

## FORD QUICK MACHINE IS FIRST OVER

The Base Line road enjoys the distinction of being the first to have the hard surfacing completed as far as intended this year. The Clark-Henry Construction company reported on Wednesday to Roadmaster Yeon the completion of their contracts to pave 8.8 miles with bitulithic.

The contract date for completion was November 15 and the contracting firm is thus six weeks ahead of time and first through. The Base Line road, now paved the entire distance from the city limits to its eastern terminus, with the exception of 2400 feet at its extreme eastern end, was thrown open to the public yesterday.

Wood Butler, of the Ford Quick Service was the first person to go over the completed road in an auto, he having been on the spot when the last barriers were thrown down.

The 2400 feet in question was where a fill was necessary. This would have been finished also had it not been necessary to leave the fill till next spring to settle before laying pavement over it.

It is that portion of the road leading down from the top of the Baker hill. A new conduit was built across Beaver creek and the road is in good condition. It will be hard surfaced next year.

It is expected that the work on the Powell Valley road will be finished next, as only a small portion, less than a mile in length, remains to be paved. It is now ready for the "hot stuff."

The Sandy road improvement is being delayed by the necessity of tunneling under the O-W. R. & N. company's track at Samoni's crossing, west of Troutdale.

Conditions at Fairview are in a jumbled condition owing to the steep grade from the Sandy road to the railroad crossing which was made considerably steeper by the lowering of the Sandy road.

Surveyors have been on the ground this week, making estimates of the probable cost of tunneling under the railroad and lowering the grade so as to make the road easy of ascent. While it is passable for autos and light teams it is too steep for heavy loads, and as it is the only outlet at present to the Sandy road it is realized that something must be done.

It has been suggested that another street be opened near the O. W. R. & N. depot, where a much lighter grade can be found, but the old road is the northern end of the road from Gresham and will receive hard surface attention next year and probably be rechristened in accordance with the Outlook's plan to give it a new name.

Nearly a dozen suggestions have been received but they are waiting for awhile yet. Those having a new name for the road are not barred yet from presenting it.

## BROUGHT HOME BLIND FROM MONTANA TRIP

Mrs. Ed. Smith, whose visit to the deathbed of her brother in Montana was noted a week ago, has returned home, but is suffering from blindness.

After the death of her brother she was taken to a Montana hospital in a nervous collapse, where she remained several days. Blindness coming upon her she was sent home in care of the train officials, arriving in Portland on Wednesday morning. George Kenney answered a telephone summons in the absence of Mr. Smith from home, and went to Portland for her with his automobile.

Since returning to Gresham her general condition has improved but her sight has not been restored. It is believed that she will fully recover when her nervousness wears off.

### To Pulfer Store Creditors.

The recent demands made by R. L. Sabin, trustee of the Pulfer Mercantile Co., are to be considered as of no value or importance. The accounts were turned over to me for collection several months before the matter was brought into court on a suit against me by Mr. Sabin, and I am the only person authorized to receive them, pending a settlement of the case. They should all be paid to me as agreed upon and I will be entirely responsible for them, even to refunding the money in case I lose out in the controversy. Pay Sabin nothing.

(Signed) GEO. W. KENNEY.

GRESHAM CHAPTER, O. E. S., No. 117—Meets first and third Tuesdays each month in Odd Fellows' hall. Worthy Matron, Anna Brown; Secretary, Rose I. Dair.

## MULTNOMAH IN SEVENTH FOR PRIZES

Multnomah county won first honors at the state fair on individual farm exhibit, when the judges awarded first premium to Chester Mickelson of Russellville. It will be remembered that he won the first prize here last month and the same exhibit was taken to Salem.

The county exhibits were awarded premiums in the following order in the Willamette Valley district: Polk, Benton, Lane, Clackamas, Linn, Jackson, Multnomah and Washington.

The first prize in the manual training department was awarded to the Portland public schools, with Salem school a close second. The exhibits were especially noteworthy.

