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State Government Re-Organization Proposed

C. E. Spence, State Market Agent, will speak on this subject in the Butteville Grange Hall next Saturday, February 16th, at 1:30 p. m. A complete plan for reorganization has been drawn up and will be discussed on this occasion. The movement is to be initiated by the People's Power League of Oregon. The following is the form in which the proposed Amendment will be printed on the official ballot: Constitutional Amendment Proposed by Initiative Petition.

C. E. Spence, President.
O. R. Hart, Vice-President,
W. E. Kinsey, Treasurer,
W. S. U'Ren, Secretary.
Purpose: To organize state government vesting chief control in legislature of only one house, elected in proportion to registered voters' occupations without political designation; representatives' terms four years, salaries \$500.00 annually; representatives to elect governor from their own members with power to recall him; district attorneys, sheriffs and other peace officers subject to governor's orders for law enforcement; any representative authorized to question state officers in legislature during session; representatives elected by first, second and other choices by proportional representation one third of single transferable vote; board created to make laws governing first election of representatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Kreis Entertain

Mr. and Mrs. Henry G. Kreis entertained with a dinner for a number of friends at their home last Friday evening. Those enjoying the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Kreis were Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Robinson, Mrs. Frances Green, and Edwin Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sadler and daughter Peggy, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Prah, the Misses Faye and Lucille Kreis.

Aurora Woman's Club

The Aurora Woman's Club met February 6th at the home of Mrs. B. F. Giesy, with Mrs. Grover Giesy and Mrs. B. F. Giesy as hostesses. The old South and its literature were discussed with talks and readings by Mrs. Ben Stoner, Mrs. E. G. Robinson, Mrs. Diana Snyder, and Mrs. Clara Atkinson. Vocal solos by Mrs. Robinson were much enjoyed. Delicious refreshments were served. The next meeting will be on February 20th with Mrs. Blosser.

Prayer Meeting

Prayermeeting and Bible Reading, Thursday, 8:00 p. m., at L. L. Gribble's. Everyone cordially invited.
Rev. F. E. Crook.

Condensery People Turn Down Project for Aurora

The following telegram has been received at Community Club headquarters, and is self-explanatory:
New York City, Feb. 8, 1924.
Aurora Community Club, Aurora, Oregon.
Replying wire sixth. After carefully considering all conditions in your territory, especially closeness to city markets and in view of present general market conditions we cannot see our way clear to give further consideration to establishing ourselves in your territory at this time.
The Borden Company.

Old Resident Killed in Auto Accident

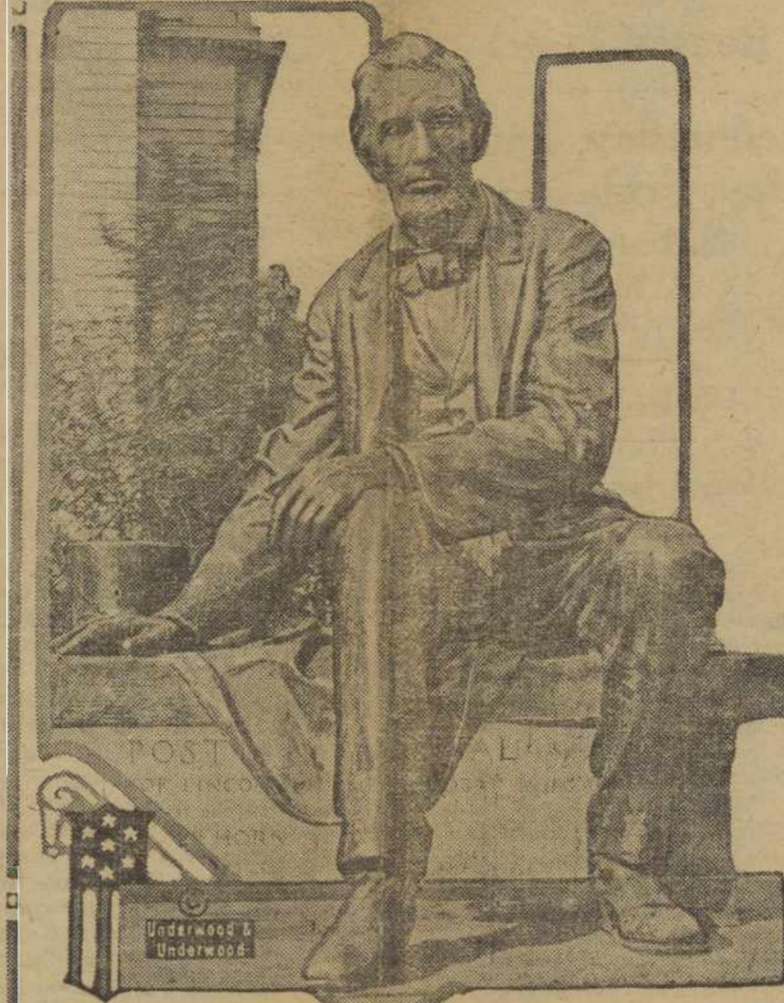
George Pendleton, who has resided on a farm near Broadacres nearly all his life, was killed last Friday when a truck in which he was riding was struck by a southbound Oregon Electric train at a crossing north of the Broadacres station. The automobile was thrown to the side of the tracks, caught fire and was burned. Mr. Pendleton is survived by his widow and three children. Funeral services were held at Hubbard Monday by the Masonic lodge, there being a very large attendance, including many from Aurora.

