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SUN DIAL TRUST DEED BONDS OUT

A gigantic plan of bonding and improving the Sun Dial ranch is being promoted with the expectation that 250 acres will be fully improved and developed and be made immensely productive.

The Sun Dial ranch, which was formerly a part of the Union Meat company property, lying mostly north of the Sandy road between Fairview and Troutdale, is owned principally by H. C. Campbell and C. F. Swigert of Portland. It is incorporated and consists of 2210 acres of dairy farm land. It is valued at \$315,200 including the buildings and other improvements and is to be bonded for \$100,000.

The improvements as listed consist of a twelve-room house, large barn, two silos, milk house, fencing, water and lighting systems, a feed and grist mill and considerable farm machinery. The bonding plan is really a closed first mortgage on all the property and is being offered the public through the Portland Trust and Savings bank, which is the trustee for the benefit of the bondholders.

The mortgage trust deed made by the corporation contains a provision by which the company may, with the consent of the trustee, release land by deposit with the trustee of \$125 per acre, nearly three times the amount per acre of the debt. The proceeds of lands so released must be used by the trustee solely to retire bonds at call price and interest. The land is suitably located for sale in small tracts, which will more than likely be done as soon as the full proposed improvements are completed.

These improvements are contemplated in the drainage of about 250 acres of the most valuable land on the tract, and an increase of the dairy herd to greater proportions, commensurate to the size of the property.

The bonds are dated July first of this year and are in denominations of \$500 and \$1000. They will yield 6 1/2 per cent interest on all maturities, the first series falling due July 1, 1917, thence yearly until July 1, 1924, when all will have been retired unless taken up sooner. They are offered to the general public as a first-class investment, Mr. Campbell and Mr. Swigert becoming personal guarantors for the payment of the money when due.

The Sun Dial ranch is ideally situated, being washed by the Columbia river on the north and with the O. W. R. & N. running through it. Troutdale and Fairview are two prominent railway towns that serve it and the Sandy road runs its entire length between those two places.

It is rich land, suitable for intensified farming or dairying, and when divided into smaller farms will make one of the most desirable sections in Western Oregon. Its soil is alluvial and need not be irrigated to produce abundant crops. The proposed improvements will help to make it still more valuable than it now is.

EXCITING SPORT ON THE RUBY RANCH

The Ruby ranch on the Base Line would make a capital game reserve for such undesirable animals as gray squirrels, skunks and weasels if it were desirable to protect such pests. As it is there is an over supply and the men on the place have excellent sport shooting them. Foreman Ward went out gunning on Sunday and killed 53 squirrels without moving from his track. He also killed seven weasels at one shot and saw nearly a hundred more. His skunk record is two dozen for the season.

Other pestiferous animals are to be found there, some of them quite valuable, including mink and muskrat. A portion of the place is swampy and another part of it is rocky. Both make good hiding places for certain kinds of animals and the grove of fir trees affords shelter. The Ruby ranch affords excellent sport for the men who work there, but it seems that there is no way to fully exterminate the pests.

A-Top of the World Coming.

That wonderful photo-play "A-Top of the World" will be shown in Gresham on Wednesday and Thursday evenings of next week. It was one of the greatest attractions at the Baker a few weeks ago, where it had a run of eight nights. It is a six-reel production and full of interest from beginning to end.

ARM TORN OFF BY WOODSAW

A frightful accident causing the loss of his left arm above the elbow happened to Steve Marston yesterday afternoon. He was operating one of his father's gasoline woodsaws on South Roberts avenue and had just finished a job when the disaster came.

It is said that he undertook to remove the driving belt while the engine was still running and was coiling it around his left arm when a protruding set screw on the inside of the fly wheel caught the belt. He was drawn into the wheel and his arm was torn from its elbow socket and badly lacerated nearby to the shoulder. He retained consciousness and screamed for help. William Congdon who had just left him was the first one on the spot and then others came to find the unfortunate boy lying under the machine, his mangled arm beside him.

