

## REMARKABLE LUMBERING PROSPERITY

The unprecedented and remarkable boom in the lumbering industry is to the people of the northwest the surge of the wave of prosperity that began on the Atlantic coast nearly two years ago, and which has at last crossed the continent.

Although the great spasm had its inception because of the war it may not be of long duration on the eastern seaboard if the war should suddenly end. But here the case will be different, for the lumber industry is more permanent than munition making, and should the war cease tomorrow there would still be the demand for Pacific coast lumber for several years longer.

A movement that took nearly two years to reach this side of the continent would be longer in passing away, for here there is something the whole world will need when war is over and peace again prevails.

The immensity of the lumber business at this time is noted in the calls for help in every sawmill and lumber camp in the northwest. Any unemployed man can get good wages, and the rural communities are being depleted of their best young men who are going away to work for better money than they ever earned before. At the Portland employment agencies there is an incessant demand for skilled loggers and engineers, while every able-bodied man can find a job for the asking. It is something remarkable to one who takes the trouble to observe.

But with the brightness of the prospect for "good times" there is also the fear that what may now mean prosperity will mean disaster for the future. That haunting fear is the specter of a depletion of Oregon's wonderful forests. This state now holds first rank for the quantity and quality of its standing timber, but there is no doubt that the point of exhaustion is being hastened by the great demand now upon it for that very timber which is Oregon's greatest resource.

There is a natural revulsion of feeling when the great destruction now going on is viewed and understood. Cedar is now practically all gone. The fence rails that enclosed the first fields have rotted on the ground, posts and telephone poles are in demand and hard to be had except at high cost. There are naturally many memories of the wealth that was rolled into open fire places or piled up to burn in glowing heaps by log rolling parties, or dragged into swales for corduroy roadways.

Still this is probably a narrow view to take. It has been said that the skins of the beavers and other fur-bearing animals opened the way to the great northwest and spread civilization. This state developed at first at the expense of her furs and is now being depleted of her forests. The trees that were felled to make the cabins gave man his first shelter in Oregon; the logs rolled into his fireplaces took him through the winters and let him stick with his land; the trees and logs that were dragged into the swamps made the foundations for his roads. Then the clearings and sale of timber, helped the settler to develop his home, his community, his county and his state.

The forests that have already disappeared have paid largely for the thing that has been developed—a rich state covered with good homes and organized society wed together with good roads. Viewed from the present high prices of timber the cost was tremendous but it was necessary.

The problem now is whether the state for various reasons, reaching even to the matter of floods, and the severity of temperature changes, to say nothing of soil and economic reasons, is going to sit still and see the last traces of the forests wiped out, or is it going to save some fine reminders of the great forests that have disappeared, and also take steps to keep the wooded areas as near their standard as commercialism will allow.

The premier dog of all England and America, being valued at \$300 a pound, ought to be a massive Dane or St. Bernard, but is actually a Pomeranian, and can make no better showing in total avoirdupois than a mere five pounds, total value \$1,500. St. Julien, that being his name, "is an orange sable with a profuse coat, wonderful plumage and a short, cobby body."

## JURY DISAGREES IN TRIVIAL CASE

An assault case from Bridal Veil was tried before Justice Rollins and a jury yesterday, the defendant being Mrs. Collie Gustafson. She was arrested last Monday by Constable Squire, on complaint of Mrs. Cora Wilds.

The trouble grew out of a neighborhood row, the evidence disclosing that the two women met on the highway and enlivened the occasion by a battle with rocks, a broom and a bottle of milk. Both women had their clothes torn in the scuffle but neither of them suffered, any material injury.

The case was prosecuted by Deputy District Attorney T. G. Ryan while the defense was handled by O. A. Eastman, it being his first law case in Oregon. The jury consisted of J. F. Moore, A. M. Wilkinson, Dr. A. Thompson, F. A. Halliday, George Leslie and Jepp Robertson.

After more than two hours' debate among themselves the jury disagreed, standing three and three. An effort was made to bring about a reconciliation, but Mrs. Wilds positively refused to agree to any such plan and the jury was discharged. It is not known what disposition the district attorney's office will make of the matter in view of the triviality of the case and the attending expense to the county. The defendant was released pending a future consideration and all parties returned to their homes.

## GRANGE FAIR AT SANDY NEXT FALL

Sandy Grange, at its last meeting decided to hold a fair early in the fall, to hold for at least two days.

