

ALL CHURCHES AND GRANGES ARE INVITED

All churches and all granges of the state are being notified of the coming convention of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, to be held at the White Temple in Portland, February 13 to 16, and the executive committee for the convention extends the invitation to attend, to all male members of every church organization of Oregon and southwestern Washington.

The convention will be addressed by twelve or fifteen of the most prominent men connected with the missionary movement of the world, both at home and abroad.

No collections will be taken up, nor will money be raised in the convention by any other means. The total cost to each delegate is a registration fee of \$1. In return for that sum of money the delegate is given a ticket that entitles him to attend the lectures given by the great orators who will speak at every session. Delegates who wish to be present should at once send in their names to John A. Goodell, Y. M. C. A. Bldg., Portland, together with the registration fee.

The Portland meeting is one of seventy-five similar meetings to be held in various cities of the United States. They are organized for the purpose of arousing the United States to a sense of the opportunity for spreading the gospel of Jesus throughout the world at a time that offers a great opportunity for the work. The foreign wars have so disorganized society that it is believed the missionary organizations must be called into action to help restore order and peace.

BETTER HOMES OBJECT HOME ECONOMICS

Home Economics was the subject discussed at the high school this afternoon before the girls of the school and a number of the women of the community by Mrs. Helen Bryce Brooks, professor of domestic science and art in Oregon Agricultural college.

Mrs. Brooks defined home economics as the study of anything that has to do with the home. It necessarily has a broad scope, including cooking, sewing, nursing, home sanitation, home decoration, millinery, the management of household buying and other subjects. Mrs. Brooks urged the intelligent use of food products for the preserving of health and the prevention of crime. The knowledge of the various phases of the subject will also aid in the most economic buying and use of materials.

The whole purpose of the introduction of the subject of home economics in the public schools is to make better girls and better women. That is the test of its success, to make a better Oregon by making better homes, better women and better children.

Jogged His Memory.

It was one of those days when it rained without the least warning that a well dressed man stepped in front of a High street business place. He stood with studied look, as though some heavy weight was on his mind. For fully five minutes he stood there thinking, thinking, thinking.

Then it began to sprinkle a little, and he raised an umbrella which he had been tossing from one hand to the other as he went through his different pockets. When he raised the umbrella two letters already stamped fell from it to the ground. They struck first on the hat of the man and then slowly fell down past his face. There was a broad smile, and he picked them up.

"I knew there was something my wife had told me to do, but I couldn't make out for the life of me what it was," he said to another gentleman who stood near by.

The wife had placed two letters in his umbrella. She was certain that there would be a shower and that in no other manner could she be sure of having the letters mailed.

There are about 85,000,000 German speaking people in the world and about 82,000,000 speaking Spanish.

Notice.

After February 1, 1916, my office will be in the Bank of Gresham building, over the Anchor store, entrance on Main street next door to hardware store. DR. WILL OTT.

REVIVAL SPIRIT IN UNION MEETINGS

Meetings preparatory to union revival meetings were held the past week with a very encouraging attendance in view of the stormy weather and the prevalence of sickness. The pastors and members of the Baptist, Free Methodist and Methodist churches are co-operating with the very best of united spirit and efforts. The movement is very commendable and should receive the cordial support of all members and friends of the churches.

There will be preaching at the various churches on Sunday morning by the respective pastors, except that Rev. E. A. Leonard will preach at the Baptist church in exchange with the pastor.

Sunday night there will be a union service in the Free Methodist church with sermon by Rev. J. C. Tibbits.

At 3 p. m. Sunday a union meeting will be held at the Methodist church to plan for a united revival campaign by the churches. All who are in any way interested in this forward movement should be present if possible.

During the coming week the union prayer meetings will be continued as follows: Tuesday night at the Baptist church in charge of Rev. Wm. Plumlee; Wednesday night at the Methodist church in charge of Rev. J. C. Tibbits; Thursday night at the Free Methodist church in charge of Rev. A. C. Brackenbury.

JOSH STORY BY KNARF SEKARF

Once again winter is upon us with its icy blasts and running nose. The snow, once a joke, is now very painful and we are now endeavoring to get up a petition to the mayor to stop it, as it makes navigation hard and is very disagreeable to those who are so unlucky as to have to work for a living. Also, a great disaster is likely to result from this white terror. Main street is liable to overflow its banks and wash away a few people when the snow begins to melt; but let us, one and all, as one person, awake to the fact and prevent this awful calamity.

Horse Traits.

