

EXPERT SAYS CITY ORCHARD MENACES

Business Should Be Left to People Who Will Take Care of Their Trees.

OREGON IS HOME OF PEAR

Experience Proves That Owner's Personal Attention Is Essential. Japanese Labor Has Been Demonstrated as Failure.

It was a fairly large and intensely interested audience that listened to an address by Professor E. J. O'Garra yesterday afternoon in the convention hall of the Commercial Club on improved methods of fruit growing.

He discussed the growing and the diseases of fruit. He paid a compliment to fruit conditions in Oregon, saying that this state has come to be the only section of the Union where pears are grown successfully.

Oregon may be called the pear state of the Union. It is the only state where they grew well at one time the blights have killed them out. You have here reached a point of scientific culture of your fruit which has forestalled such a condition and this precludes the possibility of it at any future time.

Culture Deserves Compliment.

"I was up at Hood River the other day and I must compliment the residents of that beautiful little valley on the manner of their fruit culture. There is no trace of the Willamette Valley, the Rogue River Valley and other sections."

Professor O'Garra urged keeping acreage down to the minimum as to individual tracts and the total elimination of fruit-growing in the city and village. He dwelt on both these subjects at length.

"To prevent infectious and infectious diseases from gaining a hold in fruit districts, should be enforced. A city the size of Portland should have at least six inspectors.

"The 'back yard' orchard is the greatest menace to the fruit industry there is, to my mind. There is much refuse in dumped and disease inevitably set in. Then the private orchard of two, three and more trees is so small that the owner cannot do or does not give it the proper attention. Little sprays are done and little scientific attention is given the trees. Diseases set in and spread all over the country.

Blight Is Menace.

"These blights" work in relays, extending out all over the country. It is possible for them to go an indefinite distance. We have traced them from down in California far up into Oregon. This shows that the possible source of blight should be carefully guarded and destroyed when found.

"As an extra precaution I believe that every fruit-bearing tree in the cities of the state should be cut down and replaced with shade trees. People in the cities in general are not interested in the agricultural interests of the state and should leave the industry alone for that reason, if for no better one.

"Our experience has taught us that it is better all around to have small orchard tracts. The 10-acre man is better for the whole community than, in cooperation, to himself than the 60-acre one. He is better able to look after his interests than the large holder. One thing we have learned and that is that the orchard must be looked after personally by the owner.

Mayor Is the Most Important Item

"Mayor is the most important item we have to consider, and owing to the character of the fruit-growing industry when labor is needed it is imperative. There can be no other man in the city but fruit must be gathered at a certain time or not at all. The Government will not permit the importation of fruit and we have learned to our sorrow that Japanese absolutely will not do. Treat them with a little and by the time you return considerable will be imported. Of course, I am inclined to favor the Northern Italian. He is industrious and honest. Do not mistake, however, and secure the Southern or Neapolitan Italian.

BRIDGE IS BADLY WANTED

Fulton Park Club Discusses Plan for Another Viaduct.

At a routine meeting of the Fulton Park Improvement Club last night, there was enthusiastic discussion of plans for securing a big steel and concrete bridge to span the Willamette at South Portland for the automobile.

The plan decided upon by the club as the most advantageous and central for the proposed new South Portland bridge, would place the approach on the West Side about half way between Division and Ellsworth streets, and on the West Side, between Sherman and Meade streets. If the Council passes the resolution it is desired, immediate estimates of the cost of construction will be urged by South Portland's allied committees, who will make every endeavor to have the bridge placed before the people at the next city election, in November.

Among the influential residents and property owners of South Portland and contiguous territory, who are lending their efforts toward securing the proposed bridge are Dr. W. I. Cotter and Dr. J. Allen Gilbert, both of whom own handsome homes in South Portland; M. J. Clowess and Frank L. McGuire, who are owners and promoters of the big Capitol Hill district, and many others.

GOOD ROADS GREAT NEED

Rally to Lay Stress on Importance of Early Campaign.

"Good roads in Oregon," the slogan of the Oregon State Good Roads Association, will be stressed by a half-dozen speakers at tonight's rally of the association in the auditorium of the Masonic Temple, West Park and Yamhill streets.

In addition to the speaking there will be music.

Lionel R. Webster, who resigned as County Judge of Multnomah County to take up the campaign for the association, will be the chief speaker, assisted by M. E. Girdridge, good roads expert of the United States Department of Agriculture, J. H. Albert, president of the Oregon State Automobile Association, will be among the speakers.

Judge Webster and Mr. Eldridge yesterday went to Dallas, where last night a large meeting was held and an association was organized for Polk County. This will make the 11th county to effect such an organization.

The principal objects of tonight's meeting are to discuss questions as to the kind of legislation wanted in carrying out the good roads program. After the scheduled addresses, the evening the subjects will be open for discussion.

