

EX-CONDUCTOR SAYS THINGS MOVING FAST



GLENN DIRRIM

France, Sunday, March 17. Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Boswell, Estacada, Oregon.

Dear Bos:—Some time again since I have been able to write you, but hope you know it is not always as convenient for me at the present as it has been before, for we are putting a job of work through here on record time, and I'll tell you every one is making the things move fast. I wish you could put in a day with me and see the machinery we will have working now in about a month; you would actually be very much surprised. The springtime is coming on and the leaves and flowers are coming out—some of the prettiest violets and lilacs I ever saw. Am feeling very well and will enclose you a couple of pictures, not very good but the best to be had here, for it is only small size photos that we are permitted to send. Say! I did not know I was a foreign correspondent for the Gresham paper, but by chance Carl Congdon and Kenneth Roberts are in the same company as I and are getting along fine. If the editor does not mail me a copy Carl usually never forgets to leave me his paper when he has finished reading it, and I hardly miss any issue but they are about a month or two behind the times. But I was always that way so that's why I'm always content.

McMurrin, Murnahan and all the rest of the boys with me are doing well. Mac gets all my fringes for doing my washing while I am at present herding a bunch of smoky negroes from morning until night setting a pole line for a telegraph company. It is a double line and we are putting it up in good shape considering what we have to work with. I make most of my own tools in a blacksmith shop and those tools keep me busy keeping them in working order. Have not much longer to write you this time so hope you will feel that I'm not slighting you, but I have about ten letters to write today if possible. So give them all my best and I'll try to do better next time.

Yours respectfully,
GLENN DIRRIM

THE LOAN IS GROWING BUT NOT YET ENOUGH

The First State Bank reports liberty loan subscriptions up to noon today as nearing the \$75,000 mark. The loan is not progressing as was expected and every liberty loan worker is asked to redouble his efforts during the balance of the campaign.

Actual subscriptions passing through the chairman's hands to date are as follows:

- Clackamas County, 8 subscribers, \$500.
- Portland District, 6 subscribers, \$950.
- District 1, D. W. McKay, 84 subscribers, \$6,600.
- District 2, F. N. Lasley, 223 subscribers, \$19,950.
- District 3, Jas. H. Sterling, 181 subscribers, \$18,550.
- District 4, Wm. C. Peterson, 179 subscribers, \$18,650.
- District 5, C. M. Quicksall, 102 subscribers, \$7,700.
- Total, 783 subscribers, \$72,900.

Soldiers Learn French.

American soldiers in France are rapidly learning French, according to stories which are told by Y. M. C. A. war work secretaries. An officer of the censoring force stated that one soldier wrote to his girl, "We're picking up French very rapidly. We've already learned that 'Wee, wee, means 'We haven't any more.'"

Stolen Fords can be found or paid for through the N. W. N. and you save \$5.00 per year on new cars. John Brown, agent.—Adv.

PROCEEDS TO BE USED FOR LOCAL BOYS

The bow of white ribbon designates the wearer, not only as an uncompromising enemy of the liquor traffic, but as a patriotic woman who institutes and does things for humanity, in peace, or in war.

The "comfort bag" originated with the W. C. T. U., who have supplied the boys of the navy for a great many years. The "housewives" are a later creation, made especially for the boys in the army, made to carry in the pocket.

The Gresham Union has made a specialty of comfort bags and housewives, and have the satisfaction of knowing from our own boys by their own autograph that they are useful, and very much appreciated.

The entire proceeds of the patriotic concert given in Metzger's hall last Friday night under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. will be used to purchase material for more bags and housewives. The amount raised was \$18.56.

The local union wish to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Metzger for the free use of his hall; Mrs. Schneider, Messrs. Cameron, Geddes, Nell, W. F. and G. F. Honey for auto transportation for the entertainers, from Portland and back again; and all who took part in the program, also the Gresham Outlook for its ever ready support of things worthy.

The drill by the thirty girls from Portland was unique. First came the doll drill by about a dozen well trained little tots.

The national flag drill "The Allies" was the masterpiece. Seventeen nations of the allies were represented by seventeen girls, each dressed in the national costume and carrying the nation's flag, entered in fancy step to the national air of the country represented, and drilled in groups.

The program closed with all flags on the stage, with Old Glory supported by two boy Scouts in the background presenting an inspiring scene.

