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WEEK

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TUESDAYS
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FRIDAYS

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BAD CHECK ARTIST JAILED AFTER FINDING TWO VICTIMS

Another Charge may be had for Betraying a Young Girl from Boyd

For the third time within a little more than a year a bad check artist succeeded in victimizing two merchants by the simple method of buying a bill of goods and tendering a forged check for more than the amount of the purchase.

But the story of the forgery goes back about two months to the town of Boyd in eastern Oregon. Tad Peterson left Fairview about the first of April and went to The Dalles. From there he drifted to Boyd and went to work on a farm where he met a fifteen-year-old girl named Hazel Terry. After two months there he persuaded the girl to come back to Fairview with him where they arrived three weeks ago and put up at the Fairview hotel. It was from there that Peterson's career as a bad check artist began.

After a visit to the County agent's office here he was sent to the farm of Robert Kerslake where he worked a few hours and then went to John M. Eberle's. His misfortunes began when he found Mr. Eberle's check book and conceived the idea of making easy money by the simple plan of signing his employer's name to a check.

On July 2d he came over to Gresham and set his plan to work by going into the Cannon dry goods store and there buying a bill of goods, including a pair of shoes for himself and a corset and some other things for Hazel. He tendered a check for \$13.60 in payment which he endorsed with the name of Andrew Johnson, took the goods and the change and disappeared.

Mr. Cannon deposited the check in the Bank of Gresham from where it was sent to the First State Bank, upon which it was drawn, for collection. The latter bank returned the check for the lack of sufficient funds to pay it, and Cashier Miller of the Bank of Gresham held it for a few days thinking Mr. Eberle would make a deposit to meet it. The First State Bank had no suspicion that the check was spurious, so well had Peterson forged the Eberle signature but when it passed between the two banks a second time Mr. Miller still thought that Mr. Eberle would make the deposit by the 10th on which date he was supposed to get a big milk check.

The check went to the First State Bank a third time and was again sent back with the same endorsement. Then suspicion began to dawn and it was found that the check was no good.

Last Saturday Peterson was again short of funds, although he was working as section hand on the railroad, and he came over to Gresham with Metzger's grocery store in view as another victim. He ordered goods to the amount of \$23.30, tendered another check for \$13.60 with Eberle's name attached, and endorsed it with the name of John Erickson. He pocketed the change and left the goods to be called for. When that check had been protested on Saturday evening the aid of Constable Squire was invoked. Peterson was found on Sunday and put in the city jail at Gresham. He was up before Justice Rollins yesterday and was bound over to the grand jury upon testimony of the clerks he had dealt with. He made a confession to Justice Rollins after such positive evidence had been furnished as to connect him with the crime.

His girl victim, Hazel Terry, was detained at the home of Constable Squire and was later turned over to the juvenile court. She says she was living at home with her mother and stepfather when Peterson persuaded her to leave with him. She alleges harsh treatment on the part of her stepfather and declined to return. Another charge will be brought against Peterson, a charge to be determined by the district attorney.

After getting the money from Cannon's store Peterson told Hazel that he had earned it driving a car for the Ford Quick Service. He also secured credit on strength of his job with the railroad, which the foreman guaranteed. His pay is thus tied up and he owes other bills, among them being one at the Fairview hotel. The girl says they intended to draw his money from the railroad company yesterday and go to Eugene, but she was kept in ignorance of the man's financial affairs.

Hazel is a prepossessing girl whose

OSMAN SENTENCED FOR NINETY DAYS

Harry Osman, the former well-known horseman of Gresham, was yesterday sentenced by Judge Tucker to ninety days in the county jail for defrauding Mrs. Maggie Ryan out of a board bill amounting to \$280.

Mrs. Ryan had a restaurant in this place last year and gave Mr. Osman credit on the representation that he was the owner of Dan Hal, the famous stallion. When she tried to collect the bill by suit it was shown that Osman was not the owner of the horse and could not be held. As Osman had no other property to attach Mrs. Ryan preferred a criminal charge, that of defrauding an innkeeper.

The jury that convicted Osman recommended leniency provided Mr. Osman made a settlement. He offered the pay in installments of \$6 a month which Mrs. Ryan refused. She demanded \$15 a month. Just what arrangements Osman has made is not known as Mrs. Ryan has received no settlement yet.

NEW TELEPHONE BOOK NOW HAS 857 NAMES

Gresham's new telephone directory was delivered from the Outlook office yesterday, it having been published about four months earlier than usual on account of the many new names and changes since last November when the last issue was printed.

The new directory contains 617 names connected with the Gresham central exchange and 46 at Sandy, that exchange being a part of the local system. In addition there are 102 names under the Corbett system and 92 under the Damascus exchange, both places having free service with Gresham and each other by agreement. The total is 857 names with which renters or owners of phones have free service. And all enjoy long distance upon payment of the regular toll of ten cents for first minute and five cents for each minute thereafter.

