

THREE BLOCKS TO BE PAVED FULL TO WIDTH

Full width pavement of Main street from the south line of Powell street to the center line of Third street is now assured, the preliminaries having been settled last Friday when the Bank of Gresham, through K. A. Miller as cashier, and acting for the property owners on Main street, accepted the terms of Roadmaster J. B. Yeon which were very much to the advantage of all concerned.

The matter had been held in abeyance for more than a week, owing to a slight misunderstanding; but through the efforts of Mayor Stapleton and Arthur W. Renner an adjustment was made.

Following is the correspondence that passed between Mr. Yeon and Mr. Miller upon the subject, and which has settled the problem, and under the agreement the work will proceed at once:

Portland, July 6, 1916.

Mr. K. A. Miller,
Cashier Bank of Gresham,
Dear Sir:—Since writing you a few days ago in regard to the paving of Main street in Gresham I have had this matter up with Mr. Regner and Mr. Stapleton.

Mr. Regner informs me through a misunderstanding it has been assured the people of Gresham that it would not cost them more than \$1.50 per square yard. Mr. Regner evidently was under a misapprehension in this matter, as we explained fully to him that the pavement would cost \$1.50 per square yard plus \$360.00 for grading. He informs me however that the different property owners along the street have put up their money with your bank to cover the cost of this paving at the rate of \$1.50 per square yard, and that it would be practically impossible to get the guarantee for the \$360.00 for the grading, at this late date.

We are desirous of seeing this street paved and realize the trouble it would be to approach the property owners for a further guarantee at this time. We have therefore decided to proceed with this paving and to complete the job for \$1.50 per square yard. This will necessitate the county of Multnomah absorbing the cost of the extra grading outside of our 18 foot center strip; but rather than see the project fall through we will be willing to absorb this cost.

If you will therefore send to me a guarantee from your bank that the entire street from Powell to Third street will be paved, leaving no property out, and that your bank will guarantee to Multnomah county the payment of \$1.50 per square yard immediately upon the completion and acceptance of the pavement, and further cover in your guarantee that Multnomah county will not have to deal with the individual property owners but will deal directly with your bank, and that your bank will look to the property owners for your payment, we will proceed at once with the work.

This is very liberal and we hesitate to make this offer—not so much on account of the extra cost we will have to absorb—as the precedent it will establish of an altogether too low a price for pavement. But as stated above we are very desirous of seeing this street paved, and we fully realize that it would be practically impossible to get the property owners to agree to pay the actual cost of the pavement which would run considerably over \$1.50 per square yard, and we therefore have decided to proceed with this improvement.

Kindly let me hear from you at once in this matter.

Very respectfully,
J. B. YEON, Roadmaster.

Gresham, July 7, 1916.

Mr. John B. Yeon, Roadmaster,
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir:—I am just in receipt of your favor of the 6th inst. relative to the paving of Main street in Gresham from Powell to Third street and appreciate very much the offer of the county to absorb any and all costs in excess of \$1.50 per yard.

In accordance with your letter the Bank of Gresham makes the following guarantee to the county of Multnomah:

"Immediately upon the completion

STATE RAKED FOR HORSES AND MULES

WANTED—Cavalry horses, 15 and 16 hands, 3 to 8 years old; also good 1400 to 1600 pound horses, all gradings; also mules, 3 to 8 years old, 14-1 to 15-1 hands, at Ruby Stock Farm, Base Line road.

The above advertisement, now running in the Outlook Want Ad. column, tells its own story, but its significance can hardly be understood. Coupled with the information that Mr. Ruby is scouring the state for horses and mules and is sending away an average of four carloads a week, it is truly significant of what the national government is "up against" in its lack of preparedness.

In a brief conversation with Mr. Ruby last week he stated that he is shipping horses from other points in the state, notably from Baker City and Klamath Falls two points state-wide apart. So far his greatest shipments have been from right here at home, but he is buying everything in horseflesh suitable for the purposes required of them, and his campaign has only just begun.

Up to this week he was only advertising for horses, but now he wants mules of certain grades. "I told you so" best describes the mental attitude of Oregon horsemen in these days when the government is straining every resource to find sufficient equine equipment for movement toward the Mexican frontier. One of the first deficiencies that became apparent was the lack of horses able to stand the wear and tear of army life.

Not only does the government lack mounts for its regulars, but many states that have cavalry troops in their national guard organizations are also up against it. The army authorities are in the market for 65,000 head. Some of the states require as many as 300. In Ohio but twenty available horses have been found for cavalry and artillery purposes. Demands from Europe have almost drained this country, not one of the states having a real surplus to spare.

