

MORE RUMORS OF CHANGES IN RURAL DELIVERY SERVICE

**Three Long Routes Proposed
in County, one of which
will be from Here.**

Rumors of proposed changes in the rural carrier service still continue to be heard yet there is nothing official to chronicle. If what has been heard is to come about there is going to be a general reorganization all the way out from Montavilla to the Sandy river which will have its effect on every postoffice in that territory and eliminate the one at Fairview entirely.

The latest gossip has a plausible conclusion from the fact that some persons claim to have seen one or more blue prints of the proposed routes after the changes have been made. They contemplate leaving but two routes out of Gresham and two out of Troutdale. Gresham, according to the supposed plan, will have the longest route, Troutdale the next and Montavilla station, which is in Portland, will have the third. Gresham's big route will be about sixty miles in length and cover all present number one route east of the Elwood road, just east of the nine-mile posts, and nearly all of present number two.

Troutdale's big route, it is said, will cover all of the Fairview route and its own present number one except a small slice which will be attached to Gresham's big one. It will be about 50 miles long.

The other big route will come from Montavilla and besides, covering its present territory it will, so the report goes, take Gresham number one as far as the Elwood road and the west end of Gresham number three. It will also be about 50 miles in length.

Gresham's other route will be the present number four with a portion of three added, making it over 30 miles long. It is thought that the Lents route will be extended somewhat but that is not certain—so the report goes.

If these changes are made there will be several carriers out of a job. Two of the Gresham carriers, E. E. Chipman and Harry Crenshaw have already resigned in anticipation, and either Fairview or Troutdale will lose one. If the Fairview office is discontinued the rural carrier from there may be given the big route out of Troutdale. Or he may lose out and the present Troutdale carrier may be continued. No one knows for a certainty yet, but some of the knowing ones claim they know all about it.

The new arrangement, if it is brought about, will put the service on good roads, only. Practically all the crossroads and all the main thoroughfares other than these hard surfaced are fully improved with macadam. Mud roads for the mail carriers will be a thing of the past and all of them will probably use autos for delivery. With such roads the service will not be impaired. In fact it will be vastly better than it was a few years ago when all the carriers used horses.

By making these changes it is claimed the postoffice department will save about \$2000 a year. The standing of the Gresham office will not be impaired and that of Troutdale will be increased. The saving will be the salary of the Fairview postmaster and the difference in salaries saved by reducing the carrier force, although the long-route carriers will get some increase in their pay.

MONEY FOR FARMERS FROM SCHOOL FUND

Arthur Langguth, county agent for school money loans, in the McKay building, Portland, has plenty of rural credits money on hand for loaning on farm properties. These loans may run for ten years at 6 per cent but may be paid at any time.—Adv.

Millinery Display.

Miss Miz, a Portland milliner, will have a display of trimmed hats for two weeks, beginning Saturday, September 1, next door to Cannon's store. Also, you can have new hats made out of your old materials.—Adv.

Do you want to dance? A dancing class is now being organized in Portland under the direction of a very able instructor. Twelve 3-hour lessons for \$4. Class opens September 10th. For further particulars call W. R. Johnson. Phone Gresham 558.

DRUNKEN JOY RIDERS PAY HEAVY PENALTY

Four joy riders from Portland who got as far as the Twelve-Mile House on Sunday evening, ended their fun in the Gresham city jail and went back yesterday morning after a brief session with Justice Rollins. Incidentally they left \$100 behind as a penalty for their misbehavior, which sum was paid by a friend and enriched Multnomah county to that extent.

The party arrived at the Twelve-Mile House about 5:30 in a hired machine. All but the driver were gloriously drunk, according to the testimony of several witnesses. Entering the roadhouse they ordered lunches and began taking another round of drinks from a quart bottle. An effort on the part of the proprietor to eject them brought on a row and then Constable Squire was sent for. He placed them under arrest and brought them to the Gresham jail.

They gave their names as H. E. Hench, Mrs. Helen Hench, Dan Nadeau and Orilla Villeneuve. A charge of being drunk on a public highway was imposed on the first three, while the Villeneuve woman was charged with having whiskey in her possession, as she had the bottle hidden in her stocking when captured. They all entered a plea of guilty and were fined \$25 each.

The driver of the car left his passengers when the trouble began and went back to Portland. He was not involved, nor was the proprietor of the roadhouse, who made every effort to quell the disturbance and assisted in the prosecution of the offenders.

NEW CHEESE FACTORY PAYS OUT OVER \$2600

At the end of its first month of operation, the Estacada Co-operative Cheese association, through its directors, this week sent out checks in payment of milk, amounting to a total of over \$2600.

The remittances to the patrons was this month based at 44c per pound of butter fat and would have been considerably more, had it not been for the many incidental expenses deducted from the total sales, incident to the first month's operation, which expenses should not prevail in the future.

