

TELEPHONE HAS QUORUM THIRD CALL

The third time was the charm, sure enough, and the gathering of stockholders of the local telephone company yesterday was large enough to overreach a majority—with the proxies that were used.

Of the 279 shares of the company there were found to be 156 answering to roll call when Chairman Dowsett announced the result. Several stockholders came in a little later.

As but 140 votes were needed to transact business, it was agreed by some not to use their proxies and about thirty were voted.

After the minutes of last year's meeting and the annual report had been read the chairman called for nominations to fill the two places on the board of directors made vacant by the expiration of the five-year terms of W. A. Proctor and E. S. Jenne.

Mr. Proctor declined to become a candidate again and named Robert Jonsrud of Kelso as his successor. The others placed in nomination were E. S. Jenne, Richard Tegart and Dan Mickle. The first ballot resulted in the choice of Mr. Jonsrud and Mr. Jenne.

The question of a parity in rates between party line residences and residences on independent or single trunk lines was brought up by Charles Cleveland, who claimed that the latter residences were being discriminated against, in being compelled to pay business house rates. No action was taken, although it was shown that the single-line residences were charged the same as business houses—two dollars a month, while all others residences were being charged but one dollar and twenty cents a month.

ORDERS ARE GIVEN TO HIS SERVANTS

"You are my servants and I want prompt action," writes R. H. Thompson, of 1097 Cleveland avenue, to the board of county commissioners in a communication in which he asks relief from property damage because of road drainage on the Base Line road.

"You have allowed water, silt and sand to flow through cultivated fields, cut ditches and uproot fences to the detriment of property owners," writes Mr. Thompson. "Tell your roadmaster to come out and see me and I shall be glad to offer a few suggestions to him."

The letter was placed on file by the board. Mr. Thompson has written as many as three complaints a week to the board.

The land in question is the former Eaker place at the intersection of the Base Line and Troutdale roads. The alleged damage has been the result of the fill made at the foot of the hill last year when the Base Line was hard surfaced. Insufficient drainage is alleged.

CHANTICLEER DANCE NEXT SATURDAY EVE

Mrs. Lillian M. Pymale, proprietress of Chanticleer, has sent out word that an informal dancing party will be held there next Saturday evening. Several in Gresham have received special invitations and there will be a good crowd from Portland. Chanticleer dances are becoming famous.

The Man With Sand.

If you're down and out—discouraged—
And your very soul hangs loose,
And you ask yourself the question,
Weary, heart-sick, what's the use?
Just remember that you're needed,
In this grim old world of ours,
That you're a part of it (we need you)
In its sunny times and showers,
And although it may seem useless,
More than human soul can stand,
You belong to the Creator, and the
Lord loves men with sand.

1916 hunting and fishing licenses for sale by Sterling-Kidder Hardware company.—Adv.

For the convenience of travelers an English firm is compressing tea into blocks resembling plumb tobacco.

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.

EDUCATORS WILL SPEAK AT MEETING

A local school institute and educational meeting will be held at the Gresham high school on Saturday, February 26, there will be a morning session from 10 to 12 and an afternoon session from 1:30 to 3:30.

County Superintendent Armstrong has communicated to the Outlook in part the plan for this educational meeting and it promises to be an exceptionally helpful occasion. It is for all who are in any way connected with or interested in the schools, either grammar or high, and this includes teachers, parents and children, the older students especially. It is hoped that people from all districts surrounding Gresham will come.

On the program are Prof. H. C. Seymour, of the Oregon Agricultural college who will thoroughly discuss the matters pertaining to school clubs and school gardening, the raising and exhibiting of stock and vegetables by the school children.

On this same line, county agriculturist, S. B. Hall, and Multnomah county fair president and manager, H. A. Lewis, will talk. It will be suggested what are now to make them successful.

Miss Ruby Shearer, of the Portland school system, will discuss the subject of reading in the first, second and third grades. This is a very important subject and Miss Shearer knows how to make it interesting and profitable for all to hear.

Principal Goodwin of the union high school will talk on "What the high school has done this year and what it hopes to do next year."

Superintendent Armstrong will discuss correspondence work in connection with our school system.

Principal E. S. McCormick, of the Gresham grammar school, is also on the program for a topic not yet announced.

A round table will be conducted in connection with the various topics presented for short talks and expression of opinions.

A good musician or entertainer will accompany Superintendent Armstrong and assist in making the program entertaining as well as instructive.

Let all parents, who are interested in the education of their children, resolve to get the fullest benefit from this educational treat.

