

OFFICERS CHOSEN FOR NEW TERMS

The stockholders' meeting of the telephone company was held yesterday in the Commercial club hall...

Yesterday's meeting of the newly elected board of directors of the Multnomah county fair association...

JUST LARSON SELLS TO S. A. PALMQUIST

The announcement is made that Just Larson has sold his harness business to S. A. Palmquist...

GOODFELLOW'S SHOP PASSES TO NEW HANDS

H. McDougal and Geo. Olson of Portland have taken a five year lease on the Goodfellow property...

Eastern Oregon can be counted on to do its share in the state's agricultural production...

Cost of High Living Solved! Thursday special—Sugar cured ham...

LIBRARIAN RECEIVES MANY SPECIAL REQUESTS

While the circulation of the Gresham sub-branch library for December was not quite up to the fine record of November...

On one day last month the circulation was an even hundred. The Current Events bulletin is being used considerably by the children...

The librarian, Miss Haile, reports that the number of readers has increased and many cards unused for months are now being called for...

The following bulletin of books on Household problems has been posted by the librarian this week...

- Profession of homemaking. Clarke: Cook book of left overs. Evening Star Grange cook book. Farmer: Catering for special occasions. Glover: "Dame Curtsey's book of receipts. Harland: common sense in the household. Osman: cleaning and renovating. Priestman: home decorations. Reed: one thousand salads. Rorer: new cook book. Wagner: recipes for the preserving of fruit, vegetables and meat.

PASTIME CLUB'S DANCE WAS VERY FINE EVENT

By some oversight the last issue of the Outlook failed to make any mention of the Pastime club dance on New Year's night...

The club will take over the control of the hall and conduct a series of invitation dances during the remainder of the social season...

A. Potter of Portland is visiting with his daughter Mrs. F. L. Everson today.

Wear the smile that won't come off. Use a Laurel Range. Sterling & Kidder.

THE GHOST OF THE NEW YEAR'S BALL

A Thrilling Story of Old East Portland

E. L. THORPE.

One New Year's eve, over thirty years ago, the firemen of East Portland gave a masquerade ball at Neppach's hall...

This one masker seemed to be anywhere and everywhere so that he was in the midst of the fun...

After the grand march had been played he walked boldly up to the fairy princess and asked her for the next dance...

The orchestra struck up a lively waltz and the two went spinning over the floor until its close...

They even danced again and again, the fairy seeming to be enchanted with her escort...

At last the hour for unmasking arrived but the two or three observers of the strange couple failed to see them now and they surmised that the fairy and her escort were unmasking privately...

The latter surmise was correct, for the two had quietly taken a stroll down to the restaurant...

After they had lunched the man reached over to the fairy and lifted her in affright at what he had done...

"Fear not, sweet one," he said, "fear me not; but ah, fear the future!"

"What has it in store for me?" she asked wonderingly. "Is it dark and foreboding? Are you a seer?"

"Not a seer, but one not of earth; I am here tonight to share your joy and bear you a message."

The fairy was frightened now. "Yes," he said again, "I am come to say that the pleasure of tonight will be your last on earth."

The fairy shrieked, but the din of others entering the dining room drowned her tones.

"Be quiet, and I will tell you. Tonight I have led you a merry dance from set to set, from march to waltz and your blood was hot..."

Then I asked you to lurch and you came with me out into the cold night air where the germ of consumption you have inherited from your mother has taken quick root...

and your days will pass away with the days of the coming spring.

"Take me home," she almost gasped, "no, take me—oh leave me. I will go alone."

She attempted to go by him but he stood in her way.

"Listen again," he said, "I am not mortal. For long years has my spirit laid in the dust but my spirit comes out of the unseen, and takes on human shape to do the bidding of the great Destiny..."

Her blanched face grew firm and she looked at him a few seconds and then asked:

"Who are you? tell me that!" "You need not know me and I will not lift my mask. We must part now but I will be near you in the unseen."

"And I—"

"You will meet me with the first days of summer, and the hand of the great master, Destiny, will be your guide through the dark shadow and into the light where I shall greet you."

"And then?"

"Then you will know me without terror. Farewell."

He went out after throwing a coin on the table for their repeat, and then she followed him into the street.

Although she went close behind him she could see him nowhere and she made her way homeward, alone and quaking with a nameless dread...

In the morning a fearful cold had settled in her head and on her lungs; remedies were applied but she grew worse and was soon in a decline.

As it had been said, she passed away with the spring and was buried at Lone Fir, but it is doubtful if the promise of her masked escort to meet her was ever fulfilled.

After the mourners had gone away and the sexton had filled the grave a man sauntered up to it and gazed a moment at the little board at her head.

"I am avenged at last for the slight I once received. Here lies HER daughter, SHE who wrecked my whole life. I swore it and it is accomplished."

