

GRESHAM A MONEY CENTER

Over a Million Dollars Estimated Yearly Transactions

Two Growing Banks--Prosperous Business Houses and Thriving Farms.

The financial standing of a city or community, the business transacted there and the increasing population have much to do with the success of any town or city. The boom spirit is a detriment to a community as has been the experience of the writer in many instances in other localities far from Gresham. Now that this city has after many years of constant slumber awakened to a spirit of growth and the idea to achieve something, some of the "old-timers" say it is a boom—only to soon die—nothing of the sort. The Outlook firmly believes that every man in Gresham who is now investing a few dollars for the further advancement of the town is doing so with the firm belief that Gresham is worthy of more business and can supply support for all the new business now in sight.

The town of Gresham has, we believe, the distinction of transacting more business in a year than any town of its size in the state of Oregon. The population of the town from an estimate of the new houses erected during the lapse of time since the census was taken, is about 800 people.

From facts gathered from interviews with various business men of the city it is safe to state that outside of the two banks here Gresham is transacting five hundred thousand dollars worth of business each year. Then in the two banks according to receipts and disbursements, is done in round numbers one and one-half millions of dollars of business each year. Of course, the banks could make a larger figure but the estimated amount is on their own checks.

The country surrounding Gresham is well settled by farmers, many of whom have been here for years and this outside business amounts to more than 50 per cent of the trade in the town. This outside trade also is growing as fast as is the town trade.

If a tract of land is subdivided into lots it is not many days until it is all contracted for. This has been experienced in this vicinity not long since.

DECIDE.

Decide, the Percheron stallion, well known in Gresham and vicinity, will make the season as follows:

Monday, at livery barn at Sandy.

Tuesday, at E. F. Donahue's barn, Boring.

Wednesday, till Thursday noon, at Transfer barn at Gresham.

Friday and Saturday, at home barn at Cottrell.

Straus Lumber Co., Owners.

Evening Telegram.

Delivered by carrier promptly anywhere in Gresham. See Burton, Meade, carrier.

Eggs for Setting.

S. C. Rhode Island Red eggs for setting, \$1 per setting. Mrs. E. E. Welling, phone 253.

For Sale—Loose hay, several tons, good condition and good hay. Call on C. Reynolds. Phone 299, Gresham.

French Laundry

Fancy and family work a specialty. Cleaning, dyeing and pressing in connection. Harry Wood is our agent in Gresham. Leave work at his shop.

Housekeeping Rooms.

Several housekeeping rooms, also furnished rooms, for rent with or without board. McCarter Apartment House, Roberts ave., Gresham. 12

LOST—Small bay mare, weight about 900; 5 years old; mane reached but long. Information leading to return will be rewarded by Frank Metzger, Boring Route No. 3.

Sweet Cream.

Beginning Thursday morning, April 13, I will be prepared to deliver sweet cream anywhere in Gresham. E. Schwedler. Telephone 64.

CONTRACT FOR HAULING GRAVEL

A. B. Knighton has secured the contract for hauling the gravel for the new Dowsett building on Main street. Gravel is bought of the Mt. Hood company and delivered on the siding at Gresham. About 500 yards will be hauled. Mr. Knighton use two wagons and one team, filling one while the other is being hauled. As the distance is short this will keep Will Dufney pretty busy shoveling, but Will is an expert and will be well paid for his work. Mr. Knighton expects to haul 50 yards a day.

GEO. CHRISTIANSEN BADLY INJURED

Saturday afternoon in Ed. Osburn's blacksmith shop George Christiansen, a blacksmith, was the victim of an accident which will perhaps lay him off from work for some time.

Mr. Christiansen was engaged in shoeing a mule, when as usual, without any warning the animal kicked him in the chest, apparently not with his foot but with his leg.

By the blow he was rendered unconscious for a time but upon reviving said he felt as if not seriously injured.

A call on the injured man Sunday proved that he was in worse shape than anticipated and was at that time unable to eat and had severe pains in his chest and stomach indicating internal injury.

SUNSHINE CLASS ELECTS OFFICERS

Laura Davis and Viola Dinger entertained the Sunshine class at Laura Davis's home, April 8. The secretary not being present Mae Dougherty was chosen to take her place. The treasurer reported \$1.10 in the treasury.

The contest came out in favor of the "Blues." The "Whites" are to decide where and when the picnic is to be.

New officers were elected as follows: President, Laura Davis; vice president, Mae Dougherty; secretary, Alice Roberts; treasurer, Viola Dinger. A motion was made and carried that the dues would be paid up every month.