MILWAUKEE NOT TIED UP

ROAD CAN ENTER PORTLAND WHENEVER IT DESIRES.

Traffic Agreements Do Not Prevent Road to Enter Seattle Before July 15.

Transcontinental passenger trains of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railroad will be running into Seattle before July 15, according to E. D. Sowell, vice-president and assistant to President Earling, of the Milwaukee road.

Together with R. M. Calkins, traffic manager of the system, Mr. Sowell arrived in the city yesterday and spent the day in an investigation of local conditions under the guidance of J. R. Voss, general freight agent.

Mr. Sowell declined to discuss anything relating to the running of the Milwaukee passenger trains into Portland, although at present it has a physical connection with the O. R. & N. at Plummer, Idaho, and extends westward at that point with the Portland line.

Mr. Sowell was fervid in his complimentary references to Portland. He said that it "intention of the road to obtain a traffic agreement, about which he was unable to get an agreement."

Book Tells of Camping.

"Camping in the Rockies" is the title of an interesting little book issued by the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad. The work is excellently illustrated and contains every possible amount of information regarding the country to be traversed, the conditions in each section and the preparations to be made that can be compiled in a 60-page pamphlet.

SENTENCE SELF-IMPOSED

Gus Hartman Sends Himself to Rockpile for 20 Days.

Gus Hartman was allowed the privilege of passing sentence upon himself by Judge Bennett in Municipal Court yesterday and inflicted a penalty of 20 days on the rockpile as a just retribution for his misdeed.

"I come back, Judge, I don't care how hard you make me, I'm going to cut it out and leave town."

"How much do you think I ought to give you, Gus, if you do come back?" asked Judge Bennett.

"You can give me 20 days if you want to, replied Gus."

"Well, cautioned the judge, 'if you do come back, remember you have passed sentence upon yourself.'"

Gus was released, but upon his way to the station he passed one, or perhaps two places where liquor was sold, and the temptation was too strong. He was again arrested and yesterday was ordered by the court to begin serving his self-imposed sentence.

STREET BENCHES MUST GO

Used for Advertising, They Harbor Tramps and Hoboes.

Campaign against benches on the public streets which violate the city ordinance and harbor tramps, hoodlums, tobacco-chewers and peanut-eaters has been commenced by the police department. Eleven reports on the subject were filed with Captain Bailey yesterday by patrolmen.

A furniture house has distributed at transfer points a large number of the benches, bearing its advertisement. Officers Holmes says they are of flimsy construction and are eyesores.

They violate the billposting ordinance, says Officer Trout. Officer Adams found that they were largely used by hoodlums and tramps. Tobacco-chewers and peanut-eaters leave the vicinity a disgusting puddle of filth, says Officer Galbraith. Drunks and hoboes congregate on the benches and pass remarks upon women who go by, says Sergeant Smith in his report.

The benches, in so far as they violate the ordinance, will be ordered removed.

INDICTMENT FOUND AGAINST GULFORD

Charge Is Attempted Bribery in W. C. Morris Embezzlement Case.

GRAND JURY MAKES REPORT

No Action Noted as to Swoek or Fouts—True Bill Is Returned Against J. H. Smoke in Dynamite Outrage at Piper Home.

H. A. Gulford was indicted by the county grand jury last night for bribery, but no indictments were returned against either Alex Swoek or Seneca Fouts, the attorneys whom Gulford connected with the case in his confession. Neither were "not true bills" returned in their cases, so it is probable the grand jury has not completed its investigation.

Gulford is alleged to have offered H. M. Barton, a juror in the W. C. Morris embezzlement case, \$1000 on May 11, to cause a disagreement and thereby prevent a verdict of guilty.

Leo Weingarten was also indicted for bribery. He is alleged to have offered a bribe to L. G. Carpenter, a member of the police force, to induce the officer to request the dismissal of a disorderly conduct charge which stood against him. The alleged bribe was \$100, and is said to have been offered May 3.

John H. Smoke was indicted on two counts for assault with intent to kill. He is alleged to have exploded dynamite on April 9 with intent to kill Agnes L. Piper. The other charge is that he caused an explosion on April 10, intending to kill his wife, Margaret Smoke. There was evidently some question as to whether the explosion occurred before or after midnight, so the grand jury returned two indictments in order to reach him on one.

Porter Manson was indicted for the alleged theft from Ada Lyding, a woman 12 of a diamond ring worth \$200. Henry Harris is alleged to have maintained a disreputable house April 14.

Robert De Witt and James Porter were cleared by the return of "not true bills" of charges of murder in the first degree. The charge against De Witt was that he struck Addison Witters over the head on April 28 with a dangerous weapon, intending to kill him and that against Porter was that he killed John Countryman, May 10.