Frederick William Schrader Is Laid to Rest

Frederick William Schrader, a native of Germany, but long a resident of this country, died at Gardena, California, February 7th, 1924 at the age of 90 years, having been born September 11, 1833. He leaves a daughter, Mrs. William Rogers, residing near Wilsonville. Funeral services were held Wednesday, February 13th, with interment at Pleasant Hill Cemetery, in charge of Mr. S. A. Miller.

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Impressive Statue of Lincoln



This splendid bronze statue of Abraham Lincoln stands in front of the Court House in Newark, N. J., and is regarded as one of the best in the country, although many cities have wonderful Lincoln memorials.

Lincoln Was Not So Mild and Meek

Great Liberator Could Bare Teeth and Fight When Necessary

By PROF. B. J. CIGRAND, in Chicago Evening American.
There is a tendency in recent writings to picture Lincoln so mild and meek that his red-bloodedness and his emphatic methods of rebuke are lost and the real value of the giant among men is destroyed. Several recent biographies and many orations and magazine articles of late years have given the impression that Lincoln was not master of his cabinet. It is said he often laughed and told stories when his serious opinion was needed. If any president endured intrigue at the cabinet board, Lincoln did. Not a single other man who ever sat in the presidential chair would have permitted the bold, personal campaigning of his personal associates. But Lincoln seemed to let these men go on, gradually disclosing not only to himself but the public their selfish personal ambitions and then at the right time and in an inimitable way he would grab the official by the coat collar and bring him back to the straight and narrow path of Lincoln ideas. Lincoln's manner of dealing with men was entirely different from that of any other president. He even "ran after" General McClellan and permitted offensive correspondence and no end of "slights" to come to light. But Lincoln, like an indulgent father, could, when the proper moment came, call a halt and take some of the officials "in the woodshed and dust their trousers." Ultimatum to Plotters. To show he was not intimidated, I give a copy of a letter which he read at a cabinet meeting during the time when Stanton, Chase and Seward were secretly condemning one another and suggesting removals so that they might all the better conduct their campaign to prevent Lincoln's re-election and seat themselves. The letter reads: "I must be the Judge how long to retain in, and when to remove any of you from his position. It would greatly pain me to discover any of you endeavoring to procure another's removal, or, in any way, to prejudice him before the public. Such endeavor would be a wrong to me; and much worse a wrong to the country. My wish is that on this subject no remark be made, nor question asked by any of you, here or elsewhere, now or hereafter." One day early in Lincoln's administration, Mrs. Lincoln said to him: "It is common rumor about the capital that Seward and not you will be the president—that he will rule you." He replied: "I may not rule myself, but certainly Seward shall not. The only ruler

I have is my conscience, following God in it, and these men will have to learn that yet."

At another time Lincoln was visited by a congressional committee headed by Thad Stevens, who burst in on Lincoln with the accusation: "The way you are running this country is causing it to be approaching hell, and very fast."

Lincoln asked: "About how far from that place are we now?" Stevens sharply replied: "I would say about a mile."

Lincoln smiled and replied: "About a mile—why that's about from here to the capitol." And everyone save Stevens roared.

Stepped Out of Beaten Path. Seward, who had for years toiled to subordinate Lincoln, finally wrote to his wife: "Executive skill and vigor are rare qualities. The President is the best of us."

On July 30, 1863, Lincoln issued a public letter, designed especially for the soldiers and sympathizers of the Confederacy:

"It is the duty of every government to give protection to its citizens and especially those who are organized as soldiers in the public service. It is, therefore, ordered that for every soldier of the United States killed in violation of the laws of war, a rebel soldier shall be executed; and for every one enslaved or sold into slavery, a rebel soldier shall be placed at hard labor on the public works."

Promised Glory for All Officials. I look upon this order as the least representative sentence in Lincoln's entire life story and doubtless it was inspired by the usages of war and came as a cabinet measure.

