

## CANNERY TO BE REBUILT BY G. F. G. A.

Active work will begin, as soon as weather conditions will permit, on rebuilding the Gresham Fruit Growers' association cannery, which was destroyed by fire on November 23, 1916. The contract has been let for clearing the ground and C. G. Witter has been employed as foreman. Figures are being obtained on lumber and other material necessary in the construction of the building. The construction of the building will be done by days' work. Anyone desiring work on the building should consult with Secretary Jas. Elkington of the association.

Representatives of the association have been canvassing the country tributary to Gresham and have contracted for nearly all the Cuthbert raspberries to be had. It is expected that the coming year's pack of raspberries will be double that of last year. The association is ready to contract for other fruit, such as pears, cherries, plums, Lawton and Evergreen blackberries. Any persons having these fruits to contract should see Mr. Elkington or Mr. Towle.

The directors of the association have joined with W. W. Cotton in handling this year's pack of raspberries. Mr. Cotton will put in the necessary machinery and furnish a process man. During the raspberry season he will buy all the association's berries and can them as his own. He will pay the growers the price agreed upon by the association, paying cash each week. In return for the use of the building during the raspberry season, Mr. Cotton will pay 6 per cent per annum on the association's investment, and taxes and insurance on the building, and furnish the association the free use of his equipment for their operations. Before and after the raspberry season, the association will have full charge, and during that season will have access to the building for any necessary business.

On account of existing conditions, the growers do not seem inclined to raise vegetables to any extent, and no arrangements for canning them will be made this year.

## MOLE DEMONSTRATIONS LARGELY ATTENDED

In spite of the fact that the ground has been covered with snow the greater part of the past week the mole meetings which have been carried on by Theo. H. Scheffer and County Agent Hall have been highly successful.

So far nine meetings and field demonstrations have been held and they have been attended by 887 persons, 551 of whom are members of the high and grade schools of the county. Mr. Scheffer has invariably held his audience in rapt attention with his remarks on the habits of the mole, methods of trapping this rodent, and means of skinning those caught. For the past three years Mr. Scheffer has been studying the mole in the Northwest but it is only within the last few months that he has undertaken demonstration work, all his efforts prior to that time having been confined to research.

It is through the result of the activity of the U. S. Biological Survey that there has come to be a ready market for the American moleskins, which, according to reports received by the government, are superior in size and quality to the moles secured on the London fur market.

County Agent Hall is making plans to market moleskins co-operatively in this county and hopes by following this plan to obtain a better price than could be secured by individuals who only have a few peits to sell at a time.

## ONE HUNDRED ACRES OF POTATOES SOLD

A. J. Kreuger, manager of the Wilson farm, west of Gresham has contracted with a California farm for 100 acres of potatoes. They will all be used for seed. The Wilson farm is one of the best for potatoes in this county and is free from diseases that would affect potatoes, being on the summit of Camp mountain, with an elevation of several hundred feet above the valley.

Mr. Kreuger is preparing to put the ground in shape for the big crop. He has bought an Iron Age potato planter and Oliver low wagon from Hessel's machinery store, and has six acres already planted.

## "WILLARD MEMORIAL" DELIGHTFUL AFFAIR

The W. C. T. U. "Willard Memorial" meeting, held at the home of Mrs. Geo. F. Honey, was an instructive and delightful affair.

In spite of the disagreeable weather, about forty members and friends gathered at the library and were conveyed by several autos to the home on the hill.

On account of sickness Mrs. Mary Russel, who was to have been the principal speaker, was unable to be present.

A very desirable substitute was Mrs. Jennie M. Kemp, W. C. T. U. state president, who knew Frances E. Willard intimately, and who, having spent several years on the editorial staff of the Union Signal, with offices in "Rest Cottage," the home of Miss Willard, was able to give many interesting reminiscences of Miss Willard and her well-laid plans for the expansion of temperance.

Another educating feature of Mrs. Kemp's talk, was the Oregon Legislature.

Her experience at Salem during the whole session, while keeping tabs on bills that lie close to the mother's hearts, reads like a book, and was enjoyed and enthusiastically received.