OBSTRUCTED OUTLET FLOODS RACETRACK

Water still covers the race track to the depth of four or five feet. The same body of water extends north to Division street and creates a lake that covers more than fifteen acres. On the fair grounds it is still flooding the floor of the machinery hall and is two feet deep in the racing association stalls.

While not much damage is apparent it is a source of annoyance to the fair association, N. L. Smith and J. N. Clananah, owners of the flooded property. They are preparing to take some notice of conditions and determine why their lands should be flooded, when heretofore there has been a natural outlet for the water across the property south of the race track, which outlet is now obstructed.

LEAP YEAR DANCE BY ORIENT GIRLS

Last Saturday's dance at Orient, given by Multnomah grange, was a glittering success in every way, and it was announced that a leap year dance would be given on Saturday evening, March 11, which will be entirely under the control of the leap-year girls of that neighborhood.

Eggs and Chicks.

S. C. White Leghorns, hatching eggs \$5 per 100, \$1 per fifteen; day-old chicks \$12 per 100; White Wyandotte cock and cockerel for sale. Griffin strain, from prize winning stock. A. R. Lyman, Gresham, R. 2.

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.

Tailoring.

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

See the new type Z engine in Sterling & Kidder's window.

GRESHAM IS PROMISED FIRST-CLASS BASEBALL

Wm. O. Ross, Fred Gardner and a couple of young lady fans of Seattle cousins of Mr. Ross, were in Gresham today looking over the ball grounds. Mr. Ross says that work will begin at once on the grounds in preparation for this season's games. The condition of the grounds is considered very favorable as to location and the boys promise to put the ball park in good shape. All arrangements have been made with players and the franchise has been placed for the Inter-city league team at Gresham, to be known as the Gresham Giants. The schedule of games will be published in the Outlook.

Harold Kern has been appointed business manager and will oversee the work of improving the grounds and erecting a grandstand. Tom Townsend will be in the line-up of the team.

The Gresham Giants will be some "Giants" in the baseball field this summer and Mr. Ross has issued a challenge to any team in the Northwest, barring none. This includes Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane, etc. Two games will be scheduled with the Tacoma team, which has heretofore been going to Sacramento.

This certainly means good ball for the lovers of the great American game in not only all eastern Multnomah but will draw largely from Portland also. All ball fans are urged to give this plan their hearty support.

Fred Gardner is to be third baseman and when he grips your hand you will conclude that he can hold onto the ball when on duty at his place.

HIGHWAY BONDING IS OPPOSED

By L. H. WELLS.
PORTLAND, Feb. 21.—Special.—

"How Can the Grange Secure Market, Roads and Scenic Highways," was discussed at the meeting of Milwaukee grange Saturday afternoon, the main address being delivered by C. B. Hanson, master of the grange. Mr. Hanson presented a plan to have market roads in the country built by districts, to be partly paid for by the abutting property and the balance paid for by a district of about one mile on each side of this road.

This plan, said Mr. Hanson, would permit the construction of market roads into communities without an excessive burden being placed on property owners. Mr. Hanson urged the enactment of a law providing for these district where farmers wanted them, and would take the control of the road construction away from the county and put into the hands of the people directly interested. He pointed out that road money was often collected in one district and used to improve roads in another district.

"Our present method of road building is not fair, he said. 'For instance, Oak Grove road district has been paying about ten mills special road tax and paid that much this year and improved the roads there, while the district beyond does little or nothing. We need uniform road laws to prevent this inequality so that continuous market roads may be built and not short sections as in the case of Oak Grove district. We do not want the push clubs and the commercial clubs to dictate where and when we shall build roads.'

All the speakers said that they were opposed to issuing bonds for road construction and favored continuous special tax for road building.

In the death of Mrs. Katherine Perth Riesacher, wife of John Riesacher, at her home, 550 East Salmon street, there passed a resident of Portland of more than 50 years. She was born in Steyer, on the Rhine, Germany, February 28, 1836, and came to New Haven, Conn., in 1859, where she met her future husband. He came to California and in 1865 arrived in Portland, where she was married to John Riesacher by Judge P. A. Marquam. Five children were born to them, three of whom are living—Dr. S. Riesacher and John Riesacher and Mrs. Mary Janke, of Portland. Miss Rosa Riesacher, a daughter, who died was a well known musical teacher in Portland. Mrs. Riesacher was a German mother and housewife of the old type, finding her happiness in the bosom of her home. She and her venerable husband were married more than 50 years. He was for 20 years president of the Portland German Aid society and is now the president emeritus. Mrs. Riesacher was charter member of the German Ladies' Relief society and German Red Cross society. Funeral was held from the family residence 550 East Salmon street at 2 p. m.