He went away and was seen no more, but he told a friend who, in turn, has told me this story, that the ghost of the ballroom was the rejected suitor of a once beautiful woman...

He had sworn to be revenged on her and hers forever, of losing her husband in a pre-arranged brawl he turned his work upon her, and she too fell before his insidious plans...

Not content with her death, he waited his chance to cause her daughter's end, which he saw done and aided in doing, as this narrative discloses how. Who he was must remain a secret for he went far away and was never heard from again...

But he probably went to some foreign clime, living out the last of an existence which was crowned only with blighted hopes, remorse and a grim satisfaction over a satiated revenge.

The girl was—well, no matter; let her rest, she is better off.

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SUDDEN DEATH OF W. W. BREEDEN

W. W. Breeden, a well-known resident of Orient, died suddenly on Saturday last and was buried today at Rose City Park cemetery.

The circumstances of Mr. Breeden's death are rather obscure but it is thought that he dropped dead from heart failure.

He was from Kentucky and was aged 57 years and eight days. He leaves a widow.

He had not come back for dinner and began a search, finding him lying dead on the ground with his pipe in his mouth.

Death of Thomas Cree. Thomas Cree, father of C. C. Cree, died at his home in Fairview this morning of heart failure at the age of 76 years, 11 months and six days.

The remains will be buried tomorrow Jan. 8, in the Douglass cemetery near Troutdale.

WILL TRY TO OBIVIATE COUNTY HERD LAWS

The rural sections of Clackamas county are voicing their opposition to the stock law adopted at the recent election.

Representative F. M. Gill has prepared a bill and will introduce it at the coming session of the legislature repealing the law empowering a county vote on stock running at large.

His bill will provide that the matter be left to the precincts to decide at a special or general election.

"I believe," he added, discussing the matter, "that the vote last election on this question is void, as the law was not followed in putting it on the ballot and the result has not been published 60 days in a newspaper as provided by law."

I have a nice farm for sale and one-half miles from the Cherryville store and one mile from a good M. E. church...

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TO PLAN LARGER SCOPE OF WORK

An organization for improvement and development of the entire east side has been effected in East Portland with L. M. Lepper as temporary president and C. C. Hall as temporary secretary.

It will be composed of three representatives from each of the improvement clubs of which there are 30 in active existence.

A meeting of this new association has been called at the rooms of the East Side Business Men's club on the night of January 16, at which time the full scope and purpose of the organization will be defined.

According to the statements made by the promoters of this movement the new organization will consider along what lines the East Side will likely develop, what streets ought to be widened, what boulevards should be opened, what parks are needed in the central districts and in the suburbs, and where they should be located.

The Greater Portland plans are to be used as the basis of the deliberations and purposes of the new organization, as it was decided to work in harmony with the Greater Portland Plans association.

The widening of Columbia boulevard from St. Johns through the Industrial district on Columbia slough to Troutdale, there to connect with the road up the Columbia river into Hood River...

development of the Foster road through the Mount Scott district into Clackamas county by making it 80 feet wide inside the city and extending it according to the Greater Portland plans...

development of the Powell Valley road from the Willamette river to the city limits and beyond; the paving of the Base Line road to the Twelve Mile house and its direct extension to the Automobile Clubhouse...

the possible widening and extension of East Burnside street to the city limits 80 feet wide; extension of Sandy boulevard to a connection with East Burnside bridge, are some of the things that are to be considered by the new organization.

But the plan is to cover all sections in the scope of the operations of the new association and to prepare a general plan for the development of the East Side within the scope of the Greater Portland plans and the Olmstead plans.

The new organization will also consider the matter of a cross-country railway running from Reed college north on East 39th to Sandy boulevard and thence to the city limits, and a connection with the Columbia boulevard.

The purpose of the association is very ambitious. If all the clubs elect and send delegates to the meeting January 16 there will be between 60 to 90 delegates present.

Permanent officers will then be elected and working committees will be appointed to take up these projects.

"The movement is not antagonistic to the Greater Portland plans," said J. H. Nolte, who originated the project, "but to add something to these plans which shall be undertaken at once, and not in the far distant future."

A large per cent of the people of Portland will live on the East side, and we must prepare for them, for the new bridges, parks and other things to come."

MISS ETHEL WOLFE WEDS MINISTER

Miss Ethel Gladys Wolfe and Mr. Lambert Wayne Mulkey were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Wolfe, at Boring, at 3 p. m. last Sunday afternoon.

The bride's father, who is a minister, performed the ceremony. The bride and groom left Sunday afternoon for their new home at Philomath, Oregon.

Mr. Mulkey is studying for the ministry and expects to graduate the coming spring. Their many friends wish them a long and successful life.

Special meetings commenced at the M. E. church last night with fair attendance and a good meeting. Service will be held every evening except Saturday. The pastor invites everyone to attend these meetings.