

## CRUSHED ROCK ON ROADBED

A big work is being done by the O.-W. R. & N. all along the line of the road from Portland to The Dalles.

A gang of Italian laborers has a camp just east of Troutdale and is engaged in ballasting the track. The crew numbers about 100 and the material being used is crushed rock which is brought from Shellrock mountain, a few miles above Cascade Locks.

The work was begun only a week or so ago at the east end of the Sandy railroad bridge and is progressing eastward, about one mile having been completed.

The crew is divided into two gangs, one of which is working ahead on the job of cleaning away the dirt from beneath the ties. The other is following behind doing the work of tamping the rock and smoothing down the surface.

It is intended to continue the work as far as The Dalles and then return here and take up the job of re-ballasting the track from Troutdale to Portland, although this end of the road is in excellent condition. It has been found that the use of rock as ballast will protect the ties from decay and that the expense of changing the ballast will be more than saved by the protection it affords. Railroad ties are becoming more costly and scarcer, and anything that will prolong their usefulness is economy. In a few years more the railroads will be compelled to adopt something else besides wooden ties, probably something made of metal; but until that time comes the use of crushed rock wherever available, will be made.

There is enough loose rock at Shellrock mountain to supply the Pacific Coast for 100 years; and across the Columbia river near St. Martin Springs is more than enough for the whole United States. It will be used from now on in many other places, but the section between The Dalles and Portland is the pioneer stretch of the new ballast.

## BROWN'S GOLD MINE GROWING IN RICHNESS

D. C. Ross and son Joe returned today from their hunting trip to southern Oregon. They killed four deer, one of which was a five-point buck.

While away they visited John Brown's gold mine near Glendale. While there a mining expert was examining the property and gave his unqualified approval of it and will make a favorable report. The ore is growing richer as the ledge is being developed, and there is a prospect that Mr. Brown and his associate will be able to sell the mine at a handsome figure to a company that is now making the examination through the expert who is on the ground.

An option has been taken upon the property and a further survey by a mining engineer will most likely result in closing the deal. About a dozen other claims surrounding the Brown property will probably all be taken over and the company will begin operations on an extended scale. The gold is there and only needs to be taken out scientifically in order to make the mine one of the best producers in the state.

## MULTNOMAH FARM A GAME PRESERVE

Resolutions requesting J. E. Stansberry, fruit inspector, to take personal charge of the pruning and spraying of the fruit and shade trees at the Multnomah farm were adopted by the Board of County Commissioners at its session yesterday.

Game Warden Finley was requested to take the necessary steps to have the farm declared a game preserve, and to further protect the birds. Superintendent Jackson was directed to post trespass signs about the property. It is possible to make arrangements, the inmates of the farm will be allowed the use of the Portland library, or such books from the library as can be sent to the farm for short periods. Resolutions were adopted yesterday requesting Miss Isom to determine what library privileges may be provided.

LESSON IN FUNDAMENTAL MUSIC training taught by Miss Florence M. Honey, begin Saturday, Oct. 18. Classes for advance pupils as well as beginners. Phone 681. If

## EX-CHIEF SLOVER AS AN EVANGELIST

Ex-Chief A. E. Slover of the Portland police department, but now a captain, is about to resign in order to become an evangelist. He will probably take up his new work about the first of the new year.

Captain Slover, who is a near relative of Charles Reynolds of Gresham, when speaking of his proposed change said:

"I know the neighborhood where I want to begin my work," he said, "but perhaps some better man will have taken up the work there before I can prepare. I can only say now that it is a country settlement near Portland, where the people are religious, but not properly organized."

"In regard to the time, I want to get out of this as soon as I can. I am sick of it. I can say definitely that I will not be connected with the police department for more than a year, and perhaps not more than six months."

Captain Slover is a Free Methodist but will not work in strict conjunction with any creed. The principal point of interest is in where he is going to begin. In view of the fact that there are many Free Methodists here; that he has relatives here; and that he says he is going to begin reforming the ungodly somewhere close to Portland would lead one to believe that he is going to make his start in Gresham.

## HAZING REPORT WAS EXAGGERATED

Wild rumors have been floating around for the past few days of serious injury to Cleveland Pitts, son of Mrs. Bliss of Pleasant Valley, as a result of hazing at Oregon Agricultural College where he recently entered as a student. Mrs. Bliss returned last night from Corvallis whither she went to visit her son and learn the true condition of affairs. It is true that Cleveland, together with other boys, was haled by being ducked in water, but they submitted peacefully to the ducking and were not further tormented or injured in any way. The student body are highly indignant and the college paper has taken up the matter and denounced the offenders, especially as the boys were living up to every requirement of the student body. Hazing is contrary to the rules at O. A. C., and every effort is being made to prevent it, and also to detect and discipline those who took part in the recent escapade, but as the boys will not implicate them, they may escape.

