

## CITY'S GROWTH IS REVIEWED

A Decade of Prosperity Is Recorded by the Writer of History.

A complete review of the growth of Gresham for the past ten or twelve years would be interesting reading to one who has not been here all that time. It would be a matter of pride to the old-timer to read all about the progress of our town if it were set before him in detail, but he already knows all about it although he may be somewhat confused about his dates. As there has been no attempt to make a chronological record of events or improvements it is merely a glance backward that anyone can give at this time.

Gresham seems to date her permanent growth from the time that it became necessary to rebuild a greater portion of the business part of the place after that fateful morn of October 1, 1901. That was the date of the "big fire," and with the rebuilding of the structures that were burned came the start that has resulted in the remarkable growth of the town.

At that time there were no railroads, nor banks, nor newspapers, nor much of anything. Two rural routes had been established the spring before but the mail came by stage from Portland, arriving about noon. There were two churches, and the old schoolhouse was just being replaced by a four-room structure. There was a cheap hotel and just enough business houses to satisfy the wants of the people, if not too particular. There were four secret orders but no library. There were scarcely 200 people here and not a modern residence in the whole community.

With the rebuilding of the burned district came an impetus that has never lagged since. The O. W. P. was built through Gresham the next year and the first train arrived on Jan. 1, 1903. It was drawn by locomotive, but electricity was substituted soon after, and the mails began to arrive by rail. In the meantime three more rural routes had been established and things began to move.

Then came a weekly newspaper, the Herald, and since that time Gresham has never been without a paper to work for its interests, although there have been changes in the publication from time to time, resulting in the removal of the Herald to Lents and the establishment of the Outlook, both papers having been published simultaneously for awhile.

During the next three years the town grew rapidly. Among the public buildings was the First State Bank, which was Gresham's first brick. It was only one story high but it looked big then. Along with it came the Linneman Memorial church and the formation of the city government, resulting in many civic improvements among them being the advance work in graded and graveled streets and cement sidewalks. During this time the residence portion of the city began to thicken up with good buildings of a newer and better class, and that growth has never ceased since.

It would require too much detail to mention everything just as it came along, but there was never a month without some advancement.

Two more churches were built; there are now four brick buildings covering as much as one whole block; a concrete building that stands upon a quarter block and is two stories high, being fully fire proof and occupied by a bank and a hotel; we have a city hall built of concrete blocks, costing with its grounds over \$4000; we have a Carnegie library nearly finished that will cost \$10,000; we have a new fountain on the principal crossing which is the crowning glory of Gresham's crowning triumph—Bull Run water.

Another railroad was built through Gresham from Portland and on beyond to Sandy. It is bringing its train of improvements all along the line and is one of the factors in making the town grow.

Two other important features of Gresham have come into existence within the past six years. First came our local telephone company which is the best rural line in the northwest; second came the county fair and it is the big annual

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## PLEASANT VALLEY GRANGE ELECTS

Pleasant Valley grange met in all day session. After a most excellent dinner, a short lecture hour was enjoyed. The grange then convened in regular session, this being the annual election day, the following officers were elected for the coming year: Master, H. W. Snashall; overseer, Ernest Olson; lecturer, Mrs. M. R. Snashall; steward, Leland Moore; assistant steward, Henry Restor; lady assistant steward, Mrs. C. H. Bateman; chaplain, Mrs. M. E. Donley; treasurer, Mrs. Frost; secretary, Miss Edna Berke; gatekeeper, G. H. Richey; Ceres, Eva Berke; Pomona, Deete Holcomb; Flora, Laura Moore.

This is the tenth consecutive time that Mr. Snashall has been elected to this office. The grange started like all other granges without capital or other property. They now have no debt and have one of the most commodious halls in the county, neatly furnished and at a conservative estimate is easily worth \$2,500, and although small in numbers, the grange is in a very flourishing condition.

The room donated by the grange and fitted up by the grange, the Push club, and the Ladies' Aid is now ready, and a call has been issued for a meeting to be held at the grange hall Friday evening, Jan. 3, at 7:30, for all persons interested to form a library association. All residents of the Valley should come out and give this project their support.

The young people will gather at H. E. Poppleton's to watch the old year out and the new year in. Miss May Kesterson, who is teaching at Kyser, Ore., was home for a week's vacation.

## Library Opens Earlier

The opening hour of the library will be changed to 12 m. on every day except Saturday when it will be opened at 1 p. m. This arrangement has been made to accommodate those out of town students, who are unable to use the library excepting during school hours. A current event bulletin is posted weekly of the principal events with references to the different papers and magazines attainable. Some good ideas can be obtained from the monthly garden bulletin as to what is to be done during that special month.

