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## NEW METHOD CLEARING LAND

Method that will Lead to Opening Up of Thousands of Acres of Idle Land.

One of the drawbacks, and almost the only one, experienced by farmers and property owners in this part of Oregon is the excessive cost of clearing land. The land is enriched by nature with a wealth of timber. This is cut for wood or lumber and then the land is practically useless until cleared of its massive stumps which sometimes stands a hundred to the acre. To burn these out with the dead logs and branches is an almost endless task. To blow the stumps out with powder and then burn them is somewhat quicker but very expensive, making the cost of clearing sometimes as high as \$150 per acre. It is safe to say that thousands and thousands of acres now lie idle for want of a cheaper method of clearing. Even in this favored locality of Eastern Multnomah and not many miles from Gresham not half the land is cleared and in cultivation.

This may all be changed in the next five years. New methods will be used which will lessen by half the cost of clearing land. One of these has recently been invented and is proving very successful. It will soon have a demonstration in this locality. It is the application of the blowpipe principle to the burning out of stumps. Fire is set to a log or stump and under forced air is made to eat up a huge stump, roots and all in a few hours.

Mr. Hendricks, the inventor, of Portland, has a number of machines in successful operation and has taken a contract to clear 35 acres on the Schiller farm near Gresham at \$100 an acre. He will make this a demonstration of his process in this locality. So rapid and cheap is the process that this price will be mostly profit for Mr. Hendricks while Mr. Schiller can well afford to pay the low price of \$100 per acre to get the land in shape for the plow, for under average conditions he can about pay for the clearing by one year's crop.

## ROAD BUILDING IN PROGRESS

Finest Road in the Country Being Constructed Through the City of Gresham.

Work on the road improvement through Gresham is progressing finely. About forty loads of material is being placed each day. When you realize that each load covers about a yard of the road's length it will be seen that the improvement is moving right along. The process seems a little slow when one stops to observe it, but taken as a whole good results are in evidence. The proposition to extend the improvement to the curbing in the business part of town has not received final action as yet. A fine list of property owners on Powell street and on Main street have pledged themselves to meet the necessary expenditure and it is now the court's privilege to act.

Perhaps a goodly number of our citizens who have not personally inspected the building process would be profited by a visit to the field of operation and see how the best country road in the country is produced. Oregon, at least this section of it, may not be blessed with fine building stone, but it has the stuff out of which to construct the best of roads. Right here at hand is a stone so hard it will wear like iron; so firm and dense that water does not penetrate it and dissolve it and a stone proof against all corroding or ordinary chemical action. When crushed to suitable size, placed in a well prepared bed, packed and covered with two coats of finer material, which is also rolled solid and then cemented with the powdered rock and motor gravel cement, we have completed an unsurpassable roadbed. Such a road is costing us about \$5000 a mile. Do you realize that the county is doing a lot for your locality when it expends such an amount in your neighborhood for such a purpose? Not only does this mean finer drives but it means better facilities for the farmer and merchant; better market facilities and better bank accounts.

Only yesterday an eastern visitor said of the Base Line road, "that is the finest road I ever saw." He could have said the same of the newly improved Section Line road and of many other stretches of road right in this county. Another man speaking of his experiences in Benton county said that when potatoes were \$2 a sack here the Benton county farmer with potatoes unlimited was unable to place his on the train because of his poor roadways. Good roads are not only a source of pleasure but they are also a source of profit.

### Aerial Navigation.

The ingenuity of man scarcely knows any bounds. During the cycles of years that have drifted over this old mundane sphere man has solved many of the mysteries about him. He has measured the distance to the planets and calls them by name; he catches the lightning and uses its mysterious power for his own enjoyment; he controls the pent up energy of steam and has encircled the globe with bands of steel; but he is not content to confine his efforts on land alone. After generations of study the brain of man has unraveled another mystery held by the geni of the universe. This last and most difficult of solution is Aerial Navigation. That it is solved is beyond question. During the week just past two notable feats have assured the world that the present age will evidently pass to history as the Aerial Age. The marvelous flight of the Wrights at Fort Meyer and the crossing of the English Channel by Bleriot, a Frenchman, are epochs of far-reaching consequence in our progress. That paths of travel will soon lead among the clouds is an assured fact.

### Crushed by Automobile.

A serious if not fatal accident occurred at Eagle Creek near Boring last Sunday night, when the automobile of F. A. Rosenkrans capsized and crushed him severely. Mr. Rosenkrans with his wife and two small sons were returning from Estacada and by being misdirected had gotten on the wrong road. It having rained that evening the roads were slippery which caused his machine to

glide into a hole. As they were near a steep embankment, Mr. Rosenkrans advised his wife and sons to get out while he drove the machine out. When the power was applied the auto jumped and fell down the embankment, crushing its occupant very badly and injuring him internally. Mr. Rosenkrans was brought to Gresham where his injuries received attention by our local physicians, after which he was taken to the Twelve-Mile house and later removed in an ambulance to the Good Samaritan hospital in Portland.

Mr. Rosenkrans is an engineer with the United Engineering and construction Company, in charge of the superstructure of the new Madison street bridge.

Later reports state that Mr. Rosenkrans succumbed to his injuries last Tuesday.

### A Word From Gresham's Mayor.

The undersigned having sold his business to Mr. Wm. H. Bachmeyer, takes this occasion to thank his many customers and friends for their patronage and good will, and also to express his desire that they now extend their favors to Mr. Bachmeyer who, he feels sure, will more than prove his worthiness of their kindness in giving him their trade.

