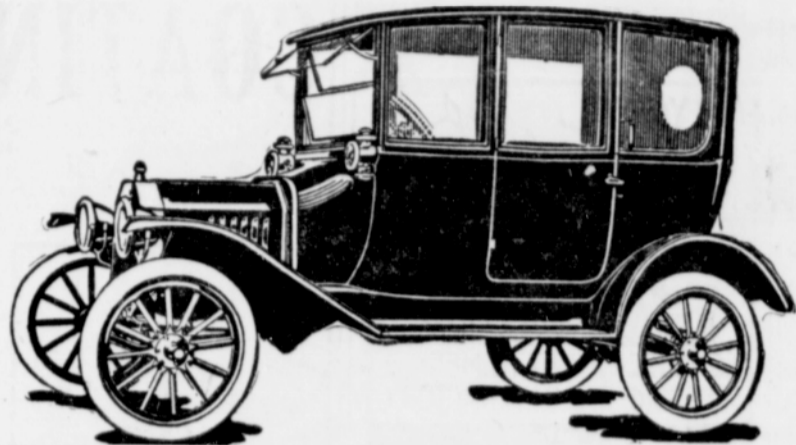


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TROUTDALE

The Red Cross snipping party at the N. S. Parson's home last week was a great success. The house would hardly hold all who came. The young folks played games and their elders made clippings enough to fill several pillows, which will be kept until there is a call for them. A well-rendered program was much appreciated by the company. Piano solos were given by Mrs. L. A. Harlow and Marjorie Kendall. Mrs. F. Boscoe, Mrs. Harlow, Evelyn Kendall and Curtiss Wood sang solos and Jack, Sam and Robert Harlow, and Leo Bailey sang some popular songs. The ten-cent lunch of sandwiches and coffee netted a neat sum to be used in Red Cross work.

The Red Cross meeting last Thursday was well attended, and busy as usual. Mrs. Janet Grant, the primary teacher in the school, has graciously offered to entertain the children of the workers on Red Cross days, and the arrangement is much appreciated by the mothers and children. The custom of each one partaking of the lunch to bring one dish resulted in the following excellent, though plain and conserving lunch: sandwiches, canned salmon, canned corn, boiled eggs, sauerkraut, baked beans, potato salad, pickles, rolled oat cookies, graham tarts, and peach marmalade.

The Troutdale Ladies' Aid had a very pleasant meeting last week with Mrs. Wm. Crawford. The minister, Rev. F. S. Ford, was a visitor. Plans were discussed to hold a missionary meeting soon. The next meeting will be April 3, with Mrs. C. I. Thomas.

The postponed Troutdale Parent-Teacher association will meet Friday afternoon, March 15th. A speaker from Portland will be present.

Mrs. Frank Boscoe left Monday for a few days' visit with her mother, Mrs. Barlow, in Seattle.

Mrs. Powell, the librarian announces that the library tea will be held on Thursday afternoon of next week, March 21. She also announces that a supply of garden and flower seeds have been received at the library from Congressman McArthur, which will be distributed to library patrons, free of charge.

SANDY BLUFF

A large number of people from this vicinity attended the services at Pleasant Home Baptist church Sunday evening on the occasion of the unweaving of the service flag in honor of boys gone from Pleasant Home and surrounding districts. Hazel Fowler gave a recitation, "The Lone Star" and Judge G. W. Stapleton, has called on her to recite the same in Portland in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. TenEyck, of Portland, were callers on Mrs. A. J. Ault on Thursday.

The ladies of this community are to meet with Mrs. Randolph Spier on Saturday next for the purpose of forming a Red Cross auxiliary.

Mrs. Louis Haughlum was in Portland a couple of days last week. She took one of her children for medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Crose, of Vancouver, and Mrs. R. Franks, of Portland, spent Sunday with Mrs. Crose's sister, Mrs. A. J. Ault and family. Mr. Crose is superintendent of the Government dredge "Wiakiakum", that is making a large fill preparatory to the building of a large steel ship yard in Vancouver.

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The Pneumonia Season.

The cold, damp weather of March seems to be the most favorable for the pneumonia germ. Now is the time to be careful. Pneumonia often results from a cold. The quicker a cold is gotten rid of the less the danger. As soon as the first indication of a cold appears take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. As to the value of this preparation, ask anyone who has used it.—Adv.

COLUMBIA HEIGHTS

How glad we shall be to say goodbye to winter weather, cold rains and snow. Nearly everybody has been in touch with grip and is longing for warmer weather, and a little sunshine to bring new life and strength. Every day brings us nearer the busy springtime, one of the most important seasons of the year. Now we must plan for a greater harvest than ever before. We must produce more than we ever did before, for we know that many eyes will be looking to the United States for bread and other foods. Many a soldier over there will look to this country for the staff he needs to keep him in fine health, and by the looks of things he shall not be in want of any thing. Everybody is busy to help the boys over there. In every nook and corner there is a Red Cross organization springing up and all hands are busy doing something to help win this shameful war. With every report there comes of the capture of Americans over there by the savage and bloodthirsty Huns, and their cruel and inhuman treatment, we do boil over with indignation, but just wait till the Yankees get good and ready. Maybe the Huns will change their opinion of the Americans.

