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BUY NEW HOSE AND ORDER NEW WALKS

With Mayor Paterson presiding and all members present, the city council met Tuesday evening and transacted a little routine business.

Contrary to the advice of Fire Chief Lenneville, and on motion of Councilman Thornburg, council purchased 200 feet of fire hose at 75c per foot and an equal amount at 76c. This after Councilman Todd's motion to purchase 400 feet of waxed hose (wanted by the chief) at \$1.05 had been voted down. Representatives of the cheaper hose were present and had flooded the council chamber with oratory, one of the orators being Will Haines, formerly of this city.

On motion of Councilman McCready, cement walks were ordered put in on the west side of Main street, from First Avenue North to Third Avenue North and a strip in front of the Lebo barn, on the east side of said street. Also from College Way to Third Avenue; in front of the S. E. Peterson and Baber properties First street. The city engineer is to pass on the gravel used, to the end that enduring walks may be secured.

A number of old board walks were also ordered replaced with new and the street commissioner was instructed to put in a number of culverts, removed while the sewer was being put in.

A contract to furnish Will Crabtree with water at city rates for a term of years was entered into by the council.

The ordinance committee was instructed to draw up an ordinance governing plumbing connections with the new sanitary sewer which will be ready for use within five or six weeks.

The purchasing committee was authorized to purchase what hay is needed for the city team.

Warrants, totalling \$1,764.34, were ordered drawn to pay the running expenses for July.

Did You Meet Him?

A swindler, signing his name as "Richard Wells," passed worthless checks on at least two local merchants last Saturday—one for \$11 and the other for \$14. He drew checks payable to G. E. Wilcox, a well-known farmer, forged the name "G. E. Wilcox" on the back, then, in a poorly-disguised hand, wrote his allowed name, "Richard Wells," under the other endorsement. He waited until the banks were closed for the day, made small purchases and presented a check in payment, getting good money in return. The fellow is described as under medium height, weighing about 160 pounds, well-dressed, wearing a straw hat, with clean-shaven face. Don't cash checks or sign papers for strangers.

Purchased Pipe-Organ

A representative of the Estey Piano company was in the city Tuesday and closed a contract to build for the Christian Science congregation a magnificent pipe-organ, to cost \$2,000. This instrument, which is the gift of Mrs. A. F. Rogers, will be built at the company's factory in Vermont and will be installed about Thanksgiving time.

Well-Known Teacher Called

Melvin C. Case, one of the pioneer school teachers of Washington county, passed away at his home in Hillsboro Tuesday evening of "creeping" paralysis, after an illness of 18 months. Deceased was born in Michigan in 1859 and came to Oregon in 1892. For

20 years he has been connected with the schools of Washington county, teaching several terms in this county and filling the office of county superintendent eight years. In 1896 he married Miss Josephine Shearer, a niece to J. H. Shearer of this city. The widow, two daughters, Mattie and Clara, and a son, Raymond, all grown, survive. The daughters are at home and the son lives at Los Angeles. Funeral services were held at the home at 1 o'clock this afternoon and interment was at Hillside cemetery.

CONDENSED NEWS NOTES

A son was born yesterday to Mr. and Mrs. Ross Higby.

Cora Nelson of Cornelius was a Forest Grove visitor last week.

Miss Alene Johnson visited at the M. S. Allen home Wednesday.

Mrs. J. E. Goodman left Wednesday for a visit with friends in Cornelius.

Miss Barbara Buchanan of Catching was shopping in Forest Grove Tuesday.

Mrs. R. F. Brymer of Yamhill visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. VanKirk, yesterday.

Mrs. Robb, who has been visiting friends in Forest Grove, left Tuesday for her home in Portland.

Misses Gertrude Dunham and Louise Healey of Portland are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Claude Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Holmes attended the prohibition lecture by Billy Sunday in Portland Tuesday.

Miss Irene Hall, who has been visiting at Yamhill for the past eight weeks, is visiting at the Roy VanKirk home.

Albert Mackrodt expects to leave in a few days for New York, where he has a place with a bicycle supply house.

The committee working up the Catholic Harvest Fete, Aug. 29 to Sept. 2, inclusive, has an interesting announcement on the last page of this issue.

Iva O'Connohey of Banks has come to stay at the Hines home in this city. After this week Miss O'Connohey will play at the Star Theater.

Word comes from neighboring towns that the fire departments are practicing conscientiously for the tournament to be held in this city during the county fair next month.

Dan Pierce Tuesday moved to East Portland the household goods of Thomas Hughes and yesterday morning brought back a truck-load of fine melons for local dealers.

