

AGED RANCHER IS MURDERED

Everyone in this locality is pained to hear of the tragic death of John Thomas who has been a familiar figure here for many years.

He was found dead at his home on the Acorn place at Pleasant Valley Sunday morning apparently murdered for his money.

The old man was found on the couch where he usually slept, his hands and feet tied together, and his pockets rifled. About \$65 which he is known to have had on Saturday and a fine watch had disappeared. Also a man who had been working for him has disappeared and not been seen or heard of since.

A coroner's inquest was held at the house, which is in Clackamas county, yesterday afternoon. The coroner took charge and called in the following jury: W. U. Moore, W. F. Garrison, Chas. R. Hunter, Rom. Donley and Mr. Laughlin. The jury decided that the unfortunate man had been robbed and died from the result of a heavy blow received on the jaw which it is believed broke his neck.

Suspicion strongly points to a hired man who went by the name of Swain. He was rather a rough looking character, who had been sent out by an employment agency a few weeks ago.

It is reported that men engaged in threshing at the Acorn place recently heard Swain use threatening language toward Thomas and it is thought he meditated the deed which he is believed to have committed.

Swain was in the room Saturday evening when a man called to pay Mr. Thomas some money. They could not make the change but in trying to do so Mr. Thomas displayed \$65 in money.

It is believed the murder was committed during Saturday night.

The body was taken to Oregon City to prepare for burial which will probably be in Lone Fir cemetery by the side of his wife who died about two years ago.

The Acorn place consists of about 100 acres. Mr. Thomas lived alone except for a hired man. He has owned numerous pieces of fine property, both farms and town property, but had disposed of all except this fine farm near Sycamore.

It was on this same place about 17 years ago that Mr. Acorn, the owner, was murdered and the body hid in the hay mow.

Mr. Thomas, so far as known had no relatives in this country. He was about 70 years of age.

The Wake of the Teeth.

A Irishman with one side of his face badly swollen stepped into Dr. Witten's office and inquired if the dentist was in.

"I am the dentist," said the doctor. "Well, then, I want ye to see what's the matter wid me tooth."

The doctor examined the offending molar, and explained:

"The nerve is dead; that's what's the matter."

"Thin, be the powers," the Irishman exclaimed, "the other teeth must be houldin' a wake over it!"—Tit-Bits.

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MT. HOOD RAILWAY & POWER DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY

Leave Montavilla
9:00 a. m. for Bull Run.
3:00 p. m. for Bull Run.
5:25 — for Gresham.
6:35 — for Gresham.
Ar. Gresham 30 minutes later.
Leave Gresham for Montavilla.
7:00 a. m. from Gresham.
8:15 — from Cottrell.
11:59 — from Bull Run.
6:00 p. m. from Bull Run.
Leave Gresham for Cottrell.
7:20 a. m.

SUNDAY ONLY.

8:00 a. m. lv Gresham for Montavilla.
9:00 a. m. lv. Montavilla for Bull Run.
10:30 — arrive Sandy River.
11:00 — leave Sandy River.
12:30 p. m. arrive Montavilla.
2:00 — leave Montavilla.
3:30 — arrive Sandy River.
4:30 — leave Sandy River.
5:30 — arrive Sandy River.
6:00 — arrive Montavilla.
6:10 — leave Montavilla.
6:40 — arrive Gresham.
Time between Gresham and Montavilla, thirty minutes.
Time between Gresham and Sandy River, one hour.
Way freight goes east from Montavilla at 9:05 a. m. and west from Bull Run at 1:30 p. m. Does not carry passengers.

Cattle Awards

The list of awards under cattle as given in Friday's Outlook was found to be incomplete as it did not show the breed in any case. The following is so far as known the correct list of awards:

JERSEYS

B. C. Altman—
Bull, 3 years old or over, 1st; bull under one year, 1st; cows, three years and over, 1st and 2d; cows, two years and under three, 1st and 2d; heifer, over one year, 1st and 2d; heifers, under one year, 1st and 2d; grand champion cow, Empress Ladd's Margaret, No. 247-395. This cow, two years old, took third prize in the Milk and Butter Test.

HOLSTEINS

H. G. Mullenhoff—
Cow, three years and over, 1st and 3d; heifer calf, under one year, 2d; bull, over one year and under two years, 3d.
E. Schwedler—
Bull, one year and under two, 1st and champion; heifer, two years and under three, 2d.
D. McKeown—
Yearling bull, 2d; cow, three years and over, 2d; cow, two years old, 1st; heifer calf, under one year, 1st.

