

The Gate Keeper

"In Faith, in Hope, in Charity, and with Fidelity."

Conducted by E. L. Thorpe.

County Fair Boosted by State Master—Deputies Named—The First Master—Other Items.

Multnomah's county fair is attracting attention everywhere. It is endorsed by all the newspapers coming under our notice and is receiving favorable consideration from the business men of Portland, many of whom expect to profit by a display of their goods. Last week we published a letter from the secretary of the Oregon state grange, Mrs. Mary S. Howard, which was full of encouragement. We are now pleased to publish the following from Austin T. Buxton, state master:

Worthy Gate Keeper: I have been much interested in the discussion in your columns regarding the establishment of a county fair in Multnomah county. Such enterprises as this, when established and conducted on proper lines cannot fail to be of great value in fostering and stimulating the agricultural interests of any locality. The friendly rivalry that is aroused stimulates to better and more intelligently directed efforts in the production of more and better crops of all kinds, thereby pointing the way to more profitable returns for labor expended.

I feel that the grange could engage in no worthier undertaking than the fostering of such an enterprise. There certainly is no work which comes more clearly in line with its declared principle "to emulate each other in labor, and to hasten the good time coming"; to practise "meeting together, talking to gether, working together and, in general, acting together for our mutual advancement;" therefore I desire to add my mite to the movement by offering this word of encouragement and approval.

Fraternally yours,
AUSTIN T. BUXTON.

In accordance with the action of the last state grange, state master, Austin T. Buxton, has begun the work of reorganizing the deputy system. He has also appointed the tax commission which was authorized by the state grange and has made public his appointments. The commission is as follows: Mrs. Clara H. Waldo, lecturer; J. J. Johnson, master of Evening Star grange; Thomas Paulson, of the state grange legislative committee; H. L. Hopkins of Albany college, and Seneca Smith of Portland. The duty of this commission is to make a study of the tax question and report at the next state grange.

The commission will investigate the question of opening up sources of revenue outside of direct taxation in order to remove some of the burden from the shoulders of the small property-owner and farmer. Some of the granges have begun a systematic study of the tax question, from the ground up. The study of this question is strongly urged by the state lecturer.

The road commission is composed of

K. Newell, John B. Waldo, H. M. Palmer and Thomas Ryan. Another ex-county judge will be added to this list.

The new district deputies so far appointed in this vicinity are as follows: Multnomah county—District No. 4, deputy not appointed; granges—Multnomah 71, Columbia 267, Gresham 270, Fairview 344, Pleasant Valley 348. District No. 3, J. J. Johnson, deputy, Portland; granges—Evening Star 27, Rockwood 323, Woodlawn 390, Lents 351, Russellville, 353.

Clackamas county—District No. 10, J. D. Chitwood, deputy, Gresham, rural delivery No. 4; granges—Damasus 209, Springwater 253, Eagle Creek 267, district No. 11, deputy not appointed; granges—Molalla 40, Highland 261, Central 275; Molalla 310, Twentieth Century 341. District No. 12, George Kohl, deputy, Oregon City; granges—Harding 122, Milwaukie 298, Clackamas 298, Abernethy 306. District No. 13, C. C. Boreland, deputy, Oregon City; granges—Tualatin 111, Warner 117, Oswego 175, Maple Lane 296.

The first master of the first grange, Fredonia, No. 1, of New York, is still living—Bro. Ulysses E. Dodge. He was born in Ohio in 1822 and his parents moved to Fredonia when he was two years old and has spent his life there. He was master of the first subordinate grange organized by "Father Kelley" in April, 1767, and has been its lecturer for 25 years and is still at the age of 85 one of its most active members. It is interesting to note some of his words in a speech at the time he was elected master in the long ago:

"In the course of human events and uncontrollable circumstances, I am called to the chair of the first subordinate grange of the 'Great Empire State' New York, and for aught I know of the world. Without even a rudimentary knowledge of its principles, its objects and its teachings, I am chosen to preside over the deliberations of a body whose destiny is shrouded in the dark and misty future, a destiny which no one can foretell, and a problem that nothing but long and weary years of incessant toil can solve."

GOOD OF THE ORDER.

Mrs. Clara H. Waldo, state lecturer, has been chosen a delegate to attend the National irrigation congress at Sacramento, Sept. 2. Governor Chamberlain is president.

Rockwood grange received four applications last meeting, and four delinquents asked to be reinstated after being out over two years.

The worthy state master writes us as follows: "Keep the 'Gate Keeper' at his post. You are doing good work."

Our membership in Oregon is now over 7,000, a gain of several hundred since the state grange met in May.

