

GRESHAM'S WAY BECOMES KNOWN

Euterprise and Co-operation of Part of Merchants Will Greatly Benefit Town.

Lots of people in Oregon are sitting up straight and keeping tab on Gresham. Several of the newspapers of the state are making mention of Gresham methods and suggesting to the business men of their towns that they do as ours have done in this matter of reducing the high cost of living.

But above all these desirable features from the newspaper standpoint is the fact that the merchants are making hosts of friends in selling their goods cheap, and are in a position, through selling for cash to replenish their stocks with something newer, better and more attractive than ever before.

The plan now being followed by the merchants of Gresham has a tendency to concentrate business in one commercial center. If it is carried out there will be no incentive for the establishment or existence of the little store at the country cross roads.

Yesterday's second sales day was a hummer, just like the first one. People came from every direction and from long distances. It was noticed that many came on the trains, especially from the Sandy and Bull Run districts, and took away great bundles of goods, some of which could have been bought right at home if the prices had been right.

Next Thursday will be bargain day again in Gresham. Watch the big ad. in the Outlook for bargains. There is sure to be something new in it every time.

Dances Every Two Weeks.

On New Years eve, Dec. 31, an opening ball will be given at the city hall, Fairview, for the benefit of the Fairview ball club. E. E. Heslin will be floor manager and music will be furnished by Boyles' orchestra from Portland.

Negotiations were completed last Tuesday night by E. O. Tripp and E. C. Morrison with the city council of Fairview whereby they have leased the upper floor of the new city hall at that point for the express purpose of giving clean dances commencing Saturday night, Jan. 11th, and every two weeks thereafter during January, February and March.

The hall has a 40x70 electric sand-waxed and polished floor and is first class in every respect. It is to be understood that no improper dancing or rowdism will be tolerated. Contract has been made with the Latourelle orchestra to furnish the music.

Dance at Rockwood.

Rockwood grange will give its holiday dance on Saturday evening, December 21. Simonson's orchestra and the usual grange supper. Tickets \$1.00, supper extra. Positively no improper conduct allowed. Everybody welcome.

An Attempt That Failed.

An attempt was made to steal one of Charles Cleveland's heifers last Tuesday morning but the watchfulness of the man who takes care of the stock saved it. He heard a noise about four o'clock that morning and investigated. He saw two men getting away with a wagon and then found the calf, which was kept in the upper story of the barn, was missing. For awhile it was thought that the thieves had succeeded in getting it but it was afterward found in a manger on the lower floor. It is thought that the robbers were trying to get one of the best heifers for a valuable animal.

HOLDUP YOUTH ADROITLY FOILED

A youth who is thought to be one of the two who wounded and robbed Joe Challoner on Monday evening last was captured in Portland Wednesday night by the strategy of F. W. Isherwood. He gave his name as Harry Wilson and confessed to several robberies.

Wilson, who is but 19 years old bought a revolver for \$1.50 and waited at 28th and Raleigh streets for a passerby. Mr. Isherwood came and Wilson thrust the gun into his face. Then he relieved the business man of a dollar and started to leave, warning Mr. Isherwood not to make any outcry.

At this point Mr. Isherwood recovering his nerve, and promised Wilson that if he would return the dollar, he would get him a meal and find work for him. Wilson accompanied Mr. Isherwood home and was provided with a meal, and the police notified.

Patrolmen Bales and Schrimmer arrested Wilson as he sat at the table. Wilson said that he bought his gun and black mask from "Blue" Woodard, a holdup man who left last night for Seattle, and that Woodard also initiated and instructed him in the art of the masked gentlemen of the highway.

Officer Schrimmer is well known in Gresham as the former employee of the Gresham market where he was better known as "Gus." He is making a good record in his new vocation.

Wilson's companion, who he said left for Seattle, is thought to be the other man wanted for the Base Line holdup on Monday evening.

Butchers Paying for Calves.

The proprietors of the meat markets in Portland who bought the stolen calves from the gang captured last week, are paying the owners for the animals as fast as ownership can be determined. Some of them were implicated in the confessions as having been aware that the calves were stolen and are glad to escape criminal prosecution by paying for them again. It is reported that Arthur Grant received \$45 for his prize animal and that others have received their money.

Gresham Has Distinction.

From a statement by Secretary Olcott it is learned that Gresham is credited with 62 pleasure automobiles, one auto hearse, one delivery cycle, three auto trucks, and six motorcycles. Outside of Portland this is the only town in Oregon that has an auto hearse, Portland having five. Gresham has four licensed chauffeurs. The total number of motor vehicles in Multnomah county is 4887. East of Mt. Tabor the total is 109. In the whole state there are 10,162, the license revenue amounting to \$41,898. Applications are now being received for licenses for next year and the demand will show an increase over this year, by several thousand.