Hazing is a coarse sort of fun which may lead to serious and sometimes fatal results, and ought not to be tolerated in any school. It was strange and unfortunate that such an exaggerated report could have gained circulation, as far more mental anguish was suffered by the parents and friends of Cleveland, than he himself suffered at the hands of the hazers.

## JUVENILES SURPRISE THE TERRY TEACHERS

A large number of the pupils of the Troutdale, Terry and Gresham schools gave a surprise party to Miss Hogue and Miss Lent, teachers at the Terry school at their home Wednesday evening. It was a jolly party which lasted until midnight, games music and refreshments taking up the time. Those of the visitors were Fred Hoecker, Conrad Hoecker, Anna Hoecker, Wilbur Stanley, Effie Stanley, Susie Stanley, Earl Stanley, Harry Spencer, Bertha Spencer, Gladys Bliss, Ethel Calkins, Lewis Calkins, Ernest Brugger, Elmer Townsend, Gladys Holgate, Will Farris, Gayland Fancher, Roy Hensley, Emmet Welling, Hester Thorpe, and Mrs. Josie Bliss.

### A Marvelous Escape.

"My little boy had a marvelous escape," writes P. F. Bastians of Prince Albert, Cape of Good Hope. "It occurred in the middle of the night. He got a very severe attack of croup. As luck would have it, I had a large bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house. After following the directions for an hour and twenty minutes he was through all danger." Sold by Gresham Drug Co., and all Dealers.

FREE METHODIST CHURCH—Gresham. Edwin W. Hight, Pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m., preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Prayer meeting each Wednesday evening at 8.

## VOITURINO DISASTER FINDS SAD ECHO HERE

One of the far-reaching tentacles of events that happen thousands of miles away, on the other side of the earth, has reached across the sea and the land in the guise of a story of affection, devotion love and death from the shores of Scotland to the western shores of the continent that is washed by the waves of the western ocean.

Several years ago the story began in Scotland when John Fleming left his wife and their two children to seek a home and fortune in the new world. He came to Oregon and worked industriously, saving his money and hoping to have his loved ones with him, until the day finally came where he could send the message for them to come. With anxious expectation he waited patiently as he worked away at his daily tasks for the Sun Dial people at Troutdale, and with an ever growing hope that he would meet them he was preparing a home for their reception.

A few weeks ago the world was startled when the information was flashed around the world of the burning of the steamer Volturino in mid ocean and the loss of many lives. The story of rescue by nearly a dozen other ships was told and the deeds of heroism and suffering were sympathized in a tale that awakened sympathy and pride for the unfortunates who suffered and the brave sailors who helped to relieve them.

On one of the rescue ships was Ann Fleming and her two children,

hastening to Oregon for the joyful reunion that awaited them; but the fearful strain of those hours at sea when she saw the destruction of the Volturino and the loss of so many fated lives produced a shock that prostrated her, and when she arrived at Portland last Friday she was barely able to recognize her husband and return the loving caress that greeted her.

Drooping under the great strain of many days of travel and the sights she had witnessed, the effect was too severe upon her sensitive organization and she passed to the beyond on Sunday morning, guarded by the love that had waited so long to greet her, and with the hand-clasp of a love that had triumphed but to die.

She was buried on Tuesday from a Portland chapel and the father returned to his home, bowed with grief but cheered by the presence of his two boys. He will send for a sister who lives in Scotland, but if she is unable to come the boys will be returned to her care.

And so closes a chapter in a world-wide tragedy. It will find its counterpart in many other places where the scattering survivors of the Volturino were taken, or where their rescuers went; but no other chapter will be so sad as the one that tells of the lonely father and his motherless boys in the story of John and Ann Fleming and the great devotion that brought them together only to be parted again after a brief greeting.

## CRITICIZES THE P. R. L. & P.

Gresham, Ore., Oct. 22, 1913. Editor Outlook.—Since the early part of June I have been traveling over the lines of the Portland Railway, Light & Power Co. between Portland and Gresham daily, and have taken particular note of the service rendered and the rates charged.

In the first place the equipment used is of the poorest used anywhere in interurban service. The cars are all antiquated rolling stock, flimsily constructed of wood. Considering the high rate of speed that these cars travel, the best of steel equipment should be used. In view of the fact that these lines are single track, there is always a danger of collisions. The automatic block which should be a protection, is not always, as proven frequently where this system is used. A collision may occur any day and where steel cars are used the danger to life is greatly minimized. Whereas when wooden cars are used the mortality is high. This fact may be brought home to you any day in the loss of some loved one.