Those present were: Mrs. Oliphant, Laura Davis, Mae Dougherty, Alice Roberts, Viola Dinger, Mary-nell Bachmeyer, Marie Lane, Lucy Peterson, Marion Dunlap, Mata Shultz, Maggie Winters, and Lucile Johnson. A dainty luncheon was served.

Ladies' Orchestra.

Don't forget the social dance at Metzger's hall by the Ladies' orchestra, Saturday night, April 15. First class management and a good time.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Harry Stanley was absent from school Tuesday.

Anna Macarow has quit school here and started to school at Orient.

Quinn Metzger was absent from school Tuesday on account of sickness.

Albert Lindeman was absent Tuesday.

The pupils of the eighth grade are working with great energy so they can pass the state exams in May.

Gladys Neal has returned to school after an absence of two weeks on account of sickness.

Glenn Wallace was absent on account of illness.

Miss Wilkie is teaching in Mr. Steele's place.

Margaret Kent, Fannie Duley, Orel Raney, Glenn Rusher, Gladys Wright, Oscar Duley, Albert Lindsey are still absent from the fourth grade.

Claude Robinson, Ivon McMurry and Cecil Walker have returned to their places in school.

Miss Lucile Johnson received a post card shower Monday in honor of her birthday.

Wednesday, of this week Dr. Lowe, the optician and optometrist will be at the Fieldhouse Jewelry store. It is Dr. Lowe's intention to make regular visits to Gresham which will be a great convenience to our citizens in need of glasses. Dr. Lowe comes highly recommended and you can do no better than to consult him about your eyes and glasses.

Crazy Man Landed. Saturday Marshal Gallickson went over in the Melrose country in answer to a telephone call and arrested a crazy man who had been giving the people of that vicinity much annoyance. His name is Charles Setstrom. He was taken to Portland, adjudged insane and taken to an asylum.

Shall We Go Forward?

The meeting of the Gresham District Commercial club will be held Friday night in the Odd Fellows hall. It should begin early and if necessary hold late. But, most necessary of all, it should be crowded full of helpful discussion, wise planning and real, definite execution. It is necessary to talk but it should not end in talk. Let everything be done with enthusiasm and harmony.

There ought to be 50 or more present. There ought to be many new members.

Among the things that could well come up for discussion and action are the following:

Securing a permanent home for the club.

Issuing an appropriate line of literature that will exploit our resources and advantages.

The cleaning up and beautifying of our city.

The extending of our city limits and recount of our population within a mile in each direction of the center of the city, regardless of limits.

The consideration of a plan for co-operation with the Mt. Hood Railway officials to secure for Gresham an attractive modern depot building.

And there are other things equally important and some of them perhaps more so.

We have made a good beginning. Now is the time when we will go on to success or fall down. Which it shall be will depend upon you and me.

REV. A. B. CALDER WEDS MISS DOLAN

The marriage of Miss Margaret Dolan and Rev. A. B. Calder took place this afternoon at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Mary Dolan, at Pleasant Home. Rev. Dunlop officiated.

The ceremony was simple, only a few relatives being present. The couple started immediately on a short trip to Eugene where they will attend the state Sunday school convention. Rev. Mr. Calder is pastor of the Methodist church at Pleasant Home and Boring. Miss Dolan has a wide circle of friends and is an earnest worker in the church. Their many friends extend congratulations.

PORTLAND-HOOD RIVER HIGHWAY

It is proposed to have a fine scenic highway from Portland to Hood River, following the Columbia river gorge. It will be mainly an automobile tourist road and its cost is estimated at a little over \$100,000. This cost is for building the road from near Bridal Veil to Cascades Locks, or about fifteen miles, there being good roads the rest of the distance in Multnomah county. If it is built Multnomah and Hood River counties will co-operate, each building to its county line. The distance between Hood River and Portland is about seventy-five miles.

Judge Cleeton is enthusiastic over the project. He says: I do not believe money can be spent to better advantage than to put it into this proposed intra-state highway. It is a matter that is of great interest to the people of the two counties and it is bound to be of enormous benefit to the majority of the citizens of the state. Ever since the state was organized such a connecting road has been needed.

He further says: From a scenic standpoint it is almost impossible to conceive of a more picturesque drive than that from Bridal Veil up the great Columbia river canyon into the city of Hood River. It will undoubtedly be one of the most fascinating spots for tourists to be added to its scenic value it will be found in the United States. In most valuable from a commercial standpoint.

