

J. G. HOLT HOME BURNS TO GROUND

Dinner Hour Was Used to Fight Raging Flames and Saving Impossible

LITTLE CONTENTS SAVED

Insurance Won't Cover Loss of Piano, Furniture, Clothing and Other Articles

Wednesday afternoon about one o'clock fire broke out in the roof of the home of J. G. Holt and in a few minutes the house was in ashes. Harry Jones, a relative, and who was visiting them from Stayton, stepped out on the porch directly after he had finished his meal and noticed the fire and gave the alarm, but it had gained such headway that all efforts to save it were futile.

When the alarm was sounded the neighbors and friends rushed to the assistance of the Holt's, but were unable to do much but save the piano and a few pieces of furniture. All wearing apparel, except what they had on, were consumed.

The blaze spread to the woodshed and other small buildings and this rendered it impossible to get water, as the pump was enveloped in the flames. There is nothing that can bring destruction and total loss quicker than fire, unless it is a flood, and this disaster proves the statement. The promptness of neighbors in responding to the call for aid shows how well the people love to be of assistance to a friend and neighbor in need. The house and contents were insured, which will partly compensate for the loss, but there is never money enough to pay for some of the things that are consumed—they cannot be replaced.

Harry Jones, who discovered the fire, was the loser of a gold medal awarded him in Salem recently for meritorious work done in a school contest, and this was pinned on his Sunday coat, which was burned.

The sympathy of the people of the entire community go out to the Holt's in this disaster. It is too early yet to say what plans are being made for rebuilding, but no doubt another home will shortly be under construction.

The barn was saved, as the wind was in its favor.

PLAN TO MAKE EVENT HISTORIC

Coming Is to Commemorate Memory of Joab Powell, Missionary Baptist

SUNDAY TO BE BIG DAY

Providence Church to be Mecca for Hundreds of Baptists in Willamette Valley

Baptists of the Willamette valley will join in service at the old Providence church, six miles southeast of Scio, next Sunday at 11 o'clock, in memory of the Reverend Joab Powell, who is credited with having converted and Baptised 3000 persons, a record for Oregon clergymen. An attendance of 2000 is expected by Dr. J. B. Horner, head of the department of history at O. A. C., who is planning the arrangements and who will organize a large group of summer session students to be present at the ceremonies, and in this laudable undertaking he is being assisted by our fellowtownsman, Riley Shelton, who is furnishing a bit of history and will see that ice and water is on the grounds and a pleasant day enjoyed by the visitors. An all day affair is planned and the people are asked to bring well filled baskets.

A committee of the Corvallis Baptist church is writing all the Baptist churches in the Willamette valley to get their cooperation in making the affair historical. It is hoped to have one of the leading Baptist ministers of the state as one of the speakers. Prof. Honer was in Brownsville last Thursday and interested the members of the Brownsville Pioneer Association in the event.

On April 9, 1853, the Providence church was organized and was subsequently developed by the Reverend Mr. Powell into the largest congregation in the northwest, and it is fitting that his contribution to the upbuilding of this community and state should be recognized.

The large group from Corvallis will, in addition to being present at the ceremonies at Providence, "take in" two other points of historical interest—the Oakville church, the home of the oldest psalm singing congregation west of the Rocky mountains, and the United Presbyterian church in Albany, the mother church of that religious denomination, established in 1852.

The Corvallis group will leave for Providence at 9:45 Sunday morning.

The program for the Reverend Joab Powell memorial service will be as follows: seven minute address, "Establish the Historic Spots of Oregon," by Mrs. I. W. Patterson of Salem, vice-president national D. A. R.; roll call of the pioneer members of Providence church by Riley Shelton of Scio; brief biography of Reverend Joab Powell by his great-grandson, Mr. Earle Stannard of Brownsville; sermon by Dr. Daniel Bryant, East Side Baptist church of Portland; special music.

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COMMUNITY CLUB IS NOW ORGANIZED TO FUNCTION

Officers Were Elected Monday Night and Leonard Gilkey Became Its First President, with I. V. McAdoo as Secretary-Treasurer--Meet Again July 3 in Scio

The Forks of the Santiam Community Club met with the good people of Riverside last Monday night and completed the organization of the club by electing officers, such as President, vice-president and secretary-treasurer.

Before the business of the meeting was had, a splendid program was presented, Mrs. S. B. Holt rendering two beautiful solos, Mrs. Krebs and Miss Mabel Zysset giving two splendid piano duets, and Miss Bernice Griffin responded to loud encores with two late songs. It was, as stated above, a splendid program, and showed that Riverside has some excellent artists, which the large crowd appreciated.

