

UPPER FLOOR OF PAVILION TO BE OPENED

The upper floor of the big exhibit pavilion on the county fair grounds will be remodeled so as to give more space for displays and provide a balcony from which the lower floor may be seen from every angle. Such was the decision of the fair board at its meeting yesterday.

The idea was suggested by President Lewis and was unanimously concurred in by every member of the board present. The plan is to cut out a section of the upper floor 120 feet in length and 16 feet wide. It will be surrounded by a railing, providing a balcony effect. The space on each side, clear to the walls will be floored, making about double the present space for exhibits which will be arranged along the walls and at each end.

The space occupied by the domestic science division will not be disturbed, but will be directly at the head of the new stairway which will be 16 feet wide and of easy ascent. The other two stairways will be taken out.

Plans for a new poultry house to be built near the machinery hall were discussed, and if the circumstances will warrant the outlay the house will be erected this season. If not a mammoth tent will be used again, but there is a strong probability that the house will be built. The plans call for a structure 50x80 feet in size, but the walls will be of wire nailed onto studding, instead of boards. In case of stormy weather the building will be enclosed with burlap.

A contract was made with the Columbia Fireworks company for a display on Friday night of fair week. There will also be a battery of daylight bombs set off on Thursday afternoon for the diversion of the spectators of the races between heats.

A lease was authorized with N. L. Smith for the strip of land north of the fair grounds, containing about one and one-half acres. It will be used principally as a parking ground for automobiles. The swine and sheep pens will be moved onto it so as to make a roadway there from the main entrance. The north fence will be moved over to take the strip in. A captive Zeppelin is one of the prospective features of the fair. Application for space was made yesterday.

Applications were made for the cafeteria and dancing pavilion yesterday, both as concessions. If they are not taken at the terms offered the association will conduct them as it has before.

Another meeting of the board will be held on Thursday afternoon, August 17, at which practically every detail will be settled for the coming fair.

HIGH SCHOOL ANNEX CONTRACT AWARDED

The union high school board let the contract for the high school annex on Friday evening to Claude Stockton, H. M. Miller and J. G. Metzger. The contract price is \$1900. Lumber is being delivered for the structure and work was begun this morning.

The board elected C. F. Waltman as instructor in chemistry and physics. He will have charge of the outdoor sports. Mr. Waltman is recently from Sutherlin, where he taught for two years. He was employed before that at Brownsville, where he worked with E. F. Goodwin in the Brownsville high schools.

It was ordered that a commercial course be added for the coming year. This will call for another instructor who has not been chosen yet. The sum of \$150 was appropriated toward the equipment of the new science department, physics and chemistry. A battery of typewriters will also be added for the commercial department.

Satisfactory bids not having been received for the delivery of 100 cords of wood the board is advertising for bids again today. They must be in by August 21, and call for the delivery of one-third of the amount by September 15. The remainder must be delivered by December 1.

Closing Out Sale.
Final clean-up of spring and summer millinery. Great reductions in prices of hats, ribbons and flowers. Fixtures also for sale—closing out entire stock.
GRESHAM MILLINERY STORE,
Mrs. M. Vogel Wood, Prop.

Sell your goods by a Want Ad.

BILL FAVORS BOYS ON THE RURAL ROUTES

Information has been received in Gresham that the rural letter carriers have been given some extra consideration by congress during the present session. A bill was passed in July making the subjoined provisions.

Some of these items are also of importance to the partons of the routes, notably the one which provides for 50-mile routes; also directing the postmaster general to extend the service as greatly as possible.

The most important provision in the bill refers to back pay earned during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916. The department seems to have practiced an old scheme of ten years ago and refused to give the pay designated by congress. That injustice has been rectified as far as the past year is concerned, but no relief was ever given the carriers who were not paid their full salaries on at least one other occasion.

Following are the provisions referred to:

Additional pay over and above \$1200 for horse-drawn-vehicle routes in excess of 30 miles in length.

Additional compensation for carriers handling locked pouches.

