

# The Forest Grove Express

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## NOTES AND COMMENTS

How many men and women will give more thought and attention to their mothers because of the sermons preached last Sunday in thousands of churches of America? Millions should.

The throwing of mud at Judge Hollis ceased quite suddenly, it is said, when some of the judge's friends threatened to drag out a skeleton or two. Now let the best man win.

The Express would not be a consistent booster for home industry if it did not suggest to its readers that they vote for Forest Grove's candidates for county offices at the primaries tomorrow.

One Washington county newspaper has been so impartial that it has endorsed but one candidate for the primary election—and that one was one of its own. No, sister, the paper referred to is not published at Banks. The Banks editor has not been afraid to say where he stands.

The people of Forest Grove apparently did a good job at cleaning up their premises last week, for the city teams hauled away eight hay-racks full of tin cans and other non-burnable rubbish. Add to this the tons of rubbish burned on the premises and it is easy to see that cleanup week meant something to Forest Grove.

The Express editor has not been a resident of Washington county long enough to know the merits and demerits of all the candidates asking nominations tomorrow, but he thinks he knows L. A. Fernsworth well enough to suggest that at least one man of Fernsworth's disposition and temperament should go to the legislature from each county. He is a sort of prying chap, who wants to know the whys and wherefores of every measure that will come up for consideration in the legislature and Washington county will lose nothing by sending a few inquisitive chaps to Salem. Plenty of the other kind will be there. See the point?

The editor of the Express was the unwilling listener to an amusing conversation in the Star Theater Friday night, during the presentation of "Peggy." Between reels the pictures of a number of candidates for public office were thrown on the screen, among them the picture of Mr. Applegate, one of the five republican candidates for sheriff. A lady sitting near the writer seemed surprised that Mr. Applegate was asking the republican nomination as she was under the impression that Mr. Hancock of this city was the republican candidate. "Oh, no," replied her companion, "Mr. Hancock is a democrat." "Oh, that's too bad," exclaimed the first speaker, "I had intended to

vote for him, but now I can't." The writer doesn't know the names of the ladies, or he would inform them that it's a mistake about Mr. Hancock being a democrat. He has always been a republican and is asking the nomination from that party, along with four other aspirants. Whichever of the five gets the nomination will run against Sheriff J. E. Reeves, who is the only democratic candidate. Of course the ladies who had their wires crossed must be newcomers to Oregon, for certainly all Oregon women must know more about elections than the two who so publicly showed their lack of knowledge concerning the primary election.

### THEY MAKE GOOD EVERYWHERE

It is always a pleasure to the editor of the Express when he can say something for a meritorious individual or organization and it is with double pleasure that he now pays his weak little tribute to the efficiency of the several departments of one of Forest Grove's principal institutions—Pacific University.

The various public recitals given by the music department of P. U. have long ago demonstrated to the citizens of Forest Grove that the Conservatory can and does teach music. Additional evidence of this fact was produced last Friday, when the orchestra played for the May Day events on the campus.

In the afternoon the Tennis and Baseball teams demonstrated that the physical training of man is not neglected at this institution. And put it down in your little diary that P. U. has a baseball team this year that needs no apologists. It has won four out of five games, and won them by clean playing.

And in the evening of the same day, five students of the college gave a practical demonstration (in the Romanesque) that the dramatic gifts of the students are not being neglected.

And there are many other departments which might be mentioned with credit to the instructors and students of P. U.

The May Day exercises, with the excellent music and graceful dances, and the play in the evening, all free of charge to our citizens, were treats that the writer enjoyed immensely, as did many others, especially recent arrivals in the city. Possibly some of the citizens have seen them so often that they do not appreciate them as much as we newcomers.

Having so efficient an institution at our doors, gives us an opportunity of hearing and witnessing many high-class recitals and exhibitions at small cost and sometimes entirely free of cost. This is of direct benefit to all of us—

fathers, mothers and children—to say nothing of the financial benefit derived by the business institutions of the city in the sale of supplies.

Sometimes the writer wonders whether the people of Forest Grove fully appreciate the worth of this institution.

### SWAT THE FLY EARLY

Farm and Fireside: Much discussion has made us familiar with the work of the common house-fly. A few years ago there were questions sent out in all the principal cities of this and other countries which put the matter before us quite clearly. Here is the list, with a few slight changes:

Where is the fly born? In manure and filth.

Where does the fly live? In every kind of filth.

Is there anything too filthy for a fly to eat? No.

Where does he go when he leaves the vault and the manure pile and the spittoon? Into the kitchen and dining room.

What does he do there? He walks on the bread, fruit and vegetables; he sticks in the butter; he swims in the milk.

Does he visit the patient sick with consumption, typhoid fever, and cholera infantum? He does, and may call on you next.

Is the fly dangerous? He is man's worst pest, and more dangerous than wild beasts.

What disease does the fly carry? He carries typhoid fever, tuberculosis and summer complaint. How? On his wings and hairy feet. What is his correct name? Typhoid fly.

Did he ever kill anyone? He killed more American soldiers in the Spanish-American war than all the bullets of the Spaniards.

Where are the most cases of these diseases? Where there are most flies.

Where are there most flies? Where there is the most filth.

Why should we kill the fly? Because he may kill us.

How should we kill the fly? Destroy all the filth about the house and yard that we can; pour lime on the rest; kill him with a wire screen paddle or sticky fly paper or kerosene.

Kill the fly in any way, but kill the fly.

