

## BIG PROFITS IN PROPERTY MEAN MONEY

To own a home is the chief ambition of many persons who are too often deterred from buying one, even on easy monthly payments, by the fear of not being able to meet the payments. On the other hand, many fortunes have been founded, in growing cities, by buying when property was cheap and holding on until the city has grown up to it and made it valuable. Any city that has grown very rapidly and very big affords better illustrations of this than the smaller towns.

Here are some examples in Portland: The writer was once told that the Cully block on the east side was taken over by Mr. Cully, a Columbia slough dairyman 50 years ago, for a milk account of less than \$200 and another hundred in cash. Mr. Cully died rich but his heirs squandered the property after his death. It is now worth many thousands.

It was also related that the late Charles Logus became the owner of a block on Union avenue and East Washington streets by having to take it over on a mortgage for a few hundred dollars. He almost cried as he thought of losing his money, but the property was the foundation of his later wealth.

Another investment related to the writer by the late Seth Luelling was the purchase of the present site of the court house for a small sum, which he afterwards sold for \$300. He also became well-to-do, but not on that transaction.

There are many chances yet for money making in real estate, but it takes more money now to swing the deals. The odds are all in favor of the man with money. After a city has attained a certain growth many feel that thereafter the growth will be too slow to hope for any great returns in a reasonable time. Life is full of uncertainties, and the salaried man is not always sure of his position being permanent. He is afraid of undertaking more than he can stand up to and so keeps on paying rent, year after year.

Twenty years ago few perhaps expected Portland would at this time have skyscrapers. They could not foresee the enormous increase in land values in two decades—or in the last ten years, for that matter.

Yet Portland continues to grow and spread and land values have risen in Eastern Multnomah fully 500 per cent in the past fifteen years. There are good opportunities here in Gresham or anywhere in this vicinity for safe investments. A recurrence of better times will see an awakening in land values all around here. It is only a question of waiting, for Portland can only spread in this direction and each step nearer the boundary line comes the greater will be the value of property for all purposes.

## GRESHAM ROUTE LOSES PATRONS

Fairview rural route, No. 1, J. H. Schram carrier, will be extended next Monday to include the Peaks neighborhood lying northwest and north of the Base Line station on the Troutdale branch of the P. R. L. & P.

The route will then be 27 miles in length, the new addition to embrace nearly two miles. By the change there will be 18 families lost to Gresham route one, who have heretofore been compelled to come out to the Base Line for their mail.

## Mrs. F. M. Roman Entertains.

Mrs. F. M. Roman gave a card party on Saturday evening, October 23, at her residence near Pleasant View avenue to her many friends and neighbors. The evening was devoted to cards, music and social features. Some of the guests were from Omaha, Nebraska, a sister and cousin of the hostess, Mrs. McNay and Miss McNay. They are enroute to the Panama exposition and will stop over for a short visit. Most delicious refreshments were served later to which all did ample justice.

The house decorations were pink and white cosmos and beautiful wall-flowers. At a late hour, the guests, with hearty handshake, said good-night, regretting the shortness of the evening.

We now have all makes Sewing Machine needles, bobbins and shuttles at Sterling & Kidder Hdw. Co.

Wine loses strength after 200 years.

## SHORTER ROAD IS ASKED FOR

E. Gurney, secretary of the Unique Brick & Tile Co., has completed petitions for a road from Anderson to Boring, connecting at Anderson with the proposed Palmbud road, petitions for which are soon to be circulated. The proposed road to Boring will follow closely the track of the P. R. L. & P. Co., and when completed will make a fine, direct route between Boring, and Portland through Gresham.

While circulating these petitions Mr. Gurney discovered that a strong sentiment existed favorable to a new direct road from Boring to Estacada. The route is regarded as most feasible for this road also would closely parallel the railroad line. Petitions for this road will soon be prepared and circulated. It is believed this more direct thoroughfare between Portland and the coming metropolis of eastern Clackamas, through Gresham and Boring, will meet a long felt need and not only serve the public in general but open a highway to many farms now practically cut off from good roads.

