

FOREST FIRES CAUSE LOSS

The reports of small forest fires in Oregon and some as near as Estacada...

Oregonians should know that their timber is one of their greatest resources.

Even now, when the western lumber industry is insignificant, compared to what it will be soon...

But it is not being perpetuated. Some years more, some years less, on an average forty million dollars of revenue is stolen from the people...

The Pacific Coast forests owe their unparalleled productiveness to a peculiarly fortunate combination of climate and rapid growing species...

It is reasonable to suppose that although the quality may be inferior to that of the old forest removed now...

Almost nothing is being done to make it do so. As the result of the same popular neglect, this annual loss of nearly twenty-eight millions of dollars is added to that of forty millions caused by destruction of merchantable timber...

Notice. Bids will be received by the School Board of District No. 6 Joint, located at Orient for the purpose of changing and adding four windows in both stories of the building...

"From Portland to the mountains look out for the Outlook."

PIPELINE WORK NEARS FINISH

Men in the employ of the Schaw-Batcher company at or near the headworks say that the pipe will all be laid in about ten days.

D. D. Clark, engineer of the Water Board, said yesterday that the contractors have 120 men at work between Sandy River and the Bull Run headworks...

The workmen now have about 5,000 feet of pipe to lay. Schaw-Batcher's contract was to have been completed June 15th, and the contract price was \$1,259,782.

The big ditch through the heart of Gresham is being rapidly filled up and those whose door yards have been so long piled full of dirt can now see out.

SHATTUCK & LINDSEY WILL PLAY ANDERSON

The people of Gresham and vicinity will have an opportunity Sunday afternoon to see a baseball game that promises to outdo some of the games played on home grounds by teams supposed to be champions.

The game is to be played between the Shattuck & Lindsey team of Gresham and the Anderson team of that place.

Look at the Prices. I make you today, boys! Look over my goods! Convince yourself of their quality and I know you will be satisfied that you cannot do better anywhere else.

Post Cards. Post cards, one cent each. Notions and corsets, embroidery materials and millinery trimmings at the Gresham Millinery Emporium.

O. W. P. TIME TABLE. Lv. Portland 6:50 a. m. for Cazadero. 7:45 for Gresham. 8:45 for Cazadero. 9:45 for Gresham. 10:45 for Cazadero. 11:45 for Gresham. 12:45 p. m. for Cazadero. 1:45 for Gresham. 2:27 Express. 3:45 for Cazadero. 4:45 for Gresham. 5:45 for Cazadero. 6:45 for Gresham. 11:33 for Gresham. Cars from Portland arrive at Gresham one hour later. Lv. Gresham for Portland. 12:25 a. m. from Gresham. 5:40 from Gresham. 6:30 from Boring. 7:37 from Cazadero. 7:59 Express. 8:45 from Gresham. 9:35 from Cazadero. 10:45 from Gresham. 11:39 from Cazadero. 12:45 p. m. from Gresham. 1:39 from Cazadero. 2:45 from Gresham. 3:39 from Cazadero. 4:45 from Gresham. 5:39 from Cazadero. 7:15 from Boring. 9:45 from Cazadero. On Sundays all cars run to Cazadero. In place of the 7:15 p. m. car, there are two, one at 6:45 and one at 8:45.

Gresham is fast becoming metropolitan. If you don't believe it just read the ads. in the Outlook and see what is offered in the way of bargains.

FINE PROGRAM OF RACES FOR THE COMING FAIR

\$1140 Offered in Prizes. The Variety and Size of the Events Will Make the Races an Attractive Feature. Other Sports to Be Added.

The Gresham-Riverside Amusement Club has prepared the following schedule of races and events for the Grange Fair to take place on the dates named.

FIRST DAY, THURSDAY. 2:25 Trot \$150.00. 2:20 Pace \$150.00. Boy's Pony Race, 15 hands or under. Boy's, 16 years \$20.00. SECOND DAY, FRIDAY. Farmer's Race Purse, \$50.00. Colt Race, 3 years and under, trotter or pacer Purse, \$100.00. 2:30 Trot Purse, \$150.00. Bucking Contest \$50.00. THIRD DAY, SATURDAY. Free for all Trot Purse, \$200.00. Free for all Pace Purse, \$200.00. Free for all Running Race Purse, \$60.00.

There will be other sports added to this racing program.

GENERAL CONDITIONS. Entrance fee five per cent except for trotters and pacers which will be five per cent additional from money winners payable two per cent September 10th when entries close and at which time horses must be named; two per cent entrance fee must accompany the entry. Three per cent due September 20th. All races mile heats three in five except runners which will be half mile heats. Division: Fifty, twenty-five, fifteen and ten per cent of purse except runners which will be sixty, twenty-five and fifteen. The right is reserved to declare off any race that does not fill satisfactory to change the order of program and to declare off a race on account of bad weather. There shall be no more moneys than starters; a horse distancing the field shall be entitled to first and fourth moneys only. Owners may enter two horses from one stable by the payment of one per cent additional for the privilege due when entry is made but only one horse can start except where proper transfer is made according to rule and full fee paid on each entry. Address, J. J. KADDERLY, Portland, Oregon. C. CLEVELAND, Gresham, Oregon.