ROAD MATTER SETTLED BY A COMPROMISE

J. H. Wilson and the county commissioners have settled the matter of the road difficulty across Mr. Wilson's farm near the Automobile Club House at the Sandy bridge. The matter was compromised yesterday in a get-together conference. Mr. Wilson made a claim for \$2100, alleged damages and as compensation for the land taken in making the road changes. He settled in full yesterday for \$446. The road viewers assessed his damages at \$326 and Mr. Wilson threatened another suit. The case is now settled for good.

If garden soil is heavy, or "hungry," that is, harsh and lacking in humus, give it plenty of well-rotted stable manure. Nothing could be better. If the soil is in excellent physical condition, bone meal with the addition of a little potash will supply the plant food necessary for any ordinary crop of plants or mere annual growth.

Some sneakthief burglarized the Free Methodist parsonage a few nights ago and stole four dozen communion cups. Rev. S. G. Roper, the pastor, is offering a reward for their return or information leading to the recovery of the stolen property.

John Tomashunos, of Souix City, Iowa, paid \$150 in the office of the clerk of courts to Joe Bulkevich, in return for relinquishment by Bulkevich of all claim to the hand of Varnika Rozmnaita, a Lithuanian girl.

In a California felt factory cotton is blown from one department to another by means of compressed air through pipes. This method is said to be clean and rapid.

A goat, a wildcat, two burros and a bell-mouthed dog, mascots of New York troops back from the border, were guests of honor at a military dance in New York.

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fifteenth birthday was on the 20th of last April. She regretted her step at the last and wanted to be sent home to her mother. She passed at Fairview as Peterson's wife. The latter is a Norwegian, aged 22, and has a blue registration card. He may be given a chance for freedom "somewhere in France," as he appears to be possessed of the physical ability to be a soldier.

NEBRASKAN MAKES PLEA FOR CONSOLIDATION OF SCHOOLS

By E. L. THORPE

There is a little story told in connection with the recent Red Cross drive of a lady who rang up a woman living on a side street.

"We feel so afraid," she chirped, "that you might think it was just society people who are taking up the Red Cross work—we want everybody, you know."

And when I read the posters announcing W. H. Campbell's appearance at Rockwood I thought of the society lady's remark, for I saw "everybody invited" thereon.

Poor everybody! He has not been half so powerful as Nobody, because what was Everybody's business was Nobody's business and Nobody has for years felt and special call to go where Everybody was invited. But Everybody had his innings last night. I, like all others, had been "everybody" so long that I really felt this time that I had been invited. And I am truly grateful; also I think that those who heard Mr. Campbell were glad that something called them to Rockwood grange hall for a better understanding of some of the problems of rural life.

Mr. Campbell is a Nebraska farmer who is in the employ of the United States government. He left his farm in the care of his boys and came to Oregon with the N. E. A. He has a message for the people and he gave it in an inspiring address last night. After listening to it we feel the warmth of his appeal. We rise to something akin to joy, to the expressed thought that our country needs our help, not only now but all the time; that there should be a permanent bond between us and our neighbors.

After hearing him we know that all of us are necessary now to the people who, it seems, we have long ignored and who have long ignored us. It is our fellowship, our moral support, our friendliness that has been awakened. The great call to arms is far above the petty jealousies, the exclusive organizations, the social cliques, that have kept us apart—that have kept the "lady and the woman" strangers.

Mr. Campbell's appeal was for a permanent country life through concentration of educational efforts. He makes us have a feeling that the open country must have a high type of education and not depend too much on the big city schools. We have the finest chance for development.

TEAMS WANTED TO PLOW FOUR HUNDRED ACRES

An advertisement in this issue of the Outlook calls for teams and men to do plowing for the Sun-Dial ranch at a specified price per hour with the privilege of working as many hours as men and teams can stand. The work will last for several weeks.

The object in view is to plow the land recently overflowed and amounting in all to about 400 acres, and getting it in readiness for planting about August 15th. The crops to be planted will be turnips, cabbage and beets, but mostly turnips. These vegetables are contracted for by the A. Rupert company and will probably come to the Gresham cannery.

Four teams are at work now turning over the soil where the water has receded. As the water goes down it is intended to follow it up and plow the land as fast as it can be worked.

CUT CANADA THISTLE NOW

Drastic measures are now being taken in an attempt to rid the county of Canada thistle which is one of the most troublesome weeds of this county. The farmers should see to its eradication on their own places and report the presence of other Canada thistle to the County Road Supervisor who will see that none goes to seed.

Berries Wanted.

