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FIREMEN BEGIN THIRD YEAR

Fire Department Financial Report for Year.	
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1912	2.85
Receipts for 1913	176.00
	\$178.85
Disbursements 1913	161.93
Bal. on hand	16.92
ED W. AYLSWORTH, Treasurer.	

The second anniversary of the organization of the Gresham fire department is approaching and the four companies have established a reputation for efficiency that is a source of pride to the town and the boys who compose the membership.

The officers of the department from chief down have been attentive to their work and the membership has been enthusiastic although it has fallen off some. There are now 24 members, all told, against 35 a year ago but the attendance at the meetings of the companies have measured up well averaging more than 20 during the year just closing.

The enthusiasm has been kept alive by a sense of duty to the town, but it was stimulated at the tournament last June when the Gresham teams won a silver plated nozzle for speed and a silver cup for taking the most events. The nozzle was donated by the A. G. Long Co., and the cup by the Nott Joselyn Co.

Gresham will probably not get the tournament the coming summer, although it originated the idea, for the reason that it will go to the place that will put up the most money, and several other places are getting busy to capture the event.

The annual meeting of the department will take place on Wednesday, January 7, at which time will occur the annual election of officers.

DAIRY ATTACHED AND RELEASED

A report was current on the streets that G. H. Dammeier's dairy plant in Gresham had been attached and that the business would be closed down.

There was some truth in the statement, as an attachment had been issued on complaint of the holder of a small claim, but the matter was settled satisfactorily and the plant was released. It is still doing business, nor was it discontinued at all. A keeper was placed in charge for two or three days until the matter was adjusted.

MASONIC LODGE INSTALLS OFFICERS

Fairview lodge, No. 92, A. F. & A. M. held their installation of officers for the ensuing year on last Saturday night, December 27. The following officers were installed: Worshipful master, W. H. Stanley; Sr. warden, Milton J. Fox; treasurer, D. W. McKay; Sr. deacon, C. S. Wilson; Jr. deacon, Rev. Thos. Robinson; Tyler, Wm. Stanley. The junior warden-elect and secretary-elect being in California will not be installed until the next meeting.

Last call—Evening Telegram and Outlook, one year, \$4.50. Offer closes January 1, 1914.

Notice.
The annual meeting of the Gresham Local Union of the Farmers' Society of Equity for the election of officers and delegates to county and state meetings will be held at the Commercial club hall in Gresham at 1:30 p. m. Saturday, Jan. 3, 1914.
National Organizer H. F. Cutting and Jno. M. Tees, manager of the Equity Warehouse Co., of Portland, will be present. All farmers in this section are cordially invited to attend whether members or not.
M. O. NELSON, President.
A. R. LYMAN, Secretary. 88

Time Extended.
Only a few more days will be given on subscriptions to the Weekly Oregonian at bargain rates. The price for it and the Outlook in combination for one year is \$1.75. This offer will positively close on Jan. 1.

HOUSE SPEECH QUAIN T READING

A bit of salacious reading is contained in a speech made recently on the floor of the house by Congressman Lafferty of Oregon. It was printed in the Congressional Record of December 11, and makes that staid old publication read like a sensational novel. The story it tells lets a little light in upon an important matter; nor was it published in any of the Portland papers.

If any of Mr. Lafferty's constituents in Oregon get a pub.doc. containing the speech it should be read from beginning to end, as it is too long for reproduction here.

Following are a few paragraphs, telling something that people here will read as news:

"I have heard it said that no man can be nominated and elected to congress or to any other important public office under present conditions, unless he is supported by a daily newspaper. The statement is not true in my opinion. If it were true it would be most unfortunate for the public welfare, for in that case the government would be completely dominated by, and our public servants would be entirely subservient to, privately-owned newspaper corporations. Newspapers are special-privilege corporations. All special-privilege corporations stand together when in common danger.

"In my district there are three dailies, all owned by millionaires. H. L. Pittcock owns a majority of the stock in the Oregonian and the Telegram which I treat as one paper; C. S. Jackson owns a majority of the stock in the Journal, E. W. Scripps owns a majority of the stock in the Daily News.

"It would be as reasonable to expect a camel to go through the eye of a needle as to expect any one of these three newspaper corporations to support me hereafter, or to give publicity to the work I am doing here in congress to break up private monopoly."