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ATHLETIC ART IN ASCENDANT

An amateur Athletic club was organized in Gresham on Tuesday afternoon as a means of studying the gentlemanly art of punching each other in the face. The charter was prior open long enough to let all the impecunious sluggers of the town in free of cash who could register between the ages of 55 and 75 years, after which it was clamped and a set of officers elected to serve for the remainder of their lives, if they live that long, which is doubtful under the tense circumstances which called the club into existence.

The meeting was called to order by permanent president, and he made a speech in which he expressed the desire to live long enough to see the club develop the long expected "white hope" of the world. He probably die early of disappointment. E. C. Lindsey contested his election and was made vice president as a consolation prize with the power of succession to the presidency when the others let him. Grandpa John Conley was elected secretary and will keep the minutes in Scotch (hot), so as to throw the city marshal off the scent about the doings of the club. E. G. Kardell elected himself treasurer but was disqualified on account of his youth and the place was given to Jack Brown, who needs the money if there is any.

The greatest contest of the election arose over the choice of instructor. Among the nominations were W. T. Hartley, Father McLain and Dan Metzger but the club finally settled on B. W. Emery, with R. R. Carlson as alternate, and with George Kenney as bottle holder. E. L. Thorpe took the job of referee but he'll scavenge in the next county when scraps come off. O. A. Eastman offered to be time keeper if some one would loan him a watch, but he was rejected and Papa Hessel was chosen to fill that important position.

A motion was made to buy some gloves and a punching bag but it was found that the bag was not necessary. The club decided to practice on the waiting list of eligibles under 55, which includes Mayor Shattuck, Recorder Roberts, Councilman Kidder and Arthur Dowsett. Several others were mentioned but they had business out of town and won't come back in time for the first performance.

It was found necessary to have some gloves, however, and a motion was carried to get four 17-pound pillows and break them in. To raise the necessary funds it was decided to give a daylight program during the holidays as the members wives want let them go out after dark in a "wet" town. The program will be something like this:

The exercises will open with a slogging match between the instructor and his assistant, two inducted "white hopes" from Johnson creek, who have very kindly tendered their services without being requested on this joyful occasion. They will receive several rounds of applause (cats and cabbage.) At the conclusion of this act the justice of the

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SNEAKTHIEVES IN NEIGHBORHOOD

The sneak is again at work in the neighborhood southwest of town. Mrs. Frank Heiny lost her bull dog Wednesday morning. She had him securely tied with a strong chain in her back yard and on going out that morning to feed him found that he had been taken. The chain was also gone. As he has not returned or been heard to bark he has undoubtedly been killed. They found the fresh tracks of the thief leading to and from the tree where the dog was tied. He had gone around back of, and down through the garden. On measuring these tracks they found them to tally exactly with other tracks found in the neighborhood. This is the second theft committed within a few weeks in this immediate vicinity, Mr. Zeek having had stolen from his barn several sacks of horse feed a couple of nights before he moved away. The people would like very much to have the officers take this matter in hand and deal with the offending party as they did the cattle thieves along the Section and Base Line roads, as there is hardly a person living for some distance around who has not lost either food, grain, fruit, lard chickens or tools.

Gresham Grange Tomorrow.

Tomorrow will be "grange day" in Gresham. Gresham grange will hold its regular monthly meeting at which arrangements will be completed for the session of Pomona, which will meet here on the 18th. The county masters and lecturers' association will meet here tomorrow. The grange will hold its annual election. At the Pomona session there will be a meeting of the members of the Lower Columbia Fire Relief Association for the purpose of electing a director for the five-year term. Pomona grange will also elect officers for the ensuing two years.

Sudden Death of Child.

Teddy, the 5-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Gill of Unity, south of Gresham, died last night after an illness of two days, with spasmodic contraction of the larynx. The funeral will be held tomorrow, Saturday, at the M. E. church, at 1:30 p. m. The sympathy of the community goes out to the bereaved parents and brothers and sisters.

Another Hitch.

The viewers who undertook to levy assessments and award damages on the proposed opening of the street leading from First street into the fair grounds met with another obstruction last Tuesday. When they met it was discovered that H. E. Davis one of the viewers, is a stockholder in the fair association and not qualified to serve. All proceedings were declared off and it is probable that the whole routine will have to be gone over again. The opening of this street has been in progress for over a year and its accomplishments will be indefinite.

Another Turkey

The Picture Show will give away another live turkey on next Tuesday evening, Dec. 17.

NEW HERD LAW IN CLACKAMAS

Starting among ranchmen and farmers of the less thickly populated part of Clackamas county, who are hard hit by the recent law forbidding the running at large of stock, petitions are to be circulated in every precinct in the county, asking the legislature to assist in the revocation of the law, thus permitting horses and cattle to pasture outside fences. Hogs are to be kept penned.

