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## A LITTLE TALK TO BEAVERTON PEOPLE

The First Issue of a Paper That Will Stand Behind a Progressive City

### WATCH CITY GROW

We Ask People to Help Find, Mail or Bring in News Stories or Locals of Interest.

Since Benjamin Franklin was a school boy it has been the custom for a new paper to make its bow and speak a piece—tell a supposedly anxious public that it comes to fill a long felt want, display its policies and plans, and then proclaim the wonders it hopes to perform.

So, following precedent, The Enterprise will now give a short selection on its own horn.

**Not Many Promises.**  
We are going to be very chary of promises, that we will have less to apologize for later on. And promises are very much like planks in a national political convention, anyhow. We haven't a set program of policy—we hope we never will have—and we aren't even going to declare we "will hew to the line, let the chips fall where they may." We are just going to dig in and run a real newspaper.

We believe The Enterprise will succeed in Beaverton—that it will go over big when we get squared away and better acquainted with the people.

We believe this because Beaverton is the richest section of Oregon, because Portland is fast reaching out—this way, and we know this city is in for a big growth and real soon.

If we don't know and believe these things you wouldn't be reading this issue of The Beaverton Enterprise.

The Enterprise isn't going to start in with a clamor for a long list of municipal improvements. The people of Beaverton know better what is needed and wanted here than a comparative stranger, and they know better what their ability to pay for these things. As the city grows, improvements will come, just naturally have to come, and when they are needed this paper will get behind them and do its durndest.

Then there may come times in the future when issues will arise that line men and women up and count them—real issues of prominence. If such emergencies arise there will be no doubt where this paper will stand. It may not always be right, but it will be honest. It will be out in the open.

### An Open Forum.

We would like to make this paper as wide open as a barn door for its readers. We would like to have them write on any topic of public interest for the city or county. Such an open forum department brings out discussions, and ideas. It makes men and women think. The trouble is that such a department is often liable to get out of hand. Religion, politics, personal spite and like bent pins slip in and then it loses its value. Let's try it and see how it works out. Make your letters short and snappy—and say something.

And while you are waiting for The Enterprise to get into your life and activities have charity. Get it into your heads and try and keep it there, that the editor could almost count his acquaintances on the fingers of his hands. He is a stranger among you and he might walk right over a real feature story and never see it. Be good scouts and help us out at the start. Tip us off to things; bring in what you know that we don't know, that our readers should know.

Will this do for the opening number? We haven't said much—didn't intend to. What we will do in the future is what counts. This is mostly words, but petrified precedent demands something along this line with the first number and we have got it off our chest.

The matter simmers down to this: As the city grows, so will The Enterprise, and The Enterprise is going to work hard for the city's growth so that it may have a permanent place with you.

The Enterprise is with Beaverton in every move. Don't forget we are here in Beaverton to help make it grow.

THE EDITOR.

## Oregon Telephone Co. Take Over Tigard Lines

Tigard, Or.—At a meeting of the Tigardville Telephone Co. held March 3, the directors were authorized to sell the company to the Oregon Telephone company.

The new company agreed to build a new central office at Tigard of either cement or brick, replace present wires along the highway with a cable so that a select service can be given. They also agreed to build needed lines at once in the Stafford district and maintain a 24-hour service. Improvement will require an outlay of \$30,000.

The telephone system was 25 years old March 2 and C. F. Tigard was the first president. Mr. Tigard says that the first message was phoned over the line on March 2, 1902, from the B. G. Leedy place on the Tualatin river.

The first line was between the present Tigardville store down the highway to the then Leedy place on the Tualatin river, and was approximately two miles long.

The first board of directors were C. F. Tigard, E. J. Goodman, now employed in the county commissioners office at Hillsboro, and the late B. G. Leedy.

The company in 25 years grew from a two mile line to its present size, which now includes two central offices, Tigard and Stafford, with four paid operators, with a total of over 470 subscribers and 300 miles of line.

Headed by Charles Hall, president, and Earl W. Gates, general manager, the Oregon Telephone company now owns and operates a telephone system in this section of the state serving nearly 7000 subscribers with exchanges located at Tigard, Hillsboro, Forest Grove, McMinnville, Gresham, Newberg and Beaverton.