Multnomah county fared quite well in the livestock awards as far as heard from, but not all reports are available yet. Awards in the Brown Swiss class were as follows:

Grand champions, bull, any age, B. P. Inman, Junction City; cow or heifer, any age, Theo. Brugger, Gresham.

Champions—Senior bull, B. P. Inman; junior bull, Theo. Brugger; senior cow, Theo. Brugger; junior heifer, B. P. Inman. Herds—Grade, B. P. Inman; breeders, young, B. P. Inman; bull, 3 years and over, B. P. Inman; bull, 2 years and under 3 years, B. P. Inman; first, bull, 1 year and under 2, Theo. Brugger; first, B. P. Inman, second; bull, junior calf, B. P. Inman, first; Theo. Brugger, second; cow, 4 years or over, Theo. Brugger, first and second; B. P. Inman, third; cow, 3 years and under 4, Theo. Brugger, second; heifer, 2 years and under 3, Theodore Brugger, first and third; B. P. Inman, second; heifer, senior yearling, B. P. Inman, first; heifer, junior yearling, Theodore Brugger, first; B. P. Inman, second and third; heifer, junior calf, B. P. Inman, first and fourth; Theo. Brugger, second and third.

Swine—Essex boar, any age, W. H. Cleveland, Gresham; grand champion, champion and first in herds; total \$120 and four banners.

Sheep—Dorset horns, W. H. Cleveland, first in all lots; no champion awards, no competition.

## CONSOLIDATION PLAN BEING WORKED OUT

Considerable has been said during the past two years regarding the plan to consolidate the city of Portland and the county of Multnomah under one form of government.

The idea has many advocates who believe that the cost of one government will be less than two and that there will not be a duplication of offices. The plan seems to have worked successfully in several other places, and its advocates believe it will work equally well here.

It is reported now that the Portland Chamber of Commerce will take the matter up officially in an effort to find out if the scheme is feasible. It is recognized that there may be some strong reasons why the plan cannot be carried out, but it is for the purpose of meeting all objections that the effort will be made.

The chamber is the real clearing house of all such measures affecting the peoples' welfare and no other body could sift the details down to a final recommendation. Every phase of the work will be open to the public, and if consolidation is practicable it will be made known. No definite plans of procedure have been outlined, but there will be an earnest inquiry to see what may or may not be done.

## HARRY MINTO'S SLAYER KILLED AT ALBANY

Otto Hooker, the slayer of Harry P. Minto, superintendent of the penitentiary, was himself shot under an archway at Albany on Tuesday night by Officer Long of Portland. He died later in a hospital.

The funeral of Harry Minto took place in Salem on Wednesday, the body being sent to Portland for cremation. The services were held by the Elks order of which he was a member.

The body of Hooker was buried in the prison cemetery.

City Marshal Benson, of Jefferson, who was shot by Hooker, is alive yet with chances of recovery.

The government of India will extend its wireless system until every army post has a station in charge of a trained officer.

## BULLY GOOD TIME AT THE SALEM FAIR

Years ago, before the era of the automobile, the people went to the state fair in wagons when they didn't go on the train. They had one advantage over those who now go by machine, in that they were always sure of getting home with a minimum of trouble and expense. Old Dobbin and the one-hoss shay were reliable and the farm wagon "got there" without fail, and generally on schedule time but the schedule was always longer than at present.

All this is a prelude to the story of how some Gresham people went to Salem yesterday and how they got home again. Some of them were not seen on the streets this morning after sunrise, and their friends thought they had not returned; but they had and were still snoozing after the dinner horn had sounded.

Later in the afternoon they appeared and reported a bully good time but made no mention of getting home after daylight; nor did they say anything about blowouts, lack of gasoline or mudholes. They tried to make their friends believe they had just rolled in and continually referred to their bully good time.

A wireless dispatch received this morning about 4 o'clock at the O. W. P. radio station told of one car being towed into Oregon City where it was held pending a search for contraband goods; another was in a ditch and another was last heard of between two long ricks of wood trying to climb a tree to get back into the road again, while two others went to Wilhoit Springs to get a change in beverages.