Extension of leave of absence on account of illness to one year.

Providing standard motor-vehicle routes, which shall be fifty miles in length, and shall only be established hereafter when a majority of the proposed patrons who are heads of families residing upon such proposed routes shall by written petition ask the Post Office Department to establish the same.

Authorizing the use of any kind of motor vehicles on horse-drawn routes.

Directing the Postmaster General to organize and extend the service as greatly as possible, and in the establishment of new routes by such reorganization former carriers who were displaced by any previous reorganization to be given preference in appointment.

Directing the Postmaster General to pay all carriers in the rural service during the fiscal year 1915 the full amount intended by congress. This will recall the familiar short-payment proposition which the R. F. D. News has agitated so persistently.

GIFT FROM STRANGER TO JUNIOR COLLEGE

One of those fine acts which give a man new faith in his fellows was told by Dr. Corby of the Junior Agricultural school. A traveling man from Denver, E. S. Hooper, a friend of the doctor, was told of this splendid work for boys. He made a generous gift toward the school himself; then said he would write one of his firms of the work. Mr. Hooper received the following response:

"It gives me great pleasure to receive your letter. We are only in this world a little while, and, if we can do anything, let us do it now. I am willing to enlist under your banner, if it be for the benefit of the boys and girls of this country or any other country. I have entered an order today, for 100 pounds of our best cocoa to go prepared to Dr. J. D. Corby, Portland, Oregon, freight prepaid. Very truly yours, Massachusetts Chocolate Company, by John Walker, Managing Director."

P. S. Cocoa is good to drink, but I am also putting in two five-pound boxes of "Topekas" chocolate for the boys to eat."

Dr. Corby has received a note to the same effect and will have the shipment very soon.

Is not this a generous act by this man on the Atlantic coast for our Gresham school a suggestion for the residents of this town? If we can do anything, let us do it now; read over the list of needs published in last Tuesday's Outlook, or better still visit the school and talk with Dr. Corby and make your gift to this good work. Do it now.

This school is well worthy of encouragement and assistance.

MRS. HAWLEY HAS RESUMED LESSONS

Notice has come to the Outlook that Mrs. M. E. Hawley has resumed her weekly electric cooking school and range demonstrations, under the direction of the Portland Railway Light and Power company.

The classes will be held each Tuesday afternoon hereafter, from 2 to 5 o'clock, on the second floor of the Electric building, and they will be pleased to have you attend whenever possible.

Next Tuesday's program will be arranged to show the entire operation of the range, both oven and burners, and an enjoyable and instructive afternoon is promised.

Bargains in the Want Ads.

FRESH WATER BEACH READY FOR OUTINGS

The new bathing resort right at Portland's gates, practically unknown to the city's pleasure-seekers a year ago, without a cent's worth of improvements, sprung into such immediate favor late in the 1915 season that for a number of weeks it proved the strongest drawing card of all the recreation resorts in this section.

This season, the present management has expended in the neighborhood of \$15,000 in improving the grounds, in buildings and in providing play and amusement features, beside installing all forms of modern conveniences for the bathing population. The whole of Sand Island on which Columbia beach proper is situated has been groomed and 'spruced up' so that it will hardly be recognized as the same place by those who visited it a year ago.

One of the most important additions is the great causeway, 650 feet long, connecting the railway trestle with the beach grounds. The causeway has a spacious board walk for pedestrians and a driveway for all forms of vehicular traffic. Winding paths and drives lead to all parts of the island, the bathing beach, the amusement zone, the athletic field and the "Tent city," all of which are among the attractions "installed this year."

The bathing beach proper occupies the western portion of the river front, directly opposite Vancouver and the bathers may enjoy their dip in the Columbia river or revel in a warm bath on the fine white sand over a stretch of nearly a mile. Just back from the beach is the commodious bathhouses and dressing rooms where accommodations are provided for hundreds of bathers.

