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GIANTS CLIMB TO FIRST PLAGE

Hand One to Troutdale at the Rate of 4 and 2—Russellville Next Sunday.

The best and most closely contested game of the season in the Interurban League was played Sunday in Gresham Park by the Packers of Troutdale and the Giants of Gresham. Both teams had an equal number of victories to their credit and were tied for first place in the pennant race. By a combination of good plays, luck and strong team work, Gresham sent Troutdale's large delegation of fans home in the gloaming with a 4 to 2 verdict to nurse their wounded spirits and depleted rolls.

Although the weather had a threatening aspect and the field was a sea of mud both teams had plenty of support from the side lines, practically the entire population of the burg on the Columbia having turned out to witness the slaughter.

Miley and Murphy held down the respective positions of pitcher and catcher for the Packers while for Gresham Townsend twirled the sphere and Bowers wore the mask. Both batteries did excellent work and held the hits down to a low mark and only one man went to the first bag on balls.

One of the features of the game was the excellent work of Chalk Merrill on third. With the bases full and only one man out, a hot liner straight from the seat of operations at the home plate came sizzling through the air like the Wright Bros. in an aeroplane, just above the third bag; for a brief instant the joy of the visitors was unbounded, but Chalk was there with the big open palm and froze onto the sphere, but only long enough to change its course to first and make a double goose egg and thus send the visitors to the field. This was the only time Gresham was in any serious danger.

This puts the Giants in the top place in the League standing. Next Sunday Russellville crosses bats here with the Giants and a good game is promised. May 30th the Troutdale Packers will entertain Patenaude's All Star Troupe on the Troutdale diamond.

Read the "Want Ads." You Wants Supplied on page 8.

New Douglass Store at Sandy.

Mrs. E. M. Douglas will soon be settled at her new location in Sandy where she has purchased the Max Davis property occupied by W. J. Wirtz with barber shop and furniture store. Mrs. Douglas will put in a large general merchandise stock in the Odd Fellows building which has been nicely fitted up for her.

Success.

Success designates accomplishments and if the amount of sales is an indicator, it is evident that R. R. Carlson has the goods to select from and his prices must suit the purchaser. Instead of boasting of enormous stocks, the quality obtained for the price is the best advertisement. A reduced price instead of costly add is his motto.

Letter of Condolence.

To Mrs. Elmer Goger, widow of our deceased Brother:

Although unwilling to intrude on the sacred privacy of grief until its first pangs have in some measure subsided, we participate so sincerely in your affliction that we feel called upon to offer our condolence, and yet so weak and ineffectual is all human consolation that we scarcely know how to express the deep sense we have of the heavy stroke under which you are prostrated.

Yours is indeed a sad bereavement, but we doubt not from your strong faith in Him who doeth all things well, you will be sustained and comforted by His own consolations, which are neither few nor small.

The recollections of him who has so lately departed must be so full of painful regret that we will not dwell on this dark side of the picture, but rather look to its brighter aspect in the hope that he has gone to a happier sphere and that what is loss to you is to him un-speakable gain.

Gresham Lodge No. 125, I. O. O. F.

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I employ one of the best Funeral Directors and Embalmers obtainable, having had several years experience in Chicago, Portland and other large cities. Funeral Chapel in connection. Large assorted stock to select from. Phones 25, res. 1412.

SCHOOL DAYS SOON TO CLOSE

Busy Week for Both Pupils and Teachers. Mrs. Wiggs on Programme.

The past week and the coming week are the busiest of the entire week for the pupils of the schools.

The annual examinations are being held and the senior class is preparing for commencement exercises which are to begin next Friday night. Besides these regular duties there is the work of preparing the exhibit for the Seattle Fair. This exhibit which is furnished by the entire school will embrace all lines of educational work and be an excellent barometer of the effectiveness of Gresham's pedagogic force. A handsome cabinet has been furnished in which to install the exhibit. It is hoped to have everything in readiness for a public inspection by Monday next.