About a dozen machines made the trip and after the names of their most prominent passengers have been read the public may take its choice of the unfortunates: They were George Honey and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sterling, Mr. and Mrs. George Leslie, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Hevel and daughter Vivian, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Metzger and Miss Elsie Metzger, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Zimmerman, Joseph Pateneaud and A. H. Dowsett, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Howitt and Mrs. Waltman, Mr. and Mrs. E. Walrad, Ed. Osburn, Mrs. Lulu Strebin and son Arthur, Mr. and Mrs. James Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Aylsworth and the latter's father. They are not so eager to go again, but they all had a bully good time.

## PARENT-TEACHERS ELECT OFFICERS

At a meeting of the patrons of the Powell Valley school, held on Wednesday night, the Parent-Teachers' association was reorganized for the coming year with the following officers:

President, Miss Catlin Russell, principal of the school.

Vice president, Miss Tekla Schulhorn.

Secretary, Miss Alice Ekstrom. Treasurer, Mrs. Samuel Carrell. Meeting nights were left unchanged for the last Wednesday in each month, at 8 o'clock.

A board of five was also elected to arrange for next year's school fair, which has become an annual event. Those chosen were, William Peterson, P. A. Johnson, Frank Gustafson, C. R. Keller and Carl Nelson. They will have a meeting later on and select appropriate committees for the work.

A resolution prohibiting Sunday baseball on the school grounds was endorsed.

### More Corn Cutters Sold.

Hessel's machinery store has just delivered a Hocking Valley feed cutter and a seven-horse power field engine mounted on a steel truck to J. F. and J. H. Burns; also a gasoline field engine and cutter, mounted to P. A. Johnson, J. A. Davidson and C. E. Unis, who will use them in partnership.

### Dance at Fairview.

Next Saturday night, October 2, a midnight dance will be given in the city hall at Fairview. Gentlemen 50c. Good music. All are invited. 63

Japan's government forests last year yielded \$5,360,000 in revenues, and consumed \$2,327,000 in expenses.

The Oregon hop crop proved lighter than was expected, present estimates being 90,000 to 100,000 bales.

## ROMANTIC WEDDING FEATURES

There have been all kinds of romances in love affairs, from the "love-laugh-at-locksmiths" kind to December and May unions that some times turn out well—but not always.

This is a story a little out of the ordinary, but it has its romantic features without the locksmith or season variety to embellish it in the telling.

Last Tuesday the telegraph and an automobile were resorted to upon the advice of County Clerk Coffey and District Attorney Evans, who rendered first aid in an emergency and made two souls tingle with a single thought and true hearts beat as one.

Wright Davis, a farmer living between Gresham and Lents, and Leona Vivian Creasy were the interested parties, but Leona is only 17 years old. The story goes that, when Davis appeared Tuesday morning and asked for the license he was told by Deputy County Clerk Cochran that the girl's age acted as a bar to its issuance unless the consent of her parents could be obtained, explaining that the consent of an aunt living at Lents would not be sufficient, despite the fact that the girl had lived with this aunt practically all her life.

Davis then said that the girl's parents live on a ranch 16 miles from Shaniko, over in eastern Oregon. Mr. Cochran suggested that District Attorney Evans be consulted. Mr. Evans advised that telegraphic consent would be sufficient. Davis then telegraphed to the girl's mother at Shaniko, giving instructions to the telegraph company to have a special automobile make the 32-mile trip to and from the Creasy homestead at his expense.

The message was sent about 10 a. m. At 12:53 came an answer, addressed directly to County Clerk Coffey, giving consent to the marriage, and the license was issued a few minutes later.

## RAILROAD LAND TO BE BOUGHT IN RESERVE

Commissioner Daly, of Portland, has proposed to the city council that 9640 acres of land lying in the Bull Run reserve, but owned by the Southern Pacific railroad company, be bought at the price of \$2.50 an acre.

The proposition has been approved and Mr. Daly was directed to proceed negotiations to procure title to the land at a total cost of about \$25,000.

