

**Forty-Five Meals a Day to Feed This Family**



Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Noonan of Lawrence, Mass., don't mind at all in feeding thirteen mouths three times a day,—their family of ten girls and three boys,—nor have they ever found it a hardship.

**RE-APPRAISAL NECESSARY, SAYS COUNTY ASSESSOR**

A re-appraisal of taxable property to determine its true value for taxation purposes is an urgent necessity, according to County Assessor H. U. Welch, and plans are being started to accomplish this through a period of several years.

The situation in this county with the reasons for a re-appraisal were stated by Colonel Welch in a paper delivered recently before the Portland Realty Board as follows:

"A re-appraisal is necessary to secure a better equalization of assessment as between different classes of property and different sections within the county. The last general appraisal was made prior to the World War, and owing to abnormal conditions brought on by the war it has been impossible up to 1924, because of instability and shifting of values, to effect equalization of assessment values to insure uniformity. The extensions of city and interurban railroads, the creation of new business centers, the influence of automobile transportation and the construction of new highways and pavements and other improvements have greatly shifted the disarranged values. Some property has increased 100 per cent to 500 per cent, some property has remained stationary, and other property has shown a marked shrinkage in values. Not to re-appraise the sections wherein changes have occurred, would place an unjust burden upon those owners whose property has not increased in value—a burden which the beneficiaries of increased values should assume.

"The task of re-appraising all real estate in a county is a considerable one. It is undertaken as a moral duty in the interest of justice and fairness to the taxpayers. It can be done only with the full and whole-hearted cooperation of the people. It must be stated, however, that a re-appraisal does not necessarily mean increased taxes. Re-appraisals deal mainly with the equalization of burden. Tax levying bodies only are responsible for the amount of taxes levied, aided quite frequently by electoral sanction.

"In making a re-appraisal it is important to consider the range of values over a period of from three to five years. It would be manifestly unjust and demoralizing to suddenly raise assessed valuations during a speculative movement, or to suddenly lower assessments during a period of depression. Between the ups and downs of the market, there is a relatively stable mean. The judgment of the assessor should be controlled by normal conditions.

"The World War created abnormal conditions throughout the world. In this country, wages, the cost of living, taxes and all other things increased by leaps and bounds and this was reflected in increased cost of buildings. Prior to the war, land was high and building costs were low. When the war came on the situation was reversed; vacant land dropped and lots in some sections became a drug on the market while building values increased materially. Under these circumstances it was extremely difficult to determine a stable basis for assessment purposes; that is, a basis that could be expected to persist for any length of time. The return to a state approaching stability has been slow and subject to many fluctuations. However, the time has arrived when it is necessary to take inventory and an inventory of property values is what we mean by re-appraisal.

"In 1924 it became evident to the assessor that a re-appraisal of real property could no longer be postponed. In cities of rapid growth and changing property values, the lapse

of each additional year since the last appraisal, renders it increasingly difficult to maintain true assessment valuations. Drastic changes always involve greatly increased friction and opposition. Rentals and capitalizations become adjusted to old taxes. A serious hardship is always imposed on new buyers and lessees when the taxes suddenly become doubled or tripled. This can be avoided only by frequent appraisals.

"The assessor has not heretofore had adequate help and funds to make a thorough and complete appraisal of all property in Multnomah county. Last year, application was made to the board of county commissioners for the necessary funds for a re-appraisal. The board was willing and anxious to have the work done, and after careful consideration it was decided to provide for the continuing program of re-appraisal that will require from three to four years to complete. The funds have been provided and an additional force of seven deputies has been added to the land division which is under the direct supervision of T. R. Magnigan, a deputy of over 13 years' experience in the assessor's office and eminently qualified to assume the responsibility of this work.

"The office is now actively engaged in gathering fundamental data and useful information and progress has already been made toward re-appraisal. Our first attention has been given to consideration of values along arterial traffic streets and high-class residential districts and in localities where the discrepancies between real and assessed values appear to be the greatest.

"In future discussions of the subject, I hope from time to time to submit more detailed explanation concerning the nature and progress of re-appraisal. I will appreciate the cooperation of property owners, real estate dealers and others in furnishing reliable data which might be useful in connection with this work. The time to equalize is while the assessments are being made and not afterwards."