The annual entertainment by the school will be held on Friday evening, May 28, in the High School assembly hall. Much effort is being put on this affair to make it a success. The program will consist of recitations, class exercises, drills, solos, duets, quartets and character pieces. One of the big numbers on the program will be scenes from Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch.

On Sunday May 30th, the senior class will listen to the Baccalaureate sermon and on Tuesday evening, June 1st, the Literary Society will hold an open meeting. Thursday, June 3d, the main event, the graduating exercises will be held. There are seven candidates for graduation.

SECTION LINE

The little Giants of Taylorville Avenue came out Sunday and played the Stars of Gates Crossing a game of base ball, the score being 15 to 13. Our boys were much elated over their success.

The eighth grade class of No. 28 School took examination on Thursday and Friday and was conducted by the chairman of the board.

Neighbor Ruhle has set a nice example in his nice lawn and handsome concrete entrance. We need more such tasty homes on a road which has two most excellent tracts, leading in one direction to a large growing metropolis and in the other to another growing metropolis, Gresham. Pass the compliment along.

T. E. Lewis of Rose Cottage on the Russellville road is very ill. A trained nurse is in attendance and everything that loving hands can do is being done. His wife and children are at his bedside. Kidney trouble of long standing is the cause of his critical illness.

A surprise party took place at Arnsjign Lodge on Saturday evening completely filling the cozy little home with friends and neighbors. It was the birthday of the master on whom the surprise was given. Good music, dancing and card games followed by one of the very charming luncheons for which Mrs. Arnsjign is noted made the evening a delightful success.

COMMERCIAL CLUB VOTES PUBLICITY

Municipal Water Works, Street Improvement and Publicity Live Topics of Debate

The meeting of the Commercial Club on Tuesday evening was up to its record for attendance and enthusiasm. The routine work of the day being disposed of the report from committees was taken up. Dr. Ott presented a letter from the city water board acknowledging the receipt of the letter from the Civic Improvement Committee and promising to bring the matter up. Information has already been received that the city water board has the matter under consideration.

The improvement of streets was next taken up. From the advice received by President Shattuck it is evident that the county commissioners mean to begin road improvements a half-mile east of Gresham and continue west, putting on crushed rock and rolling it down. The improvement committee was advised to see property owners in the business district with the view of having the rock laid to the curbing. It is understood that the commissioners intend putting in an 18-foot road bed.

The subject of cleaning rubbish out of Johnson creek and from its banks, as essential to the healthfulness of the town, was discussed.

The committee on publicity reported a circular for the letter-head of the Club. After some discussions and changes it was ordered printed on all letter-heads and estimates was asked for on the probable cost of a descriptive booklet of the locality. A circular of information has been ordered issued and within another week will be sent out asking for advice on all subjects relative to the interests of the country.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30. The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday evening, May 24th.

GATES CROSSING.

George Hamilton is back on his place having disposed of his rooming house in Portland.

L. Burkhardt and family, lately from Hillsboro, have moved to the property purchased by him from L. R. Bond.

Rev. Moore, the new pastor of the Methodist church, preached his first sermon here Sunday to an appreciative audience. He will speak again next Sunday at 3:30 p. m.

Mr. Turner, who moved last fall to a farm near Salem, was here on business the first of the week. He says they have had no rain to speak of and crops are suffering greatly.

EVERGLADE

W. M. Gates arrived home from the hospital last Wednesday feeling much improved.

T. Lewis of Rose Cottage is seriously sick.

Mrs. Pitts has been ill during the past week.

W. W. Howett visited at Milwaukee Sunday.

Mesdames Beckner and Lenton visited last week with their brother, T. H. Pitts.

GRANGE HEADQUARTERS.



Lents Grange Hall



Pleasant Valley Grange Hall

Memorial Services.

Memorial services will be observed here on May 30th. A program will be given at the M. E. church consisting of singing, music by the band and an address by Dr. Thompson, after which all will march to the cemetery and deck the graves of our fallen heroes, then on to the Johnson creek where flowers will be cast upon the waters in memory of our sailor soldiers. All are invited to come and bring flowers.