## INSTRUCTIVE BOOKS JUST RECEIVED

New books at the library include, mechanical inventions of today by Corbin, a book well illustrated and with descriptions in non-technical language; at home in the water by Corsan, an excellent book for the amateur swimmer; civic improvement in little towns by Zona Gale; wild life conservation in theory and practice by W. T. Hornaday; of distinguished annuals by H. Perry Robinson; and the latest Spaulding official guides for lawn tennis and baseball. Two new books on the war are Origins of the War by a Cambridge lecturer, J. H. Rose and War and Democracy by Seton-Watson and others. Both of these are unprejudiced and well worth reading.

Books that will be of especial interest to parents and teachers are Social Education by Colin A. Scott and School Credit for Home Work by L. R. Alderman.

Hallowe'en stories will be told to the children on next Friday afternoon at 2:45 for primary children and again at 3:45 for those in the intermediate grades. While the stories are being told, books cannot be changed at the desk.

Children who do not attend school will be very welcome at the story hour.

## REDUCED PRICES YET PREVAILING

By reference to the display advertisement of the Sandy Fir Lumber company it will be seen that reduced prices for lumber are still in effect, despite the fact that lumber is steadily advancing.

The company's mill is steadily at work turning out a superior quality of building lumber, including all grades of dimension and rough, and will deliver to any reasonable distance for a moderate charge.

## FAIRVIEW HUNTERS GET BIG GAME

E. E. Heslin, John Moller, Jim Anderson and George Copeland have just returned from several days' hunting on the headwaters of Eagle Creek, east of Bonneville. They got one large buck and Heslin furnished the camp with fish, catching 27 nice rainbow trout.

## Death of Pioneer.

Anna Catherine Perkins, wife of Henry Perkins, died at her home near Hurlburt, in eastern Multnomah a few days ago. She was born in Sandyville, Iowa, February 9, 1853. She was married to Henry Perkins in 1871 and came to Oregon in 1875. They came to eastern Multnomah 33 years ago, where they have resided ever since.

Mrs. Perkins leaves to mourn her departure her husband and four daughters, Mrs. Emily Jackson and Mrs. Olive Hyatt of Portland, Mrs. Mary Jacobsen of Patterson, Washington and Mrs. Rae Evans, who resides near the old home place, also two brothers and a sister in Kansas.

The funeral took place this afternoon at the home. Interment was in Mountain View cemetery.

Rev. A. C. Braekenhury is having a phone installed in the Methodist parsonage. The number will be 523.

## Announcement.

We are now prepared to show you our new patterns and the latest style Singer Sewing machines, at prices and terms to suit. We are also receiving new goods in other lines.

GRESHAM MILLINERY STORE.

## STRING BEANS WIN SEAT FOR BUSY WOMAN

Articles left in the Portland street cars are advertised every day in the daily papers. These articles are more or less valuable and are returned to the owners upon identification, but they are a constant source of worry to the officials of the company.

It is probable that the regulations of the street car company prohibit the carrying of numerous articles, otherwise the advertised list would include live animals that would have to be led, pushed, shoved or dragged by the passengers. A person might smuggle in a small dog, cat or chickens, but there is the reservation against putting other passengers to inconvenience.

It is reported, unofficially, that each passenger in a street car is entitled to 17.78 inches of seat or the privilege of hanging to a strap, and a story is told of an elderly matron who struggled into a crowded coach with a huge basket of vegetables fresh from the Yamhill street market. The contents of the basket included a quantity of string beans. She did not get to sit down, but finally rested one corner of her basket on the back of a seat.

Nearly straphangers and others more fortunate regarded her curiously, for she was muttering under her breath, something about "half-past five." The hour was then close to 5, and very resolutely she opened her basket, took up the package of beans and began to string them, heedless of where she was.