Medical assistance was procured at once, several doctors being called, and the young man was given first aid and hurriedly taken to a Portland hospital where his arm was amputated near the shoulder.

The patient is unusually robust and will recover unless unforeseen complications arise.

OLD BORING MILL YARD IS BURNED

The old mill site of the O. A. Palmer sawmill at Boring, covering about two acres and on which was standing the frame of the old mill and the network of yard tracks, was burned over Saturday night, the actual damage to that property being small as there was little of value to lose.

About 30 cords of wood on a siding were burned, belonging to O. A. Palmer. It was ready to be shipped and could not be saved. About 100 feet of side track was destroyed, the rails being twisted out of shape by the immense heat.

A bucket brigade attempted to control the flames at first but a telephone call to Portland brought out the P. R. L. & P. electric fire car which arrived on record time with 5000 gallons of water and but for its timely arrival there would have been greater loss as several buildings were in great danger.

There are several conjectures as to the cause of the fire, the most probable being that it was started by some boys who were swimming in the old mill pond and had a bonfire on the bank. J. C. Shultz, chief operator at the sub-station one block away smelled something burning about 3 o'clock but failed to see any fire about his premises and the blaze was not discovered until it had gained great headway in the oily timbers of the old mill frame and the dipping tank, which caused great heat and made the flames most difficult to extinguish.

ELECTRIC MILKERS ON DAIRY RANCHES

B. O. Boswell spent yesterday at Fairview and Troutdale looking up the possibility of electrical installations on the Sun Dial ranch and Jacob Luscher's place. These are large dairy farms on the best part of the Columbia river slough and their owners are going extensively into the dairy business. The Sun Dial ranch will start with about 250 cows located at Troutdale. They will be milked by electricity. Mr. Luscher will increase his already large herd and also milk by electricity.

Surprise on Miss Anna Larsen.

Miss Anna Larsen, of Orient, was given a complete surprise at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. P. Gregerson, on Saturday evening, July 18, the occasion being her birthday.

A hayrack load of young people, drawn by four horses, was made up mostly at Powell Valley, but included some from Gresham and others from the country between Powell Valley and Pleasant Home. A delightful evening was spent by all in games and music. Light refreshments were served.

The members of the party were: Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ekstrom, Mr. Lamb, Arlie Gibbs, Anna and Fred Simonson, Mr. and Mrs. Berg, Charlie Erickson, Paul Palmblad, Florence and Hulda Johnson, Henry Bottleson, Lillian and Ed. Sell, Louis, Hally and Earnest Christensen, Earnest Anderson, Oscar, Sadie and Paul Stone, Edna and Ethel Trimble, Vivian, Verl and Billy Hillyard, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Johanson, Ellen and Charlie DeHaven, Elmer Bankus, Miss Eals, Isaac Anderson and Eva McCarter.

ANCIENT HISTORY ANIMALS

Rev. Clarence True Wilson, the well known former pastor of Methodist churches in Portland, finds time in addition to his saloon closing campaigns to notice what the farmers are doing. During some of his recent eastern trips his attention was called to the sensation being made among the progressive farmers by the Mulefoot hogs, a breed entirely new to the west coast, but really a strain that has an ancient history. It is supposed to have been brought to Delaware from Northwestern Europe by the Swedes and was lost during the Revolutionary war when the soldiers made a raid on everything edible. But some of these pigs escaped to the woods and have perpetuated their family through all the changing years. Sherman mentions them as the favorite meat of his men during their march to the sea. He says, "My men made a clean sweep of the country for produce, but better than chickens or turkeys they liked the sweet meat of a black hog that had the peculiarity of a round foot."