She intimated that the only evidence that some of Multnomah county's representatives were dry, was that they carried umbrellas. Mrs. Kemp left for Portland immediately after the address.

Most of the musical program was omitted but the following was rendered: vocal solo by Mrs. A. C. Brackenbury; piano solo, Mrs. Sterling, and duet by Mrs. Clannah and Mrs. Brackenbury.

A rising vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Clara Kane for piecing and tying a quilt for the state W. C. T. U. bazaar, to be held in Portland soon.

After a light lunch the meeting adjourned. The offering for the memorial fund was four dollars.

## PRIVATE BOND WINS DESERVED PROMOTION

Mention was made last week of the promotion of Private Jewell Bond, of Gresham, to the rank of sergeant. The following letter to the Outlook gives him merited praise upon his advancement, showing that fidelity to duty is recognized and rewarded in the army as well as elsewhere:

General Recruiting Station,  
U. S. Army,  
Portland, Ore., Feb. 21, 1917.  
Editor Outlook—I am sure the friends of Jewell Bond, whose home is in Gresham will be pleased to learn of his promotion to the grade of sergeant in the 8th Disciplinary Barracks, U. S. Disciplinary Barracks, Alcatraz, California. This recommendation of the new sergeant as a trustworthy and efficient soldier, for that is what his promotion amounts to, was well deserved. The nature of the duties the sergeant will perform requires patience, tact, a goodly supply of the milk of human kindness, and a large sympathy which under no circumstances should be allowed to deteriorate into mandlin sentimentalism. If sergeant Bond had not possessed these qualities, his commanding officer would not have selected him for this honor. Here's luck to him!

E. J. HUEBSCHER,  
Captain, U. S. Army, retired.

## STANDING COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY MAYOR

The following standing council committees have been appointed by Mayor Stapleton for the ensuing year.

Finance—Chairman, K. A. Miller; G. F. Honey, W. Thom.

Health and Police—Chairman, E. H. Kelly; A. W. Metzger, K. A. Miller.

Public Property—Chairman, A. W. Metzger; W. R. Burke, K. A. Miller. Ways and Means—Chairman, W. R. Burke; K. A. Miller, W. Thom.

Fire and Water—Chairman, W. Thom; G. F. Honey, W. R. Burke.

Streets and Public Ways—Chairman, G. F. Honey; A. W. Metzger, E. H. Kelly.

## JAPANESE COMPANY RENTS EXTENSIVE FARM

A company of five Japanese has rented two hundred acres of the Sun Dial farm and will plant one hundred acres of it to potatoes this spring. They have bought an Iron Age potato planter from Hessel's machinery store.

Wanted, Room and Board for gentleman in central location in Gresham. Must be first-class. Will consider table board alone. Enquire Outlook office. Phone 701.

The Renfrew (Canada) board of education is making arrangements for evening industrial classes.

## MELROSE AND VICTORY

### PROPOSED CANNERY WILL BE DISCUSSED TOMORROW EVENING AT CEDAR SCHOOLHOUSE

There will be a meeting at Cedar schoolhouse Saturday at 7:30 p. m., where M. Rogers, who represents the Libby McNeil & Libby company, well known canners of Chicago, will try to interest the farmers of this community in a project whereby if they can get the necessary support in the way of produce they will build a cannery at Fairview or Troutdale and there is also talk of a milk condensing plant somewhere near. This company is backed by unlimited funds, they say, and it is worth your while to investigate.

Cecil Duke, who has been substituting in the Sandy drug store for a week or two, is spending a few days at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Duke, when he will return to his work for the Sandy Fir Lumber company.

There will be the regular services at Cliff chapel next Sunday. This is the turn for morning preaching and we hope as many as can will attend. Lester Conrad gave a very interesting talk on the lesson last Sunday and gave us something new to think of. A new feature of the Searcher's class will be a question box. Any who are puzzled about any question such as we have been discussing can write it down and we will all set to work to solve it. Everybody is requested to attend both services, Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m.

Mrs. Alta Gentry and son spent Friday night and Saturday at the home of her grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Wood.

