

COUNTY WILL FILL POWELL STREET GULCH

Powell street gulch will be filled at the cost of the county. The order has been made by the county commissioners and work will start within a few weeks, probably by the first of next month.

City Attorney M. C. King has been delving into the law on the subject of counties keeping the county roads in repair through incorporated cities, and finally was able to show the commissioners that the county should do such work. The result is the promise that the Powell street gulch will be filled.

Probably the work will not be up to the demands of the property owners there, nor to the expectations of the people, for the fill will be of dirt and will be kept from spreading all over the bed of Johnson creek by a system of plank bulkheads. Concrete will not be used nor will a restraining wall be built.

The diagram of the proposed work shows a row of posts, 8x8 inches square, set every 10 feet apart. They will be set so as to come within 10 feet of the surface at the sidewalk line, and will be firmly anchored so as not to spread outward.

These posts will hold up a plank lining of heavy lumber, inside of which the fill will be made.

The fill will slope toward the center of the street, forming a roadway 15 feet wide. From that roadway to the sidewalk line and under the sidewalk will be a vacancy.

The cost will be about \$1000, and while it cannot be as permanent when built of wood, as it would be if made of cement, it will provide a good road and be safe. It will probably last ten years.

FARM TRADED FOR APARTMENT HOUSE

G. M. Laughlin has traded his 80-acre farm near Sycamore to J. H. Nolita of Portland for an apartment house situated at Fourth and Montgomery streets. The farm is valued at \$350 an acre in making the trade, the apartment house is said to be worth \$35,000.

The farm is mostly all in cultivation and has a good, nine-room house, a concrete reservoir with a capacity of 1000 barrels, barn, farm machinery, eight head of cattle, two horses, some poultry and farm tools.

Mr. Nolita, the new owner, will place the farm management in the hands of Smith Montague, and does not expect to occupy the farm himself.

BASKETBALL BOOSTERS GOING TO ESTACADA

The boys' basket ball team of the Gresham high school will go to Estacada on Saturday night to play with the high school team of that place. A car will be secured for the trip, leaving about 7 o'clock.

A subscription list is being signed up by boosters of the home team to pay for the car. The fare is placed at 55 cents for 40 persons; all over that number will reduce the cost in proportion. Those intending to go along should notify the school committee by Thursday evening.

Stockholders' Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Multnomah & Clackamas County Mutual Telephone company was adjourned on January 4th, to meet again on January 18th, on account of a sufficient number of shares not being represented to hold a legal meeting.

The adjourned meeting will be held on January 18th, 1915, in the Commercial club hall at one o'clock in the afternoon.

A full representation of stock is requested. EVA ANDERSON, Secretary.

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Notice! Gresham Harness Shop, located in former Outlook office, opposite Puffer Mercantile Co.'s store.

Eugene, Lane county tax levy reduced three mills and \$108,399 cut from budget.

We are issuing 1915 hunting and fishing licenses at Sterling & Kilder's.

ANOTHER GENSING FARMER

There must be something attractive in the gensing growing business, for another farm is to be established at Boring the coming spring.

C. F. Cross, who has been operating a confectionery store and restaurant there for several years past, has sold his business and intends to start a gensing farm on a commercial scale.

He already has 800 plants and will transplant 10,000 more. In addition he is preparing to sow 100,000 seeds. If he can get the plants he will set out more, and will devote his entire time to gensing and truck farming while waiting for the gensing to yield him a revenue.

The plants mature in about four year and are commercially valuable up to seven years of age. His present lot of plants are more than a year old, hence he expects to turn them into cash in three years more. In the meantime the others will be coming on and a new lot of seeds will be planted each year, thereby keeping up a steady output.

The plants are raised under cover and require no more than ordinary care.

CLEARANCE SALE RED LETTER DAY

Bert Lindsey's third annual clearance sale, which might properly be called a "red letter" event from the fact that his circulars and posters were printed in red, began yesterday morning and will continue the remainder of the month.

Since moving into his new store Mr. Lindsey has met with a greater business, but there are a lot of odds and ends that he is anxious to dispose of to make room for a new stock of spring goods. Practically every article in the store will be reduced for the next two weeks.

FRAME BUILDINGS TO BE TORN DOWN

R. R. Carlson is receiving bids for the removal of his buildings on Powell street now occupied by Ben Rollins and Adams' barber shop. The foundations are found to be in a very weak condition and Mr. Rollins is ready to move out.

