

A SEWER FOR PORTION OF MAIN STREET

Mayor Stapleton has issued a call for a mass meeting of the taxpayers of Gresham to a meeting to be held tomorrow—Wednesday—night for the purpose of getting their sentiment in regard to a sewer on Main street, from Third street to Johnson creek. The meeting will be held in Regner's hall.

Measurements were taken yesterday, showing the distance to be about 750 feet. It is proposed to lay an 18-inch tile, about 9 feet below the surface at a cost of about \$1500, which will be paid for out of the general fund of the city, and which will be raised by a tax of about one mill for each of the three coming years.

The plans will permit of an extension whenever the conditions require and it is imperative that the sewer be laid before the hard surfacing is done by the property owners in connection with that to be done by the county. If it is done at this time there will be no costs for engineering, as the county engineers have already made the necessary surveys.

The proposed 18-inch sewer would be a sanitary conduit as well as a storm sewer. Nothing less would answer both purposes.

The valuation of the city's taxable property is \$580,175, and a one-mill tax for three years would pay the cost.

Mayor Stapleton has asked the advice of the county engineer on the matter and is in receipt of the following:

"I find that on account of the depth of your present curbs the pavement will be considerably below the surrounding territory and will require drainage to be placed at the time the pavement is laid. There are two methods which might be followed.

"First: To lay an eighteen-inch pipe approximately nine feet below the surface of the paving to be connected at suitable intervals to grates in the gutters. This pipe would be deep enough to use for either storm or sanitary sewer.

"Second: To lay a twelve-inch pipe approximately three feet below the surface of the pavement—suitably connected with gratings which would be suitable only for water from the streets. Either of the above methods would be perfectly satisfactory to the county.

"I might state that if it is decided by your council to lay the eighteen inch pipe that this pipe need not be laid only under the three blocks of pavement which you intend to pave this year, but as it is laid on a grade of one in one thousand it could be continued later to the railroad track and would probably carry all of the water east of Main street, for many years to come.

"The reason for laying the pipe nine feet in depth was to catch any drainage from the basements in the central part of the city, either sanitary or storm water.

"The twelve inch pipe could not be extended beyond the pavement completed at present, and would be purely of a temporary nature and would be unfit for further use in case you decided to build an extensive sewage system."

GRESHAM CHAUTAUQUA WILL BE HELD IN JUNE

The Ellison-White Chautauqua system, promoters of the plan to organize an association here have written as follows:

"We have made final adjustments of Chautauqua schedule and your definite dates are to be from June 11th to 16th inclusive. Advertising matter will be forthcoming soon and we hope that a permanent Chautauqua organization can be formed to co-operate with us throughout the campaign."

Two of a Kind.

A young matron, giving a dinner party, was nervous lest the new cook might not prove equal to the occasion. Going down to the kitchen at the eleventh hour, she exclaimed: "Why, Ellen! If we haven't forgotten all about the entrees!"

"Sure enough we have, mum!" replied Ellen, pouring in mid-air a large platter she was wiping. "Ain't we the couple of blunder-headed mutts!"

Leap Year Pie Social.

A leap year pie social will be held at the Powell Valley schoolhouse, Saturday evening, March 18, for the benefit of the Parent-Teachers' association. All are requested to bring pies, which will be sold to the highest bidder, the bidders being the women. Cake and coffee will be served, besides pie.—Adv.

FIRST SESSION OF ADVISORY COUNCIL HELD

A meeting of County Agriculturist S. B. Hall's advisory council was held yesterday afternoon at the Gresham library, every delegate from the ten granges in the county being present; also, Paul V. Maris, state agent.

This being the first meeting of the council the business was largely an outline of plans as suggested by Mr. Hall. He focused attention upon the important problems confronting the selection of seeds and crop rotation.

Mr. Hall has been conducting experiments in testing soils for acidity and has so far found none exempt. The discussion turned upon all the above subjects and branched off into others.

James Kelly, of Evening Star grange, said that the hardest problem would be to get the information to all the farmers and get them to consent to assist in the experiments.

After some discussion on that point it was decided that the best plan to interest the farmers would be by the direct letter system as each subject of experimentation came up.

Mr. Hall explained that it would take two years to make complete tests in soil inoculation by demonstrations so as to get figures for convincing arguments.

A feature of the work before the council will be to get the cost of production from every source. By doing so and co-operating with the agents in the other counties it was thought that within two years all seeds could be bought much cheaper direct from producer and in large quantities.

The meeting closed with the election of H. A. Lewis as permanent chairman and Mr. Hall as secretary. All the members of the council were invited to be at Pomona grange tomorrow, in Woodlawn. The next regular meeting will be called by the president upon request of Mr. Hall.