FAIR BOARD HAS MEETING

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Grange Fair association was held yesterday at the bank of Gresham for the purpose of auditing bills and settling up the business of the fair. Bills presented to date were audited and allowed and some few changes were made in the awards of premiums. A sweep stake prize was given to B. C. Altman for best five animals from one farm.

Mr. Hartley was given third prize on commercial pack of potatoes and Mrs. Crane was awarded a first premium on burnt leather goods.

Ten members were present and the business will be continued at the next meeting, October 16, when it is hoped a full statement of finances can be issued.

BAPTISTS ENJOY THEIR FIRST ANNUAL BANQUET

The Baptist church held its first annual banquet and business meeting at the Grange hall on Friday evening of last week. The Baptist convention year begins with October 1st, so the local church has arranged to hold this event in the last week of September each year. The attendance at this meeting was a disappointment to those who had planned and worked for its success. An effort had been made to reach the members of the church and congregation through written invitations, and a general invitation also was published in the Outlook. But although arrangements had been made to entertain a hundred people, not more than half that number were present. In all other points, however, the affair was a success.

At 9 o'clock, those present gathered around the long tables of the Grange dining room and enjoyed the repast provided by the ladies. When all had eaten, attention was called by the pastor, who in a few words told of the purpose of the meeting and of those to be held in the future. As stated, it is the intention to make this, the one social event of the year in the life of the church, when the church and its friends meet to enjoy themselves. A secondary purpose is, to acquaint all with the work of the church during the months past, and with its aims for the future.

After these brief remarks, a roll call of the members occurred and each member present was asked to respond with a verse of scripture. Attention was then called to the fact that the church was without trustees, and Mr. Frank Halliday, Mr. Roy Shoemaker and Mrs. Mary Davidson were elected to this office.

Mrs. Wostell was elected clerk for the ensuing year and Mr. Arthur Schoenberger, treasurer. Before bringing the meeting to a close, the pastor called attention to the aims of the church for the coming year and some voluntary pledges were made in the way of financial help, amounting in all to \$469.56. The guests departed, expressing their pleasure with the events of the evening.

POPULAR YOUNG LADY WEDDED

The marriage of Miss Emily Palmblad to Swan Magnuson occurred at the home of the bride's parents, in Powell Valley, last Saturday afternoon. Rev. F. Linden of Portland officiated in the presence of a large company of relatives and friends.

The ceremony took place on the lawn, where a fine wedding dinner was served. The decorations were elaborate, consisting of ferns, autumn leaves, and an abundance of cut flowers.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Palmblad and is very popular among the young people of Powell Valley, where she has lived all her life. Mr. Magnuson came from Wisconsin several years ago. He has a farm at Lustedes where they will make their home.

The bridesmaids were, Miss Anna Unis, Lilly Nyström, Thille Lind; the groomsmen were David Palmblad, Paul Palmblad and Ben Lundbooms.

There were present 175 guests among them four ministers besides the officiating minister. These all told the young people how to begin life and make the home happy. The father of the bride, who is well known, also gave good advice. The occasion was a very happy one and everyone was well pleased.

Mr. and Mrs. Magnuson received numberless valuable presents among them a silver service set, silverware, numerous pieces cut glass, furniture, clocks, chinaware and a sum of money. They also received presents from Kansas, where Mr. and Mrs. Palmblad used to live, and also congratulations from Washington, Chicago and Kansas.

They will begin life at their new home at once where they will be at home to their many friends after October 15th.

MRS. SCHNEIDER IS EXPERT AUTOIST

Mrs. Max Schneider has become quite an expert autoist, driving her machine over all kinds of roads and through crowded streets. But a few days ago while nearing Oregon City she ran upon what threatened to be a barrier, a rushing stream of water. She had never forded a river before and hesitated to undertake it. It was necessary unless she turned back. Using due caution she sounded the stream as best she could and decided that the water was not over the wheels and the bottom was rocky. She ventured in, holding her breath, but the little machine plowed through and soon climbed the opposite bank and sped away. Mrs. Jas. Elkington was with Mrs. Schneider.

