

COUNTY FAIR TRYING FOR MORE MONEY

An effort will be made to secure a larger appropriation for the Multnomah county fair this year than ever before. County Commissioner Holman, who is one of the directors of the fair association offered a resolution at the board meeting yesterday which will send a committee to Salem with a request to the legislature for a consolidation of the county fair fund with that of the Portland land products show, the two funds amounting to \$7000. Such a course would mean a consolidation of the two fairs—or rather the discontinuance of the land show, which would be merged with the county fair.

Mr. Holman's resolution carried with it the appointment of H. A. Lewis, John M. Mann and C. D. Minton as the committee to visit Salem, Mr. Holman agreeing to go along if necessary.

W. C. Alderson, county school superintendent, and Miss Ethel Calkins were present in the interests of the county school exhibit, which promises to be so large this year that it will require more room than is available. It was suggested that a new building be erected for the county school displays, and Mr. Alderson guaranteed that it would be built without cost to the fair association other than the material. President Lewis was instructed to get figures on the cost of material and report at next meeting.

Mr. Alderson volunteered to take charge of the county school displays. Miss Calkins is in the field organizing every country school for a fair exhibit. As they know every boy and girl attending the schools their offer was accepted and Mr. Alderson was made superintendent of that division. There will be no entry fee collected from the school children, nor will any admission charge be made at the gate to the boys and girls who make exhibits in this division.

On motion of Mrs. Weathered there will be juvenile stock judging contests, the winning team to be given a free trip to the state fair. Second and third awards will be made in cash. The plans for this contest are rather vague yet but will be placed in concrete form at the next meeting.

Mr. Lewis reported having attended the meeting of the Northwest fair association at Seattle last Saturday at which fair dates were fixed for all exhibitions in the association. Gresham dates will fall on September 16-20 this year. Other dates named are: Centralia, August 18-23; Elma, August 25-30; Spokane, September 1-6; Vancouver, B. C., September 8-13; Walla Walla, September 8-13; Yakima, September 15-20; Salem, September 22-29; New Westminster, September 20-October 4.

The premium list committee reported progress but was given further time pending the report of the legislative committee upon the amount of state aid to be received. Printing of the premium list for this year was awarded to the Outlook Publishing company. An effort will be made to have it issued early in the spring.

STREETS OF MUD AND WITHOUT SIDEWALKS

Frank Wright is an instructor in the Divisional Signal school, somewhere in France, according to information received recently in a letter from him by his mother, Mrs. Dan Wright. Like all the soldiers, he is eager to be at home. A part of his letter follows:

(Birthday Greetings.)

Dear Mother:—Do you know what day this is? Wish I was there to spend it with you.

I am instructor in the Divisional Signal school that was started January 1st. This man's army sure has me picked for a school teacher. It is only for five hours a day and five days a week, so I don't mind it much. It will not interfere with me coming home when the division does as I am still a member of the 52d division and when it leaves for home, I do too. Don't know when that will be soon. The division is drilling and training just as much as they did before the war. It is more to have something for the men to do than anything else.

This is an awful nice country over here. It has rained now for almost three months every day and the mud is about knee deep. There are no sidewalks in these towns and the streets are full of mud but the street is the only place there is to walk. They only have sidewalks and paved streets in the very large cities.

WARNING AGAINST SENATE BILL 45

Gresham, Feb. 4.—Editor Outlook:—Relative to Senate Bill No. 45, for the consolidation of the school districts of Multnomah county outside of Portland, now in the possession of the house of representatives, having passed the senate: We realize that in the discussion of matters having to do with educational affairs that pertain to the welfare of the school children we are getting close to the parents and to things of most vital importance. Therefore, it is not with temerity that we call the notice of the voters of the various school districts to the above named bill in its conception of a one-man power affair, mainly in the interest of a county school superintendent-elect or to be elected, because the provisions of this bill absolutely places in the hands of the county school superintendent a power on a level with autocratic power embodied in the usages of some of the crowned heads of Europe, and for which our soldier boys fought to exterminate from the face of the earth.

The amendment added to the bill to refer the same to the voters of the school districts of the county is a farce and an insult. Said amendment was added to this bill under the intense remonstrance to allow any but the school districts directly affected to take part in the vote thereon, but the handlers of the bill insisted that Portland or School District No. 1 must be recognized as the father, mother and any and all of the supervisors of the county districts in the welfare of the education of our children, hence the perpetual matter to be voted on at any or all school elections until the people get tired of voting on the same question at each election. In other words the amendment provides that the bill to become a law is a perpetual question to be voted on until the powers secure a majority, then the bill becomes a law.

Voters of Multnomah county, are you going to endorse a bill to become a law of such import as Senate Bill No. 45?

W. F. DILLON,
O. J. BROWN.

DR. WRIGHT INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Dr. A. H. Wright, the veterinary surgeon, was badly injured in an auto accident at the Gresham gravel pit on Saturday morning last and may die as a result of the injuries received. He was coming toward Gresham, and as he was passing the gravel pit a stray hog obstructed the road. To avoid the animal he ran close to the high bank and before he could make the sharp turn his machine ran off the pavement and plunged into the field on the opposite side. He suffered a fracture of the skull at the base of the brain and had several ribs broken.

Upon being taken to a Portland hospital it was said that his injuries would be fatal, but he has partially recovered and was somewhat more rational this morning than at any time since the accident. His wife is with him during the daytime but returns nearly every night. Her youngest son, who is ill, is being taken care of by Mrs. Westell during his mother's absence.