A very helpful and instructive map of Oregon has been received. It shows the railroads, electric and wagon roads and postoffices through out the state.

December library bulletin and lists on the classics, poultry books, sea stories and easy books for foreigners are now ready for distribution. The following list of magazines have been subscribed to by the library for the coming year:

Century, Delineator, Garden, Harper's Weekly, Ladies' Home Journal, Literary Digest, Manual Training Magazine, McClure's, Modern Priscilla, Outing, Outlook, Popular Mechanics, Review of Reviews, Scientific American, Scribner's, St. Nicholas, Sunset, Survey, World's Work, Youth's Companion, World's Chronicle.

## ANOTHER LINK IN THE MYSTIC CHAIN

E. L. THORPE.

Another span of the mystic links of invisible space has been thrown across the deep and murky waters of life—a span that has brought Time and Eternity closer together, and wrought to all who are upon their shores in this life many changes and given them glimpses of the rolling tide that is to be crossed, before them, ere they reach the other shore. To many—and they are all our loved ones—the angel of Death, with his shining wings, from the far-away and unknown land beyond, has called, and they have been borne before us past the deep abyss, that yawning chasm that opens between the mortal and the immortal, and gained the promised land of life eternal where waters of life have the sands of Times bright shore. Over many heads the silvery frost of age has settled in snowy flakes, among the gold or raven tresses, and, as each cycle of years comes round, the frosts are deeper and whiter, and cover more thickly the locks that are bowed down with another year of age and care. Hands are older and palsied; eyes are dimmer and voices weaker; hearts are less loving and tender, as if they had forgotten the vows made by the lips in the days ago, and the steps of all are one year nearer the goal of life—the grave.

Again have new lives come on the scene; young—too young to realize the sorrows that are in store; too young to know that there is a life opened to them in which they will taste the bitter and the sweet as it is mixed in the cup that touches their lips, and where they must find

the wormwood and the gall. Shade and sunshine are alike to them, and the New Year's greeting that is spoken all around is unheeded in joyous, careless infancy, and no thought given to the trials that are to come.

Custom has made this day a time of mirth, of feasting, of joy; a day devoted to the awakening of old remembrances and new resolves, turning over new leaves in the pages of Life's book and writing thereon the words that are to be a blessing if their text and purport is strictly followed, or a thorn to rankle the memory if the vows are forgotten that have been recorded; and a piercing blade of conscience is unsheathed to stab the guilty one that has dared to transgress or turn back to the blots that bestrew the pages of the book just closed.

And now, on this day, when we who are left to claim the world's reward for our virtues, or to receive its scorn for our sins, let us listen to the "still, small voice" that speaks and tells us of our good, and heed the unheard words that tell our mind's ear of the path that is the true one to earthly happiness or heavenly bliss when this life's scenes are closed to us forever. Have charity for all and malice for none, ever keep in remembrance the golden rule, and cast the tempter behind you that poisons with words of envious meaning the heart that is prone to hate. Let joy and mirth reign supreme today; eat, drink and be merry, for tomorrow you may die; and pass to each other the hand of friendship on this day of all others, wishing to each and all a Happy New Year.

### Calf Thieves Paroled

Rube J Eppers, Roy Cox and Frank Jones, calf thieves rounded up by the sheriff's office and police a few weeks ago, entered pleas of guilty before Judge McGinn Saturday. They were paroled.

The sentence of the court was that any one of them who breaks his parole will be required to serve three months in the county jail on each indictment, of which there were four each against Eppers and Cox and two against Jones. The sentences would also run consecutively, not concurrently, Judge McGinn stated.

The most severe rain storm of the winter was experienced throughout the country on Sunday. There was very little damage reported in this section although the rain fell in torrents and a high wind prevailed for nearly twenty-four hours.

Putting off that county high school proposition means that we may never get it. Besides, every delay will make a suitable site harder to secure.

Emil G. Kardell has been called on the jury for the circuit court for January.

Wanted—All who do not now get the Outlook to subscribe at once for 1913.

How many damaged hearts was Leap year responsible for?

A Want Ad. is a good investment.

### Early Closing.

Beginning Wednesday, Jan. 1, all the stores of Gresham will close at 6 o'clock every evening, excepting Saturdays. This action was determined upon at a meeting of the Merchants' association last week. Other important matters are being considered which will be announced later.

### Cost of High Living Solved!

Thursday special—Sugar cured unsmoked heavy bacon 12½ cents per pound. Gresham Cash Market.