The government has neglected this important branch of preparedness too long, say the horse dealers, and it may have to pay dearly for the dereliction. European countries long ago saw the importance of encouraging the breeding of thoroughbreds as a preparedness measure in case of war, and even then they found they were unable to meet the demand, coming to the United States and draining it of almost all the available horses. More than 1,000,000 horses of the very type we need today have been snapped up for cannon fodder by the allies.

Chautauqua Guarantors.

A meeting has been called of the guarantors of the 1916 chautauqua and those also who have signed the contract for the 1917 session, to be held at the library on Wednesday night, July 12. All others, whether signers or not, who are interested in the chautauqua movement are invited to be present. Reports will be made concerning the finances of the past season and plans will be discussed and probably an organization perfected for the coming season. Geo. F. Honey is chairman of the 1916 committee, and Miss Durst, secretary.

Grangers, Attention!

All local grangers are urged to be at the Gresham grange hall tonight, July 11, and Thursday night, July 13, to practice for the Field Day chorus. On Sunday, July 23, all grangers of the county will practice here for the grand chorus. It is very important that all the singers be present.

and acceptance of the full width paving of Main street from the south line of Powell street to the center line of Third street we will pay to Multnomah county the sum of \$1.50 per square yard for that portion of said street lying outside of an eighteen foot strip in the center of the street."

Although I have not enumerated the different points which you mention in your letter as being desirous in our guarantee I believe the above guarantee will cover and protect you. Dated at Gresham, Oregon, this 7th day of July, A. D. 1916.

BANK OF GRESHAM.

By K. A. MILLER, Cashier.

Read the Want Ads, others read

SOME STARTLING POSSIBILITIES MAY FOLLOW HARD SURFACE

Movement on Foot to Remove Fountain or Destroy it Altogether and Provide Troughs.

With the tearing up of the old macadam paving on Main street, beginning this morning, the hardsurfacing of three blocks full width in the center of Gresham is now an assured thing. The work on the street, beginning at the fountain, will be done first, and proceed northward as rapidly as possible.

The hardsurfacing will be laid full width as far as the center of Third street from which point property owners are divided in their desires for the improvement of the street.

It has been put up to the county to extend the full width paving in front of the library as this is county property. Judge Wonacott and others are negotiating with the paving company to have the hardsurfacing in front of their residence property. There are others in the same block with the library and in other blocks between Third street and Division who want the improvement now while the conditions are favorable. It is believed the paving company will do the work in front of any property at the rate for which the main paving is being done.

It is feared that some complications will be met with in this matter of paving in front of individual lots, but the attempt should be made by any and all who want it. In fact, there are property owners as far north as the high school some of whom would be glad to have the hard surfacing done now if it is possible.

The Outlook urges that if there is any way by which it can be done at this time property owners should get all the hardsurfacing done along Main street that is possible, for it is doubtful if there will be any better opportunity for some time to come.

The advantages will be many, among them a cleaner street, freedom from dust, finer appearance of the town and more attractive residences. But one of the chief results will be the added worth of the property. The time has come for better streets, especially in as finely a situated city as Gresham, and no one will have any regret in the future, whether he wants to retain or sell his property if he takes advantage of this opportunity to hardsurface the street in front of it.

A strong, additional reason why Main street should be hardsurfaced full width at the present time was presented to the Outlook today. The paving to be laid in the center of the street by the Warren Construction company will be laid on the present grade which is considerably too high for the sidewalk grades, and if it is so laid there will be no other opportunity for ten years to pave the sides without nullifying the contract between the county and the construction company, which calls for a ten-year bond to keep it in repair.

Again, should it be necessary, by the growth of the town northward, to hard surface the sides there could be no joining of a new surface to the old for the reason that the two grades would not be alike, and for the further reason that the two surfaces could not be joined together without leaving a bad line of demarcation between the two. The Outlook would urge a careful consideration of this matter upon the property owners before it is too late.

It is thought that the grading and fill at the gravel pit corner will be completed by tomorrow night. Steel for the new culvert across the road at the Arza Smith farm is expected tomorrow and the other materials will be ready for the work, also by that time.

The old culvert has been torn out so as to build a larger one of reinforced concrete. The new culvert will be 42 feet 6 inches in length, 6 feet wide and 4 feet in the clear.