Thoughtful men, always mindful of the woman who gets her husband's meals on time, leaped to their feet, and in a moment this conscientious housewife had a dozen times 17.78 inches of seating space at her disposal.

Thus was industry rewarded, but the basket of vegetables was not overlooked when the woman got off and it was not advertised. It is rumored that such packages will hereafter be made to repose on the rear platforms which are made especially large enough to accommodate a whole line of household belongings.

## Rats.

With the approach of cold weather and a lessening of the supply of food in the open there will soon be found evidence that our dwellings have been invaded by rats. We shall soon hear a clatter of pans in the pantry, squeals from the cellar (whether of fight or play we may not know) and a scurrying of feet when we visit the attic. Rats! The rat most common in the United States is the brown rat, usually, but erroneously, called the Norway rat. Its color is grayish brown above and ashy white below, with feet dusty white. This rat, carried on ships, has been distributed all over the world. Originally a native of Persia and of India, it is said to have entered Europe through Russia about 1725 and was brought to America about the opening of the revolutionary war in vessels conveying British and Hessian troops. That this rat abounds in such enormous numbers is due to the fact that the female has from three to five litters a year of ten to twelve at a litter. The first foreign rat to appear in America made its way here from Europe about 1544. It was the black rat, the native habitat of which was central Asia. White rats of this species, albinos, are not uncommon. It was the common house rat until driven off by the brown rat. The tail of the rat naturalists declare to be a wonderful appendage; it has more muscles than the human hand; performs all the functions of a hand, is a balancer and serves as a spring to aid in jumping.

## Pleasant Home Aid Society.

The Pleasant Home Aid society will meet with Mrs. Robert Lansdowne on Wednesday, October 27. Lunch will be served.

## Thanksgiving Dance.

Multnomah grange is preparing for a dance to be given on Thanksgiving night at Orient hall. A turkey supper will be served.—Adv.

There will be a basket social and entertainment at the Hillview school house, Saturday evening, November 6. The proceeds will go toward the purchase of an organ and for other school purposes.

Lucullus sometimes spent more than \$8,500 on a single meal.



MRS. MARY MARKELL

Mrs. Mary Markell, wife of W. E. Markell, the well-known Pleasant Home merchant, passed away at her home early on Sunday morning last, October 24, after a long year of illness and suffering from an incurable cancer. She had been failing rapidly for several days previous to her death which came as a welcome relief at 2:30, as she lay surrounded by her husband, other relatives and a few close friends.

Mrs. Markell was born June 27, 1866, in the province of Ontario. She was married to W. E. Markell at Woodland, Ontario, September 15, 1892. They came here together in 1893, making their residence at Pleasant Home where they became well known, and where Mrs. Markell became active in church and social circles. She was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Pleasant Home from where her funeral took place yesterday afternoon.

Rev. C. M. Brown officiated at the church and at the grave, assisted by Rev. I. H. Wood and Rev. A. B. Calder, interment being made in Mount Scott Park cemetery, a large concourse of sympathizing friends accompanying the cortege to the last resting place of one who had endeavored herself to everyone who knew her.

The pall bearers were Will Calvin, I. N. L. Shriner, John Bramhall, George Blackburn, Albert Quay and A. E. DeHaven.

Besides her husband her immediate surviving relatives are five brothers and two sisters. They are, Harmon E. Robinson, of Wells, Michigan; Sylvanus Robinson, Chesterville, Ontario; James L. Robinson, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Edgar S. and Colburn F. Robinson, New Westminster, B. C., Mrs. Artney Martin, Ottawa, Ontario; Mrs. Maggie Gallinger, Gallingerstown, Ontario. Her brother, Edgar S. Robinson, was with her at the time of her death and at her funeral.

## Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the many friends and neighbors for their sympathy and helpfulness during the long illness of our beloved wife and sister, for the beautiful flowers given her during her illness and for those heaped upon her last resting place; for the use of automobiles so freely offered during the hours of service.

W. E. MARKELL,  
E. S. ROBINSON.

## High School Notes.

Arrangements have been made to furnish the room at the schoolhouse known as the lady teachers' room.