A RECORD CHECK FOR JERSEY CREAM

B. C. Altman, the owner of 25 Jersey cows, living four miles east of Gresham received the sum of \$344 for cream sold during the twenty-nine days of February.

During the past four months he has received not less than \$310 for one month, and for a part of that time he was milking but 19 cows. His stock is not of the fancy kind, for show purposes, but is of the utility breed.

Mr. Altman is a breeder of Jersey cattle and keeps a close tab on other breeders. He states that a yearling Jersey bull was recently sold by Ed. Carey of LaFayette to the Polytechnic school of California for \$1200. This is the record price for an Oregon raised calf. Its dam is St. Mawes Susie with a record of 938 pounds of butter for one year.

Maps of Oregon.

The library has just received copies of the new maps prepared by the Columbia River Power Project committee. One map shows the acreage of each county of Oregon which is not subject to taxation by the state. Another shows the state lands that are taxed, the unsurveyed sections, the O. & C. Land Grant and all the reservations.

His One Accomplishment.

A little boy of five was invited to a children's party. The next day he was giving an account of the fun, and said that each of the little visitors had contributed either a song, a recitation, or music for the pleasure of the rest.

"Oh, poor little Jack!" said the mother. "How very unfortunate you could do nothing!"

"Yes, I could," mother, replied the young hopeful. "I stood up and said my prayers."

Grand Ball.

In Regner's opera house, Gresham, Friday, March 17. You are invited to attend this event. Good floor management. New music by Prof. W. F. Kolkosky's orchestra. Supper will be served cafeteria style. Dancing 8:30 to 3 a. m. Gents 50c. Ladies 25c.—Adv.

Multnomah Grange Dance.

A dance will be given at Multnomah grange hall at Orient, Saturday night, April 1, by the grange. Music by Beers' orchestra. Good supper 50c a couple. Tickets 75c.—Adv.

Bargains in the Want Ads.

CO-OPERATION TAKING SHAPE BEYOND SANDY

Co-operation is in the air and is taking tangible shape on a modest scale. The small scale seems to be the best and is indorsed by County Agriculturist S. B. Hall, who believes that a few persons can start an enterprise more easily and with greater success than a large number of persons. Later on they can work together, helping each other, and finally amalgamate in a large and powerful organization.

Over beyond the Sandy river, near the No. 1 union high school, is a modest little store managed by W. G. Hicks, who is the head of the Eastern Multnomah Farmers' club. It organized primarily for the purpose of buying and selling every commodity used by the members who number thirty-five. The buying committee is S. M. Davis, George H. Chamberlain and J. Ward Evans.

Mr. Hicks acts as manager and secretary and sells goods to anyone indiscriminately, but when any of the members buy they get lower prices on every commodity.

When the members want anything on a large scale they order through the secretary, and direct. In that way they are able to save considerable money. An instance occurred only last week when orders for a full carload of lime for soil application was subscribed for and ordered in twenty minutes. Probably one-half of the ordinary cost was saved in that one transaction.

Among the principal articles on which the club will save money this season will be land plaster, flour, feed, seeds and machinery. The reduction in land plaster alone this spring, will be about \$4 a ton which will be bought in carload lots.

The general plan is to let one man attend to the business of keeping the store, of which he is the owner. He is able to make legitimate profits on all his customers and a small percentage on the large purchases of the club members. It is such an easy plan to follow that all the members are regular patrons of the store for small articles.

Such a plan could be carried out anywhere if a few would get together, select their store and follow co-operation in buying and selling.

MONTESANO COUPLE LEASES HONEY PLACE

Harold Jones and Miss Frances Bower, both of Montesano, Washington were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents in Montesano, last Friday, March 10. Mr. and Mrs. Jones have come to Gresham and will make their home on the Alfred Honey place, about two miles south of here, which they have leased for a number of years. Mr. Jones was here for a few weeks early in October last year, but returned to Montesano, where his mother lives.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones have lived in Montesano for a number of years and have a large circle of friends. They are also well known in church circles, and are members of the Methodist Episcopal church.

All Day Farmers Meeting.

The East Multnomah Cow Testing association will hold its regular quarterly meeting on March 25th. It will take the nature of a farmer's picnic and all-day meeting. There will be a good program before noon and afternoon and a basket dinner at noon. There will be a program for the women as well as for the men. Local farmers will appear on the program as well as some of the best outside talent available. This meeting is open to everybody and their families. Come early and bring something to add to the dinner. The program will be announced in a few days.

Dramatic Reader.

Mrs. J. T. Starbird of Portland, dramatic reader, will be pleased to meet all young people interested, at the assembly hall in the grade school at 2 p. m., Saturday, March 18.—Adv.

