

GOOD ROAD CLUB READY FOR WORK

Macadam Roadway is Urged for Grades Beyond the Sandy River.

Good roads would be appreciated by the people residing east of the Sandy river and they are now organizing to get them. The county over there is less thickly settled, the farms being larger, than in the western portion of the county and roads are harder to construct among them because of the natural formation of the country.

The organization of the Eastern Multnomah Good Roads club, first mentioned in the Outlook correspondence from Columbia Heights, has created a most excellent feeling in that district. It is one of the finest in the state, although greatly lacking in development, but it has a few progressive spirits who are alive to their needs and who are now asking that their needs be recognized. The club is not fully organized yet, but it will be and it will number among its members all the leading people of Corbett and Columbia Heights district. The club will work not only for good roads but for the general welfare of all that region of country.

The district east of the Sandy river and on the Columbia Heights is one of the finest in the state, it is declared. After leaving the Sandy river the Base Line road follows the west bank along the western slopes on a moderate grade. The work on this road has been excellent. It could hardly be improved as far as grade is concerned, but burt roads and several of the main roads, it is urged, should be improved with crushed rock as has been done with the roads west of the Sandy river. It is conceded that no more beautiful nor picturesque road can be found anywhere in the state than at Latourelle road which follows the margin of Columbia Heights, overlooking the Columbia river. That a macadam roadway should be built along this road for the benefit of the great travel that uses it is admitted. Ordinary gravel does not meet the wear and tear, but there is demand for a hard-surfaced road.

Extensive improvements have been made on the Latourelle road, including some important fills this side of Columbia grange hall where there were some unsafe wooden bridges. Near the grange hall, where there is a considerable hill, there has been some grading and graveling done. What is needed is a road along the brink of the hill that will be good throughout the year.

The territory east of the Sandy river is filling up rapidly and better roads are needed. The new road club will undertake to secure these betterments. Through the organization it is hoped to get the county to take up the macadamizing of some of the main roads in this part of the county.

BORING BASEBALL BOYS DEFEAT DAMASCUS

Last Sunday, the Boring boys went to Damascus to play the local nine there. The game was too much one sided, the score 12 to 6 in favor of Boring. The Boring's got seven runs the first inning. The Damascus boys got a big nothing till the 8th inning. The Boring gave them six runs and they shut them out the remainder of the game. R. Hutchinson is one of the pitchers, for he can send the ball over the plate to the great discomfort of the bater, and Art Jonsrud, the catcher, is second to none outside the big teams. Art, well you should see him behind the plate; tall, alert to everything, a good eye, quick hand and when he reaches for the ball he, well he gets it. Manager Jones says the team is looking for some fast teams. They go to Lents next Sunday.

The W. C. T. U. will give a mother's meeting and reception in the M. E. church Thursday, April 24, at 2:30 p. m., under the leadership of Mrs. Davidson. Mrs. Sleethe of Portland will give an address. All W. C. T. U. women are requested to be present and help entertain the mothers.

EQUITY PEOPLE ELECT OFFICERS

Completion of State Society With Five Counties Represented.

A second gathering of delegates from nearly sixty local unions and five county unions of the Farmers' Society of Equity was held in Portland last Friday. A complete complement of state officers was elected for the coming year and a set of state by-laws adopted under which the now completed organization will apply for a state charter.

Sufficient stock has now been subscribed to complete the organization of the warehouse company for the city of Portland and it is expected that at a meeting next Saturday the stockholders will elect their board of directors for the warehouse company and adopt by-laws to govern the same.

The county unions joining together in this state organization are Columbia, Washington, Yamhill, Clackamas, and Multnomah. The state officers are, president, Wm. Schmulerich; vice president, Wm. Grisenthwait; secretary and treasurer, F. G. Buchanan; state organizer, P. W. Meredith; directors, J. M. Smith, Clackamas county; A. R. Lyman, Multnomah county; P. H. McMahon, Yamhill county; R. C. Hellyer, Washington county; S. M. Hall, Columbia county.

H. F. Cutting, who has been largely instrumental in perfecting the organization in this state is national organizer now, but is devoting his entire time to this end of the work. Main office of the organization and the Warehouse company is at 330-31 Railway Exchange.

