

THE WELCOME VISITORS.

The Rural Mail Carriers Meet In Oregon In Annual Meeting - Steps Taken to Effect a District Organization.

The annual meeting of the Rural Free Delivery Carriers, of this county, was held in this city on Saturday last, February 22d. It being a National holiday, the carriers under the rules of the postal department, being excused from service on that day, and they devoted it to discussing questions pertaining to their responsible and trying positions. It was indeed regrettable that no representatives were present from the Craig and Forest City routes. Whether this was caused by lack of interest in their calling, or circumstances were such as to prevent their attendance, of course we are not in a position to say, but it is well known that the city letter carriers; the railway postal clerks, have strong, influential organizations, and it seems to us if there is any class of postal employes that should maintain an organization it is the rural carriers. Much good for the service can be accomplished through such an organization, whether local or district, and if any good is ever accomplished—especially increase in compensation, it will have to be accomplished through organization—for in union there is strength. And it is just as certain as any thing can be, the routes that are represented in a strong, vigorous organization, will be the first to be recognized by the department, when any favors are to be handed out. Every advancement that has been made, in the compensation of railway mail clerks and city delivery clerks, has been brought about by and through their systematic organization.

The veteran carrier, C. P. Bartram, of Maitland, presided, being the president of the local organization, and a secretary was at his desk as secretary. Maitland, Mound City and Oregon were represented by full delegations, and those that were present showed much interest in the discussions, and were enthusiastic in the interest of the service in which they were employed.

In the fore-noon, in addition to the various topics discussed, Judge G. W. Murphy was invited to address the carriers, and he did so, in a very interesting 30 minute's talk on general postal topics, showing how the postal service had developed, and to what proportions it had grown.

On the arrival of the noon hour the visitors were taken to the Hotel Woodland, and in company with the local carriers, enjoyed a good dinner and smoke.

In the afternoon they were addressed by D. P. Doby, who took up the subject of the rural free delivery system, from its very inception, and showed its wonderful growth and development during its ten years of existence.

The carriers became quite enthusiastic looking to the organization of a district association, and as the St. Joseph carriers were also in session in that city, our locals put themselves in communication with their St. Joseph brethren, looking to this end, and an arrangement was consummated for a joint meeting that evening in St. Joseph, and our locals all went down that evening, and their going resulted in the organization of a district association, by the election of: Mr. Weightman, of St. Joseph, as president; J. J. Lukens, of Oregon, Secretary, and Lem Burnett, of Mound City, treasurer. The two former, with C. W. Book, of Mound City, F. H. Graham of Oregon, and O. W. Adams, of Bigelow, were constituted as an executive committee. A committee on constitution and by-laws was created, by the selection of F. H. Graham and Hugh Harsha, of Oregon, and Charles Ossenberger, of St. Joseph, as such committee.

The rural carriers of this congressional district, should get together and make this district organization, one of the most influential of the many similar organizations in the country.

An adjournment was taken to meet in St. Joseph, on May 30th, to complete the details of the organization, and every rural carrier in the Fourth Congressional district, is not only cordially invited, but is expected to be present at this meeting.

—Why could not all the good stories about a person be told before the bells are tolled as well as afterwards.

—Mrs. Frances Marion, of near Fillmore, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Aut Curry, her husband, Aut Curry, also the children, James Marion and Emma Daisy Curry, returned to her home last week.

—Ralph W. Collison and Miss Katherine Frances Summers were united in marriage at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning, February 19. The ceremony was at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Summers, and was performed by Rev. J. S. George, pastor of the Christian church. Only the members of the two families were present. After the ceremony an elegant wedding breakfast was served, and the bridal couple took the train for their bridal trip. Mr. and Mrs. Collison will be at home at their beautiful home on Maple avenue, after March 9. The groom is the junior member of the firm of J. R. Colison & Son, and is well known as a sterling young business man. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Summers and is a charming and accomplished young lady. She is deservedly popular among a large circle of acquaintances.

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES.



REV. G. W. COMER, D. D.

Rev. G. W. Comer, D. D., of Osceola, Neb., is holding services each evening at the Presbyterian church. Dr. Comer is an eloquent preacher of the Gospel, and large crowds have enjoyed the services. Dr. Comer is a sweet singer. Come and hear him.