Running water has been piped into the chemistry laboratory.

A reading table will be provided for the use of the pupils, on which will be placed the following periodicals: Oregon Teachers' Monthly, National Geographic Magazine, School Board Journal, Normal Instructor and Primary Plans, Literary Digest, The Independent, Journal of Education, Educational Foundations, Scientific American, The Outlook Magazine, The Bookman, Good Housekeeping, Aus Nah und Ferns, Musical America, The Country Gentlemen, American Cookery or National Food, Manual Training Magazine, The Review of Reviews, Education, North American Review or Atlantic Monthly, Home and Garden.

## Masquerade Ball.

A Hallowe'en mask ball will be given at Regner's hall on Saturday evening, October 30. Parson's four-piece orchestra. Prizes are offered for the best costume and best sustained character. Admission—gents 50 cents; ladies, 25 cents.—Adv. if

Iron rings were used as money by the ancient Britons.

## HOME WEDDING ON SUNDAY LAST

A very pretty home wedding was solemnized by Rev. S. F. Pitts on October 24th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Burch, when their daughter Lela E. Dahlquist was married to Mr. Chas. A. Lockwood of Portland, Oregon. The home was very prettily decorated with autumn leaves and flowers. The bride and groom were attended by Miss Maud Burch and Mr. Ernest Thom. Immediately after the ceremony, which took place at 1 o'clock, a dainty wedding luncheon was served.

Those present were, Mrs. Lillian Grant and daughters, Mrs. Maybell Poulsen and Mrs. Midge Drake of Melstone, Montana, Mrs. C. E. Leavens and sons, Rex and Burt of Banks, Oregon. Mr. and Mrs. Nat. Eddy and daughter of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Burch of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. E. Davidson and son; Mr. T. C. Culbertson, Miss Reta Burch, Mr. Carol Schiller, Miss Maud Burch, Mr. Ernest Thom, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Burch.

Mr. Lockwood is a prominent business man of Portland, being proprietor of the Portland Speedometer Service Station, 333 Ankeny street.

Mr. and Mrs. Lockwood left immediately for a two weeks' stay in Seattle, then will return to their home in Portland.

## PORTLAND LAND SHOW NOW OPEN

PORTLAND, Oct. 25.—(Special)—Once again Oregon's agricultural greatness is emphasized by a magnificent display of soil products. In addition to the tons of fruits, grains, grasses and vegetables, industrial exhibits from the factories of Oregon and the Northwest in general have a most important part in the exhibition covering more than 75,000 square feet.

The exposition opened yesterday, and will continue until midnight, November 13. Every day will bring forth some new feature in the amusement line and low excursion fares by the steam and electric lines serving Portland are an inducement for people to visit the exposition before it closes. Many towns and communities have special days and it is now estimated the total attendance for the eighteen days will exceed 150,000. The show will not be open on Sundays.

The exposition this year is presented by the Portland Chamber of Commerce and directors of the show were chosen from the Oregon Development and the Industries and Manufactures Bureaus, two of the most important in the work of the new organization.

This is the second joint industrial and land show and the third time land products from the state have been displayed in Portland, with the exception of the Lewis & Clark fair of 1905.

The display from the fields, factories, forests and streams of Oregon is the greatest ever made and the exhibition will serve to bring about a better understanding of what Oregon has, will and can produce. The show is already the means of bringing many consumers and producers together with the result that new markets will be opened up for products from counties taking part in the 1915 exposition.

## FREAK LAWS GIVEN FOR SALE REASON

Fred T. Merrill is advertising an auction for next Saturday at the Twelve Mile corners, giving as his reasons for such a sale the high taxes, high cost of living, freak laws, Mollycoddies and inefficient office holders.

He is offering everything including his farms, city property, hotel and everything therein or thereon. The sale will also include his racing mare and twenty other racing horses besides some cows, calves and hogs. The sale will be in at 10 o'clock, last all day and will probably continue on another date if everything is not sold. A hot lunch may be had at the Rose Vista gardens.