TROUTDALE GUN CLUB WITH THE TOP NOTCHES

The Troutdale Gun club, made up principally of Gresham club experts, seems to be in line for the state championship. The league is composed of team at Wallowa, Troutdale, LaGrande, Bend, Portland, Eugene, and Pendleton, and the home team stands in the percentage column along with Wallowa and LaGrande. Wallowa has won every contest so far, Troutdale has won three and tied LaGrande twice.

Last Sunday's shoot changed these figures somewhat, Troutdale winning from Portland, but the result of the shoot-off with LaGrande is not known yet.

Sunday's practice shoot at Gresham gave the five highest scores as follows: H. Matthes—shot at 75, killed 65; Lewis Shattuck—shot at 75, killed 58; H. H. Ott—shot at 50, killed 44; D. M. Roberts—shot at 50, killed 37; Will Ott—shot at 50, killed 36.

The match at Troutdale on Sunday was with Wallowa and the shoot-off with LaGrande. With Wallowa the score stood—

Bert Metzger 22, Henry Wihlon 24, Bert Edmondson 23, H. Matthes 23, Geo. Crowley 23, total 115. Wallowa's score has not been received yet.

The shoot-off with LaGrande resulted as follows:

H. H. Ott 25, Henry Wihlon 24, M. Knarr 24, Bert Edmondson 23, J. J. Halligan 23. Result of the score at LaGrande not known.

Win a Kodak.

A kodak contest is to be held at Burke's Jewelry store in which every one is invited to take part. The person that can produce the best kodak picture of any domestic animal will receive a prize on Saturday, May 31st. The prize is to be a Vest Pocket kodak. Only pictures of domestic animals can be entered in the contest for May 31.

Lest You Forget.

Come bring your wife and have the time of your life at the Forester's ball at Eagle Creek's classy hall. You know the rest, so that's all. Remember the date and don't be late—Saturday night, April 26. Special train leaves Gresham 9:30 p. m., returning leaves Eagle Creek 4:00 a. m. Round trip tickets 65c. Dance tickets \$1. Ladies free. 16

Hotel Congdon, New Management. Regular table board \$5 per week. Fine Sunday chicken dinners. Phone your order for the family dinner at reduction. Regular meals 25 cents and up.

GRESHAM SENIORS IN "THE RIVALS" ON FRIDAY EVENING

Cast of Characters and Synopsis of Sheridan's Popular Comedy as It Will Be Given by the Actors.

Next Friday night will witness the rendition of "The Rivals," Richard Brinsley Sheridan's great drama, at the moving picture theater, given by the senior class of the Gresham high school.

The class actors have been studying hard and faithfully and have their parts well committed. Rehearsals are being held almost every evening, and there is such enthusiasm and determination to make the play a success in every particular that there will be no failure.

The advance sale of seats has been large, insuring a full capacity house. Following is the cast of characters:

Sir Anthony Absolute..... Floyed Metzger
..... Jackson Jones
Captain Absolute..... Rolland Quesinberry
Faulkland..... Russel Pugh
Bob Acres..... Maybell Burch
Sir Lucius O'Trigger.....
..... Cleveland Bliss
Fag..... Ray Palmquist
David..... Fred Wagner
Thomas..... Fred Wagner
Mrs. Malaprop..... Viola Mathews
Lydia Languish..... Helen Hoss
Julia..... Marguerite Michel
Lucy.....

Following is a synopsis of the different acts of "The Rivals."

Capt. Absolute falls in love with a very romantic young lady, Lydia Languish, whom he woos in the guise of a half pay ensign under the name Beverly. His father, Sir Anthony Absolute, arrives in Bath and thinking that his son is still with his regiment, calls on Miss Languish's aunt, Mrs. Malaprop, and proposes that his son marry her niece. Mrs. Malaprop agrees and gives Mr. Acres another of Lydia's suitors, his discharge. Mrs. Malaprop is very partial to Sir Lucius O'Trigger and carries on a kind of correspondence with him, signing herself Della. Lucy, the maid, makes Sir Lucius think he is corresponding with Lydia instead of the aunt, and brings about a very ridiculous tangle in affairs.

Capt. Absolute meets his friend Faulkland, in love with and foolishly jealous of Julia, Sir Anthony's ward, and teases him out of all spirits. Acres arrives, having followed Lydia to Bath, and meets Capt. Absolute, his friend. Sir Anthony calls upon his son and informs him that he has "decided to fix him at once in a noble independence," but the "fortune is saddled with a wife."

