

## FOREST FIRES DO DAMAGE IN RESERVE

The extensive forest fires of the past week naturally emphasize our desire for rain which the streams and forests need. They also emphasize the extreme care in the use of fire by those who roam the forests or fields in search of bowers or fish or for camping purposes.

Several thousand acres have been burned over within a short time. It is reported that a number of these fires have been started by matches, cigars and cigarette stubs dropped by smokers. The careless dropper of lighted matches or burning tobacco is deserving of reprimand or punishment, though it is difficult to convict an offender.

In many cases the evil is thoughtlessly done, and this is one of the practical lessons which our school teachers may well inculcate. Our fire losses are numerous and no small proportion of them are due to carelessness.

There is great risk in setting brush fires at a time when fields and forests are dry. Much better it is to endure the inconveniences of unburned brush and rubbish than to start some unbridled fire that burns the property of many victims.

A man prominently connected with the Portland water commission, who is in charge of the Bull Run reserve, gives it as his opinion that the fire patrol is absolutely useless in preventing people from entering the reserve forest. He says that hunters will watch the forest rangers and then sneak into the reserve over any handy trail, and then when the mischief is done it means a vast area burned over and lots of hard work to stop the raging flames.

Several men have been found in the reserve this summer who sneaked in, and the fires of the past week are due to some of them who have not been caught. Several hundred men were called to the mountains last week, some going from this vicinity. They are working hard but the damage is great and the fires cannot be wholly checked until rain comes.

The three principal fires are within a radius of 30 miles. The Shell Rock creek fire, the first one to start, is on the headwaters of the Clackamas, about 20 miles south of Mount Hood. The White River fire, also known as the Bonnies Butte fire, is about the same distance southeast of Mount Hood, and the third and biggest of the fires is on Salmon river, about 15 miles southwest of the mountain.

The Shell Rock creek fire and the White River fire had been controlled by the rangers, wardens and the men they had employed, but the heat and high winds of Friday and Saturday fanned them up and they got beyond control. The Salmon River fire is being fought by more than 100 men and is the most stubborn of the three.

According to the latest reports, the Salmon River fire is covering an area of about 2500 acres, although the forestry officials say that areas are hard to judge in the timbered country. Before the Shell Rock creek fire was first controlled, it had burned over an area of 100 acres. Most of the country burned over is in non-commercial timber.

## FIREWORKS EVERY NIGHT AT COUNTY FAIR

An amendment contract was made today between President Lewis of the county fair association and M. H. Squire which will give the public a display of fireworks every night of the fair.

The full program will be produced each night with a few changes. The closing piece on Wednesday night will be President Wilson, to be followed on the other three nights by County Commissioner Lightner, Holman and Holbrook in successive order.

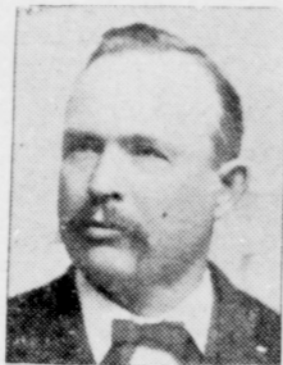
### Want to See the Roundup?

The Outlook wants several ambitious young men and young ladies to win a free trip to the Pendleton Roundup by getting subscriptions to the Outlook. Write us or phone for information. Phone 761.

### Prunes Wanted.

The Blaser Fruit Co., of Troutdale, is in the market for green Italian prunes, packed in first-class manner in standard 4-basket prune crates. Crates and baskets furnished by Blaser Fruit Co. Call or phone and secure crates. Prunes must be picked for long distance shipping.

## AGED VETERAN ANSWERS CALL OF ETERNITY



Henry Jones died at his home near Melrose, four miles east of Gresham, on Sunday morning last. He had been a sufferer for about twenty years with diabetes but was never dangerously ill until last Wednesday. Even then he refused to take to his bed until Friday after which he sank slowly and became unconscious only a few hours before his death.