After telling how the different press associations supply the Portland dailies with news, Mr. Lafferty says that the associations have it in their power to control the policies of the papers they serve. He then continues:

"Last April I introduced a bill to make the Associated Press, the United Press, and all other press associations common carriers of news, and to place them under the jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

"About the time I announced my intention of introducing that bill a reporter here in Washington for the House press, came to my office and complained that I had said that the Associated Press and the United Press were controlled by the money power, and stated that the United Press was owned by E. W. Scripps, the same man who owns the Portland Daily News, and after pointing out that the News had supported me in the last campaign, asked me to print a retraction in the Congressional Record of my statement that the United Press was controlled by the money power. He stated that in coming to see me he was acting under orders from the Washington, D. C., manager of the United Press. I declined to print any retraction.

"From that day to this my name has not appeared in the Daily News, except for brief mention when I was in Portland.
"The paper refused, as did the other three papers of Portland, to mention my departure from Portland for Washington on November 26, 1913, to attend the present session of congress.
"Personally I do not care, but I notified the Daily News, the Journal and the Oregonian of my departure, and it was a little as they could have done to notify their readers, many of whom are in official correspondence with me as their representative here, of the fact that I had been in Portland for three weeks and of my return on the day mentioned for Washington. The Oregonian and the Telegram refused to either mention my arrival or departure."

At any rate, the United States is not carrying on a war in Mexico.

Christmas is very fine, but once a year is plenty often enough.
It is nearly time for the annual repetition of those stale water wagon jokes.

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We live in deeds, not years;
In thoughts, not breaths.
We should count time by heart-throbs, not figures on a dial.
He most lives who thinks most, feels noblest, acts the best.

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DAIRY FARMS ARE QUITTING

Several dairy farms have discontinued business in Eastern Multnomah during the past few months, and at least two more are preparing to quit within the coming week.

The most noted of those to quit business after more than fifteen years is the Mountain View dairy owned by W. W. Cotton near Gresham. It was announced more than two months ago that the herd would be sent down to Mr. Cotton's island farm and some of the cows have been sent there; the others are to go later.

Two auction sales are now running in the Outlook, both advertising the closing out of dairy herds and all the accessories that pertain to the business.

There must be a reason. One of the auction sales of next week will put Gresham dry in the milk line, as the cows that have been supplying Gresham are to be sold and their owner, P. J. Neurrurer, will go out of the dairy business.

There is a reason and the Outlook has been endeavoring to find out what it is.

The principal reason advanced by those who ought to know is this: The business doesn't pay.

Several inquiries made within the last few days reveal the fact that the cost of feed and hired help is too high. If a dairyman can raise the most of his own feed he stands some show provided he doesn't have to hire too much help.

If he has a herd of cows numbering anywhere up to 25 he can do the work alone provided he works all the time like a hired man. More than that number one man cannot take care of economically.

Then, too, the present price of cows is too high for a man to buy them profitably with milk at its present price.

And the price of milk is not much better, wholesale, than it was during the summer. It is now bringing somewhere around \$1.80 per hundred pounds from the distributors.

If a dairyman has only a dozen cows he is short about that many more in order to keep himself profitably employed and in most cases cannot afford to buy more. He has only the first half of a good job and must do other work to make living expenses.

No wonder he gets discouraged

BURIAL YESTERDAY OF TRAGIC VICTIM

The funeral of Moss J. Welty took place from the M. E. church, Rev. M. T. Wire officiating. The body arrived here on Sunday in charge of his brother, D. B. Welty who went to Reno, Nev., for it upon receipt of the news of his death. N. D. Welty, of Sawyer, N. D., and Mrs. S. H. Pitkin of Velva, N. D., arrived here in time for the funeral. The deceased was shot by a companion in a trifling quarrel. He was 24 years of age. Interment was made in the Gresham cemetery.

"UNCLE" MORGAN BURIED TODAY

W. E. Morgan, of Melrose, whose serious illness with Bright's disease has been mentioned several times in these columns, died at Portland on Sunday last. He was aged 53 years, 7 months and 21 days and was the father of Mrs. Frank Gibbs of Gresham. The funeral took place this afternoon from Carlson's chapel, with interment in the Gresham cemetery.

and determines to go into some other business.