With best wishes for Mr. Bachmeyer's success and for the most friendly business and other relations between him and his future customers, I am,

Very sincerely,  
F. B. STUART.

Gresham, July 29, 1909.

Invest in Gresham real estate.

## ANOTHER NOTCH ON THE PENNANT

Gresham Shuts Out Spaldings Sunday, Leaving Only 2 Games to be Played.

### Interurban League Standing.

	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Union Meat Co.	5	1	.833
Gresham	5	2	.714
Police	5	3	.625
Russellville	4	4	.500
Spalding	3	8	.273
Willamette Iron Works	2	7	.222

The Giants pulled another out of the cellar last Sunday when they shutout the Spalding team on the local grounds. The game was a listless one without much ginger being exhibited by either team, which is contributed largely to the inclement weather that dampened the ardor of the few fans present. The Giants' out field posts gamely received every offer and attributed largely to the number of ringlets handed out to the visitors. Here lies a great deal of the Giants' strength and the stunts of these boys in the outer garden are worth the price of a front row seat any time.

Score—Gresham, 6; A. G. Spalding, 0. Struck out—By Welch, 6; by Townsend, 6. Bases on balls—Off Welch, 4; off Townsend, 3. Time of game—One hour 45 minutes. Umpire—Washburn.

Again the Policemen rapped the Iron Workers last Sunday, the score standing 7 to 1, which gives the Coppers two

straight victories over the appendix team, and places them securely in third place for the pennant.

Batteries—Police, Evans and Mahan; Ironworkers, Crandall, Oakes and Pape.

The Giants play the Willamette Iron Works next Sunday, and there is some probability of a double-header on that date. Manager Pateneade is very optimistic about the outcome of the next game which if won ties Gresham and Troutdale for the pennant. It is pretty safe proposition that our boys will do a plenty for the appendix team and be ready for the tie game with the Packers. It is needless to describe the suspense that clusters around these two approaching games.

### Celebrates Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Emery celebrated in a happy way on last Saturday evening the twenty-second anniversary of their wedding. A company of about fifty invited friends gathered at their hospitable home on Hood Avenue and enjoyed a social time with games and refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery were married near Waverly, S. D., twenty-two years ago. Sixteen years ago, with their two children, they came to Gresham where Mr. Emery engaged in the meat business. Six years later the family moved to California but in 1901 returned to Gresham, since which time, until recently, Mr. Emery has conducted a livery business.

They have gained a large circle of friends all of whom wish them many happy returns of the wedding anniversary.

## Do You Spend Money?

**WHENEVER** you have to spend money for eatables and want to make money, see Howitt before you buy.

### WE ARE PAYING THE FOLLOWING PRICES FOR FARM PRODUCE THIS WEEK

Butter, per roll,	50c
Eggs, per dozen,	29c
Veal, per lb.,	9c
Hogs, per lb.,	10c
Beef, per lb.,	3 1-2 and 3 3-4c
Mutton, per lb.,	3 1-2c
Hides, per lb.,	8c
Hens, per lb.,	13c
Springers, per lb.,	16 and 17c
Wool, per lb.,	22c

## HOWITT & CO'S. CASH STORE

"THE MOST IN QUALITY AND QUANTITY"

Powell Street, Gresham, Ore.

## Patronize Your Home Bank

### IT PAYS

Did you ever think WHY IT PAYS? There are many good reasons. You may want to borrow money some day and would rather ask your home banker for a loan than go to a bank in a neighboring town. You would, however, not like to ask him for a loan if you had not been keeping your money on deposit with him when you had money to deposit. He naturally cares for his own depositors first when they are in need of funds. You cannot blame him for that. He is interested in building up your home town and so are you, especially if you own property there. Back up the Bank whenever you can. *It Pays to be a Booster.* You can boost a little by keeping your money on deposit with your home Bank, and, as long as you know as much or more about the condition of your home Bank as you know of the condition of the Bank you have been patronizing, you will find it more convenient and just as safe to keep it at home. The fact that it is a small Bank is an argument in its favor. It is not so hard to know all about it.

## The First State Bank

# Farm Implement Sale

\$17.50 Single Harness at . . . \$13.50

\$40 Double Farm Harness at . \$33.50

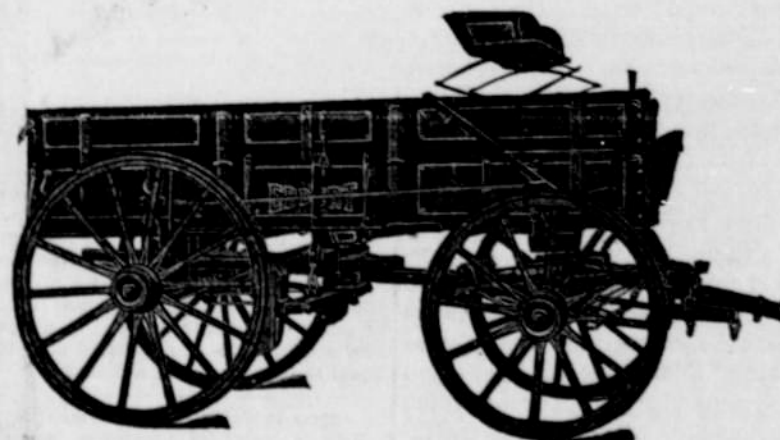
Automatic and Roller-bearing  
Manure Spreader, A - No. 1  
throughout . . . . . \$120.00

FARM WAGONS AT \$12.50 CUT  
FROM OLD PRICES

Other goods at same rate of reduction.

Sale to Run  
this Fall

We've Received  
next year's cost  
on goods.



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