

RAILROAD BUILDING TO BAKER BRIDGE

MILWAUKIE IN THROES OF A WATER WAR

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PORTLAND, April 19.—Special.—Construction on the Portland & Oregon City railway is going forward rapidly with several crews of men. The track has been laid through Milwaukie from the south side to Witte's park on the north side. From Milwaukie toward Portland considerable grading has been done, and the work is progressing rapidly in places. The track will be carried under the main line of the Southern Pacific south of the crossing of the Estacada branch of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company from the west to the east side and the track will follow the Southern Pacific line into Portland through the Ladd addition. Heavy iron is being used on the track. None of the ballasting has been done on the new line. Toward the southeast the line has been graded to and beyond Clackamas station nearly to Baker's Bridge across the Clackamas river, the terminus of the line for this year. Some iron has been laid on this portion, but some of the short bridges are lacking. Within three months at the present rate of construction the track can be finished to Baker's bridge. A vast territory toward the southeast will be opened to traffic and development on completion of this line.

The Milwaukie council decided to call a special election on May 1 to decide whether the council shall be authorized to acquire the Milwaukie Water Works and the Minthorne Springs Water company plants by arbitration or condemnation, and whether Bull Run or Minthorne Springs water shall be used for the municipal water works. Tuesday night the council voted against calling a special election, but changed its decision Thursday night at a special election. The situation is complicated and may become more so. Gebisch & Joplin, of Portland, have a contract to lay 8- and 6-inch water mains to a connection with Bull Run pipe line in Portland. They have delivered the pipe and laid a considerable portion, but are prevented by an injunction from the supreme court where the case has been carried by the owners of the two plants from completing the work and they cannot get their money until the case is settled. It is expected that arguments will be made in the supreme court, but when the decision will be rendered is not known. If the voters may favor Minthorne Springs water as against Bull Run water it would create an embarrassing situation, as the 8-inch pipe to connect with the Portland Bull Run pipe has been laid most of the distance. This first contract calls for \$16,500, and with some other expenses practically all the proceeds of the bond issue will be exhausted. It is considered certain that another bond issue will have to be made to pay for the two plants, if they are bought, and complete the municipal water works, aggregating about \$38,000.

The board of directors of the Milwaukie district No. 1 will meet tomorrow night to elect teachers for the ensuing year. A principal of the high and grammar schools and the corps of teachers are to be selected. It is not expected any material changes will be made in the teachers. Robert Goetz has been principal for the past two years. The Milwaukie Parent-Teachers' association is insisting that apparatus for the playgrounds be installed at once and not to wait till the June meeting of the taxpayers, as the directors desire to do. The association will arrange for a series of entertainments to help pay for the apparatus. Money was raised by the association at a silver tea given Friday afternoon, enough to pay for the dishes used at the schoolhouse.

Rev. A. P. Layton, new pastor of the United Evangelical church of St. Johns, preached his first sermon in that church Sunday night, and met many of the members for the first time. Rev. M. Layton comes from Everett, Washington. He had been in charge of the work at Everett, Bellingham, Vancouver and Wichita churches, but joined the Oregon conference two weeks ago, at Eugene. He has just closed evangelistic service.

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PRINCIPAL GOODWIN ACCEPTS POSITION

Elmer F. Goodwin, of Brownsville, whose election as principal of the union high school has been announced, has signified his acceptance, and the only detail to be settled is the signing of the contract. Mr. Goodwin was in Gresham a short time ago, getting acquainted with the directors and looking over the town. He was highly pleased with the prospects ahead and expressed the belief that the Gresham high school could be made one of the best institutions of learning in the state of the high school class.

Mr. Goodwin was re-elected principal of the Brownsville school, and is leaving there much to the regret of the people there. His decision to come to Gresham was not known there on Friday last when the Brownsville Times went to press, as the following from that paper would indicate.

The Times is highly complimentary to Mr. Goodwin and his abilities. The article follows:

Prof. Elmer F. Goodwin, principal of the North Side school, has been re-elected to that position by the board of education. Mr. Goodwin, however, has not accepted the position although an advance in salary has been tendered him.

The board of education and the people of Brownsville in general are anxious to retain Mr. Goodwin at the head of the school, but he has had flattering offers from other schools, especially from the Gresham high school, and as yet has not decided whether he will remain in Brownsville or not.

The school, under the able superintendency of Principal Goodwin, has attained a higher grade than it ever before enjoyed and has been brought to its present standing largely through the efforts of Mr. Goodwin and the earnest co-operation of the students and patrons with whom he is in thorough accord.

