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Beaverton's Total Progress is Assuring

Let our claim for advancement go farther than just the individual erection of homes and brick buildings. Let us stop and consider the lighting system, which furnishes the town with the necessary lights, both in the home and on the street. Without them, Beaverton would yet be a city of darkness; the step in advance would never have been taken, and we would yet be struggling to draw from the rut.

Then comes the water system, which brings pure mountain water direct to the door of every resident of the town. The town now has adequate fire protection when, but a few years gone, they must fight the flames with a bucket and hand fire-extinguisher.

Now what of our churches? We have four, of which none are on the decline, and all are thriving. Two have built new houses of worship, which are a credit to the town.

Another industry, which belongs to the town of Beaverton, is the Southern Pacific electric carshops, where not a few of the local men find employment.

There are our local merchants, by whose loyal support the editors of this paper are allowed to exist. Their support goes farther, however, for it includes the town, which, in turn, supports them. Let any community come in contact with men of this cast, and they will surely find a good live group of merchants, and they are trying to meet Portland prices, thereby doing the right thing by all who trade with them. To sum them up generally, we have in our town three large grocery stores, all doing a "cracking" good business, one large and well-stocked hardware store, a lumber yard, which sells everything to build with, several confectionery stores, a livery stable, where the finest driving teams in the county may be secured, a garage, a live home bakery, two meat shops, one fine picture show, where the best is always shown, two shoe shops, a pharmacy, where the customers can always be promptly waited on and served with what they want, three blacksmith shops, and last we have a new city council, mayor, and a dry town to start on the new year.

Beaverton Boy Doing Duty on Mexican Frontier

With the expeditionary force of United States Marines hurried to the west coast of Mexico to prevent a possible massacre of Americans and other foreigners by hostile Yaquis in the vicinity

of Topolobampo, is James A. McHill of this place.

James, who is the son of Mrs. Nola Forayth, R. F. D. 2 Beaverton, enlisted in the United States Marine Corps at Portland on June 21, 1915, and, until the order came to embark on the San Diego, was stationed with the battalion of marines at the San Diego Exposition. The marine's life is kept filled with excitement and adventure; he goes to all parts of the world in performance of his duty, and young McHill already has had many interesting experiences while serving with the soldiers of the sea.

Members of M. E. Church Celebrate New Year

On New Year's day a happy crowd met at the M. E. church with well-filled baskets. In the forenoon an excellent sermon was delivered by Rev. Clarence True Wilson, which was highly appreciated. Rev. Wilson prefaced his sermon with a few pointed remarks in opposition to the preparedness agitation, and denounced Uncle Sam for being led into such unholy ways.

At noon a bounteous feast was spread in the basement of the church, and all present enjoyed a big dinner. One of the large tables was filled with people from Cedar Mills, and the remainder were given over to the home people.

In the afternoon Rev. Hampton of the Montavilla M. E. church, delivered an exceptionally fine sermon, after which all departed for their homes, feeling that New Year's had been profitably spent.

George H. Reeves Laid to Final Rest

The funeral of the late Geo. H. Reeves was held in the Cedar Mills church Thursday, December 30, and the interment was in the Union cemetery.

Geo. H. Reeves was born in Illinois December 14, 1835, from where he moved to Missouri at the age of eight years. In 1852 he crossed the plains, and settled in Jackson county, Oregon. He fought in the Rogue River Indian war for three years, and came to Washington county in 1865. He then married Mary Elizabeth Hall of Forest Grove, who survives him. From this union there were seven children, four of whom are still living, Milton J. Reeves, Rose R. Young, Barton B. Reeves, and Frank H. Reeves. He was a member of the M. E. church of Cedar Mills where he has assisted in building two churches.

Job printing of all kinds done at this office.

MERCHANTS WILL GIVE VALUABLE PRIZES

The energetic merchants of this vicinity, with the Beaverton Times, have inaugurated a popular voting contest in order to demonstrate to the people of this section the advantage to be derived from buying at home for cash rather than trading away from home or sending their money to the mail order houses. They are giving away absolutely free a number of valuable prizes, the capital prize being a \$400 piano.

Prizes Distributed by Vote

There will be no favoritism in this grand distribution of prizes. Just who will receive the various prizes will be determined by vote. The lady who receives the largest number of votes will receive the first prize according to their final standing, until all prizes have been awarded.

Open, Fair and Above Board

The distribution of these prizes will be open, fair and above board. The ballot box will be sealed at all times and in charge of a committee chosen by the merchants. Neither these merchants nor the men who have charge of the ballot box can afford to have the election conducted other than on the highest plane of fairness to all those seeking prizes. Such safeguards will be thrown around this election that all will know beyond a doubt that whoever receives the various prizes will have won them in a fair, open competition.

How to Secure Votes

There are three ways, and only the three ways to secure votes. Clip the free vote coupon from the Beaverton Times, pay subscriptions at this office and trade for cash with the merchants represented in this cam-

aign. These vote coupons will be given out to all persons upon the same conditions. The lady's skill and industry in getting the votes going out to her friends and getting them into the ballot box will determine her standing in the final contest.

Can the Merchant Afford to Give These Prizes?

They can undoubtedly afford to do so. There are hundreds of dollars going from this community to neighboring cities and the mail order houses each week, to the detriment of the purchaser and the home merchants who ought to receive the trade and the community in general. Our home merchants can, and do sell goods, at a smaller average selling cost and net profit than can or do the merchants in a larger city. The merchants ask your co-operation with them during this popular voting campaign by giving full patronage to the home town. They ask this fully believing that it is best for all concerned.

Send Us Your Name

If you know of a lady who would like to receive one of these prizes, that is offered in this contest, send us her name for registration. If you would like to compete for one of them yourself, send us your name and address, or better still come into the office and let us tell you all about it.