A jolly time was enjoyed by all Sunday, when Frank Doane, Lucile Connett, Chester Buell and Edith Craft had a picnic. Nell Buell was chaperone, assisted by Miss Margaret Doane.

Prof. and Mrs. O. M. Gardner of Lake View arrived yesterday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Van Kirk, the ladies being sisters. Prof. Gardner was superintendent of the city schools here several years ago.

Child Welfare Exhibit

Opens This Evening

The charts and pictures of the Oregon Child Welfare Commission are being placed in Verts hall this afternoon and this evening at 8 o'clock the program will open with a vocal solo by Mrs. Inlow, followed by a talk by Dr. Bishop.

Friday evening Miss Loynes will furnish the music and Miss Doane, field worker for the Girls' Industrial School, will speak.

On Saturday evening Miss Craft will play on the violin and there will be a lecture by a speaker not yet selected.

The hall will be open Friday and Saturday from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m., with somebody in attendance to explain the exhibit.

Admission absolutely free.

Knights and Sisters Close Their Sessions

The supreme lodge of the Pythian Sisters closed its session last Friday, after electing and installing the following-named officers:

Supreme chief, Mrs. Lily Samuels, Oakland, Cal.

Supreme senior, Mrs. Elizabeth Hutchinson, Woodfords, Me.

Supreme junior, Mrs. Minnie Bunting, Sapulpa, Okla.

Supreme manager, Mrs. Jennie R. Brown, Palatka, Fla.

Supreme mistress of records and correspondence, M. Josie Nelson, Union City, Ind. (Re-elected.)

Supreme mistress of finance, Alice M. H. Boylan, Austin, Minn. (Re-elected.)

Supreme protector, Mrs. Lucia McCague, Medicine Lodge, Kas.

Supreme guard, Mrs. Lucia F. Munson, Newberg, N. Y.

The K. of P. supreme lodge elected and installed officers on Thursday, but did not close its sessions until yesterday. Following are the officers:

Supreme chancellor; John J. Brown, Vandalia, Ill.

Supreme vice chancellor, Chas. S. Davis, Denver.

Supreme prelate, the Rev. Joseph H. Spearing, Columbia, Tenn.

Supreme keeper of records and seals, Fred E. Wheaton, Minneapolis.

Supreme master of exchequer, Thomas D. Meares, Wilmington, N. C.

Supreme inner guard, Douglas S. Wright, Vicksburg, Miss.

Supreme outer guard, Henry M. Wadsworth, Philadelphia.

Both lodges will meet in Detroit in 1918.

The visit to Portland has been a treat to those members who came from the east, where people are dying from excessive heat.

The County Seat

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Circuit Court

Alleging that her husband, Edward W. Walling, has been gruff in his manner toward her, and has refused repeatedly to accompany her on visits to her relatives, Katherine W. Walling is asking for a divorce.

A violent temper and repeated threats to kill will bring Jackson L. Gerad in court to show why Katherine F. Gerad should not be granted a divorce. The defendant is alleged to have held a chair over his wife's head and threatened to dash out her brains, and later to have threatened the life of plaintiff and child and the plaintiff's mother, making it necessary for them to seek protection from a neighbor.

In the case of Christian J. Carstens vs. J. A. Baker, the plaintiff is suing the defendant, who, is a practicing physician of Gaston, Oregon, for the sum of \$10,000, alleging that in the treatment of Ella Carstens, a minor of 11 years, he diagnosed the case as typhoid fever or heart disease and treated her accordingly. Later it became necessary to call in another doctor in order to save the child's life. The disease was found to be empyema in a very advanced stage. The plaintiff alleges that the child's health has been ruined and that she will be an invalid for the remainder of her life.

Fred H. Wheeler has filed suit

against H. E. Leonard to recover \$115.59 alleged to be due for goods sold to defendant by Lang & Co., of Portland.

Ida C. Fealeigh and Rosa Nealeigh vs. O. L. Avery and G. M. Avery. Suit for \$800, with interest at 6 per cent from June, 1915, which is due on a note secured by a mortgage.

Miscellaneous

The county clerk filed a report for July of fines and fees collected \$2959.75 and the recorders office reported a total collection of \$354.80.

SOCIAL NOTES

Last Thursday was Paul Schultz's twenty-second birthday anniversary and Mrs. Schultz celebrated the event by serving an excellent five-course dinner to a few of Paul's friends. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Schultz, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Walrath, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Benfer, and C. T. Richardson. After the dinner, cards and story-telling served to entertain the party until a late hour.

