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WEEK

GRESHAM OUTLOOK

TUESDAYS
AND
FRIDAYS

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GRESHAM INVITES ALL TO JOIN IN CELEBRATING HARDSURFACE COMPLETION

TWO INJURED, ONE DEAD BY AUTOMOBILE

Another frightful automobile accident took place on Sunday night at the high wooden bridge about one mile south of Troutdale.

The casualties were the death of Miss Olive Erickson, of Seattle, the serious injuring of her sister Agnes, of Portland, and J. H. Shields, Chester R. Shields, the latter's son was uninjured, as he had just alighted from the car before the accident.

It is reported that just before the fatal accident, the Shields car had a minor collision with the machine belonging to W. H. Counsell, of Milwaukie, on the Troutdale end of the wooden bridge and the elder Shields backed his car to a protected section of the bridge to investigate the damage. Knowing that his father was not an experienced driver—it was the fourth time he had driven the machine—the son suggested as his father was backing the car to let him take the wheel. The elder Shields prepared to make the change as his son stepped out and suddenly he lost control and the machine shot off the bridge into the deepest section of the gulley below it.

Fire burst forth when the machine hit the ground and had it not been for the quick wit of Emil Olsen, a farmer living near the scene of the accident and who happened to pass a minute after it had happened, it is probable that Miss Erickson and Shields would have been burned to death. Olsen saw the flames and, dragging his fire extinguisher out of his machine, he climbed down the bank and put out the fire by a liberal use of the chemical.

Miss Agnes Erickson was extricated first. She had been thrown from the rear seat and the left mudguard pinned her under the car. Her back was injured and she experienced a serious shock.

Miss Olive Erickson was riding on the front seat with the elder Shields. The seat crushed her to death, life being extinct when the car was lifted from her body. Shields was thrown across her shoulders, her body acting as a cushion, probably saving the driver's life. He sustained three fractured ribs, one of which stabbed him through a lung, and his face was badly cut.

Sam Strehln and his sons were early at the scene, and Mr. Strehln asserts that the younger Shields deliberately jumped off the bridge into the gulch, following the machine. When the others arrived he was staggering around unsteadily as if under the influence of liquor. At any rate he was un hurt.

Quite a number of Gresham people were at the Ols, a home when the accident happened and gave considerable assistance.

LATOURELL BUYS BRICK FROM COLUMBIA YARDS

The brick for Latourell & Son's new garage was bought at the Columbia brick works and the building is well under way. There were several days' delay in waiting for the outcome of the case against the Unique Brick & Tile company, which was finally settled by Judge Campbell releasing the six carloads of brick and ordering them to be sold.

Charles Latourell made a bid of \$7.50 per thousand for them, and a representative of the company, C. R. Alysforth, bid \$7.75. Thus the company was the buyer of its own product, but it was explained that the company was obligated to bid in the brick in order to be able to comply with a previous obligation to deliver all the brick at the yard for a large building under construction for the Union Meat company at North Portland.

FINEST CONCRETE BRIDGE ON COLUMBIA HIGHWAY

The new concrete bridge to be built on the Base Line extension, just west of the Automobile club, will be the finest of all on the Columbia River highway.

Besides being of an ornate design it will be made of a special grade of concrete and white sand from the ocean beach. Without being painted it will be almost pure white.

This section of the highway, when finished, promises to equal any other of equal distance along the route for its scenic beauty.

Want ads—Key to success.

GEO. E. PROCTOR KILLED WHILE HAULING WOOD

George E. Proctor, son of W. A. Proctor, was accidentally killed on Saturday morning last while hauling cordwood from the timber near the Cottrell schoolhouse. He was alone at the time, and no one saw the accident, but it is thought that he fell from the top of the load when his team made a sudden start as he was found lying in the road with every appearance of having been run over by one of the wagon wheels.

The wheel had passed across his neck touching both shoulders. His neck was broken. Dr. H. H. Hughes was called at once but his services were not needed, as death must have been instantaneous. The body was brought to Carlson's undertaking parlors here where it was prepared for burial, the funeral taking place yesterday at Pleasant Home. Rev. David Cathey officiated at the house and at the grave. The pall bearers were six of his young friends, Will Hayworth, Oscar Stone, Guy Hood, Joe Haley, Burlige Spiers and Fred Wagner. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends and numerous floral tributes.