When the captain objects to the arrangement Sir Anthony gets in a "frenzy" and refuses to tell his son who the lady really is. So neither discovers that Sir Anthony wants to force the captain "to marry the very girl he is plotting to run away with."

Capt. Absolute having discovered that Sir Anthony wants him to marry Lydia, "reads his recantation instantly," and agrees to submit entirely to Sir Anthony's will. However he pretends never to have seen Miss Languish, or most to recall her only as a little red-haired girl who squints. In an interview with Mrs. Malaprop, the captain discovers that his letters to Lydia have been interrupted by Mrs. Malaprop. Mrs. Malaprop shows him one of his own letters in which he refers to her as an "old weather beaten she dragon," makes him read it and discusses the fictitious "Beverly" with him. Through Mrs. Malaprop he secures an interview with Lydia, even as Mrs. Malaprop boasts that "Beverly" will never enter her doors or elude her vigilance in his efforts to see Lydia.

Mr. Acres, at the same time, he receives his discharge by Mrs. Malaprop, hears that "one Beverly, a concealed skulking rival" has supplanted him. He is induced by "that blood-thirsty Phyllistine, Sir Lucius O'Trigger," to challenge "Beverly."

Acres unwittingly asks Captain Absolute to deliver the challenge for him and to be his second in the duel, not knowing that Beverly and Captain Absolute were the same person. Absolute takes the challenge and promises to tell "Beverly" that his friends Acres is a "dickens of a fellow," that he generally "kills a man a week," and is called "Fighting Bob" in order to frighten "Beverly" so he wouldn't come.

Sir Anthony brings Captain Absolute to propose to Lydia. The captain is puzzled how to personate "Beverly" to Lydia and retain his own character before his father and Mrs. Malaprop at the same time. Lydia, expecting a proposal from a stranger, is too sullen to look around. The captain attempts to disguise his voice but is interrupted by Sir Anthony, "What the dickens ails the fellow? Why don't you speak out? Not stand croaking like a frog in a quinsy?" cries Sir Anthony in a "frenzy." The captain's

CLEAN-UP DAY TO BE OBSERVED BY EVERYBODY TOMORROW

April 23, clean-up day, is here at last and extensive preparations have been made for observing it. All residents of Gresham, householders and business men, will co-operate to make Gresham look like a new town, so spic and span will it be. The Women's council has set the plans on foot. The officials of the town will give material aid and everybody will help. No doubt a big start will be made toward cleaning up the "water front," which happens to be the back yard of many of our business houses. Teams will be furnished by the town for the purpose of carrying off all rubbish that can not be burned. These will be in charge of Etsel Jones, E. H. Kelly, Jas. Lawrence and S. S. Thompson. These men are expected to cover the entire town, taking the library as the point of division. We are not informed as to whether there will be an inspector, but probably that is the plan.

After the day is over and the work is well done, the women will give a banquet at the Commercial club hall to which everyone is invited. There will be a feast of good things for the inner man with some of the coffee which Will Cong-

don will make famous, and vocal solos by Mrs. Margaret Law and Mrs. O. J. Brown, and instrumental music furnished by Miss Eva Campbell and Mrs. Brown. The banquet will wind up with a fine program of toasts, with O. A. Eastman, president of the Commercial club as toastmaster. Those who will take part are G. W. Stapleton, F. L. Everson, Miss Edna Goodwin, M. O. Nelson, E. A. Leonard and H. L. St. Clair. The girls of the Queen Esther circle will have charge of the serving of the tables.

The reception committee consists of Mesdames Maxwell Schneider, S. S. Thompson, R. R. Carlson, J. W. Lawrence, M. D. Kern, M. Vogel and E. A. Lindsey.

Death of Mrs. Pat Collins

Mrs. Pat Collins, of Gresham, died in California on Saturday last. The body has been shipped home and will be buried from the grange hall on Thursday at 10 o'clock.

More fence coming to Sterling & Klöder's.

CAR TO BE READY FOR POTATOES

One Thousand Sacks Were Offered in Response to an Appeal.

Information received from the traffic division of the P. R. L. & P. Co., contains the statement that the potato car for the flood districts of Ohio and Indiana will be loaded to its full capacity and sent away on its mission to the east in a very few days.

The publicity given the railway company's generous offer in the last issue of the Outlook brought responses from so many sources that 1000 sacks could easily have been secured, but it was necessary to call a halt when the order was filled.