Mrs. B. M. Gill, who made the costumes and most of the flags, and drilled the girls, is helping in this way to raise funds for patriotic purposes, donating her time and money. This is true patriotism.

The Women's Christian Temperance Union will gladly furnish housewives and comfort bags to all boys from this vicinity called in the selective draft, if their friends will notify Mrs. Maxwell Schneider.

At yesterday's meeting it was voted to give financial aid to the county W. C. T. U. for the support of a French orphan, also buy a liberty bond.

BEAVER MOTOR WORKS SOON TO BE ENLARGED

So successful has the Beaver Motor company been in its operations that it has become necessary to double the size and capacity of the plant. While the works have been running on full time with a constantly increasing payroll and output of machines, principally dragsaws and gasoline engines, it has been offered other work that could not be handled with the present facilities.

The foundry will be enlarged and provided with extra equipment for steel work. The foundation is being laid for it—32x70 feet—and work of erection and equipping will be started to completion.

Plans have been made for increasing the size of the factory building which will give 40x100 feet more floor space. This work will also be pushed as rapidly as possible so as to get the use of the building in time for a large increase in machinery orders that are being offered.

Mr. Combes, president and manager, will go to Spokane tomorrow night on business for the plant and will later go east to close a large contract for dragsaws with some of the shipbuilding plants.

Forty men are now on the payroll, and with the crowded condition of the foundry and factory, more room is urgently needed. It will soon be provided and the working force will be correspondingly enlarged.

Athletes Needed.

One hundred physical directors are needed immediately by the Y. M. C. A. for work among the soldiers overseas.

Somebody is waiting to know what you have to sell—a want ad tells him.

The want ad is a conservationist.

MAY DAY AT UNION HIGH

Next Wednesday afternoon May Day exercises of an impressive nature will be observed at Union High. According to custom the Freshman class will be in charge of the ceremonies under direction of Class Advisors, Miss Bereniece L. Calway and Miss Grace Hartley. Great preparations have been made for a very interesting program including, drills of various kinds by large classes of girls and boys, patriotic addresses, music by Union High orchestra and choruses.

The crowning of the beautiful Queen Florence and the Maypole dance will be great events. Everybody is invited. Following is the.

Royal Proclamation.

To all subjects living in the realm of Union High, District No. 2:

To All and Herein—Greetings:

The first of May shall be May Day.

On that day the Freshmen shall celebrate their Class Day.

On the afternoon of that day the Dainty Queen Florence shall begin her reign.

All her Court shall gather to pay her tribute.

The lovely flower maidens shall drill before the Throne.

The ladies of the Court shall dance around the Maypole and before Her Majesty.

The wonderful Court gymnasts shall perform difficult feats for Her Royal Highness.

The sweetest ladies of the Court shall barter kisses throughout the throng.

Imported Court jesters shall gambol on the green.

There shall be ball games, tugs of war, races and surprises too numerous to mention.

Come one, come all and make merry.

BY ORDER OF HER ROYAL HIGHNESS.

FELIX STEINCAMP, Prime Minister.

The Court of the Royal Palace, 2:00 p. m.

MILO C. KING RETURNS HOME WITH BRIDE



MILO C. KING

All mystery surrounding the absence of a "prominent citizen," mentioned last week in the Outlook, was cleared away by his return to Gresham on Wednesday bringing with him a bride. He had been to Boise, Idaho, where he met a former acquaintance, Miss Lily Weaver, and where they were married on Sunday last.

They came back to Portland where they spent a day before coming to Gresham, which will be their home. They were given a cordial welcome and the happy bridegroom reciprocated by passing around the cigars to his gentlemen friends as a testimonial of his jubilant feelings.

Following is an advance account of the wedding, clipped from the Boise Capitol News of April 21, Sunday morning:

An interesting wedding in which a prominent attorney of Oregon and a charming woman recently from Kirwin, Kan., are the contracting parties has in it some of the elements of a romance which dates back to 1889. At that time Milo C. King of Gresham, Ore., successful lawyer and business man, was the principal of the high school at Kirwin, having fitted



MRS. LILY KING

himself as a school man in the University of Iowa.