George E. Proctor was born March 23d, 1904 and had passed his entire life at the family home near Cottrell. He was popular among his associates. His untimely passing will leave a void in the family and community that can never be filled. The sympathies of this entire section are extended to his parents and other relatives in their bereavement.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us in our late bereavement, and for every expression of sympathy and condolence received; and especially for the beautiful floral tributes lavished so bountifully upon the last resting place of our loved one.

W. A. PROCTOR AND FAMILY.

GRANGE TO HOLD SPECIAL MEETING

Gresham grange will hold an open special meeting at the grange hall on Saturday evening, August 26, to complete arrangements for the Gresham grange exhibit at the county fair. Everyone is urged to come whether a member or not, and assist in a great community exhibit of agriculture and household skill.

Last year Gresham grange won fourth prize and the members feel that they should do better this year. The following committees are in charge of the work:

- General arrangements—Mrs. M. Volbrecht, Mrs. L. T. Lusted, Mrs. C. Merrill.
- Potatoes—E. E. Welling.
- Grains and Grasses—H. E. Davis.
- Vegetables—Theodore Brugger.
- Fresh Fruits—R. R. Carlson.
- Canned Fruits—Mrs. Roy Kern.
- Baking and Cooking—Mrs. H. E. Davis.
- Household Skill—Mrs. W. F. Waters and Mrs. W. B. Parsons.

FOURTEEN NEW FORDS SOLD IN A WEEK

Since Latourell & Son made the announcement that the 1917 Ford cars would be sold for \$415.70 they have taken orders for fourteen to be delivered as soon as they can be had.

One thousand Fords were shipped from Detroit to Portland on August 7th and will soon be here. They are coming in "parts" ready for assembling at the Portland plant, and of the shipment the Gresham dealers will receive but 16. Only two remain to be sold out of this installment but orders for more have been placed for quick delivery.

One lone sample of the new model may be seen at the garage, but when the new building is ready it is expected to have a large number on hand for inspection and sale at all times.

Death of Mrs. E. M. Carpenter.

Mrs. E. M. Carpenter, mother of Mrs. J. H. Lake, whose serious illness was mentioned in the Outlook on Friday last, died on Saturday morning at 6 o'clock. The funeral was held at the Douglas cemetery on Sunday.

Weather Forecast.

Pacific States: The week will be generally fair, with temperatures near or below the seasonal average.

There has not been a case of yellow fever in the United States since 1905.

JOLLIFICATION AND CELEBRATION

Many of the business men on Main street were transformed into "white wings" early this morning and began cleaning the new pavement in front of their place so as to be ready for the carnival tonight.

All day long the work went on with spasmodic interruptions, and finally the street commissioner took pity on them. He helped them out, and by six o'clock the street made a presentable appearance for the visitors that will celebrate with Gresham in the completion of the hard surface that has at last made the principal thoroughfare of the town one of the best in the state.

Yesterday afternoon and last evening a crew of volunteers began making preparations for the expected crowds. The bandstand was begun by laying heavy timbers across the old concrete base on the Ely property. The ground had previously been leveled down. Today a great lot of young fir trees were distributed along the store fronts, forming a neat decoration.

Early this morning a large crew of electricians began putting up the five permanent arc lights that the council recently authorized. They

were placed at intervals of one block apart, the intention being to light the five blocks of full width hard surface.

So far as can be ascertained there will be no set program tonight. The P. R. L. & P. Co.'s massed band will be here in full uniform with forty instruments. Mayor Stapleton will make an address of welcome. There are promised some special stunts by the rollicking joy clubs of Portland, who have been specially invited. Street dancing of the humorous kind will be indulged in, and if any girl finds herself suddenly seized and made the center of a big circle of howling Indians she mustn't run home and tell ma.

It's going to be a jolly occasion, and as everybody will be here to enjoy it they will know more about it tomorrow morning than any newspaper can tell them.

The celebration is in honor of the completion of the hard surfaced street and county roads. Many notables of hard surface fame will be in the crowd, and some of them will probably be heard. Anyway its going to be some remarkable demonstration.

RURAL CREDITS EXPLAINED BY HERBERT MYRICK

Herbert Myrick, who is a well-known author, publisher and exponent of improved farm conditions, gave an interesting lecture before a big gathering of bankers, business men and farmers at the Portland Chamber of Commerce on Saturday evening. His talk was principally an explanation of the national rural credits system.