All patrons are cautioned against the practice of sending warm milk, as same should be cooled soon after milking, as cooled milk is absolutely necessary in making good cheese. This cooling is a simple matter, consisting of setting the cans of milk in cold water for five minutes, during which time the milk is thoroughly stirred.

The Estacada cheese is already making a name for itself in the Portland and local market, with a good demand at about 22c per pound.—Estacada News.

ESTACADA FAIR LIST GIVES GOOD PRIZES

A copy of the East Clackamas county fair premium list has been received. It is a booklet of 32 pages with cover and offers a good list of prizes in the different divisions.

Fair dates this year are September 12, 13 and 14, three of the days on which the Multnomah county fair will be held in Gresham. The Estacada fair is held the same week in order that exhibitors may get their products ready for the county and state fairs. A copy of the premium list may be had by addressing the Estacada News.

FIVE LOCAL BOYS ARRIVE IN FRANCE

A cablegram from France yesterday to M. D. Kern announced the safe arrival there of his son, Harold, The Eighteenth Engineers, of which Harold Kern, Carl Congdon, Kenneth Roberts, Layton Monteith and Dale Russell are members, left American Lake early this month and sailed from an Atlantic port a short time after. All of the above-named are from this vicinity.

Beginning September 1st the price of milk will be \$3.00 for quarts and \$1.50 for pints.
JOHN STREICH,
W. H. CLEVELAND,
H. J. PULFER.

Some of the neighbors said "Quack!" when George Rubey, of South Norwalk, Conn., reported that two double yolk and three soft shelled eggs were laid in one day by his anti-high cost of living duck.

COUNTY FAIR DATES DRAWING NEAR AND MANY ATTRACTIONS

**Campbell's American Band will be a Drawing Feature with
Many other Chautauqua Entertainments.**

Just two weeks more—two weeks from today—and the Multnomah county fair will be in full swing. With the exception, possibly, of agricultural products it is going to be a bigger and better fair than any of those that have gone before it. It was the scarcity of farm produce this year that decided the management to make the fair a big entertainment feature, with amusements to satisfy everyone from morning till closing time every day.

This idea may prove to be the best one, after all, for people like to be amused and entertained. They can see all the exhibits in one day but not all the amusements. Then, too, the ordinary agricultural fairs have become somewhat tame and the people are beginning to demand something more exciting. And this time they are going to get it. It is going to be one continuous whirl that no one can miss a part of without regrets.

Of course there will be the usual exhibits in every department. Some of them, especially in the poultry and domestic science divisions, are giving promise of being better than ever before. The livestock exhibits are being attracted by the larger premiums to be given this year—and right here is a reminder. All entries in the livestock divisions must be made by Sunday night, September 24, in order to get a place. They are coming in now. Blanks may be had at the Outlook office or will be sent to any one by mail. The secretary will be at home in Gresham or at the fair grounds all day on Sunday, September 24 to accommodate all callers. The entries will positively close that night.

Furrow Attractions.
Amusement features on the furrow will consist of a Ferris wheel, the first one ever in Gresham; a merry-go-round, an open-air dancing pavilion and several tent shows. Campbell's American band, one of the finest in the United States, has been secured for every day of the fair. It has a national reputation and has other engagements at The Dalles, Salem and Dallas for the fairs to be held at those places. Other fair managements are making efforts to get this band, all recognizing it to be one of the best attractions that can be had.

Then here will be three days of racing in which a string of the best horses in the northwest will appear under the management of Ed. Fortune, who is recognized as being one of the best trainers in the country. Lovers of horse racing will not be disappointed. Campbell's American

band will play in the grandstand during the intervals.

The Fair Chautauqua.
For a special evening entertainment there will be a regular Chautauqua program every evening in the grove. The platform is ready, a big tent will cover a great seating capacity and it will all be free to those who are inside the grounds. Here will be heard some of the finest concert music every night from Campbell's American band—some of the very airs that have won Mr. Campbell and his musicians so much praise in other places. Such music as they will give has never been excelled in Gresham.

In addition there will be a nightly program of other features. Vaudeville stunts, solos, character sketches, speaking and readings by the best talent to be had. None of it will be local. It is all coming from other places and will be entirely new here. The fair management is making an effort to provide a real Chautauqua entertainment that will meet with the approval of the people of this section and supplant all other like organizations at a much less expense than it has cost them during the past two summers. If it can be done this time it can be done again and the fair board is anticipating the public's approval and support.

Concessions Selling Rapidly.

Many concession spaces have already been sold both in the pavilions and on the grounds. The machinery hall was closed out two months ago. Two of the old stand-by firms will be here as usual in their accustomed places. They are Sherman & Clay with pianos and the Weatherly ice cream stand. These two firms have never missed a Gresham fair. The West Disinfecting Co., official disinfectors of the fair buildings, will have an inside booth. So will the Fisher Flouring Mills of Seattle and the Northwest Rug Co., which makes stuff rugs of old carpets.