Horses, like many other animals, have dispositions as varied as those of people. Some horses are cheerful, some sullen, some like music, some will follow their master around like a dog, while others, no matter how long they have been well taken care of, seem to have no especial regard for human kind. A farmer tells of a horse that had an inordinate fondness for tinkling or musical sounds. This horse, Ned by name, was fastened to the stall by a light chain running from his halter. Ned discovered that by standing up close to the manger and moving his head up and down he could make the chain jingle. This farmer used to get a great deal of fun out of city folk by hiding them in the barn and having them listen to Ned playing with the chain. The horse's eyes indicated that he enjoyed the performance. If the chain was taken off the halter and a rope substituted it did not take him long to discover that the rope was noiseless. If he were tied to the wagon in the field at noon with the chain halter he was continually rubbing it over some metal object to hear the noise. If Ned were noticed he would give every indication of pleasure, his eyes actually twinkling. Ben was an altogether different horse. Whereas, Ned was always ready to work hard and pull more than his share, Ben shirked every time he could. If he were left standing with his harness on he was never content until he had rubbed against a fence or a post or the barn and pulled it off. If his master walked between Ben and the barn or the fence Ben, instead of getting over to give him room, would crowd the man and pinch him between his body and the wall. While he never kicked a great deal, seeming to regard this form of protest as too much of an effort, he was not to be trusted. Ned would playfully nibble his master's shoulder, while Ben in his ordinary mood would bite savagely without any particular provocation. He seemed to take a fiendish delight in worrying his teammate by biting him and making him uncomfortable generally. As for love of music or any of the delightful traits possessed by Ned, they were utterly foreign to his nature. The farmer summed his disposition up in a few words when he said: "That horse was just naturally good for nothing, just as some people are good for nothing."

Seaweed is made into a composition to take the place of bone for handles of cutlery.

QUALIFICATIONS OF ELMER S. M'CORMICK FOR SUPERINTEN- DENT OF COUNTY SCHOOLS



ELMER S. McCORMICK.

At the primary election May 19, 1916, the republican voters of Multnomah county will select a candidate for county school superintendent of the county.

The county school superintendent has no jurisdiction over the schools of Portland, only the rural schools of the county being under his supervision. Nevertheless, the electors of Portland have a vote on the candidates for this office.

The county school superintendent should be a man of high character, the best of morals, well educated, experienced and competent to successfully manage the schools under his charge. Such a man is Elmer S. McCormick, principal of the Gresham public schools.

Mr. McCormick served two terms as county superintendent of Dickinson county, Kansas. He served as rural supervisor in Clackamas county. He has taught in the country schools, elementary schools, high schools and has served as city superintendent.

His educational training was received in high, normal and business schools of Kansas.

Mr. McCormick has the solid backing of the people of Gresham who appreciate the excellent work he has done for their children. He will also receive the almost unanimous support of the entire rural part of the county as he is the only candidate outside the city of Portland.

It seems but just that an official, such as the county school superintendent, should be chosen from among the people whom it is his duty to serve. Such being the case it appears that the people of Portland should join with those from the county and make Mr. McCormick's nomination unanimous.

Mr. McCormick stands for educating our boys for making a living and our girls for making good homes.

For an industrial club and a parent-teacher association in every district.

For vitalizing the rural course of study in order that the country boys and girls may be taught in terms of their own experience; in other words to make agriculture, home making and the handicrafts the heart of the course of study.

For making every rural school in Multnomah county standard.

For the best equipped corps of teachers in the state for Multnomah county.

For a revival of the county and local teachers' associations.

For making the country school-house the social center for the district.

For co-operation with the state department of education, the state

List of Letters.

Remaining letters uncalled for in the Gresham postoffice for week ending January 23d, 1916:

These letters will be sent to the Letters—H. O. Jellum, dead letter office on February 6th, 1916, if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say advertised, giving date of list.
I. McCOLL, P. M.

All Night Dance.

Multnomah grange hall, Orient, January 29. Supper 50c. Admission 75c. Beers orchestra. Good time assured. 95

The livers of ten codfish are needed to produce a gallon of oil.

schools and the county agriculturist in all things for better schools.

For economy, efficiency, courtesy, promptness and honesty in the management of the office—No Graft.

A Few Testimonials.

Ablene, Kansas, June 1, 1909. TO WHOM PRESENTED:

This will certify that the bearer, Mr. E. S. McCormick, has served as county superintendent of this, Dickinson county, Kansas, for the past four years.

In that time the schools have advanced more than during any other equal period of time during the history of the county.

Mr. McCormick is an indefatigable worker in his chosen profession. He has a very genial disposition, is liked by all and has secured the co-operation of parents, teachers and pupils to a greater degree than his predecessors.

His school fairs, corn and garden contests have been worth thousands of dollars to the people of this county. His annual excursions of the boys and girls to the State Agricultural College have had a decided tendency to keep the boys and girls on the farms.

All parties have united in electing him and all parties wish him success in the future.