Fronting on the river and back a short distance in the grove is the dancing pavilion with a floor 80x130 feet, and for a considerable distance in both directions, reservations have been set aside for the amusement features of the "zone." A huge ferris wheel, a big barrel-like motordrome, roller-skating rink, merry-go-round and other novelties have been set up.

Farther toward the east lies the spacious camping ground or "tent city," for which a reservation of nearly 200 acres has been laid out and quite a colony of city people have already staked out their tents for anywhere from a week to a month.

A real grocery store and delicatessen establishment has been provided for the campers.

Another big attraction, this year will be the athletic field which has been constructed practically in the center of the island and where arrangements include baseball diamond, tennis courts, golf course, so that picnic and outing parties may be able to stage all sorts of games and sports aside from enjoying the bathing and dancing features.

Columbia beach is located on the Vancouver carline on the Oregon side of the Columbia river and directly across from Vancouver.

A number of societies and fraternal organizations will hold picnics at the beach during the present month and a great three-day celebration centering around "labor day" will be held on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, September 2, 3 and 4 under the auspices of the Portland Central Labor Council and participated in by labor organizations from a large number of outside communities.

Since the above was in type it is learned that the beach resort has been temporarily closed for some insular reason. It is expected that the difficulty will be removed within a few days.

One of the most remarkable gems ever found in the United States is the Mason diamond, which a Chinese panned long ago near Blackfoot, Deer Lodge county, Montana; a handsome stone which, after a long period of neglect, was shown to New York gem experts and declared beyond doubt a genuine specimen. Occasional diamonds have since been found in the river valleys of the mountain states.

Dancing at Becker's Hall.

A big dance will be given every Saturday night at Becker's hall, Corbett. Hardwood floor 50x60. Best of music. No improper conduct allowed.

BILLY SUNDAY THIS EVENING AT ICE RINK

The following are some of the local facts which Mr. Sunday will use in his address at the Hippodrome tonight.

The attendance bids fair to be phenomenal. Parties are being made up as far away as Klamath and Wallowa counties, and society women of Portland are making up box parties to attend.

A number from Gresham have decided to be there, hence the following will be of special importance to them, as they will have an advanced idea of the nature of Mr. Sunday's address.

Since the state went dry, the total arrests in Portland have decreased 41 per cent; drunk arrests 77 per cent; disorderly conduct, 36 per cent; vagrancy 56 per cent. Admissions to the Oregon penitentiary decreased 42 per cent. There have been 44 less admissions to the Multnomah county poor farm. In Portland, fire alarms were cut in two, and Plisgah Home Rescue Mission has closed because not an inmate was left nor an application pending. Thirty-five policemen of Portland were dropped and more could be, though the city has been increased twenty-five per cent in area. The 5c eating houses have quit business because the "boys" are patronizing the 25c restaurants, and they have moved from the five and ten cent bed rooms, demanding steam-heated rooms.

Some Gains.
Oregon bank deposits increased \$12,000,000; Portland bank deposits \$4,200,000, of which \$2,200,000 was in the savings banks, representing dry prosperity for the poor. Portland bank clearings gained \$12,000,000; \$6,000,000 of it last month. All this in spite of the consolidation of banks which would operate to cut down the amount of clearings.

Dairies have increased business because the poor are buying milk. Laundry trade increased because the poor wives were able to send out the wash, and because the rich wives had to send out the wash. Grocers, butchers, bankers, dry goods and clothing merchants reported to the Progressive Business Men's club an increase in business.

Of 335 saloons in Portland in 1915, only twenty-one are vacant. Many saloon shacks and shanties have been replaced by substantial buildings rented at increased rents.

The average annual consumption of liquor in America is 28.68 gallons, or ninety quarts per capita yearly. In Multnomah county this has been cut to about three quarts.

The Internal Revenue office says that Oregon imported 70,000 barrels of beer last year, or more than ten times as much as we are now importing of all kinds of liquors put together. Oregon never made whisky, brandy or wine, and only about a third of the beer that she used. Four-fifths of her drink bill represented money that went out of the state when she had saloons.

Hops.