The State University and O. A. C. will make displays; also the Multnomah county farm. The usual number of grange and farm displays are on the way.

Hessell's machinery store of Gresham has taken the entire eastern side of the machinery hall and will have it well filled with farm machinery.

Several balloon ascensions have been contracted for with Professor Frank Miller. They will take place with thrilling parachute drops unless the weather interferes.

A daily paper will be issued by the Outlook containing all the fair programs, racing cards and news of the fair.

SALE OF SILETZ TIMBER RESERVE

The Secretary of the Interior has approved regulations for the sale at the United States Land office, at Portland, Oregon, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m., on September 25, 1917, of the five sections of timber lands which were reserved by treaty with the Siletz Indians. This sale is authorized by Act of Congress approved May 15, 1910. These lands were cruised by a government cruiser, who estimated the amount of timber thereon, making allowance for defective timber. The cruiser found thereon 179,629 M feet, distributed as follows: Douglas fir, 102,850 M feet; Spruce, 13,960 M feet; Hemlock, 28,350 M feet; Cedar, 19,010 M feet; Sapling fir, 6,550 M feet, and Sapling hemlock 800 M feet. For purposes of sale a minimum price was placed on the timber of \$1 per M feet for fir and spruce and 50 cents M feet for cedar and hemlock, and the minimum price of the land was fixed at \$1.25 per acre. At said prices, the valuation of the timber to be offered for sale is \$146,540, and of the land \$4,074.44, a total of \$150,614.44. Purchasers are required to pay at least one-third down. These lands are situated in Lincoln county, Oregon, and the reports of the logging chances are favorable. Additional information may be obtained from the U. S. land office at Portland.

Weather Report.
Forecast for week beginning Aug. 26. Pacific States: Fair with moderate temperatures.

Gresham Auto Service. Autos for hire. Phone 901.

OBSERVERS WANTED ON CROP CONDITIONS

An attempt will be made by the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Oregon Agricultural College to cut down the heavy loss due annually in Oregon to plant diseases. The department has appointed H. P. Bares head of the plant pathology department, chief collaborator for Oregon in the national plant disease survey, and Professor Bares is asking farmers with a practical knowledge of crop conditions, and other competent persons to volunteer as observers and reporters of crop conditions in their districts.

The reports are expected to give the extent and seriousness of the most important plant diseases, and will be made the basis for a campaign of eradication. Without this Oregon's response to President Wilson's appeal for the biggest crop in the history of the state cannot be realized for 1918.

Volunteers are wanted from every part of the state. Trained agriculturalists, and especially O. A. C. graduates, are looked to for valuable service. Each will report on a small area only, and blanks with full instructions may be had on application to H. P. Bares, O. A. C., Corvallis, Oregon. Although volunteers must serve without pay enlistments are already beginning to arrive.

The roars of the jaguar and leopard are like "hoarse, barking coughs, an interval of about one second separating the expiratory efforts," says an observer. They may be easily reproduced or imitated by sawing a piece of thin board with a coarse-toothed saw.

SAFEGUARDS WILL BE THROWN AROUND SCENE OF ACCIDENT

**FIRST STATE BANK GETS
FULL AMOUNT OF BONDS**

Gresham seems to be doing its duty in helping to finance the war. The First State Bank alone has already advanced to the United States Government nearly \$35,000.00 for Treasury Certificates and Liberty Loan Bonds subscribed for by the bank for itself and customers.

The following telegram has just been received by the First State Bank from the Federal Reserve Bank, San Francisco: "Two Hundred Fifty Million issue of Treasury Certificates dated August Twenty-eighth, maturing November Thirtieth, largely oversubscribed necessitating horizontal scaling of allotments. By reason of amount subscribed for by this bank we are able to allot to Ten Thousand Dollars."

The First State Bank so far has been quite fortunate, having in each instance been allotted the full amount of its subscription.

FORMER GRESHAM MAN LIKES OREGON SPUDS

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Aug. 21st. Editor Outlook:—Enclosed find check for \$1.50 for which please send me the Outlook for another year. If you are giving a sack of Oregon potatoes as a premium for renewals you may send them along also, as both the paper and potatoes are good things to have in the family. If you feel that you cannot include the spuds in the deal just send the paper and we will continue to worry along with California spuds, but remember we gave you an opportunity to help us solve the high cost of living.

Yours very truly,
H. W. RUSSELL.

Scarcity of Eggs.