Last Friday night was the occasion of much jollification at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Conrad, when about 50 neighbors and friends met to give a "house warming", and celebrate the birthday of their brother, Percy Conrad. Games were played, though a rather serious drawback to games, was the delicious home-made candy that kept passing around as well as pans of nuts. About 11 o'clock when lunch was being prepared a "shower" was "discovered" and presented to the bride. It contained many beautiful and useful presents and it was accompanied by good wishes of a host of friends. Miss Dolly Morgan received the honor of lighting the candles on the birthday cake, after which ceremony the delicious lunch was served and the party went home wishing the bride and groom a happy life.

The mole meeting at Victory was well attended. Almost every man in the district being present. It is hoped something may be done this summer to stop the growth of this terrible little pest.

Victory school is progressing nicely under the teaching of Miss Laura Jakway and both the parents and pupils are well pleased with the work that is being done.

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Wood were guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Williams at their home near Pleasant Home last Wednesday and Thursday. The Embroidery club meets next Thursday with Mrs. Thompson. All are invited to attend.

A potato buyer from Portland got lost on Victory Heights last Sunday and many varied were the adventures that befell him. After an exciting time he found himself at L. Wilhelm's and he had reached the stage then when all he wanted to know was "How can I get back to town?" Next time he ventures off the main highway he will probably get a guide.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Foth were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Alder at dinner Thursday.

Mrs. I. T. Wood spent Saturday night and Sunday at the home of her brother, Chas. Hayden, of Portland. The occasion was a reunion and the only flaw was there was one brother who could not be there. Sunday she

## Again in Business.

B. F. Bauer, who has been managing a barber shop in Portland, has taken charge of the barber shop formerly run by A. E. Adams and it is now open for business. The shop has been remodeled and new fixtures put in; also first class bath room in connection. Come in any get acquainted.—Adv.

After the United States, Germany and France are the largest producers of iron ore among the nations.

Nova Scotia has a workmen's compensation law.

was one of a party that crossed the new interstate bridge and visited Vancouver Barracks.

A number of friends surprised Miss Anna Morgan last Tuesday, the occasion being her birthday. She received many pretty gifts. Those present besides Miss Anna were, the Misses Lena Cooley, Edith Andrews, Florence Wilhelm, Mary Bourgeois, Henrietta Wiles, Dolly Morgan, Messrs. Harvy Greenwood, Fred and Hector Morgan and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Stafford.

Sunday Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Andrews entertained at dinner Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bee of Gresham. Mr. Bee and Mr. Andrews were acquainted in Alberta, Canada, their former home.

Miss Henrietta Wiles spent Wednesday in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Stafford visited Mrs. Florence Wallace and Mrs. Edyth Gundlach in Portland Sunday.

G. W. Alder is just finishing his trips to town where he has marketed 300 boxes of apples this winter.

Will Hensley, who has been ill for a long time, is much worse at present.

Mrs. Dimple Jones and Mrs. Mary Mitzel spent the day at the home of Mrs. A. M. Chamberlain in Portland, Sunday.

Mrs. Edgar Wilson spent the week-end visiting in Portland.

Chester Stafford has just had a new phone installed. Their number is 787.

John Wheeler and family spent Sunday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Olive Strebin.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wiles and son Thomas, were guests Sunday at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Wiles.

Everett Stafford killed two coyotes and three coons recently. It is reported there has been a large band of coyotes seen in the neighborhood recently. They play havoc with chickens but just as well let the chickens have them as fatten the chickens for some sneak thief to get.

Miss Helen Phelps, of Portland, spent the week-end at the home of G. W. Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burns visited at the home of David McKeown one day this week.

Mrs. Stella Hayden and son Raymond, spent Monday and Tuesday at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. I. T. Wood.

Orle and Percy Conrad hiked to Springdale Sunday afternoon. With the best of roads, finest scenery and fine weather, it is a wonder more folks don't go in for hiking trips. It is the cheapest and best and one of the most delightful exercises known.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Conrad and daughter Ada, and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Conrad spent Sunday afternoon in Montavilla at the home of Martin Gerig.

Chas. Kandle took the civil service examinations for mail train clerk last week.

Miss Florence Wilhelm was a guest of the Misses Ruth and Gertrude Ickler, Sunday.