Friday, 8-p.m. 20 will be grange day at the state fair. A grange program will be arranged for the evening.

Evening Star grange gained 15 members last quarter and is striving to reach a membership of 300.

Clackamas county will hold its fair on Oct. 17 at Gladstone Park. It will last three days.

Columbia grange had a class of 12 initiates last Saturday evening. How's that?

Russellville grange has just gained 17 new members. It now numbers 127.

If you are not a grange you should get in. This means YOU.

Correspondence

COLUMBIA VIEW

C. Powell is recovering slowly from the inflammatory rheumatism which he contracted while camping out on the Wilson river.

Mr. Schefflen is building on his new place, also clearing up a few acres.

Miss Mabel Zimmerman was visiting with friends in Rockwood Tuesday last.

Some of the boys from here were black bass fishing Sunday. Their catch of 73 fine bass included several that weighed over four lbs. The largest weighing 6 lbs., 11 oz., was landed after a hard struggle by Joe Ankers.

B. P. Reynolds and Tom Word came home from Welch's camp Sunday, where they were on a fishing trip.

Mrs. Fred Hamilton and her son, Harry, made a trip to the city Thursday.

The grain and potato crop in this vicinity is looking fine and the yield will be much heavier than that of last year.

HURLBURT

A horse from the Ideman stable at Montavilla ran away last Sunday, starting from near Jim Pounder's place and was caught by Mrs. Rickert at Springhill farm, one shaft being broken and the horse scratched up some.

Mr. and Mrs. Mullett and Mr. and Mrs. Barro of Portland spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. M. Rickert at Springhill farm.

Mr. and Mrs. James Deaver called on friends at Hurlburt Sunday.

S. M. Davis and his relatives from Kansas spent Monday at Latourelle falls and vicinity, taking in the sights, which are wonderful and grand to the east-erners.

ROCKWOOD

Mrs. D. L. Herring, who has been on the sick list for the past few days is getting better.

G. B. Prettyman fears he will have to return to the hospital as his leg that was injured some time ago is troubling him again.

Mrs. Edna Brown of eastern Oregon is

Mrs. Florence Evans is on a visit to her mother, Mrs. F. Miller.

Rolland Questberry took in the sights at the city park one day last week.

A. H. Bell was calling on Rockwood friends Sunday.

entertained this week by her husband's brother and sister, J. Brown and Mrs. Elsie Prettyman.

The little son of J. Brown, who had his arm dislocated last week, is slowly recovering.

Raleigh Watson was visiting Gresham friends Sunday.

SECTION LINE

Mrs. Herman Johnston of Taylorville entertained her sister, Miss Laura Shaffer, and two young ladies of Montavilla on Sunday.

George Cummings returned from Grand Ronde on Thursday. George says there's no place like home.

Mrs. B. Boyle of Portland is visiting her sister, Mrs. Dalhammer, this week.

Grandma Rober returned to Portland on Saturday after a week's visit at Am-spiger Lodge.

Mrs. K. Hirsch of Portland and her children are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cummings.

Baby Catherine Carpenter entertained a few of her small friends on Monday afternoon at luncheon given in honor of her fifth birthday. Many happy returns of the day.

PLEASANT HOME

Mrs. Will Harris was in Portland to visit her mother, who is very ill.

Glenn Hunter, wife and baby are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Cannon.

Mrs. Hillyard was taken to the hospital and operated on. At last reports she was doing nicely.

Zelma Cox is expected home this week.

Mrs. Quay and daughters, the Misses Kate and Emma, of St. Johns, visited at the home of her son, E. E. Quay, last Sunday.

Mrs. Esther Porter is visiting her brother, Irve Hildichans.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Carpenter were recently visiting their son, Geo. Carpenter.

Harlow Douglass injured his thumb recently.

Mr. Stephens has returned from a trip to Centralia.

Mrs. Elmer Meserve and daughter, Helen, of Gray's River are visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. E. M. Douglass.

G. L. Neale of Central Point has gone on a trip to the mountains, Klamath Falls and Crater Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Barksdale and family and Miss Ellen DeHaven have gone to the mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. Chase and Mr. and Mrs. Hunter have returned from the mountains.

Archie Collins is visiting in Pleasant Home.

Bert Stone, the Fairview real estate agent, was visiting friends in Pleasant Home recently.

Jewell Collins was visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Otis, recently.

MELROSE

H. Hall and wife of Portland were looking over their farm here last Sunday. Mr. Hall contemplates putting out a large orchard this fall.

Ed Schmeer and family left for the coast this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz were in Troutdale on business Tuesday.