Main street from Third street to the fountain will be closed for about a week or ten days, beginning on Thursday morning, July 13. During this time the hardsurface will be laid and allowed to set.

There is a movement before the members of the town council to have the Powell fountain either moved from its present location or destroyed altogether. It is conceded by almost everyone that it is in the way and that the intersection will soon become the most dangerous place in town. On days of congested automobile traffic it is almost impossible to approach it with teams and many autoists will not obey the rules of the road when going around it.

A special meeting of the town council will probably be called to consider the matter. It has been suggested to lay it aside altogether and provide sidewalk drinking troughs in two or three other places. They could be made of wood for this season and later on be replaced with cement. The type of watering trough on the highway is considered the best in use, and they could be placed where needed at small expense.

The fountain could be saved for some other location if thought best. It is stated that the Warren Construction will move it free of cost if given permission to do so.

BIG TURF EVENTS AT COUNTY FAIR

According to John A. Kaddery, a member of the Gresham-Riverside racing association, the racing events to come off at the Multnomah county fair in September will be second only to the races at the Oregon state fair.

There's a reason, the most important being that there will be only a few good horses this year in the Northwest. There are no races advertised for Portland or Vancouver so far this fall and all the best horses are right here at home, being kept in condition for the few races that they will be entered in.

More than twenty of the best horses in the state are now in training at the Gresham track. There are a few more scattered around and the whole lot will form a galaxy for the county fair racing card that has seldom been equaled heretofore in this neighborhood. The fair association is putting up some good prizes and the racing association will do the rest toward making the three racing days a memorable occasion.

A new lease of the race track is being drawn up to cover a period of five years and the track will be put in the best condition possible. There is going to be something extra classy this year in the "sport of kings."

\$1.25 screen doors \$1.10 at Sterling & Kidder Hdwe. Co.

PROSPECTIVE RECRUITS FOR ARMY WANTED

Postmistress McColl has received the following from H. R. Williams mustering officer at Clackamas under date of Saturday last:

"Prospective recruits for third infantry Oregon militia now on the border will be received for enlistment at office of United States mustering officer, Clackamas, Oregon.

"Postmasters at local towns within the state are requested to co-operate with the federal authorities and transmit to the mustering officer a list of names of unmarried men between the ages of eighteen and thirty-six in good physical condition desiring to enlist.

"Free railroad transportation will be forwarded to local postmasters to cover cost of travel of these prospective recruits from nearest railroad station to Clackamas."

Big Time Dance.

First Big Time Dance of the season at Bull Run Park open-air pavilion, Saturday night, July 15, all night. Refreshments will be served. Music by Beers' four-piece orchestra. Tickets, gentlemen 75c; ladies free. A good time assured to all. Come

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.

W. O. W. DINNER GIVEN BY 77 AT BENSON HOTEL

Multnomah camp, Woodmen of the World, gave a banquet last night at the Benson hotel to those members who were most active in the last membership campaign. A seven-course dinner was served, enlivened with music by the camp orchestra and numerous short speeches on different phases and activities of the camp. Two members from Gresham were present.

After the dinner the party was invited to the Grand theater to see a moving picture of the camp's team and other members in their work during the rose festival. Multnomah camp took an active part in the festival and was featured in the state news service, with the result that a splendid set of moving pictures was secured which is being shown all over the United States and elsewhere.

One particular subject discussed by numerous speakers was the lapsing cut feature, which no order has yet found a means to overcome. During the past six months Multnomah camp has taken in nearly three hundred new members, yet the loss has been about three-fourths of that number. It is a matter that has engaged the attention of all fraternalists for years, yet there is no remedy for it nor is there likely to be as long as members are taken in so promiscuously and at such a low cost of initiation. But at the same time it has been recognized that those less able to pay a heavy initiation fee are the ones who are in need of fraternal protection.

Another matter which will come up as a distinctive feature of Multnomah camp unless the head camp takes action for the entire order at large, will be the establishment of a fund for members who become totally disabled or too old to earn their own living. It is believed that Multnomah camp, with its more than three thousand members, can successfully conduct such a feature, and if so it will be a great factor in preventing lapses of those who stay only a few months after joining.

The sick and accident feature of Multnomah camp has proven a success after a trial of only two years, upon the payment of 50 cents a month from its beneficiaries. In the two years the camp has paid out nearly \$8000 in benefits and now has \$2700 loaned out at interest. It is believed that the disability feature can be made equally successful.

The head camp session will convene in Denver this month. The delegates from here will leave tomorrow and return about August 1st. There are three from Multnomah camp, J. O. Wilson, J. L. Wells, and T. J. Kreuder. Four others from the west side camps will be in attendance, also.

