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HIGHWAY BONDING PROPOSED

There is a proposition to go before the county commissioners to raise enough money to complete the Columbia River Highway and hard surface all the principal thoroughfares leading out of Portland.

Fifty of Portland's leading citizens are behind the movement, and they are asking for \$245,300 as a bond for completing the highway. For hard surfacing a bond issue of \$1,000,000 is recommended. It was suggested that the bond issue of \$1,000,000 to be acted on probably at the June election, the money to be used in hard-surfacing the Slavin, Powell Valley, Linnton, Foster and Canyon roads and the highways leading to the Columbia River highway. This also would cover the cost of making the Columbia River levee a hard-surface main road. The purpose of the bond issue desired are the improvement of the following roads with hard surface.

Sandy road, city limits to Troutdale bridge, ten miles, costing \$153,000.
Troutdale bridge to beginning of the Columbia River highway, eight and six-tenths miles, costing \$146,000.

Columbia River highway to the county line, 20.5 miles, costing \$148,500. Total for Columbia River highway and approaches, \$647,000.

Powell Valley road to Gresham, eight miles, costing \$120,000.
Canyon road, from city limits to county line, one and five-tenths miles, costing \$50,000. This would be brick on account of the steep grade, which cannot be avoided.

Linnton road, from city limits to the town of Linnton, two miles, \$15,000.
Foster road, from city limits to county line, five miles, costing \$75,000.

Total, including Columbia River highway, \$927,700.
The Slavin road, which also needs surfacing, would cost \$75,000 for a distance of four and a half miles, making a grand total of \$1,002,700.

Amos Benson, who is one of the enthusiastic road builders of the state is credited with saying: "While I have been in this road business I have had plenty of occasion to meet the farmer and to study the relation of the land to the road and the cities," said Mr. Benson.

"I have paid particular attention to the land which is directly tributary to the road between Gresham and the Columbia. There are approximately 22,000 acres of the finest farming land practically untouched.

"There are 8000 acres between the Sandy and Portland which need development, but the farmers say they have no means of transportation. Naturally, such land has little valuation at present and the taxes on it amount to practically nothing.

"Good roads will make this land productive to the extent that it will be able to assume a great part of the county's tax.
"It will help to build up canneries and condensers in communities like Gresham and Troutdale because the owners will be able to get the products from the land round about."

ENJOYABLE EVENING BY CHURCH SOCIETY

A very enjoyable social and entertainment was held last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Brugger by the members of the Christian Endeavor society of the Zion Evangelical church and their friends. The entertainment included a play which was rendered in German. A good crowd was present. More than \$12 were added to the funds of the society.

LENTS GRANGE TEAM WILL CONFER DEGREES

A special meeting of Gresham Grange has been arranged for Saturday, December 5. The Lents grange degree team and officers will have charge of the meeting and confer the third and fourth degrees.

The meeting will begin before noon and will last all day with a dinner at noon.
Triangle shaped O Cedar Mops 75c at Sterling & Kidder's.

MUSICAL PROGRAM AT METHODIST CHURCH

At the Methodist Episcopal church Sunday there will be preaching by Rev. Melville T. Wire at 11 a. m. At this service the choir will render the anthems "Praise Ye the Father" by Gounod and the "Spacious Firmament" by Hayden. At 7:30 p. m. there will be a special service in charge of the Wcmaa's Home Missionary society. The following program has been arranged for.

Solo, "I Come to Thee," Mrs. O. J. Brown; duet, "Hark, Hark My Soul," Mrs. Myrtle Myers and C. E. Russer; solo, "At the Cross," Mrs. Chas. Latourell; duet, "Love Divine," Dr. J. E. Clananah and C. E. Russer; anthem by the choir. A talk on missionary work will be given by a deaconess from Portland.
This meeting is the annual thank-offering meeting for the society.
Epworth League at 6:45 p. m., Sunday school at 10 a. m.

AFTERNOON ELECTIONS FOR UNION HIGH

Hours for the election on the Union High school proposition in Gresham district tomorrow will be from 1 to 4 p. m. The special meeting for levying a tax will be called at 2:30.

In No. 8, Terry, the hours will be from 2 to 5, and in No. 26, Powell Valley the hours are to be from 2 to 4.
Hours of election in the Lynch and Hillsview districts were not obtainable but will probably be in the afternoon. Voters are requested to acquaint themselves of the hours prescribed in the official notices.

ANNUAL ELECTION AND NEW YEAR BALL

Rockwood grange will meet next Wednesday evening and will hold the first election in the coming year. T. J. Kreuder, county deputy will be there for an inspection of the grange and will make an address.

Arrangements will also be made for the annual New Year ball, which will be given on Saturday evening, January 2. Committees will be appointed and other preparations made far enough in advance to insure its success.