Elmer Ivey, of Milwaukie, called Sunday afternoon at the home of G. W. Andrews.

Mrs. Nina Buxton is visiting her brother, Everett Stafford.

Miss Florence Wilhelm spent Sunday evening at the home of Miss Lena Cooley.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gholson are living at Rose Vista Inn.

The Carlson boys are among those who have been having the chicken pox. This must be the "tortoise" variety of chicken pox for it travels very slowly but it gets everyone sooner or later.

Mrs. Alta Gentry and son Russell, were guests of Miss Lena Cooley at dinner last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Alder were dinner guests at the home of J. C. Duke last Monday.

## Warm Rooms to Rent.

Mrs. H. F. Bauer has taken charge of the rooms in the First State Bank building, formerly occupied by Mrs. Waltman, and has modern, up-to-date steam-heated rooms with hot and cold water and bath for rent.—Adv.

It's time to prune your fruit trees and berry bushes. All kinds pruning shears at L. L. Kidder Hdwe. Co.

There is enough salt in the oceans to cover the United States to a depth of 8,500 feet.

Try a want ad. in the Outlook.

## MRS. GUST LARSON LAID TO REST TUESDAY

Marie Onsdorff was born in Skane, Sweden, August 6, 1864. She came to this country and to Missouri in the spring of 1881. Ten years later she came to Thorkingson, Washington, and on July 6, 1904 was married to Gust Larson. Before her marriage she engaged in the dry goods and notions business in Vancouver, Washington. In the fall of 1904 she moved with her husband to Gresham and has lived in Gresham and on their farm near here until her death, Sunday morning, February 18, 1917. Mrs. Larson left, besides her devoted husband, a brother, Peter Onsdorff of Battle Ground, Washington; a sister, Mrs. Emanuel Anderson of Gresham; a sister, Miss Emelie Onsdorff of Bucklin, Missouri. Mrs. Larson was a member of the Free Methodist church and the Women's Christian Temperance Union in Gresham and to both gave devoted service.

The funeral service was held at the Methodist Episcopal church on Tuesday afternoon and was in charge of District Elder F. L. Burns, who spoke of the earnest christian character of Mrs. Larson. Rev. W. M. Coffee, a former district superintendent, preached the sermon.

Mrs. Larson had requested that these ministers have charge of the funeral and that they preach to the living and not concerning the dead. The benediction was pronounced in her native tongue by Rev. S. Standset, of the Swedish Lutheran church in Portland.

Members of the Gresham Women's Christian Temperance Union attended the service in a body, about twenty being present. The interment was in Mt. Scott Park cemetery.

## Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank the friends and neighbors, who have offered help and sympathy and done all that earthly friends can do during the illness and death of my beloved wife, Marie Larson.

GUST LARSON.

## LANCE CORPORAL BENJAMIN LEDBURY

One of the victims of the European war is a nephew of Joe Ledbury, of the Columbia slough district. The following concerning him is taken from an English newspaper:

Quite a gloom was cast over the village of Dilton Marsh on Wednesday (last week) when it became known that Lance-Corporal Benjamin Ledbury, No. 53480, 18th Battalion Canadians, had died of wounds received in action a few days before and much sympathy is felt for his parents and relatives.

Lance-Corporal Ledbury was in Canada when the war broke out, having made up his mind to try his fortune there when only 19 years of age. Success attended his efforts, and after working on the land for a year, he became a railway man, and by industry and ability rose to the rank of ganger after two years' service, and when he was only 22 years of age. He was one of a family of eleven, being the fifth son of Benjamin Ledbury, of Redpit Farm, Dilton Marsh. He joined the army soon after war broke out, and after training came over to England. He visited his home several times while in this country. He was sent to France in September, 1915, and did not return. He was 24 years of age.

## POTATO THIEF TAKEN AFTER MAKING SALE

Twenty-three sacks of potatoes stolen from C. C. Marklund, one mile east of Gresham, on Sunday night last were identified by the owner and recovered from a Front street commission house on Wednesday. They had been sold by a truck driver named L. L. Wilson for \$2.60 a sack, and five minutes later he was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Bob Phillips.

