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Display of Fruits and Vegetables at Gresham Fair Arouses Great Interest Among Visitors—Mayor Lane Guest Today.

Mayor Harry Lane is the guest of the grange today at the Multnomah county and grange fair. This is Portland day and Portland is well represented. Other speakers were Tom Richardson, representing the business interests and trade development of Portland and Multnomah county, and Rev. W. G. Elliot, the ethical development of the city and county.

Larger crowds visited the fair today than on any previous day. Should the weather be favorable a still larger attendance is expected tomorrow, as it is the day of the Woodmen picnic and the last day of the fair. Other attractions will be the confetti carnival in the evening, games will be the feature of the Woodmen's program.

Award Stock Prizes.

Judging of the stock will be completed today and all the awards announced. There will probably be no further additions to the exhibits and they will remain practically as they are. They are found very satisfactory and a surprise to many. It has been noted that the vegetable and grain exhibit surpasses that at the state fair.

A special car carrying a delegation from the East Side Business Men's club left at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon for the fair. They accepted the invitation of the fair committee to come as a delegation and become better acquainted with the people of east Multnomah. They expect to establish closer trade relations with the section and learn more of their wants and wishes, and they believe the visit will be a benefit to both.

"It is a revelation to the many city folks that run up to Gresham every afternoon," said J. C. Freeman, "to learn many things about the products of the county in which they live. It is no trouble to pick the prize winners, for everything in the agricultural line seems to be in the one class. For instance, in the well-appointed pavilion in which are arrayed the exhibits there are turnips of such size and weight, melons and, if their measurements were expressed in inches, would be almost unbelievable.

Enormous Size of Vegetables.

"The only way to get an understanding of the relative size of Powell valley turnips is by putting them alongside of watermelons. The same is true of the wonderful arrangement of carrots, beets and parsnips. Cabbages and cauliflower there are which require comfortably only the largest watermelon as a standard of size of these products of the truck farm."

"There are English walnuts grown a little way out on the Base Line road and also perfect specimens of apples, pears, prunes and plums. There is corn shown with eight-foot stalks and well-rounded ears of grain, which, if not demonstrating that the Powell and Eagle valleys are producing crops of less disclosure that big corn can be grown in the absence of the hot nights of the Argentine, it is a revelation to the many city folks that run up to Gresham every afternoon."

REV. R. L. PADDOCK WILL FILL NEW DIOCESE

Eastern Oregon District Provided for by House of Bishops.

The house of bishops in session at Richmond, Virginia, yesterday elected Rev. Robert L. Paddock, bishop of eastern Oregon, a new diocese recently created by the advice of Bishop Manning for more efficient handling of the state. The new district comprises all that portion of the state east of the Cascade mountains.

Salt Rheum

Itches, oozes, dries and scales over and over again; local applications do not cure it because they cannot remove its cause, which is an impure condition of the blood. The most obstinate cases have been perfectly and permanently cured by a course of Hood's Sarsaparilla, the best medicine for salt rheum in the world.

Refers Matter of Lowering Assessments to Attorney Who Says Official Is Liable for All Levies Checked Off Lists Without Full Authority of the Law.

Robert L. Stevens, sheriff of Multnomah county, is liable for the collection of all taxes which have been checked off the lists by him without authority of law. That he has transgressed the law by reducing the figures turned over to him by the assessor, upon the request of property owners who considered their assessment to have been too high, has been told Sheriff Stevens by his attorney, John F. Logan, to whom he submitted the question some time ago.

Attorney's Assessment.

The tangle is said to have arisen because of the custom followed by Sheriff Stevens of permitting assessments to be lowered upon the application of property owners who alleged that their assessments had been placed at too high a figure by the assessor. The case of Senator Sig Sichel can be well taken as an illustration of the practice. Senator Sichel represented to the sheriff that the sum was entirely too large and accordingly Mr. Stevens cut off \$15,000 of the assessment, leaving the valuation of the senator's property at \$5,000, and checked off \$240 from his total taxes, collecting \$40.

The same thing has been done in approximately 100 different instances, the reductions amounting to a large sum and the loss of taxes to the county being in proportion.

No Affidavits Filed.

Under the law the sheriff and the assessor are alleged that their assessments had been placed at too high a figure by the assessor. It is also necessary for all affidavits alleging double or erroneous assessment to be properly sworn to by the property owner before a notary before any action can be taken upon them by the sheriff or the assessor.

Will Legalize Act.