"Go away from me," said the fashionably dressed woman to the tramp. "I wouldn't have you touch me for a dollar." "I was only going to touch you for a dime, lady."

enemy of the germs that cause colds, therefore, there is a good reason for the argument that eating raw onions will cure colds.

BASEBALL PROMISED ON APRIL 2

The big Inter City Base Ball League carnival and dance to be held in the Armory in Portland, on March 15, 16, 17 and 18, promises to be one of the greatest innovations in the line of amusements that has ever been pulled off in that city. It will be run entirely by the bushers comprising the teams of the league. Concessions have already been granted to several and the great variety of different amusements will certainly eclipse all expectations.

The big feature of the carnival will be the Jitney Jubilee dance. All the latest steps will be demonstrated for the pleasure of the crowd every evening by a team of well known dancers.

Lo Edwards, better known to the sporting world by the name of "Frisco," will be the official "ballyhoo" and spieler for all of the big attractions. Efforts are being made to secure a grand opera star of prominence to sing on St. Patrick's evening. R. Bradley Smith, a well known singer around town, has kindly donated his services for some of the evenings.

The Gresham Giants will be in prominence in their new uniforms, on the concessions and keeping order in the mammoth crowd that is sure to attend.

The management of the carnival are endeavoring to obtain a few acts from one of the prominent vaudeville houses to furnish high class singing acts on one of the evenings.

This affair is to be annual so all connected with it are working to the best of their ability to make it a grand success. It is hoped that all lovers of semi-pro base ball will give this venture their kind support as it will encourage the boys to a great extent and the management assures all who attend that they will not regret it.

The plans of the league are now formulated and some excellent base ball is promised the towns holding franchises, as the best talent obtainable has been secured and the brand of ball is going to be above the par of any heretofore furnished in this vicinity.

Handsome trophies will be awarded to the leading hitter, base stealer and the most valuable man in the league, same to be chosen by a committee of prominent sportsmen picked without any favoritism.

At the present time Gresham club musters one of the strongest line-ups in the circuit. Such men as "Leapy" Lind, ex-Coast Leaguer, Jess Stranahan, one of the fastest men ever turned out in Eastern Oregon and George White, ex-Coast League backstop who was a couple of years back the sensation of the Canadian League.

William Ross, manager of the Gresham team, is giving his best efforts to placing a team in Gresham which will do credit to the town and at the present time it appears that his fondest hopes will be fully realized.

The men under contract for the Gresham Giants team are, Roy Lund, Tom Townsend, "Biddy" Bishop, W. R. Phillips, Geo. (Faker) White, I. Wiley, Leo (Frisco) Edwards, H. G. Lytle, Eddie Bogart, Billie Stepp, Johnnie Newman, J. E. Claxton, "Lefty" Schroeder, Jess Stranahan, J. Fowler, Fred W. Garner, Fritz McKeen, Paul Ogden, W. (Ducky) Holmes, Phillip (Leapy) Lind, manager, Jack Cota, R. Patterson, Jim "TyCobb" Manning, Frank Hamlin.

The opening game will be played on the Gresham grounds, Sunday, April 2, unless interfered with by the weather, between the Gresham Giants and the Sellwood team. Lumber is on the ground for the high-board fence and a row of bleachers. The work is being pushed along by Harold Kern as rapidly as possible.

Pumping Plant

For sale cheap. One Leader pressure tank, 1 horse Stover gasoline engine. Myers pump and jack, everything complete and in good working order. E. Davidson, Gresham. Phone 509

Cylindrical barrels for packing Spanish grapes were tested during the last season and were favorably reported on both in England and the United States. They were invented by a resident of the Spanish port of America, from which huge exports of grapes are made every year.

FIELD AGENT BIDDING FOR POTATO SEED

It has developed that a California firm of commission men, operating in San Francisco, is endeavoring to get control of the seed potato market and is making every effort to corner the business in this county.

They have an agent in the field making contracts with farmers for this year's crop, but are offering ridiculously low prices. They want 50 carloads next winter and are tying up their victims with contracts for certified seed potatoes at 75 cents per hundred pounds.

An investigation of the matter reveals the fact that the seed potatoes must be of an extra good quality. They must be free of any disease as there is a stringent California law against the importation of diseased potatoes for seed. There are no such restrictions placed upon potatoes for table use.

Further investigation bears out the idea that such potatoes as are required cannot be grown at a profit for 75 cents a hundred. Their market price is about four times that sum.

There will be a strong opposition to the California men through the efforts of County Agent Hall and his advisory board. If a demand for Oregon seed potatoes exists in California to the extent of 50 carloads the farmers here will get the benefit by selling direct after they are grown and not through contracts made in advance.