F. D. Hunt, traffic manager, and J. W. Hewitt of the P. R. L. & P. were in Gresham on Saturday and authorized the statement that the money was the voluntary donations of employees of the company. It was decided to use it for the purpose to which it was diverted, the company furnishing the car and free transportation.

A full list of those who filled the car is not obtainable at this time but the most of them came from farmers within a few miles of Gresham, among them being A. Brunner, S. C. Jones, George Pullen and Miss Swagert of Rockwood.

The generosity of the railway company and its employees is duly appreciated by those in the east who are in need of the produce sent to them.

Don't forget to bring the whole family to Aiysworth's for Shoes.

TWO CONSTRUCTION TRAINS ON THE WORK

The Mount Hood division of the P. R. L. & P. is now being electrified all the way to Bull Run. Poles have been distributed along the line as far as Welch's siding, this side of the Sandy river, and overhead work was begun yesterday between Gresham and Pleasant Home. Two construction trains are on the line and it is quite likely that the work will be completed by June 1st.

Enlargement of the Gresham sub-station and the installation of the new rotary converter will be the next step toward a complete system for the road which in connection with the new power cable across the town will give ample power for motive purposes eastward, the present cable being used between here and points westward as far as Montavilla.

A new lighting transformer will also be installed at the Gresham station, fully twice as large as the one now in use.

The company is expediting its work of electrification and is anxious to give better service at the minimum cost.

Mrs. Silbaugh Tuesday.

Mrs. Silbaugh will speak in the M. E. church Tuesday, April 22, at 8 o'clock, on Temperance and Civic Righteousness. All are cordially invited. 15

TROUTDALE TO VOTE CHARTER

Improvement and Bonding Privileges to be Asked at City Election.

The city of Troutdale is to vote on a new charter on June 10, the object being to give the city more authority to make improvements. When the original charter was granted its powers were very limited, so much so in fact that it gave no authority to make street or sidewalk improvements by assessing adjacent property, and the only attention given the city's streets has been by courtesy of the county through the efforts of the road supervisor. There was no provision made for bonding the city for any amount whatever nor for any purpose, neither is there any authority for spending the accumulating funds in the city treasury for anything needed to give the city the appearance of anything more than it has been.

Several objects are being aimed at in the proposed new charter, among them being a new city hall which is needed badly and is sadly lacking. While Gresham and Fairview are forging ahead with new city halls already built and in use the city of Troutdale is now prevented from even spending the money now in the treasury for such a purpose. There is now the sum of nearly \$2700 on hand and about \$1500 or more in sight from licenses and taxes about due. The town is pretty well off financially but cannot use the money until the way is opened by the adoption of the new charter which must be passed upon by the voters and adopted by a majority of the votes cast.

The city has no authority to authorize a bond issue of any purpose at this time, nor has it vere had. One of the objects is to give the council power to submit a bonding proposition to the voters if at any time such action is deemed necessary. The new charter provides that such bonds shall not exceed \$5,000, which is a very modest sum, and the voters will have the final say as to whether the bonds shall be issued.

Troutdale has a number of progressive men who are alive to the advancement of the city. The recent organization of a commercial club is an evidence of their progressive spirit and they are seeking the best methods of building up the place and attracting more business. Although the town has suffered some loss in the removal of the Union Meat company and the recent closing of the Bank of Troutdale, yet those losses are not looked upon as calamities. Other lines of business will be attracted to the place and there is a probability of another bank being established there as soon as circumstances and better times shall manifest themselves in the agricultural districts surrounding the town.

The borrowed umbrella is usually taken by storm.

WRIGHT STOCK COMPANY ORGANIZED YESTERDAY

The Wright Stock company was organized yesterday for a tour of the state in dramatic renditions. The company is composed of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Neill, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Wright, Sidney and George Wright and Claude Smith. The leading plays in its repertoire will be "Rip Van Winkle" and "Hearts of Tennessee." Other plays will be given as occasion demands and vaudeville sketches will be interspersed occasionally.

The company will go on the road, making stands at various places with a night in Gresham once a week by at least a portion of the troupe. The first stand will be at Heppner, where the company is booked for a week and then other towns will be visited. There will be two nights a week in Portland.

New scenery is being installed in the Gresham theatre in readiness for the rendition of "Rip Van Winkle" next Tuesday evening.

A real live baby will be given away at the Gresham theatre next Tuesday evening as a prize, for which coupons will be issued with all tickets sold. This will be a rare opportunity for someone to start a family.