Sheriff Stevens, it is understood, has decided to ask all those whose assessments were reduced by him for any cause or in any way to be held liable now on file in his office. This procedure will legalize all those cases which come under the law. It will not, however, absolve the sheriff of his responsibility for his unauthorized reductions of valuations made by the assessor.

August Stange, the aged German of Evelyn Nesbit Thaw delusions and empty purse, who has been annoying the city and county authorities for some time, was registered at the county jail yesterday afternoon by Deputy County Health Officer McCornack.

CARNIVAL FUND GROWS STEADILY

Los Angeles Fiesta Committee and California Party Will Visit Portland.

ENGINEER IS KILLED IN MONTANA WRECK

(United Press Leased Wire.) Denver, Oct. 18.—Eastbound Santa Fe California limited train No. 4 ran into a ditch near Earl, 20 miles north of Trinidad this morning. Engineer John Thomas was killed and fireman Brington fatally injured. The engineer of the second engine escaped, but it is thought his fire was under the wreck. A number of passengers were injured.

MISS MAUD STEVENS IS DEAD AT BOSTON

Seattle, Oct. 18.—A special dispatch from Boston to the Star chronicles the death of Miss Maud Stevens, aged 65 years, daughter of Isaac Stevens, the first governor of Washington territory. Miss Stevens had been an invalid for years. She left relatives in Seattle and Olympia, besides two sisters in the east.

ELEVEN JURYMEN IN BOX IN FORD TRIAL

San Francisco, Oct. 18.—Five additional jurors were temporarily passed this morning in the Ford case, making 11 in all.

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FOOTPADS KNOCK VICTIM OVER HEAD

Clerk Struck Down and Robbed at Park and Couch Streets.

While on his way to his room at the Hotel Hoyt at 1 o'clock this morning, B. L. Clark, a clerk, was knocked down and robbed by two footpads in one of the park blocks at Park and Couch streets. The footpads were seen to take a gold watch from their victim and then fled south on Park street. Although the police made a search of the district following the crime, no trace of the crooks was discovered.

MASHER PAYS HIGH FOR VERY FEW WORDS

Another individual has found to his sorrow that "mashing" is a hazardous undertaking. Henry Buler was fined \$50 by Judge Cameron on a charge of disorderly conduct preferred by Mrs. Erickson yesterday morning near Third street. Buler accosted the woman at the intersection of the streets mentioned and invited her to accompany him to his apartments over the New Market saloon. Patrolman Stuart was notified of the affair and promptly placed Buler under arrest.

FINED FIFTY FOR TOTTING A PISTOL

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Pendleton, Or., Oct. 18.—L. S. Robinson was this morning fined \$50 for carrying a revolver by Judge Bean, who says he was in danger of his life from the man. Robinson seems demented and will be examined.

PENDLETON ELKS AT WALLA WALLA

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Pendleton, Or., Oct. 18.—Over 50 Elks went from Pendleton to Walla Walla last night to participate in the parade. Pendleton had a rough rider troop and a band of Indian boys. The parade was a triumph for the Elks, who were in the front of the parade. The Walla Walla Elks were in the rear.

PERSONAL

H. E. Armstrong and E. S. Snelling of Cathlamet are at the Imperial. Judge Will R. King, supreme court commissioner, is in Portland this morning on his way to Salem. Judge King has just returned from a two weeks' vacation along the coast. Charles J. Brubaker of The Dalles, a hip dealer, is at the Imperial. Representative B. F. Jones of Independence is at the Perkins. He has just returned from a trip to St. Louis on business. L. N. Roney, a contractor and builder of Eugene, is at the Perkins. A. E. Hammond, engineer in charge of the government work at Ceililo, is in the city on a brief visit. W. H. Wilson of The Dalles, who has been spending a few days in the city, returned home yesterday. A. A. Jayne of Hood River is at the Imperial.

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Victoria Ferry Charming Colides With Steamer Tartar but No One Is Injured.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 18.—Canadian Pacific Railroad liner Tartar, which left here at 4 o'clock yesterday on her last trip for the Canadian Pacific railroad, collided with the Canadian Pacific Victoria ferry Charming in the Gulf of Georgia in a dense fog, between 6 and 7 o'clock last night. The Charming reached here this morning, having crawled back through the fog with her bow all cut away to the deck-house, but most of the damage was above the waterline. A canvas patch was put over the hole under the water.

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PORTLAND WILL-AID CIGARETTE SMOKERS

(United Press Leased Wire.) Seattle, Oct. 18.—Energetic tobacco firms of Portland are advertising in Seattle papers, that cigarettes, the sale of which is prohibited in this state, can be ordered by mail and sent direct to the consumer.

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