It is not known just what Mr. Carlson intends doing, but it is supposed that he will erect a better building, provided the condition of the street in front of the property is improved.

FIVE MILES OF PLANK AT HEADWORKS

The city of Portland water bureau is planing five miles of road from Bull Run station to the Headworks. There are about 25 men employed on the work, with A. W. Shipley of Bul Run as superintendent for the city.

Mr. Shipley also has the contract to haul 580,000 feet of plank used in the construction of the road from the Sandy Lumber Co.'s mill which received the contract to furnish the same for the city.

The Southern Pacific has announced the rates which will apply to tourist travel between Portland and San Francisco during the period of the great exposition, tickets to be on sale daily between February 15 and November 30. On 90-day limit tickets the rate will be \$35; on 30-day tickets, \$30; on special occasions, such as important conventions, etc., a round trip rate will be made of \$26.75 with a 15-day limit and stop-over privilege on the return trip. To the exposition at San Diego, the road will make a round-trip rate of \$52.25 with a limit of 40 days and stop-over privileges both ways.

Card of Appreciation.

The members of the Gresham Council of Women Voters wish to take this means of expressing their appreciation to Arthur Regner for the use of his opera house for the reception to the firemen; to Bartelt Mercantile company for the oranges furnished for the luncheon; and to all who assisted on the program or in any way.

MRS. CHAS. CLEVELAND, President.

Booster Band Dance.

The Sandy Booster Band dance at Regner's opera house on January 15th is for the public with an admission fee of 75 cents. Supper will be served cafeteria style at reasonable prices. Good management and Sandy Booster band music.

FRUIT GROWERS HEAR REPORTS, AND AGAIN ELECT FORMER BOARD

Statement of condition of Gresham Fruit Growers' association at the close of business January 8, 1915.

Resources.	
Stockholders	\$11,610.20
Bills receivable	242.36
Expense account	706.01
Building	3,540.42
Switch	190.39
Hay car No. 1	5.84
Due on shipments	265.70
Cash on hand	279.37
Total	\$16,840.29

Liabilities.	
Capital stock	\$15,000.00
Commission	1.00
Sandy Fir Lbr. Co.	872.32
Jones Lbr. Co.	229.40
Pear account	244.78
Wm. Stanley	49.65
Car shipments of feed and hay	262.16
J. H. Kesterman & Co.	180.98
Total	\$16,840.29

Nearly five hours of instructive and entertaining talk enlivened the meeting of the stockholders of the Gresham Fruit Growers' association yesterday. There was an intermission of about an hour while a "hoopen" lunch was being discussed, but otherwise those present put in full time listening to the reports and the talks of the officers and each other.

President H. E. Davis presided and there were about 100 stockholders present. A roll call of shares showed just four more than was necessary to transact business. Secretary K. A. Miller read his first report, showing the condition of the association as given above.

President Davis gave an outline of the work done, that part referring to the new cannery building being more or less familiar to everyone. In addition he announced that the company is now a member of the North Pacific Fruit Distributing association, with headquarters at Spokane. This association is interested in handling fresh fruit only and includes about fifteen other companies like this one. It has representatives in every market in the United States.

A contract with the Northwest Cannery's association, of which A. Rupert of Portland is the resident broker, was also announced. This association will handle the canned goods. The employment of Fred Kaster, the most competent process man in

INDIAN WAR RELIC GIVEN TO NEWSPAPER

Following is a "story" taken from the South Bellingham Sentinel of a late issue. G. E. Hartley is a former well-known resident of Rockwood, better known as Etna, who left here a few years ago for the Sound country where he is now making his home:

G. E. Hartley, the man who keeps your bicycles and autos in repair, has the good and welfare of the editor at heart, and in order to show that he was a friend of ours presented us with a revolver which has seen better days. The gun is old and rusty and shows that it has had hard usage in the early days when Indians were ready to scalp a man the moment he entered this territory. It has lost its usefulness as a weapon of defense but as a reminder of what it has done for the sturdy pioneer in the days of "auld lang syne" it is a memento worthy of consideration. George is very timid about reciting his half breed escapes, but we are led to the conclusion that many has been the red skin that has "bit the dust" by his steady and true aim with the aid of the now dismantled gun. It is a curio and we have it in our window to show with what tenacity the old pioneer held on and what methods he had to employ in order that he might enjoy the peace of the world. He would not have parted with it for any price, but realizing that this paper was an up-to-date and spicy number he made us a present of the keepsake. Thanks.