Mr. Jones was born in Dodgeville, Iowa, April 16, 1845. He was a veteran of the civil war, having joined the army at the age of 16 and served four years in Company C, Twelfth Wisconsin Infantry. He was wounded at Atlanta, Ga. At the time of his death he was a member of Sumner Post, No. 12, G. A. R., of East Portland.

He came to Oregon in 1873 and for several years was engaged in the wood and feed business, having been associated with Henry Hogue on the East Side. In 1900 he moved to Washington county where he was married to Dimple Mitchell. Two years afterward they came to Portland and in 1906 he bought the farm where they lived until his death.

Mr. Jones was a member of the first volunteer fire department of East Portland and was at one time a school director in the city. Since coming out to eastern Multnomah he has been a director of District No. 10 for eight years, holding that office at the time of his death. He is survived by his widow and two brothers, John Jones, of Fort Atkinson, Iowa, and Sylvester Jones, of Hannibal, Mo.

Funeral services were held at Carlson's chapel this forenoon at 11 o'clock, Rev. Melville T. Wire officiating. From there the remains were taken to Mount Scott Park cemetery where the final services were held by Sumner Post at 1:30 this afternoon. The remains were cremated.

## DEPREDACTIONS OF GRAY SQUIRRELS

That rusty, iron-gray rodent that barks at people from old stumps and rock ledges, is one of the most destructive little fiends that infest some parts of eastern Multnomah.

Over on the Columbia slough it is particularly numerous and commits great depredations. One of its latest costly exploits is related in a thrilling story.

On the Sun Dial ranch there was grown 115 acres of grain this year which should have yielded more than an average crop, or something like 60 bushels to the acre. When the grain was threshed it yielded less than 1800 bushels for the entire field, or about 15 bushels per acre. The loss, attributed to the squirrels, was three-fourths of the crop.

### Ladies' Aid Business Meeting.

The Ladies' Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Will Hessel next Wednesday afternoon, September 1. Business meeting at 2:30, followed by refreshments. A full attendance is desired as officers are to be elected for the following year. Be sure to come if you do not want to be put into office. The hostess will be assisted by Mesdames Harrison, Walrad and Stillion. 53

Until Sept. 1st we will sell 3-ply Superior Roofing for \$1.85. Sterling & Kidder Hwd. Co.

The New York Bankers' club membership controls \$2,000,000,000 in money and securities.

## POWELL VALLEY SCHOOL ANNUAL DISTRICT FAIR

Last year the patrons and pupils of the Powell Valley District School inaugurated an annual school fair which proved to be a successful event of great educational value and served to bring the community closer together in an effort to develop the resources of the farms, gardens and talents of the pupils of the school.

It was decided to make the fair one of growing annual importance and all preparations are now under way for the second display of the products of the whole districts as produced especially by the children. The fair will be held on Saturday, September 11, at the Powell Valley school, where all articles for exhibit must be in their places by 10 o'clock.

Appropriate exercises will be held, commencing at 10 o'clock and at noon refreshments will be on sale. There will be a program, with C. C. Chapman and F. W. Lonegran, editor of the Oregon Post as the principal speakers. There will be appropriate songs by the school children under the leadership of Mrs. Karl Hagberg.

The board of managers consists of P. A. Johnson, Frank Gustafson, Carl Nelson and William Peterson, with Miss Alice Ekstrom as secretary.

Last year the fair was a complete success and there is every indication that this year's effort will be equally good or better. This is a school and community undertaking that should interest everyone and be well attended.

Cash prizes will be paid as first, second, third and fourth premiums for the best exhibits and the board of managers will award special prizes for articles of merit not listed. Following is the premium list:

### Vegetable Department.

1. Corn, 1st prize \$1.50, 2d prize \$1, 3d prize 50c, 4th prize 25c.
2. Potatoes, 1st prize \$1.50, 2d \$1, 3d 50c, 4th 25c.
3. Onions, 1st prize \$1.50, 2d \$1, 3d 50c, 4th 25c.
4. Carrots, 1st prize \$1.50, 2d \$1, 3d 50c, 4th 25c.
5. Parsnips, 1st prize \$1.50, 2d \$1, 3d 50c, 4th 25c.
6. Beets, 1st prize \$1.50, 2d \$1, 3d 50c, 4th 25c.
7. Cucumbers, 1st prize \$1.50, 2d \$1, 3d 50c, 4th 25c.
8. Pumpkins, 1st prize \$1.50, 2d \$1, 3d 50c, 4th 25c.