Sincere regret is felt at the news that John F. Stevens will soon leave Portland. Mr. Stevens is a big man, a thinker of big thoughts, and a doer of big things. He is a builder and developer, and it has been said of him that the accomplishment of impossible engineering feats has been merely an incident of one day's work. In Oregon he has done a great work in railroad building in a very short time; we who have seen it done, marvel as much at the expedition as at the quietness of its accomplishment. There are neither buglers nor drum majors in the corps with which Mr. Stevens works. Personally Mr. Stevens is a very lovable man, who will be greatly missed by a wide circle of friends in Portland.—The Spectator.

Portland Markets. Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Track prices: Blue-stem, 86c; Club, 83; red Russian, 81; Valley, 82c; 40-fold, 84c.

BARLEY—Feed, \$26.50-27 per ton; brewing, nominal.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, \$22 per ton middlings, \$23-30; shorts, \$22.50; rolled barley, \$28-29.

FLOUR—Patents, \$4.75 per barrel; straights, \$3.85; exports, \$3.70; valley, \$4.80; graham, \$4.50; whole wheat, \$4.70.

Corn—Whole, \$28; cracked, \$28.50 per ton.

Oats—No. 1, white \$28.50-29.50 per ton.

HAY—Track prices: Timothy, Eastern Oregon, No. 1, \$20-21 ton; mixed, \$16-18; alfalfa, \$12.50-14; clover, \$11.50-12.50; grain hay, \$13-15.

Dairy and Country Produce.

POULTRY—Live hens, 21 cts. broilers, 30c a pound; turkeys, 21c; ducks, 20c-23c; geese, 12c-14c; dressed turkeys, choice, 23c-25c.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, 20-21c, per dozen.

CHEESE—Full cream, twins, 14½c; per lb. young America, 15½ cents pound.

BUTTER—City creamery extra 1 and 2 pound prints, in boxes, 29c per pound.

Pork—Fancy, 10-10½c per lb.

VEAL—Fancy, 85 to 125 pounds, 11c-12c.

Vegetables and Fruits.

SACK VEGETABLES—Carrots 85c-\$1 hundred; parsnips, 85c-\$1; turnips, 85c-\$1; beets, 90c-\$1.

APPLES—Fancy, \$2-2.75; choice \$1-2; common, 50c-\$1 per box.

POTATOES—Oregon, buying price \$1.35-1.60 per hundred.

ONIONS—Buying price, \$2 per hundred.

Big Dance. Metzger's hall, Gresham, Saturday night, April 8. Leslie Merrill, floor manager. Best music. Good time assured. Tickets \$1. Regular supper at both restaurants. 11

80 TONS OF HAY BURNED

Quite a disastrous fire occurred at Melrose last Friday night when the barn on the place rented by George Armstrong burned to the ground. The fire occurred about 10 o'clock. Mr. Morgan was the first to see it, after it had gotten a good start. About 80 tons of hay belonging to Chas. Hay, was burned. It is reported there was \$1200 insurance.

RACE TRACK IS BEING DISCUSSED

The matter of building a race track in Gresham since being mentioned last week in an article by the Outlook, has not stood still but has been discussed by many and in all probability a meeting will hold this week to open up a way to the building of the track.

Several men of Gresham have been interviewed on the subject and not one has said but what the project should be pushed as a matter of interest and benefit to the town.

One business man is quoted as saying: "The race track proposition was taken up last fall too late and as a consequence had to be temporarily dropped. Now it should be finished."

At the time last fall that several of Gresham's progressive citizens were working on the project \$700 was subscribed for the purpose. It is believed at the proposed meeting soon to be held that the balance of the money necessary to build a good track will be forthcoming.

QUEEN ESTHER CIRCLE SALE AND TEA

The young ladies of the Queen Esther Circle will hold a sale and tea in the millinery store on Powell street, Saturday afternoon and evening, April 15, from 3 to 9 o'clock. Useful articles and home baked goods, suitable for Easter dinner, will be sold and tea will be served. It is a very useful cause these young ladies are furthering and they invite your assistance.

Biggest Egg in Seven Counties. And now comes forward a man and claims that his Black Minorca hen has laid the biggest egg ever laid in Washington county. The egg was 6½ x 7¼ inches and weighed a quarter of a pound. The man is a reverend and the story must be true.