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MANY BOYS JOIN TRAINING CLASS

Work at the school house is progressing in fine shape. The new features that have been added this season in the line of manual training for the boys. Sewing for the girls and special musical instruction for the first six grades is attracting considerable attention. Forty boys have already registered for this work and \$60 worth of tools have been purchased for their use. These tools are all first class equipment.

Prof. G. S. Robinson with the aid of the high school class is making benches and furniture and the room is taking on a businesslike look. The high school boys will be given about four hours each week of instruction in carpentry and the grade boys two hours. After about three months the work of cabinet making will be taken up.

Mr. Hunter, who for twelve years had charge of the music in the Portland schools comes to the Gresham school every Monday and devotes two and one half hours to the instruction in music in the six lower grades. After school hours he devotes one hour to the work for the week with the teachers. This is laying a good foundation for the further development of this work in the school in future years.

The high school pupils will organize their literary society for work this afternoon. The plan is to give a monthly public program. This is a branch of school work conducted largely by the pupils and can be made very helpful and interesting.

Teachers and pupils are reported as taking hold of the work this season with much enthusiasm and the outlook is for the best years work ever done in the Gresham schools.

Past Season Has Been Good at Welches Camp.

Ed. Roberts came down from Welches last Saturday and will remain over until tomorrow. He reports things quiet around there now that the summer residents have taken their departure. The road from Toll Gate to Welches has been straightened and much improved this summer. There are about 30 private cottages ranging in value to \$500 near Welches ranch besides three large and seventeen small bungalows owned by Mr. Welch. The camp is a lively place during the summer months and especially on pleasant Sundays. Mr. Roberts is engaged at present in building cottages for next summer's guests.

Do You Want to Sell?

If you have a good farm or good farm land, or acreage, or stump land, or cord wood land that you want to sell and will make the price right, I would like to hear from you. Give full description and very lowest spot cash price. Address Geo. A. Riggs, 815 Spalding Building, Portland, Oregon. 63

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FOR SALE—Span of horses, 2800 pounds; 9 and 12 years old. See G. B. Hamilton, Gresham, R. D. 3. 61

Kow Kicker.

Smith's anti-cow kicker is guaranteed to do the work. A boy can put on and take off and no man's cow can kick while on. This we guarantee and two buckets of milk kicked over during this the fly season will more than pay for one. We will demonstrate this by calling on T. A. O. Stensland, Rockwood or address R. D. box 27, Cleone, Oregon. 11

Dr. Lowe, the optician, will be in Gresham, October 19. Remember!

Pleasant Home

The new coaches which have been so long delayed were put on the Mt. Hood railway - Saturday afternoon. They are certainly an improvement over the flat cars, both in comfort and appearance. The Montavilla car now runs to the Montavilla Mt. Hood station which saves the passengers the half mile walk they have had heretofore.

Epworth League was led by Irene Douglass Sunday evening, followed by services. We are sorry to say that only a small crowd was in attendance to greet Rev. Calder on his return for another year, but notwithstanding, all have expressed themselves as very glad he is with us again. Owing to the small attendance, Rev. Mr. Calder did not give a full report of conference but will do so next Sunday morning. Services will be held alternately morning and evening this year as last.

Miss Minnie Shriner has gone to Gresham to learn to be telephone girl and will be given a position as soon as there is an opening.

After being with her sister, Mrs. Percilla Jones, in Washington for several months, Ida Miller has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Northup's son George, is visiting them.

Leonard Lauderback was among those who visited home folks Sunday.

Mr. Newsome spent Saturday in Portland, D. L. Sweet of Bull Run taking his place.

P. H. Rook is on the sick list this week.

Miss Arriana Hillyard and Miss Zoe Wheeler spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. James Hillyard. Being bachelor girls in town, you can imagine the few suit cases, baskets, etc., they took back with them containing pumpkins, squashes, beans, potatoes, in fact, everything grown on the farm. The conductor nearly dislocated his shoulder in putting one suit case on the train.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Markell returned Monday evening from Spring brook, where they spent a few days with Mr. Markell's brother.

Several young folks from here attended the drama "Kit Carson" at Boring Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Northup's baby has been quite sick for several days.

The best clog dancing seen here since pioneer days was done by Mrs. Lill Hillyard Saturday under the influence of some lively music. However, when doing an unusual feature, she lost her balance and is now suffering from a sprained shoulder.