The land is scattered all through the Bull Run water shed and its ownership always has been a serious problem since the city derived its supply of water from this source, as there was danger of the land being sold and an effort made to settle on it. Its purchase by the city will eliminate all such danger and will leave only approximately 11,000 acres of land in the entire Bull Run reserve, which does not either belong to the federal government or the city and much of this is outside of the city's water shed.

### Reduced Fares on Two Days.

Beginning next Monday, October 4th, the P. R. L. & P. lines between Gresham and Portland—both roads—will give round trip fares on Mondays and Fridays for 25 cents, if tickets are used on date of sale. This is offered as a tryout.

### Tailoring.

For men and women—cleaning, pressing and repairing done to your satisfaction.

PETER LENARD, Powell St.

### Opening Sunday Dinner.

Congdon Hotel, 5 to 8 p. m. Sunday, October 2.

Fifty cents a plate, reduction to Families.

Mrs. Wm. Childers, Proprietor.

### MENU.

Soup.  
Cream of Fowl.  
Salad.  
Shrimp Mayonnaise.  
Fish.  
Baked Halibut, au Gratin.  
Entree.  
Fricassee of Chicken with Dumplings.  
Roasts.  
Prime Roast of Beef, au Jus.  
Loin of Young Pig, Apple Sauce.  
Dessert.  
Baked Apple Dumplings.  
Pie.  
Apple Lemon.  
Cream.  
Eyes tested and glasses fitted.  
Dr. Geo. Inglis.—Adv.

## SAUSAGE IS A MYSTERY UNSOLVED

They stood in front of the Gresham meat market and the reporter heard them talking. It was all about sausage. He said that sausage was made of lean beef and that they called it Hamburger at the fair; and she said that sausage was made of pork scraps, and there you are.

Of course there was nothing to be done about it as far as the reporter was concerned. Novelists have written several million books to prove that two people added together make one, and that one divided by two makes two, but it takes a non-argumentative, unchangeable thing like sausage to prove that two are two, divide or add as you may.

They say that he says that he loves her as much as ever, but that he could not, even if he would, give up his ideals or opinions in regard to the ingredients that enter into sausage. She smiles as gayly as before, but there is a gleam of satisfaction in her eyes when she reflects that she cooks the sausage, and that she has, therefore the conclusive argument.

He was not one to give up easily, and so he appealed to the fair board. Strangely enough he found sympathy, for the board of directors had all seen, smelled and tasted the delectable mixture sold on the fair grounds. There seems to be a general belief among the men that sausage is made of beef. This belief may have been engendered by a lunch counter concoction, but it seems to have had a more significant origin, as the butcher himself knows that sausages are made of some kind of meat and knows exactly how it is done.

The animal is killed, he says, and then ground in a mill and fixed up with condiments. Further than this he won't say, but the achievement is put on sale and no one knows anything about the mystery. Even more strange is the fact that the wives of the fair board are united in their insistence that sausage is made of pork. Sausage, they say, is usually made of scraps that won't sell and there are never any scraps of beef left over for they go to make corned beef. The very system of curing meats is suggestive of pork sausage. Besides all this they have all made homemade sausage and have always used pork.

And so the case stood as at first presented. He was for beef and she was for pork. The boss of the market was appealed to in vain. Together they visited him and pointed to their favorites. "There, that's the kind of meat for sausage, isn't it? What kind do you use? What kind does Mrs. Brown use?" The boss regarded them and the meats earnestly, and was about to ring up his wife, but thought better of it. "Honest," he said at last, "well, honest, she ain't particular." And so the matter was still unsettled when the reporter slid away.

## SUED FOR SLANDER, TRANSFERS PROPERTY

Mrs. Amy A. Nelson, of Boring, has filed suit at Oregon City against John Miller of the same place for slander. She has asked for \$12,000 as a balm for her lacerated feelings.