Another message to his cabinet shows how he gulded them and constantly reminded them of broad patriotism. It reads:

"It will require the utmost skill, influence and sagacity of all of us to save the republic. Let us forget ourselves and join hands like brothers to save the republic. If we succeed there will be glory enough for all."

And Stanton, who, in the early days of the Civil war, said, "Lincoln is a fool, a low, cunning clown. The original gorilla Du Chailu, the naturalist, wandered all the way to Africa in search of when he might have found it in Springfield, Ill.," later said when Lincoln was assassinated: "Lincoln is the most perfect ruler of men the world has ever seen."

Great Suffering in Near East

Dispatches received from Oregonians now in the Near East, confirm Associated Press and other dispatches telling of the great suffering among refugees, both in Turkey and Greece. Recently four American Relief Workers died in efforts to relieve this suffering. The care of 54,000 children now in the orphanages make it impossible for the Near East Relief to aid other thousands equally needy.

Local Boy Witness in Spirit Faking Case

Mr. W. A. Giesy, of this city, came home from Portland, where he is employed, for the week end. Mr. Giesy has been subpoenaed as a witness in the case of W. W. Aber, charged with fraud in connection with spirit faking. Aber is the pastor of the Mystery Church of Bethesda in Portland, but uses his residence at 870 Belmont street as the scene of his operations in the spirit world. Here he has a bevy of pretty maidens always in attendance when the spirits come some two or three times a week. For the privilege of attending these seances and hearing the spirits speak through a trumpet one pays the moderate sum of four bits while to see them in person and speak with them the price is an even dollar. Aber is now out on \$250 bail to await trial at 10 o'clock tomorrow (Friday) a. m. at the municipal court room at Second and Oak Streets.

Canby Youth Meets Death in Fall

Vernie Leach, aged 16 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Leach, of Canby, was instantly killed at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening when he fell and struck his head on the concrete curb in front of the barber shop.

Eye witnesses stated that several young boys were scuffling out in the street and that young Leach attempted to part them in a friendly way, when he became subject to a fainting spell, falling with his head against the curb. Dr. Dedman was summoned at once and after his examination it was found that the young man's neck was broken and that death was instantaneous. The body was removed to Miller's Undertaking Parlor, Aurora.

Tips for Taxpayers

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Losses arising from fires, storms, shipwreck, or "other casualty"—for example, a flood or frost—whether or not connected with the taxpayer's business, may be deducted from gross income in his 1923 income-tax return. If home or automobile is destroyed by fire, the loss is deductible for the year in which it occurred.

Loss of property by theft or burglary is an allowable deduction and need not be incurred in trade or business. A loss for embezzlement is also deductible.

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Claim Woodburn High School Districta Legal

Blaine McCord, of Woodburn, attorney for the Woodburn Union high school district, the validity of which has been attacked in quo warranto proceedings in circuit court, was in Salem Monday and disputed contentions of attorney Winslow of the petitioners that the recent case from Umatilla county governed in regard to the union high school district in this county.

McCord states that a demurrer will be entered to the prayer of the petitioners in the near future. He states that the supreme court in the Umatilla county case, did not hold as Winslow avers it did, and he contends that the new Union high school district formation was legally brought about and will stand.

New Industry for Woodburn

The California Packing Company has decided to enter the field here, contract for 200 acres of cucumbers and begin at once the erection of a pickling plant in Woodburn.

Joseph Paus, the representative of the packing company, has been here the past week and gave out the information that the company has leased ground for five years, with option of an additional five years, on which will be erected at once a 36x150 pickling plant. The site was leased from the Woodburn Fruit Growers' Cooperative Association, who holds an option on the Livesey tract on the old sawmill location, west of the juice plant.

This means that from \$50,000 to \$75,000 will be placed in circulation in this section next season. The company would prefer to contract with about 100 growers for two acres of cucumbers each, which will mean a few hundred dollars to each. Mr. Paus thinks it not advisable for a grower to handle more than two acres so as to give the growing, and especially the gathering of cucumbers at the proper size, the needed attention. Next season the price of cucumbers will be \$10 over the price offered last season.

The suggestion has been made that much of the vacant ground in Woodburn could be utilized for this purpose and even from back yards quite an income could be realized.

This plant will employ the service of one or two men the year round and from 10 to 25 during the season. It is also understood that this company is a buyer of small pickling onions, cabbage, pumpkins and beans. A rumor is afloat that there will be a large ware house constructed on the same site for other purposes.—Woodburn Independent.

Basket Social

A program and basket social will be given at the White School, February 23, 1924, under the auspices of the local P.-A. A. All invited to come and share in our usual good times.



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