

DISTRICT 28 MAY CHANGE BOUNDARIES

School District No. 28, better known as the Lynch district, is making an effort to have its boundary lines changed, as announced in the Outlook several weeks ago.

County Superintendent Armstrong has under preparation by the county assessor a map showing the boundaries of all the surrounding territory, including every school district adjoining, and will authorize a meeting in No. 28 for the purpose of ascertaining the wishes of the people and preparing for decisive action by the district boundary board.

A probable solution or outcome of the agitation for a new schoolhouse in another location is the establishment of another district. It is designed to so change the district lines that Rockwood will get a portion of No. 28, including the site of the present school building. The Lynch district will infringe on the Gresham district and probably on Sycamore.

It is then intended to create a new district somewhere on the Base Line road, about midway between Russellville and Rockwood to supply the educational needs of the Ventura and Ascut neighborhoods.

If these plans work out as intended a new schoolhouse will be built by No. 28 somewhere on the Powell Valley road in the neighborhood of the Catholic church. It will be more central than it is now and will offer better accommodations to a growing population. The old building and its property will be sold and the money applied on the new building.

FAIRVIEW GRANGE ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

At a meeting of the Fairview grange Saturday the following officers were elected for the year: master, C. H. Stone; overseer, W. E. Townsend; lecturer, Mrs. D. W. McKay; chaplain, D. S. Dunbar; secretary, Roy Stone; treasurer, J. W. Townsend; steward, J. R. Hughes; assistant steward, Blain Turner; lady assistant, Eva Townsend; Ceres, Mrs. Ruth Moller; Flora, Mrs. J. W. Grant; Pomona, Miss Jean Lent; pianist, Mrs. A. L. Harvey; gatekeeper, C. S. Shepard.

OFFICERS ELECT OF SANDY GRANGE

Sandy grange, Patrons of Husbandry, has elected the following officers for the year: worthy master, A. C. Thomas; overseer, Mrs. J. McKenzie; lecturer, Blanche R. Shelley; steward, Joseph Chowan; chaplain, Mrs. J. Sinclair; treasurer, F. T. Morrison; secretary, James Bail; gatekeeper, William Bell; Ceres, Mrs. Robert Jonsrud; Pomona, Mrs. McKenzie; Flora, Mrs. Douglass. Eleven candidates received the first and second degrees on the day of the election.

POSSESSED FRONT RANK QUALITIES

E. Henry Wemme, Oregon's greatest good roads enthusiast, who died in California last week, was buried in Riverview cemetery yesterday. The cortege was composed exclusively of automobiles as a tribute to the man who owned the first car in Oregon.

It was the largest funeral procession ever seen wending its way from the city and was composed of people in every station in life. Rev. J. A. Leas, pastor of St. James English Lutheran church officiated.

George W. Stapleton, a life long friend of Mr. Wemme's, followed the pastor with an eulogy. He declared "that no better example of what courage and industry can do could be found than E. Henry Wemme. No such words as discouragement or failure existed in his lexicon. Though he had few of the higher educational qualifications, he possessed the qualities that placed him in the front rank. No man, he said, had added more to the city or taken less from it. Though eccentric, he was enthusiastic in the cause of right, and was foremost in leadership.

"One of the pioneers of the good road movement, the owner of the first automobile on the Pacific coast, he spent more of his private funds for the development of his idea than any other man, though no personal glorification ever resulted.

"When the paved road to Mount Hood is completed," concluded Mr. Stapleton, "the name of E. Henry Wemme should be carved on every milepost."

SUNDAY CONCERT AT THE LIBRARY

Following is the program for the Victrola concert on Sunday afternoon at the library. It will begin at 3:30 p. m.

Alma Gluck—Folk Song of Tuscany. Tetraxini—"Bird Song."

Homer-Carus—

(1) Trovatore. (2) "Home to our Mountain."

Gogorza—"O Promise of a Joy Divine."

Clara Butt—"Abide with Me."

Caruso—Ave Maria.

Martha—"Ah so Pure."

Gluck-Homer—"Whispering Hope."

Handel—"It is well with My Soul."

SANDY MASONIC LODGE OFFICERS FOR TERM

The Sandy Masonic Lodge has elected and installed these officers for the year: worshipful master, W. A. Proctor; senior warden, George H. Waite; junior warden, R. I. Anderson; senior deacon, Edward Bruns; junior deacon, Fred L. Proctor; secretary, C. D. Purcell; treasurer, W. W. Rogers; stewards, H. S. Eddy and William Craswell.