LARGE TANKS FOR RAILWAY

Slowly but surely the Mt. Hood company is getting into shape to handle the business, bolt passenger and freight, of eastern Multnomah county, over its line. Crews of men are working here and there along the portion of the road already built, improving the track and getting ready for the winter. It is a pleasure to ride over the smooth track now but another winter will settle and improve it greatly.

A large well has been dug and the company has erected a tower and supply tank near Hood avenue. The capacity of the tank is 12,000 gallons. A gasoline engine has been installed and housed.

A 20,000 gallon oil tank has been erected next to the water tank. Here the engines will be supplied with fuel oil.

Several buildings including a residence belonging to the company have recently been painted.

Passengers are now landed at E. Eightieth and Villa avenue, Montavilla, where they connect directly with the Montavilla car line for Portland. Later the Mt. Hood company will have its line inot Portland over the Broadway bridge.

Notice.

The undersigned desires to give public notice that on and after October 4th, 1911, he will refuse to pay all bills not contracted for by himself in person.

Dated Sept. 30, 1911.

T. A. MYLES, Gresham, Ore.

64 AUCTION SALE — A manure spreader in first class condition will be auctioned at the sale held at Mrs. Dan Strebin's on Saturday, Oct. 7th. 61

S. S. WORKERS GET INSPIRATION

The Sunday school institute held in Gresham last Sunday was not as well attended as had been expected the reason being the unusually rainy day. But though lacking somewhat in attendance there was no lack of interest on the part of those present. This was the first county Sunday school convention held here for many years and it was pronounced a success and to those attending it very helpful.

The Institute opened about 2 o'clock with a short praise service, followed by a Round Table conference conducted by General Secretary Phipps. Mr. Phipps is an expert in this line and made the various topics unusually interesting. Printed slips with 27 questions were passed around, the questions covering all phases of Sunday school work. There was thus no lack of questions and with Mr. Phipps' experience and attitude there was no lack of suggestives answers.

Mrs. J. W. Wilkins, State Superintendent of Elementary work, presented the Cradle Roll work from A to Z and illustrated her talk with everything except the babies.

Rev. J. D. Springton, of Portland, director of the Educational work of the Baptist church for Oregon, Washington and Idaho, gave an instructive talk on the laws of teaching. He summed them up by saying that there must be co-operation between the teacher and the pupil in the use of the lesson.

J. E. Richardson, president of the Electric Business college and Dean of the Portland Law school, who has had marked success in Sunday school work told of the methods whereby he had built up the membership of an adult class from 10 to nearly 200. He gave as the great secret of life and growth in a Sunday school the getting everyone to do something.

Mr. Phipps closed the afternoon session with an entertaining and impressive story of his success with a class of boys.

After lunch the evening session began with a rousing song service. An address was given by Mr. Springston in which he emphasized the individual as the real factor in Sunday school work and the aim of all teaching.

Fred L. Kelley, secretary of the State association described the methods and advantages of class organization and urged all adult classes to organize.

Mr. Phipps spoke on the Men and Religion movement. A large motto on the wall proclaimed, "The Men of America for the Man of Galilee." He closed with a fine appeal, making his address very touching and impressive.

There was a good attendance at the evening session. All churches united and Sunday school workers were present from various localities outside of Gresham. Superintendents or teachers were present from Fairview, Melrose, Boring and Pleasant Home. An extensive exhibit was made of Sunday school literature and appliances.

The Institute was under the auspices of the county and state associations and was the seventh in a series of fifteen. The closing one will be in the First Presbyterian church, Portland, October 20. It will be arally of all the county Webster's Juvenile orchestra will give a concert and there will be special speakers.

Gresham and neighboring Sunday schools will feel the uplift of this good convention.

Will give you new snap—Parker's peanut brittle. 62

Harvest Moon Dance.

Rockwood Grange will give its Harvest Moon dance next Saturday evening, October 7. Parsons' orchestra and the usual Grange supper tickets, 75 cents. Supper extra. Arrangements are being made for a grand masquerade on Thanksgiving evening. 62

FOR SALE—100 pullets, White Leghorns and mixed. Oscar Thoren, Gresham, Oregon, Phone 501. 62

AUCTION SALE

At Mrs. Dan Strebin's, 3 1/2 miles east of Gresham.

HORSES, CATTLE And Farming Implements SATURDAY, OCT. 7, at 10 a. m.