The Philathia class of the Congregational Sunday School met with Misses Lizzie and Jennie Armstrong last Friday and the afternoon was spent studying and discussing the Sunday School lesson, together with other topics of interest, after which a most delicious lunch was served by the hostess.

Mrs. M. S. Allen entertained the Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church at her home on Second Avenue south yesterday afternoon. Delicious refreshments were served and a delightful afternoon was spent.

E. E. Williams was the victim of a pleasant surprise on Saturday evening, when he found several guests assembled to help him enjoy his birthday dinner.

Mesdames Langley, McFeeters and Pringle entertained about thirty ladies at a Silver Tea, at the home of Mrs. Langley on Monday afternoon. All enjoyed a pleasant afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Fletcher yesterday had at dinner Mrs. Clyde Sutford and daughter, Mildred, of Seattle, and Mrs. Walter Sargent and two children of Gales Creek. Mrs. Fletcher returned Sunday from her visit at Portland and Vancouver.

Rail Brotherhoods

Accept Mediation

New York, Aug. 9.—Representatives of the railroad employes announced this afternoon that they would accept the offer of the United States board of mediation and conciliation to submit their demands to mediation, provided action is immediately taken.

Acceptance of mediation by the employes came as a big surprise. It had been officially stated by big brotherhood officers that they "would discuss the differences with the railroad managers but that a third party was unnecessary."

It is believed the personal plea of members of the United States board brought about acceptance by the trainmen.

R. C. Gossman, self-confessed horse thief of North Plains, who was recently sentenced to prison and paroled on payment of a fine of \$2,500 is again in bad. After his release, he is alleged to have beaten up his wife, which so incensed neighbors that they went before the grand jury with stories of Gossman's delinquencies, with the result that he was indicted for assault and battery (on his wife) and arson. He is now in the county jail, in default of a \$6,000 appearance bond.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Bernard are in Portland today.

INSTRUCTIVE TALKS CONCERNING FIRES

A most instructive and at the same time interesting lecture was attended by a packed house last Thursday evening, when Fire Marshal Jay Stevens of Portland, assisted by Harvey Wells, insurance commissioner for Oregon, gave an illustrated lecture on "Origin and Prevention of Fires" at the Star Theater. While Mr. Stevens said he was glad he had found the conditions in Forest Grove better than in most small towns, it is not depreciating this statement to add also that this lecture was needed. It is becoming a byword in the other nations of the world that the United States is the most extravagant nation. This applies not only to money, but to fires, too. Mr. Stevens quoted statistics, showing this to be especially true in comparing the annual fire loss of Germany with the United States. In Germany, the fire loss for one year amounts to 33½ cents per capita, while in the United States it amounts to a little more than \$2.50 per capita! Both Mr. Stevens and Mr. Wells were earnest in their endeavor to impress the people of Forest Grove with the need of greater precaution and care in preventing fires.

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William Goff Suffers

Serious Injury to Arm

Shortly after 4 o'clock Monday afternoon Billy Goff, aged 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Goff, met with an accident that may handicap him for life, tho his many friends have strong hopes to the contrary.

With two other young men, Billy was engaged in sawing cordwood, with the Sexton gasoline saw, at the Central school building, when his right wrist came in contact with the rapidly-revolving saw, cutting a transverse gash, severing the tendons and arteries and cutting half-way through both wrist bones, about an inch above the wrist joint.

The boy was immediately taken to a physician's office, where three surgeons worked on him for two hours, catching up and connecting the torn tendons and arteries. Word from his bedside this morning is very encouraging for the saving of the hand.

It is believed the unfortunate accident was caused by the boy backing up the saw just as Billy was in the act of putting a stick of wood on the carriage, and not thru any fault of the injured man. Billy Goff is one of the finest boys in the community and the anxiety concerning his condition is not by any means confined to his relatives.

Al Sexton, the owner of the saw, who usually does the dangerous work himself, was at home, a very sick man, at the time of the accident and he was not told of it until Tuesday night, when he learned accidentally of the sad occurrence. Mr. Sexton's ailment was stomach trouble, brought on, it is believed, by inhaling the fumes from his gasoline engine. He is out of danger now and slowly improving. Mr. Sexton himself lost several fingers in a saw a few years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McDonald of Tacoma, former residents of this city, are expected to arrive tomorrow for a visit with the M. S. Allen family. They will be accompanied by Misses Martha Allen and Mamie Loomis, who have been visiting them.

The Crane company, wholesale dealers in plumbing supplies, suffered a \$25,000 loss yesterday at Portland by fire.