

## News from Nearby Localities

### HISTORY OF ARBOLEDA— A TWO-YEAR-OLD

By BESSIE C. HALLIDAY.

Arbolea, a district located on the Powell Valley road, half way between Gresham and Portland, will be two years old next month. During the latter part of the year 1923 the residents of the vicinity met and decided to organize a community club. After some consideration the name Arbolea was selected for the district and the club was organized under the name of the Arbolea Improvement club. The name Arbolea is of Spanish origin, meaning a place of many trees or a woodland. This name was thought particularly suited to the district which takes in all of the tract formerly known as the Coldwell Acres.

At the time the Arbolea district was named and the club organized, there were just 12 houses in the whole district. Since then six modern houses and a store building have been completed and three houses are now under way.

#### Reasons for Club.

The Arbolea Improvement club was organized for several reasons: first, to improve the district, clean it up, beautify it and keep it so; second, for a social good time, and third, to help each other when help is needed and to keep alive that good-fellowship feeling that one doesn't feel or find in a large city. So far, the club has proved a big success, brought about by the enthusiasm and the willingness to help on the part of all the members. Officers consist of a president, vice

president and secretary-treasurer and are elected twice each year. The membership of the club was at first limited to the Arbolea district, but after some months persons outside the district were taken in. About this time the club membership grew so large that it was impossible to continue meeting at the homes of the members, as was the custom, and it was necessary to make other arrangements. Floyd Halladay offered his garage building to the club for use until arrangements for a clubhouse could be made. This offer was gladly accepted and the club fitted the building up inside to suit its needs and also added two small additions to the building. The club membership at this time numbers about 35 and is still growing. Consideration is now being given to building a clubhouse some time next year.

That friendly community spirit and neighborly feeling has never died out in Arbolea, we are as one big happy family. That is the secret of our success as a community and as a club. Arguments? We have lots of them, but they are brought up in business meetings before the club and talked over and threshed out.

#### Reservoir Work to Begin.

The city of Portland will begin preliminary work next summer on the new reservoir, which is to be constructed on Wilson Hill just east of Arbolea and south of the Powell Valley road. This will include road work and some temporary work on the hill, according to Commissioner John

M. Mann. The reservoir to be constructed, known as the first unit, will have about a 500,000,000 gallon capacity or a four-day supply of water. Additional units will be added on the hill as needed.

#### Filbert Trees Grown Successfully.

The growing of filberts is carried on successfully in and around Arbolea. Whenever the soil is deep, fertile and well drained, the filbert nut can be grown satisfactorily. Soil in this vicinity is particularly adapted.

Floyd Halladay has five acres of filbert trees planted on his place in Arbolea. The trees were planted three years ago and are now making a good showing. Filbert trees are of not much value commercially until seven or eight years old, then they bear indefinitely. There are filbert trees in England that are known to be 150 years old. The filbert is a hardy tree, needs no spraying, blossoms in December and is not killed by frost.

#### Arbolea Looks for Building Activity.

A little over a year ago, E. D. Randall of Los Angeles, a brother of R. M. Randall, purchased 26 acres of land just off the Powell Valley road and at the southeast border of Arbolea. The land purchased is a beautiful woodland area and when improvements are completed, will furnish choice sites for homes. It is the intention of Mr. Randall in the near future to plat this property and put it on the market. Some of it, however, has been sold and two houses are now being erected.

Mrs. W. V. Church has purchased additional property joining her place and is contemplating building houses and placing them on the market. This project includes the opening up of a new road, which will run parallel with Powell Valley road and cross Fern avenue.

Arbolea expects a busy year during 1926 and is looking forward to it with enthusiasm.

### COLUMBIAN HEIGHTS HAS GOOD CRIST OF NEWS

By MRS. P. ANDERSEN.  
1925 is fast slipping away, and it can truly be said, it has been a wonderful year in many ways.

In spite of the dry summer, crops were good. Various new industries have given lots of work for the people. There has been more money spent this year for roadwork than any previous year, and the results are more and better roads everywhere in eastern Multnomah county, and the money spent has been divided among hundreds of working men, and many homes will have a happier Christmas this year on account of steady employment.

The building industry has also made quite a showing in and around here. Many nice new buildings have been erected the last year and many have been remodeled. Among the most notable structures built last year the Palmer place is first. It is a beautiful place and has cost a large sum. The grounds surrounding the mansion are very artistic and beautiful flowers bloom all the year round.

Electricity has come into the different localities, and many farmers have had electricity installed in all their buildings. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Reed of Corbett were instrumental in getting the electricity down the hill to lower Corbett, and paid for it personally.

Claude Woodle, who came from California a little more than a year ago and established a building and lumber business, has made fine progress during the year in this community. Being as it is a farming locality, the farmers must have been prosperous,

and it goes to prove that 1925 has been a good year.

