

Corbett Community Conspicuous for Fine Schools and Flowers

By MRS. CLARA SMITH

Corbett, the beautiful little community center on the Columbia river highway, is noted for its excellent schools. Columbian High school was the first union high school in Multnomah county outside of Portland under the county unit plan. Its excellent school faculty leaves the students well fitted to enter higher institutions of learning as soon as they have finished the high school course. Our consolidated grade school is standard, having met all the requirements of such a school. This too has a fine corps of teachers who take a personal interest in each pupil.

The "little white church" is worthy of especial mention as it is here the young people and older ones meet from Sunday to Sunday and receive religious training. Claude Woodie is Sunday school superintendent and the Rev. Mr. Hannah of Portland the pastor.

Columbia Grange, with Mrs. Edith A. Bitler as master, is a community center for the farmers who meet monthly to exchange views on subjects pertaining to farming, and is a place of social intercourse which brightens the way and is an incentive to labor.

Corbett's beautiful flowers are known far and near as there are no prettier grown anywhere than those in George Chamberlain's, and the Frank Rigg's Dutch bulb gardens, of which Ed Shelton is the manager. And the country home of Julius Meier with its thousands of imported bulbs that arrived this fall and have been planted under the direction of Geo. Perry, will make this beautiful place a wonder of beauty with the various colors and varieties of bloom. Mr. Meier

has rebuilt his residence and now has a commodious home where he lives a part of each year with his family and enjoys the grandeur of the scenery from this advantageous view.

This vicinity boasts of a public camp ground that is up to date and officially inspected. It is owned and operated by Geo. Chamberlain. There are eight cabins and garages, and improvements and enlargements of the grounds are constantly being made.

Building activity of our little berg is gradually increasing. Victor Johnson has completed a large cement basement to his building at Corbett station. A barn 40 x 80 has been built on the Corbett estate farm. Clifford Reed has a residence under construction. Arthur Chamberlain has purchased acreage from his father and built a cottage. Malcolm Woodie has a fine new residence on his farm. Frank Bell completed a pretty bungalow which is occupied by Principal and Mrs. H. L. Moody. Albert Pounder, Loyd Bramhall and Albert Salzman have each built new residences which they are now occupying. L. Arneson has made improvements on his residence and store building.

The growing of broccoli in this vicinity is making a reputation for this locality as many carloads of this finest quality vegetable are shipped out. Potatoes and cabbage are also raised in abundance.

The world-famed chinook salmon taken from the waters of the Columbia river puts Corbett station on the map during the open season for fishing from May 1 to August 25 of each year.



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shop adjacent to Mr. Parsons' garage.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rogers operate a first-class restaurant and hotel in the Salzman building.

We have a two-room schoolhouse which accommodates 50 pupils or more. Two teachers are employed.

The Pacific Woodmen Life association has a large hall here which is the only home of its kind on the Pacific coast. The hall has a fine stage and a hardwood floor, also two large balconies on which to serve food, the balconies accommodating 100 people at once. The hall is modern in all respects. Large crowds attend the dances here which are given to pay the debt on the building. The hall is operated by a board of responsible citizens and everything is done to have nice clean dances for all.

There also is a meeting hall at Springdale in which the Plymouth Brethren hold their services.

The surrounding territory is quite large and farmers cultivate crops of potatoes, cabbage and cauliflower, hay and grain.

There are also several poultry ranches around here.

Fairview's Fine Water System Greatest Improvement of Year

By MRS. C. H. STONE

Fairview, a quiet little town, which is located six miles from Portland's city limits on the Columbia river highway, is the center of a rich farming, gardening and dairy district.

Many residents of Fairview are employed in Portland. They find it a pleasure to drive over the highway, which was widened during the past summer from Portland to Fairview. This improved highway, together with the recently installed water system, will make Fairview increasingly desirable for suburban homes of those working in the city.