The one great drawback, as Mr. Goodwin has expressed it, is the fact that the two high schools in a town the size of Brownsville, dividing the students into two small schools, the best results are not obtainable. Mr. Goodwin feels, under these conditions, that he cannot accomplish the results that could be wished for. Were it not for this unhappy condition the Times is of the opinion that Mr. Goodwin would not hesitate to accept the principalship just offered him again.

CORDWOOD INDUSTRY A GROWING BUSINESS

Cordwood business is one of the heaviest industries of Eastern Multnomah just at present. Aside from the 15,000 cords which are being cut on Cedar creek, to be shipped out from Bull Run, mention of which was made a few weeks ago, there are three others in the business of shipping wood over the Mt. Hood road to Portland and other points between.

Lawrence Craswell and George Proctor, jr., now have 2000 cords ready for shipment. They have a private spur at Maybery and are cutting over a large section between that place and Cottrell. They have closed several large contracts and numerous small ones have been delivered. Among the latter were two carloads for Multnomah Camp, W. O. W.

S. W. Morrison of Pleasant Home has sent 1000 cords to Portland, while Hood & Hutchins of Cottrell also have 1000 cords ready. All three will continue business during the summer and expect to more than double the business they now have.

Mr. Morrison has sold 70 carloads during the past month for future delivery in Portland. He expects to cut 200 carloads more during the summer.

Home for Sale.

Two lots, 100x100 feet; five-room cottage; all furnished, ready for housekeeping. Fine garden and small fruits. Cash or terms. Going east and will sell at a bargain. Inquire C. R. Wheeler, Main street barber shop.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Five Odd Fellow lodges of this section have combined for the proper observance of the ninety-sixth anniversary of the introduction of Odd Fellowship in the United States, which occurs on April 26.

The lodges of Gresham, Sandy, Estacada, Boring and Rockwood will be the participants in the celebration which will be held in Regner's hall in the evening, following a parade from the O. W. P. station upon the arrival of the special train of three cars which will arrive at 7:45.

Two of the three cars will be occupied by the Boring contingent, Sandy and Estacada occupying the other. The parade will be headed by the Sandy band with William Childers acting as grand marshal.

Four of the lodges have named committees to have charge of their divisions, as follows:

Gresham—Ray H. Todd, G. W. Kenney, J. E. Metzger.
Boring—W. R. Telford, W. A. Morand, W. E. Childs.
Sandy—F. E. Beckwith, O. C. Baumbeck, Vern Rogers.
Rockwood—C. H. Lane, C. Atterbury, A. Wallin.
The names of the Estacada committee have not been made public yet.

At the hall the following program will be given:

Band Selection.....	Sandy Band
Prayer.....	Rev. Melville T. Wire
Piano Solo.....	Kentucky Days
Mildred Stefer, of Boring	
Mock Trial.....	Estacada Lodge, No. 175
The Franks, Rockwood Lodge	
Violin Selection.....	Love and Devotion
Wm. Galloway, Grand Master.	
Address.....	Odd Fellowship
Presentation by Grand Master of Veteran Jewels to L. P. Manning and M. M. Miller.	
Instrumental Selection.....	The Telfords, of Boring
Selected Reading.....	Blanche Shelly, of Sandy.
Jimbone Selection.....	The Siefers, of Boring.
"The Rebekahs"	
Charlotte Woodman, Past President.	
Song.....	"When You Wore a Tulip and I Wore a Big Red Rose"
Boring Odd Fellow Quartet—Childs, Stefer, Telford, Morand.	
Selections by Sandy Band.	
Refreshments by Gresham Lodge, No. 125.	

COMMERCIAL CLUB ADOPTS MOTTO

The sentiment of the Commercial club last night was unanimously in favor of assisting the grange to secure the 1916 session of the Oregon State grange for Gresham.

A resolution was passed that it be the sense of the club members to extend every effort toward securing the convention and George F. Honey was appointed a committee of one to get 1000 booster buttons for distribution at Tillamook among the delegates and visitors.

Mayor Stapleton was invited to attend the coming session of the State Grange and present Gresham's claims for the honor of being next year's convention city.

"Mr. Honey suggested a motto for Gresham, to be used whenever occasion required by the members of the club and the business men. The motto will be inscribed on the State Grange buttons and reads "State Grange, 1916—Gresham—Gateway to the Columbia River Highway."

This sentiment was deemed so appropriate that the slogan part was ordered copyrighted, and a committee consisting of George F. Honey, I. L. St. Clair and H. E. Davis was authorized to attend to the matter today.

The subject of a laundry was brought up and a committee was named to investigate and report at another meeting. K. A. Miller, R. R. Carlson and C. M. Zimmerman were selected as the committee.