Only 2 per cent of Oregon hops were used in Oregon breweries. Forty-six per cent went to other states; 52 per cent went abroad. For years the largest Portland brewery advertised that they used imported hops. Europe was the Oregon hop market, and Europe has gone dry; that's what ails your hop market. The Oregon State almanac says there are 23,000 acres of hops in this state. This makes a patch six miles square, just the size of an eastern township; and an eastern township on Oregon would look like a freckle on an elephant.

Lumberjacks and Cowboys.

The wets say the lumberjacks and cowboys won't work in Oregon if they can't get more booze. The lumberjacks, the cowboys and the long-shoremen voted dry before, and refused to sign the beer petitions this time. They don't intend to spend \$29 of their own money to pay 10c of somebody else's taxes. The eastern tourist who is hunting beer hasn't enough money to get any farther than Coney Island or a nearby roadhouse. If they did have the money they'd head for Milwaukee because she has the reputation, and you can't hope to beat her out of it. Bar flies, like barn flies, head up stream toward the strongest smell. We ought to be thankful that old Bull Run will never draw them, and stick to it because it wont.

The hotel that can't run without

ONE MILLION IS PRICE OF MOTOR DEAL

Nearly \$1,000,000 has been paid for a motor car dealer's business. That dealer is J. W. Leavitt & Co., Overland and Willys-Knight distributor on the Pacific Coast, and the business has been taken over by the Willys-Overland Co., Toledo. Hereafter the business will be operated as a factory branch and the entire Leavitt organization will remain intact except that J. W. Leavitt will retire. The change took effect on July 1st.

A. D. Plughoff, formerly vice president and general manager of the Leavitt company, will be the managing director of the branch, which will be styled Willys-Overland of California and will head the newly created Washington and Oregon branch, which will be styled Overland-Pacific, Inc.

Others who will be active in the management of the branch are A. R. Theisen, who has been treasurer of the Leavitt company and manager of the San Francisco branch, will be treasurer of Overland-Pacific with headquarters at Seattle. A. W. Barber, formerly branch manager in San Francisco for the Stevens-Duryea Co. and who for the past year has been Philadelphia zone manager for the Overland Co., will be San Francisco branch manager.

J. W. Leavitt & Co. had been in business on the Pacific Coast for nearly a quarter of a century and had built up a business in motor cars that is second to none in the world. The firm was started in 1893 as Leavitt & Bill and sold bicycles. Motor care were taken on in 1902 and in 1906 the firm was changed to J. W. Leavitt & Co.

In 1909 the Leavitt company had only a small store in San Francisco. Three times during the past seven years it has been necessary to enlarge the company's San Francisco quarters and in that time branches have been opened in nine Pacific Coast cities, these being Spokane, Seattle, Portland, Sacramento, Oakland, Fresno, Los Angeles, Pasadena and San Diego.

Last year, Pacific Coast purchasers bought more than 9000 cars from the Leavitt company, bringing the aggregate business up to the \$7,000,000 mark.

The principal purpose of the Overland company in taking over the Leavitt business is to extend the long arm of Overland service direct from factory to owner.

C. M. Zimmerman is the local agent for the Overland and has the support of this mammoth organization. He will soon be in his new garage, where the Overland cars will be given full demonstration.

SIX HORSES GOING ON RACING CIRCUIT

O. J. Brown will leave for Vancouver, B. C., tomorrow with six of the best trotters and pacers out of the string that has been in training on the fair grounds. They will be back here for the races in connection with the county fair, commencing on September 14.

Mr. Brown will be accompanied by four other men owners and drivers. The horses are Ferris, owned by Zigler & Miener. Mr. Zigler will go along; Gyllight and Sallie H., owned by George Schultz; Lena Patch, owned by Mr. Brown; Zombrum, owned by Fred T. Merrill; Oakland Moore owned by George K. Howitt.

Drivers and trainers who will also go are Slim Lindsay, Harry Squires and Gus Davis. They will go to Seattle by rail, thence to Vancouver by steamer, and from there will make the circuit including Chehalis and Elma, returning to Gresham. After the races here the entire string will go to the state fair at Salem.