Besides the above there are other things which should be looked into. Gresham is a station where the conductors of all trains have to register (that is at least the case on the Estacada division) and women and children are obliged to get on and off alone as best they can while the conductor runs into the depot and registers.

Another important thing is the rates. The cheapest rate that the daily traveler can obtain between Portland and Gresham is the commutation rate, which enables one to travel for 20 cents per ride. This rate is altogether too high. The suburban rates charged on most steam lines running out of big cities to daily passengers is about one-half cent per mile, which would make the rate to Portland about 8 or 9 cents. Of course these rates are only obtainable by procuring a 60-ride monthly ticket. The contention of the railway company to this plan may be that the number of daily passengers would not warrant issuing this special form of ticket. Possibly it might not at the present time, but this fact could be easily gotten at, but when people working in Portland learn that a low rate is in effect to Gresham, then there would be an inducement for them to come out here to live where rentals are low and living cheaper. Gresham needs more people, and low rates would be an inducement for many office people to get away from a noisy city.

Possibly many of the citizens of Gresham have noticed the inequality of the rates from Lents Junction to Gresham over the two lines. Via the Estacada line the rate is 20 cents. Via the Mt. Hood line the rate is 25 cents. As every other car runs

over the Mt. Hood line the railway company is the gainer by 5 cents. Prior to the time that the Mt. Hood line was taken over by the Portland Railway, Light & Power Co., passengers coming from Portland via the Mt. Scott line and Lents Junction enjoyed a 20-cent rate, but since then they are obliged to pay an extra nickel on Mt. Hood trains or wait an hour for an Estacada train. This inequality should be corrected.

As to the train service itself, it may be considered fair, but is not what it ought to be. Gresham should have a half-hourly service and express trains, which should cut down the running schedule to about 35 to 45 minutes. Why could not through express service be inaugurated between Gresham and Portland by way of Montavilla. This is the shortest route and the logical one for making fast time.

Gresham is a thriving town and should insist upon better service and lower rates. We cannot expect people to come out here to live when the rates and schedules are not right. These factors have an important bearing on the growth of this town and ought to be pushed by the citizens and the commercial club. Possibly the Outlook has some plan by which we might obtain these necessary improvements.

Respectfully yours,  
DR. BENJ. J. FREESE.

## COMMISSIONER HOLMAN IS APPRECIATIVE

PORTLAND, Oct. 23, 1913. Editor Outlook.—I am in receipt of several excellently prepared and courteous letters from members of the county who made displays at the Multnomah county fair recently held at Gresham, thanking Commissioner Hart and me for the special prizes which we offered for certain juvenile exhibits at the fair. Inasmuch as some of these letters did not state the addresses of the writers, I have been unable to personally acknowledge receipt of the letters, and therefore take this opportunity of so doing, and to express to these young people the pleasure it gives me to be the subject of such courteous treatment at their hands.

Yours very truly,  
RUFUS C. HOLMAN,  
Chairman, Board of County Commissioners.

Ladies' Tailor Department.  
Mrs. M. Vogel has added a ladies tailoring department to her millinery business, and is prepared to make ladies' fall and winter suits at reasonable prices. Call and see her samples at the Gresham Millinery Store, Main street.  
Phone your orders in for Butter Wrappers to the Gresham Outlook.

## WOODMAN DAY AT THE COUNTY FAIR

Many prominent members of the Woodmen of the World camps of Portland are working up a sentiment in favor of a big Woodmen day at the Multnomah county fair next year. If the W. O. W. boys should meet with the encouragement they expect from the board of directors they will perfect arrangements for such a demonstration as no other order ever offered here before. The public will be privileged to see perfected Woodcraft represented in a fitting manner which will add greatly to the interest of the fair meeting.

They argue that Gresham is so near to Portland, with its more than 5,000 members, that practically all of them and their families would attend and take a part in the exercises. The big Woodman day on Council Crest on Labor Day, and which was so largely attended and so well enjoyed by several thousand persons, has proved the necessity of having a get-together day each year for all Woodmen and their friends.

If the matter should be brought about, the order would put up a log cabin on the fair grounds as a sort of headquarters, and otherwise arrange for the many features, including competitive drills and sports for which the various camps are famous. The matter will be brought before the fair board for definite arrangements, if possible.

## MASONIC MEMBERS VISIT WITH LENTS

A party of Masons from Gresham went to Lents on Wednesday evening to an entertainment, given by the lodge there, and returned with the unanimous verdict that they had really enjoyed themselves both at the hall and on the road going and coming. Those who went were William Congdon, Arthur Dowsett, James Elkington, Cleve Binder, C. R. Wheeler, O. A. Eastman, H. Pulfer, James Sterling, L. M. Kidder, Guy Fieldhouse, Al. Brown, E. J. Stubbs, G. F. Honey, W. R. Burke, Max Schneider, and R. R. Carlson.