### Domestic Science and Art.

1. Best 5 cans fruit, 1st prize, \$1.50, 2d \$1, 3d 50c, 4th 25c.
2. Best 5 glasses jelly, 1st prize \$1.50, 2d \$1, 3d 50c, 4th 25c.
3. Best loaf of bread, 1st prize \$1.50, 2d \$1, 3d 50c, 4th 25c.
4. Best cake, 1st prize \$1.50, 2d \$1, 3d 50c, 4th 25c.
5. Best hose darning, 1st prize \$1.50, 2d \$1, 3d 50c, 4th 25c.
6. Best hand embroidery, 1st prize \$1.50, 2d \$1, 3d 50c, 4th 25c.
7. Best patchwork, 1st prize \$1.50, 2d \$1, 3d 50c, 4th 25c.
8. Best made apron, 1st prize \$1.50, 2d \$1, 3d 50c, 4th 25c.
9. Best manual art, 1st prize \$1.50, 2d \$1, 3d 50c, 4th 25c.

## LAST FUNERAL RITES HELD FOR MRS. THORPE

The funeral of Mrs. Ida M. Thorpe took place on Saturday afternoon from the M. E. church, being largely attended by many of her former friends and acquaintances. Rev. Melville T. Wire officiated, Rev. A. J. Ware assisting.

A choir consisting of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. St. Clair, B. C. Altman and Mrs. Minnie Clanchan rendered several appropriate selections. The pall bearers were selected from Rockwood grange, of which Mrs. Thorpe was a member. They were F. H. Crane, John Richmond, Anton Schantlin, George W. Pullen, Thomas Rowan and Peter Weiland. Interment was made in the cemetery at Milwaukie a large number attending from here and numerous Portland friends being present.

The grave decorations were beautiful flowers contributed by friends of the family, among them being a pillow from Rockwood grange, a choice collection of chrysanthemums from fifteen school girl friends of Hester Thorpe, a wreath contributed by the Outlook force, with others of equal beauty, the whole collection forming a bank of flowers that entirely covered the mound.

Mrs. St. Clair and Mrs. Clanchan rendered an appropriate duet which was followed by the usual scripture reading, the Lord's prayer and the benediction, and the mortal remains of Mrs. Thorpe were left to await the last summons of eternity.

### Chaplin Comedies.

Charley Chaplin is recognized as the world's greatest film comedian or laugh producer. The person is rare who can sit through a Chaplin comedy and withhold a convulsion of mirth.

Wednesday, September 1, and each Wednesday following there will be a Chaplin comedy.

"Laughing Gas", a Chaplin comedy. "The Mystic Pearl", a three reel Victor feature and "His Mother-in-law", a Nester comedy drama, will be the program at the Smith Theater this Wednesday.

Don't neglect to get a free ticket to the big Saturday matinee. Special program. Show all afternoon. Your local Gresham merchants will give you tickets for the family for the asking.—Adv.

German silver now goes by the name of "nickel silver" in England.

HELP WANTED — For general housework. Experienced German or Swedish girl or woman desired. Mrs. S. P. Bittner, Phone 621. If

## YOUTH DIES ON TOWER, KILLED BY ELECTRICITY

Marvin A. Larsen, aged 18 years and 18 days, was a victim of a 60,000 voltage current at the top of a tower near Anderson on Saturday afternoon. His father H. C. Larsen is section foreman on the O. W. P., and had with him his son, A. R. Kimbley and Theodore Rehberg. When left alone for a few minutes by his father the boy bantered the others to follow him in a climb to the top of the tower that supports the high voltage wires.