SIX AND ONE-HALF MILLS CITY TAX

Six and one-half mills is the amount of taxes required from the property in the city of Gresham for the coming year. The city council at a special meeting held on Tuesday evening made the levy, based on the valuations of this year.

The action of the council will be certified to the county clerk and the levy made by the assessor will be paid with the other taxes next spring.

FAMILY REUNION THANKSGIVING DAY

A family reunion was held yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hargrove. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Luby Hargrove and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hargrove, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Hargrove all of Portland. Miss Bernice, Ruby and La Dene Hargrove returned to Portland with their relatives for a visit of a few days.

DEVELOPING POWER AND USE OF POWER

The Hydro-electric Commission of the Commonwealth Conference will recommend at the special session of December 10, 11 and 12, at Eugene, that a bill be presented in the next legislature making possible the incorporation of any city and its tributary watershed area into a district authorized to provide itself with an electric transmission system, or a hydro-electric plant and transmission system. The purpose is to bring about a larger use of electricity in home, factory and farm. Recommendations will be made to the proper legislative committee for a bill covering formation of such districts.
The League of Oregon Municipalities is interested in this proposed legislation, as well as in the unemployment legislation, and the state administration reform legislation, and as these directly touch municipal interests it will hold joint sessions with each of them throughout the three days of the conference.
If such a bill is passed the opportunity for Gresham would be at hand. Such a suggestion was made in the Outlook several months ago, as it is known that water rights for hydro-electric energy could be filed upon, and the city would be in a position to have its own power if needed.

UNION HIGH SCHOOL DEEMED IMPORTANT BY SUPERINTENDENT

By L. H. WELLS.
PORTLAND, Nov. 25.—(Special)—It may be considered impertinent for an outsider to butt into the local affairs of Gresham, but at the same time it is proper to call attention to the importance of the union high school election which will be held Saturday in Gresham and the outside districts. State Superintendent J. A. Churchill declared in his address before Evening Star Grange that the country school ought to be as good, if not better than the city school, and the establishment of the union high school on the four-acre site at Gresham is a long step in that direction. It ought largely to be a vocational school. It might not be at the start, but it should grow into a vocational high school in which a boy or girl could get a practical education, as well as mental discipline. This in an intensely practical age. Men and women must be fitted for stern duties. The apprentice system in this country is nearly gone, and for the boy and girl who desires to get a technical training must get it at the public schools or the colleges. Not many can attend the colleges, but must depend on the public schools. In Portland the trade school is overcrowded, and the people of the South East Side are demanding that the Franklin high school shall be made a vocational school. The opportunity is in the hand of the voters to make a great educational center at Gresham. Powell Valley is a rich and beautiful district. It will support a great population. Portland high schools are now taxed. If the people of Powell Valley want their children to have high school facilities they must make these facilities themselves.

The North Portland Commercial club will be made the community club for the Peninsula Park district, and will get behind the activities at the park and encourage the public to use the opportunities and facilities in the recreation building more generally than heretofore. Also some of its meetings will be held at the recreation buildings. At a meeting of this club Thursday night at the Park building J. Lee Thompson, park superintendent, outlined in a short talk the activities of the park community center, and what they mean for the community. He said that the advantages of the park cannot be estimated in dollars. He said that it was desired that there should be an organization to encourage these activities and as the North Portland Commercial club is already organized it might be made the community club. C. A. Williams, leader of the new Peninsula orchestra, told what was being done by that organization. There was general discussion of the plan to make the North Portland Commercial club the community, and it was the sentiment of the business men present that this should be done, and at the next meeting of the

club the ensuing week this plan will be taken up. It was the sentiment of the business men present that the club should hold at least part of its meetings at the community park buildings and bring the business men and the park activities together.

More than 200 citizens attended the "get to gether meeting" of the new East St. Johns Improvement association Monday night in the First Trust & Savings Bank building, East St. Johns, it being its first public function. George A. Carter, president, outlined to the audience the object of the new organization. Among other things Mr. Carter said that the association had taken up the matter of dredging the mouth of Columbia slough making it a water way for crafts and for which a committee he said had been appointed. He said that the Beaver Mill company had started a saw mill on Columbia slough and that other concerns will come when there is access to the slough. He said that the club will promote improvements of all kinds in the lower Peninsula and encourage social intercourse. President Carter asked the co-operation of all residents of the district.

After the address the following program was rendered: recitations, Mrs. Edna May, Will Bush and Mrs. A. M. Odell; piano solo, Mrs. Carrie R. Beaumont and Miss Louise Odell.