**Eagle Creek Pioneer Dies.**

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Jane Douglas who died May 7 at her home at Eagle Creek, was held in the Presbyterian church of that place on Sunday afternoon in charge of the Rev. H. W. Mort of Estacada. The church was inadequate to seat the large number who attended. As Sunday was Mothers' day, the pastor made remarks concerning the deceased fitting the occasion. She had been ill for about a year but kept up until last January when she had a stroke of apoplexy which confined her to her bed. She had also been a sufferer from Bright's disease and three weeks ago was taken seriously ill. Mrs. Douglas was born January 3, 1859 in Missouri and crossed the plains with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack in 1865, settling in Eagle Creek, where she has lived ever since. She was married to John F. Douglas who survives her, in November, 1876, to which union were born five children who also survive. They are three sons, Willy, Pleasant and Ernest, and two daughters, Mrs. LINDIA HOFFMEISTER and Mrs. JULIA RICHEY. She also leaves a brother, Geo. Judd of Eagle Creek and a sister, Mrs. Tiny Hall of Damascus. The interment took place in Foresters' cemetery under the direction of Joseph E. Gates of Gresham.

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**County P. T. A. to Meet.**

The Multnomah County Council of Parent-Teacher associations will meet on Saturday, May 16, at Riverdale school. The business session will begin at 11 o'clock, when election and installation of officers will take place. Mrs. G. J. Perkins, state president, will be the installing officer. She will also give a report of the national convention recently held in Texas. Pupils from Riverdale school will put on a Shakespearean play in their open-air theater. An effort is being made to get a full attendance at this meeting.

**Queer Cases of Infection Develop.**

Two persons in Gresham have been the victims of a peculiar form of infection during the past two weeks, both cases being similar in character. One is that of Earl Shafer, athletic coach and instructor at the high school, who was confined to his room at the B. W. Emery residence for about two weeks but who has now given up his school work for the remainder of the year and gone to the home of his parents at Salem. His foot became infected from no apparent cause whatever and spread rapidly throughout the instep. The place was lanced which afforded temporary relief and he attempted to take charge of his classes at school on Monday of last week, getting around with the aid of crutches. After a day's trial, he was obliged to give up his work.

The other case referred to is that of Lois, the six-year-old daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. E. N. Long, whose little finger on the right hand became infected about two weeks ago without a break being detected in the skin. Her finger swelled rapidly and the end joint became decayed and on Thursday evening separated, letting the bone slip out of the finger entirely. The child, a rosy-cheeked little miss apparently is in the best of health, seems to be none the worse for the ailment. A bone specialist in Portland was consulted Saturday and, while he did not seem to understand the cause of the infection, was of the opinion that no bone disease existed.

**Grandchild of Mrs. W. H. Evans Drowned.**

Mrs. W. H. Evans received a telegram on Saturday announcing the sad news of the drowning of her little granddaughter, Betty May, three-year-old daughter of her son, Robert Childers and wife, who was drowned in the Minam river at the mill town of Minam about 35 miles northeast of La Grande, Oregon. Mrs. Evans and her daughter, Miss Leila Childers, left Saturday evening for the scene of the tragedy. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Childers are planning to move to Gresham in the near future and Mrs. Evans has been eagerly anticipating the coming of her grandchild.

**ORDINANCE NO. 121.**

An Ordinance prohibiting the sale of fire works, including fire crackers, cannon crackers, pin wheels, sky rockets, Roman candles, etc., within the corporate limits of the City of Gresham, Oregon. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Gresham:

That from and after the passage of this ordinance and its approval by the mayor of the City of Gresham, it shall be unlawful for any individual, firm, co-partnership or corporation to display, sell or offer for sale any and all classes of fire works, including fire crackers, cannon crackers, pin wheels, sky rockets, Roman candles, set pieces, flares, etc., within the corporate limits of the City of Gresham, Oregon.

**SECTION 2.**  
Any individual, firm, co-partnership or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall upon conviction thereof, before the recorder of the City of Gresham, be punished by a fine of not less than Five (\$5.00) Dollars or by imprisonment in the city jail not less than one (1) or more than twenty-five (25) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

**SECTION 3.**  
That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, be and the same are hereby repealed.  
First reading, May 6, 1925.  
Second reading, by title, May 6, 1925.  
Third reading and passed, May 6, 1925.  
Approved May 6, 1925.  
By CHAS. CLEVELAND, Mayor.  
Attest: C. G. SCHNEIDER, Attorney.

**GRESHAM LOCALS**

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Calkins have received word of the birth of a baby boy born to their son, Kenneth Calkins, and wife at Shelton, Washington, on the 24th of April. The child has been named Kenneth Lyle.