The other boys refused and he climbed up alone and sat upon the lower cross arm within a few inches of the wire. Then he shouted to his companions "I'm not afraid to touch it with my hat," and reached toward the upper wire. There was a loud report, a blinding flash, and the boy was seen lying across the lower wire where he remained until the current was shut off when he fell heavily to the ground, a distance of about 40 feet.

The funeral took place yesterday forenoon from Carlson's chapel and was largely attended by friends from Boring, where the unfortunate youth lived with his father and a younger brother. His mother has been dead about 10 years.

The pall bearers were Arthur Jonsrud, Ott Fredrick, Lester Fisher, Albert Johnson, Albert Kimbley, and Lloyd Lake. Rev. A. J. Ware conducted the services, burial being made in the Douglass cemetery.

### Beets for Canning.

Select small beets, thinned out from the main crop. The dark red ones, as the Early Model or the Detroit Dark Red are excellent for canning. Cut off leaf blades, leaving the stem intact. Wash, drop into boiling water, containing salt to taste. Cook until nearly done. Put in cold water, peel, and drop into jars until within one-half inch of top. Cover with vinegar prepared thus: use equal parts of vinegar and water; sweeten to taste; add mixed spices, removing red pepper pods and cloves; add bay leaf. Barely cover beets with hot liquid. Partially seal, place in boiler, and boil ten minutes. Tighten and store in cool, dry place. Instead of the vinegar hot water well seasoned with salt may be used but with this the beets should be boiled for at least an hour and the preliminary cooking lessened.

Nearly two-thirds of the farmers in New York state buy butter instead of making it.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTE TOMORROW

County School Superintendent A. P. Armstrong is preparing for the annual teachers' institute which will be held in the central library at Tenth and Yamhill streets, beginning tomorrow morning and continuing until Friday evening.

Sessions will be from 9 till 12 and from 1:30 till 4. Teachers are especially urged to be punctual in attendance, and thus set an example in this important matter that pupils may wisely follow.

September 3 has been set aside as school officers' day. Directors and clerks of the county have been asked to attend. Most of them will do so.

Mr. Armstrong says: "Let us all engage in a friendly, get-together discussion of educational matters. It will help you, it will help me, it will help the cause."

"Attend the institute in a receptive and give-and-take frame of mind. Listen attentively to what may be said; ask if you care to. This course will enable you to teach a better school than you can possibly do otherwise."

Mr. Armstrong has also notified all school directors of the meeting and urges their attendance in the following words:

"Please attend. I have a number of important matters to take up with you and our teachers. You may desire to call their and my attention to something of common interest. They may be able to offer valuable suggestions to both of us. A friendly, free-for-all, 'get-together' discussion of school problems will be helpful to the great cause of education."

"The county will pay \$2 to your chairman, each district should pay the same amount to the other directors, and to the clerk. Better use of \$6 of your funds cannot be made."

Mr. Armstrong is hoping that each one will do everything possible to make the school year on which we shall enter soon the best our county has ever known.

## THREE SERIOUSLY HURT IN AUTO ACCIDENT

There was a serious ending of a joy ride near Troutdale on Sunday morning when an automobile capsize and seriously injured three persons, two women and one man. The man was G. H. McCutcheon, of Oakland, district manager of the Howard Auto company. He suffered four broken ribs and was severely burned upon the legs when the machine caught fire.

The two young women were Miss Louise Sargent of Portland, and Miss Regina Smith of San Francisco. Miss Sargent may suffer the loss of an eye, and Miss Smith has a broken collar bone. The driver of the car H. C. Hays, was unhurt and succeeded in rescuing the others before they were more severely injured or burned to death by the blazing gasoline.

The party had been drinking and had bottles with them when the accident occurred.

### ATTENTION!

Special attention given Probate matters and Abstracts. Your interests will be guarded carefully. John W. Huff, Att'y at Law, 616 Fenton Building, Portland.—Adv. tf

### Free Trip, All Expenses Paid.

Call the Outlook for information regarding the Pendleton Roundup. Outlook subscription contest. Free trip, all expenses paid, for a little work. Phone 761.