Potato growers of Oregon are asking that a strict quarantine be established against all potatoes shipped from California owing to danger of the tuber moth gaining a foothold in this state. So far as known, Oregon potatoes are now entirely free from this pest and the state board of horticulture has been asked to take such action as will assure future safety.

the state was also announced. He has about 20 years to his credit in his line and is familiar with all the fruit conditions of eastern Multnomah.

Mayor Stapleton was the first speaker from the ranks of stockholders present, and he gave out a clear understanding of the present status of the company, showing it to be in excellent condition. With the remainder of the assessments paid up that have been levied there would now be more than \$1000 in the bank.

Mr. Stapleton concluded his remarks with a few words full of appreciation of the efforts of the directors and made a motion that they be re-elected unanimously which was done. The board thus re-elected remains as before—H. E. Davis, M. O. Nelson, F. A. Lehman, William Peterson and J. H. Sterling.

After that the meeting was a free for all. There were no set speeches but a hundred inquiries and experiences were offered. It was a real get-together affair in which some were seeking knowledge as to what to grow and how to sell it.

It developed that the cost of machinery for canning fruit would be about \$2000; that for canning vegetables would be about \$1000 more, but it was left to the directors to decide as to practicability of canning vegetables the present season. Many growers are anxious to have vegetable crops growing this year and next, while waiting for their berries to mature.

It regard to the matter of unpaid assessments it was decided to take notes from those unable to pay, the same to become due October 1.

One of the existing by-laws requires that a stockholder shall allow the association to handle all his products or none at all. It was decided to amend this rule by notifying the secretary of what might be expected in the way of named varieties, also the acreage of fruits on blanks furnished by the secretary. The secretary was instructed to have such blanks printed and sent out.

There are now 350 shares of the capital stock subscribed, totaling \$8750. Two hundred and fifty shares of stock are yet unsold and there will be an effort made to sell as much of it as possible. The money will be needed to pay running expenses.

SCHOOL CHILDREN TO RAISE HOGS

A conference of far-reaching importance to the livestock industry of the Pacific Northwest was held at the Portland Union Stockyards a few days ago. As a result of this conference, arrangements have been made whereby it will be possible to send out 1,000 or more brood sows to the boys and girls of Oregon, these animals being treated for, and guaranteed against cholera. The sows are not to be given away, but are to be sold at prices ranging from \$18 to \$25 each, and in payment the stockyards people will accept a note running from 8 to 10 months at 6 per cent interest, the note to be indorsed by the father or guardian of the boy or girl and approved by the county school superintendent.

The family of infant porkers will appear in four or five weeks after shipment of the sow, and the boy or girl will have plenty of time before their note matures to bring the pigs to a marketable age and dispose of them to the best advantage, paying off the note with the proceeds of the sale. In the work done by the hog clubs of the Northwest last year, an eleven year old girl at Washougal, Washington, made a clear profit of \$70 on one brood sow. In this instance two litters, 24 pigs in all, were produced. Local educators have expressed the opinion that this is the most important step ever taken in this line of work and, as far as known, the first movement of the kind ever started in the United States.

Prineville is making great preparations for the entertainment of the Cattle and Horse Raisers' association which will hold a convention there beginning February 9. It is expected that not less than 400 delegates from all parts of the Northwest will be present.

GRESHAM WINS DOUBLE GAME IN BASKETBALL

The number thirteen entered into both scores at the double-header basket ball game on Friday evening, and in one game was a lucky number for Gresham, while in the other it was unlucky for the visitors.

The first chapter was a contest between the Gresham high school team and that of the Franklin high school. It was fast and furious, and judging from the standpoint of the scoreboard was the best game of the two. Franklin was outclassed but gritty, and kept the home boys busy. But for the superb playing of Harry and Ralph Stanley, the result might have been different. Harry made the baskets for 16 and Ralph for 14. Of the remaining 12 tallies eight were made by Walter Metzger and four by Joe Chiodo. The first half yielded 25, the second half 17, making a total of 42 in favor of the Gresham school against 13 by the Franklin boys, who made 3 baskets in the first half and 10 in the second.

The line-up was as follows: Gresham—Left forward, Ralph Stanley; right forward, Walter Metzger; center, Harry Stanley; left guard, Emmerson Brown; right forward, Joe Chiodo.