"In transferring the plant of the Milwaukee Water company to the city of Milwaukee for \$5500 I am losing about \$10,000," said B. M. Fisch, head of the company. Mr. Fisch stated that he had invested something over \$15,000 in establishing the

plant, making improvements and laying mains, all of which goes to the city for \$5500. The Milwaukee Water company was the first to be established in Milwaukee, and was started when the income was small, but Mr. Fisch and his associates had faith in the town and went ahead, laid the mains and pumped water from wells.

A considerable portion of the old mains can be used—in the municipal plant in the distribution system, where they can carry the pressure of Bull Run water which is very heavy in Milwaukee. The new mains of the Bull Run system will all be iron pipe, laid with reference to a possible annexation to Portland and carry the heavy pressure. Fire hydrants will be placed on all large mains, providing the town with ample fire protection.

The completed Bull Run system, with the Fisch plant will represent an investment of \$50,500, \$45,000 being in long-time water bonds, and \$5500 in warrants payable to the water company in four years.

A special election has been called in Milwaukee for March 4 at which time the people will vote on the question of authorizing the council to take over the plant of the Milwaukee Water company for \$5500 the stipulated price. B. M. Fisch, owner of the plant states that he will practically lose his entire investment when the sale is finished.

Construction of the railway of the Portland & Oregon City railway is completed from Milwaukee to Baker's bridge, on Clackamas river, a distance of 25 miles, and cars are making trips. Carver is the name of the station at Baker's bridge, and here a depot will be built and a town started. The track will be extended to Viola this year, it is announced, which will bring railway facilities well into the Logan country, and open up a rich district to railway traffic. This line will tap a rich and growing country, with great possibilities. It cost about \$250,000 so far, but the equipment is still to come, including the rolling stock. It is announced that a Eubank motor car may be used on this line, and not electricity. At present steam power is used. There is strong probability that this line will eventually be extended south for 75 miles and open the country along the western side of the Cascade range of mountains.

Mrs. Ellen A. Hutchins, who had been a resident of Oregon for forty-six years, died at her home, 725 Hawthorne avenue, Tuesday night, where she had lived for twelve years. She was the widow of the late B. P. Hutchins to whom she was married in 1870, June 6, at Boston, Massachusetts, and they came to Oregon the same year, making the voyage by water around Cape Horn, locating in Tillamook county where they lived till 1892. Mrs. Hutchins was the mother of seven children, five of whom still live and were at her bedside during her illness: Mrs. Thomas Darling, of Ocean Park, Cal.; Mrs. James Duff, Mrs. Laura E. Condon and B. P. Hutchins, of this city; and Mrs. George R. Hooper, of Los Angeles, California.

SENTENCED FOR DECADE IN PRISON

Twelve days ago Nicholas Berry and Bert Ferguson came out to Gresham to hold up some Japanese farmers. They were successful in robbing two families in their own homes, but they were not quite as successful in making their get-away.

Ferguson was caught at Linne-mann Junction by Constable Squire, but Berry got away for the time being after taking a shot at Marshall McKinney. Berry gave himself up the next day.

Yesterday they were sentenced by Judge Phelps in the circuit court to serve ten years each in the penitentiary at Salem.

Both are young men but have bad records. Berry says he is 19 and Ferguson 17, but it is known that both are four or five years older than that. Berry has a wife aged 19. Ferguson is Berry's nephew.

The minimum sentence that can be given for their crimes is ten years. The maximum is life, but Judge Phelps was lenient. In giving them the sentence he said:

"I am allowing you the minimum sentence. I cannot parole you because you have already broken a parole. I regret that young men of your age must be placed behind bars for ten of the best years of your lives, but I am tied down by the wisdom or lack of wisdom, of the legislature that made the law."

Mrs. Berry sobbed in court when the sentence was given, and when her young husband was taken away she shouted wildly. Later, in a visiting cell at the county jail, she talked to him a long while as he held their baby.

The case is a pathetic one from the poverty standpoint, as Berry had no money and his wife was ill. He said, "I couldn't pay the doctor or a nurse. I had to do something." He chose unwisely in doing "something" and will pay the penalty while his wife and baby are left to struggle on alone.

A third man named Griffith who was arrested at Berry's home near Lents, was not implicated in the affair so far as is known.