A committee was appointed to make all arrangements. The following are members of the committee: James DeShazer, Mrs. T. P. Shelley, Mr. Morrison and Mrs. Annie Peret. Others from Firwood and the other nearby places will also assist.

A good premium list will be advertised for which cash prizes will be given, and there will be a line of sports, including racing and dancing. Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Thomas were elected delegates to the Oregon State Grange, which will meet at Grant's Pass on the second Tuesday of next month.

## TOM TOWNSEND TO PITCH FOR GIANTS ON SUNDAY

W. A. Ross, manager of the Gresham Giants, announced yesterday that he will have three local players in the game next Sunday at the Gresham ball park.

Tom Townsend will twirl the ball over the batters' plate for at least half of the game, the other pitcher being Maxmeyer as Tom's relief twirler. Frank and Alfred Hamlin will have places in the line-up. C. Newman will be the receiver behind the bat.

Owing to a change in the schedule the heretofore invincible Bradford's will be the visitors, which promises another good game.

## GAS LINE EXTENSION BEING INVESTIGATED

It has been recently rumored that the Portland Gas company contemplated an extension of their service to Gresham and vicinity. The Outlook has been investigating this possibility and finds that there is nothing definite in prospect. Chief Engineer E. L. Hall has the matter of an extension to include Gresham under investigation and will present the matter to the Portland general manager, Hilmar Papst. At present the company's service extends nearly to Buckley avenue on the Base Line and to about 32d street on the Section Line.

### \* Prize for Solution.

It is announced that Mr. Hugh Fox, secretary of the United States Brewers' association, has offered a prize of \$5,000 for "the best solution of the saloon problem." We have it: Prohibition. Stamps will do.

By the way, this same Mr. Fox who wants to uplift the saloons with \$5,000 is the same man who was in jail in Pittsburgh recently with the unsatisfactory behavior in connection with the brewery-politics scandal which was aired before the courts.

Still, we give Mr. Fox credit for saying at least one bright thing. Once upon a time he said: "The people who object to the saloon are the people who make no use of it."

For garden making hoes, rakes, spades, wheelbarrows, etc. priced at Sterling & Kidder Hdw. Co.

## "THE JONAH" IN THREE ACTS BY JUNIOR CLASS, U. H. S.

The three-act comedy drama to be given by the Junior class of the Gresham Union High School tomorrow night in Regner's Opera House will be one of the best amateur productions so far staged in Gresham this year. It will be a sure cure for the blues. Following is the cast of characters:

JOHN HILDRETH, a victim of circumstances..... Andrew Brugger  
JOHN HILDRETH, Jr., too much engaged..... Ernest Quesinberry  
JEREMIAH JERKIN, the Jonah..... Archie McKeown  
AUGUSTUS BUSKIN, with a warm temper..... Robert Hendricks  
HENRY JARMAN, the family lawyer..... Clyde Ruegg  
HAWKSLY, a policeman..... Della Hughes  
MRS. HILDRETH, who hears too much..... Eckford Cameron  
EMILY HILDRETH, a peacemaker..... Bonnie Horton  
NATALIE BUSKIN, a pretty girl..... Edith Jelkin  
ARABELLA McSNATCH, with more money than beauty..... Hazel Robinson  
MIRANDA ANN, a maid, English but emotional..... Hazel Robinson

## LIME ARRIVES FOR SIX FARMS

The car load of lime to be used for demonstrating the value of lime to our soils in the vicinity of Pleasant Home arrived this week and application to the soil will be made as soon as the weather permits. Six farmers co-operated in buying this lime with the aid of the county agent and thereby got wholesale rates. They were H. G. Mullenhoff, R. I. Anderson, C. H. Johanson, A. F. Chase, O. F. Ekstrom and Theodore Brugger.

This lime comes from the Superior Portland Cement company, of Seattle. It is ground so that it will pass through a sieve of 100 meshes to the inch and is guaranteed to be 99 per cent calcium. This costs the farmers \$4.70 per ton f. o. b. Great Northern tracks, Portland. The freight from Portland to Pleasant Home being \$40.30 on the car, it brought the price to \$5.71 per ton. The freight from Portland to Pleasant Home was over one half what the freight was from Seattle from Portland.

Another car is expected at Corbett in a day or so.

This lime will be applied to different crops in proportions brought to correct the amount of acid which is present, and then the crops will be watched carefully and weighed and measured to determine the effect of the lime.

