, "No child, this is today."

Lots of us are not much different from the little girl. We're going to start a bank account—tomorrow. Or take out some insurance—tomorrow. Or perfect ourselves for our jobs—tomorrow.

And like as not, when we wake the Last Chance out of a sound slumber and whisper, "I'm ready—is this tomorrow?" the door of hope will shut behind the answer, "No, boob, this is today."—Portland Daily News.

THE ASTORIA CASE

The immense importance of the decision rendered by the Interstate Commerce Commission in the Astoria rate case is obvious. The immediate result is grant of rate parity to and from interior points for the Lower Columbia port with Puget Sound; and incidentally with Portland. The entire rate structure for the Pacific Northwest is therefore affected, and a readjustment of the transportation relations of Seattle, Tacoma, Portland and Astoria is inevitable. The Commission indi-

cates that these four Northwest ports form a natural rate group; but whether individual action by Portland will succeed in procuring from the railroads the consideration due it from its natural location on a down-river haul, one hundred miles above the sea, is left open. It is this vital phase of the question which is of present concern to Portland. Upon its favorable determination depends in a great measure the future of the city as a railroad terminal and as an ocean port. It is clear that the first duty of the city is to demand and, if possible, procure for Portland lower proportionate rates than to Puget Sound, or any other Northwest port.—The Oregonian.

County Rebekah Annual Session

The Rebekah lodges of Washington county held their annual convention in Odd Fellows hall, Hillsboro, Wednesday.

The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Maud Buxton of Forest lodge with Mrs. Edna Kenton of Pocahontas lodge as vice chairman, and Mrs. Alma Payton as secretary pro tem.

The lodges represented besides the home lodge were Forest of Forest Grove, Pocahontas of Banks, Zenith of Gaston, Ruby of Scholls, Tigard of Tigardville, besides a number of visitors from other lodges and a few from other states.

Mrs. Burr made the address of welcome, which was responded to by Mrs. Archie Bryant of Zenith lodge.

Reports from the various lodges showed them in a prosperous condition, but with small gain in membership for the year.

Election of officers for the ensuing year resulted: Mrs. Kenton of Pocahontas, chairman; Mrs. Marian Moore of Pocahontas, vice chairman; Mrs. Ortman of Forest lodge, secretary. The appointive officers are: Mrs. Barr of Hillsboro, conductor; Mrs. Archie Bryant, warden; Mrs. Kraehmer of Forest Grove, chaplain; Mrs. Flint of Scholls, I. G.; Mrs. Dixon of Forest Grove, O. G.

At noon a banquet was served and enjoyed by all, after which Forest lodge exemplified the initiatory work of the order. This was followed by a musical and literary program in which the convention was entertained by Mrs. Aldrich and Miss Dee Darling in an instrumental duet; Mrs. Bartlett, a recitation; vocal solo by Mrs. Carmack; recitation by Mrs. Templeton; vocal trio by Mrs. Elpha Schulmerich, followed by a few well chosen remarks by Mrs. Charlotte Woodman, past president of the Rebekah assembly, who acted in place of Mrs. Palmer, the present president, who was prevented from attending by illness in her family, and remarks by Mrs. R. H. Greer, past president of the assembly.

Gaston was selected as the place for meeting next year, the date to be announced later.—Hillsboro Independent.

R. E. Walker, agency supervisor for the West Coast-San Francisco Life Insurance company, was a business visitor in this city last week.

A Heavy Demand For Studebakers

Record sales of the new series 17 models are reported by the Studebaker Corporation following the announcement of these cars two weeks ago. In fact, figures show that more actual orders were received during the past two weeks than in any similar previous period.

In anticipation of the big demand for the new series 17 Studebaker Sixes and Fours, the factory has been running full capacity, and more than 5,000 of the latest models have been shipped since the announcement was made January 1. Three thousand dealers are now showing the series 17 cars and selling them as fast as they come from the factory.

The production schedule for 1916 calls for 100,000 of the newly announced models. It was originally planned to build 60,000 cars, and the schedule was later increased to 75,000. The demand from dealers on the firing line forced the factory to still further increase its contemplated output to 100,000 machines.

Buried Beside Beloved Wife

A. Baldwin of this city is in receipt of a letter from George R. Schoch of Corvallis, giving further details of the accident which caused the death of the writer's father, Rev. Jeremiah L. Schoch, a former well-known and beloved resident of Washington county and Forest Grove.

Rev. Schoch, who had for some years been making his home with a daughter at St. Louis, Mo., was returning home from an errand in the city on Dec. 20th when he was struck by a motorcycle, traveling at the rate of 12 miles an hour. He was so seriously injured that he lived but five hours and his son, George, who left Corvallis the evening of the day on which his father was injured, did not arrive in time to see his parent alive.

The funeral was held Dec. 26th, with a clergyman chosen by deceased officiating, and the body was interred beside that of Mrs. Schoch in the neighborhood where the family had long lived, eight miles northeast of Decatur, Ill.

Up to the time of the accident, Rev. Schoch was hale and hearty and his son says he gave promise of living to be a centenarian. Rev. Schoch was well known in this county and many of his old friends were shocked to learn of his tragic death.

David Keen, of Forest Grove, is here this week visiting his brother Geo. W. Keen and their visit is proving mutually enjoyable. Mr. Keen is a member of the J. B. Matthews Post at Forest Grove, having served in the Union army during the Civil war. Mr. Keen a few years ago was one of the neighboring city's most skilled gardeners and landscape artists. He knows how to fix a lawn in fine shape. Prior to coming here he visited his sister at Whiteson. He will also visit Aden and Arla Keen before returning home. Mr. Keen is an old time acquaintance of the editor, and his visit at our sanctum was a happy one.—McMinnville News-Reporter.

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To the Voters of the Republican Party for Washington County

I am a candidate for the nomination for County Clerk, for the Primary Election to be held May 19th, 1916; have been chief deputy County Clerk for the past two terms, was born in Washington County, am familiar with the work of the office, and if nominated and elected will during my term of office attend to the duties thereof, exercising economy, and courtesy to the public.

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