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FREE LIBRARY HELPS MANY

Library Party Well Attended and Reports Show Large Increase in Patronage—Three Directors Elected.

There was a large attendance at the annual meeting of the Gresham Library association held in the library rooms last Friday night, notwithstanding the



Miss Alida Culy

The efficient Custodian of the Gresham branch of the Portland Free Public Library.

stormy evening. The room had been tastily prepared for the occasion and presented its usual attractiveness with a few extra touches. At a table near the door sat the president, Mrs. L. C. St. Clair, the secretary, Mrs. Hattie Brownhill and the treasurer, Mrs. Hattie Wostell. Miss Mary Ison of the Portland Library, and Miss Nellie Fox of the County department, were present and took part in the meeting with encouraging remarks.

The president's report covered the history of the association from the first efforts to establish a reading room to the present time. The report will be found in another column.

The treasurer's report was from November 15, 1906 to December 31, 1907, and showed from all sources total receipts, \$184.65; total expenses, \$178.95. Balance on hand, \$5.70.

The librarian, Miss Alida Culy, gave a report covering the period from April 15, 1907 to December 31, 1907, during



Mrs. Hattie Wostell

Treasurer Gresham Library Association

part of which time Mrs. H. Wostell was librarian, the circulation for the period being 1718 volumes; attendance in reading room, 5997; total registration, 176. There are now at the branch about 450 books, about half of this number being in constant circulation. The branch has on its tables the best of the monthly

and several weekly magazines and papers.

Directors were elected for a term of three years as follows: Mrs. B. W. Emery, Geo. Preston and Mrs. H. Wostell.

At the close of the business session a light lunch was served by young ladies, assisted by Miss Culy and others.

The President's Report.

Gresham, Ore., Jan. 31, 1908.—To the members of the Gresham Library association: I have the honor to submit to you the following report of the doings of the Gresham Library association for 1907, which I beg to preface with a brief history of the effort to establish a reading room in Gresham. This history I have compiled from reports of the Portland Library association, and from records of the Gresham Library association, which I have supplemented with many incidents which have been told me by those who had to do with the beginning of things. My only object in writing this history is to gather together items of interest which if not soon recorded will be forgotten.

In January, 1903, the legislature of Oregon authorized a county tax for library purposes. The County Court of Multnomah county ordered a tax of one-fifth of a mill and entered into a contract with the Portland Library association to extend the privileges of the library to residents of the county. This fact was at once advertised in the daily papers and later a personal letter was sent to each postmaster in the county, explaining the library privileges and enclosing a notice to be placed in the postoffice, also applications for membership to be filled out and returned. A



Mrs. L. C. St. Clair
President of the Gresham Library Association

number of residents of Gresham and vicinity availed themselves of this opportunity, taking out cards through the postmistress, Mrs. I. McColl, and going to Portland for their books.

In the fall the public school teachers, consisting of Prof. A. F. Hershner, Miss Hattie Pierce, Miss Harriet Alexander, and Mrs. Clara Anderson, became interested in the project of furnishing a reading room to which books from the Portland library might be brought. They, together with Mrs. McColl and the Rev. C. A. Nutley, solicited funds for the carrying out of the project. Mrs. McColl gave several months' rent for the back room over the postoffice. A stove, table, hanging lamp and six wooden chairs were purchased. D. C. Ross donated a load of wood which was brought from his farm by the Misses Pierce and Alexander. Early in November a box of 50 books was installed with Mrs. McColl as custodian. The reading room was kept open as a branch of the Portland library three evenings in the week under the care of Miss Pierce and Miss Alexander. Miss Pierce soon became custodian and at the close of school the care of the books was given to Rev. M. L. Hardingham who was in charge for about a year. The circulation of volumes during 1904 was 567.

During the early months of 1905 the branch was continued with more or less success but the difficulty of finding someone to give his time regularly to the care of the reading room made it necessary to discontinue it in May and the books were returned to Portland.

In October of the same year the room over the postoffice was again secured, a bookcase was made and presented by D. J. Culy, a box of books was installed and the reading room reopened with H. L. St. Clair as custodian. Miss Culy, Mrs. Clara Anderson, Mrs. Grace Metzger, Miss Pearl Lindsey and others assisted in the care of the reading room.

Through the efforts of the East Multnomah Record interest was aroused in the organization of a library association to provide better quarters for the books. At a mass meeting of citizens called on November 4, 1905, the matter was fully discussed and preliminary steps taken. A committee consisting of Timothy Brownhill, Dr. J. M. Short and Mrs. J. W. Shattuck was appointed (Continued on last page.)

INTEREST NOW IN THE DEBATE

Gresham High School versus Clatskanie High School Tonight—Gresham School Now Crowded to the Limit.

The following from Prof. C. C. Baker will explain the need of supplementary readers: The pupils in the lower grades have



Mrs. Hattie Brownhill
Secretary of the Gresham Library Association

finished and reviewed their respective readers. They are not ready for the reader of the next higher grade and there is nothing left for them but to reread the old book or get a new one. The former course is not desirable for the reason that these books no longer have interest for the pupils and because they can have no new words, stories or information for the pupils. On the other hand the new book will be full of interest, will contain new material throughout, and will contain many new words and many new facts for the children to learn. It may be mentioned in passing that a new word learned means another idea in the mind of the learner.