## PLEASANT VALLEY

Mrs. I. N. Staples and Mrs. Kamp, of Portland, and Mrs. Close, of Spokane, Washington, were guests of Mrs. P. J. Berke one day this week.

C. F. Kesterson, formerly of this place but now of Kellogg, was here the forepart of the week visiting friends and relatives.

Mrs. A. Hammar, of Gresham, Miss Lillian Sell, Miss Hulda and Florence Johnson of Powell Valley visited with Mrs. W. L. Rhoads one day recently.

T. P. Campbell made a business trip to Oregon City last Monday.

C. E. Kennedy, of Lents, is busy this week putting in a crop on his farm near this place.

G. N. Sager was a caller at the home of J. A. Richey of Boring Wednesday.

Mrs. W. L. Rhoads and children spent the day recently at the home of Mrs. A. Hammar of Gresham.

Mrs. Dobson, of Portland, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Berry last Sunday.

Mrs. W. U. Moore entertained the Ladies' Aid at her home Thursday afternoon.

Herbert Kaufman says "a pessimist is a confidence weevil—a miserable little insect persistently attacking hopeful undertakings in the inception—a pest deprecating the world's idea crop." Again he says, "A carelessly cast ballot is civic treason. Bad citizens menace a country as much as foreign foes. Nations die at the heart, not in the trenches."

A series of evangelistic meetings will be held at the Pleasant Valley church, beginning Sunday, April 23d. In the morning of that day at 10:30 o'clock Messrs. Hallgren and Proppe, of Portland, will conduct the meeting and speak. At 7:30 p. m. Rev. Walter Duff, of Portland, will preach. The people living in the vicinity of the church are cordially invited to attend and support the services.

## PLEASANT HOME

The Methodist Ladies' Aid will meet with Mrs. A. E. DeHaven next Wednesday afternoon.

I find it is very necessary for the welfare of Mrs. Bittner to make a short visit with her at Pottenger sanitarium, Monrovia, California. I will return before May 1. Dr. S. P. Bittner.—Adv.

## TO LOCATE POUND AT KELLY BUTTE

Sheriff Hurlburt has suggested a plan which, if carried out, will solve the location of the city dog pound problem that will be satisfactory all around. Wherever this plan should be placed within the city limits and among residents there naturally will be objection, because it would be more or less a nuisance. It has been evident, ever since the effort began to be made by the Humane society and the city to determine on a location, that all could not be satisfied.

Eastiders "kicked" vigorously against the pound going in there. The same objection would be met in other sections of the city, if an attempt were made to erect the plant there. Fact is nobody wants to be near howling dogs cooped up in prison awaiting to be put to death. Sheriff Hurlburt's scheme is to have the pound located at Kelly Butte, where the people own fourteen acres of land, much of which is unused. It is far away from the residence section and the baying of the pound canines could not annoy and harass. Kelly Butte is in charge of Sheriff Hurlburt. It is county property, but an arrangement could likely be made by the city for its use for the dog plant. The suggestion appears to have met with much favor both by the Humane society and the city council.

## PRINCIPAL GOODWIN WILL ADDRESS TEACHERS

A local teachers' institute will be held in Library hall, at Tenth and Yamhill, on April 29, from 1:15 until 3:30 o'clock.

Elmer F. Goodwin, principal of Gresham Union High school, has been asked to lead in discussing "Advance work in preparing for attendance at high school, to be followed by A. R. Tollefson, principal of Columbian high school of this county.

H. W. Ager, principal of Gilbert school will lead in "Vacation study for pupils of all grades." He will be followed by Miss Eva L. Campbell of the Riverdale school, and Miss Gertrude B. Liggett of the Rockwood school.

Other matters will be introduced in a round-table talk to be participated in by the institute in general.

## FORMER RESIDENT GIVEN SURPRISE

A recent issue of the Canby Herald reports a delightful surprise given to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lancaster at the home of the latter's father, William Bridge, when the Loyal Neighbors of Riverside met to bid them God speed on their journey to their home in "Sunny southern Alberta." Tea was served by the ladies. Mr. and Mrs. Lancaster have spent the past winter at Canby with the family of Mr. Bridge.

## Another Drainage System.

Professor Larson will assist the county agent in laying out a tile drain system on the A. C. Ruby ranch the first of next week. This system will include about 100 acres of swale land which, when reclaimed, will be among the best land in the county. While Professor Larson is here he will look over several other farms that are in need of drainage. Those interested can get particulars by calling or phoning the county agent.