Sunday morning his subject will be, "The Call of the Universe." Sunday evening, "An Unexplored Remainder." Sunday afternoon he will hold mass meeting at 2:30. Subject, "Merchant Men Seeking Goodly Pears." Business men are especially invited to this service.

PUBLIC SALE!

I will sell at Public Sale in front of my barn in Forest City, Mo., on

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 1908,

beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., the following described property, to-wit:

HORSES.

10 Head of Horses: 1 pair of heavy Horses, good farm team, weight about 1200; 2 Bays, well-matched and good for any service, weight about 1,000 pounds, and 10 years old; 1 Black Mare—a beauty, 7 years old and fine single or double driver, a splendid family animal; 1 White Mare, blind—a good driver; 1 Bay Colt, coming 3 years old and well broke and a nice driver; 1 Saddle Horse, and 2 Sorrel Mares in foal, good drivers and good workers.



CATTLE AND HOGS.

2 good Cows—1 Jersey, will be fresh soon and one of the best in the country; 1 red Cow, a good, gentle milker, and is 5 years old. Eight head of Shoats.

BUGGIES, CARRIAGES, ETC.

Three Top Buggies, two Carriages, both almost new; one Farm Wagon, one Spring Wagon, one Road Wagon, five sets of Double Harness, almost new; ten new Lap-ropes, and many other things too numerous to mention.

TERMS OF SALE:—All sums under \$10, cash; on all sums over \$10, a credit of 8 months' will be given, purchaser giving bankable note with 8 per cent interest from date.

D. D. CARR,

R. C. BENTON, Auctioneer. J. A. LEASE, Clerk.

Real Estate for Sale!

See R. C. Benton, Oregon, Mo., for farm loans, for personal loans, for a house to rent, for a public sale, for a house to sell, for a farm to rent, for a farm to sell.

For fire and tornado insurance in town and country. There never was a time when you should watch your insurance closer. Why? Because of the high price of lumber. See that your insurance is well distributed and calls for proper amounts on each class of property, and have a clear contract that this is to be done for a stated amount of money, for a certain period. Don't go it blind or wide open. Our courts are full of trouble of this kind.

I have both 'phones at office and residence. Can also read writing, and I never refuse to talk, when I am paid for it. So come after me in whatever way your judgment dictates.

**Yours for Business,
R. C. BENTON**

OREGON, MISSOURI.

—Query:—How many schools beside Wilson had an average per cent of 70 in attendance on Tuesday, February 18th? ANNA V. WEAVER, Teacher.

—Frank Rush, of St. Joseph, came up for a few days to be at the bedside of his mother, Mrs. Philip Rush, who has been quite sick with lagrippe.

A HANDSOME PRESENT.

The Individual Communion Cups to be Used at the First Christian - They Come As a Present.

The members of the First Christian church, were greatly pleased and surprised Thursday of last week, at an important meeting, held at the home of Mrs. E. O. Phillips, when the latter in behalf of her parent, C. O. Proud and wife, presented the church with a splendid Individual Communion Set in silver and crystal. Each glass will hold a thimbleful of unfermented wine, and sets in a socket, and these are fitted into a handsome silver tray, and are carried upon these trays by the deacons or other officers entrusted with that duty.

One of the most recent changes in church administration among Protestants is the abandonment of the old style of administering the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, by the use of two or three cups. Most all of the Protestant religious societies have adopted the plan of administering the wine in small cups in numbers equal to the number of communicants, carried upon trays. Of course, the practice has not become general, except in large cities and wealthy congregations. The change was suggested by the discovery of an eminent chemist and microscopist of disease microbes in wine left in the bottom of certain communion cups, and this created such an alarm as has resulted in adopting the new practice.

This new style of a cup for each communicant is more consonant to the traditions of the Lord's Supper, where the Apostles sat about the table at an ordinary Oriental meal. It is hardly able to tell whether they reclined on divans or couches about the table, or sat on low stools, both being common methods of supping among the Greeks and Romans at the period of the death of Jesus.