### Skating Wednesday Night.

The Gresham skating rink will be open for all amusement seekers on Wednesday night. Good music and a good time. Everybody welcome.

Commercial bodies of the Willamette Valley will, it is said by government officials, be obliged to show more interest in the proposed improvement of the channel of the Willamette river before federal engineers will be ready to go ahead with the deepening of the stream to six feet at all points as far south as Eugene. Local co-operation is awaited.

### Famous Stage Beauties

look with horror on Skin Eruptions, Blisters, Sores or Pimples. They don't have them. For all such troubles use Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It glorifies the face. Excellent for Eczema or Salt Rheum, it cures sore lips, chapped hands, chilblains; heals burns, cuts and bruises. Unsurpassed for piles. 25c at all Druggists.

## WILL STATE FAIR BE MOVED FROM SALEM?

Reports that the state fair association is in great distress only confirm the statement made in the Outlook last September that the fair grounds are located at the wrong place. There is to be an effort made to have the state legislature take hold of the concern with a view to exchanging the property at Salem for a location near Portland and make an appropriation for new buildings. If the fair is to be continued at Salem a great expense will be necessary, probably as much as \$100,000, and there will be some opposition to such a large outlay at that place. As there is a deficiency of nearly \$20,000 to be made up it will cost the state that much more to place the fair in shape to continue.

A plan has been proposed to exchange the Salem fair grounds for the Country Club property at Montavilla. That plan would undoubtedly make a success of the State fair, but it is not good business to establish the fair grounds on such valuable property. It would be a better policy for the state fair grounds to be located further out and we would suggest the Twelve-mile corners as the best and most convenient in the county. With a regular car service on the Mount Hood line and the building of a spur to the grounds there would be every facility that the fair grounds at Salem have at present. There is everything to be said in favor of this location and plenty of ground available.

### One Round Trip Less.

A change in the schedule of the Mt. Hood railway discontinues one round trip over that road, one-half trip in the morning, the other half in the evening. Beginning Wednesday morning the trip from Gresham to Montavilla and return, leaving here at 6 o'clock, will be discontinued; also the 6:20 evening train to Cottrell and return. Other parts of the time card will remain as at present.

You will find that druggists everywhere speak well of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. They know from long experience in the sale of it that in cases of coughs and colds it can always be depended upon, and that it is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by Gresham Drug Co., and Dealers everywhere.

## At Private Sale

Having sold the farm 1½ miles southwest of Gresham I offer at private sale on the place the following property. Must be taken quick.

One Ideal gas engine, 3½ horse power with shafting, pulleys, pumping jack, emery stand and 100 gallon gasoline supply tank.

One Simplex No. 7 cream separator.

Two Sterilac milk pails, and milk cooler.

One wagon and dump boards.

Two hay racks, one wood rack.

One rubber tire Babcock survey w/ shafts.

One two-seated hack, one light buggy, one single harness.

One 6½ foot cross cut saw nearly new.

One Aurora No. 26 heater, one 6-hole range, one 4-hole small stove, one upright piano.

Phone 93. C. W. Albertson.

## WANT ADS.—The Outlook's Bargain Counter—WANT ADS

### LIVESTOCK.

FOR SALE—3-year old horse, well broken, 1100 pounds. New 1¼ inch wagon with single harness. Phone 344. Frank Kolsky, Boring, Oregon, mile east of Maybery. \*88

FOR SALE—Good milch cow, G. E. Proctor, Boring, phone 378. 89

### REAL ESTATE AND RENTALS

FOR RENT—5½ acres, suitable for nursery stock, or any growing crops, half mile west of Gresham. Address Edw. M. Roberts, Welches, Oregon. tf

### For Rent.

with city water, electric lights and barn, 8-room house, also 5-room house; rent \$8.00. On Main street. Chas. Cleveland.

FOR RENT—Well known dairy farm of H. S. Stone at Fairview. Enquire of Mrs. H. S. Stone, Cleone, phone 215. 88

### Real Estate Rentals.

FOR RENT—For the winter, my house and barn, nearly opposite the old prune dryer, 80 rods from Base Line. Also fire wood privileges. A snap. Milton O. Nelson, Troutdale, phone 153. 88

### MISCELLANEOUS

#### Farm for Rent

Thirty acres 1 mile east of Pleasant Home on the Mt. Hood railroad. Lots of fruit, good house and barn. Address or enquire of Mrs. M. Goger, Sandy, Oregon. tf

#### Auto for Sale.

Buick auto, 20 h. p. Model 10-4-passenger. \$250 takes it. A. E. Lindsey, Gresham. tf

BALED HAY for sale at my place at Cottrell. W. A. Proctor. Phone 378. tf

WANTED EVERYBODY to read the notice of private sale advertised by C. W. Albertson in this issue. 87

### Miscellaneous.

FOR SALE—Baled timothy and loose mixed hay. Mountain View Farm, phone 21. H. E. Davis. tf

FOR SALE—About thirty tons rye and vetch hay at a bargain. Milton O. Nelson, Troutdale, phone 153. 88

Gresham Feed Mill wants oats and wheat. Highest cash prices. Phone 561.