The great improvement for the city during the past year is the city water system, which provides a sanitary water supply and is a problem against fire. The city was bonded for \$20,000. Parker & Schram of Portland were the contractors and Ross Fairbanks installed the pump. The well is located southwest of town and yields an abundance of fine water with splendid pressure. Up to the present time 70 meters have been installed with requests for more.

Means of Transportation

During the past year the Portland Electric Power company found it necessary to discontinue the electric line which had served so many Fairview patrons during the past. Instead of this reliable way of travel, Fairview citizens are now obliged to patronize one of the Columbia river highway buses or a Troutdale-Portland bus if they are not fortunate enough to own their own car. Another means of transportation is the O. W. R. & N. line.

Each year there are many carloads of fruit and potatoes shipped from the Fairview depot. During the past summer there have been many carloads of ties shipped from here to The Dalles, where they are created and then are ready for use on the O. W. R. & N. tracks.

The Fairview Grain and Warehouse is located near the depot. Here the farmers of the vicinity may buy or sell grain, hay or feed. The mill is well equipped for cleaning or rolling grain. A full line of paint is also carried.

Social Activities

The social activities of the town are carried on principally through the churches, the grange and the Parent-Teacher association.

The Methodist church of Fairview was the first of its denomination to be erected in this part of the county. After the viaduct was built beneath the O. W. R. & N. track it was decided to remove the old church building and rebuild it in a more convenient place. The late D. S. Dunbar will be remembered by Fairview citizens as one of the faithful members of this church who was much interested in seeing the church rebuilt. The church was organized in a dwelling in 1853 and was the only one between Portland and The Dalles. The first church was built in 1869.

The Presbyterian church was erected in the early '90s and is still a well preserved building. The property and church were donated by the late Hannah M. Smith, an aunt of A. L. Stone and the late H. S. Stone. The Rev. E. R. D. Hollensted, who is the present pastor, conducts services every Sunday morning. Mrs. Mary Hollensted is superintendent of the Sunday school.

Fairview patrons and pupils should be proud of their new school which was erected during the summer of 1925 at a cost of \$29,000. F. M. Stokes of Portland was the architect, and C. E. Stockton of Gresham the contractor. The building is of the one-story type with four large class rooms, a library, teachers' rest rooms, spacious halls and a large auditorium. We must not forget the well equipped kitchen from which hot lunches are served to the children during the winter months. Mrs. C. N. Buckner and Mrs. Anne Tegtart are in charge and the lunch is served at the low cost of 3 cents per dish. This is made possible by donations of vegetables by the patrons of the district, together with the careful planning of those

64 members with seven others to be initiated at the next meeting.

During the past summer, Blue Lake park, which is located directly north of Fairview, has become a famous summer resort. The bathing beach has been sanded and a new bath house has been erected at the edge of the lake. A large dance hall has been built. There are always boats and canoes to rent for those who wish to go rowing. With this beautiful lake so close by Fairview citizens do not have to travel far to find a most enjoyable picnic ground.

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Columbia Heights Writer Reviews Past Year and Records Progress

By MRS. P. ANDERSEN

Again we realize that the end of the old year is drawing nigh, for the season that advertises the approach of Yuletide is here, and as we look back over the past year it seems as though it was shorter than ever and that none of us has accomplished as much as we intended to do when 1927 was new. Now the time is here again when the writer will attempt to give an idea of the progress and various activities in this community during the last year. But I shall endeavor to bring forth only the bright side of life, in general and pleasant thoughts.

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I have no doubt in my mind that many of us, if we would go back over the past year, could find dark clouds now and then that prevented the sun from warming our souls, and presented to view unpleasant and sad moments. But as the days grow shorter we feel the spirit of Christmas manifested, and so we shall forget all unpleasant happenings and once again look forward with joy in our hearts for a happy Yuletide.

I feel as though the people having the privilege of living in Oregon have reason to rejoice as 1927 goes out, for though we have had more rain than usual, it is safe to say that the climatic condition of Oregon is wonderful. Again, if we compare Oregon with many of the states in the Union, the people have not suffered any calamities, such as floods, earthquakes, tornadoes or great storms, neither has anybody suffered from great heat such as they have to contend with in some places, neither have there been any reports of crop failures. While none of us can boast heavy crops of any kind, the year being poor for fruit on account of excessive rains, everybody has something both for man and beast, so after all we have much to be thankful for.