Eggs appear to be coming in great numbers yet the prices are still keeping up and this is a fine thing for the poultryman. He has had many hardships during the winter, even if he had his own feed, and if he has had an opportunity now to make a little something when the price of feed as a whole is lower, let us be glad that he may. The prices of the grains are no lower but there are a few green materials in the market which will materially assist the feed ration and make it just that much cheaper from now on. Fowls that can be permitted outside will do better for they appreciate and need the exercise and they will also find so much of their food that the rations from the granary can be decreased. Look over the plowed ground and see the amount of worms and a few insects which will be eaten by the fowls and you will readily understand why they like their freedom. In some sections of the country the worms, especially angle worms, are a rarity. In the Middle Atlantic states they are so numerous that after a rain they will be found lying on the pavements, but in some sections of the New England states it is a hard matter to find a few for fish bait without searching near some drain or under some rocks. The angle worm is a splendid food for the hens and they will greedily eat everyone that is in their path. There may be another reason for the scarcity of eggs now in proportion to their favorable conditions and that is that the manager has failed to discard his old hens or to separate them from the flocks and for this reason the pullets are given discredits when they are working hard. Do not try to mix the various ages of hens together when eggs are to be the aim for as sure as anything the industrious ones will be made to support the idlers. It may not be that eggs are particularly scarce but that you have failed to note how many of the non-layers are being kept by the others.

Seven plays an important part in legends and stories, Barbarossa changes his position every seven years. Charlemagne stamps his iron mace upon the ground every seven years. Olaf, the Red Beard of Sweden, uncloses his eyes every seven years. Seven is held specially lucky by the Jews, the Egyptians and the Chinese.

American ice boxes would find a better market in Brazil if the ventilators underneath the refrigerators were closed with wire gauze or netting.

Sand Notice.
Anyone wanting sand soon can get it Friday, the 31st, 35 cents less per yard.
J. H. HOSS.

Bargains in the Want Ads.

Death Curve at Hogan to be Eliminated and other Precautions Taken.

All safeguards imaginable will be placed at Hogan station by the Portland Railway Light & Power company by order of the Public Service Commission, made at Salem on Saturday last. In addition thereto the county of Multnomah has been instructed to make the crossing more safe by building a new bridge across Johnson creek and bringing it up to a grade that will conform more to the track of the railway company.

This is the crossing where E. C. Lindsey and wife and Miss Helen Metzger were killed by an electric car on June 28.

The order, which is one of the first of its kind issued by the Commission, provides that the company and Multnomah county, acting jointly, shall add the following safeguards at the crossing:

An additional highway crossing warning sign shall be installed and maintained at an appropriate point on the south and east side of such crossing.

Sufficient brush shall be removed on the south and west side of the crossing to insure an unobstructed view of the railway for a distance of not less than 500 feet by a traveler upon the highway when not less than 80 feet from the crossing.

At an appropriate distance from the crossing, upon the railroad right of way, standard whistling posts shall be installed and maintained, and no trains shall pass such posts without sounding the customary highway crossing signal with their whistles, nor shall they pass over such crossing except with bell ringing.

The grade of the southerly approach to the crossing shall be lessened by extending the approach not less than 20 feet, and such approach, when extended, shall be fully replanked, and such other action taken in regard thereto as may be necessary to place it in first-class condition.

On or before September 1, 1918, the present bridge over Johnson creek shall be relocated. In the relocation thereof, it shall be raised to the level of the railroad grade and moved approximately 75 feet westerly from its present location. The crossing shall thereupon be relocated to correspond thereto. The object of this relocation is to eliminate the grade in the approach to the crossing, and to avoid, as far as practical, the curvature now existing in the highway on either side of the crossing.

ALMA ROORK YANDLE DIES IN OKLAHOMA

Word was received here yesterday of the death of Mrs. Alma Roork Yandle at Muskogee, Okla., on Saturday last, August 25. Her mother, Mrs. Minnie Marley, living at Rooster Rock, left about ten days ago for her daughter's bedside and was with her at the time of her death. Mrs. Marley left here with her daughter's remains this afternoon.

Mrs. Yandle was the youngest daughter of P. H. Roork and was about 17 years of age. She was married at Albany less than a year ago and went with her husband to Oklahoma.

Announcement of the funeral will be made in Friday's Outlook.

List of Letters

Remaining letters uncalled for in the Gresham postoffice for week ending August 18, 1917:

Gentlemen—Mr. Geo. Reibeck, H. W. Ball, W. W. Hostetter, P. C. Hansen, Frank E. Kipp, Glenn Meyers, K. Kinoto, G. Rudell, Lawrence, H. Harvey, Mervin Richey, (2).

Ladies—Mrs. L. Campbell, Mrs. Sarah Eggar, Blanche Gilbert, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. J. H. Hines, Erell Olson.

These letters will be sent to the dead letter office on August 27, 1917 if not delivered before. In calling for the above, please say advertised, giving date of list.

D. M. ROBERTS, P. M.

Mushrooms contain no more nourishment than any other of the green vegetables, and do contain as much or more indigestible material.

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