W. O. W. employment bureau furnishes help of any kind. Phone Main 4620 or A-2180.

ACTIVE OPERATIONS FIRST OF NEW YEAR BY BEAVER MOTOR CO

There is now positive assurance that the Beaver State Motor company will begin active operations within a very short time. The Outlook has been seeking information, not only as a matter of news but to satisfy a number of anxious inquiries as to the progress being made at the factory. It is now in possession of authoritative statements from Mr. Frank McCrillis which convey the assurance that the factory will be in operation on a small scale within the next ten days, but that it will increase rapidly as soon as conditions will permit.

There is being installed this week at the factory a milling and boring machine for use in the manufacture of engines and automobile parts. This machine weighs over two and one-half tons, and is probably one of the largest and finest pieces of machinery ever installed in a Pacific Coast plant. This machine, with certain cutters and tools already ordered, virtually completes the equipment of the building, and makes it possible to turn out the first lot of cars.

Mr. McCrillis, in an interview, says:

"The new six cylinder engine for our 1915 cars was cast at a Portland foundry some days ago, and is now at the factory ready for finishing. The Beaver company has installed a temporary brass foundry in connection with the Gresham plant, where the small parts for the engine will be cast, and the engine will be completed at the earliest moment. Steady work, it is now expected, will commence the first of the year, though but very few men will be employed until after the new model car is out.

"The beginning of hostilities in Europe naturally served to retard our progress, but in spite of this we have been steadily going ahead in a conservative manner equipping the factory, making patterns for the 1915 car and developing our own six cylinder engine.

"The directors of the Beaver State Motor company have been sadly disappointed at the delay, which seemed to be unavoidable in getting started, but there has never been a question of doubt in the minds of any of us as to our ultimate success. If there is anything that can be considered

certain in this world, it is that Beaver cars will be manufactured at the Gresham plant, and in spite of any and all discouragements, we have been steadily advancing towards the time when cars will be building.

"It might be stated in this connection that never in the history of the automobile business has the industry been so prosperous as it is today, and never, at the beginning of any season, have the prospects for the coming year appeared so good. The industry has grown at the rate of about 25 per cent per year over previous years steadily from its inception. In one or two years perhaps the percentage has been a little less than 25 per cent, but in other years it has almost doubled. This year the indications point to the usual increase in American trade, and in addition to this, the United States must manufacture cars for the whole world. In former years Europe has supplied the trade, outside of the United States, with its cars, including all of South America, as well as most of the Canadian trade. Today the automobile industry in Europe is absolutely paralyzed. American manufacturers, realizing this, are taking steps to enter the territory occupied in the past by England, France and Germany, and it is the universal opinion that once these countries realize the superiority of American cars, other nations will never again regain the trade.

"The Beaver company has had many applications for cars, and numbers of people, actuated by a desire to patronize a home industry, are sticking to the old cars until the Beaver models are ready before buying a new one. We regret that we have not been able to get into the market earlier, for the organizers of the company are suffering enormously by the delay. As an illustration, our president, Mr. P. A. Combs, has given all his time to this business during the past year and has not drawn a dollar from the company. A year ago he had every right to expect that he would be receiving pay for much of this year, instead of giving his time without compensation. This is also true of others, for none of the officers of the company have as yet received a dollar in return for the time and labor they have devoted to the interests of this business."

SHOW APPRECIATION BY RESOLUTIONS

A special meeting of the Gresham volunteer fire department was held last night at which the principal business was the passing of resolutions in appreciation of the benefactions bestowed upon the members of the company for their work at the recent big fire.

The resolutions embraced the Gresham Investment Co., for the gift of a box of cigars and the Congdon Hotel management for lunch and coffee served on Sunday morning; also Dr. Thompson for a box of cigars in appreciation of good services at a recent blaze which threatened his residence with destruction.

Among those who were remembered for donations to the morning lunch at the Congdon were Mrs. Bert Lindsey, Mrs. C. Merrill, Mrs. John Metzger and H. L. St. Clair. The names of several other donors could not be ascertained.

