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MYSTERIOUS CLAY ON MT. HOOD LINE

A vast ledge of peculiar clay was exposed by a steam shovel working on the old Layman farm, about eight miles east of the city, while making a big cut through the place for the Mount Hood railway. It is altogether different from the surrounding soil although only a few feet below the surface, and the indications are that it extends over a large area and is of an unknown depth as no attempt was made to go deeper down than the roadbed of the track.

The steam shovel brought the clay up in big chunks which hardened somewhat upon exposure to the air for awhile. It is susceptible of considerable polish and may be carved into almost any shape or figure. It comes in three colors, blue, gray, blue and red.

The commercial value of the clay has not yet been determined, but tests and experiments are being made to ascertain just what it is good for. Samples have been taken away for laboratory experiments which will include tests as to its use for fine brick, pottery and mineral paint.

The property on which the clay was discovered is owned by the Railway company, it having bought the entire Layman farm. From indications, however, the ledge extends for a considerable distance north and south through other farms, and if it proves valuable their owners will have bonanzas worth something more than their annual crops will produce.

Council Planning City Hall.

Plans for the building of the proposed City Hall will be taken up by the Common Council very soon. At present the ideas are somewhat vague but there is a prospect of having a municipal building of some pretensions, although it will cost all the money the city can raise to build it.

There is now available in the city treasury about \$2500, and the city is going to use \$1800 of that to pay for the lot. That will leave \$700 with about \$1000 more to come in from city taxes and \$1200 more from licenses. In addition the city may borrow \$2500 by authority of its charter, making \$5400 in all which could be used for a building this year if so desired. With that much money available it would seem to be the part of wisdom to erect a City Hall suitable for all present needs and for years to come. The right kind of a building would provide quarters for the City Council, city jail, public library, Commercial club and fire department. Why not put up a good building at first?

GRANGE HAS INTERESTING SESSION

The session of the Gresham Grange convening last Saturday was a meeting of more than usual interest. The dinner hour proved to be up to the usual standard of the Gresham Grange and the social noon intermission was well spent. The lecture hour was in charge of Mrs. D. W. McKay and the topic for discussion was the "Newspaper for the Home." A good many notions were put forth. Quite a number expressed the notion that the publication of crimes was not only wasteful misuse of opportunity and paper but

that it was dangerous to the moral welfare of the people. Children who read the stories are misled and given bad notions of the proper standard of citizenship. It was developed that the newspaper does not seek disclosure of criminality and vicious deeds for any pleasure the management may get out of it, but because the public is demanding the news regardless of quality. It was cited that in some instances the detection of the criminal has followed the publicity given by the papers, and the consequent arousal of sentiment in opposition to the criminal. Others suggested that the withholding of all bad from our children would only make them more susceptible to harm when they should eventually come under its influence, and that it would be better to admit the paper to the home and direct the reading of children to those things of most importance and lead the child unconsciously to devote his attention to the more meritorious parts.

Considerable time was devoted to closing the "Gap" between the farmer and the ultimate consumer. Lewis Shattuck came and spoke for the merchant. His position was that all persons who bought and sold were merchants and hence the farmer could be classed as a merchant and hence the gap closed itself. Others expressed their views, some in accord and some to the contrary. A strong effort was made to show that the real money grabber was neither the farmer nor the merchant but the man between, the jobber, who handles products, coming and going. There was no one present to defend the poor jobber and to tell that his profits were lower than anyone's else, and as a consequence the matter was settled by putting the burden on him.

One thing that met with considerable attention was the bad repute that some farmers have earned by crooked dealing with merchants at home and elsewhere. It is evidently no uncommon thing for a farmer to give short measure, sell poor stock, and in some instances actually substitute inferior material for the articles sold. Out of this duplicity it is believed that a good many of the farmer's troubles come—the honest suffering for the faults of the dishonest. Mrs. McKay introduced her niece, Mrs. Walter Hooper, visiting in this vicinity and a resident of Boston, who sang a couple of very fine selections. The lecture hour then closed and the business of the session was resumed.

To Make Good Coffee.

