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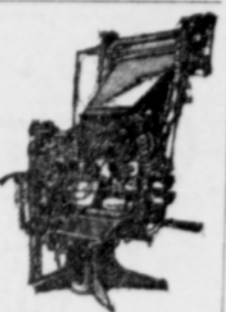
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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT.

A few months ago Mr. Grant put on an auto stage between Gresham and Portland. The season of the year was favorable, Mr. Grant was well known here and a resident of Gresham, hence there was a disposition on the part of many citizens to encourage the enterprise. It was given a fair trial but failed. The reason is not hard to find. It costs not less than \$1.50 each one-way trip to run the auto stage. At 25c a trip this would require an average of six passengers per trip just to pay expenses. Sometimes there may be more, but many times there will be less.

When the auto stage falls people must fall back on the electric lines. Then some will complain of the poor service and few trains.

The railway company has built its lines, its depots and installed its equipment at an expense of hundreds of thousands of dollars in this locality alone and spends hundreds of dollars locally each month.

The electric company pays heavy taxes each year to the county, to the school district, to the municipality, on the property it owns and on its rolling stock. It buys water of the city, makes a return to the city for its franchises, helps directly to build up local enterprises. How much does an auto stage do in these lines?

The electric company gives Gresham practically an hourly service. It is said to be as fast and as cheap as conditions will permit. It is certain that nothing can be gained in these respects unless the people hold together and assure the company of increasing support.

When the auto stage falls people must then fall back on the electric line. Have they gained anything for themselves or their town?

The Outlook is only too glad to encourage anything that will help this and other contiguous localities. It does not seek to "stand in" with any corporations as such. It only asks the people to consider and be fair. If the auto stage is needed here, if it can give our people a quicker, safer, cheaper, more reliable service, and at the same time will make investments and improvements here on which it will pay taxes in proportion to what it expects to take from the locality, as does the electric company, then we say all is well and good. It should be supported. In the meantime, it may be best to pay a little more and go a little slower if necessary and get more in return.

A ONE-MINUTE SERMON.

The "melancholy days" of the poet are chiefly a state of mind. In nature one season of the year is no more melancholy than another, and each has a charm peculiar to itself. What more beautiful than the weather of the past few days? Yet we are past the middle of November. In a few weeks more the days will begin to lengthen. To be sure the leaves have mostly fallen, and those that remain have lost the bright green of summer. But the leaf buds are already forming for another year. The summer birds have flown away on their migration southward, but other birds will come from the northland, quite as attractive and interesting that we never should see but for the change in the seasons. The little folks of feather and fur are well provided with warm clothing, and will be much more comfortable, even in inclement weather, than we humans are apt to think them. And for humans there is a sense of exultation on a boisterous wintry day—at least for the well and strong. Most of what there is of melancholy in any season is from within ourselves and not from the outside.

"Twenty-three and skiddoo." The American troops under General Funston will withdraw from Vera Cruz on November 23. This will end the administration's policy of "watchful waiting."

A woman who testified in a divorce case is suing for her pay as a witness. Why didn't she collect in advance?

With Glendale for a center three districts will unite in building a high school.

SOMETHING IS WRONG.

By reference to the real estate transactions published in the Portland dailies, it will be seen that there is considerable activity in land deals all over the state. That is, all over the state except in Eastern Multnomah and Eastern Clackamas counties. In Portland there is a healthy movement recorded every week. High priced lots are being sold in all the restricted additions, and building permits are being issued for high-class residences. Besides, there are numerous sales and a steady building growth in every part of the city. There is a noted movement in farm property in both Eastern and Western Oregon. Southern Oregon and Central Oregon are also reporting transfers of property, the sales usually covering large tracts of farming land suitable for wheat or fruit production or for stock raising. The Willamette valley is holding its own in recorded sales, and the sea coast county has its share.

But what about this part of the state, lying at the very door of the metropolis? There is something wrong, but what is it? Is the land in this section held too high or is there a concerted effort in Portland to divert newcomers and settlers from these parts? Perhaps we are not doing enough to advertise ourselves. The real estate dealers of Gresham are not advertising their bargains to any alarming extent, neither are the owners of property making the fact known that they have farms for sale. Perhaps there are not many places to be sold but we think there are.

One thing that militates against this part of the county, as in favor of the territory west of Portland, is the fact that the railroad companies leading westward are pushing that section to the limit, and have been doing so for the past five years. They are settling up the country over there in order to get business. There was never more need for a virile commercial club in Gresham, Fairview and Troutdale than at this time. The clubs in each of the three towns have virtually disbanded. They hold no meetings and the public has forgotten who the last officers were. It is humiliating but a fact that there is actually no one who takes an interest in Eastern Multnomah's development except the Outlook force, which is working single-handed for the prosperity of the whole community.

There is work for the commercial club to do. A complete list of all property for sale should be made out and there should be a fund raised to publish it in outside publications. If prices are too high they should be lowered to correspond with the prices in other communities. If there is any other course why our land is not selling it should be found out and made known.

Forest Supervisor Merritt at Bend has just received word of the final decision of the Secretary of Agriculture regarding an area of 28,500 acres in the Deschutes National Forest along the Metolius river. The secretary has decided that the land is chiefly valuable for timber and is not subject to entry as agricultural land. The yellow pine timber on this acreage is estimated to amount to about 500,000,000 feet. Eighty-nine persons have filed applications for land in this section and under this decision of the secretary their claims will not be allowed.

One of our exchanges has figured it out that the republican vote this year throughout the United States would have given a majority for presidential electors had this been a presidential year. This is cheering information to the republicans but not so cheering to the progressives, yet the latter are to be reckoned with again, and may be in a position to once more keep the republican party from winning.