## Marriage is Not Costly Venture in Beaverton

Justice of the Peace Swenson states that it will be very profitable for the first couple who come to him to be married.

The first man and woman that the judge will have honor to send happily into the state of wedlock will be married free of charge with a beautiful certificate and silver wedding present thrown in.

This is a chance for some young couple to be married with little or no expense and to go their way with a blessing and wedding present from Judge Swenson.

## Plan Clean-up to Beautify City of Beaverton

The first move of a series of plans to clean-up and beautify Beaverton will soon be under way starting with a big circular band stand. This old dilapidated relic of by-gone days will be torn down, the lumber unfit for use will be burned and the good and sound used in the erection of an improvised lean-to to be built at the rear of the city hall. This addition will be used as a store room for tools and miscellaneous equipment.

This is just a start. Others will follow, to make our city attractive to the eye of those who pass through. If a city is neat and attractive many people will stop to buy or to return to make it their home. Beaverton is growing and will grow more. Let's help.

### TOO MUCH NOISE.

Considerable complaints have been made about young boys who loiter on the main streets late at night and make a lot of unnecessary noise and do a lot of mischief. This is mighty bad business and if it keeps on some one will get into some real hot water.

### BACTERIA AT O. A. C.

Oregon farmers can obtain legume bacteria from the department of bacteriology at O. A. C. A large supply of the organisms have been produced by the department during the last winter.

## REPORT OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Many Interesting Topics to City and People of Beaverton Discussed

### LARGE LIST OF CLAIMS

Some Talk of Establishing Stop And Thru Streets Referred to Committees.

A regular meeting of the city council was called to order by Mayor Pegg. All members were present.

Minutes of the previous regular and special meetings were read and approved.

The following claims against the city of Beaverton were presented and referred to the committee of finance: City of Portland, February water, \$93.88; city of Portland, changing meter, \$23.60; Portland Electric Power Co., February light, \$143.80; A. E. Story, March salary and labor, \$14.50; George Thyg, recorder, salary, \$25; George Thyg, water clerk, salary, February, \$50; Investors Syndicate, March payment, \$97.65; Pete Zehr, concrete on Watson street, \$10; Arnold Classen, work on streets, \$137; L. T. Humberg, meter key, \$1.25; T. W. Bishop, supplies for lost meter, \$3.90; E. A. Story, reading meters and labor, \$13.25; Beaverton Lumber Co., Watson street material, \$22.20; Beaverton Transfer Co., hauling, \$10.50; T. W. Bishop, tapping machine and supplies, \$44.18; W. J. Stitt, work on water main, \$38.00.

The following for work on water main: C. Zeba, \$79.75; Earl Pierce \$74.25; F. G. Millett, \$22.25; Dan Adams, 13.25; Tom Benison, \$92.40; J. W. Raynard, expense for trip to Salem.

An ordinance dealing with the establishment of locations for stop and through streets was discussed and laid on the table until the regular meeting in May. The mayor ordered the street committee to confer with the school board on this matter.

Nothing definite was derived from the discussion of numbering the houses of Beaverton.

A petition from Mr. Fay asking for an estimate of cost of establishing water at the A. B. Wood place was referred to the water superintendent. The recorder was asked to write to the Hillsboro Investment Co. for prices of Gates pipe.

An established price of \$22.50 was arrived at for tapping water mains, the city to furnish meters and meter box, with labor necessary to complete to the curb. The council was moved to adjourn to May 15.

### BUSINESS IS GOOD.

Wm. A. Smith, cabinet maker, is a very busy man, people all over the county know the kind of work Mr. Smith turns out so his services are very much in demand.

Mr. Smith is doing the inside work, cupboard floors, breakfast nooks, and built-ins on the large home of C. W. Bakerson at Tigard. He is also making the new counters and fixtures for Bobbie's barbecue.

## Canyon Road To Be Finished in the Spring

Beaverton residents are rejoicing over the news that the new Canyon road from Portland to the Washington county line is now assured and that the million dollar project will start this spring.