GIANTS READY TO MEET ANY CHALLENGE THAT COMES

The ink hardly had time to dry on the little challenge given publicly the other day by the Columbus club boys in behalf of themselves and other Valley teams till the Giants, through their manager, W. N. Bartholomew, met the challenge by offering to play only outside teams and any that want to come. The team has met and defeated what are considered the four strongest teams around Portland, namely, Eschles, Dilworth, Lents and the Columbus Club, and has only been defeated by Vancouver and Goldendale, both of whom have disbanded. In the last two seasons the Giants have been defeated only nine times, seven of which were by the narrow margin of one run. As Albany, Woodburn, Dallas, Sheridan and Prineville have been mentioned as claimants of the state championship, the Gresham team is desirous of meeting them on any of their diamonds. The following are the games played by the Giants this season: Gresham 9, Dilworth Derbies 6; Gresham 11, Pickwick 4; Gresham 1, Vancouver Independents 2; Gresham 3, Goldendale 0; Gresham 9, Goldendale 9; Gresham 4, Goldendale 5, (13 innings); Gresham 5, Dilworth Derbies 4; Gresham 10, Estacada 3; Gresham 12, Troutdale 6; Gresham 9, Rupert's Eschles 6, Rupert's Eschles 2; Gresham 6; Gresham 6, Rupert's Eschles 11; Gresham 5, Rupert's Eschles 4; Gresham 2, Lents 1; Gresham 18, Columbus Club 9; Gresham 5, Wabash 4.

TELEPHONE WIRES DELAY HOUSE MOVING

Bill & Sunday began Tuesday moving the old McCall house from the corner of Powell street and Roberts avenue to her new lots on the corner of Fifth and Main streets. The move will be made on Roberts avenue to Fifth and down Fifth to Main and located on the second lot from the corner. The house has been cut into two sections and will be so moved. It is not considered a difficult piece of work by the house-movers except for the bother with overhead wires. A real barrier was struck in the guy wire of the telephone company bracing their main pole on the west side of Roberts avenue which holds about 200 wires besides a heavy cable. It has been necessary to put in a new guy pole and raise the wire. When the house is in its new position it will be repaired, reshingled, the roof raised, and wider porches built. The house will be repainted and repapered and made to look like new. The house was built by B. W. Emery about 15 years ago.

Notice. \$1,000 to loan at 7 per cent on good security. Enquire Theo. Nelson, Gresham, R. 2, box 128.

VALUE OF FARMS GREATLY INCREASES

Interesting statistics have been recently given out by the census department relative to the increase of farms and farm values in the United States. The reports show that the farm values have more than doubled during the past ten years, and now represent a total valuation of \$28,384,821,000. Adding the buildings and farm implements, the total is brought up to \$35,859,663,000, which is more than ten years ago. During the ten years from 1900 to 1910 the number of farmers increased 11 per cent; improved acreage increased 15 per cent. Farm buildings increased 77 per cent in value, and farm implements and machinery increased in value 68 per cent. The average value per acre increased 108 per cent. In 1900 it was \$15.69; in 1910, \$32.50. These are interesting figures and should be studied by farmers and investors. They sum up the growth and prosperity of the farmers during the last decade. It could be shown that during the same period farm products have raised in price from 50 to 100 per cent. The fact is the farmer is about 100 per cent better off than ten years ago.

RECIPROCITY BILL SIGNED BY PRESIDENT

"It's done," said Secretary of State Knox, who had been called to the president's desk to witness the signing of the reciprocity bill.

"It's done," said the jovial chief as he penned his name, and the two clasped hands across the table. Speaker Clark and Vice-President Sherman had signed the Canadian reciprocity bill. It was then forwarded to the president.

The bill reached the White House shortly after 1 p. m. Secretary of State Knox and other officials were present.

Secretary of State Knox, Secretary of Commerce and Labor Nagel, secretary to the President, Hillis and Representative Littleton, several newspaper men and a battery of photographers witnessed the signing. This gives the final seal of authority to a measure for which a special session of congress was called by President Taft and on which congress and the president have worked for several months. It was carried through against much opposition in and out of Washington. It was attempted to show that the farmers were opposed to it, and that it would injure them. The farmers have been rather passive and it is believed they will really welcome the closer trade relations with Canada.

In Canada there is a growing tendency to at least test the matter. This is the true attitude. The measure is provisional and can be repealed if found to be disadvantageous to either country.

It should be given a fair trial. There are "interests" that will work to defeat it at any cost. It will be used as a political "bugaboo."

Let the common people grasp the idea that it is a move in the right direction, while necessitating some readjustments, and they will see that it is maintained.

The name of Taft will be inseparably associated with reciprocity.