The herd that has been supplying Gresham for the past year numbers only nineteen which would seem to be the reason why Mr. Neurrurer fails to make the business pay.

He has some competition from privately owned cows and the town is too small to use the milk from a greater number. He says the business only pays the cost of operating and that he is making nothing for himself.

If it takes 25 cows to give one man a good, steady paying job it follows that a lesser number will not keep him fully busy. So there you are and that is the reason why Gresham is going to be short on milk after tomorrow.

It also follows that the man with only a dozen cows sees his only way to make more money is to go out of business and engage in something else.

As a side issue on a big farm a small herd will help. In that case the farmer raises nearly or quite all of his feed and if there is a boy or two in the family it saves hired help. Such a producer can make dairying pay by selling his feed to himself and using the fertilizers to make better crops. In fact a small herd of cows is a distinct source of profit in that way to the farmer who is favorably situated.

Some of the leading dairymen can see no hope for betterment unless there is an increase in revenues from milk. They also profess see no hope of better prices unless there is active co-operation all along the line. Efforts to bring about a union of forces have been made at different times during the past three years, but every attempt was a failure. The cheese factory idea last spring was the nearest approach to getting together, but nearly every dairymen "flew the coop" at the last minute and milk prices went down a peg. All of the above named reasons are given for the existing situation and there seems to be no hope that the situation will be changed.

It would not be surprising if more dairy herds will be sold. It begins to look like there is going to be a revolution in the dairy business of Eastern Multnomah.

SANDY GRANGE ELECTS OFFICERS

Sandy Grange has elected the following officers for the year: master, A. G. Thomas; lecturer, Mrs. Margaret Bell; overseer, Anton Malar, Jr.; steward, James G. DeShazer; assistant steward, M. V. Thomas; chaplain, Mrs. Anton Malar; secretary, James Bell; gate keeper, William Bell; Ceres, Mrs. J. G. DeShazer; Pomona, Mrs. Henry Perret; Flora, Mrs. Anna Jonsrud; lady assistant steward, Miss Alice McGugin. The installation of the officers will be held on the night of January 10, when the exercises will be conducted by J. C. Spooner, of Kelso. Several new members will be initiated at that time.

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PUBLIC TO OWN, SAYS LEPPER

PORTLAND, Dec. 29.—(Special)—The East Side Business Men's club continues to agitate for municipal ownership of telephones. L. M. Lepper, who has given the matter careful study declares that public ownership of telephones and telegraph lines is coming, and that it is in the air. However, there is the fly in the ointment. The wireless is coming, too. With the wireless coming the question to be considered is whether in the acquisition of telephone lines through the United States means the acquisition of a lot of junk that must be cast in the scrap pile as useless. By some it is thought that the present telephone lines will soon be superseded by some form of the wireless and that the telephone companies see the handwriting on the wall. Nor can any one tell how soon the wireless telephones will take the place of the present method. At the last meeting of the United East Side Improvement clubs these points were brought out as a word of warning. The first step in this county, however, will be to force the two telephone companies to exchange messages. After that the steps to public ownership is not far to take.

Evidently the women who are conducting the Arleta school lunches are solving the problem of the high cost of living. They are serving for five cents a lunch that is abundant and nourishing. I have tried this lunch. First comes a bowl of hot soup with bread and crackers. Then a sandwich and some sort of cake. I thought all this looked pretty thin but when I had been served I was surprised that for a lunch I had been satisfied. These women serve more than 200 hearty school children at a cost of \$1.50 per month. Think of that. What family can make such a showing? The profit on a single five cent lunch is very close of one cent, or 20 per cent.

I was told by Mrs. E. L. Ward, the general manager, that the whole secret is the buying, in the selection of the right cuts of meat that will give the best results. But one of the best features of this lunch business is the practical benefits the girls get out of it. Ninth grade girls are to bake the bread to be served at this school after the first of the year in rolls, according to the approved methods. They are to serve the meals. Mrs. Ward is an expert. She was purchasing agent for logging camps. She knows how. She imparts her practical knowledge to the girls. These girls ought to make model home-makers. And the relief these lunches afford the mothers cannot be estimated. They slip the children each a nickel and that ends it till night. I look for the time soon to come when lunches will be served at all the public schools.