This new paved highway will mean much to Beaverton and the surrounding country. It will be 36 feet wide, concrete, and in addition to being a scenic highway, it will be built for heavy traffic for the west side of the Willamette valley. It will start on Jefferson street, in Portland and will have a grade of 5% along the canyon to Sylvan, and from there it will run west to the Washington county line, eliminating all sharp curves. The state highway commission has agreed to meet the new highway at the Washington county line and eliminate all sharp curves between there and Beaverton.

This new highway is reaching out of Portland towards Beaverton and it means more activity, more development in this section. It will require about two years to complete the road and it is expected the bids will be let in May.

## Bed-fast For Years Yet Man Smiles Cheerfully

About 18 years ago a young man working on a farm near Beaverton had the misfortune to fall from a high hay-mow as he was putting in the hay. The fall resulted in an injured spinal column. After weeks in bed the doctor gave up hope, he could not recover, he was to be crippled for life. Other doctors and specialists were called in. A trip to California was advised. They in turn pronounced the case as hopeless.

Bill Walker, owner and manager of the ranch, is still confined most of the time to his bed, in a beautiful room overlooking the road, suffering from the fall he had 18 years ago.

We were surprised, after a talk with Mr. Walker, to find him so cheerful and adverse to talk of his plight.

Bill says he has many things to be thankful for, that he is alive and able, on sunny days to walk in the yard on crutches or hitch a horse to the buggy and go over ditches and logs through the woods to the boundaries of his farm.

Altho in bed most of the time Bill manages the farm, which employs from eight to 10 men and keeps his disposition more cheerful than you or I.

## Beaverton People Draw For Grand Jury Duty

Beaverton is well represented on the county jury for March. Those drawn from here are: Bearnard Leis, Earnest, Grandgeorge, Arthur Bauer, Fred Hamel and Anna Hyland.

Judge Bagley tried several cases at Tillamook last week. The murder trial of Eva N. McGee will be tried for the second time April 17. The first trial was at Tillamook. The jury could not come to an agreement after being out 48 hours.

## Erection of New Building Soon to Start in Beaverton

Work was started on the new building at the corner of North Broadway and West streets, Monday evening. A large crew of men are busy clearing this corner in the first step in a new era of building in Beaverton. It is estimated that it will take 60 days to complete this 90x75 one story concrete construction building, which will have three business compartments. With the wrecking of the old corner building it will take an old landmark from the town.

Mr. Thyg will leave his old place of business and store his supplies of merchandise in the Hanna building, which he will use as an office till the new building is completed. He will then occupy one of the new compartments.

Bert Hackner is the contractor in charge of the work on the building.

It has many times been said the Beaverton men could not bid on a job near as cheaply as Portland firms. This was proven wrong when the bids were opened and that of Lewis Brothers was many dollars below any Portland Co. Lewis Bros. will furnish the lumber and materials and will haul it with a fleet of new trucks.

It is reported that two new business buildings are to be built in the near future, but nothing definite has been said. Beaverton is growing now and within the next few months it will grow and build very much more.

### Many New Homes.

H. Shannon has just completed a fine new modern home on one acre south on Watson street extension.

Harry Alexander has completed a fine new house and has just started another east of Cedar street.

P. Buchanan has started construction work on a beautiful new modern home on Lombard street.

## Grange Has Large Crowd At Meeting

The Beaverton Grange met at regular session, Saturday, March 12, with routine business in the morning.

The usual bounteous dinner was served to a very large crowd at noon. The birthday table was beautifully decorated by members of the Home Economic committee. A large cake and candles with St. Patrick's day

favours gave a wonderful effect. Six people were seated at the big table. Their birthdays all came in this month.

The afternoon program was enjoyed very much. W. R. Baird, evangelist from the Christian church, gave three splendid readings during the afternoon. Mrs. R. L. Tucker and daughter, Margaret, gave two musical numbers that were thoroughly enjoyed. There were three applications for membership.

## Portland Men and Women Jailed in Roadhouse Raid

The Washington county Sheriff, Jap Reeves and deputies, raided the Silver Star inn here Sunday morning, March 13, at 2 o'clock and arrested about 40 guests. Twenty-six of this number were held at Hillsboro for questioning. H. E. Ferguson and James Mooney, proprietors, are in jail on charges of maintaining a nuisance, and S. Rice and Harry Reese, Portland, were jailed for drunkenness. The other 22 guests will be called before the grand jury when it convenes, for questioning.

