

STAYTON SUFFERS DISASTROUS FIRE

Call Sent To Salem, Albany And Scio For Help—Sev- eral Went From Here

Yesterday morning, at about three o'clock, Stayton was visited by one of the most disastrous fires in its history, and as they were unable to cope with the situation, sent out a call for assistance from Salem, Albany, Scio and other places for help in subduing a flame that promised to wipe the town out of existence. When discovered, it is said flames were shooting from two corners of the old Commercial hotel, and began to spread rapidly.

The call from Scio was responded to by Fire Chief A. W. Hagey, J. B. Couey, Clare Cobb, Glenn Holland, Frank Bartu, Dr. E. H. Hobson and Fred Bilyeu. Others would have gone had they been notified. Salem sent their engine and pumper, and with heroic work soon had the flames under control. The Stayton fire department worked hard and faithfully, but were unable to get the fire under control.

The business houses consumed or so badly ruined that burning would have been the same, are: The Commercial hotel, the Gardner store, the Klecker store (no insurance), the Hendershott confectionery and rooming house, a barber shop and the Kramer bakery. The fire was stopped just as it reached the bakery, but the damage from water and other causes was as bad as the fire would have been. The Gehlen store, across the street, was damaged by the heat and windows broken out, as was also the hardware store, though it is a concrete building. We were unable to learn the amount of damage, or the amount of insurance carried.

Stayton has been on a boom lately, doing a lot of paving and otherwise improving the appearance of that thriving little village to our north, and a setback like this puts a damper on further progress, but let us hope that out of this disaster a bigger and better town will grow.

Not Working Together

The Oregon Public Service Commission is not working in harmony.

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The Rexall Store

as is evidenced by the statements of the members. It is a fact that when a body of men cannot get along together, there is little chance for progress, and this is an instance where the public will pay the bill. The division comes over telephone rates now in effect, and which the new members want to reduce. H. H. Corey, the old member, also wants to reduce, but he wants to do it in a legal manner, so that the decision will stand, whichever way it might go. It is a fact the rates are too high, compared with other commodities and usages, but to reduce them drastically will only make for more costs and expenses to the taxpayers, and thus we believe Mr. Corey is correct. The new members seem to think they have the bull by the tail and can twist it off any time they want to, but there is a better and more satisfactory way, as suggested by Mr. Corey. Work together, gentlemen, and all will be well.

To Remodel Church

The members of the Christian church met last Thursday night and took steps to enlarge the edifice by widening it on the east side and taking out the vestibule and thus making it longer. The church will also make other improvements and bring it up to date as near as possible under the circumstances. The Presbyterians also worship with them and have services every alternate Sunday.

The spirit of progress, improvement and betterment of the community is beginning to be noticeable, and soon Scio will be second to none for cleanliness and attractive homes and public buildings.

The Rain Came

For the past few days there have been rain and then rains, and the farmers with late crops are reaping the benefit. It was too bad this could not have happened a month or six weeks ago, but such is the elements, and no man has the changing. In Albany last Saturday, according to the papers and citizens, an inch of rain fell and deluged the streets until they were like running rivers. But six miles to the east no rain fell. The rains here have been slow and of untold good to the pastures and growing crops.

Please Settle Accounts

All persons knowing themselves indebted to the Sanitary Market (Shelton & Co.), please call and settle same immediately, so that the estate of O. M. Shelton may be adjusted quickly. Thanking you for past favors and anticipating a ready response to this request.

Respectfully,
Shelton & Co. Meat Market,
By H. L. Shelton.

Far From Truth

Ona M. Shelton, a Scio butcher, was killed and his two sons and an adult passenger slightly injured when he ran his auto into the side of a moving railroad engine near Lebanon Sunday. That was one time when the motor driver killed himself and nobody else by recklessness at a crossing. — Halsey Enterprise.

Berries! Berries!

We pay top prices for berries. Call for berry boxes. Winner Produce Company, Scio and Jefferson.

DEMONSTRATION WAS A SUCCESS

Great Caravan Came, People Saw and Greater Interest Had in Power Farming

The great Ford Cartvan, with all the many units for power farming, came to Scio on Monday and a great throng of people were here to see and learn more about power farming and how money could be saved thereby. It was a great showing and will be remembered for years to come.

In coming from Lebanon, where they exhibited on Saturday, the caravan became stuck in the mud and new road just this side of the S. W. Gaines place, and this delayed the arrival about an hour, but the wait was patiently made by the people and the show was all that could have been desired. To be sure, there were no brass bands, no calico, no elephants, and the like, but it was entertaining and educational.

At 11 o'clock, when the caravan arrived, a parade was formed and it proceeded down Main street and back again to the pasture of Fred Bilyeu, on South Main street, and adjourned until 1 o'clock, when a demonstration in plowing with plows and disk plows was made. The ground was dry and hard, but the tractors pulled their loads with ease and certainty. Then the ground was disked and harrowed and left in good shape for seeding.

