

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO BONDS WILL REACH \$16,450 IN GRESHAM

First State Bank Handles Nearly the Entire Amount of all Local Subscriptions

Liberty loan bonds were well subscribed in Gresham, and through the First State Bank alone amounted to \$14,100 at the time subscriptions closed at noon on Friday last week, and \$100 came in after subscriptions closed. Among the different organizations subscribing were the Gresham lodge No. 152 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons for \$500, and the Smith Memorial Presbyterian church of Fairview, Oregon for \$400.

The greater number of bonds subscribed for were of \$50 and \$100, many of the school children arranging to pay for a bond on the installment plan from their savings accounts. Altogether there was a total of 94 bonds sold by the First State Bank. The advantage to be derived by the public, from a wide distribution of the Liberty Loan bonds is obvious. If the principal of large incomes should be invested in liberty bonds, the income tax revenue would be reduced and to make up the deficit other taxes would have to be imposed. And these other taxes would inevitably fall upon the very people who should have rendered them unnecessary by full subscription to the Liberty loan.

The advantage to the government, and therefore to the people, of having the war bonds in the hands of those with relatively small incomes will be readily understood by those who take the trouble to make a small calculation on the new income tax. The present income tax on earnings of \$1,000,000 is \$400,220, or 40 per cent of earnings; on \$10,000,000 it is \$4,885,220, or more than 48 per cent. An individual or corporation with an income ranging from \$150,000 to \$500,000, from securities bearing four to six per cent, would make money by transferring his capital from securities, the income from which is taxable to tax-exempt government bonds and thereby deprive the government of a large amount of taxes which it would otherwise have.

This reduction in the income tax would result in a heavier tax on the man with a small income. It is because of this that Secretary McAdoo will see that all small subscriptions are cared for before any of the large subscriptions are allotted.

The man who has said to himself and to others, not only once but a number of times during the past week or ten days, that he would not buy a bond for the reason that they should be taken up by the millionaires and those with large incomes, may now feel some remorse regarding the advice given, but it is not yet too late for him to mend his ways for he may still place his order for a bond with the First State Bank and it will be filled from the allotment given the bank, which if held by the bank would tend only to reduce its income tax.

Subscription at the Bank of Gresham amounted to \$2250, making a total for Gresham of \$16,450.

CANADIAN TEACHERS COMING TO PORTLAND

That the schools of the United States and the Dominion of Canada are to be drawn more closely together than ever before by the 1917 convention of the National Education association is indicated by letters received from prominent educators of the British provinces to the North. Prof. A. R. Evans of New Westminster, British Columbia has informed the Portland general committee that he expects between 250 and 300 teachers from that province to attend. Inquiries concerning the program have come from every important city in Canada from Victoria to Toronto.

In addressing the teachers of Ontario the editor of the official teachers' paper said recently: "Go to Portland in July. Get acquainted with your American fellow teachers. They are now our allies. When Americans start a thing they go the limit in making it a success. They don't do things by half. The National Education association in times of peace is a great event. In war times it will be an event never to be forgotten."

Tailoring

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

Bargains in the Want Ads.

STOLEN CHEVROLET FOUND YESTERDAY

W. R. Burke has the history of a Chevrolet car in five short and successive chapters, of which the shifting scenes ran through five days. He bought it new from Regner & Fields on Thursday and drove it home. On Friday he had it insured by John Brown and drove it to Portland in the evening. Leaving it in front of a cafeteria while he went to lunch, it was stolen and its loss reported to the police in thirty minutes.

On Saturday the fourth chapter was made up of search and worry for the missing car and Sunday's chapter was filled with despair of ever seeing it again. But all true stories have a bright ending, and yesterday he was overjoyed to hear that it had been found.

The thieves had taken it to a secluded spot at East Sixtieth street and Killingsworth avenue and stripped it of its tires. With that exception the car was uninjured and the insurance company paid the loss. If any moral is needed the admonition is to have your car insured and then chain it down every time you leave it alone.