It is said that Wilson has made a confession, implicating two other men. He will be arraigned in the district court on a charge of larceny.

Wilson has a wife and three children living on the east side. He has been in the employ of E. M. Stark as an auto truck driver and used the machine in his raid on the potato pit. He has lived in Portland or seven years.

## Home-like Rooms.

Modern, up-to-date rooms, with hot and cold water, steam heated and bath. Rates reasonable. First State Bank building, formerly occupied by Mrs. Waltman. Mrs. H. F. Bauer.—Adv.

## For Sale.

White Leghorn hatching eggs, chicks and cockerels. Laying pullets, \$18 per dozen. H. W. Cooley & Son, Troutdale, Oregon. Phone 434.

## Tailoring

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

Read the Want Ads.

## PORTLAND IS PROPOSING POWER LINE

The people of Portland will vote on a bond issue of \$1,700,000 on June 4th for the purpose of providing the city with a municipal street lighting plant. The bonds will run for a period of 22 years at 5 per cent in serial form.

It is proposed to bring the current from Bull Run river at a point about 13 miles above the headworks. Portland owns all rights on the river and there will be no outlay on that score other than the expenditure of \$1300 for right of way over private property.

The power lines will come from the plant over the present right of way of the Bull Run pipe line, passing through Gresham. In addition to furnishing Portland with additional street lights it is proposed to sell power and light service up to 30 per cent of the capacity of the plant. By the plan outlined it will be possible to make a saving over the present cost to the city and yield a surplus estimated at \$57,088 annually. Commissioner Daly has filed his estimates with the city auditor and the question will be agitated from now on until election day.

The plan as outlined in the report is to construct from water revenue a dam at Bull Run lake to increase the amount of water in the lake during the low water periods of the summer. From the \$1,777,000 power plant bond issue an intake would be constructed to a flume 13 1/2 miles above the Bull Run headworks and a flume 13.2 miles in length on the north side of the river to a reservoir near the Bull Run headworks.

From this reservoir the water would go in two penstocks to a power house on the river near the headworks from which the electricity would be transmitted to Portland a distance of 30 miles. The water after passing through the electric plant flumes, reservoirs and machines would go on down the river to the pipelines supplying Portland with water.

Following are Mr. Daly's estimates of cost: Diversion, \$27,500; flume, \$286,000; right-of-way, \$1320; forebay and reservoir, \$55,000; penstocks, \$82,500; wagon road, \$22,000; power house, \$49,500; machinery, wiring, etc., \$170,500; transmission, \$82,500; distribution system, including transformer station, \$1,009,000. Total, \$1,776,820.

The annual expenses of the plant are enumerated in the report as follows: Operation, \$100,000; maintenance, \$50,000; interest on investment at 5 per cent, \$88,841; sinking fund payment to redeem bonds, \$88,841; total, \$327,862.

The annual operation and maintenance figures have been worked out so that the Water bureau will take care of some of the expense. The plan as outlined in the report is for the development of 6380 horsepower. It is proposed to provide 2500 horsepower for municipal lighting and to sell the remainder.

It is said in the report that the plant would enable the lighting of double the number of arc lights now in the city, furnish light for all public buildings and leave enough electricity to net \$186,746 when sold for residence or domestic consumption. At this rate there would be realized from general taxation a total of \$200,000 a year and from sale of electricity \$186,746 a total of \$386,746 at a cost of \$327,862.

The city under contract with the Portland Railway, Light & Power company has 3553 arc lights on streets entailing an annual cost of \$183,024 and incandescent lighting for buildings and other public purposes costing \$15,000 a year with material reduction for arc lights that are out when they should be burning. While more than 1000 applications for additional arc lights are on file from all over the city, no new lights have been installed for about three years. Inquiries on the subject have met with the announcement from Mr. Daly's office that the only way to get additional lights, is to vote for the lighting plant.

## Stepping Orchestra Dance.

The stepping orchestra will give a dance in Regner's hall, Saturday night, March 3. Good music, good floor management. Gentlemen 75c. Ladies free.

Best and most complete line of bicycle tires ever shown in Gresham at L. L. Kidder Hdwe. Co.