Another farmer utensil, and one that every farmer needs, is a mower, and the attachment of a 6-foot blade as used on the Fordson was here shown and demonstrated. It does its work with precision, automatically stops the tractor when it comes in contact with a stump or large rock, and will cut up to 25 acres of hay or grain per day.

The power tree puller was also demonstrated, and three trees were removed from the street north of Fred Bilyeu's house. A three-quarter inch cable was used, the power that can be had is equal to 16 1500-pound horses, and the tree just has to come. It is not claimed that trees of two or more feet can be pulled with so small a cable with universal success, but that same can be done. It was a sight worth seeing, and shows the unlimited use to which a tractor can be placed.

An electric washing machine was also in use, showing that the work of the lady of the house is also relieved by the appliances the Ford people are putting out. Then there was the road scraper, and other utensils that make for better and quicker work and the saving of man power on the farm, road and stumpage ground.

A great disappointment was felt

by the people when it was announced that the radio set had been broken and that it had been sent to Portland for repairs, and which would take about a week for its repairs. Most of our people have not been fortunate to hear or see a radio in operation, and this would have been a rare treat to them. The picture show at night was carried out as scheduled, the great works of the Ford plant being shown, and also how each and every article entering into the completed Ford product is made and then tested for its strength, its perfectness in fitting in where it belongs and with just enough of the comic side of life to make the whole a pleasure to see and of lasting remembrance by the great crowd present.

Fred Bilyeu is to be congratulated and commented for bringing this great educational feature to Scio. It cost him good money and lots of it, but this paper believes it was the best money he ever invested in the way of educating the people to the use of power machinery on the farm and in the home. He ought and no doubt will receive the hearty applause of the people hereabout.

Honesty Best Policy

Charged with selling short measure of wood to Mrs. L. Ward of this city, Raleigh Frietag, of the Thomas community, appeared in justice court before Judge Olliver yesterday forenoon and pleaded guilty.

He paid a fine of \$20 and \$4.60 costs. It was alleged by Mrs. Ward that wood he delivered sometime earlier this month would not measure out to full cords — Saturday's Albany Herald.

Files Suit For \$10,000

Mrs. Bertha Curl, mother of Frederick Curl, the 17 year old boy who lost his life last November while performing duties for the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. at Jefferson, during the flood, has brought suit against the company for \$10,000. It is said the young man was acting under orders in trying to string the company's wire that was down in the Santiam at Jefferson, and he lost his balance and was drowned.

Culling Demonstration

A poultry culling demonstration will be held at the home of Vilas Arnold on August 31, to which every poultry fancier is invited. These demonstrations will help the raiser to determine his paying flocks and also help in weeding out the winter boarders. County Agent, A. C. Heyman, will be present and do the demonstrating.

Good reports were heard on all sides of the big dinner served by the Scio hotel to the people of this vicinity last Monday, and these reports show that Scio at last has what it has needed for a long time. There is no better advertisement for a community than its hotel—whether good or bad, but a good hotel, such as we now have, is the making of the town. Our people at all times should give it the support it deserves, and we hope they will. Read the ad in this issue — then go there for dinner next Sunday and as often as possible.

Johnnie Denmore and Fred T. Bilyeu drove a couple of the Fordson equipment to Albany Tuesday, owing to the fact that two of the other employees had to return to their regular employment.

SICKNESS PREVENTED HAVING TAX DEBATE

Many Come to Hear, But Were Disappointed—Rapt At- tention Given Speakers

However our prejudices may be, whether for or against single tax, or any tax of any other name, much interest had been created in the debate scheduled to occur at the Z. C. B. J. hall last Saturday afternoon, when Hon. Walter M. Pierce was to have met J. H. Herman in a discussion of the single tax question.

But disappointment was in store for those who wanted to get the light, if same could be given, for Mr. Pierce did not put in appearance, and for a very good reason—his wife was sick and he had been called to his home in La Grande, Mrs. Pierce is said to be suffering with cancer of the stomach, and that her life is hanging in the balance, and Mr. Pierce was justified thereby in canceling his debate here for this occasion.

However, Mr. Herman was here and gave a very entertaining explanation of the workings of the proposed measure and for which the voter is asked to vote for or against in the approaching election—single tax. Of course, the absence of Mr. Pierce and his excuses were capitalized by the speaker, not in the sense of ridicule because of the sickness, but because the speaker felt that Mr. Pierce was afraid to meet him and discuss the issue.

F. E. Coulter, also of Portland, was present and gave a short talk on single tax, the banking system, and also a little ridicule of the absence of Mr. Pierce. It was indeed a misfortune that Mr. Pierce was absent, because there was not much said that would give the hearers any idea of the single tax or income tax. It is hoped that another debate can be arranged, and that all parties thereto will be present. It is hard to prepare for a debate and then not be able to give it.

Here's Real Opportunity

Having other future plans in view I will offer all my holdings in Scio for sale at a reasonable price—all good income property: The Peoples Theatre with all equipment; one brick and one frame store building, both rented; my 8-room house and 5-acre tract, and several other lots. Will sell reasonable and on terms.
John Wesley.

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