NARROW ESCAPE OF FRUIT INSPECTOR

J. E. Stansberry, county fruit inspector, was severely injured and narrowly escaped being killed in a runaway accident Saturday morning on Columbia boulevard, near his home in Woodlawn. He was driving a one-horse rig on the boulevard when the animal became frightened and plunged down the embankment on one side toward and through a barbed-wire fence, a distance of about 15 feet. Mr. Stansberry was rendered unconscious, two ribs were broken and he sustained many bruises. The barbed-wire fence was torn down by the horse and vehicle, but neither the horse nor Mr. Stansberry were cut by the wire. Assistance came and Mr. Stansberry was taken to his home, where he soon revived. Yesterday he was able to be about the house, but cannot do any work. Considering his experience in plunging down the embankment and through the barbed-wire fence he thinks he came off lucky with no worse injuries.

Rid your lawn of weeds with a Hall weed puller. It gets the roots. Sterling & Kidder.—Adv.

Girl Wanted.
For general housework. Mrs. H. E. Davis. Phone 21. 14

GRESHAM SECURES NEW FORD AGENCY

An agency for the sale of Ford automobiles has been established in Gresham with Charles Latourell as sales manager.

Mr. Latourell closed the deal on Saturday and at once ordered a carload of cars which was sent, and of which four are spoken for. There are eight autos to a carload, but they were brought out to Gresham from Portland by their own power, saving freight charges.

The first car to be taken has been sold to Dr. H. H. Ott, the others spoken for will be taken in a few days and there are half a dozen prospective buyers yet to be heard from. Mr. Latourell expects to sell three or four carloads within the next four months, and he probably will.

The territory included in the Gresham agency districts covers all of Eastern Multnomah from Buckley avenue and a two-mile strip of Clackamas county.

The problem of finding room to store the surplus cars was a troublesome one, but the machines have been taken care of by crowding and using another building for a few days. The matter of room will not be much of a bother, though, for the cars will not last long. Later carload receipts may be a little more troublesome.

A feature of the agency that will be appreciated is to be found in the fact that all present owners of Fords will have an opportunity to secure parts for the replacement of breaks that may happen. About a ton or more of fittings will be kept constantly on hand, for which a cabinet is to be constructed, covering one side of the garage.

New signs will be put up, over the awning and on the windows, announcing the Ford agency and the supplies for sale. There will be something doing on "automobile row" and new Fords will be more in evidence than ever.

BROWNSVILLE CANNERY PREPARING FOR WORK

The Brownsville cannery, in which H. A. Lewis is a heavy stockholder, is preparing for this year's work on a larger scale than ever. Concerning it the Brownsville Times says: "Improvements at the plant of the Brownsville Canning and Preserving company are going on these days and the plant will soon be ready for the opening of the canning season. By arranging some of the machinery Manager Hutchings has provided additional room and at the same time made the work of the employees easier. The company anticipates a very busy season this year.

INMATES INCREASING AT MULTNOMAH FARM

GRESHAM BASEBALL LOST BY THE GIANTS

Sunday's baseball game was a victory for the Kenton club over the Gresham Giants by a score of 19 to 8. The odds went against the home team despite the fact that the Giants' pitcher struck out eleven men while his opponent scored but four. In the matter of passes to first the honors were divided, Baker walking two to Powers one.

Powers hit four of the Giants with pitched balls while Baker hit only one. Al Hamlin was taken out in the fourth seance, when he was struck on the knee; Gosberg took his place.

Bauer was knocked out in the seventh, having been beamed with a pitched ball.

In the sixth inning the score was 9 to 1 in favor of Kenton, a bunch of five hits in the third inning giving them a big lead, but a rally by the Giants, following several changes in the line-up, almost tied the score, the change in luck came too late, however and Kenton pulled out the winner.

Douglass of the Giants and Block of Kenton each made four hits in five times up.

The line-up: Gresham—Douglass, short stop; Bauer, right; Smith, first; Bateman, catcher; Stanley, center; Hamlin, left; Shaw, second; Hamlin, third; Baker and Bennett, pitchers.

Kenton—McKenna, short stop; Ripple, third; Nixon, right; Block, first; Granigan, left; Cowling, second; Burke, center; Powers, pitcher; Galvin, catcher; umpires, Squire and Emery.

The Giants attribute the loss of the game to their inability to handle the crowd, several runs being blocked by spectators. Next week the grounds will be improved and a backstop and grand stand erected. The bleachers will be roped 30 feet outside of the base line.