After the completion of the Program, Ralph McDonald, who was chairman of the program, introduced I. V. McAdoo, who has been acting as temporary chairman of the Forks of the Santiam Community Club during the past few weeks, and he attempted to show the purposes for which the Club came into being. He took up the six planks as offered by the previously appointed by-law committee, and analyzed the avenues they could operate upon. The attention of the hearers was marked and all seemed to appreciate the explanations. At the conclusion of his remarks, he asked if the objects of the club were sufficient to proceed with the election of officers, and the number of uplifted hands said yes.

The election of officers was then called for, and there was some slowness in getting started with nominations, but this was because the members were hunting for the one they felt sure would steer the club clear of the shoals so liable to cause shipwreck of the organization in its infancy. It was suggested that I. V. McAdoo accept the presidency, but he showed conclusively that it would be detrimental for him to do so, and he in turn suggested the name of Leonard Gilkey. This suggestion met with instant approval, because the people know of his untiring efforts in behalf of the community and the splendid advertising he has given it in times past without even the least bit of help from his fellow citizens. He has exhibited the products of this section at Spokane, Seattle, Portland, Salem, and last but not least at the Linn county fair. His displays have been the cause of many inquiries and considerable business coming to this section.

tion that otherwise would have gone elsewhere. He was unanimously elected, and reluctantly accepted, being modest enough to feel his inability to cope with the big problems of the day—but his friends feel he has the ability and will render him all possible aid in furthering the work ahead of the club. For vice-president, John Shimanek and Prof. H. E. Tobie were nominated, and on vote being taken, Prof. Tobie was winner of the prize. For secretary-treasurer, Milo Bartu, who has been acting as temporary secretary since the first meeting of the club, was nominated, as was J. S. Sticha and I. V. McAdoo. All tried to shift the burden of this office onto the other, as he will be the real executive officer of the club, and upon whom the manifold duties will devolve. Next to the president, and probably more so, he will be looked to for all information and the success of the club. The vote being spread, I. V. McAdoo was elected.

The election of the board of directors of the club was deferred until the next meeting, which will be held in Scio on Monday night, July 3, at 8 o'clock. Each voting precinct is to select its own director and it is hoped that each precinct will be represented at this meeting and a complete board elected at that time. Keep July 3 in your mind, and come to the Community Club meeting in Scio on that night.

Sheriff Kendall Murdered

Word was received here late last night that Sheriff Kendall had been shot in a raid on the Dave West farm at Plainview, where a still was said to be located. He was accompanied by Rev. Roy Healy, of Albany, who turned and ran when Kendall was shot, but was killed before he could get out of range. Mr. West, a 70 year old trapper and hunter, killed himself during the night.

Rev. Healy wanted first hand information regarding moonshiners, and accompanied Sheriff Kendall for this purpose. Mrs. Harry De Atley, a niece of West's, is the only witness to the tragedy.

Mr. Kendall is survived by his wife, who was in Portland at the time of the tragedy, and a son, attending Albany college. Rev. Healy who is 35 years of age is survived by his wife and a small child.

The delegation of citizens who left last week for Malin, returned yesterday. They report seeing some fine country, all prospering, but that it was no place for an old man. They had a pleasant trip and enjoyed the outing.

You are invited to the big dance at the Z. G. B. J. hall Saturday night, June 24. You know you have a good time.

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SCHOOL MEETING POORLY ATTENDED

Don McKnight Becomes Director and Annie D. Bartu, Clerk

DEBT BEING REDUCED

School District, No. 95, Now in Best Condition in Years and Prospering

The school meeting Monday afternoon was not very largely attended, because of the fact that the farmers were busy with their crops and it was pretty warm anyway. But what was lacking in numbers was made up in enthusiasm for the success of the school.

E. C. Shelton, chairman of the board, presided. The call for the meeting was read, the minutes of the last annual and two special meetings and the clerk's annual report were read and approved. The report showed that the district had reduced its indebtedness something like \$2250 during the past year, which is a remarkable showing, and this only leaves a little over \$3000 of outstanding warrants now unpaid. The district has no bonded indebtedness, according to the report.

Don McKnight was nominated for director to succeed Mr. Shelton, whose term had expired, and he was elected unanimously. Annie D. Bartu was re-elected clerk.

It was reported by the board that the high school would have to care for about 40 more pupils the coming year, and that equipment would have to be placed, and they were authorized to meet the requirements. This is certainly good news and means the growth of the district and of Scio will be noticeable.

The climax of the school year was the beginning of the erection of the gymnasium, and the school board included it in its tangible property, which makes the school property worth now on a taxable basis about \$14,000. This does not place the taxpayers directly responsible for the building costs, but as the building is on school property it had to be appraised as tangible. The gymnasium is being built under such circumstances that the district is getting the benefit of an \$8,000 building for about \$3,000, which every citizen should be proud of and be a booster for.

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