There is no reader published for use in the lower grades that contains enough material for a full year's work. In practically all schools it has been found necessary to use at least two readers of the same grade per year in the lower grades, and some use as many as three



Mrs. J. W. Shattuck
Vice President Gresham Library Association

or four to advantage in the first and second grades. To keep pace with the advance with the pupils of the Portland schools and others, it will be necessary for the pupils of the Gresham school to use more than one reader per year.

Mr. Baker and Miss Parnely exam-

ined many different readers and made a selection with a view both to utility and to cost. The readers selected are of the best and the cost is little.

On Friday of this week the debating team, consisting of Mary Hansen, Geo. Shantline and John Shattuck, will go to Clatskanie to meet a team from that place on the question, "Resolved: That the Japanese should be excluded from this country, with the exception of students and travelers." The Gresham debaters have the affirmative.

If successful, a team consisting of Raleigh Watson, Harley Turner and John Shattuck will debate with a team from Astoria. The question is, "Resolved: That municipalities should own and operate their lighting and transportation facilities." Gresham will have the negative.

Because of the heavy work, some changes have been made in the original team. For the first debate, Geo. Shantline succeeds Harley Turner; and for the second, Raleigh Watson succeeds Mary Hansen, while Harley Turner again takes a place on the team.

Present registration, 219, with an increase of 14 during the past month. All rooms full; some crowded. There are sixty pupils in Miss McKenzie's room and almost as many in Miss Parnely's. The old discarded seats and tables have been called into use.

Mumps are now almost a thing of the past. They have interfered very much with school work since the holidays.

Gresham Council Meeting

At the council meeting last Tuesday night Mayor J. M. Short, Councilmen Thomas, Emery, Shattuck and Littlepage and Recorder Roberts were present.

The following ordinances were passed: Electric Light and Power franchises to the Mt. Hood Railway and Power company and the Portland Railway Light and Power company, occupation tax of \$1.00 per month, taking effect Feb. 15, 1908, and an ordinance raising saloon licenses from \$400 to \$600.

Passing of Another Oregon Pioneer

Chauncy Sager died at his home at Lents, Ore., Jan. 18, 1908, aged 80 years, 8 months and 8 days. Thus passes another of Oregon's pioneers.

Chauncy Sager was the son of James Henry Sager and Levina (Haines) Sager and was next to the youngest of a family of ten children. He was born May 10, 1827, at Marysville, Ohio. His father died when he was five years old and he went to live with a sister, who resided in Michigan. When a young man he started West, staying awhile in southwestern Iowa, finally locating in Montgomery county, being one of the first settlers there. He was the first postmaster of that county.

During the Civil War he served as a soldier in the Home Guards. In 1874 Mr. Sager and family came to Oregon and settled in Polk county, living there until 1881 when he moved to Clackamas county, locating in Pleasant Valley, better known as Sycamore. He lived there until 1904 when he moved to his last home at Lents.

Mr. Sager was married to Elvina Cardwell Jan. 7, 1864 at Mt. Ayre, Iowa; to them were born ten children. He is survived by his wife, one brother, Jas. H. Sager of Archer Place, and eight children as follows: Grant N. of Carley, Wash., Arthur G. of Portland, Harry F. of Gresham, Lawrence R. and Clyde E. of Lents, Cora E. Campbell of Oakdale, Wash., Jessie M. Kemp of Moffat Springs, Wash., and Myrtle E. Hoffs of Portland.

Mr. Sager's motto was to do unto others as you wished to be done by, and he was loved and respected by all who knew him.

CARD OF THANKS

Mrs. Elvina Sager and family wish to extend their thanks to the many friends and neighbors for their kindness and assistance during their recent illness and death of their husband and father.

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Situated as we are we can pay you the highest market price for all your produce that comes in our line.
Next week the following prices will be paid:
BEEF, Steers, No. 1, \$3.75; Cows, No. 1, \$3.25
MUTTON, Sheep, Mixed, \$5.25; Lambs, \$5.50
HOGS, Dressed, 7c-7½c; Live, 5c-5½c
VEAL, 75 lbs. to 125 lbs., 9c; 125 lbs. up, 7½c
CHICKENS, 11c
We can use an unlimited amount of any or all of these products. We need the goods to do business with. Bring them along and take away the cash for it is burning holes in our pockets.
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Fair Association Incorporates.
Articles incorporating the Multnomah County and Grange District Fair association have been filed with the County Court and the Secretary of State. The incorporators are J. J. Johnson, H. E. Davis and E. L. Thorp, being the executive committee of the fair held here last October. The capital stock of the new association has been placed at \$25,000, with shares at \$5 each. No person may subscribe for more than 60 shares.
Canvassers are being assigned to territory east of Mount Tabor for the purpose of receiving subscriptions to the stock. This county and that portion of Clackamas county embraced in the district has been divided up into sections and will be thoroughly covered as rapidly as possible.
As soon as one-half of the stock has been subscribed the organization will be perfected and then the association will have a legal standing and be ready to purchase grounds and erect buildings and make all other necessary preparations for a fair next fall.

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Ten-Cent Social.
At the home of Mrs. J. W. Lawrence, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid society, on this (Friday) evening. For the benefit of the Methodist church. All are cordially invited.
Mrs. Thomas Hurlburt, formerly of Shaniko, now of Echo, and infant daughter were recent guests of Mrs. J. M. Short.

A Good Comparison

	Jan. 24, 1907	Jan. 24, 1908
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Assets, - - -	40,756.63	77,979.77

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