Mrs. Clark is visiting her sister, Mrs. Dunbar, at Cleone.

Mrs. Harding and Mrs. Chas. Bramhall of Pleasant View were visiting with friends Friday.

John Brown Bramhall and family will leave for Battle Ground, Wash., on a visit with friends Tuesday.

Miss York, Miss Pearl Alder and Miss Lila Bramhall left Tuesday for a few days' stay in Portland.

The Ladies Aid and Christian Endeavor societies met at the home of Mrs. Sam Strebin Tuesday to plan for an entertainment to be given Aug. 23.

The Christian Endeavor will be led Sunday evening by Miss Bertha Evans. All are invited.

Mrs. Wm. Wood and children have gone to Washington to visit her sister.

Mrs. Etta Miller was visiting her sister, Mrs. Baker, over Sunday.

Miss York of Michigan is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Fisk.

Misses Nettie and Mary Armstrong have gone to Portland for a few months.

Mrs. Henry Fritz left Friday for an extended visit to her old home in Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Sim Stafford of Portland have moved back to Melrose for the winter.

FIRWOOD

Miss Mena Frey, Joe Nellie, Charlie Butler, and Gus Koesel of Portland spent Sunday at "Camp Idle Awhile."

Mrs. E. D. Hart and Mrs. B. F. Hart were shopping in Portland Saturday.

Miss Lizzie Seafelt, who has been visiting relatives in Firwood, has returned to her home in Astoria.

The Misses Mary Wespe, Ldora Milliron, Minnie Huffman and Gustaf Stukie took a trip to Wild Cat mountain Friday. They returned loaded with elk moss and reported a delightful time.

Miss Elsie Malar is spending a few days in Portland.

The Firwood Lumber company mill has resumed work again.

E. D. Hart made a flying trip to Oregon City Thursday.

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at "Camp Idle Awhile," near Firwood, entertained a number of friends Sunday.

The Elling family are spending a few weeks at their summer home near Firwood.

Fire Warden Kirke and family are stopping at the home of A. Malar for a few weeks.

Mrs. Oberenner, Mrs. Dora Frey, Mr. and Mrs. G. Koesel and son Raymond and Mr. Rich took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Hart Tuesday.

Warren Wilkins is shingling his new house, which is nearing completion.

J. Miller has been building an addition to his house.

Onie Clark has returned from eastern Oregon.

Frederick Koenicka has been visiting his parents the past week.

Miss Irene Alt spent a few days with Annie Nelson near Sandy.

PLEASANT VALLEY

W. N. Moore, our popular merchant, is building quite an elaborate addition to his store building to accommodate his ever increasing business.

The grangers are seriously contemplating erecting a hall in this vicinity in the near future, in fact, the preliminary arrangements have already been made. It is understood that Mrs. G. N. Sager has graciously offered to donate the ground on which to erect the building.

There is an unusual amount of improvement going on in this little valley this summer in the way of building, clearing land and country road work.

Real estate transfers are quite numerous and values are rapidly increasing. As high as \$300 per acre has been paid for a number of small tracts in this neighborhood.

G. H. Richey, wife and son Lester have just returned from a pleasant outing at Netarts Bay.

Mrs. Hudson and Mrs. Sweeney of Freewater are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Sager this week.

C. F. Kesterson and wife, Will Richie and wife, Lester Robinson, Milton Robinson and Keith Kesterson have all gone to Tillamook for a two weeks' outing by the sea.

G. N. Sager has sold his interest in the sawmill to his partner, J. F. Wing, and has gone to eastern Washington to look after business matters.

Mrs. Wilson and daughter Bertha of Portland visited with Mrs. G. N. Sager this week.

W. N. Chilcote expects relatives from Missouri this week, who come for a visit.

Percy Giese and his sister, Miss Belle, visited Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Sager Sunday.

Wedding Bells Ring Once More

On Sunday, Aug. 11, Wilber E. Evans and Alice E. Dailey were united in matrimony by Rev. W. T. Scott of Cleone, at the home of the bride's parents at Hurlburt. Mr. Evans is 18 years old and the bride, 19. After the wedding they left for Portland, where they will go to housekeeping for the rest of the summer. Mr. and Mrs. Evans take with them the best wishes of the community.

Baptist Services at Pleasant Home

All members of the Pleasant Home Baptist church are requested to be present at the monthly covenant and business meeting of the church Saturday afternoon, Aug. 17, as business of vital importance to all our members will be transacted. Much interest is taken in all the services since the coming of Brother Scherrill. He is a tireless and earnest worker. The young people's meetings have been especially well attended the last two Sundays.

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