Blanche Frazer was cleared of a larceny charge. She was accused of stealing a diamond worth \$300 on May 12 from Mrs. L. J. Wright. One indictment is withheld from publication.

INTEREST IN SALOON DENIED

Fitzgerald Replies to Fouts' Charge of Conspiracy.

"I do not own any interest in Bob Patterson's saloon," said Deputy District Attorney Fitzgerald last night, in answer to Attorney Seneca Fouts' latest charge that there is a conspiracy to implicate him in the Gulford bribery charges.

"It is a fact that Senosky, Kiernan and I are the owners of a quarter block across the corner from the saloon mentioned, and that is as close to Bob Patterson as our connections reach. That is the whole basis for Fouts' charges that Senosky, Kiernan, Patterson and I are implicated in a conspiracy against him."

Senosky and Kiernan also denied that they had any interest in or anything to do with the saloon in question.

Attorney Fouts charged, in a statement made yesterday, that Fitzgerald, Wagner, Senosky and Kiernan conceived the conspiracy, and that Patterson furnished the man to carry it out. He alleges personal spite as Fitzgerald's motive.

The charges against Fouts and Swoek

"You may fool all of the people some of the time, and some of the people all of the time, but you cannot fool all of the people all of the time."

TWO-HONEST-ONES

OBAK
MOUTHPIECE CIGARETTES

were taken up yesterday before a committee of the Bar Association, consisting of A. C. Spencer, W. C. Bristol, John K. Kollock, Jerry Bronaugh and E. E. Covert. On the suggestion of A. C. Spencer, the chairman, the sessions were made executive, only the witnesses and the accused attorneys being allowed in the room. Even the latter were excluded from the hearing at one time, when Gulford related one passage of his alleged experience in which he said neither Swoek nor Fouts participated. Gulford was before the committee for about three hours.

Y. M. C. A. CRUISES BEGIN

Bible Study Club Will Go to Multnomah Falls in Launch.

Annual over-Sunday cruises by members of the Young Men's Christian Association boys' Bible clubs are to begin this week. The first trip will be taken by the Amelians, a club led by P. H. Wyman and composed chiefly of boys in the Y. M. C. A. educational department.

This club will leave on the Y. M. C. A. launch tonight at 5 o'clock from the foot of Madison street. It is expected to camp in the vicinity of Vancouver tonight, and tomorrow morning the launch trip up the Columbia will begin at sunrise. Multnomah Falls will be reached about 10 o'clock and a stop will be made there while the boys climb to the top of the falls. The voyage will then be continued, possibly to Cascade Locks. As Monday is Decoration day, the greater part of that day will be spent on the river, but the party will return to Portland Monday afternoon.

These cruises are one of the most enjoyable features of the Y. M. C. A. Summer work. While they are taken largely for pleasure, Bible study is the whole basis for every such outing. The various Bible clubs will make such trips frequently during the Summer. The boys take blankets with them and camp out in the open.

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LIGHT PLANS BEGUN

Skyscrapers Keep Festival Decorations Dark Secret.

NOVELTY TO BE SOUGHT

Buildings That Took Lead Last Year Set Pace for Newcomers. Prospective Visitors Are Already Visibly Impressed.

The dressing-up of Portland's downtown business district for the approaching Rose Festival, now less than two weeks away, began yesterday morning when a force of men was put to work on the framework of the electric lights that will blaze from the top of the 12-story Wells-Fargo building. The design for the Commercial Club's eight-story structure was also begun, and within a few days all the imposing skyscrapers, big department stores, banks and other places of business will be in the hands of the decorators. The managements of both the Wells-Fargo and the Commercial buildings, while admitting that their designs will be electric and of striking beauty, are making a mystery of the central idea, and until the completed structures blaze out their welcome to Rose Festival visitors on the night before the opening of the celebration, the nature of the greeting will be kept secret.

Both the buildings mentioned have had fine displays for the previous celebrations, and have set a pace for the other skyscrapers that probably will inspire many ingenious and attractive designs.

Preparations are being made by all the leading hotels and big stores for decorations of unusual beauty. The Hotel Portland, which already has captured enviable Rose Festival laurels,

will be in line again with decoration designs, and the Oregon, Perkins and New Imperial are also working out decorative schemes that will make their rich bowers of beauty and festival spirit.

General interest is being evidenced by all the smaller business establishments of all classes, as well as the more pretentious firms, and from the data already in the hands of Ralph Hoyt, president of the Festival Association, the business center of the city will be dressed more lavishly and more ingeniously for the coming celebration than ever before in its history.

The festival spirit has taken firm hold upon Portland people generally, as attested by telephone calls and letters of inquiry upon the subject of festival decorations and entries for the pageants, and President Hoyt says that visitors from outside points will have reason to remember the Rose City as a place of co-operation and enterprise, as well as of prolific bloom.

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