Skating, the origin of which is lost in antiquity, was mentioned by a Danish historian in 1134, and English authorities state that in Lincolnshire there was skating even before the twelfth century, the custom having been introduced there from Holland. The Eskimos used bone skates when they were first discovered by the whites, and probably had done so for centuries.

A bar never was anything but an annex to a saloon. You can have a fine hotel business or a fine bar business, but you can't have both. A hotel with a great bar business is all right for "the gang" to hang out at, but it's no place for a gentleman to stop at.

WONDERS OF HIGHWAY ARE INSPIRATION

You who have not taken the trip up the Columbia River highway to Bonneville have something yet to see. It is indeed a road of wonders and the work of man in building this grand highway is only surpassed by the lavish hand of Mother Nature, who has here so generously bestowed her superb handwork. This paved road is indeed a delight to tourists, winding on an easy grade along river and through forest, guarded by precipitous cliffs where Mother Nature at intervals expresses her various moods of laughter and music in leaping waterfalls and pearly spray. At Crown Point is perhaps the grandest, certainly the most extensive view. This panorama includes a view of 30 miles up and down the Columbia river which with the mountains and the white-capped clouds just rolling above the horizon make a picture that will long remain to delight the mind.

After passing Crown Point the road winds on down in the shape of a figure eight through a park-like forest. Soon Latourell Falls, 225 feet high, is reached and at intervals of a few miles Shepherd's Dell, Bridal Veil Falls, Wah-Kee-Na Falls, and Multnomah Falls, the highest of all. At the latter are picnic grounds with camp stoves where coffee may be boiled. Then on again past the Oneonta gorge and through the Oneonta tunnel, about 200 feet through solid rock. Then Horsetail Falls, which is far more picturesque than the name would imply, and numerous small falls, like filmy veils hanging from the top of the cliffs.

White painted, 8x8 posts 5 feet high, with two 2x8 railings, guard the road for miles. Also concrete fences and bridges, and again, railings of stones about two feet high, set four feet apart. Signs at all curves warning against speeding help make the road safe. The pavement extends to Bonneville and will be finished to the Multnomah county line. Mr. Benson, however, has donated another mile of pavement in Hood River county.

There are several interesting industrial plants along the Columbia worthy of inspection—the fish hatchery at Bonneville and fish canneries at Dodson and Warrendale. At the latter place we watched the loading of 500 cases of salmon onto the Bailey Gatzert. The output of this cannery is 500 or 600 cases a day of salmon put up in 8 ounce cans, 48 cans to a case. Twenty chinese and six white men are employed while two women and two children were labeling by hand. One may see the whole process from the washing and cutting up of the fish to labeling of cans.

The Bridal Veil Lumber company at Bridal Veil is a large plant with millions of feet of lumber on hand. Flumes carry the rough lumber from the mill in the mountains and all modern conveniences are used in handling the lumber. KELSO.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK OF REV. PAROUNAGIAN

Sunday night Rev. M. B. Parounagian, Sunday school Missionary, for the Methodist church, addressed the congregation, and told some of his experiences on his arrival in this country from Armenia, and his early experiences here, also of what he had seen and what he had helped to do, in the past few years that he has been Sunday school missionary. Rev. Parounagian was pastor of the church here, for two years six years ago, having come here from Estacada. The church was well filled with people interested in the cause in which Mr. Parounagian works. Mr. Parounagian was entertained Sunday evening at the home of O. W. Tarr.

List of Letters.

Remaining letters uncalled for in the Gresham postoffice for week ending August 7th, 1916:

Cards—J. Douglas McKay, Miss Noble Cote, Mrs. Clara Taylor.

These letters will be sent to the dead letter office on August 20th, 1916, if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say advertised, giving date of list.

I. McCOLL, P. M.

Notice the date on the label of your Outlook. If you are in arrears your prompt renewal will be appreciated.