Respectfully,
Board of Co. Commissioners,
H. W. KING, Co. Clerk.

Oregon City, Dec. 13, 1915.

To Whom It May Concern:

I take pleasure in certifying that I am personally acquainted with the bearer, Prof. E. S. McCormick, and know him to be a gentleman above reproach.

He served Clackamas county in the capacity of rural school supervisor during the school year 1914-15, and also was a teacher in the training school. His work as supervisor and instructor was highly satisfactory.

He is keen, energetic, enthusiastic, painstaking, possesses a splendid personality, and is well liked by teachers, parents and pupils.

Very truly yours,
J. E. CALAVER,
County School Superintendent.

Coburg, Ore., Dec. 10, 1915.

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that Mr. E. S. McCormick was superintendent and principal of our high school during the years 1911 and 1912 and 1912-1913 and during that time he gave us the very best of satisfaction. He was instrumental in installing the industrial branch of our school, and during the time he was with us our high school nearly doubled, in enrollment. He was well liked by the students and the patrons of the school. He was thorough in all of his work, morally he is of the best, and it gives us great pleasure to recommend Mr. McCormick for any position he may seek.

Respectfully submitted,
MONROE LEACH, Director.
T. Q. GREEN, Director.
GEO. A. DRURY, Clerk.

Eugene, Ore., Nov. 30, 1915.

To Whom It May Concern:

I have known Prof. E. S. McCormick for five years and during the years 1911-12-13-14 he was superintendent of the schools at Coburg, Oregon. He did excellent work while there, having introduced industrial work, both manual training and domestic science and built up the high school from an enrollment of 20 to 35 in the two years. He is a Christian gentleman of high character and a thoroughly competent school man.

Respectfully,
E. J. MOORE, Co. School Supt.

Friday Night, January 28.

You are invited to attend a grand ball given by W. Wilkinson of the Bridal Veil Amusement club in Regener's opera house, Gresham, Friday, night, January 28. New music. Good management. Everybody come. This is the dance announced for the 14th but which had to be postponed on account of the storm.

Eggs and Chix.

Single Comb White Leghorns. Good laying strain. Eggs for hatching, \$1 for 15; \$5 per 100. Orders taken for day-old chicks at \$12 per 100. A. R. Lyman, R. 2, Gresham. tf

Money saving bargains—want ads.

FORMER GRESHAMITES IN RAILROAD WRECK

Word has been received here that Eugene Smith, wife and two sons were in the Great Northern railroad wreck near Corea, 150 miles east of Seattle, last Saturday.

The train was struck by an avalanche, several cars being swept over a cliff, 80 feet down into a gulch. Six were killed.

Mr. Smith and family were in one of the wrecked cars but all escaped alive. Mrs. Smith's collar bone was broken and one of the boys, Ernest, was slightly injured. They were all taken to the Railroad hospital at Everett, where they are being cared for.

Mr. Smith and family were residents of Gresham a few years ago but have lately been living at Spokane. They were on their way to Seattle to visit Mrs. Smith's mother when the accident occurred. Mr. Smith is a brother of Claud Smith, proprietor of the Scenograph theater.

JOLLY YOUNG FOLKS TAKE SLEIGHRIDE

Miss Olive Olsen of "Cedar Place," Troutdale, entertained some of her high school chums and friends with a sleighing party Wednesday evening. The party started on their evening's pleasure at 7:30, not returning till 11:30, to Miss Olsen's home, where all engaged in music and dancing, after which a luncheon was served.

Miss Olsen's guests were, the Misses Harriet Chambers, Florence Towle, Hester Thorpe, Anna Larson and Messrs. Norman Bally, Jack Graham, Roy Olsen, Phillip Thompson, Bruce Furgerson and Robert Strebin. Mr. Emil Olsen acted as chaperon. The girls spent the night at "Cedar Place."

Mr. Bally, Mr. Thompson and Mr. Furgerson were from Portland, Mr. Graham from Los Angeles, California.

Cheese Market in Alkmaar.

Holland is the center of the world's cheese industry, and Alkmaar is the center of the business in Holland. To say that the cheese market is the center of Alkmaar only carries the idea to a logical conclusion. There is nothing to see in Alkmaar but the cheese market, and there is nothing else like the Alkmaar cheese market in the world.

It is only an open square before the town-weigh-house, which was built about 400 years ago for the sole and express purposes of weighing cheese. The square is shut in by little two-story houses with high-pitched roofs that watch the game in bored indifference. They have watched enough cheese go by in the last few centuries to fill up all Holland's canals.

To see the solemn process of marketing cheese it is necessary to rise very early. Before daylight the cheese-wagons and cheese-boats from the country begin pulling up by the square, and tossing out the round golden cheeses to be stacked in long rows on the platform. The men who catch them do it with a smack that echoes back from the shuttered houses and mingles with the clean country odor of fresh cheese.