The Lents school will hold its third annual poultry show and contest on the 11th of December. More than 100 school children have entered the contest and are now building coops in which the birds will be shown. Last year the school children of Lents alone raised poultry valued at \$1000, which were shown at the contest held at that time. They are receiving credits for their home work the same as they receive in the class recitations. A dull boy or girl may be able to have a good standing through their home work. This year the children who enter the poultry contest will receive first, second and third prizes in the shape of ribbons.

Multnomah Camp, Woodmen of the World, last Friday evening decided to send a joint note to all the other local camps suggesting the establishment of a relief board and employment bureau for members of the order. The different committees from each camp will probably meet next Sunday in W. O. W. Temple, 128 Eleventh street, if the proposition is favorably received.

The unemployed who flock into Portland to be fed during the winter do not take kindly to the plan that they cut cord wood. The axe and cross-cut saws with which they are not very familiar they do not want to cultivate close acquaintance with them. My word for it, they are not implements for the idle. I have pulled a cross cut saw myself and know whereof I speak, and hence the outfit which are not seeking work prefer a more easy job than cutting cord wood.

HILL, APOSTLE OF GOOD ROADS

In any mention of those to whom credit is due for progress with road building in Multnomah county, it is not possible to omit Samuel Hill.

In season and out of season, in prosperity and adversity, in the stress of storms or the glint of the sunshine, Mr. Hill is an abiding, aggressive, never-failing friend of road-making.

His gospel is to make the rural home accessible, to make country life attractive, to give the boy and girl on the farm the same opportunities for enlightenment and happiness as are given the boys and girls in the city.

It is a splendid program. It is an effective way to remove from the country lads and lassies the hunger for the bright lights and the primrose paths of the wicked city. It is the conservation of youth. It is the guardianship of mankind.

It is a plan so scientifically and psychologically correct that there is in it no room for debate. Make the roads what they ought to be, and you will render an almost incomparable service to human society. You will people the country to its capacity; you will strip the city of its

pure for the best blood of the country; you will economically give to the land, through perfected accessibility, its greatest power to serve civilization.
And the highest conservation in all this scheme of forwarding civilization is only the finished road that is economical. When you spend a dollar on an unpermanent road, all you will have out of the transaction is the dollar, which, of course, remains in the community. The road itself, being unpermanent is ultimately nothing but waste.
But if instead, you build a permanent road, the dollar you put into it is still in the community. In addition you have a dollar's worth of road, and thirdly, you have the economic dollar added to the land value.
For the investment in a permanent road, you have three dollars of value for every dollar spent; for an unpermanent road, you have but \$1. And thus, when there is true analysis of the literal millions of money spent on Oregon roads during the past 40 years, the proportions of the injustice to taxpayers and the waste of substance becomes appalling.—Journal.

PRESIDENT DAVIS TALKS TO GRANGERS

H. E. Davis, president Gresham Fruitgrowers' association, addressed the members of Eagle Creek grange at the meeting Saturday, and explained the scope of the co-operative cannery established at Gresham. He invited the growers of the Eagle Creek district to grow fruits and vegetables for the cannery, and pointed out the advantage of co-operation. A dinner was served to nearly 100 grangers. Another meeting has been called in Estacada for December 12 by R. M. Standish, of the Estacada Progress, where Mr. Davis and M. O. Nelson, a director, will talk to the growers on co-operative cannery. Growers will be asked to co-operate with the Gresham association. Later a cannery may be established at Estacada as a branch of the Gresham establishment.

JURY LIST DRAWN FOR COMING YEAR

D. G. Tomasini, county sealer of Weights and Measures, reported to the county commissioners that he has drawn the 1915 jury list from which jurors will be selected in Multnomah county circuit court during the coming year. The list contains 2134 names.

This is a new departure in drawing the names of prospective jurors, but it is probably as good as any other. The names were taken from the tax roll and cover the population of the entire county.

OREGON'S MOST FAMOUS LAWSUIT UNSETTLED

Probably the most remarkable lawsuit over landed property in Oregon is represented in the famous Winters case, and the possession of a brick block in Portland. It is before the supreme court. It has been before the high court before, on appeal from decision of Judge McGinn.

The case attracted much interest originally because of the strange fact that H. D. Winters left a property, in good times easily worth \$100,000, to a man not related to him. They were partners and closely connected in business for fifteen years. After Winters' death Purdy produced a deed to the property which, had been buried at request of decedent who died intestate. In the first suit no heirs showed up, but when Purdy's title was contested, seven sets of heirs, no one set being kin to the other, appeared. There were sixty in all and on their behalf twenty-nine lawyers were employed. The court called a jury and allowed each set of heirs three challenges and the state had three challenges. Purdy had three challenges and there was a long struggle getting a jury. Purdy tried his own case, and it took three weeks.
Court reporting cost \$20 a day, and the cost run up into the thousands. Among the witnesses were old white-haired women from the far east, and fees and mileage bills were enormous. Candidate Purdy argued his own case for two hours. R. J. H. Citron and John F. Logan appeared as special counsel for Governor West. A petition signed by 1700 citizens was presented to the Governor asking him to inquire into the charge that Purdy had forged the deed. There will probably be bills for the legislature to pay for counsel employed to escheat the case. One strange feature in the trial was admitting as evidence the former opinion of the supreme court in the Winters case, written by Justice McBride.