Franklin—Left forward, Brown; right forward, Barber; center, Powell; left guard, McKenzie; right guard, Collins.

The second game was between the Gresham Athletics and the North Pacific Dental College. In this chapter the playing was less furious and slower than in the high school contest, with the result that the score was lower and more nearly even, the game ending 13 to 11 in favor of the home team.

The star player was Harold Kern who tallied 9 of the recorded scores. That some of the boys failed to make a basket was no fault of their playing, but a lack of opportunity.

Following is the line-up of the two teams:

Athletics—Left forward, Quinn Metzger; right forward, Earl Stanley; center, Harold Kern; left guard, Frank Hamlin; right guard, S. McCarter.

Dental College—Left forward, Eckerson; right forward, Willett; center, Stoltz; left guard, Gilbert; right guard, Olson.

The attendance was large, considering the other attractions in town that evening. Especially in evidence was a large crowd of high school pupils who rooted for Gresham all the way through both games and inspired the players to do their best with encouraging yells appropriate to the situation.

While the Gresham teams played all the way through without a change of players, the Franklin's made three changes during the hour with the following substitutes: right forward, Post; left guard, Reed; right guard, Rhembert. Even with that they failed to keep up but made a substantial gain in the last half, yet not enough to overcome their losses in the first.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our many friends for their kindness and sympathy during our sad bereavement in the loss of our wife and mother. Mr. Sam Stockton and Family.

The Southern Pacific shops have re-opened at three places employing 1200 men.

THAT BIG HIGH SCHOOL DEBATE

COMES OFF NEXT FRIDAY NIGHT

RESOLVED, That the Government should own and operate all railroads acting as common carriers within or across the boundaries of the several states.

Gresham Aff. Team, Mabel Shipley, Marguerite Volbrecht.
St. Johns Neg. Team, Carlyle Cunningham, Ferris Swisher.

At the Schoolhouse, Jan. 15, 8 p. m.

25 CENTS I'M COMING!

BRILLIANT RECEPTION TO FIREMEM

Gresham's reception to the members of the volunteer fire department on Saturday evening was a splendid recognition of the services the firemen have rendered the city, together with an expression of the abiding faith in the furtherance of their valiant work whenever the occasion may require it.

The reception was planned and carried out to a brilliant and successful ending by the Women's club, the principal details being in charge of Mrs. Charles Cleveland and Mrs. Maxwell Schneider, assisted by Mrs. Geo. F. Honey, Mrs. H. E. Davis, Mrs. K. A. Miller, Mrs. E. H. Kelly and Mrs. R. R. Carlson. It was held in Regner's new opera house, fully three hundred persons being present, the assemblage comprising a large proportion of the best people of the city who, by their presence and liberality in furnishing the tables with a sumptuous feast, showed their willingness to recognize the most important factor in maintaining the safety of their homes and property.

A feature program was given under the direction of the club members, Mrs. Cleveland acting as chairman of the occasion. It was splendidly arranged and without a flaw, the only criticism to it being the merited encores to each number, which made it tiresome toward the end.

The members of the fire department were given the front seats and were welcomed by Mayor Stapleton with a glowing tribute to the organization, collectively and singly, coupled with the thanks of the people of the city for their services in fighting fire and risking their lives in the work of saving the property and lives of others. Mayor Stapleton also paid a neat tribute to the Portland department for generous assistance rendered.

Chief Jones made a brief response to Mayor Stapleton's address which was followed by other numbers, including a song by the Women's club chorus, a solo by Mrs. O. J. Brown, a recitation by Genevieve Stinson, a piano duet by the Misses Ada and Florence Honey, a recitation by Mabel Shipley, reading by Mrs. D. M. Donough, and a monologue by Professor Collins followed by two of his pupils with a clog dance.

Then the supper was announced served cafeteria style, to which the members of the department and their ladies were served first. The floor was cleared and dancing followed for two or three hours, broken only by the sale of a few surplus cakes which Mayor Stapleton auctioned off for a neat sum which was contributed to the treasury of the fire department.

Mr. Regner gave the free use of the opera house for the occasion, his generosity being inspired by the heroic work of the firemen who probably saved his building during the recent fire. The box of oranges served during the luncheon was contributed by the Bartelt Mercantile company as a tribute to the valorous work done on the same occasion.

All the other viands served were contributed by the citizens, the quantity being greater than was needed to satisfy the appetites of the three hundred who were served at the tables.