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**T**HE movement to move the State Fair to Portland is assuming important stages. It has gone so far that the board of directors are afraid to proceed with their annual election of officers until after the session of the Legislature for fear the new board may be in sympathy with the change. It does look like an institution that has existed as long as the Oregon State Fair should be allowed to consider itself established without having to fight for its continuance. The only real objection that could have been made about the management at the last fair was that the dates were wrongly appointed. As it was it rained a good share of the time. Is it in any way likely that the weather would be more considerate if located at Portland. It appears to us that Portland has about as much climate as any place in the state. When it rains at Salem it is usually moist in Portland. But when it rains or blows or "silver thaws" in Portland, it may be fairly good weather in Salem. We wonder if the real motive back of this is not to promote the Portland livestock association. If the State Fair were pulled off in the vicinity of the Union Stock Yards there would be no occasion of supporting another fall fair under the name of the Northwest Live Stock Show. But then Salem needs a little scare. Salem at Fair time is one deal of a place for accommodations—and the prices swell out like the pouch of an itinerant gambler. Salem has been accustomed to make the most of the fair and though netting thousands of dollars annually from the employees and visitors of the fair, often in unduly excessive hotel and restaurant rates, we have never heard of Salem's making any contributions for the welfare of the institution. Perhaps we are mistaken in that? (Long silence.)

However, the state has considerable invested in the State Fair. It is centrally located. It is convenient to the center of population of the majority of the farmers of the state, and it is where it should be, at the state capitol. We hope the legislature will conclude wisely and retain it at its present location, and support it with a reasonable appropriation.

**F**ROM the unusual number of Poultry shows that have been held in different parts of the state this winter it might be supposed that poultry growing was having a revival. That, however, will be found to be a mistake. The legitimate demand for poultry products this season has been greater than ever. The facts are that the poultry show as conducted nowadays is a type of oriental fair—or market. The same birds may be seen in a dozen different shows. All well and good. A poultryman must show his stock if he wishes to sell it, but we question which does the most good, the show which merely shows a competition between several producers to display the valuable points in their product and secure exchange of ideas, or the show conducted for advertising purposes. One gets more chickens and eggs; the other gets better stock.

**A**GRICULTURAL College Bulletin No. 67 has been issued within the month. It is free to all residents of the state and will be found to contain a lot of good information for all kinds of people, particularly those interested in road construction and it ought to be read by a lot of those who are not interested. It presents some striking illustration of the evil effects and losses of bad roads and poor improvements. The subject of location, incline, drainage, culverts, and classes of road base are all taken up. Maintenance and road machinery all come in for notice and instructive treatment. Better send for a copy.

**F**ARMER'S week at the Agricultural College is now past. The unexpected success will warrant its repetition again next year. Over 600 people visited the College during the time and

they went away satisfied that the college was trying to accomplish its reputed purpose. That is not all. A lot of the visitors went away convinced that the facilities of the institution are far below its opportunities, and that they will vote for a millage tax the next time it is proposed.

#### EVANGELICAL CHURCH.

"How can we carry the Christmas spirit through 1913?" will be the pastor's theme at the Evangelical church next Sabbath evening at 7:30. Special choir.

P. CONKLIN Pastor.

Communion services at the Evangelical church next Sabbath morning 11 o'clock. Rev. H. E. Hornschurch, of Portland, officiating.

#### GRESHAM

Miss Ada Alderton of Montavilla visited Miss Bessie Howitt last week.

Miss Florence Brown and Miss Elsie Brooks spent New Year at the home of the former's father, A. J. W. Brown.

Miss Alta Wood, of Lents, spent New Year's visiting relatives in Gresham.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Kern entertained at cards New Year's Eve, complimenting Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hollenbeck.

Those present besides the guest of honor and hosts were Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Eastman, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kardell, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Leslie, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Metzger, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Burke, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Elkington, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kern, Mrs. Chas. Merrill, Mrs. Alva Hevel, and Wilson Eastman, Mrs. Metzger and Mr. Elkington won the prizes.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lansdown, of Cottrell visited relatives in Gresham the first of the week.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Merrill a son, Dec. 28, at their home in Mount Tabor.

E. G. Kardell will serve on the jury for circuit court for January.

Miss Lela Lent is spending a well earned vacation from Willamette University, with home folks.

Mrs. H. A. Darnall, of Lents, spent Tuesday at the home of Mrs. H. H. Ott.

The Library will open at 12 M. every day except Saturday when it will open at 1 P. M.

Miss Butler, formerly a Gresham high school teacher, visited friends in Gresham this week.

Miss Elizabeth Shoemaker has been suffering with tonsillitis the past week.

Mrs. Geo. Han-en, of Pendleton, visited her aunt, Mrs. M. D. Kern, last Friday and Saturday. Mrs. Kern accompanied Mrs. Hansen to Beaverton to visit friends.

Mrs. T. B. Meade and children, of Portland, visited friends in Gresham last week.

Wostell & Co. have moved into the Regner brick building on Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Whitehead, of Portland, called on friends in Gresham New Year's day.

Miss Florence Gilliland of Fossil, Oregon, visited Mrs. A. Thompson last Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. W. Brown entertained for Miss Bessie Howitt with a with a surprise at their home on Kelly avenue Tuesday evening. Those present were Misses Bessie Howitt, Pearl Fleming, Marguerite Michel, Gladys Michel, Willa Metzger, Evelyn Metzger, Mable Burch, Gertrude Eastman, Florence Brown, Elsie Brooks, Helen Hoss, Viola Mathews, Dorris Brown, Orel Raney, Mr. and Mrs. C. Binder, Mrs. T. R. Howitt and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. W. Brown. The evening was pleasantly spent in games and music.

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