There is a possibility that the ever recurring question of public ownership of public utilities will be settled permanently by the two champion debaters of the Gresham high school. But then the Gresham high is capable of tackling anything.

Every newly elected official has pledged himself to practice the most rigid economy in all his public transactions. Many of them may be in favor of cutting down any and every expense of government except his own salary.

Shall we feed or speed the tramps? Those who haven't had a bite for a week will get frostbitten before long if their patience holds out and this spell of weather continues.

Besides the municipal elections to come off next month there are all the lodge elections to be held. Defeated candidates will be more numerous than ever in a few weeks.

If fashion's edict shall prescribe expansive crinoline it will be a case of "whooping things up" in the alleged funny columns of the newspapers.

DUCKS AND CATERPILLARS.

An experiment with ducks as mosquito destroyers has proved that they are joyfully willing to eat every wriggling mosquito larvae in sight and cry for more. It has been suggested that the farmers of the Columbia slough should turn their attention and talents to duck raising as a source of profit to themselves and for the comfort of humanity. The high price of eggs might compensate them besides the profits to be derived from the sale of surplus birds in the markets.

The experiment with ducks should go further. The vast armies of caterpillars that swarm the Columbia sloughs might be good duck food. If so it should be known, and the feat of killing the mosquito bird and caterpillar worm with one stone would be accomplished.

This is a suggestion to Pomona grange. In the absence of other and more weighty matters there should be a resolution adopted in favor of ducks against the two pests above mentioned.

Opening of the Tumalo Project.

The opening of the Tumalo irrigation project, the first in the United States to be financed by a state, has been officially announced. Seventeen thousand five hundred acres are thrown open to entry under the terms of the Carey Act at \$40 an acre. The terms are one-tenth cash, the balance in ten years. Detailed information may be had by addressing the project engineer, O. Laurgaard, at Laidlaw, Oregon.

It is stated that the lands under this project are excellent for grains and hardy vegetables, and stock raising is also successful. The high altitude renders this section subject to frosts in late spring and early fall and frosts have been known to occur during the summer months. It is expected that this condition will improve to some extent as the land is cultivated, but people desiring to locate on this land are advised to make a personal inspection instead of trusting to any unofficial reports.

Every boy and girl in Oregon will have a chance next year to take part in a hog raising contest to be backed by the Portland Union Stock yards, the State Bankers' association and other organizations interested in the agricultural development of the Northwest. It is planned to permit the young people to borrow money on the security of their parents or school principal which will enable them to buy their hogs for cash at current market rates, the money to be repaid when the stock is sold. The boys and girls will be required to keep an accurate record of all their expenditures and to submit a complete report of their operations at the end of the year.

Not to be offensive we didn't mention it before, but having waited a sufficient length of time we now rise to remark that Sheriff Tom Word failed to use the newspapers for advertising himself as a candidate for re-election. One or two papers praised him gratis but it is not known that he paid for any notices. Perhaps it would not have saved him had he advertised, but the 291 votes that elected Tom Hurlburt might have gone the other way if a few dollars had been invested in printer's ink. Tom Word was too confident.

A meeting of stockholders in the Co-operative Creamery was held at Junction City recently attended by 450 ranchers. The secretary's report showed that during the two years the plant has been operated 233,933 pounds of butter have been made, valued at \$67,935, and the sales of by-products has brought the gross receipts up to \$68,531. The average price of butter for the two years has been 33-1-3 cents per pound, the lowest price having been 25 cents and the highest 40 cents.

On December 2, 3 and 4, the 29th annual meeting of the Oregon State Horticultural society will be held at Medford. A program of great interest has been prepared for the event and fruit growers from all the northwestern states will be in attendance. It is expected by the officers that this meeting will be the best ever held in the history of the organization.

The voters of the state of Oregon have relegated to the scrap heap the freak measures that agitators, working under the initiative law, have attempted to foist upon the people. By making the vote against these measures, and others of their class, overwhelmingly large, there will be less chance that they will be revived at another election.—Rogue River Courier.

Geo. Orr, a Modoc Indian is building up a large industry at Hood River in the manufacture of Indian wampum.

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List of Letters.

Remaining letters uncalled for in the Gresham postoffice for week ending November 15th, 1914.

Letters—A. F. Schavadell, Mr. J. H. Krsler, Miss Pearl Dook, Miss Pearl Dockers, Margaret Helms, Mrs. W. R. Hampton, Mrs. C. O. Messenger.

Cards—Dan. Rock, R. W. Elsholtz, N. Hill, Mrs. Ada Hogue, Marion Rodgers.

These letters will be sent to the dead letter office on November 29th, 1914, if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say "advertised," giving date of list.

I. McCOLL, P. M.

Mrs. Eliza L. Seburn Dead.

Mrs. Eliza L. Seburn, of Gresham, died Saturday at the age of 61 years. She was the wife of A. C. Seburn, of Gresham, and mother of Mrs. Charles Culp, living at 160 East Forty-seventh street, Portland, and sister of John McQueen, of Beggs, California, and Mrs. John Nicholson, of Hamlet, California. Funeral services will be held at the Portland crematorium tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Judges and clerks at the various polling places throughout the county at the recent election will not be able to get their salary warrants until December 15. They are being made ready but as approximately 7500 separate vouchers have to be prepared, considerable time will be required. In cases where two members of the same family have served on election boards, warrants will not be given to any save the proper claimant without a written order. Many inquiries are being made at the courthouse by election officials for their pay but all are advised by County Clerk Coffey to have patience.

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