The members of this organization feel truly grateful to the donors, and trust they may live long to partake of this beautiful service with them.

—Moore & Kreek have Fresh Garden Seed in the bulk or packages.

—Robert Frakes and family are now located in their new home, Cornell, Hitchcock county, Nebraska.

—For cut flowers and funeral designs see or call Will Fitzmaurice, agent for Stuppy Floral Co.—Both phones, Forest City, Mo.

—That Prince-of-good-fellows, Gus Henstorf, of Corning, was in Oregon last Monday, looking after business interests, and shaking hands with his numerous friends.

—Fresh Northern Grown Garden Seed in bulk, the only way to buy seeds. You can see what you are buying and get more for the same money than you do in packages.

BRAGG MUNN H'D'W. CO.

—Farmers. We are now ready to contract for the raising of sweet corn and tomatoes, for the Oregon Canning Co., for this next season. Very liberal terms offered, See

L. I. MOORE, or MATT EILER.

—It is funny how the average landlord does with his tenants. He refuses to make the most needed repairs for a good tenant. After he loses his tenant he goes to lots of expense and probably lets it stand idle for months. That is the way with the owner of the building formerly occupied by the Jeffersonian, and many others.—Jeffersonian.

—Gilbert & Co., our clothes, had another "birthday window," at their place of business on Saturday last. A large life size oil portrait of the Father of his Country, served as the background, which was gracefully draped in the national colors, and about it were displayed pictures of Mrs. Washington, facsimile of the Declaration of Independence, many relics in fire arms, etc., of the revolutionary days. It was the work of Charley Kooch, and places him as the leader of window decorators of our little city.

—From 8 to 10 o'clock on the evening of Feb. 13, the Third Circle of the Young Ladies of the Presbyterian church gave a Valentine party to the Young Ladies of the First and Second Circles. Each lady was permitted to invite one of her friends from among the gentlemen. There were present about fifty, almost evenly divided as to sex. They were entertained in the lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ruley. The house was decorated with white and red hearts and Cupids with their arrows here and there. The evening was spent in writing valentines, games and innocent amusements. Dainty refreshments were served. All the guests departed with a blessing on their hostess, and the hope that we may have many such pleasant evenings with them.

Monuments Cheaper.

E. COOK & CO., dealers in American and Foreign Granite and Marble Monuments, of whom A. A. Richardson is general manager, desires to announce to those in need of monuments, markers, tablets, grave-covers, curbing, coping, corner posts, fencing and cemetery decorations of any kind will now do well to get their greatly reduced prices.

The manager of the above firm has made, and lettered nearly 1000 monuments in this county the past 10 years and all his work has given entire satisfaction.

MOORE & KREEK

GROCERS, OREGON, MO.

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Very Best Groceries and Table Supplies At All Times.

We have just received two car loads of Flour, one of Bultes Best and one of Diamond K. Also Mill Feed, including some of those fine White Shorts.

We are not closing out, nor are we reducing stock, but we are pricing our goods so that you will buy now, and come to us again for Good Goods at Low Prices. We want your trade to-day, also to-morrow and so on, that's the reason we will give you quality in the things you eat, low prices courteous treatment, and a stock that is up-to-date.

Try 100 lbs. of Diamond K. Flour at \$2.75.

Sincerely Yours,

MOORE & KREEK,

OREGON, MISSOURI.

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IT'S your money; and your feet to be shod. You can take your feet anywhere for shoes and spend your money for any shoes you want.

Take this from me. If you're looking for the best of it, you'll bring your feet and your money to this store, and put both into BROWN'S ★5★ SHOES, \$1.50 to \$4.00. Don't overlook BUSTER BROWN BLUE RIBBON SHOES for Girls and Boys.

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Made to your own individual measure for

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The Cash Store,
OREGON, MISSOURI.

—We are indeed sorry to learn that Sam Morgan, one of the affable clerks with the Gilbert Clothing Co. is now confined to his home with an attack of pneumonia. We hope for his speedy recovery.

—Dr. Charles Simpson, of Yates Center, Kansas, was here for a few days last week, the guest of his parents, Samuel Simpson and wife. He is now Assistant State Veterinarian. We are glad to hear of his success, for he is a hustler.