

Library is One of Town's Best Assets

Institution, Supported By Ladies, Has Had Steady Growth and Promises are Bright for Its Future. Patronage By Local Residents is Large

Few towns many times larger boast a better little library, or one more generally patronized, than is Bend's. As an adjunct to a "good town to live in," the institution holds an important place.

The library occupies comfortable quarters in its own building. It has a regular salaried librarian in attendance during the hours it is open, and a well selected assortment of books and practically all the periodicals that are to be had.

A comparison of figures that tell the library story today and in 1908, when it was started, is indicative of the institution's growth.

For the year ending February, 1909, there were 3327 visitors as contrasted to 8039 from March, 1912, to March, 1913. The number of books loaned the first year was 1203; last year 4822 were taken out. The first 12 months there were 154 borrowers; last year the number was 725.

History of the Library.

The Bend library had its beginning at a meeting of some ladies at the home of Mrs. J. E. Sawhill, now of Ohio, on the afternoon of February 16, 1908. Then the following officers elected: Mrs. C. D. Rowe, president; Mrs. F. F. Smith, vice president; Miss Mary E. Coleman, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. E. D. Wilson was appointed librarian and still remains in that position.

The following Saturday night a basket social was given, which, with only \$1 expenses, netted the organization \$68.90.

At the outset 17 monthly magazines and five weeklies were taken, and arrangements—which still are in effect—were made to have the Oregon State Traveling Libraries, 50 books, sent to Bend every six months. Today the library takes 25 monthly and eight weekly magazines.

Opened April 6, 1908.

The library had its official opening in the old Lawrence building on Wall street (now the property of Leon Fuks) on April 6, 1908. The books were 38 to which the library fell heir from a former magazine club, which was the first "reading institution" in the town. The quarters in the Lawrence building were occupied for two years, rent free. When the building changed hands in 1910, the library moved to the J. P. Johnson building, rent being paid by A. M. Drake. When the Bend Townsite Company erected a building on Wall street, in which is now located the office of the Bend Water, Light & Power Co., quarters there were donated by the company. Later the Bend Company retained its tenant until last summer when the library moved into its own building, the gift of the Deschutes Investment Company.

From the first the library has been sustained by the efforts of the ladies of the town, who came to its aid at frequent intervals with money-raising entertainments of all kinds. The city contributes \$15 a month to its support.

Indicating the varied efforts of the ladies in raising money, the following list of recent entertainments may be of interest: Ice cream sale, July 3 and 4, 1912; sample sale, July 25, 1912; flower show, August 17; bazaar, December 6 and 7; cafeteria supper, December 16; picture benefit, Jan 13, 1913; cafeteria supper, April 15.

The present officers are: President, Mrs. C. S. Hudson, vice president, Mrs. G. H. Furst; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. P. W. Brown.

A committee has been appointed consisting of Mrs. G. P. Putnam,

Mrs. G. H. Furst and Mrs. P. W. Brown to arrange for the annual flower show about August 20. This event has assumed rather large proportions. Last year about \$60 in cash and about \$25 in merchandise prizes were awarded, besides a beautiful silver cup. It is expected that this year's show will be much larger as more flowers are being raised.

Negotiations are pending with the Carnegie Corporation of New York, with excellent prospect for the installation of a Carnegie library here. Failing this, there is good reason to believe that the library will receive some greater support than at present, either in the shape of appropriation or perhaps in gifts that would make possible the erection of a permanent building.

NOTICE OF CONTEST.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, The Dalles, Oregon, July 7, 1913.

To Ed Smith of Powell Butte, Oregon, Contestee:

You are hereby notified that Paul H. Garcken, who gives Bend, Oregon, c-o Box 347 as his postoffice address, did on July 7, 1913, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your homestead entry, No. —, Serial No. 610559 made July 20th, 1912, for S½SE¼, sec. 7; NE¼, SE¼NW¼ and lot 2, section 18, township 18 S., range 16 East, W. Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that the said Ed Smith has failed to reside upon or cultivate said tract for more than six months last past and that such failure was not due to his employment in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States in time of war or otherwise.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken by this office as having been confessed by you, and your said entry will be canceled thereunder without your further right to be heard therein, either before this office or on appeal, if you fail to file in this office within twenty days after the FOURTH publication of this notice, as shown below, your answer, under oath, specifically meeting and responding to these allegations of contest, or if you fail within that time to file in this office due proof that you have served a copy of your answer on the said contestant either in person or by registered mail. If this service is made by the delivery of a copy of your answer to the contestant in person, proof of such service must be either the said contest-

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You should state in your answer the name of the postoffice to which you desire future notices to be sent to you.

H. FRANK WOODCOCK, Register.

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To Brayton P. Briggs of Portland, Oregon, Contestee:

You are hereby notified that Paul H. Garcken, who gives Bend, Oregon, c-o Box 347 as his postoffice address, did on July 7, 1913, file in this office his duly corroborated application to contest and secure the cancellation of your homestead entry, No. —, Serial No. 65562, made Nov. 15th, 1908, for S½ section 18, township 18 S., range 16 East, W. Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he alleges that the said Brayton P. Briggs has failed to reside upon or cultivate said tract for more than six months last past and that such failure was not due to his employment in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States in time of war or otherwise.

You are, therefore, further notified that the said allegations will be taken by this office as having been confessed by you, and your said entry will be canceled thereunder without your further right to be heard therein, either before this office or on ap-

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