S. F. Pitts knows a good piece of horse flesh when he sees it, and he never forgets a horse's temper when he has had him in training. The horse recently purchased of Will Hockinson has the peculiarity of changing his character to correspond to that of his owner. He has had several names to suit his changing moods. He was first named Lengthy, after Pitts broke him he was meek and good, the boys at the stable called him Parson. This name was very becoming so the boys thought, but Mr. Pitts thinks his temper has grown so bad under the treatment he has had at the barn that he has given him a name to suit. And what do you suppose he is named now? Why, after his late owner, Hockinson!

Taken Up. A brown Swiss cow was taken up by Mrs. J. E. Jones, Fairview, Wednesday morning. One horn broken. Bell on. Owner can have same by paying costs.

MT. HOOD RAILWAY & POWER

DAILY. Leave Gresham 7:00. Arrive Montavilla 7:50. Lv. Montavilla 8:09. Ar. Gresham 8:35. Ar. Bull Run 9:45. Lv. Bull Run 10:45. Ar. Gresham 12:00. P. M. Leave Gresham 2:30. Arrive Bull Run 3:45. Lv. Bull Run 4:00. Lv. Gresham 5:15. Ar. Montavilla 5:45. Lv. Montavilla 6:09. Ar. Gresham 6:30. SUNDAY. Lv. Gresham 8:20 a. m. Ar. Montavilla 8:50 a. m. Lv. Montavilla 9:00 a. m. Lv. Gresham 9:30 a. m. Ar. Sandy River 10:30 a. m. Lv. Sandy River 11:01 a. m. Ar. Gresham 12:01 p. m. Ar. Montavilla 12:30 p. m. Lv. Montavilla 2:00 p. m. Lv. Gresham 2:30 p. m. Ar. Sandy River 3:30 p. m. Lv. Sandy River 4:30 p. m. Ar. Gresham 5:30 p. m. Ar. Montavilla 6:00 p. m. Lv. Montavilla 6:05 p. m. Ar. Gresham 6:30 p. m. Special Sunday rates, round trip, Montavilla to Gresham, 25 cents; Montavilla to Sandy River, 50 cents; Gresham to Sandy River, 25 cents.

HAY CROP VERY LARGE

According to Dr. Jas. Withycombe the farmers of Oregon are harvesting the largest and finest hay crop in the history of the state. He thinks this year's crop will be nearly 300,000 tons greater than last year. The Willamette Valley enjoys the largest per cent of this increase. He attributes the difference to the fact that in Eastern Oregon the crop is grown on irrigated or subirrigated land, while that in Western Oregon is grown under natural conditions, and the season has been favorable for hay and other farm crops.

The crop is so large he says that many of the farmers have inadequate facilities for storing, and unless care is exercised the waste will be great. This would be unfortunate, as it should all be utilized for livestock feed. For example, it has been estimated that a ton of first-class vetch or alfalfa hay fed to a good dairy cow should yield a value of about \$20.

Dean Cordley of the Agricultural college is quoted as saying that he has never seen such a crop in the Valley before and it is of unusually fine quality.

WANT TO BUY HAY; NAME YOUR PRICE

The secretary of the Commercial club is in receipt of a letter from Secretary Skinner of the Hood River Commercial club saying that the ranchers of the Hood River Valley will be in the market for alfalfa, vetch and grain hay, and they have requested him to find out the best place to buy it and to secure prices on carload lots. He asks the secretary to fill out a blank with the information. It may mean considerable business for our people. Owing to the lateness of the year and the need of getting the hay in, an early reply will be greatly appreciated.

Secretary Skinner encloses a blank which he asks our secretary to fill stating the price at which the following are selling per ton F. O. B. at this point. Alfalfa, vetch and grain hay. He also wants the names of dealers and growers.

While much hay is raised in this locality, and it is of the very best quality, the demand is so great in the city and prices usually so good that farmers readily dispose of all their surplus. During the past year the local demand has been unusually good. We are told however, that Hood River prices are considerably higher than Portland and that farmers can ship to Hood River and make good money. As the haul would be easy to Fairview or Troutdale they might find it an advantage to send in their names and prices to Secretary Carroll S. Smith so that he can communicate with Hood River.

Remember the call is for alfalfa, vetch and grain hay.

H. E. Davis is showing some fine samples of wheat just harvested on the Mountain View Farm. The yield was heavy and will go 40 or more bushels to the acre. The straw is long and stood from five to six feet. This field of 28 acres is just as fine as one could wish to see. Mr. Davis, manager of the farm, combines dairying and farming. We have not heard him say farming does not pay. He is making it pay and on high priced land.

Will Congdon received word yesterday of the death of his oldest brother, J. C. Congdon, at Brainard, Minn. He died Monday, July 24. He was a master painter by trade and was the first to hold that position in the Northern Pacific shops at Brainard, which he held for 14 years. This is the second brother of Mr. Congdon to die within a year.

GOOD PASTURE for rent at Anderson station, Ed. Osburn, phone 691.

GRAND OPENING Of Skating Rink

Skating Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday nights until further notice.

C. E. METZGER.