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MT. HOOD DONE TO SANDY BLUFF

The connecting link was made in the track of the Mount Hood road this week, and there is now through rail connection as far as the foot of the Sandy bluff, about nine miles east of Gresham. For about five miles the road is permanent and of standard gauge but over one half of it is yet to be ballasted. The construction track beyond Pleasant Home is being replaced with 85-pound steel and in a few days the standard gauge locomotives and cars will be running the entire distance. However, there is much work to be done before the road is completed to the Sandy river.

It is reported that the Railway Company has let the contract for another ten miles of grading east of the Sandy river. A few more such stretches and it will be to Mount Hood. It is highly probable that the summer resorts between here and Mount Hood will be reached the present summer.

About four miles of the right of way of the Mount Hood road has been fenced. From the Base Line crossing westward both sides are enclosed for about that distance. Good cedar posts were used and woven wire fencing, which is something new in railroad construction.

DISEASE LURKS IN FREE TEXT BOOKS

Oregon Agricultural College Professor Believes Present Law Is Sufficient.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Oregon, March 22. The danger of disease infection, the lack of any pressing necessity, and the satisfactory terms of the present law are the basis upon which Prof. E. D. Ressler of the department of education at the Oregon Agricultural College rests his conviction that the state has lost nothing vital through the defeat of the free text book law proposed in the legislature this year.

"We have had the free text book question under consideration in the past two or three legislatures," said Professor Ressler today in discussing the matter, and there is now a provision in the statutes that school districts may vote free text books, in case the pupils are unable to provide themselves; or the board may provide them, upon written recommendations, of the clerk of the school board, for indigent pupils.

"Personally I am not in favor of a compulsory free text book law, so I do not mourn the demise of the one presented in the legislature this year. I think the optional arrangement in the present law is sufficient to meet conditions in Oregon as they now exist. Our text books are not frequently changed. They are adopted for periods of six years at a time, and at the close of such periods there are not often many changes, the old books being continued. Thus the matter of expense is not a great one.

"Some people, I know, feel that the present provision is a sort of charity law, and therefore make undue sacrifices in order to avoid the appearance of accepting aid not required by their neighbors—sacrifices they would not have to make if all were alike furnished with free books. But we buy the books at practically wholesale prices; I do not think school boards could buy them in large quantities any cheaper than the individual can now secure them.

"The sense of ownership in books and their care is, I think, an important matter for the child's development, and is not possible, of course, where there are free text books.

"More important than this, however, is the very real danger of disease infection from books handed down by the school district from one generation of pupils to another. Thorough fumigation will, it is true, minimize such danger; but that is not an easy task, and few school districts would be likely to attend to the matter as faithfully as necessary.

"The danger of infection is great; the need of free text books is certainly not a pressing one; and the present law makes sufficient provision where there is necessity; these, it seems to me, are reasons for a fair degree of satisfaction with the present status of the free text book question in Oregon."

Anderson-Alexander Nuptials

A very pretty home wedding occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Alexander of Carlton, Ore., March 15, at 12 o'clock, when their eldest daughter Nellie, was united in marriage with R. Maxwell Anderson, a former resident of Orient. Rev. L. W. Wiley of McMinnville College officiated.

A bounteous wedding feast was much enjoyed by the assembled guests. The young couple left immediately for Portland, but will be at home to their friends after March 30 at their home in Moore's Valley.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Anderson, Rev. Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Smith, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Nelson, Miss Bernice Smith, the Misses Alexander, Marie Smith and Messrs. G. R., I. W., and J. W. Anderson and Ernest Alexander.

If you have trouble in getting rid of your cold you may know that you are not treating it properly. There is no reason why a cold should hang on for weeks and it will not if you take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by all druggists.

COMMERCIAL CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

"Gresham Has Got the Goods," the slogan of the Gresham District Commercial Club, unofficially adopted but suggestive. The adjourned meeting of the club was held last night in the Grange hall, with Charles Cleveland as temporary president and E. L. Thorpe as secretary. Mr. Cleveland stated the object of the meeting after those present had been feasted for an hour at an elaborate banquet, the object being to effect a permanent organization.

Mr. H. B. Dickenson of Portland and owner of the old Regner farm south of Gresham, was the principal speaker and guest of honor. He spoke upon the commercial interests of Gresham and vicinity and complimented the people upon their splendid location, and urged harmony, enterprise and unity of purpose. He is interested in the progress of the town and community and congratulated the club because it is endeavoring to promote the interests of all the surrounding country. He spoke of the efforts and results of successful clubs in general and recommended complete organization under the corporate laws of the state.

Mr. Cleveland then spoke briefly, deploring the absence of many prominent farmers who had been invited to be present and said he hoped to see many of them yet become members.