The petitions are to be placed in the hands of Representatives F. M. Gill or Chris. Schuebel, providing the latter is recovered from an attack of typhoid by the time the legislature meets.

The new law works a tremendous hardship on ranchers in the less thickly populated part of the county. Pasturage is confined to the ranches and stock cannot roam the free ranges. Beef is likely to go up in price and many farmers may have to sell their stock because of lack of hay.

The law passed by 919 majority, most of which came from Oregon City and the old settled part of the county. Besides, many voted for keeping stock up because the measure was so worded that it misled the voters. Just what can be done by the legislature except to refer a new law to the people two years hence, is not known. But it is possible the law may be knocked out on irregularity and because of its misleading title. Because of Springwater is one of those urging every person interested to circulate and sign petitions right away so that the legislature may have the matter before it soon after it convenes—Estacada Progress.

Junior Play.

"The Village Postmaster," a drama depicting the scenes of a country village, is to be given by the junior class of the Gresham high school, Friday evening, Dec. 20 at 8 p. m. Come and bring your friends. Enjoy an evening of fun with the young people in this humorous sketch. Admission 25 cts., reserved seats 35 cts.

Patronize home industry.

Fairview will have a grand opening of its new city hall on Monday evening, Dec. 23. The ladies of the town are preparing a dinner which will be served after 5 o'clock. To be followed by a children's program. At 9 o'clock the city government will take charge and concluded the entertainment with a program of a different nature which will be calculated to bring to the notice of the public the civic spirit that pervades the town. The two programs are promised the Outlook for publication in advance.

W. E. Beegle, agent for Knickerbocker Tailoring company, solicits gentlemen's patronage. Call and see his line of samples at Hogan Station, or phone him at Columbia Brick Works and he will call at your home.

'HOLIDAY' PRIZE BEATS HOODOO

Popular Young People of This Place Wed in Romantic Style Yesterday.

These are holiday times and Gresham is just now dealing in all kinds of holiday specials and yesterday was sales day. These facts may not have influenced Ernest Peterson in his selection of a wife but the coincidence is remarkable as well as romantic. Yesterday was the twelfth day of the twelfth month of the twelfth year of this century and it will be one hundred and one years and a day before such a thing can happen again. With all these things in view Mr. Peterson "slipped one over" on Friday the thirteenth and made himself a holiday present yesterday that all the young men in town have been longing for. Had he waited until today the noose would have been fatal, but as it is he will probably live through a long and happy life, although Oregon is short one Holiday by his daring attempt to overcome a haunting hoodoo.

The story, as whispered around town this morning, is to the effect that Mr. Peterson and Miss Elizabeth Holliday took an auto ride to Portland last evening. Arriving in the city they told the driver, Geo. Zimmerman, to stop in front of the residence of a prominent minister of the gospel. Mr. Zimmerman had no suspicion of what was up, even when he was invited into the parlors on some slight excuse but he soon found out that a wedding was in progress and he was required to be one of the official witnesses. He came home alive, arriving here ahead of the 13th, and left the happy couple to speed their way toward Puget Sound, Walla Walla, Spokane and several other hiding places where they will remain until they get ready to return to Portland where they will make the home and await the congratulations of their numerous acquaintances.

Women's League Entertainment

Next Tuesday evening, Dec. 17, the Women's League will meet in the Commercial club hall for its first program and entertainment. The announcement was made that Samuel J. Hill would be here to speak on good roads, but he was called east and in his place Colonel E. Hofer, president of the Oregon Editorial association will give an address on Home Improvement.

Mrs. Edith Tozier Weathered will be here again and will speak on Country Homes. In addition to these speakers there will be others who are yet unannounced and a quartet besides several other musical numbers. Admission will be free and everybody is urged to be present.

Rebekah Lodge Elects Officers.

Wednesday, Dec 11th, Gresham Rebekah lodge, No 61, elected the following officers for the ensuing term: Eliza E. Metzger, N. G.; Myrtle E. Stanley, V. G.; Lyda Palmquist, treasurer; Wm. H. Stanley, secretary.

At the close of lodge a very pleasant social hour was enjoyed. Visitors of the evening were Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Bauer from Montfort, Wis., Mr. and Mrs. J. Cavanaugh of Rockwood lodge. Mrs. Cavanaugh's visit was partly an official one, she being the district deputy of Gresham, Rebekah lodge.

May be she would like a Hot Point Electric Iron. \$3.50 at Sterling & Kidder's.

Magnificent Chandeliers.

Two chandeliers costing \$65 will be installed in the Pleasant Home Methodist church tomorrow in connection with one of the Beaver Gas machines. The money for the plant was raised among the people at Pleasant Home not long since, the receipts of the bazaar held last week, amounting to \$87 being contributed toward the cost. There will be sixteen jets when all are when all are burning, which will make a brilliant illumination.

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