HOME ECONOMICS CLUB FORMED

On Monday afternoon the Home economics girls of union high school, No. 2, held a meeting and organized a Home Economics club. The object of this club will be to stimulate interest in all that pertains to home-making and housekeeping. It will also tend to create better co-operation between the teachers, girls and mothers interested in the home. The officers elected were: president, Frances Bliss; vice president, Marie Lane; secretary and treasurer, Lucy Peterson.

Meetings will be held every four weeks. The first meeting will be in the near future, when Mrs. Seeley, head of the department of physical education for women at the Oregon Agricultural college, will be present and talk on physical culture.

The girls of the high school and teachers, and all mothers who are interested in home economics are invited to join and take an active part. The girls expect to make this club the most interesting and beneficial of its kind.

YOUNG FOLKS TO DANCE AT ROCKWOOD

A gathering of the younger society set will be held at the Rockwood Maccabee hall next Saturday night. The Schantin family orchestra will furnish music for dancing, but it has been decreed that all the old people and kids are to be barred.

Buried at Pleasant Home.

John Wesley Burrell, aged 25, died at Kelso on February 12, and was buried at Pleasant Home last Tuesday.

The tortuous Alaskan coast has so many indentations and promontories that its actual length is greater than that of the United States seaboard proper, all told more than 26,000 miles.

The Saxon government has bought several large brown coal fields in the vicinity of Leipzig with a view to the eventual electrification of its state railways.

DAIRYMEN'S REMEDY FOR LOW PRICES

County Agriculturist S. B. Hall is making an effort to strengthen the weak creameries and suggests that the local dairymen should make a mental note of the statement of J. D. Mickle, State Dairy and Food Commissioner in connection with their marketing if they wish to stay in the business and make profits. Mr. Mickle says:

"Weak country creameries are being crowded to the wall by a system that is slowly but surely sapping the life blood of every creamery in the state that does not have access to a local market where it can dispose of enough of its products regularly to the retailer at a price that will enable it to pay for the butterfat purchased. In order to remedy this situation an attempt is being made by the country creameries to co-operate in the production and marketing of their products."

Mr. Mickle further explained the purpose of a co-operative association as follows:

"The improvement of the product of every creamery in the organization; the standardization of the butter of all creameries in the organization, moisture, etc.; the selling of all butter, whether locally or otherwise, under one brand, namely the brand of the association; the establishment of a central sales agency which will handle and control the sale of the entire output of all creameries in the association, reserving to each creamery its own local trade as far as possible; the selling of all butter passing through this agency as association product; assistance to the dairymen in their efforts to produce a better grade of cream; to obtain a more satisfactory market for surplus butter of all creameries in the association."

ANSPACH FAMILY TENDERED FAREWELL

Last Friday evening the people of Rockwood and vicinity gave Frank H. Anspach and family a farewell reception in the grange hall. About one hundred were present, who enjoyed themselves in various ways, including card playing, dancing and conversation.

At midnight a supper was spread in the dining room, and during its progress Mrs. Ida Burgess, master of Rockwood grange, on behalf of those present made Mr. Anspach a gift of a set of orange spoons. The recipient responded feelingly but briefly, being entirely overcome with his emotions at the mark of esteem shown him by the neighbors whom he and his family are leaving.

The family will move to Portland, and later expect to go to their recently acquired farm near Walla Walla.

TROUTDALE HOST OF QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

The second quarterly conference of the Fairview circuit of the Methodist church was held last Friday at the Troutdale church, a good attendance being present. District Superintendent T. B. Ford presided and prefaced the business session with a helpful address. A fine lunch was served in the basement of the church by the Troutdale Ladies' Aid. The third quarterly conference will be held in Fairview on a date not yet decided upon.

Those attending the meeting from Fairview were Rev. and Mrs. B. C. Brewster, Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Dunbar, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Burlingame, Mrs. J. W. Benecke, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Burlingame, Mrs. S. C. Dixon, Mrs. J. W. Moller and Mrs. J. H. Peterson. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Rowen from the Rockwood charge were also present.

Death of Mrs. Frances Forbes.

Mrs. Frances M. Forbes, formerly of Rockwood and well known throughout eastern Multnomah, died in Portland last Friday. She was buried today in Riverview cemetery, services being held at the Holy Redeemer church near Woodlawn where some of her relatives live.

Mrs. Forbes was 35 years of age and leaves a husband, James Forbes, to whom she had been married about four years. She is also survived by her mother, Mrs. McLennon and a sister, Mrs. James Elwood.

STUMP PULLING outfit for sale at a bargain. Sterling-Kidder Hardware company.