One of the members of his school board was the father of Miss Lily Weaver, the woman to whom Mr. King will be married this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of mutual friends, Mr. and Mrs. Warren A. Lindsey, who resided in Kirwin at the same time the prospective bride and bridegroom lived there. Mr. King left Kirwin and re-entered the Iowa state university for a course in law in 1889 and graduating in 1891 went to Nebraska where he practiced his profession as a legal adviser very successfully for several years. Later he went to Spokane where he was also highly successful for over a dozen years, when he moved to Gresham, Ore., where he has been practicing law for five years with the same fair measure of success which has crowned his legal endeavors in other places. Among his Boise friends Mr. King numbers Judge K. I. Perky, who has known him for many years and Judge and Mrs. Perky will be guests at the wedding with other prominent residents of Boise, former friends of both. The Rev. Willard Martin of the First Methodist church, will officiate. It is 25 years since Mr. King and his bride have seen each other and the friends who knew and esteemed them at that time are rejoicing with them in their happiness today.

TEACHERS ELECTED FOR GRADE SCHOOL

Gresham school district has elected teachers for the coming year. All the teachers of the past year were re-elected except the principal, E. S. McCormick, who was not an applicant, and Miss Helen Hoss, who also refused to apply for another year. The list of teachers for next year is as follows:

Principal, T. J. Skirvin; Mrs. Myrtle Myers, Miss Mabel Arthur, Miss Mae Hughes, Miss Mabel J. Inglis, Mrs. Elizabeth Beard, Miss Maude Michel, Miss Esther Eilford and Professor Joseph Finley, musical instructor.

Professor Skirvin is now in charge of the Troutdale school and is a teacher of experience. Miss Michel takes the place of Miss Hoss. The plans of Mr. McCormick and Miss Hoss, who refused to apply for their old positions, have not been made public yet, but they probably have good opportunities elsewhere.

The want ad column catches 'em going and a coming.

POSTMASTER TO HAVE THRIFT CARD CONTEST

Every school boy or school girl in this part of the county will be privileged to make a contest for 75 war saving stamps with a maturity value of \$5 each, when the first 75 persons within certain dates turn into the Gresham postoffice a thrift card with 16 thrift stamps affixed.

Postmaster Roberts will announce next week a plan whereby he will assist every pupil in the country schools of Multnomah county to make a big saving on the purchase of thrift stamps. He realizes that more stamps should be sold through the Gresham postoffice and will start a contest in which he will give each purchaser of a card a boost that will make it more valuable right at the beginning and, of course, at maturity. The only condition will be that the stamps are to be sold through the Gresham postoffice. Watch Tuesday's Outlook for the announcement of the plan.

Field and poultry fence. Let us figure with you. L. L. Kidder Hdw. Company.

Read the Want ads.

WAR WORKERS HAVE CHANCE IN CAMPAIGN

Every war worker in this county has been requested to attend Oregon's first War Conference to be held in Portland, May 22 and 23, under the auspices of the State Council of Defense.

The meeting has been called at the request of federal officials and is of extreme importance from several angles. First, the war workers will have an opportunity of hearing men speak who have a national or international view of the war; second, the workers will have an opportunity of discussing local problems and co-ordinating their views with the views of others in attendance, which will prove of mutual benefit to all who attend; and third, the gathering will pave the way for a great state-wide speaking campaign which is to follow shortly after the conference.

Already 22 war conferences have been held in eastern and southern states. Reports have been received by federal officials that the conferences have resulted in renewed enthusiasm on the part of the workers and an increase in patriotic efforts throughout the states in which the conferences were held.

Every branch of war activity will be represented at the conference. The county chairmen from every county and the active workers have been asked to attend and it is predicted that this gathering will be the greatest patriotic showing yet held in the state.

This conference has been advertised state-wide and every community is expected to be represented. In accordance with the plans laid out Mayor Kenney has issued the following proclamation:

Whereas, a war conference of the utmost importance for all communities of Oregon, has been arranged for May 22d and 23d, at Portland, Ore., under the direction of the Oregon State Council of Defense, and

Whereas, the purpose of the session is to bring about a corodination of plans for meeting the various emergencies arising as a result of the war and to exchange views and adopt plans for unity and cooperation along proper lines in dealing with war conditions of a local nature, and

Whereas, similar conferences have been held in many of the eastern states and have resulted in the utmost good by bringing county representatives, speakers, officials and war workers together to exchange views and formulate unified action.

Therefore, it is hereby urged that war workers of Gresham attend the conference with the idea of making it a tremendous success from the standpoint of results in the interests of a state organized to meet war emergencies on a broad, unified and comprehensive basis.