The mosquito is closely allied with the fly. His favorite breeding place is stagnant water; an uncovered rain barrel is all he wants to grow and thrive.

### Put Up Road Markers

The first part of last week Grant Hughes of this city and C. A. Brodersen of Daley, acting for the Forest Grove Commercial club, put up thirty-six road markers along the Cedar Mills, Bob Walker and Beaverton roads leading to Portland, placing a sign at every fork and crossroads, so that he who runs or rides may read and know the way and distance to Forest Grove. It is a piece of work that will, no doubt, be appreciated by every auto tourist.

After the Washington County men had completed their labors, they concluded to take a ride on the Columbia Highway, but spent two hours trying to find it from Portland. Three times they followed streets that should have taken them to the highway, only to find the street blocked, so they were compelled to return and try another street. They are under the impression that Portland should do a little road-marking if they want people living outside of that town to use the Columbia Highway.

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## THE MAIL BOX

### The Immaculate Conception and the Virgin Birth of Christ

Since the three Presbyterian students were recently admitted to the ministry by the New York Presbytery, despite their rejection of the doctrine of the virgin birth of Christ—one of the strongest tenets of the Presbyterians—numerous questions have been asked me in regard to the Catholic belief on this point and also in regard to the Immaculate Conception. I would therefore beg the courtesy of our city papers in publishing the following:

The dogma of The Immaculate Conception was promulgated on Dec. 8th, 1854, by Pope Pius IX, when he issued the Constitution, called from its opening words, "Ineffabilis Deus." It is thus expressed: "We define that the Blessed Virgin Mary in the first moment of her conception, by the singular grace and privilege of Almighty God, in virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the human race, was preserved free from every stain of original sin."

This was not a new teaching, for the Church has always believed it and has celebrated it as one of principal feasts of the Church since the seventh century. It was brought into prominence and defined only after contentions arose in regard to it, as are all doctrines. The Divinity of Christ was not defined until A. D. 325; the Divinity of the Holy Ghost, A. D. 381, etc. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, i. e., that the Blessed Virgin's body was assumed into heaven, has not yet been defined. Should question arise it will then be defined and become a dogma of the Church. But it will not be a new tenet.

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin does not mean that her birth was in any way miraculous, that she was without an earthly father, as was our Savior, or that her birth was in any way different from other children. But it means that she was never for an instant, (even in her conception in the womb of her mother, St. Ann,) under the stain of original sin, which has been the portion of every man born into the world since the fall of Adam. She was "Immaculate," pure from every sin. This was owing, not to her own merits or rights, but those which her Divine Son was to merit for her.

Many get the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the miraculous birth of our Lord confused. The birth of Jesus was of a virgin, who, as St. Luke (1:34-35), tells us had not known man. St. Matthew (1:19-24) tells us that the angel of the Lord appeared to St. Joseph; who was doubtful and troubled and was of a mind to put her aside, saying, "Joseph, son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife, for that which is conceived in her, is of the Holy Ghost." Then a few sentences further we read: "Now all this was done that it might be fulfilled which the Lord spoke by the prophet, (Isa. VII 14,) Behold a virgin shall be with child, and bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us." In other places also, the Sacred Scriptures speak either directly or indirectly of the virgin birth of Christ.

In fact it is inconceivable how any one who professes belief in the Bible can read any other meaning than that our Savior's birth was of a virgin. In the foregoing passage, (Isa. VII,) we read how God commanded the prophet Isaiah to announce to the king Ahas the speedy deliverance of the country from the Syrian yoke, and commanded him to ask for a sign in token of the fulfillment of this promise. On refusal of the king to ask for a sign, the words as set forth were recorded.

It would seem that the Sacred Scriptures have become the point aimed at by infidelity. Many heads bow down no longer before the Divine pages; error does not accept the Bible as judge and umpire in the combats with Christianity. Rationalism—as it is called—has thrown off the yoke of faith. It believes no longer in revelation, it denies the inspiration of the Sacred Scriptures, the existence and possibility of miracles, and, sometimes the existence of God. But, "Blessed," says the Lord, "are the clean of heart, for they shall see God." God will manifest Himself in His Scriptures to all those who shall seek Him with purity of heart and simplicity of intention. The scales will drop from their eyes as from those of the converted St. Paul, and there, where previously they beheld only shadows and spots, they will perceive only radiant truth, worthy of their belief and veneration.

J. R. BUCK,  
Pastor, St. Anthony's Church.

## FALSE RUMOR DENIED

### Applegate Has Not Withdrawn Candidacy

It having come to my attention that reports have been circulated throughout the county that I have withdrawn from the contest for the Republican nomination for sheriff, I wish to state that such reports are false and without foundation and evidently circulated to mislead my friends. If nominated I will accept and will use every effort to secure election in November.

J. C. APPLGATE,  
Republican Candidate for Sheriff.  
(Paid Adv.)

Have a good second-hand camera that will take 8x10 or 5x7 pictures. What have you to offer as a trade? Value of complete outfit is \$25. Reply to B. W. box 643, City.

## FARMERS' MEETING



### Prof. SHAW COMING

Prof. Thomas Shaw of St. Paul, Minn., agricultural expert, under auspices of farmers' organizations and Commercial clubs, will address farmers and others interested in Agriculture, Dairying and Stock Raising

### SATURDAY, MAY 20

Lyda School House,  
12 o'clock noon  
Farmers' Commercial Club.  
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Gale City, 7:30 P. M.

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