DEAD WAR VETERAN HAS RELATIVES HERE

Captain William J. Riley, Spanish-American war veteran, and once a prominent sporting goods merchant, died Tuesday at his home, 543 Kerby street, at the age of 64 years. He left a wife and several children. Captain Riley's store was taken over by the Honeyman Hardware company some years ago. Captain Riley was known as a gun expert and during the Spanish-American war he enlisted and was given the rank of captain of artillery of the Second Oregon regiment of volunteers. His battery did not get beyond Vancouver, but was known as a best drilled organization. Captain Riley had been in Oregon for 30 years.

30 years. He was an uncle of M. M. Squire and was president of the W. J. Riley Investment company, of which Mr. Squire is trustee.

The funeral took place this afternoon, with interment in Riverview cemetery.

WOODMEN OPEN EMPLOYMENT OFFICE

J. C. Jones, recently appointed an organizer for Woodmen of the World for the district between Oregon City and Eugene, was in Gresham on Tuesday in company with Organizer Samsin of the Portland district. Their visit here was for the purpose of ascertaining if any work could be had for unemployed Woodmen of the city.

The W. O. W. has opened a free employment bureau in the Woodman temple, at 128 Eleventh street, and is prepared to furnish all kinds of helpers at reasonable wages. Those who contemplate having something to do, needing help, should apply to them as there are many willing but needy men who would be glad to have the opportunity of working, even at low wages.

NO DISSATISFACTION HAS BEEN HEARD

In conducting piano or other gift contests, the newspapers have to exercise undue care so as to avoid giving dissatisfaction. In the recent contest conducted jointly by the Puffer Mercantile Co. and the Outlook, this idea was uppermost at every stage of the proceedings with the result that no word of dissatisfaction has been heard and everyone is apparently satisfied.

From indications during the last few days of the contest it did not seem possible that there was anyone left in this section of the country to become a subscriber to the Outlook, but it appears that several were overlooked by the canvassers, for there have been an unusual number of new subscribers received since the close of the contest. The Outlook flatters itself that the Christmas number and the exceptionally good account of the fire had something to do with gaining new subscribers.

GIFT MONEY DONATED TO NEEDY ONES

By L. H. WELLS.
PORTLAND, Dec. 21—(Special)—With wonderful unanimity efforts are being made in Portland and elsewhere to relieve needy families. Children of the Methodist Sunday school of Sellwood voted to not give each other gifts this year, but the money that would otherwise be spent for gifts will be donated to the relief of the poor of that suburb. In fact all the school children are to donate food, clothing and money which will be made up in baskets and distributed by a committee to the needy families of the neighborhood. At Lents, the same movement is being made. In Portland there never has been such a fine open-hearted generous spirit displayed as at the present time. Cash and donations of food and clothing are pouring in from all sources for the relief of the poor. These come not from the well to do, but from all classes, showing the remarkable brotherhood of the world. And yet, they say the world is not growing better. It certainly is in the United States, land of peace. More money and donations will be made in Portland than ever before in the history of the city, and there is need for it.

Washington Lodge No. 46, A. F. & A. M., entertained last Monday night at the East Side Masonic Temple, East Burnside and East Eighth streets, a large delegation of nearly fifty members and officers of St. Johns Lodge, No. 7, of Albany, Oregon, besides representatives from Masonic lodges from all portions of the United States and Alaska as well. It was mainly the fraternal visit from the Albany Lodge. A committee headed by J. E. Martin, met the Albany visitors at the Oregon Electric station and conveyed them in automobiles to the East Side Temple, and at 6:30 the entire delegation sat down to a dinner. Most Worshipful Master S. S. Gilbert, of St. Johns Lodge, Albany, sat at the head of the table with Worshipful Master J. E. Martin, of Washington Lodge. The dinner was served amid good cheer, music and social conversation, all exercises being omitted to give time for the degree work to follow in the lodge hall by a team from St. Johns lodge.