To make good coffee, one must have a clean coffee-pot and a good quality of coffee. Rinsing out is not enough to clean the coffee-pot or teapot sufficient. They can be thoroughly cleaned and freshened by filling them two thirds full of water and then stirring in a teaspoonful of borax and allowing it to boil for twenty minutes or longer.

To make good coffee for two, stir two heaping tablespoonfuls of coffee in one teacup of cold water and let stand overnight. In the morning add one pint of cold water; bring to a boiling point slowly, and boil five minutes. To settle, add a couple of cold water just before serving.—Industrialist.

Dance At Rockwood

Rockwood Grange will entertain the dancing public on Saturday evening, April 22. Richard Orchestra and the usual Grange supper. Tickets \$1.00.

MUCH NEW LAND TO GROW BIG DOLLARS

From careful observations made over many portions of Eastern Multnomah it is evident that about 600 acres of new land will be brought into cultivation this year for the first time. All over the agricultural portion of the county are numerous small clearings ready for their first crop, which will be mostly potatoes, as this product through extensive cultivation has a tendency to subdue the land sooner than any other. Over in Clackamas county the area of new land will be nearly the same and both together will swell the total of crop productions to a considerable extent.

Although hired help has been hard to get the influx of new people during the past year will furnish enough labor to keep pace with the extra tillage and the crop increase will be correspondingly larger.

The two staple crops of this section, hay and potatoes will take up most of the tillable lands, although the different grain crops will make a larger showing than heretofore. Last year the grain yield was about 350,000 bushels in Multnomah county and that amount will probably be surpassed this season if the crops are up to their usual standard.

Last fall hay prices were high and potatoes were cheap. Now the situation has been reversed. Potatoes are high, with scarcely enough for seed left over, and hay is cheaper with considerable of last years crop left over. As a result there will be a larger acreage of potatoes this year than last. However, there is a market for all that can be raised of both commodities.

FUNERAL OF H. S. STONE.

The Herald announced last week the severe illness of Mr. H. S. Stone of Fairview. It was anticipated at the time that Mr. Stone would not recover. Suffering from repeated strokes of paralysis, the last one proved his undoing and he was called by death on Wednesday the 12th. Mr. Stone has been a resident of Oregon since the sixties and a good part of that time has lived at Fairview. About three years ago he built himself one of the best homes in



H. S. STONE

town, near the car line, and was in a way to pass a very comfortable life. But infirmities came upon him and he was unable to overcome them. Mr. Stone was born in North Monroe, Ohio, August 17, 1847. He came west in 1872, and made his home with his uncle Hiram Smith, who then owned as a farm what is now Fairview townsite. On April 24, 1881, he was married to Miss Aliza Zeuserman. The Stone farm which is now leased to T. R. Howett is one of the finest and best improved farms.

Mr. Stone was at one time County Commissioner in this County. He leaves a wife and four children, a brother, A. L. Stone, of Portland, and a sister in Chicago. The funeral will be held at home on Friday at 2 o'clock, and interment will be made at the Masonic cemetery on Sandy road. The family will have the sympathy of numerous friends throughout the county who have been their acquaintances for many years.

Wedding Near Boring.

At the residence of the brides home near Boring on the 11th inst. Miss Margaret L. Dolan and Rev. A. B. Calder were united in marriage by the

Rev. J. F. Dunlap, pastor at Gresham. Rev. Calder is pastor of the Boring and Pleasant Home churches. The bride belongs to a pioneer family of Portland and is well and favorably known in this vicinity.

THE CHANGING STANDARD

During the last few years there has been a rapid rise in the standard of living, which has affected those who live on the farms as well as those who dwell in the cities, says a writer in The Missouri Ruralist. I am referring to those things that come under the heading of "foods" only in a general way. There has been widespread education through the medium of schools, churches and social and political channels, which has had its effect on those who dwell in the country as well as they who live in the city. The members of the average family, especially the younger members, feel a pressing need for a higher standard of physical comfort. This, in turn, calls for more leisure in which to enjoy these newly developed longings. So do we see the old-time parlor, closed tightly excepting on state occasions. Now the young people have very different ideas as to how the parlor shall be furnished, and unanimously elect it for daily use. Pianos are not only rare in many parts of the country, and pianos call for leisure and amusements, and time for practice. We welcome this refined amusement and learn that it develops the yearning for other things, like better furniture, reading matter, and the general gratification of intellectual and spiritual needs. Along with these ever-growing wants, we need the means of supplying them.