On Saturday, December 3, the thermometer climbed up to 50 degrees and the fall has been warm right along, trees and bushes are full of happy birds busy catching bugs in the sunshine, and, if you please, on that date the stock was still out in green meadows where grass is plentiful. So who would not be happy to live in Oregon?

Corbett and vicinity has made a substantial growth the last year and several new families have settled here to make their homes. Among those who have chosen to live around here are several young people who were born and raised in this locality, some of them being graduates of Columbian high. The good schools here have appealed to them as the place to make their prospective homes. Among those who have built within the last two years or so can be mentioned Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bramhall, Mr. and Mrs. A. Salzman, Mr. and Mrs. A. Pounder, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Reed, Mr. and Mrs. C. Woodie, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bell. With Mrs. S. Harding, Mrs. I. Crane and Mr. Van Hee in line

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Wedding Day Honored By Large Gathering

The 30th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Low of Troutdale was most enjoyably celebrated on Wednesday evening, December 7, by a dinner at the home of Mrs. Susan Harding of Morning Sun lodge at Corbett. Other dinner guests besides Mr. and Mrs. Low were Mr. and Mrs. G. Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bramhall, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Spence, Mrs. R. D. Hewitt and Miss Mabel Porter.

The plans for the evening were decidedly original. As Mr. and Mrs. Low pulled a string attached to a "mountain" in front of Santa Claus, the whole forming a striking center piece for the table, they found a lovely set of Haviland cups and saucers, the gift of assembled friends. Favors for all present were also a part of the mountain.

Later Mr. and Mrs. Low were surprised by the arrival of about 50 friends who came to spend the evening in a good old fashioned manner. A mock wedding was very cleverly done with Mrs. Wilcox as the blushing bride, dressed in white and wearing a full length veil. Mrs. Bramhall was the faltering groom in full dress suit, and Miss Porter the very capable parson. Mrs. G. Lumsden played the wedding march. Mrs. Spence as flower girl preceded the bridal couple and scattered celery in their path. Mrs. John Jonas was the dainty ring bearer. This ceremony caused much merriment.

Cards, dancing and games were enjoyed in the beautifully-decorated rooms. Mrs. D. E. Towle of Gresham won high honors with cards, and Clyde Stone of Fairview consolation. Mrs. S. M. Stewart of Portland, Mrs. Wallace Spence and Mr. Low entertained with several songs. Mr. and Mrs. Low favored the company with a Scottish dance, Mrs. Harry Waite accompanying them by a Scottish air played on a little old-fashioned tin whistle.

Dainty refreshments were served, after which all the officers of Troutdale chapter present, led by Mrs. Harding and Mr. Wilcox, entered the room singing and Mr. Bramhall presented Mrs. Low with a lovely week-end traveling case. Mrs. Low voiced her appreciation of the gift, after which all departed thanking Mrs. Harding for one of the jolliest evenings ever spent.

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Springdale Shows Substantial Growth

By MRS. MARY NORTHWAY

While there is not a great deal to say about a small town like Springdale, it is slowly improving. We have here three general merchandise stores, one of which George H. Atkinson is the owner, and one of which Raymond Reeves is manager. Mr. Reeves also has an up-to-date meat market in addition to the store. The Tourists' Supply store is operated by Art. Groce.

These stores all do a very promising business and have nearly everything one would wish for.

A barber shop and pool hall are operated by William Woods.

There are two up-to-date garages, one of which is managed by Roy Parsons and the other by Salzman brothers.

There are two filling stations, one operated by Mr. Enquist, and the other by Mr. Groce and his son Clyde. The Groce's also have a fruit and vegetable stand. Another stand is operated by Lewis Meter.

Salzman Brothers have a nice auto park here for tourists. Tom Northway has a blacksmith

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