About twelve years ago breeders from Arkansas, Ohio and Indiana organized the American Mulefoot association to breed up these hogs and to register them so as to keep the blood pure. And no hogs have ever responded so quickly to careful breeding and good treatment. They are jet black, about the shape of the Poland China, but with a marked individuality in their feet. The foot is not cloven or divided, nor is there any indication that there ever was a division. They have a round hoof like a little colt or a mule, with a cushion that fills the whole hoof and gives to their walking and running a springy effect, making them as active on their feet as a calf or colt. When Dr. Wilson was asked why he preferred these hogs, he said:

"Well, they are the tamest, most rapid growers for the first eight months, the most prolific and careful mothers, and the herd boars are the tamest and gentlest of all hogs. I have never known a pure blood mulefoot to have cholera. I believe they are immune."

"Besides, here is a pig that the Jews can eat. You know that the Jews have never touched hog meat because of the Bible command that 'any animal that chewed the cud, but parted the hoof, should be unclean unto them,' though they could eat the flesh of any animal that chewed the cud and parted the hoof, and I suppose by analogy any animal that neither chewed the cud nor parted the hoof is clean. Here is swine that meets the biblical requirement, and is therefore 'clean.'"

"Besides that there is such a great prejudice in this country against the new style of split skirt that the women are wearing that I should think a pig that will not 'eve' split its hoof would become exceedingly popular."

"I secured some of these hogs while traveling in Oklahoma and Montana and expressed them to my Mule-Foot Farm, at Gresham, Oregon, conducted for me by the Ogden Brothers. In the three months they have been here they have grown like weeds, and are demonstrating the claim of the Mulefoot breeders that these pigs will make the first 200 pounds in shorter time than any other breed at the least expense."

"They are the tamest and most docile breed on the market. I have seen six herds, and never one where I could not go out into the field and put my hand on any of the hogs, and then to the pens where the sows had their litters and pick up any of the little pigs without disturbing the mother, in the least. The herd boars are not vicious. Even little children play around them and ride on their backs, and no one of them has been known to hurt any person or other animal, neither are they cannibalistic."

"This hog is a coming breed for this coast; and you will see it at the state and county fairs. I will have a trio at least at Gresham fair. Have a fine herd of thirty registered Mule-foot hogs now at Spring Crest Farm near Gresham, just one mile south of Cotton station."

Binders, Harvester Machinery.

Plymouth, Clover-leaf Binder Twine, Oils and Repairs. Hessel's Farm Machinery, Gresham.

Kansas farmers will hold their wheat for the dollar-a-bushel price. So much the better for the Pacific coast.

THRONGS WITNESS HANDICAP

Constant bombardment all day yesterday and today, and which will last all day tomorrow, was heard from the grounds of the Portland gun club. It was the occasion of the annual meet of the gun clubs of the coast in the Pacific coast handicap tournament and was largely attended. The most expert wing shots of the United States were there the entries yesterday numbering 115. Today the number is greater and tomorrow's events will bring a still greater number here to take part in the shoot, besides the throngs who attend merely as witness of good sport.

The club grounds are situated on a part of the Kronenberg farm near Linnemann Junction, having been bought last spring for the purpose. A new club house 40x40 feet, with two stories, balcony and annex, was built by E. T. Jones & Co., of Gresham at a cost of \$2000. It is in charge of Ed. Mathews who has general supervision over the whole property. The gun club is represented during the tournament by President Henry Metzger and Secretary Joe Addleman.

Four traps have been installed for shooting clay "birds," these being the principal attractions for the throngs who have gathered to see what the experts of the coast can do in the shooting line.

Although yesterday was said to have been an ideal day for shooting the scores ran remarkably low. The best in singles was by a professional who killed 146 birds out of 150 shot at. For the amateurs the scores were under 80 per cent. Hank Wilson of Gresham made the largest run—79 and was high man at the doubles yesterday. He is sure to carry away some good prize money and probably a trophy or two.

The preliminary handicap was shot off today and tomorrow will see the full program of the Pacific Coast handicap closed. Some good shooting will be scored.

Plans have been made for the accommodation of all who attend, including lunch and refreshments, and women are especially invited to attend.