BASE LINE EXTENSION NOW OPEN FOR TRAVEL

It is possible now for automobiles to travel over the Base Line extension from the Troutdale road to the Automobile Club. The cut-off was opened last week for travel and is in a fairly good condition but not yet finished. It is somewhat rough in places, but solid and dry. The hard surface finish has not been put on yet.

This new portion of the highway is about two miles in length and opens up some beautiful scenery along the south bank of the Sandy river. It has a magnificent concrete bridge, trimmed with white granite, and skirts along the bank for the most part about half way up a 500-foot mountain.

It is understood that the entire roadway will soon be standardized by permanent improvements which will make it an attractive driveway, equal to the other on the east and north banks of the Sandy river, at all seasons of the year.

Because of the fact that the slope is toward the river, motorists desiring to inspect the new roadway are advised to go over the new strip of road from west to east, as the bumps may be taken easier on the down grade. It is now possible to make a delightful loop trip by using the Base Line road and its extensions to the Sandy river bridge and there cross to the pavement of the regular highway and then return by way of Troutdale and the Sandy boulevard without repeating any of the route from Portland back to Portland, or to any section of eastern Multnomah.

GRESHAM TO ASSIST IN RED CROSS WORK

The matter of assisting in the great Red Cross drive was taken up last night at the close of the Home Guard meeting and A. Meyers, president of the First State Bank, was appointed by Mayor Stapleton as chairman of a committee of his own selection to co-operate with Chairman Corbett of the Portland Red Cross to take subscriptions throughout this part of the county.

Mr. Myers this morning appointed Geo. Honey for Gresham; Mrs. J. W. Townsend and Mrs. D. McKay, Fairview; Mrs. L. A. Harlow and Mrs. C. I. Baker, Troutdale; Mrs. M. Lennartz and Mrs. C. B. Steinman, Pleasant Home; Mrs. H. P. Christensen and Mrs. Christine Hagberg, Powell Valley.

There will be a good Portland speaker in Gresham on Thursday night to stir up enthusiasm and the First State Bank makes the statement that if the people will subscribe \$400 the bank will add another hundred.

Forebodings.

"I fear my doctor's bill is going to be heavy."
"Oh, you are not very sick."
"That's not the point. He ran into some obstruction on his way to my house and badly damaged his machine."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Everyone has something to buy or sell. Try an Outlook want ad.

GUARD REORGANIZATION

At a meeting of the Gresham Home Guards, called last evening for the purpose of making a more complete reorganization, a pledge was signed by more than thirty members to show their support and patriotism more outwardly by being present at all drills unless excused and thus prove their willingness to serve their country.

The pledge with the names of those signing it is as follows:

Be it hereby resolved that we, the undersigned do hereby willingly and faithfully pledge our support to any move that will be to the betterment of the Gresham Home Guards.
We further agree to outwardly show our support and patriotism to our country by being present during one drill each week unless prevented by some unavoidable cause which explained to the captain, or other officer in charge, will be sufficient cause for our being excused, said drill to begin at 8 o'clock every meeting night unless otherwise stated by the commanding officer, and that such drills shall not exceed one hour in duration.

We further agree that we shall be present at any special drills which may be called on a majority vote of the combined active and honorary officers, and to stand by the officers in any duty for which they may be called upon to do in this community.

Signed: G. W. Stapleton, Guy L. Fieldhouse, H. L. St. Clair, F. G. Hoss, H. H. Zochmer, Richard J. Werner, B. H. Johnson, Jas. A. Jennings, E. W. Stratton, J. Woolley, E. L. Thorpe, H. L. Gerdes, H. S. Crenshaw, Glen O. Rasher, Chase E. St. Clair, W. R. Kern, A. Gullikson, G. F. Bauer, Lee R. Sheller, A. Myers, G. B. Middleton, J. Cannon, C. J. Lundquist, Frank C. Jones, Frank

ROCKWOOD CLUB CAR WINS SECOND PRIZE

Leisla Ruby's auto won second prize in the Floral parade on Saturday at the rose festival. It was entered by the Rockwood Improvement club. The prize was \$75. There were about 100 decorated cars in the parade, the Rockwood car attracting as much attention as the first prize winner.