## Grand Ball, Regner's Opera House.

Arthur Regner announces that he will give another social dance in his hall next Friday night, April 28. Dancing from 8:30 to 3 a. m. Prof. Hoch's orchestra. Gentlemen 50c; ladies 25c. Lunch cafeteria.—Adv.

## Insomnia.

Indigestion nearly always disturbs the sleep more or less, and is often the cause of insomnia. Eat a light supper with little if any meat, and no milk; also take one of Chamberlain's Tablets immediately after supper, and see if you do not rest much better. For sale by Gresham Drug Co.—Adv.

## Ready Now

Ten weeks old pullets. Will have baby chicks hatched May 9, June 12, 12c each if ordered soon. White Knoll Poultry Farm, H. W. Cooley & Son. Phone 434.—Adv.

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. A. W. Metzger.—Adv.

There is one peculiar thing about the camel. Even if you get him down he can kick out in any direction.

## ATTORNEY MALARKEY ANSWERED

GRESHAM, April 20.—Editor Outlook:—According to an address reported in the Morning Oregonian of April 13th, Dan J. Malarkey, "speaking largely from lessons gained on his recent trip abroad," is credited with these statements:

"If these sentimental pacifists and rocking-chair patriots can peer into the future and decide definitely that this country will never have war with any other power, no preparedness is necessary. But the country is today guilty of criminal negligence for having no adequate army or of criminal extravagance in maintaining our present little army in carrying out our spineless military policy."

Mr. Malarkey is not the first sojourning American going abroad among the civilized nations that are carrying on the most barbarous warfare of history, and returning to his own country to find everything dirty in his eye. Lack of time and space precludes mention of many others besides ex-President Roosevelt, who, on returning from a dizzy swing to the outskirts and nearer garments of the world, found that the sacred and time-honored, anti-third-term policy of the father of his country, and the very constitution itself, were not good enough for him.

The annihilation of the judicial department of the government by the recall of Federal Supreme Court decisions and judges as well as "Higher Nationalism," presided over by himself, God and the Bull Moose, were his waking-moment dreams and demands, while he was accepting the hospitality of this national house not made with hands. Then he was a Progressive, and the country went back to the Democrats. Now he is a Preparationist (spelled with a capital "P" for political purposes); and he, as well as we, the people, are prepared to "view with alarm."

Never again, according to progressives and preparationists, are we to learn the past in order to know the future. The lesson of 1776 when we were unprepared for a defensive warfare; of 1812 when we were without adequate preparation to deal with the "Mistress of the Seas"; of 1847, when the politicians were inclined but not prepared for a conquest of Mexico; of 1861, when the Southern Confederacy appropriated to its use our arsenals, generals, armories and military possessions, and sacrificed a nation's million of men and three billions of money; of 1898 when we expanded and advanced our good Uncle to the head of the family of nations; and all such lessons of triumphant war and American warfare must now be unlearned in order to acquit ourselves of the crime of being unprepared for the capture of a Mexican bandit.

If a son of Mr. Malarkey were to insult the understanding of an enlightened audience with such argument and sophistry, his father should send him to a reform school instead of raising him to be a soldier. "God Bless Our Home" will not protect the house from burglars, but the way to make burglars and war-friends of Roosevelt, Malarkey et al is for the people to buy, pay for and give them the tools.

But this cry for preparedness is not sincere. Therefore it may be called by an infinite number of names, yet never be defined. It is much like the fulfillment of President Lincoln's wish that he had the itch, so that he would have something he could give to everybody, and especially to office-seekers. It is not in a class with the doughnut, for it lacks the rim around the hole. It is as full of wind as a football, the size of a continent; but the wind is unconfined. It is as unreal as a phantom and as fictitious as it is un-American. As Voltaire might say, it is like the Holy Roman Empire, which he said was not holy, not Roman and not an empire.

Preparedness is neither a condition nor a theory, and is not a principal nor a salvation; but it is a disease brought into this country by home-coming citizens in defiance of our emigration laws. Fortunately, it does not affect the rank and file of the nation's defenders,—only the charlatans and aily sympathizers together with American manufacturers of munitions and wooden limbs.

MILO C. KING.

## Auto. for Sale.

Judge Languth, at the Municipal Court in Portland, will sell his "Cole" touring car for \$600. If you are in the market for an auto, see it.