In approaching his subject he explained most fully the workings of the new law and laid frequent emphasis on the difference in cost to the farmer of securing land loans under the old system of farm mortgages and under the new system.

As the subject is of considerable interest to many persons of this vicinity there was quite an attendance from here, and in view of the probable adoption of a state law on the same subject the explanation given by Mr. Myrick is given at considerable length. He said in part:

"By the old method, so long in vogue, the cost of mortgage money to American farmers, including commissions and renewal charges, now averages about 8 1/2 per cent. This means that the average farmer now pays what is equal to \$85 yearly for the use of \$1000. In 33 years these annual charges of \$85 amount to \$2805. If the \$85 paid each year earns only 5 per cent compound interest, this will aggregate about \$3595 for compound interest alone, during the 33 years, which sum is lost to the borrower. Add it to the \$2805 and we get some \$6400 as the total cost and loss to the borrower of \$1000 for the 33 years by the old way, and he still owes the original \$1000 of principal.

"By the new method, with interest at 5 per cent per annum, paid 2 1/2 per cent semi-annually, and 1 per cent applied on the principal each six months together with all savings of simple and compound interest, the farmer pays in a total of \$70 each year, or \$2310 in 33 years, but by the end of that time his debt is paid off in full.

"Therefore, to pay interest and other charges upon a farm mortgage of \$1000, and to have the principal of the debt paid off in full at the end of 33 years costs, by the old method, \$7400; costs, by the new system, \$2300; saving by the new system, \$5100.

"The new system enables the borrower to pay his debt almost 'without feeling it.' 'Total payments yearly almost one-fifth less than by the old method, not only meet interest, but by the new system gradually discharge the principal also.

"The actual savings by the new over the old way is some \$5000 on each \$1000 borrowed for 33 years.

"The shorter the loan, the less the saving, but the sooner the debt is paid. Thereafter, all the interest accrues to the farm owner."

Mr. Myrick explained that the new law provides that any ten or more farmers who wish to borrow money for a long period of years may form a National farm loan association. Each farmer must pay in \$5 for one of its shares, for each \$100 he wishes to borrow. The association invests that money in shares of the Federal land bank for its district.

POTATO BLIGHT AND FOOT ROT REPORTED

Mr. B. M. McKay, plant pathologist of the Oregon Agricultural college spent Thursday and Friday with Mr. Hall this week. A study of the potato diseases of the country were made. Eleven fields were visited and the percentage of diseased hills varied from 40 per cent to as low as one-half per cent. The low percentages were found where hill selection and seed treatment and crop rotation have been practiced. The diseases most plentiful are, Rhizoctonia and Blackleg while there is some wilt present in most fields. The estimate is that the crop of the country is reduced from 5 per cent to 10 per cent by these three diseases.

Several cases of foot rot in cattle have been reported. This disease is very plentiful this year and a careful watch should be kept so that treatment can be started in time. Dr. B. T. Simms says for this disease, "Clean the affected foot thoroughly with an antiseptic solution. If deformed train foot to proper shape. Scrape any dead tissue off the affected part. Wash in 3 per cent solution copper sulphate (blue-stone.) Keep animal in dry, well bedded stall until improvement sets in. Prevent by trimming feet of all cattle and sheep and by avoiding muddy lots as far as is possible."

The late blight has appeared in all parts of the country the past week. It is doing the most damage in the district east of the Sandy river where the blight was spreading rapidly. The early blight hit the field of S. M. Davis and H. B. Perkins quite severely the past week.

The early blight grows faster during hot dry weather and is sometimes associated with sun-burn while the late blight thrives best at a temperature of about 70 or 75 degrees when it is very moist.

EAST CLACKAMAS FAIR THREE DAYS IN OCTOBER

The East Clackamas County fair will be held at Estacada for three days, on October 4, 5 and 6. This will be the third annual fair of the association, and from the premium offers made it is evidently growing in popularity and importance.

A 32-page premium list has just been sent out by R. M. Standish of the East Clackamas News, the printing having been done at the Outlook office. It offers first and second prizes in livestock, agriculture, domestic science, poultry and juvenile work.

As it is purely a local enterprise exhibitors are restricted to the districts embraced by Garfield, George, Currinsville, Eagle Creek, Barton, Springwater, Viola and Logan. Special events will be community day, political day and juvenile day. General admission will be 25 cents and there will be no entry fee. The money taken in will be divided pro rata among the exhibitors as prizes, after running expenses have been paid. H. C. Stephens is president; Walter Givens is secretary.