The hall rapidly filled by Masons of the city who wanted to see the Albany team do the work. For the conferring of the degrees the following officers of St. Johns lodge were selected: C. H. Wieder, acting worshipful master; S. S. Gilbert, acting senior warden; junior warden, Neil M. Bain; senior deacon, John R. Penland; junior deacon, E. Z. Hammon; senior steward, James L. Bennett; junior steward, L. R. Gilbert. The degree team was composed of J. S. Vanwinkle, R. K. Ohling, A. Send-

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LATOURELLS TELL OF TRIP IN THE SOUTH

Oceanside, California, Dec. 11.
Editor Outlook:—We arrived by train at San Francisco Monday morning, November 23; visited Goldengate Park, Cliff House, the Presidio, U. S. army headquarters, and exposition grounds. Most of the buildings are completed and beautiful. We also visited other parts of San Francisco and left November 25, in our Maxwell car. We drove as far as Redwood City where we stopped for the night. The next day we drove through the fertile Santa Clara valley with its fine farms and beautiful homes, with hard surfaced roads the entire distance, passing through San Jose, Gilroy, San Juan Mission and Salinas where we spent the night. Leaving Salinas we passed through King City, San Lucas and San Ardo, camping for the first night six miles from Bradley, the weather being fine; but we had very bad roads, Pacific highway being under construction in many places, this part being bare and hilly, the industry, mostly stock raising. The next day we passed through Bradley, San Miguel, Paso Robles, San Luis, Obispo and Arroyo Grande; camping the second night near this place.

This is a rough, hilly stock country with evergreen oaks covering the hills, the small stock farms being in the valleys. The next day we traveled through much the same kind of a country and camped near the Gaviota Pass. Next morning we passed the Santa Ynez Mission we enter the pass; this is a hard day's drive with heavy grades and rough country, only making 44 miles, but the scenery is beautiful and we are enjoying the trip very much. We camped the fourth night in the Gaviota hills by the ocean side, near one of the Associated Oil company's large plants; here during the night we had a heavy rain and wind storm, making the roads almost impassible.

Breaking camp about 10 o'clock we proceeded through the Gaviota hills along the ocean side, up hill, down hill, in and out until one wonders at the end.

We arrived in Santa Barbara about 2 p. m.—a very nice little town on the coast with cement streets and coast boulevard. We proceeded along the boulevard to Shepherd's Inn, at the foot of the Casitas Pass, where we camped for the night, the coast route being closed for the state highway construction. Next morning we proceed over the Casitas Pass through some beautiful scenery. We arrived in Ventura, a nice little coast town, thence on to Santa Paula where we stop for a few days. H. A. LATOURELL.

If you haven't enough friends to send your Christmas present to, use a want ad.

Christmas Gratitude

Do we think enough about saying "Thank you" at Christmas? We hurry and rush through the busy days before Christmas, and then when Christmas actually comes we put off the mood of giving and sit down intent upon the culmination of our effort, which is reached when we receive. We take what comes—sometimes eagerly, sometimes with a disappointed shrug—but we take what comes, do we not, and are we always prompt to give our thanks? A certain benevolent lady said last year, "I gave thirty-eight presents this Christmas and received only nine letters of thanks." This seemed dreadful beyond words. "And what of the others?" I hastened to ask. "Some of them thanked me when we next met," she said carelessly, "and some of them never thanked me at all. You know," she added after a pause, "one of the hardest things to do is to give thanks graciously. Some people can never do it. It is the distinct mark of high breeding. I don't suppose any one but a king or a princess has really the perfect art of saying 'Thank you.'" It is a mark of good breeding to be prompt and gracious in giving thanks. Even if the gift is a pincushion and you already have ninety-nine others, say "Thank you" sweetly, affectionately and in the spirit of Christmas. Do not let twenty-four hours pass by without taking sufficient time to write an appreciative, affectionate little note to every one who has remembered you at Christmas time. Though this may be looked upon as a duty to others, it is far more than that; it is a duty to yourself, a very real duty, for to be discourteous is to be selfish, and to be selfish is to be outside of many of life's keenest joys. As a matter of self training, if for no other reason, say "Thank you" as quickly and attractively and sincerely as you can.

Christmas Homecoming

One of the great features of Christmas is the home meeting. How many hundreds of thousands who have been separated throughout the year will now be gathered together once more under the old home roof! It is well that it should be so. It warms the heart to read of the trains to the north and the trains to the south, east and west being filled with people going home for their Christmas holidays. "I am told," said Gladstone once, "that the strain of our commercial life has loosened even the bonds that unite the family; that in the struggle for existence the parents forget the child and the child forgets the parents. Well, I read the other day that some hundreds of thousands of people were leaving London to spend their Christmas holidays at home. That is a pleasing and practical refutation of much of this pessimism." It is. If the parents did not think of the children they would not have them home, and if the boys and girls did not think of the parents they would not go home. Blood is a great deal thicker than water, and nothing will alter it. Go home for Christmas!