Gresham Giants.....	R. H. E.
Kenton Club.....	8 8 9
Batteries Baker, Burnett and Bateman, Powers and Galvin.	10 8 5

In a game marked by many errors the Behnke-Walker Business college defeated Gresham high school 10 to 5. By bunching hits off of Stanley in the first inning Behnke-Walker scored five runs. Quesinberry pitched the other eight innings. The ground was in poor shape, which accounts for the many errors. The high school will play Lincoln high next Friday. The ground will be in good shape and we may expect a fast game.

Boring Wins Over Damascus.

Last Sunday's game between the Boring and Damascus teams was won by Boring with a score of 10 to 7. Next Sunday's game will be between Boring and Sandy.

BIG TREE STORIES BRING MORE TALES

Recent stories concerning big trees has brought out another, accompanied with photographs which cannot be reproduced, but which show that other big trees have existed hereabouts.

One picture shows a stump now standing on John Sleret's farm near Scenic on which twelve persons are perched with room for four more. The tree was cut down several months ago.

Another scene shows a recently fallen monarch which measures over seven and one-half feet at the stump. A six-foot man can barely reach the top of the cut as it lies on the ground.

The pictures were furnished by S. W. Morrison, a wood dealer, who makes a specialty of converting such monsters into cordwood for the Portland market.

The stump spoken of is 10 feet high, measures 8' feet across the top and supported a tree that measured 220 feet in height.

The big fallen tree left a stump almost as large, but the tree was 250 feet high, having been more symmetrical and of better shape.

Cast Iron Wanted.
\$.50 per ton paid for cast iron. Brass and Aluminum also wanted. See what you have and turn it into cash. Inquire at Sterling & Kidder's.—Adv.

THOROUGHBRED STOCK IS REDUCING COST

The number of inmates at Multnomah Farm is 302, and constantly increasing, but the facilities for making the farm self sustaining have been so increased under its management for the past two years that it is providing enough produce to lessen the cost of maintenance to almost the breaking point and there will be a surplus of some things to sell again this year.

John Dennison is in charge of the agricultural division, and so thoroughly superintends the work that almost every acre is being made productive. He is under the direction of the Agricultural college and follows instructions laid down by Professors Boquet and Dryden. This arrangement was made by County Commissioner Holman through Dr. Withycombe.

Holstein cattle are providing all the milk and butter used on the farm. The visitor learns that the cows averaged 24 pounds of milk a day for March. One cow gave slightly less than 12,000 pounds of milk last year and the herd is to be graded up to that amount in due time. Each cow's record is to be kept.

The pure-bred hogs, mostly red Durocs, numbering 100, produced 20,000 pounds of pork last year. From the refuse of the tables these hogs are fed and net 260 pounds of pork weekly for the tables.

Poultry is especially valuable. Registered hens lay more than 200 eggs a year. There are 420 grown Plymouth Rock hens and 225 chicks. The sanitary arrangement for the poultry includes nests in gasoline cans, which are scalded at intervals. These hens produce an average of 200 eggs a day.

The garden part of the farm is just getting its start. Everywhere are young fruit trees, new truck gardens and berry patches. Hay and grain are raised in abundance and from selected seed. Corn is raised for food and the silo as well.

The hay crop was so large last year that some was sold. The potato patch is 27 acres this year instead of 23. All garden truck has been greatly increased and the past two years show the result. Perhaps the garden of an old Italian inmate who has locomotor ataxia deserves special mention. Ferdinand de Ceresa has two acres, the finest on the place, under his supervision, and he does all the work.

The tables are divided into two classes, the "mush tables" for the inmates who don't work and the "meat tables" for those who do. The meat tables also supply a little tobacco to the men. They have meat three times a day and the others get meat once or twice daily.

There is a tuberculin pavilion, where there are 20 men and two women. Miss Wilcox, a graduate nurse, is in charge of the tubercular ward. Miss Edith D. Muhs, a trained nurse from the East, is in charge of the Multnomah County Farm as superintendent. Mrs. Emma Singleton, a graduate nurse, is her assistant. There are six nurses in training at the institution, which does away with the expense of employing attendants. A record of each inmate is kept.

TWO HIGH SCHOOLS IN TRACK MEET

A track meet has been arranged for April 23d, with the Gresham high school and the Orient high school as contestants. The exercises will be held on the fair grounds race track under the supervision of F. A. Anderson, who has completed all arrangements with the assistance of Professor Quicksall and the contestants.

The following events have been scheduled:

Fifty yard dash.
One hundred yard dash.
Two hundred and twenty yard dash.
Baseball throw.
High jump.
Eight hundred and eighty yard run.
Pole vault.
Shot put.
Broad jump.
Eight hundred and eighty yard relay race.

Eyes tested and glasses fitted. Dr. Geo. Inglis.—Adv.