Ernest Schwedeier spoke for the farmers and promised his full assistance as also did H. M. Miller who urged the recognition of the farmer as a factor in the growth of the town and predicted success of the club and increased values in all kinds of property as a result of its efforts. C. W. Albertson also spoke from the farmers' standpoint and expressed great interest in the club.

Other speakers were Professor Guy Robinson, James Elkington, H. L. St. Clair, E. L. Thorpe, J. H. Sterling, M. D. Kern, Edward Aylsworth, Dr. W. C. Belt, D. M. Roberts, W. H. Bachmeyer, Frank Westell, W. K. Hamilton, E. E. Marshall, Joe Patenaude, C. S. Smith, Mayor Shattuck, Emil Kardell and S. E. Toppelman. Mr. Marshall advocated the efforts to induce manufacturers to invest here and disburse a big payroll. Mr. Toppelman urged the advertising of our produce by means of placards in each package shipped and stated that the sum of \$125,000 had been disbursed here the past season for potatoes alone shipped to other markets besides Portland.

C. S. Smith said our greatest need is organization for sale of produce and urged the people to specialize in fruits and advertise under cover of the club's influence. His motto would be, "Get together, stick together and do our part."

Mayor Shattuck said he was a Gresham booster and advocated taking into membership all classes of business men, farmers and all others interested in a greater community. He started the payment of initiation and membership fees by asking for receipt No. 1, and was followed by 35 more, the total sum realized being \$216 as a starter for the club. Many more will follow at the next meeting which will be held next Wednesday evening at the Odd Fellows' hall.

The nominating committee named the following as permanent officers of the club, all of whom were unanimously elected:

President, M. O. Nelson; vice-president, Archie Meyers; recording secretary, C. E. Pugh; corresponding secretary, C. S. Smith; treasurer, James Elkington; chairman entertainment committee, J. H. Sterling; finance, T. R. Howitt; ways and means, W. H. Bachmeyer; membership, Lewis Shattuck; publicity, E. L. Thorpe. These chairmen are to be the board of managers and are to suggest two more members each to complete their committees. The board of governors will meet next Tuesday evening to formulate a plan of procedure for the guidance of the club, subject to its approval.

Plans for Development Congress

Elaborate preparations are making for the first Northwest Development Congress, which will be held in Seattle in September, and which will be made up of delegates from the commercial bodies of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming and Alaska. These preparations are in the hands of an arrangements committee, which has already organized with the president of the Seattle Commercial Club as chairman and the chairman of its publicity committee as secretary. Various other commercial and development bodies of Seattle, including the Chamber of Commerce, the Manufacturers' Association, the Clearing House Association, the Rotary Club, will each be asked to appoint a representative to serve on this committee.

The Congress will convene on September 5th and will remain in session five days. The first day will be devoted to conservation, irrigation, the improvement of our rivers and harbors, and such other matters as are subject in greater or lesser measure to federal control. It is expected that through the Congress President Taft will then address the people of the Northwest on the subject of Canadian reciprocity. It is probable that Secretary of the Interior Fisher will be one of the speakers on the great day of the Congress.

One of the articles of last week's issue deserves special mention, namely the one relating to the desecration of the Indian graveyard near Fairview. Considerable comment has been made concerning it in the Oregonian and on Monday of this week a member of the Oregon Historical Society, Mr. George Himes, made a special trip to Gresham to gather further information concerning it. It seems remarkable that a matter of such interest should have passed unnoticed for so long, and, finally, that it should have been brought to notice through the destructive agents. That is that their depredations caused it to be brought to public notice.

This week saw a considerable portion of the state of California deeply stirred through the discovery of a remnant of an ancient Indian tribe scarcely two score in number, who took to the hills on the first glimpse of a white man. Such a prize must be captured. Bands of soldiers have been organized with the intention of surrounding the entire band, and having subdued what they do not frighten to death—or shot—they will put them through a microscopic investigation to ascertain the reason for their peculiar existence.

Dates for the Oregon Development League convention at Astoria have been fixed for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, August 14, 15 and 16. This will be while the Astor Centennial is in progress and convention visitors will give a part of their time to this historic celebration. The convention dates were decided after a conference between the Astoria Commercial Club and the Centennial management.

A newspaper's circulation comes only after years of effort. A mushroom circulation never appeals to the wisdom of the JUDICIOUS ADVERTISER

RELIC HUNTER IS MUCH INTERESTED

That story in the Herald last week, concerning the changing of an old Indian cemetery into a part of a farm, attracted unusual attention. Reports from Blue Lake assert that more than a score of Portland people were out there looking for relics and making inquiries as to where those which were found could be located now. Among those interested was George H. Himes, of the Oregon Historical Society, and J. W. King who were in Gresham on Monday on the same mission. The relics were carried away by those who found them, but some of them have been located and will probably be secured for future generations to look at.