Eight pints of liquor, and two unclaimed overcoats with whisky in the pockets were confiscated as evidence.

### OPENS BRANCH.

The A. B. Smith Motor Co., at 6th and Madison streets, Portland, have recently opened a branch sales office in Beaverton, in the old theater building. Mr. Freeman has been appointed sales manager. Both new and used cars are sold here.

### SUIT IN JUSTICE COURT.

The Electric Service Co., of Portland, filed a suit against W. Koostra, of Huber, for recovery of a washing machine. Suit was filed in the Beaverton justice court, Tuesday, March 15th. The machine was recovered the same day.

### NEW CLOVER PLANT.

Ladino clover, a giant form of white clover, is being purchased rather generally for Willamette valley and coast pastures. It has proved itself a valuable pasture plant in Oregon being productive, palatable and durable.

## LOCAL NEWS

Theodore Navif, of Huber, has been ill with pneumonia.

C. A. Layman, of Multnomah, was a business visitor in Beaverton Friday.

The members of the Congregational church gave a supper Friday night at the church.

Attorney and Mrs. L. L. Myers entertained Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Allen at dinner Thursday.

Dr. Julian S. Ward, general manager of the Universal Health Service Co., of Portland, made several business calls in Beaverton Wednesday last week.

Mrs. Elinor Stipe, Mrs. W. H. Boyd, Mrs. George Blaser and Mrs. Robert Summers attended the Worthy Martons' club in Portland Friday afternoon.

The Beaverton Masonic Building association, assisted by the Beaver Social club, held a card party at the Masonic hall Tuesday for the benefit of the building association.

Robert Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Lee, of Aloha, was operated on March 8, at Emanuel hospital by Dr. Mason for appendicitis. Doing nicely.

The Crown Flour company gave a demonstration of their products at the Christian church every afternoon of last week. Mrs. L. A. Humphreys was demonstrator. Mrs. C. W. Allen won the 49-lb sack of flour. There were from 50 to 75 women present every day.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Kleek and daughter, Katherine were guests at Mrs. Van Kleek's brother, Claude Anderson of Portland, over the week end.

Mrs. J. E. Davis has recovered from her recent illness, and Mrs. C. Stribling, her mother, has returned home to Portland.

Robert Harris, student at O. A. C., made a week-end visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. and G. S. Alexander made a trip to Bellingham, Wash., Friday, March 11. They had an enjoyable visit with Mr. Alexander's sister, and returned home the following Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Gray have returned from a 16-day vacation, at Long Beach and Los Angeles, Cal., visiting Mrs. Gray's sisters, Mrs. Ferguson and Mrs. Mosher. The Grays say they had a wonderful trip. On the way back they took a boat from Los Angeles to San Francisco, and then train on in. They arrived in Beaverton Sunday night.

C. W. Huyette, of the submarine 15, U. S. navy, is visiting his old shipmate, Chester B. Hanna. Mr. Huyette will leave Friday morning for his boat which is at Vallejo, Cal.

Stuart Hanna made a flying visit from Clatskanie, Or., Monday, to visit his folks. He was in Beaverton just a few hours.

Constable W. F. Desinger made a three day trip to Tacoma, Wash., where he attended a banquet given by the Tacoma German singing society, in the interest of the North Pacific Singers Bund. This society is giving a four-day program July 30-31, August 1-2, at Tacoma. Two thousand singers will blend their voices in song. All of the North Pacific states will send singers. Mr. Desinger returned Monday, March 14.

Lester Tallman and family have returned from an enjoyable visit at Ryderwood, Wash.

Friends will be glad to hear that D. C. Tallman is fastly recovering from a bad attack of flu.

E. E. Swenson visited an old time friend, Mr. Brandell, president of the Augustana Synod, who is visiting the synods of the church in the United States, in Portland Friday, March 11. Mr. Brandell lectured to the Lutheran Brotherhood of Portland, of which Mr. Swenson is a member.

## Enter—Exit