Maccabees Hold Convention Friday. The sixth quadrennial state convention of the Maccabees will be held next Friday, concluding with a banquet at the Commercial club. Supreme Commander D. P. Markey, of Detroit, the state officers and delegates from 75 lodges will attend. The convention will mark the 20th anniversary of the founding of the order in the state, the first tent, Portland No. 1, having been instituted in 1891. State officers will be elected and two representatives to the Supreme Tent, which convenes in Cleveland, Ohio, July 18. Several hundred members of the order will attend the banquet. The order now comprises 4000 members and 74 lodges in the state.

There is a strong camp at Rockwood and many members are planning to attend the convention.

Observe First Anniversary. Ladies' Aid society of the German Evangelical church observed their first anniversary Sunday at the church by a good attendance. The society has now twenty members. The society has enjoyed the work during the past year and hope during the coming twelve months to accomplish more perhaps than in the past.

Hand Badly Cut. A. B. Downs, while engaged in splitting wood near Hogan suffered a painful accident which will lay him up for some time. A piece of steel from a splitting wedge flew and struck him on the hand between the first and index finger. Dr. Bittner extracted the piece of steel and Mr. Downs is getting on as well as could be looked for.

For Sale—Two sacks of American Wonder potatoes for seed—selected. R. R. Carlson.

For Rent—Good pasture land at Anderson station. Inquire at Ed. Osburn's shop on Main street, Gresham.

GRANGE HOLDS OPEN SESSION

Discussion of Kind of Newspaper Awakens Great Interest

Lecturer's Hour is Open to the Public and Should be Attended.

The Gresham grange held a very interesting meeting last Saturday, there being an extra large attendance during the lecture hour in the afternoon.

After a short business session those present sat down to a grange dinner that was so satisfactory that it left no craving or whim of the appetite unsatisfied.

The Gresham Outlook representative partook of his first grange dinner but he hopes not the last. The cordiality and hospitality with which he was received convinced him that the grange sociability was not a matter of talk.

The principal feature of the day was the lecture hour, beginning at 2 o'clock. Mrs. D. W. McKay, lecturer took charge. The subjects had been announced and many were present to listen or participate in the discussion.

The first topic was, What kind of newspaper do we like to see in our homes? Quite a variety of sentiments were expressed all seeming to agree that a newspaper should tell the truth and be clean and newsworthy. Some liked the market reports, some the locals, some the want ads, and a few the editorials. One said that a paper should have so much of the good to tell that it would have no room for the bad. Grangers were urged to take their grange paper.

The next topic was, How can we do away with the gap between the producer and the consumer. Lewis Shattuck gave an interesting talk on this. He took the view that all far-selling and trying to make a profit, mers are merchants, buying and He said that the commission man looked for honesty in the farmer which sometimes he failed to find. That usually the buyer would be as honest with the farmer as the farmer was with him. The subject was discussed in its various phases and was found to be so broad and important, it was decided to take it up again at the next meeting.

The program was made interesting by music. John Fieldhouse rendered a violin solo and Mrs. Hooper of Boston, guest of her aunt, Mrs. McKay, sang two beautiful selections.

The choir of the Methodist church are making elaborate preparations for an Easter Cantata and from the program as it will appear in the Outlook no Friday there will be entertainment for the people of Gresham of a rare nature and that will warrant the attendance of a large audience. C. W. Albertson has charge of the rehearsals which have been in progress for the past two weeks and now everything is in readiness for the entertainment, which is to take place at the church Easter Sunday evening at 8 o'clock.

Easter Cantata.

Carrots in Various Styles. The humble carrot has an especially good effect on the system at this time, and despite its strong taste it may be made into the most delicate dishes. Winter carrots are slightly boiled in three different waters to remove this rankness, but the new spring sort is dainty enough to require one water only. Spring carrots, which begin to appear in March, are delicious when boiled plainly and served with maitre d'hotel—clarified butter sauce. A dust of finely chopped parsley on top gives them a new piquancy to those who tire of the carrot taste. Carrots served with cream are first boiled in plain water, and then drained and warmed anew in the sauce that has been preparing. To make this sauce, dilute a little of the boil water with two-thirds cream and thicken slightly with corn starch; season with black pepper and salt and add a tablespoonful of butter. Carrot fritters are made with cold-boiled vegetables mashed up and mixed up with bread crumbs and egg; enough cream to make a thickish batter is used, and the fritters are fried in boiling oil. Oyster plant and parsnips are also delicious when served in fritter form, the various ingredients used giving the vegetables a most delicate taste.