Highest market price paid for strawberries, raspberries and loganberries in season. Home Packing Company, Gresham. Phone 148.

Tony Name.

"Pa, what's 'pomme de terre' mean?"
"It's the name of the aristocratic branch of the Murphy family, my son."

For insurance; automobiles, fire, life or accident, call John Brown, phone 513.

Bargains in the Want Ads.

in the country, but we are admonished not to depend too much on superintendents and officials. We must take the first start in making a perfect country life through educational methods within our grasp.

The agricultural talks about conserving the soil but it is the duty and function of everybody to preserve the youth that is to occupy the soil. Mr. Campbell drew a parallel from observing the water powers so plentifully going to waste. Like them the youth should be conserved and harnessed to do the duty of the commonwealth and the whole nation. The time to keep the youth away from the cities is while he is with us, before he gets away. That is the duty of the school system, the grange and the other farmers' organizations working hand in hand. They can and should develop the youth so as to make him alive to every opportunity. "Red tape of the educational system," he said, "has prevented development and opportunity in many cases and should be overcome."

He paid a high tribute to the union schools, which, he said, were just starting in eastern Nebraska. He advocated them and wanted more of them right here. His plea for them was based on the prediction that if we send the youth away the older folks would follow them, and better educational facilities through such combined educational centers is the only way to stop the outflow.

Mr. Campbell paid a high tribute to Oregon's equal suffrage and said that the women would run things just the same in any case whether voters or not. This was by way of jest, but the observation was lost upon the audience. The teachers, he asserted, are in an environment of which many are ignorant, and they, with all the people, must get a knowledge to hold them to the right line of duty. Each and every teacher should be fully educated and competent and not be allowed to begin teaching on a permit, for such permits will give us carpetbag teachers. And Mr. Campbell wants more men teachers employed.

Brief speeches were made by W. C. Alderson, county school superintendent; Marshall N. Dana, of the Oregon Journal, and Mayor Stapleton of Gresham.

While "everybody" wasn't there it is certain that those who failed to attend missed a rare opportunity.

NEW STORE WILL OPEN NEXT SATURDAY NIGHT

A. W. Metzger's new store will be formally opened to the public on Saturday evening next. It will be the occasion of a large gathering as a personal letter has been sent to every patron to come in for a visit and to look around.

The letters being sent out announce that the doors will be open for an inspection of the store at 7 o'clock and that everyone is invited to "just come in and wander round and round and in and out and all over" and make himself at home.

In addition to opening the new store Mr. Metzger is going to put on a sale at the old one that will give the public a chance to stock up for a month at remarkably low prices. Do your bargain shopping first and then go to the new store and have a good time.

FLY CHASER

Are you bothered with flies? Professor Kildee of the Iowa Agricultural College recommends the following fly repellent for stock:
1 1/2 pints coal tar dip.
1 1/2 pints fish oil.
1/2 pint oil of tar.
2 pints coal oil.
4 oz. oil of pennyroyal.
These are mixed in five gallons of luke warm water in which 1/2 bar of laundry soap has been dissolved.

New Bulletins

"Breeds of Swine."
"Pig Management."
The supply of these two bulletins is very limited so if you want one you will have to apply immediately by letter or telephone or in person. They will be given free as long as they last.

These may be had of the County Agriculturist's office.

Several farmers in the vicinity of Gresham are interested in the formation of a National Farm Loan Association. All such should communicate with the County Agent's office.

FORD QUICK SERVICE FORCED TO QUIT THE JITNEY BUSINESS

BROWN'S SCHEME FOR CHANGING INNER TUBES

When John Brown, the insurance man, gets through with a hard day's work he rounds up a bunch of acquaintances and goes out for a joy ride. Along about that time of day he is ready to change the inner tubes and picks out a crowd that is ready to bet on the time he can make over a five-mile course; they are also able-bodied and can use the tools made and provided for such emergencies, especially the pump that gets to the tubes' stomach when the job is ready for the final experiment.

That was the way he served Geo. Kenney and Frank Jones yesterday, and to insure publicity he took along a reporter. Just west of Linnemann he stopped in a shady spot, the last one for several miles on the Powell Valley road, and turned his car homeward. Then the expected explosion occurred. Twenty minutes to change tubes was used as an excuse to declare the bets off and the crowd got home before supper. If Brown is seen going out of town with a load of men hereafter it is safe to gamble that he has another tube ready to bust as he keeps several of them already for free help to put them on when needed. He makes a big saving by the scheme as the only expense is about five cents worth of gas and a little sweat.

WHERE TO GET HELP WHEN YOU WANT IT

The farm labor problem is now in one of its two most critical stages. From now on the harvesting of the farm crops will be uppermost in the minds of the farmers of this vicinity. In order to get our crops harvested we will need men, and men are hard to get these days when so many of the farmers and farm hands have enlisted for service at the front.