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. \*9

The first new subscriber to the Outlook may have it a whole year for \$1.49. Who will it be?

Try a Want Ad. if you want to buy or sell anything. It will help you.

### Miscellaneous.

FOR SALE—Second crop clover hay, baled. T. C. Townsend, Gresham, phone 51. \*90

#### Are You Going to Build?

If so, consult W. H. Karr, Gresham, Oregon. Plans and estimates furnished. tf

#### If You Need Lumber

See Sandy Ridge Lumber company. Best grades, low prices. Rough and finish. Will deliver from our new mill, 2 miles south of Kelso. Phone 41x1. \*88

#### Some More Choice Lots.

For Sale in Zenith addition by the owners. The Independent Land Company. Easy terms. Buy direct and save commission. See E. H. Kelly, Res. Third street and Kelly avenue. tf

The Outlook is as good as a letter to send to your friends in other places.

## GRESHAM NEWS IN MANY ITEMS

Social and Personal Doings of Holiday Season Told in Paragraphs.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Camp are enjoying a visit from their son James Camp and family who are here from Mosler.

Mrs. Chas. Camp won the goose at the picture show last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Biddle were entertained over Christmas at a house party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. H. Hughes in Portland.

Mrs. M. D. Kern was pleasantly surprised last Friday, when her niece Mrs. Geo. Hansen of Pendleton dropped in on her for short visit.

Frank Roberts of Greenhorn, arrived here yesterday for a visit that will continue another month among relatives and friends. He left home nearly a month ago and has been visiting in central Oregon with other relatives.

Some needed repairs will be made on the Odd Fellows' hall, among them being a new roof when the weather will permit.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Gage and daughters Phebe and Helen, of Portland, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Everson.

Mrs. M. D. Kern spent last Saturday in Beaverton visiting relatives, and returned Sunday to Portland to join Mr. Kern and Roy Kern and W. J. Hollenbeck and family when they all took dinner together with old friends. Mr. and Mrs. Hollenbeck are from Heyburn, Idaho. They remained in Portland for a few days. Mrs. Hollenbeck is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Kern.

Mrs. Mabel Meade, formerly of Gresham, came out from Portland on Saturday afternoon with her children to see the Christmas tree provided for Jane Everson. Several other young people were invited all particular friends, and a merry time was had by them during the few hours they spent together.

Miss Mae Hopkins and Geo. Hopkins, Jr., were callers on Gresham friends one day last week.

Grandma Wood is spending a few few days at Damascus visiting relatives.

Mrs. Mabel Meade and children spent Sunday with Mrs. Harry Wood.

Wostell & Co., are moving their stock of groceries and general merchandise to the Regner brick building on Main street, where they will open on New Year's day, and where they will serve coffee and tea with a light lunch to all who call. They are extending the compliments of the season to all their former patrons and the public in general, and hope for a continuance of the generous patronage accorded them in the past together with a share of the business of the future.

The Pastime Club's dance on Wednesday evening promises to be a great social success. It will open the social season in Gresham and is in such experienced hands that it cannot fail to be thoroughly enjoyable.

Wednesday being a holiday there will be no service on the rural routes.

The W.C.T.U. will meet Thursday Jan. 2 at 2:30 p.m., at the home of Mrs. Gust Larson. All ladies invited.

A number of Gresham young people went to Seaside on Christmas day to be the guests of Miss Marion Robertson at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Robertson. They report a very enjoyable time. Those going were the Misses Maude, Marguerite and Gladys Michel, Grace Lawrence, Winnifred Osburn, Mrs. E. W. Aylsworth, George Faris, G. W. Page and E. W. Aylsworth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Mewhirter recently received a letter from their grandson Harry Mason, who is a sailor on the S. S. Cincinnati which is now at Shanghai, China. His letter was a little more than a month enroute. Harry likes climatic conditions there very much better than in the Philippine Islands but says the condition of the poor people there is terrible.

Mrs. V. A. Ammerman returned home Saturday after spending two weeks nursing at the home of Mrs. John Haig.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Biddle have moved into the rooms over the First State Bank recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Muir.

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