W. Deaver, who belongs to the Coast Artillery, came home Saturday for a short visit with his folks.

J. Deaver was in Salem last week on business.

Mrs. Joe Crowston, of Gresham, is at present at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. Hicks.

A baby girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Northway last week, and Mr. and Mrs. Spybrock are proud of the new title just acquired, that of grandparents.

The stork made a mistake the other day and left a little boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Benfield. Their order was for a girl.

The Ehrmans are busy now getting their grounds ready for a new lawn, and Mrs. Holmes Lawrence and Mrs. J. Crane had a truckload of trees brought last week to be set out on their places here.

Mrs. Ada O'Connell, of Vancouver spent Sunday at the Woodward home with her baby boy.

Nearly everybody has left the farmwork for the shipyards and we wonder how we shall manage with such scarcity of labor. Then there will be no 8-hour, but a 16-hour day for the old farmers, but in return for his faithful labor Uncle Sam should protect him better than ever—give him a better price for his spuds, for instance.

FAIRVIEW

Mrs. S. Dixon will entertain for the benefit of the Methodist Aid on Saturday evening, March 16. All are cordially invited.

Charley Rice, who has been quite ill at his home here with pneumonia, was removed to a Portland hospital on Sunday.

Little Edna Burlingame has been on the sick list, but is slowly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Dunbar spent the week-end at Oregon City with their son, O. Dunbar.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Copeland and son returned home after spending some time at Hood River.

Mrs. T. J. Savage and daughter Irene, of Woodland, Wash., spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. J. W. Moller. Other guests at the Moller home on Sunday were her mother and brother, Mrs. M. Douthit and Roy Douthit, of Portland.

ROCKWOOD

Plans are under way for an interesting Easter program to be given by the Methodist Sunday school on the evening of Easter Sunday. Frederick Schnell, the superintendent, has the arrangements in charge and promises an evening of unusual interest. Local talent will be supplemented by talent from Portland. The Sunday school meets every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

List of Letters

Remaining letters uncalled for in the Gresham postoffice for week ending March 9th, 1918:

Gentlemen—Nick Baroni, A. E. Crandle, G. Fessenden, A. W. Ferree, A. T. Hodman, A. Naganuma, Will Trimble.

Ladies—Irene E. Bolcom, Mrs. F. R. Johnson, Miss Eula Marvin, Jennie V. Peterson, Miss Agnes Robertson, Carl and Gus Stein, Mrs. B. Welsh.

These letters will be sent to the dead letter office on March 18, 1918, if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say "advised", giving date of list.

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SIDELIGHTS ON SYSTEM

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grounds, and the whole thing may be repeated.

Judge Gantenbein was helpless to expedite matters, and the lawyer for the defense had his own way. The "system" was to blame and the "system" should be changed. It would seem that the judges would have something to say in such cases—that they should have the power to examine into such matters and give the lawyers to understand that valuable time was not to be frittered away in such useless questionings as nearly twenty men were subjected to, and that a man should be excused as soon as the questionings are over with if he was found undesirable or incompetent to sit in the case.

The writer of this was called on the case just mentioned, but was finally excused for "cause" after being in a juror's seat for nearly all day. And here is where the fallacy of excusing for "cause" comes in: The excused juror seldom knows why he is rejected, and is probably just as competent to try the case in hand as the man who takes his place. The frequent disagreements show this to be the fact. In one case of disagreement the district prosecutor excused two men who would have voted for conviction. The attorney was not infallible in his guessing—as the whole thing resolves itself into guesswork while the jury is be-

ing selected. Here was an instance of extra cost, and the cost in this case fell on the taxpayers. In this case the regular panel was exhausted before the jury was made up and a special venire brought three men in from the street. The first was excused, the second completed the jury, and all drew their three dollars each. The taxpayers paid the bill, besides the wages of the regular who was let out and who loafed around town the rest of the day.

During the February term of three weeks no one juror served on more than four cases. The writer served on three and was excused from serving on three more. There were sixty-one jurors at the commencement of the term, and only three were excused after a day or two. When it is seen that the remaining fifty-eight men—excepting twelve—served on but three cases each an idea of the cost may be understood.

It must be remembered, too, that the time of five departments was taken up trying these cases. The sixth judge had different work—a lengthy law case in which he had no need for a jury. Court departments are costly and they have to be paid for. It is no wonder that Judge McGinn became impatient at the delays; yet it must be remembered that the lawyers are more to blame than the judges. The district attorney's deputies try to expedite cases but are frequently helpless, because every latitude is given the defendant to prove his innocence.



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