APOSTATE NUN TO LECTURE IN GRESHAM

Sister Lucretia, the "escaped" nun, has been announced for two lectures in Gresham next Thursday afternoon and evening.

After 31 years in the order Sister Lucretia became an apostate, renounced her vows and left the school and convent in Portland. Since leaving she has been giving lectures, principally about herself and those with whom she formerly associated.

Her first lecture will be given on Thursday afternoon to women only at the Gresham Baptist church. The evening lecture will be given in Metzger's hall to the public. Admission to both lectures will be free.

WATCH CRYSTAL FOUND, LOST FOR THIRTY YEARS

Some workmen found a watch crystal yesterday on Division street, just north of the Mount Hood railway which was identified by Jerry Stanley as having once been the property of the late Dr. J. P. Powell.

Mr. Stanley remembered it as having been lost about 30 years ago. It is in good condition, having escaped destruction for all that length of time. It was given to Dr. Powell's daughter, Mrs. J. N. Clananah, who will keep it as a memento of her father.

Fifty cent bottles, O Cedar Oil special this week at 10c Sterling & Kidder Hdwe. Co.

HORSE SALES SHOW MORE ARE WANTED

One of the boys who recently took a large consignment of horses to El Paso for A. C. Ruby has brought back with him some statistics concerning the horse and mule market in Texas. It is interesting in the fact that so many animals have been sent out of Oregon, and shows to a great extent the demand for them by the United States government, which cannot be filled. Incidentally it reveals the great use of army auto trucks.

He says that notwithstanding the fact that there are now more than 600 army trucks in service within the jurisdiction of the southern military department, which has its headquarters at Fort Sam Houston, the demand for horses and mules for additional military units that will soon be in the field is larger than can be promptly supplied. It is stated by army commissary officers that besides the 26,550 cavalry horses, 13,900 artillery horses, 8,100 wheel mules, 8,100 lead mules, 800 pack mules and 192 light draft horses which had up to his departure been authorized to be purchased, probably double these numbers will be required a little later on.

Much difficulty is being met in finding the right kind of animals. The western states have been scoured for good horses and mules during the past three years by French and English army buyers. Many farms and ranches have been depleted of most of the animals that come up to army specifications.

The scarcity of first-class horses and mules is causing a big rise in price of these animals, and those that are now being bought by the government cost fully 25 per cent more than they would have sold for a year or two ago.

It is said that Americans who have ranch interests in Mexico have been conferring with army officers in regard to the horse and mule supply in that country. It is stated that, while most of the ranches within 100 miles of the international border have been stripped of all their stock, there are plenty of good animals to be found in the more interior parts of Mexico, and that the United States should have no difficulty in purchasing at reasonable prices all the horses, mules and burros they may need in event of an invasion.

In the meantime the shipment of horses and mules will continue from here and elsewhere until the demand is supplied or there is no occasion to use them.

FUNERAL OBSEQUIES OF MRS. E. J. NEW

Funeral services were held over the remains of the late Mrs. Elizabeth J. New yesterday with interment in the Gresham cemetery. Rev. A. C. Brackenbury officiated at the grave, a prior service having been held at the Dunning chapel, Portland.

Mrs. New died on August 17th at North Yakima, her remains having been brought here for burial. She was born August 4th, 1849 and crossed the plains with her parents in 1853. She leaves three sons and three daughters. Of the first three George and Frank live in Portland. Joseph is a resident of North Yakima. Her daughters are Mrs. David Muck, of Priest Rapids, Washington; Mrs. Jennie Caldwell, of Perrydale, Oregon, and Mrs. Gladys Sheldon, of Salem.

Emmet Kelly of Gresham and Gilby Kelly of Alameda Park, Portland, are her surviving brothers.

AUCTION SALE OF STOCK, TOOLS, ETC.

A public auction sale will be held next Tuesday, August 29, on the E. Mitchell place two miles east of Troutdale, commencing at 10:30 a.m.

The stock to be sold includes six cows, three two-year old heifers and four yearlings; also two mares and a colt. Twelve tons of clover hay, farming tools and household furniture completes the list. A free lunch will be served at noon. W. S. Wood will be the auctioneer with Archie Meyers as clerk.

LOST—Dark Durham bull, strayed from pasture near Lusteds. Send information to J. Hosner, Troutdale. 51

There is a waterfall in New Zealand which is 1,904 feet high.

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