If our young people simply demand more of music, literature, art, social amusements, and leisure, without any other idea than to have father and mother work harder and sacrifice more. Add more, we have the anomaly of the most narrow sort of development. But, if along with this call for a higher standard of living, our young people grasp the meaning that all these are produced by labor, that some one must work besides father and some one sacrifice besides mother, such increased standard of living means much to their generation. No doubt that John can be trained to produce more and better results with an average of ten hours a day than sixteen hours would have done a couple of generations ago. And Mary's work in the home not only becomes a help to mother, but actually lifts the heaviest burdens from her shoulders. This is what a sane and practical education along the lines of farm and home development should do for our young people.

If a team of horses pull together they are sure to accomplish something; and the same is true of men.

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proportionately to the publicity afforded by the advertising medium. The HERALD has a bonafide subscription list many times larger than any other paper published in any part of the county outside of Portland. If you expect results, bear in mind these facts.

Annual Slump in Dairy Prices.

Milk and cream have both suffered a drop in prices during the past two weeks. The dairymen are now being paid 40 cents for a three-gallon can of milk and butter fat is quoted at 29 cents per pound, with the usual hauling charges taken out.

There is always a drop in prices at this time of the year, owing to more fresh cows and plenty of fresh grass, and the wholesale dealers have more sometimes than they can sell at retail, yet they take all the milk offered but never reduce prices to their customers. Just now the milk depot at Fairview is receiving 540 gallons every day but the surplus is skimmed for its cream which is added to 30 gallons more collected daily on the routes. This cream goes to the ice cream factories or is made into butter. The skimmed milk is fed to a herd of over 100 hogs owned by the firm.

For the milk and cream the Fairview dairy is paying the farmers something over \$100 a day which represents about one-third of the supply of Eastern Multnomah, many gallons more of milk and cream being shipped by other concerns from every important station along the railroads running to Portland.

The milk and cream industry is an important one and is constantly growing, while the dairy herds are being improved right along.

Unclaimed Letters

The following letters remain unclaimed at the Gresham post office for the week ending April 8, 1911:

Gentlemen: Geo. M. Norton, David Bruneau.

Ladies: Mrs. Minnie Johnson.

Dead Letters: Irene Walker.

Cards: Ivan Stowell, F. A. Brown, Tillman Young, Mrs. N. Taylor, Miss Dottie Wilmut, Mrs. Frank Winzenried.

These letters will be sent to the Dead Letter Office on April 22, 1911, if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say "advertised," giving date of list.

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TEACHERS QUALIFIED BY O. A. C.

New Courses Added By Recent Legislation for June 19 to July 28

The six weeks summer session at the Oregon Agricultural College which opens June 19 and lasts till July 28 will offer many new courses this year for the benefit of those teachers disqualified by the new school laws which now make heavier requirements as to preparation.

Town and city supervision and the new rural school supervision provided for under the new school law will be taught, as well as the advanced subjects required now for certificates, such as mathematics, history, the sciences, English and American literature, the art of teaching, psychology and the history of education. There will be special work for the teachers of industrial subjects, and particular attention will also be given to instruction of the primary and intermediate grammar grade teachers as to the relation of the school to the industries. So large a proportion of the school children of the country never get beyond the grammar grades that it is considered immensely important that the teacher of the younger children should in some degree correlate the work with the practical things to be met outside.

Besides courses in methods of teaching the regular high school subjects, the O. A. C. summer session will offer work in the domestic science department for housewives and for young women who wish to learn to manage homes of their own some day, or to teach home economics. Prospective farmers and orchard growers will be given special instruction which will prevent them from committing many of the expensive errors of the beginner. The great importance of this part of work lies in the fact that a great number of professional and trades people from the cities are now acquiring land which they must either know how to handle themselves, or how to supervise the work of others on it.

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