The car was decorated with Scotch broom and the seven girls threw Scotch broom flowers for confetti. The club colors were black and yellow and was surmounted by a canopy with a large American eagle driving a dove of peace.

The seven occupants were Leisla Ruby, Olive Olsen, Bonnie Horton, Edith Jelken, Addie Quesinberry, Mazie Schantlin and Gladys Neal. They attracted great attention by giving the club yell of—

"With a vevo, vivo, vevo, vivo—
Run Johnny get a rat trap
Bigger than a cat trap
Johnny get a rat trap
Bigger than a gun.
Sis bum, sis bum, sis bum rub,
Rockwood, Rockwood Improvement Club."

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS FOR FEDERAL DUTY

The United States Civil Service commission announces that an examination for stenographer and typewriter, Field Service, will be held in forty different cities throughout the Eleventh Civil Service district June 30, 1917. Both men and women will be admitted to this examination. There is an urgent need of male stenographers and typewriters for all branches of the service in the Eleventh district, but particularly in the Quartermaster Corps of the United States army, at an entrance salary of \$1000 per annum. Typewriters without a knowledge of stenography are in demand and every eligible on the male typewriter register willing to accept an entrance salary of \$1000 per annum will be appointed. Male typewriters willing to serve their country under the conditions named should apply for this examination. Applications and full information will be furnished by the local secretary, Board of Civil Service Examiners, Post Office, at any of the offices where the examination will be held, or by the District Secretary, Room 303 Post Office Bldg., Seattle, Wash.

TO BE EXAMINED ON INSANITY CHARGE

James W. Murray was taken in charge by Constable Squire yesterday at his residence in Pleasant Home on complaint of some of his neighbors. He was sent to Portland last night by Justice Rollins for an examination today on a charge of insanity.

Mr. Murray is an old soldier who came here about two weeks ago from the Roseburg Home. He is quite feeble and crippled and unable to care for himself and quite excitable. His friends believe his ailment to be more bodily than mental, and the result of former hardships and old age.

MAKING ROAD PLANS FOR COMING YEAR

County Commissioner Holman and Road Supervisor H. B. Chapman will meet with the people living along the Section Line road next Saturday evening at the Lynch schoolhouse to gather suggestions and data for road work next year.

The Section Line road was not improved when the other roads were hard surfaced, and it is the intention of Mr. Holman to find out what the people want. A tentative plan is to make a center driveway for autos with macadam strips on each side for teams. Other meetings will be held where roads are to be improved.

Read the Want ads.

Metzger, D. A. White, D. C. Ross, E. W. Aylsworth, C. E. Metzger, J. W. Fox, Merrill R. Good, Mervin R. Good.

The matter of a Fourth of July celebration was taken up, the sentiment being in favor of holding a joint celebration with the Pleasant Home guards. It was learned that the guards there were also in session with the same subject under consideration, and a committee was sent to meet with them for a conference. The committee consisted of Mayor Stapleton, B. F. Bauer, Richard Werner and Guy Fieldhouse. They reported today that the sentiment there was for a patriotic gathering somewhere between Pleasant Home and Gresham which everyone could attend. No decision was arrived at but a committee from Pleasant Home was appointed to meet with the Gresham contingent tonight for a further consideration of the plan and a possible announcement of definite action.

The Fourth of July committee appointed for Gresham by Captain Bauer is W. R. Burke, chairman; E. W. Aylsworth and Frank C. Jones.

Following is the list of non-commissioned officers of the Gresham Home Guard:

First sergeant, H. L. St. Clair; commissary sergeant, F. C. Jones; duty sergeants, J. Cannon, E. W. Stratton, H. N. Boemer; corporals, Harry Johnson, H. L. Gerdes, C. E. St. Clair, C. J. Lundquist, J. A. Jennings; musicians, Guy Fieldhouse, D. A. White.