The tourists still come here from other states, and wonder at the Oregon climate. Most of them have come in contact with snow but they find everything green here. We have not had any night frost yet, and roses can be seen in bloom. Oh! Oregon, my Oregon!

Mrs. V. Farrin of Portland, teacher of piano and pupil of Gertrude Kendrick, has established a studio at the Corbett grade school and has a fine lot of pupils. Her class will be enlarged by the first of the new year.

Mrs. Edmunsden has opened up a gift shop and sent out invitations to the ladies in the community to visit her place last Wednesday. Tea was served during the afternoon. There is a chance to buy your Christmas presents and at the same time help the Bundy orphans.

Bella Reed of Corbett is fast making a name for herself as a stage and character dancer. Recently she danced at the Portlad Hotel and danced herself into the hearts of her audience. She also was seen at the Rivoli in a screen feature some time ago. She is a junior at Columbian High.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Morgan were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Morgan of Portland Wednesday, it being Mr. Morgan's 55th birthday. Mr. Morgan is the father of A. Morgan of Chanticleer Inn.

Little June Dick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dick of Chanticleer celebrated her fifth birthday Wednesday at the Inn.

Wm. van Hoogstraten, director of Portland Symphony, and Elenor Gerhard, Forest Taylor and Ann Berryman were all dinner guests of the Morgans recently. The members of the Gresham Eastern Star were also recently entertained by the same host and hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Rasmussen of Tacoma were recent guests at Columbia View farm. Mr. Rasmussen is a brother of R. P. Rasmussen of The Dalles and Mrs. P. Andersen of Corbett. H. W. Rasmussen has lived in Tacoma for 40 years and is a retired business man of that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ehrman of Portland made a visit Tuesday out to their country home to make arrange-

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ments to have more trees planted on the grounds.

Julius Meier has just finished planting a new forest on the hillside and has set out some big trees, mostly firs.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Littlepage of Mosier were down for a short visit with relatives at Corbett recently.

#### Columbian High Notes.

A double header basket ball game was played between Columbian Hi and Park Rose. Columbian girls won from Park Rose girls 38 to 19. The boys' game was the most exciting game played this season. A tie of 14 to 14 was played off. Sandy made two baskets before the whistle blew. This is the third consecutive season that Columbian and Park Rose have played off tie games on Columbian's floor.

A bloody battle was waged between Corbett adults and the Estacada adults last Wednesday night. The game came near ending in a free for all. Both teams left the floor without finishing the game. This is the second time that has happened. The Corbett patrons will soon be paying for prize fights instead of basket ball games.

The senior class play "Officer 666" was rehearsed for the first time Friday night. The play is exceptionally mirth provoking.

#### ROCKWOOD

Nearly \$100 was realized at the bazaar which was given at the grange hall in Rockwood under the auspices of the Ladies Aid of the Methodist church. This money will be devoted to the building fund of the new church. A small supply of hand painted art novelties, done by Mrs. Bowman for the bazaar is still on hand and may be seen at the Methodist parsonage.

The Rockwood Parent-Teacher association will give a moving picture entertainment in the grange hall on Friday evening, December 18. The proceeds of this will be used to buy treats for the school children at the Christmas program which will be rendered on Wednesday evening, December 23 at the grange hall. The name of the film to be given Friday evening will be, "North of 36."

Have you read Walter Ramser's tire ad. in the Automobile Section?—Adv.

#### VICTORY

The Victory circle of the Evangelical Woman's Union will meet at the home of Mrs. Dora Wilhelm on Thursday, December 17, at 2 o'clock.

The regular meeting of the Victory Parent-Teacher association will be omitted for the month of December, the next meeting taking place the third Friday of January, 1926.

Alex. Thompson, who has been ill for the past eight weeks, is somewhat better and able to sit up.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McMillan and family have returned from an extended trip to Missouri, returning by way of California.

#### LINNEMANN

Mrs. A. R. Heiney and Miss Cora Giese celebrated their birthdays Thursday by a party at the home of Miss Giese. All the ladies of the neighborhood were present and a most enjoyable time was had. A pot luck lunch was served at noon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Card, of White Salmon, Washington, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Smith at Cedar-nook last week.

Before the departure of Mr. and Mrs. E. Dhulst on their recent trip to Belgium, Mrs. Dhulst was honored by a surprise given at the home of Mrs. U. G. Smith. She was given a handkerchief shower.

#### PLEASANT HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McGinnis have moved to Pleasant Home from The Dalles and are making their home for the present with the parents of the former, Mr. and Mrs. H. McGinnis.

#### Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our sincere gratitude to all friends and neighbors who have so kindly assisted us in our illness and recent bereavement, also for the beautiful floral tributes and inspiring music.

W. W. Northway, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Northway, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Northway, Miss Nell Van Zant.

#### Of Course.

Sheik—"Howdja get the dimple, kid?"  
Flapper—"Sleeping on a collar button."