A new membership campaign will begin at once in Multnomah camp, lasting until December 31. It will be followed by another banquet, when there will be an innovation somewhat new to Woodcraft. Each member attending the banquet will be allowed to bring his wife, sweetheart or some other lady. It will be of the other kind of banquet from the others that have preceded it.

A movement for the overthrow of commission form of government in Portland is slowly and surely crystallizing, but whether it will come to anything definite is yet to be determined. There is one thing evident, that anyone unfortunate enough to have business with the present city government comes out of it bitterly opposed to commission form. There is perhaps one saving exception, Commissioner G. L. Baker. I have never heard any complaint of treatment by Mr. Baker or his deputies. When a voter is humiliated every time he tries to do business with the city government, he is not inclined to favor the method. Besides, it is un-American. About 1917 a vote will be had on the question of establishing a democratic representative form, and it will swing into power.

Philadelphia's "perfect fireman," Rudolph Brenn, age fifty-two, who in twenty years never missed a roll call, never was sick a day, never was hurt and never was reprimanded, retired recently on a pension.

Tailoring.

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

CITY POINTS AS SEEN BY L. H. WELLS

PORTLAND, July 10.—Special.—Captain F. C. Harlow and Herman Leoding, members of the Milwaukee council, face a recall if they do not resign at the next meeting of the council July 11. Petitions for their recall have been prepared and will be filed at the council meeting if they do not resign. It is planned to circulate the petitions and hold the election in the early part of August. It was planned to include H. N. Hopkins in the recall, but he resigned at the last meeting of the council, Leo Shindler being elected in his place. Captain Harlow and Mr. Leoding have been active in the installation of the Milwaukee municipal water works for several years and attempted to remove City Marshal Sam Riley. They were elected members of the council to replace other councilmen who resigned. In the attempted removal of the city marshal they encountered the opposition of the latter's friends, and it failed. It is understood that Mr. Leoding has prepared his resignation, but it is not stated what Mr. Harlow will do. Mr. Leoding said yesterday that he wanted to stay in office until the Bull Run system was finished and paid for, and that is practically accomplished now. The city election for all offices will be held next November.

Mr. Harlow and Mr. Leoding will probably pay the usual price of too much public activity. Mr. Leoding has been a progressive factor in Milwaukee for the past 12 years. He did as much if not more than any other 50 men to secure 5 cent fares for Milwaukee. Captain Harlow is one of the old river men and pioneers of the county. Mr. Leoding also led in the campaign for Bull Run water.

What may be a measure of vast importance is projected by the East Side Business Men's club, is an amendment to the constitution of the state by which all machinery used for manufacturing purposes, all manufactured goods in possession of the manufacturer, and all raw material to be used in the manufacture of goods, shall be exempted from taxation. This amendment has been prepared by L. M. Lepper, and will be submitted to a vote of the people of the state, if it meets with the approval of the manufacture interests of the state. If enough interest is aroused the petitions will be circulated by the concerns interested. The object of the amendment is to encourage manufacturing concerns already established, but to make it easy for others to come in.

The club has organized an auxiliary called the Industrial League of Oregon, whose object is to raise \$500,000 which will be loaned out to concerns at a low rate of interest. This money is to be raised by sale of bonds bearing 4 per cent interest and the money is to be loaned at 6 per cent.

Cars on the Portland & Oregon City railway are now being operated between Portland, and the end of the line at Carver, Baker's Bridge, a distance of about 25 miles. Farmers at Carver have found this suburban railway a vast advantage to them. They are sending car loads of cordwood and other produce. It is expected that a big traffic will be developed. The opening of the railway was celebrated July 4th with a big celebration, attended by 1500 people. G. C. Brownell, of Oregon City and L. M. Lepper, of Portland, both delivered addresses. Steven Carver, promoter of the railway, was spoken of as a public benefactor in thus having constructed this line. It is not the intention of the promoter to build the line cross the river to the West side at present, but will end at East Third street on Hawthorne avenue, where a freight station will be built.

Campaign for a state wholesale public market in Portland will be launched Wednesday night at the Albina public market under the auspices of the Consumers' League. R. W. Gill, of the grange, and Dan Kellaher, representing the East Side Business Men's club, will make the principal addresses. Sentiment favorable to such a public market seems to be growing in Portland and elsewhere, but the main thing is to start at some point.

Sell your goods by a Want Ad.