Memorial Sunday will be observed by the G. A. R. and W. R. C. attending the services in a body at the M. E. church on May 23rd, at 11 a. m. Rev. Paronagian will deliver the memorial sermon. All are invited.

The Eastwood Nurseries have a supply of arsenate of lead for spraying purposes, in quantities to suit. Main st., Gresham.

Trip to Mars.

Just returned from a flying trip to Mars. Find the good, grotesque looking people there doing some very fine, scientific farming; a family of twelve people raising enough on a 10x20 lot with much irrigation and fertilizing to make a living. This is very, yes, too small for me and the good people tributary to this beautiful Gresham know they have the best of soil and enough of it that they can use implements. The implements we sell are the best to buy and to use, always at the right prices. Try and call at my place opposite the postoffice, Gresham, when in need of any Implements, Baggies, Wagons, etc., and be convinced.

Yours for business and better acquaintance, JOHN C. HESSEN.

Lumber Sold Out.

As the lumber at the Kelso mill is all sold, the Straus Lumber Company will furnish material from their new mill.

RAILROAD TALK SOUNDS IN SANDY

Branch Projected from Boring Offers of O. W. P. Being Considered by Citizens

Sandy's prospects for a railroad are brighter now than they have been for many days, in fact, since the peculiar antics of the Mt. Hood (Railroad?) Co.

The energetic citizens of Sandy have been earnestly but quietly working for an outlet for their prosperous community and after investigating all the openings in the local railroad field have chosen the Portland R. L. & P. Co., as offering the most likely and reliable service. A petition was prepared and sent to the R. R. Co. They looked on the matter with favor and offered to build and operate a line from Boring to Sandy, a distance of seven miles, with at least two trains a day, on condition that the people furnish the right-of-way and the mills the ties. These are not insurmountable obstacles and their is good reason to believe that all parties will be able to come together on some plan. The O. W. P. has shown itself ready to do anything in its power at all times to advance the interests of the country served.

Sandy's resources are unsurpassed in Oregon and has made rapid strides toward prosperity in the face of heavy odds in the matter of transportation.

Some one has ventured the assertion that the Mt Hood Road means to begin work about June first. They will probably pull their stakes and cover their tracks.

All fruit trees need pruning immediately after planting. Make the tops correspond with the roots. Peaches need the most trimming after setting; trim these to mere switches about two feet high and inch.

OUR PRICES TALK

Yes, our prices talk for us every week. Our customers come, knowing what goods will cost, and they bring the money and get quickly what they want. We can't print the prices on everything, but all our goods are low for cash. We call especial attention to the following goods and quotations:

FEED! Plenty for Everyone!

Shorts, \$1.10 per sack
Barley, new process, \$1.30 per sack
Middlings, \$1.30 per sack
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TRACK ROPE, Manila, 10c per pound. Also rope in all other sizes at low prices for cash.

ALL KINDS OF IMPLEMENTS used on a farm. Forks, Hoes, Spades, Shovels, Wheelbarrows, Lawn Mowers, and a hundred other things.

FLOUR TWO CARLOADS JUST RECEIVED!

FLOUR Princess Flour, \$1.45 a sack
This is one of the Highest Grade Patents on the Coast and a trial will convince you that the price can't be duplicated. We also stand back of this flour and if not satisfactory let us know and we'll return your money.
Also White River Flour, Pride of the West, Vienna, Falcom.

WE ARE PAYING THE FOLLOWING PRICES FOR FARM PRODUCE THIS WEEK

Butter, per roll,	- - - -	40 and 50c
Eggs, per dozen,	- - - -	25c
Veal' per lb.,	- - - -	7½ and 8c
Hogs, per lb.,	- - - -	9 1-2 and 10c
Beef, per lb.,	- - - -	4 and 4 1-2c
Mutton, per lb.,	- - - -	5 and 5 1-2c
Hides, per lb.,	- - - -	8c
Chickens, per lb.,	- - - -	15 and 15½c
Springers, per lb.,	- - - -	22c
Wool, per lb.	- - - -	18c

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