Mildred is a dear little girl who tries the patience of her family by frequent tardiness at meals. One morning not long since her father gently remonstrated with her.

"I should think, my dear child, that you would be ashamed to be late so often."

"I am ashamed, papa."

"Then, my dear, why don't you take to be in time?"

"Because," with blushing frankness, "I'd rather be ashamed than to get up."—Ex.

### Fair Board Meeting September 7.

The next meeting of the fair board will be held on Tuesday, September 7, at 1 o'clock, and not on Monday as formerly announced.

Hanging on the verge of fifth place is mighty trying on the nerves of the percentage column.

An ordinary bookkeeper's hand travels about 10,000 miles a year over ledger pages.

## STORE OPENS AFTER LONG, HARD FIGHT

The general merchandising store of the defunct Pulfer Mercantile company was opened yesterday after being closed over four months. The new owner is George W. Kenney, the manager will be J. A. Frakes, a brother-in-law of Mr. Kenney and a former successful merchant of Portland, doing business at several different places on both sides of the river.

Mr. Kenney became the owner of the stock and fixtures by paying therefor the sum of \$2400. There were other bidders but Mr. Kenney was prepared to make the highest offer. He had his own interests to protect, being the holder of a mortgage for a larger sum. The case is not settled yet and will have to be tried out in the circuit court to determine whether he or the other creditors are the rightful owners.

In the event that Mr. Kenney wins out he will be given back his purchase price, otherwise it will go to the Portland contestants.

Mr. Frakes reopened the store yesterday at 1 o'clock in the presence of Attorney Milo C. King and one other witness. He at once began taking another inventory of the stock, assisted by James Elkington, and will replace all broken lines demanded by the trade and reopen for business. Mr. Kenney was formerly in the same business in Gresham and at Terry. He and Mr. Frakes are conservative and have been successful, so there is no question as to their ability to place the business on a paying basis and eventually retrieve the lost prestige of the store, which will rank as one of the leading mercantile institutions of Gresham. Attention is called to an opening advertisement elsewhere in this paper.

## MASONS PLAN VISIT TO MAYOR STAPLETON

At the meeting of Al Kader Temple, held Saturday in Portland, plans were made for a visit to the home of George W. Stapleton, potentate of Al Kader Temple in Gresham. The committee in charge has made provision for entertainment. The Arab Patrol, as well as the Shrine band, will participate. The affair is to be confined to Shriners and their families. The committee in charge is E. T. Rehfeld, A. B. Gottschalk, Robert Lutke, C. B. Turlay and G. F. Honey. The date of the visit will be next Friday night.

## Additional Gresham Locals

Miss Mabel Burch is leaving today for Newport, where she will spend a few days visiting before beginning a school near that place. Miss Burch accepted a position under the civil service commission, and worked for a week in Portland. She then learned that she could not very well break her contract to teach, which was made before she took the other position. She accordingly gave up the government work and will teach school during the coming winter.

Frank Hamlin has returned from Condon, Oregon, where he worked during harvest. He expects to leave soon for Oakland, California, where he will drive an automobile for Geo. Parker, formerly of Gresham. Mr. Parker is in the real estate business.

Four young men from Gresham are among those fighting fires in the region of Mt. Hood. They are Leslie St. Clair, Wilbur Stanley, Guerdon Humason and Claude Robinson.

Mrs. J. N. Meshirter went Saturday to Ilwaco, Washington, where her daughter lives. She was accompanied by her grandson, Lyle Mason.

W. F. Honey left a few days ago on a business trip which will keep him away all the fall. He is on his way to North Dakota and Minnesota. He will visit points in Oregon on his way.

The wonderful clock in the window adjoining the Outlook office was started again today and is reeling off the time as before the catastrophe that stopped it.

A. R. Lyman and son Keith are planning to start in a few days for the hop yards near Salem, to engage in hop picking.

Outlook subscription contest now on. Free ticket and all expenses paid to Pendleton Roundup.

Germany consumes more pork than any other kind of meat.