POMONA GRANGE AT WOODLAWN

Tomorrow's meeting of Pomona grange at Woodlawn promises to be exceedingly interesting. Politics are just beginning to simmer and there will be the usual bunch of favor seekers who will be wanting an opportunity to say something more or less interesting.

But the principal event that will concern the grange will be a report from a special committee appointed to look into the receipts and disbursements of the Oregon state grange for the four years preceding this one.

The matter came up at the last session of Pomona on a resolution from Rockwood protesting against the increase in the per capita dues to the state grange. The committee has its report ready and it will prove of considerable interest.

Between the Acts.

The Christian Endeavor society of the Montavilla Christian church will present their popular play, "Between the Acts," to be given for the benefit of the Troutdale Ladies' Aid society, at the Masonic hall, Troutdale, on Friday evening, March 17. This is a bright, clean play, with many laughs and ludicrous situations, and the players are highly praised for their interpretation of their parts. Admission 25 and 15 cents.

Bone Grafting Operation.

D. W. Olds, son of E. D. Olds, of Oak Grove was taken to Good Samaritan hospital in Portland Saturday and was operated upon. Dr. Rockey removed a portion of sound bone from his left leg and grafted it in his right leg, which was badly injured while Olds was working on a bridge near Bull Run last summer, mention of which was made in the Outlook at the time.

Will Arrive Soon.

Coming, March 23, 1000 baby chicks. Hatched just the right time for winter layers. Order early, they will go fast. White Knoll Poultry Farm, Troutdale. Phone 434. tf

Pigeons.

A few pair of good workers for sale, also White Leghorn eggs for setting, best laying strain of Coast, 5c an egg. C. I. Thomas, R. 1, Troutdale, phone 151. tf

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INDICATES REMISSION SOMEWHERE

By L. H. WELLS.

PORTLAND, March 13—Special—"I am an American citizen first, last and all the time, although I am of German birth and speak the German language, having been here for thirty years," said Rev. G. F. Lening, pastor of the First German Evangelical church, in his address today before the United Brethren Evangelical Ministerial association.

His subject was "Effects and Causes," whether the church is a success or failure and whether the United States is a christian nation. Measured by certain standard Mr. Lening held that the church is not a success and the United States is not a christian nation. He raised the question whether the church is doing its whole duty by society and getting hold of the world as it should, and pointed to the international conflicts and strifes as indicating remission somewhere. Referring to the war Rev. Lening said it might be supposed he was pro-German, but he declared he was not, and spoke as an American citizen, and pointed to the shipment of munitions of war as some evidence of the un-christian character of the nation.

"I do not offer a remedy for these conditions," said Rev. Lening, "and offer these thoughts for the consideration of the association."

It was the consensus of opinion that the church is doing its part in saving the world and making more progress than ever.

"I don't like any one to say this country is not a christian nation," said Rev. T. R. Hornschuch, "for I feel that it is, and I love this country. While recognizing the points raised by the speaker I believe the church is making substantial progress."

Authorized by the Sellwood Board of Trade at the meeting held last night to prepare a rose and floral center for the Rose Festival this year, the Sellwood Rose and Floral society, a subsidiary organization, will at once appoint committees and start preparations. This society was organized by the Board of Trade to handle Sellwood's part in the festival, and an early start will be made to avoid the rush and confusion at the last minute, beside a much better display can be made. Mrs. H. C. Hendee is president and Mrs. W. D. Palmer secretary of the society.

A. N. Willis reported adversely on the plan for municipal golf grounds in Eastmoreland north of the viaduct where something more than 100 acres have been offered for the purpose. He reported that 35 acres south of the viaduct and between the Southern Pacific railroad and the paved streets of Eastmoreland are better suited for golf links, but he said in view of the many parks and playgrounds Portland now has undeveloped, it was not wise to assume the expense of municipal golf grounds this year.

Constitution and by-laws were adopted at the meeting of the Oregon branch of the National Pet Stock association held at the home of Walter C. Kenworthy, secretary, on Bidwell avenue, in Sellwood Thursday night. In the constitution the name was fixed as the Oregon Branch of the National Pet Stock association to prevent confusion and give the association all the rights and privileges of the national organization. Dues were placed at \$1 per year. A rabbit was raffled off at the meeting, bringing \$2.20 which was added to the premium fund. There was exchange of views on the use of rabbit flesh as food and the disposal of the pelts. The association will hold at least one pet stock exhibition during the year, but the date has not yet been fixed. The membership was reported at 43. Following the business the membership held a reunion and social hour.

More than 200 men, mostly fathers, gathered at the Oakley Green schoolhouse, located on Patton avenue, Friday night, and took steps to protect their children attending this school from attacks from rough characters who have shelters in the brush lands surrounding this building. C. L. Denlinger presided, and outlined the conditions. Children had been attacked as they were on their way to