The Sandy Commercial club and the people there are pulling hard for railway connection with Portland. They are backing the application of the Clackamas Development company for a franchise on the county road from Boring to Sandy. The matter came up in a preliminary hearing Wednesday. The company wants right of way on the south side of the road within five feet of the property line, and the property owners insist that the company shall provide spurs for all shippers free of cost. If this line is built it would give rail connection with the Estacada line with Portland. Sandy people deserve success. They have a rich district. They need railway connection with Portland.

There is delay in starting construction of the Portland & Oregon City railway. A referendum is threatened by certain property owners in the South-east Side. Milwaukee people are very anxious that this line should be built as soon as possible. Ties have been distributed for this line up to the Milwaukee line. The company is prepared to lay the railway and put the cars into operation by April, unless the referendum is invoked. If the referendum is invoked it may stop the enterprise altogether.

In his address Sunday Rev. Robert McLean, D. D., in the Third Presbyterian church, declared that the Mexican internecine struggle is a real menace to the American institution. He said that the I. W. W. are scattering their propaganda among the ignorant Mexicans and along the borders of Mexico, and inciting them to hostility to all free institutions. "What are we Americans going to

SALOONS CLOSE AT MIDNIGHT

Gresham Saloons Ready to Quit Business.
It is definitely announced by the owners of the two Gresham saloons that they will positively close up their places of business upon the first stroke of the New Year. While they have so far had no official notice from anyone in authority to close the saloons they are not intending to fly in the face of public opinion by attempting to keep open beyond the legal time allowed by law.

The announcement that both of the Gresham saloons will quit business tomorrow night means that the sale of liquor will be prohibited by law for awhile at least. The proprietors have made no public mention of their future plans beyond the statement that they will conform to the edict of the law and will not seek to contest further unless it is shown by future developments that they have a continued right to operate here.

It is expected that the supreme court will render a decision soon on the legality of the November local option elections and while it may not apply to Gresham there is the chance that it does.

In the event of a re-opening of the saloons they would probably be allowed to continue in business until their licenses expire, one in July, the other in September.

In case they are barred for further business the city will be owing them \$750 unearned license money.

BYRON REYNOLDS DIES ON FARM

Byron Reynolds, resident of Multnomah county for nearly half a century, died this morning at Reynolds station on the ranch where he has made his home for the past 45 years.

Born in Vermont 63 years ago, Byron Reynolds came to Portland in 1869 and worked as a "hand" on the ranch which he owned at the time of his death. He came as a youth and the ranch was owned jointly by his father and his brother-in-law. Eventually, young Reynolds bought his father's half interest and subsequently bought out his brother-in-law. The ranch was a dairy, but no milk was sold. The milk was worked into butter, and the residue was fed to the hogs.

Mr. Reynolds was one of the first ranchers in Oregon to place his farm on a basis of system, and it was through this system that he obtained such material results. A few years ago he retired from active work, but continued to supervise the ranch until two years ago, when he gave a five-year lease on the property.

In politics Mr. Reynolds was a democrat, but supported men above party. Although an active factor in campaigns, Mr. Reynolds never held an office and never was a candidate but once. This was when he was given the nomination on the democratic ticket for county commissioner

HARD TIMES BALL NEW YEAR'S EVE

A genuine hard times dance, with two cash prizes as an inducement to wear your worst clothes, will be given at the Commercial Club hall Gresham, on New Year's eve. The gentleman who sustains the best character of hard luck will get \$2.50; the lady, \$1.50. There will be good management and a good time. All are welcome. Come and dance the old year out and the new year in to the best four-piece union orchestra ever here. Dancing 8:30 to 3. Tickets, \$1.00; gentlemen spectators 25 cents; ladies free. Supper at the Congdon. 87

do about all this," exclaimed Dr. McLean, "while all this is going on under our very noses? It is time that the American people woke up to this menace—this inciting a tremendous horde of ignorant people to deeds of violence and treason, and thus breeding a snake in our homes."

Dr. McLean is well known throughout Oregon. He is no sensationalist. Dr. McLean thinks he acts. He speaks in words that can not be misunderstood. L. H. WELLS