BASE LINE ROAD WILL BE IMPROVED

Assurances have been given by the county commissioners that the Base Line road will be hard surfaced this year. Bids for the work will be called for immediately, the estimated cost being \$133,000.

The remonstrance against the paving was overruled last week, and this road will be the first one in the county to be paved.

Two remonstrances were filed, one protesting against the work being given out exclusively to any particular paving company without competitive bids. It seems that this petition prevailed as the advertising for bids would indicate that all the paving companies are to have an equal chance.

Several who signed the remonstrance were later prevailed upon to take their names off upon condition that the work would be given to the lowest responsible bidder.

The entire distance to be improved is from the city limits at Russellville to the Troutdale road, about nine miles.

GRESHAM POSTOFFICE IN BANK BUILDING

It has been definitely settled that the Gresham postoffice is to be moved into the First State Bank building although the lease has not been signed nor the date of removal announced.

The front entrance will be on Powell street, the room to be occupied being the one formerly used as a drug store. The carriers' entrance will be on First street opposite the Congdon hotel.

The owner of the building is to make all necessary alterations and remove the present postoffice fixtures, remodeling the arrangements necessary to conform to the space. Some new fixtures are to be added and some of those at present in use will probably be discarded.

The removal will take place at any time the postoffice department gives the order. The rental is \$480 per year, including heat, water and lights.

See Us for Top Buggies, Hacks, Carts, etc. Hessel's Farm Machinery, Gresham.

PULFER MERCANTILE CO. HAS QUEER ACCIDENT

When Harry Pulfer came down to open his store yesterday morning he was reminded of the old story about the bull in a china shop. Only is it doubtful if the famous old bovine gentleman of history could have done as much damage as met Mr. Pulfer's gaze when he looked upon the havoc that the north row of shelves had created for their own amusement during the still hours of Sunday night.

Two sections of shelving, nearly forty feet in length and loaded to the top with glassware and crockery, had collapsed. The accident was caused by the lower portion giving away, and there must have been a crash but no one heard it. The ruin was complete and the loss was about \$250. A big wagon load of broken glass and china was hauled away to the gravel pit leaving only a few damaged fragments that could be loaded in a wheelbarrow.

A new invoice of goods was unpacked on Saturday costing \$146. An estimate of \$90 was on the shelves before. Not ten dollars' worth was saved and that is more or less "chipped."

The shelves have to be rebuilt and will be made more substantial. All the other shelving in the store will be reinforced to avoid other similar accidents.

Mr. Pulfer says that with a good system of collapsible shelves there is no difficulty in making goods move. His experience qualifies him to make the assertion.

ATHLETICS DEFEATED TWO TO NOTHING

When the Athletics met the All-Stars last Sunday they ran up against another defeat to the tune of two to nothing. In justice to the home team it must be stated that several weak players had to be substituted for some who were absent. There were no costly errors and only two really good plays worthy of mention. It was a duel of the batteries and with a full nine of players working together the result would have been favorable to the home teams.

Townsend held on to his reputation as a pitcher by striking out ten of his opponents. Dillard for the visitors struck out but six. Eleven of the All-Stars went out at first; one at second and one at third. Four came back on flies.

Of the Athletics sixteen failed to reach first; three died on second and two were caught out by the fielders. The stick work was in the Athletics' favor.

Wagner made the only two-base hit of the game. The All-Stars pulled off the only double play in the last inning when one man was already out. That ended the game. The umpires were Squires and Fox.

Next Sunday's game will be with the aggregation of colored gentlemen and some exciting sport is promised.

STANDARD OIL CO. TO LOCATE HERE

A tract of land has been bought by the Standard Oil company from D. W. Talbot, lying just east of the city limits on which it is proposed to build an oil distributing station for Eastern Multnomah and Clackamas counties.

Plans for the buildings are now in the hands of several contractors who are figuring on the cost of erecting a warehouse, office, a two-story barn and three concrete oil tanks. The property is located alongside the Mount Hood railway and will have switching facilities and will be enclosed with a high fence.