The Association

The following merchants and others of Beaverton are associated in the contest and grand free distribution of prizes:

Beaverton Hardware Co., Cash Grocery Co., City Pharmacy, City Meat Market, Thyng Confectionery and Beaverton Times.

Mrs. Rosa Merlo Convicted of Manslaughter

After being out half the night, the jury on the Merlo trial declared Mrs. Rosa Merlo guilty of manslaughter. The jury came to this decision on Friday, December 31. Mrs. Merlo shot and killed her husband, Joe Merlo, at the family home, near Santa Rosa station, on the Oregon Electric railroad, on the evening of October 4, three shots being fired. One through the arm, one into the abdomen, and the last entered the heart, killing him instantly. The Merlos had both been to town that day, and it is alleged by both defense and prosecution that the one or the other was in a drunken state, very quarrelsome and disagreeable at all times.

She came home on the car in the evening, and he returned by wagon from the market, to which place he had gone early in the morning. She claims that when she arrived home he was lying on the bed asleep, and when he awakened at her coming he accused her falsely and refused to believe her when she told him where she had been. They quarreled, and she went outside where he followed her. There the quarrel was resumed, and he attacked her, and to defend herself, she went into the house and locked the door. Climbing through a window, from which he had removed the screen, he followed her upstairs, where she had locked herself in their room, using both the door lock and a special bolt. These he broke, and when he thrust the door open she fired. In the ensuing tussel two other shots were fired. She then told the section gang working on the railroad in front of the place about the shooting, and going to Elmonica, she telephoned the sheriff and gave herself up.

The prosecution endeavored to show that, instead of the defendant being afraid of her life, she dominated her family, and all were afraid of her. Mrs. Merlo claimed that she sat in a chair on the other side of the door and shot from that position, the bullets consequently ranging upward. This the prosecution declared was false, and that the bullets were shot from a standing position and ranged downward. As to the evidence offered by the defense, claiming that she had locked herself in her room, it was claimed by the state that the key was found on the outside of the door.

Among the witnesses examined, was an Italian from Portland, who claimed that on one occasion he had overheard Merlo threaten the life of his wife. There were,

altogether, 50 Italian witnesses examined in behalf of the state and defense, and two interpreters were used.

Subscriber Expresses Himself on Prohibition

Editor The Times: I care not what the views of your paper may be on the subject of prohibition. It matters not to me whether or not you are numbered among the radical anti-saloon element. For my part I believe in prohibition enforced to the full letter of the law, but I do not believe in a slushy, half way method of doing things, and that is the way the Oregon voters have gone about eliminating the "booze."

In my mind there were two parties who misunderstood each other, and in the chaos of the ensuing election they both voted alike. Now we have a dry law which is in reality not much better than the old way of doing things.

Last year the liquid insanity was sold over the counter in legalized places of business and the money remained in the state of Oregon because our breweries were allowed to run and dispense their product to the men who dealt in that line of business. Now sum up the condition that exists and see where this free land of ours stands. Is it not appalling? I ask every free-minded citizen if the thing hasn't been carried to far. Thousands of dollars will be spent outside of our state. Thousands of dollars that we need right here to help us bear our tax burden, and it has been given to another state.

Much has been said about the moral side of this question, but in my mind there has been a narrow-minded view of the matter taken by a majority of the people. Which is worse? That a man step into a bar and get that which he wants over the bar, or have it shipped to his home where his entire family may help themselves when they wish? The thing has simmered down to the point where each man is his own saloon-keeper. The law has brought the bar into the home and with it must surely come the curse of the evil. C. B. T.

City Officials Take Oath

Last Monday night three of the new town officials were given the oath of office, the other two will probably be sworn in very soon. The meeting was to be held first in the city hall, but the new officials decided to wait another week before being installed, but upon looking the matter up they decided that a longer wait might forfeit their right, so they called a hurried meeting and took the oath. Those who were installed are: H. G. Vincent, Mayor; C. E. Hedge, Recorder; and F. W. Cady, Councilman.

25-Vote Coupon

Send this vote to the Beaverton Times within 15 days from date and it will count for 25 votes. No money required with this coupon.

VOTE FOR _____

DATE, JANUARY 6, 1916

NOMINATION BLANK--POPULAR VOTE CONTEST

191_____

I hereby nominate or suggest the name of _____

Address _____

As a lady worthy to become a candidate in your Popular Voting Contest, I present this name with the distinct understanding and agreement that the editor shall not divulge my name. This does not obligate me in any way.

Signed _____ Address _____

January 6, 1916

CASH GROCERY CO.

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| 6 bars Royal White Soap | 25c |
| 25 cent Coffee for | 18c |
| Best Hams | 16c lb. |
| Picnic Hams | 10c lb, |
| Best Bacon | 16c |
| No. 5 bucket of lard | 58c |

YOU CAN'T
equal these prices
ANYWHERE

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| No. 10 bucket of lard | \$1.15 |
| 9 pound sack best Cream Oats | 38c |
| 4 cans of milk | 25c |
| 3 cans of corn | 25c |
| Oysters and Minced Clams | 8c per can |
| Van Camp's Catsup | 20c per bottle |

Two quart Lip Sauce Pan, Regular 20c, now 10c
Two quart Preserving Kettles, Regular 15c, now 5c
Genuine Savory Roasters, Regular \$1.25, now \$1.00
FURNITURE CUT TO COST

Four quart Enamel Pudding Pans, Regular 25c, now 15c
Four quart Lip Preserving Kettles, Regular 25c, now 15c
Two quart Enamel Milk Pans, Regular 20c, now 10c
WE SELL FOR LESS

BEAVERTON HARDWARE COMPANY,

BEAVERTON, OREGON