Then the important officials of the town weigh-house come strolling down, to unlock the big scales and get the cheese-trucks ready. There are five sets of scales, and five squads of weighers and truckmen. Last of all arrive the wholesale and commission merchants who represent capital, and the peace of the square is gone as the great game begins.

The buyers have a hollow conical prong that they poke into a cheese and withdraw it with the hollow filled. This is the process of sampling, and by the time the merchant has sampled 50 or 60 lots, it is a matter of indifference to him whether he has forgotten his breakfast or not. After sizing up the situation, he makes an offer to the owner, who replies with a counter offer, at the same time holding out his hand. If the buyers accepts the price, he clasps the farmer's hand, if it is too high for him, he gives the extended palm a slap that resounds across the square, thus reversing the time-honored convention of striking a bargain.

Telephone Meeting Postponed.

On account of the impassable condition of the roads the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Multnomah & Clackamas Co. Mutual Telephone Co., has been postponed to Monday, February 7, at 2 p. m., by order of the Board of Directors.

EVA ANDERSON, Sec'y.

Ranch for Sale.
My home place for sale or trade. If you want a ranch now's your chance. S. F. Pitts. Phone 32x.

CHINOOK WIND MADE A FLUKE AND GOT AWAY

When that imitation chinook wind and rain from the south began melting the snow late last week the Outlook's prediction that the winter would go busted on the 29th seemed to have been verified and the weather editor was ready to take his place along with Mother Shipton. But the fates decided that his door to fame by the weather route was to be closed again before the crack grew wide enough to let him through.

When the Outlook went to press on Tuesday it was plain that something had gone wrong. A cog had slipped in the forecasting machinery and there was sorrow in the heart of the prophet. There was consolation, however, in the thought that the weather bureau had thrown up the sponge and decided that it didn't know a thing about anything; also, the almanac had lost its dead reckoning and we were at the mercy of any old prognosticator who might keep us in cold and uncomfortable suspense for all time to come.

Then the Outlook's prophet remembered the ground hog, whose appearance is set for Feb. 2d, and the new moon which comes on Feb. 3d. A great white light broke upon his vision—he had failed to consider the ground hog and the new moon in his calculations, and great was his tumble from the proud eminence he had reached in his own mind. Henceforth as a weather forecaster he was nix cum rouse, a piker and a nickle edition of prophetic lore.

Then when the storm broke over the land on Tuesday night it came just as full of life as the first volume, but it was of a new variety. The snow fell in big flakes and covered the bare spots, filled up the trenches and left a mantle of purity over the scenery that made good sleighing, because it was cold again. Then yesterday the wind began blowing the dry snow into drifts again.

Maybe the drifts will get deeper than before; perhaps the schools will stop again and several other things may happen due to the snow and the mercury going down, but it won't be safe to predict anything. The only thing to say for a certainty is that next Wednesday will be ground hog day and that there will be a new moon next Thursday.

A Great Catastrophe.

A comedy in two acts will be given at Pleasant Valley grange hall Saturday night, January 29. Benefit Pleasant Valley school. Admission 10c and 15c. Social and refreshments after program. 96

It is said that since the war broke out the French have had difficulty keeping up the supply of good light wines, of which formerly they partook so freely, and that the alleged French addiction to alcohol is being disproved by the unwillingness of the people to use wines of inferior quality.

Pleasant Home Bakery.

Mrs. T. H. Kennedy, Pleasant Home Bakery, Phone 271, is handling Royal bread from Portland. The bread can be secured also through Markell's Grocery, from Mrs. Kennedy.

In Grand Rapids, Mich., there are four generations of suffragists in the same family. They are Mrs. Sarah Hagenbaugh, age seventy-five, the oldest suffragist in the state; her daughter, Mrs. Fred N. Rowe, and Mrs. Rowe's daughter Eleanor, age ten, who has already made public speeches for the cause.

Thousands of farmers use Lowe Brothers Standard barn paint for painting their barns, silos, fences and outbuildings. It is the most economical barn paint on the market. Ask for color cards at our store. Metzger Bros.—Adv.

One of the queerest requests on record has been received at San Antonio, Texas, from Dr. Guy A. K. Marshall, of the royal bureau of entomology, London. It is for a certain flea, which lives in the eye of a bat, and San Antonio, the only town in the world with a municipal bat roost, is about the proper place to go for it.

Tailoring.

For men and women—cleaning, pressing and repairing done well. Peter Lenard, Powell street.

The waste occasioned by coins rubbing together is said to cost the world a ton and a quarter of gold and eighty-eight tons of silver annually.