It is stated that the Nelsons worked for Miller on his farm and after they left the latter endeavored to have Mrs. Nelson return and become his housekeeper. Upon her refusal he is said to have made derogatory remarks concerning her character.

It is also stated that Miller transferred his land and farming interests to other persons to avoid paying any possible judgment.

### Evening Star Grange Tomorrow.

Evening Star grange will meet tomorrow in grange hall on Eighth and Division streets. The following program will begin at 2 o'clock: Scotch music, Mr. Mackenzie, of Woodlawn grange; reading, Miss Leah Melvin; vocal solo, Miss Ruth Schmuckli; reading, Mrs. Charles Fullman; address, "Fire Protection," Fire Marshal J. W. Stevens; vocal solo, Mrs. Lelah J. Elliott; address, "Water-Power Legislation," Claude McColloch.

### Potatoes and Apples Wanted.

The cannery will handle your potatoes and apples in any quantity. Cash paid for best marketable potatoes. Large baking potatoes, weighing a pound or over, bring highest prices.

## BUSINESS PRACTICE PROMOTED

By L. H. WELLS.  
PORTLAND, Sept. 30.—Special.—Consolidation of Multnomah county and Portland is one of the things urged by George E. Hardy, new manager of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, which he set forth in his talk Sunday. Among other things Mr. Hardy said:

"Get acquainted—a fine idea for constructive work. It promotes friendship and business confidence, and hence I commend the practice. One of the great problems for Portland is agricultural development, the establishment of apple markets for the man who tills the soil. It is a fine plan to organize commercial bodies throughout the state to encourage local agricultural developments. Also there is a logged-off land problem to be solved, the industrial problem, the increasing of pay rolls, transportation problem, giving Astoria common terminal rates and the development of commercial intercourse with that great country, Alaska. For these purposes there should be a union of public opinion and concentration of efforts."

George E. Hardy, new executive secretary of the Portland Chamber of Commerce was the speaker before the Current Events class of Westminster Presbyterian church, and his subject was, "Constructive Work for the Men of Portland." Chairman C. E. Cochran called for the roll of those present with a view to getting acquainted, and Mr. Hardy declared in his opening remarks that plan was the foundation of constructive work.

"I am glad to be here today," said Mr. Hardy, "for the reason that this meeting is working along the lines of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, the newly consolidated body. I shall not dignify what I have to say by calling it an address, but a talk with you men, most of whom I take it are members of the Chamber of Commerce. One of the main problems, to my mind, for the solution of Portland, is the agricultural development of the state. It is highly essential that the man who tills the soil should have a market for his produce, and hence there should be and can be constructive work along that line. The smaller cities of the state can aid through the organization of commercial bodies for the encouragement of agricultural developments and for the establishments of markets. These smaller bodies can help along these lines. Another great problem is that of getting the use of logged-off lands of the state. I confess that I do not know how this problem can be solved, and yet it is worthy of your deepest and most searching consideration. Then comes the development of industries and increasing pay rolls which come under the head of constructive work."

Mr. Hardy spoke with emphasis relative to the development of shipping on the Columbia river and pointed out the tremendous possibilities in that direction. He gave some statistics to show something of the decline of shipping on the Columbia river. He urged that Astoria be given terminal rates and developed into a great seaport, which he declared had long been overdue, and said it would be one of the means to develop the shipping interests of the Columbia river without hurting Portland in the least, making Astoria one of the great shipping seaports of the Pacific coast "Astoria," he said, "is part of the state, and its development will hold the state."

"Our people should turn their attention at once to the development of a commercial relation with the great Alaskan country. I hope this will be brought about with the next year, so great in importance is this problem. Alaska wants us and will welcome Portland trade. This is one of the great constructive problems before the people of Portland."

"We are to have a civic bureau for the handling of civic problems in the Chamber of Commerce, under which will come street traffic, parks and boulevards, and the public schools. Another department will be economy of efficiency, from which the taxpayers will be benefited largely. Consolidation of Portland and Multnomah county is another movement fraught with importance to the taxpayers. Portland is practically Multnomah county and could be united to advantage. And that