Seats in parlor cars and berths in sleeping cars will pay 1 cent each.
Perfumery, cosmetics and other drugs will pay in various proportions. Patent medicines will not be taxed as in 1898.
Any further information respecting the above mentioned law may be obtained upon application to Milton A. Miller, Internal Revenue Collector, Portland, Oregon.

BARNEY OLDFIELD FURNISHES SENSATION

Charles Latourell, agent for the Maxwell automobile at Gresham has received word from the great world races at Corona, California, that Barney Oldfield in a Maxwell car furnished the sensation of the race yesterday and finished third.

The race was over a circular tract 301 miles. The winning car was a Mercer in 3 hours, 26:22; Dusenberg second in 3, 29:18. Oldfield's time was 3, 29:51. Barney's rival, DePalma, came out fourth in a Mercedes, time 3, 31:51.

Oldfield's driving was the sensation of the race. He drove the entire distance without stopping, defeated three Stutz, two other Mercers, two Tuegeots, two Sunbeams, one Marmon, two Mercedes and others. Oldfield's time average was 85.9 miles per hour.

Poultry Wanted.

We want 10 dozen or more ducks and chickens each week. Metzger Bros.

INTERNAL REVENUE OUTLINED

Further information concerning the internal revenue tax which the government will begin to collect next Tuesday is at hand. Oregon's share of the tax which is to go into the "war" fund is to be \$600,000.

Adhesive stamps for the purpose will be sold at all postoffices and postal stations and the public is cautioned to be careful not to violate the law. Full particulars may be obtained of any postmaster.

The list recently published in the Outlook was practically complete but not specific, therefore it would be wise to closely investigate the new law before taking any chance of violating it unconsciously.

Documentary taxes will not be due until December 1. One 5-cent stamp will be attached to all debentures and certificates of indebtedness of any association, company or corporation on each \$100 or fraction. Stock certificates will pay a similar tax.

All promissory notes will pay two cents for each \$100 or fraction. Deeds, mortgages and other public documents will be taxed likewise.

Collector Miller will notify every county clerk in the state that all documents, filed after December 1 must bear stamps in the proper amounts. Otherwise such filings will not be legal. A deed will not convey a clear title to property unless the stamps are attached.

All newspaper publishers will be required to pay 1 cent for each bundle of papers sent out of the county in which the paper is published. But the editors are to be trusted for their share of the tax. They will not be required to fix a stamp to each bundle of papers. They will be required at regular intervals to submit sworn statements to the collector of internal revenue of the number of bundles they have shipped and attach the required value of stamps to their statements.

All insurance policies excepting life, health and accident will be taxed at the rate of 2 cents for each \$100 on the face of the policy.

Steamship passage to foreign ports will be the following rates: \$1 for each ticket costing \$10 and not more than \$30; \$3 for each ticket costing \$30 and not more than \$60; \$5 for each ticket costing more than \$60. Tickets costing less than \$10 will not be taxed.

Entries and withdrawals of goods from United States custom-houses and bonded warehouses also will be taxed at the rate of 25 cents for values up to \$100; 50 cents up to \$500 and \$1 over \$500 for entries, and 50 cents each for all withdrawals.

Telephone and telegraphic messages will be taxed 1 cent for each charge of 15 cents or more. The telephone and telegraph companies will be required to collect from their patrons and pay to the government. Or they can absorb the charges themselves and make the payments. The companies will be trusted to make correct reports.

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SPECIAL MUSIC AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Mrs. O. J. Brown will again sing a solo at the special meetings at the Bethel church next Sunday night, and will assist the Alldridge Male quartet who will sing both morning and evening. The quartet announce that two of their special songs for Sunday night will be "Don't Forget the Promise Made to Mother," and "The Heavenly Vision." The latter is a Bible song, composed by the father of the Alldridge brothers. It was himself a singing evangelist. It is expected the church will be crowded to hear these gospel workers.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Emery entertained at dinner yesterday their daughter Miss Ruby Emery from Portland and her friends Miss Mabel Youngberg and Miss Budge, Mark Emery and his friend Jean Early of Portland, Mrs. Ella Aton and Carl Gundrum.

Have you got the habit? Invest in a Want Ad.