A. Meyer and Franz Olbrich are each having electric ranges installed in their respective residences, together with electric water heaters. The range is the Hot-Point super-automatic range, all white enamel.

At the Gresham grange meeting last Saturday the charter was draped in memory of the late Judge George W. Stapleton. The beautiful and impressive ceremony from the new ritual was used.

Miss Sara Dotson is spending this week with relatives and friends at Skomakawa, Washington, and Astoria.

Mrs. F. N. Mewhirter of Newberg, who came to Portland last week to consult a specialist, was found to be a less serious condition than was thought. She expects to spend a week or two with her daughter, Mrs. Roy H. Gibbs, before returning to her home. A son, Max Mewhirter and wife, of Taft, Oregon, visited here on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Leslie plan to go this week to Seaside to spend a week or two looking after their beach property and getting it ready for the summer.

Mrs. A. J. Hammond and daughter Dorothy have returned from Yakima, Washington, where they visited two weeks with a sister of the former, weeks with Mrs. Walls, a sister of the former.

A. M. Wilkenson and William Stanley left Friday for the Little Sandy ranger station to be gone a good part of the summer. For a while they expect to be employed on maintenance work, that is the clearing of roadways and work of that kind, and later they will be stationed as guards at lookout stations.

Rudolph Kaser has rented the Erickson house on the corner of Third and Roberts and will move in soon. Mr. Kaser's family consists of a wife and three children.

The pastor of the Bible Standard community church, the Rev. Aaron Hansen, is helping in a revival meeting being held at Monitor. A number of the members of the church here attended the dedication of the new church which was recently erected at Monitor and report a good meeting. The Rev. E. E. Lee, of Falls City, had charge of the services at the Gresham church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Kidder entertained on Friday Mrs. G. W. Cook of Portland and her daughter, Mrs. B. Schumacher and baby, Nadine, of Corvallis.

Juichi Kalaria, a Japanese truck gardener living on lower Main street, has erected a house for himself and family next to the Lundquist warehouse. The building which is a fair-sized frame structure stands on piling which brings it up to the street level.

Recent sales of automobiles made by the Hessel Implement company include an Overland 6 sedan which was purchased by Roy Peterson, a resident of the Powell Valley district, and a Maxwell sedan which was sold to B. H. Bailey.

J. A. Gray entertained his Baptist Sunday school class of boys at his home Friday evening and a most enjoyable time was had. Before leaving the boys did justice to the ample lunch which was served.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Taylor arrived home Friday from an extended auto trip which included a visit with the latter's sister, Mrs. S. M. Page and family at Bend, Oregon. From there they went to Klamath Falls, stopping at Cottage Grove for a short stay with friends and at Brownsville they visited their son, Milo Taylor and family.

Miss Helen Hisey and Miss Joyce Kidder were the invited guests of the Beta Chi sorority at the junior week-end festivities at Willamette university. They went to Salem Friday morning and returned Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Davidson are being congratulated over the arrival of a seven-pound boy which was born to them Tuesday at the residence of Mrs. Carrie Powell.

The intermediate department of the Junior Epworth League enjoyed a hard times party in the parlors of the Methodist Episcopal church on Saturday afternoon. A number of the teachers and mothers were present to entertain the children and assist in their games.

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Cabbage Plants, 10c dozen. Tomatoes, 15c dozen. Celery, 10c dozen. Rhubarb Roots, 4 for 25c.

**SUHR FLOWER FARM**

BASE LINE, mile east 12-Mile House,

and a street car. He struck three machines coming from the opposite direction which turned him completely around, when he is reported to have stepped on the gas and speeded away in an easterly direction. One of the machines hit by him was driven by a Portland resident who hailed a passing auto and gave chase to the Japanese. As the driver of this car was himself a former resident of the land of cherry blossoms, he was loath to assist in the capture of one of his countrymen, and not until Yakato lost a rear tire and was forced to stop did he submit to capture. He was arrested by Patrolman Joe Hammersly who arrested him on three charges, reckless driving, speeding, and failing to render aid.

**Japanese Driver Under Arrest.**

M. Yakato, a Troutdale Japanese, evidently thought that life is just one mishap after another when on Sunday he bumped into three automobiles in succession and finally ended up in the city jail in Portland with bail set at \$1,000. He was proceeding in a westerly direction on Sandy boulevard and made an attempt to pass another auto

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**MILLINERY SATURDAY**

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