There should be a clearing house for all information regarding the labor situation and the logical place for this clearinghouse is the county agriculturist's office which has been designated as a branch office of the Public Employment Bureau of Portland.

There have been over fifty farm hands placed through this office during the past week and with the cooperation of the farmers the farm labor situation of this vicinity will not be at all difficult to handle.

If you need a man, if there is a man on your place whom you will not need tomorrow, if you will need men in the next few weeks, or if you have any information regarding the farm labor situation, give it to the county agriculturist and in that manner help solve the problem that is already a serious one in the eastern part of the state.

BEANS

As soon as the beans emerge from the soil, cultivation should begin. The first cultivation should be thorough, stirring all of the soil to a depth of about three inches. Later cultivations must be made to kill weeds while they are still small. Beans should never be cultivated when wet with dew or rain, as that is a means of spreading disease.

The crop is ready to harvest when the pod turns yellow, since the beans are then in an advanced hard dough stage. They are usually harvested with a bean harvester, although on small areas they are often pulled by hand. It is usually not possible to cut beans satisfactorily with a mowing machine or self-rake reaper, because the pods hang so close to the ground that this kind of machine cuts them and causes much loss. The important thing is to get the beans harvested as promptly as possible after they mature. This especially important on red land, which is likely to stain the beans if they are left out after the rainy season begins.

For a considerable acreage of beans it is very desirable to have on hand a supply of hay caps. These are made of heavy unbleached muslin or light-weight canvas, 3 feet to 3 1/2 feet square, and either weighted at each corner with a half-pound to three-fourths pound weight, or fastened at each corner with a light stake. These stakes should be notched on the sides so they may be pushed into the shock and will not slip out readily. Caps of this sort will keep the bean shocks dry and prevent spoilage in wet seasons.

LOST—Fountain pen, left on post-office desk, 5 p. m. Tuesday. Reward to value of same. A. J. W. Brown.

Portland Law Requiring a Bond Compels Suspension of Service

With the last trip of the last car on Thursday night the Ford Quick Service will go out of business, temporarily at least, perhaps permanently. The Portland law enacted by the people at the recent election will go into full effect on Friday morning and the police have been notified to arrest all jitney drivers who have not fulfilled the requirement of being bonded by a surety company in the sum of \$2500 for each car in operation.

Notwithstanding the fact that the Ford Quick Service does not engage in Portland city traffic, confining itself wholly to carrying passengers into and out of the city, it comes under the provisions of the law. At least that is the decision of the city attorney, although the matter has not been tested out yet. If his ruling is right, then no cars of any description may carry people into or out of Portland for hire. His decision may be tested in the courts later on, but in the meantime the Ford Quick Service will discontinue its runs, thus leaving Gresham wholly dependent on the railroads.

It has been intimated that an effort will be made to reach a compromise by operating the jitneys to the Portland boundary, or it may be possible to have a modification of the city attorney's decision, permitting them to run clear through to Alder street.

The discontinuance of the Ford Quick Service jitneys will mean a great inconvenience to many persons as the cars pick up and deliver passengers over a wide territory distant from the railway stations. There is sure to be a great deal of dissatisfaction which may in time have some bearing on the situation.

M. M. Squire, manager of the Ford Quick Service, has secured a position on the Bull Run water lines. He went on duty yesterday afternoon as relief man to the night patrol over the water pipes. He will sever his connection with the jitney business upon its going out of business on Thursday. Retention of his office as constable will depend upon the exactness of his new work on the water lines.

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN READING, COME

A meeting is called at the library at 8 p. m., Thursday, July 19, in order to get members for the National Reading Club. There is no expense attached to the club in any way. The Department of the Interior offers eight courses. A large certificate will be awarded to each person after completing a course. You are never too old to join. Come and learn what it is for and the benefit it will be to you. High school students are especially urged to join.

Miss Constance Page, of Pasadena, California, is visiting with the family of her brother, George W. Page. The Pages and Mrs. James Lawrence plan to go to Manzanita beach tomorrow for a brief stay.

Reward—For information as to the culprit or whereabouts of four dozen communion cups stolen from the Free Methodist parsonage last week. Rev. S. G. Roper, pastor, phone 52x.

A woman rural mail carrier, of Knoxville, Md., has traveled 93,500 miles in twelve years, and missed only thirty days.

Hackensack girl of fifteen decided she was too young to be a bride, had her marriage annulled and went back to school.

The oat cakes of Scotland are said to approach nearer the primitive type of bread than anything else known today.

A flower which grows in China is white at night but red in the sunlight.

Meet Polly Prim at L. L. Kidder Hardware Co.

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

John Brown insures automobiles. Phone 513.