Contributed Account.  
Gresham Lodge No. 152 was invited by Dr. Hess, master of Lents lodge to attend an illustrated lecture on the Holy Land by Dr. Morrow, of Portland. The members here were notified by Brother Congdon with the result that four auto loads attended. The illustrations were excellent, portraying some interesting scenes familiar to Masons, and some facts were told in connection which seemed like fiction. Much praise was accorded to Brother Congdon for his zeal in rounding up the members who are always glad to attend and who never let an opportunity pass of spending such an enjoyable evening.

Women's War Against the Bottle.  
There will be a meeting of special interest at the Free Methodist church next Sunday morning. Rev. S. F. Pitts will preach on the subject, "Women's War Against the Bottle." Every one that is interested in the cause of temperance, the protection of our boys and girls, and the cleaning up of our town is cordially invited to be present. A special invitation is extended to the members of the Women's Christian Temperance Union. The hour of service is 11 o'clock. Come and bring some one with you.

If you want to contribute directly to the occurrence of capillary bronchitis and pneumonia use cough medicines that contain codine, morphine, heroin and other sedatives when you have a cough or cold. An expectorant like Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is what is needed. That cleans out the culture beds or breeding places for the germs of pneumonia and other germ diseases. That is why pneumonia never results from a cold when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is used. It has a world wide reputation for its cures. It contains no morphine or other sedatives. For sale by Gresham Drug Co., and all Dealers.

It becomes increasingly certain that the appointment of Lane as secretary of the interior was a good one.  
CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS—Services in Grange Hall, Gresham, Sunday at 11 a. m., and Wednesday at 8 p. m. Sunday school at 10 o'clock Public invited.

## THE FRUIT IS A LEMON

PORTLAND, Oct. 23—(Special)—It will soon be decided whether the people of Portland wanted the "lemon" when they got commission form of city government in a few days. The men who are commissioners are on trial, however, and not so much the "form." According to the budget presented for consideration the taxpayers of Portland will be called on to pay largely increased salaries and for a multiplicity of officers which the commissioners are seeking to create, with the result that the burden will be heavier than ever. It is stated that the salary of the city engineer will be increased to \$5000 a year and that of the municipal judge to \$4000 a year. Then there is a raft of other officers created all of whom are given fat salaries not heard of under the former administration. Under the former "the higher up" goes up while the men who really do the work are pressed down and yet people wonder why we have socialists in this county. It may be said that the taxpayers of Portland were promised lower taxes and more responsibility, under commission form, but the reverse is promised— heavier taxes and a multiplicity of new officers drawing fat salaries for all. Harry Lane said in his address that he could save the taxpayers \$1,000,000 per year under commission form, but under this commission form it will cost them great deal more. But the taxpayers will not stand for this multiplicity of officers.

The Anglo-Pacific Realty Company, which took over the holdings of the Oregon Real Estate Company, is spending half a million of money in Sullivan's Gulch in making a warehouse and factory district. The Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway company will construct a spur up Sullivan's Gulch as far as East Eighteenth street in order to provide railway facilities for these factories. Some incline to the belief that the line will not stop at East Eighteenth street, but will be continued and swing around by way of Columbia slough. At any rate a vast sum of cash is being expended in Sullivan's Gulch at the present time, which means a great deal for Portland and the state.

If Gresham carries out its plan to establish a central high school, as proposed, it will do more to make it a center than almost anything else its people can do. It is suggested that there should be an agricultural department in connection with this county high school. Situated in the center of the great Powell Valley such department will be highly essential to a modern high school. It will receive the co-operation of the Oregon Agricultural College. Lectures will be given by members of the faculty on special subjects. Indeed a high school situated in the country which does not provide an agricultural course will fall short of its opportunities.

It is among the possibilities that the Mount Hood railway will be brought into Portland over the Halsey and Barr route by way of the Broadway bridge. The East Halsey-Street Improvement Association has raised \$17,000 toward paying for the extension on this route, which brings the eastern end near the Mt. Hood depot. A short extension would bring a connection with the Mount Hood railway, which would be much better than the present arrangement.

A new routing of the interurban cars over Hawthorne bridge has been suggested by L. M. Lepper of the East Side Business Men's club as follows: From First street on Yamhill to Broadway, on Broadway to Madison and on Madison back to the bridge. It is urged that routing would provide connection with all the Portland car lines with the interurban lines, and the suburban passengers in the heart of the city.

L. H. WELLS.  
The Outlook has on hand a large quantity of school report cards on good quality of Bristol, also printed envelopes; samples free, to any school clerk or teacher. Price 2½¢ each; over 100, 2¢ each. Postage additional, 5¢ for 25 cards.

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