The work of construction will begin within a few weeks and the plant will be ready for business before fall.

Within the past few days work has been started on the building for the new fish cannery and cold storage plant to be located at Bay City. The building will be 64x98 feet and among other up-to-date facilities will include an ice-making plant with a capacity of ten tons per day. The building will be used for handling Tillamook Bay salmon, both fresh and canned, and its estimated cost will be between \$20,000 and \$30,000. In addition to the main building, the company will erect a dock 32x80 feet for the accommodation of the fishermen, and will also build drying racks for nets.

The Gresham cannery is assured, as most of the money has been raised and 200 stockholders are behind it. If Estacada does not get a cannery the Gresham plant will probably welcome our produce.—Estacada Progress.

CHURCH MERGER SETTLED

By L. H. WELLS.

PORTLAND, July 18—(Special)—Rev. John D. Niswonder, pastor of the First United Brethren church, East Portland, and Rev. Effie Smith, pastor of the Methodist church, East Portland, yesterday regarding the merger with the Methodist Protestant church of Gresham. A meeting was taken at Columbus, O., Wednesday, that while the merger is practically settled a vote of the members of the United Brethren churches must be taken to confirm the union.

"Practically everything is cleared for the union of the Methodist Protestant and United Brethren church," said Rev. Niswonder, "but it still remains to take a vote by the members of our churches. Some day will be set apart within the next three or six months when all our church members will be called on to vote yes or no on merger. This is to conform to the church laws. The membership favor the merger. The Oregon conference voted favorably to the merger a year ago. The only effect the merger will have in Portland will be to change the name of the First United Brethren church, the Second and Third churches to the First United Protestant church, Second and Third United Brethren Protestant churches. In Seattle the United Brethren and Methodist Protestant have separate churches, which will probably be united as one church. Within a few weeks we shall get the program for the vote to be taken and literature explaining the merger, which will go to every member of the United Brethren church in Oregon, and the date of the vote will be announced."

The Lone Fir Lot Owners' association, which took over Lone Fir, the pioneer cemetery in this city to save it from decay and clean up, has given the grounds a thorough overhauling so that for Memorial day and other days as well it has been made an attractive spot. The work recently was done under the supervision of L. C. Weygandt, the newly appointed sexton, replacing M. Barrell, who was in charge for two years. The cemetery is under the direct control of the association, organized in 1911 which has raised and expended since 1912 about \$6500. Among the improvements made was the cutting of grass and weeds, underbrush, unsightly hedges, trimming trees and shrubbery. This cemetery was originally laid out in 1854. Many of the old-time pioneers and prominent citizens, who assisted in building Portland and the Northwest are buried there. Chiefly in their memory these improvements were undertaken that the cemetery might be preserved.

The plan as outlined heretofore requires the support of all the lot owners and those having relatives and friends interred therein. These are expected to pay yearly for the care of their respective lots and plots. To this end J. A. Stroubridge, secretary of the association, is desirous of having the lot owners who have not paid for caring for their respective lots within the past year to do so promptly in order that the grounds as a whole may be promptly cared for. Those who have been in the cemetery recently are agreeably surprised to see the marked changes and improvements made under the management of the new sexton. The members of the Lone Fir Lot Owners' association only desire to preserve the pioneer cemetery. Many are old residents and prominent people. It has required time and much labor to improve the grounds, which have been freely given without cost and at such expense of time and money on their part.

Mrs. Nancy Caples, an Oregon pioneer and early resident of this place died Friday at St. Vincent's hospital at the age of 84 years and eight months. She had been in feeble health for some time. With her husband Dr. William Caples, Mrs. Caples settled at St. Johns in 1852, before the town was dreamed of. They owned considerable land at St. Johns mainly on the water front much of which they disposed of. This land has become the valuable portion of St. Johns. Mrs. Caples is survived by two children Elizabeth Caples, of St. Johns, and Mrs. A. Henlow, of British Columbia. She lived at 509 Willamette boulevard.