TULE BROTHERS TAKEN FROM HONOR ROLL

Constable Percy M. Varney came from Salem yesterday and arrested the younger of the Tule brothers and returned with him to Salem where he was wanted on a charge of stealing a bicycle. He, with his brother John, will be remembered as having been arrested for burglarizing the store of D. C. Ross, about two months ago. Both of them got clear by joining the national reserves and their names

into the honor roll.

The elder brother, John, was arrested at Salem on Sunday but David came to Gresham with the wheel. He smashed it up on Saturday evening at Rockwood. It is not known how they managed to get away from the guard so as to get to Salem, but they are very resourceful. Perhaps they will have a chance to think it over before they get back again.

FARMERS' BULLETIN AVAILABLE FREE

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 16—Special—Representative McArthur announced today that he has a large supply of Farmers' Bulletins of the Department of Agriculture which are available for free distribution among his constituents. He believes that many of these bulletins will prove of value in the present national food crisis and calls particular attention to the following:

- No. 218—The School Garden.
- No. 255—The Home Vegetable Garden.
- No. 289—Beans.
- No. 354—Onion Culture.
- No. 375—Care of Food in the Home.
- No. 391—Economic Use of Meat in the Home.
- No. 414—Corn Cultivation.
- No. 487—Cheese and Its Economic Use in the Diet.
- No. 660—Weeds: How to Control Them.

Mr. McArthur will be pleased to furnish any or all of the above publications to those who write for them; he will also furnish a complete list of Farmers' Bulletins and will send such numbers as may be selected from this list. Parties desiring these publications should write to C. N. McArthur, House Office Building, Washington, D. C.

OVERFLOWED SLOUGH LANDS MAY BE RECLAIMED SOON

There is a big proposition before the property owners along the Columbia slough which, if carried out, will be the means of reclaiming 50,000 acres of land now under water for a great part of every year. A company has been formed and a canvas of the land owners is being made. The proposition is to dyke the slough from Troutdale to St. Johns and dredge a steamboat channel the entire distance.

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OAK GROVE SISTERS IN DOUBLE WEDDING

A very pretty double wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Richter, when their daughter Alma was united in marriage to Chester Kronenberg of Fairview, Oregon, and their daughter Lillian to Edward B. Gabriel of Portland. Rev. A. A. Morrison of Trinity Episcopal church officiated.

The bridesmaids were Miss Johanna Nielsen of Astoria, and Miss Flossie Fisher of Portland. Mr. Carl Neppach and Mr. John Krafscik, of Portland, acted as best men.

The brides wore charming gowns of ivory satin and silver lace. Their long tulle veils were caught with orange blossoms and they carried shower bouquets of white roses and lilies of the valley. The bridesmaids were dressed in pink and carried pink sweet peas.

The home was profusely decorated with roses, sweet peas and ferns. After the ceremony an elaborate luncheon was served on the lawn beneath trees and arbors strung with electric lights and jack-o'-lanterns.

After the luncheon Mr. and Mrs. Kronenberg left for a two-weeks' trip to San Francisco and other southern points. While Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel went to Spokane where they will visit with the groom's parents.

Mr. Kronenberg is a graduate of the University of Oregon, was for two years superintendent of the schools of Elgin, Oregon, and for the past year has been assistant professor of mathematics at the University. His bride is a graduate of the Oregon Normal school and has been teaching in the schools of Oak Grove, where she has a host of friends.

Mr. Gabriel is city salesman for the Dupont Powder company and his bride is one of Oak Grove's most popular young ladies.

DOWSET DIRECTOR, LUNDQUIST CLERK

Yesterday's school election in District No. 4, comprising Gresham, resulted in the choice of Arthur Dowset for director to succeed himself during the coming three years. C. J. Lundquist was re-elected clerk. Both were elected unanimously, there being no opposition.