Fourteen big steamship lines are considering a plan to have their vessels call at Portland while plying the coast and across the Pacific trade.

One-third of the sufferers from gout in hospitals are painters.

## Football Game

Hill Military Academy  
vs.  
Gresham High School,  
FRIDAY, OCT. 29, at 3:30 Sharp  
On G. H. S. Football Field.  
Admission 25c, 15c

## WORKING FOR LOWER RATES FOR FREIGHT

By L. H. WELLS.  
PORTLAND, Oct. 25.—(Special)—The East Side Business Men's club heard the addresses of R. Louis Yoke, C. L. Mead and L. B. Seeley today at luncheon on the development of the commerce of the Columbia river and the means that are being considered to bring about this development, namely, establishment of freight rates on the Columbia river from Portland to Astoria that will place the Columbia river on a parity with Puget Sound. Mr. Yoke made an extended review of the situation, and pointed out what he considered was the reason that Puget Sound is getting the business of a considerable portion of the Columbia basin, which he declared belongs to the Columbia river, which is in the difference in the freight rates. He said that the main portion of the products of the Columbia river basin are hauled over the mountains to Puget Sound, from which port are regular lines of vessels having regular schedule rates, moving from the natural to the unnatural routes, because of the freight barriers on the Columbia river. He said in part:

"In 1890 the exports of Puget Sound were \$3,326,145, imports, \$305,289; for the Columbia river exports were \$3,371,675; imports, \$996,548. In 1900 Puget Sound exported \$17,903,107, and the imports were \$7,148,563; Columbia river exports were \$8,220,996; and the import \$748,178. In 1910, Puget Sound exported \$30,121,004, and the imports were \$28,910,491; Columbia river exported \$8,192,278, and the imports were \$2,427,976. In 1915 Puget Sound exports were \$67,651,366 and the imports were \$68,446,567; Columbia river exports were \$20,406,266, and the imports were \$3,250,514. These figures present the cold facts that the Columbia river commerce has grown in proper proportion, that our import and export business is principally localized in our immediate territory, and that we have divided a large portion of the business of this territory with Puget Sound. Rail and the ship cannot meet on even terms on the Columbia river on which they meet at Puget Sound. The result has been the disparity of commerce between the Columbia river ports and Puget Sound to the amount of \$112,441,153 in favor of Puget Sound. By removing the freight differentials against all ports from Portland to the sea and allowing the exchange of business to be effected at the most advantageous point the foreign commerce of the Columbia river can and will grow rapidly in our favor."

Mr. Yoke said that a concern of sound financial standing would establish a \$1,000,000 factory on the Columbia river employing 500 men when the Columbia river has rates on a parity with Puget Sound.

Mr. Mead and Mr. Seeley said efforts are being made to restore the commerce of the Columbia river and to that end the clubs establish its rates on the Columbia river on a parity with those of Puget Sound. Later other railways will be asked to do the same thing. If any other plan could be suggested they said they would be glad to support it so that Columbia commerce could be developed. The opinion of J. N. Teal given in 1913 to the effect that this parity of rates must be established or freight would go to Puget Sound.

After hearing the discussion the club decided to give the matter careful study before taking action. U. N. Carpenter, Wilson Benefiel, L. M. Lepper, H. L. Camp and P. B. Egan were appointed to investigate the whole proposition and ascertain that action the other clubs have taken and report back to a special meeting next Thursday when the subject will be considered and passed on. Many leading business and transportation men attended the meeting yesterday.

Establishment of a Social Study Council, a branch of the National Social Council, will probably be the result of the address delivered today before the United Brethren-Evangelical association by Bishop W. M. Bell, president of the National Social Council, which just closed a convention at Los Angeles, Bishop Bell declared in his address yesterday that the church must meet the challenge of the social problems of the day and get closer to the people, or go into the scrap pile. He pointed

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