G. W. KENNEY, Mayor.

DANGER OF LOSSES IN POTATOES IN STORAGE

Serious losses in potatoes now in storage may be reduced greatly by maintaining suitable temperature and humidity conditions in the storage houses. All ventilators and doors should be kept closed during the day, but open at night, when the minimum outdoor temperature prevails. Open doors during the day when grading and loading are going on may raise the storage temperature, permitting rapid decay and increasing shrinkage. Growers and shippers will have to give the closest attention to these conditions to prevent heavy losses during the remainder of the season. The transfer of common storage stocks to cold storage whenever feasible, is a practical way to avoid excessive losses.

COUNTY AGENT GIVEN A NEW ASSISTANT

R. V. Wright has been detailed to assist County Agent Hall in making a canvass of the farms of Multnomah county on farm records and for gathering data for the use of the federal government.

Mr. Wright was formerly superintendent of the farm at the state industrial school at Salem and has been sent here by the state and federal authorities. He will remain about two months, working among the farmers who want to start farm accounts, books and records this year. He will also gather data for government use.

French Drink Chocolate.

Chocolate is becoming a most popular drink with French soldiers since it has been introduced in the Y. M. C. A. huts over there.

Electric vacuum sweepers for rent. Minimum charge, 50c for half a day. L. L. Kidder Hdw. Co.

AGENCY FOR TRACTORS TO LOCATE HERE

A brief news item in the Outlook last week said that O. W. Tarr had gone to California on a quest for a farm tractor which he could sell in this part of Oregon. He changed his plans, however, after having his suitcase packed and left today for Chicago and other points in the east to close a deal for the Pacific coast agency for a line of tractors that will be fully adapted to all conditions on either large or small farms.

He has been for some weeks in correspondence with all the largest and best firms making tractors in the United States, and has collected a world of information about the different machines. He says a "crawler" is all right—meaning a tractor of the caterpillar type—but that 90 per cent of all tractors made are four wheeled, and that there is not a farm in ten that needs a "crawler," so why buy one that is so much more expensive when a "four wheel" will do the work satisfactorily?

Mr. Tarr seems to be partial to the Standard tractor and believes that very few of the different makes embody all the good features of the Standard. His experience in farming the past nine years gives him a good idea of what is needed on a farm in the way of a tractor, and the one he is going after has many special features. They are capable of plowing fence corners and have the push-button plow lift.

Will Hessel, local farm machinery dealer, knows the tractor and is highly pleased that it will be represented on the coast. It has been acquainted with the manufacturing firm many years, has handled their goods in the east and is anxious to have their other products used here.

Mr. Tarr will be gone several weeks and will visit several factory towns and distributing points in the middle west. He has his spring planting in and has left his work in charge of competent help during his absence. If successful in his mission he will come back to the Pacific coast as agent of a tractor, and will have the machines to sell by the hundreds. In that event he will dispose of his dairy herd and probably quit farming altogether.

STARCH FACTORY MAY DEPEND ON FARMERS

Beaverton's starch factory was put in operation last week and is turning out a superior quality of starch in large quantities. It will be run to its full capacity as long as the old crop of potatoes lasts and the work will be continued next fall as soon as new potatoes are available.

Secretary Turner, one of the promoters of the enterprise, is anxious to build a similar factory here. His company will do so if given the proper encouragement by farmers and the citizens of Gresham in the way of assistance in securing a location and agreeing to furnish the material from which starch is made.

The Beaverton plant cost about \$50,000 and if it is the anticipated success it will be duplicated in Gresham. Such an enterprise would mean the distribution of more than \$100,000 annually in this part of the county. Considerable encouragement has been given the company but not enough yet to warrant a factory here until another year. Another canvass will be made for contracts among the farmers of this section.

SENIOR CLASS TO GIVE 'THE MAN ON THE BOX'

Under direction of Mrs. Elinor Sanford Large, the senior class of Union High school will present "The Man on the Box" at Regner's opera house on Friday evening, May 3d.

This breezy comedy in three acts, adapted from Harold McGrath's popular and lively novel, is considered one of the most delightful plays of the present day. Everybody should see it. Popular prices.

Used Machinery for Sale.

One Iron Age planter and fertilizer attachment.
One Black Hawk 50-bushel spreader.
One Rock Island one-row corn planter with fertilizer attachment.
One Moline two-wheeled tractor used less than six months.
One garden seeder and cultivator.
One 12-inch Oliver plow.

W. A. HESSEL.

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