Clerk Lundquist's report for the year showed the number of pupils of school age in the district to be 315, of which 177 were males and 138 females. His financial report was as follows:

Receipts.	Amount
Cash on hand last report	\$8.58
Received from district tax	3226.38
Received from Co. school fund	2579.25
Received from State fund	667.28
Received rate bills and tuition	32.25
Received from other sources	4.39
Total	\$6588.85

Disbursements.	Amount
Teachers' wages	\$4752.88
Fuel and supplies	436.30
Repairs and janitor	762.53
Interest	425.97
Insurance	16.59
All other purposes	186.98
On hand June 18	7.69
Total	\$6588.85

Warrants outstanding \$ 795.87
Other indebtedness 1200.00

Library Notes.

The library has been adding many new books both of fiction and non-fiction for summer reading. People's taste in reading has changed most noticeably in the past few months. History, biography, ethical philosophy and sociology are favorite subjects. Books on European history are much in demand.

The Gresham library records for the past weeks are not very creditable. Last week only 212 books were taken out—only about 35 per day. Are our people too busy to read or have they forgotten that the splendid building on Fourth and Main streets houses the library?

Many showy flowers have no petals, but their places are taken by the sepias, as in the case of the lily and the tulip. Some flowers, so called, have neither that are showy, but the bright colored parts are merely floral bracts. Bougainvilleas, poinsettias and dogwoods are examples, also the milk-white spathe of the calla.

The habit of calling the one-cent piece of our American coinage a "penny" is utterly without foundation or excuse. We have no penny in our coinage. At one time half-cent pieces were coined but now the unit is one cent, the hundredth part of a dollar.

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The entire plan is not made public yet nor the character of the work—whether in sections or as one great whole. But it is a feasible plan, as has been proven by the private dike constructed on the Sun Dial ranch which has been entirely successful except that it broke through in one weak spot.

There is no doubt of the success of the work if it is once accomplished, and there is a fair prospect that it will be put through. It is stated that there is an adequate law providing for the bonding of the district upon the petition of 60 per cent of the property owners.

Such a scheme would virtually mean the availability of about 50,000 acres at a cost of only \$30 an acre, payable in 40 years with interest. The value of the land is the very best land in Oregon—land that is mostly unproductive now and practically worthless for anything except grazing land when not overflowed.

It is reported that nearly every owner of property on the slough is highly in favor of the project, as it means the conversion of valueless land into something valuable at a small cost—just like getting \$1000 land for \$30 an acre.

PLEASANT HOME

The Methodist Ladies' Aid society will meet at the parsonage Wednesday afternoon to work on Red Cross supplies. Representatives from the Red Cross in Portland are expected to be present to give instructions in the work. The members of the Sunshine class will assist the ladies in their undertaking.

Mrs. Minnie Gortley and son Harold of Harrisburg, Oregon and Mrs. M. Borchert of Portland were recent guests of Mrs. F. McKinley.

George Carpenter has gone to London to engage in bridge construction.

Judge Wonnacott and wife of Gresham and their son of Portland visited Mrs. J. A. Stephens Thursday evening.

Rev. Spiess of Estacada exchanged pupils with Rev. P. S. Ford Sunday night and gave a very interesting talk.

The Sunshine club will meet with Miss Mable Stoop June 23.

Jack Milsted, Nellie McCreary and Elsa Salquist visited Ruth and Gertrude Iekler Sunday.

Miss Elsa Harris is visiting home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Wilton and Mr. and Mrs. Rauw went fishing Sunday.

List of Letters

Remaining letters recalled for in the Gresham postoffice for week ending June 17, 1917.

G. L. West or Glost, Mr. B. L. Brown, Miss Lena Bell, Miss Elizabeth Bell, Miss Hilma Ahlgren, Mrs. Crawford.

These letters will be sent to the dead letter office on June 30, 1917, if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say advertised, giving date of list.

D. M. ROBERTS, P. M.

Bids Wanted.

Bids will be received by the Board of Directors of School District No. 4 for furnishing and delivery of 75 cords of wood at the schoolhouse on or before August 15, 1917. All bids to be in the hands of the clerk by July 19, 1917.

C. J. LUNDQUIST, Clerk.