There is yet another cemetery over there which has not been disturbed—or rather it is supposed to be a burying ground—for no one knows to a certainty as it has not been explored. About a quarter of a mile east of the ancient graveyard spoken of last week are five mounds laid out in a regular shape indicating that they were built by hands and for a purpose. One of them is larger than the other four and of a slightly different form. The others are uniform. They are probably the graves of noted members of the ancient Willamettes but have not been opened. It would be interesting to know what they contain, and the Historical Society may find a way to have a thorough examination made before long.

Supreme Court Decides Gresham Case

The case of D. W. Metzger and wife against the city of Portland came to a close this week by a decision of the State Supreme Court's decision that because of the fact that lots were owned by Mr. Metzger he could not prevent their further use by the City Water Service, nor can Mr. Metzger construct buildings across the right of way that will interfere with the construction work or the repairing of the pipeline. This probably closes one of the most important cases that has come up in our town for a good many months and which has been watched with much interest by a large number of our citizens.

Proposed Catholic School

Down on the Base Line road, near the eight-mile post, is a tract of land containing 20 acres that will probably be utilized soon as the location of a Catholic school or college. It belongs to one of the societies in Portland, and plans have been made to erect upon it the necessary buildings for the accommodation of the teachers and others to

be employed there, and to otherwise prepare the foundations for and extensive seat of leaving in charge of the society. Not all the arrangements are perfect yet but it is expected to have them in shape to begin operations by the end of the present year.

It was intended to establish the school several years ago, but the scheme was postponed because of the distance from any car line, but now that the Mount Hood road will pass near the site it is more than probable that the work will be undertaken soon.

Measuring Rural Routes

A postoffice inspector has been in this vicinity during the past week looking over the situation in regard to a change in some or all of the rural routes of Eastern Multnomah. He went over Troutdale route, No. 1, on Saturday last, and measured its length.

The increase in the salaries of the carriers, which is to take effect July 1, has probably had the effect of expediting matters pertaining to the rumored changes, and it is likely that all of the routes left in operation will be nearer the standard length of 24 miles than at present. It would not be surprising if several changes would go into effect on the first day of July.

New Town

It is proposed to give the new town to be built on the Buoy place, three miles southeast of Gresham, the suggestive and euphonious name of "Uncle Tom," in honor of its former owner. It is said that the old farm will be surveyed and platted and placed on the market before another year.

Unclaimed Letters

The following letters remain unclaimed for at the Gresham post office for the week ending March 18, 1911:

Gentlemen's list—Burt Hardenbrook, L. E. Hams, F. R. Smith, S. S. Campbell, France Camacho, Francisco Omaha Prunin, Royalo Yopes Veruare.

Foreign—Inman Aprevinio, George Zervan.

Cards—Victor E. Johnson (2), Carl Gustafson, G. M. Logan.

These letters will be sent to the Dead Letter Office on April 11, 1911, if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say "advertised," giving date of list.

I. McCOLL, P. M.

Grange Dance

Multnomah Grange will give another dance Saturday April 1st, the usual Grange supper will be served. Richards orchestra undesirable will not be allowed to remain.

Time may be money, but the average man would rather give you two hours' talk than lend you a quarter.

Tracts Are Moving in Tia-Juana

Many beautiful homes will be built in Tia-Juana this summer. Three tracts sold this week. There are a number of one-, two-, three- and five-acre tracts left. These are beautiful home sites and are going to be worth more money. Now is the time to get in and buy one of these tracts on easy terms. Station accommodations will be furnished at Preston.

Call all on us at once for prices and terms on these tracts.

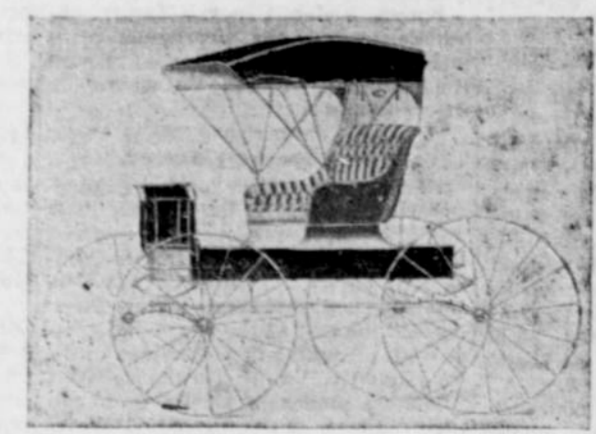
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PACIFIC BANKER A JOURNAL OF FINANCE Quotes a banker, saying: "Past due notes cause bad dreams and decreasing deposits are unpleasant; but overdrafts are nerve-racking, sleep-killing and nightmare producing. They cause gray hairs, the loss of friends and money and break banks. Bank after bank has gone down because of them."

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