The accident occurred at the same spot where Mrs. Dolly Ferrera was killed about ten years ago. There have been other accidents at this place, with several bad smashups. Mr. Wright's machine is the third to plunge over the bank, and at least three others have been wrecked on the curve or near it.

THRIFT WEEK THOUGHTS BY GRESHAM LIBRARIAN

Every good patriot is willing to help a good cause along, but how can I discuss what thrift means in my case? Here are a few suggestions from the book shelf.

McGregor, Book of Thrift—a popular discussion of why and how to save and what to do with your savings. All sides of the question are discussed.

Rose, Feeding the Family—a comprehensive discussion of food values for everybody.

Warren, Farm Management—discussed from the standpoint of owner, tenant and hired man.

Fowler, Starting in Life—a book for boys who are beginning to earn. The dictionary defines thrift as success won by industry, economy and good management.

And incidentally, the librarian is ready to sell thrift stamps whenever the library is open.

All auto top parts and repairs. Quick work. E. S. Palmquist, Gresham.

A STURDY TREE MONUMENT FOR EVERY YANK WHO GAVE HIS LIFE FOR DEMOCRACY

By CHARLES LATHROP PACK
President, American Forestry Association.
Written especially for the Outlook.

In what way shall we honor the memory of the brave American soldiers and sailors who gave their lives for liberty? That is a question which every community in the United States has asked itself.

It is certain that their sacrifice on the altar of freedom is worthy of the finest tribute that can be paid them. This should include also the men who offered their lives in their country's service whether it meant the supreme sacrifice for them or not. They, too, are deserving of the nation's gratitude.

What nobler, more inspiring, more appropriate memorial can be erected to the honor of these men than the living, growing tree? It will stand there and as it develops keep fresh in the minds of the present and of coming generations the deeds of daring which America's heroes performed on land and sea in order that democracy and truth and justice might be firmly established here and throughout the world.

On this account the American Forestry Association suggests the planting of trees in parks, along the streets and highways and at other appropriate places as living monuments to our heroes.

There are few communities in the United States that did not lose one or more of its sons in the great conflict which has just concluded. There will be memorials of various kinds, bronze tablets, stone markers, arches of granite and bronze and other forms, dedicated to their service. But this memorial is set up, there can be trees planted also.

This suggestion already has received the hearty endorsement of governors of states throughout the country, of the state foresters, civic and patriotic organizations, women's clubs and other associations. In a few places trees already have been planted in accordance with this idea.

At Tacony, Pa., four trees have been planted on the lawn of the Episcopal church of the Holy Innocents. Two of the town's men thus honored were killed in action in France, while the others died in hospitals close behind the battle lines.

Relatives and friends of the Tacony heroes participated in the ceremony, which included singing by the choir and a brief address by the rector, Rev. Robert E. Edwards.

Here is what two state governors and other officials say of the plan. Governor Lowden, of Illinois, says: "I am heartily in sympathy with the general idea, which I have taken up with the superintendent of highways of our state."

Governor Capper of Kansas says: "It is most appropriate, I feel, that we should have living trees as memorials for our soldier dead, whose deeds will live for all time."

Former President Taft said: "One fitting and appropriate memorial to our soldier dead would be row of fine trees planted along the great thoroughfares of our various states. They will stand there for many generations to come and keep fresh in the minds of all passers-by the heroic deeds of those young Americans who gave their lives that freedom and justice and truth might not perish from the earth."

Louisiana is planning to plant 440 miles of "victory oaks" and other suitable trees along Jefferson Highway, the state's principal road which runs from north to south and connects with the highway that extends on to Winnipeg, Canada.

Governor Pleasant has turned the details of the work over to M. L. Alexander, head of the state conservation department. There will be a tree every forty feet along the road. Oaks will be used for the most part.

Plan Fits in With Reconstruction and Good Roads.

Rows of noble trees will add not only to the beauty and attractiveness of our highways but will be an actual support to them, helping to hold the ground firm and keeping it from washing. As the construction of good roads will be one of the big reconstruction problems which the nation will have to solve, anything that will help in this direction should be encouraged.

On all the roads leading out from every community in the United States there should be rows of trees. The American Forestry association is very glad to advise any town or community as to tree planting, suggesting types that probably will grow best in that particular locality and furnishing other helpful hints. Anyone can secure this free information by writing to Washington for it.

There are many reasons why trees are most appropriate memorials to America's soldier and sailor dead, as well as to the living.

The tree is a living, growing thing, just as are the principles



CHARLES LATHROP PACK

which America entered the war to defend. It stands for freedom.

And the tree played an important part in the winning of the war. In a thousand ways it was called into service. In aeroplanes and gun stocks, barracks and trenches, piers and railroad ties, and in many other places it was demanded in immense quantities.

The forests of France were largely sacrificed to the needs of the war. Thousands of square miles of her forest land over which the Germans advanced were devastated by gun and shell fire or the trees cut down by the enemy. Anything, therefore, looking to reforestation of the world is most fitting. It means a rebuilding of some of the natural resources which have been lost through ravages of war.

Every Community Should Have "Liberty Park"

Frank William Kane, state forester of Massachusetts, says: "Do not stop with a single tree or small groups; why not have memorial forests planted in honor of our soldier dead?" Certainly, there could be nothing finer than a grove or entire park full of trees which might be known as "Liberty Park" or some other appropriate name.

Governor Goodrich, of Indiana, is strongly in favor of the plan. The state proposes to let each of its 92 counties decide the size of its own grove to the memory of their boys. Representatives from these counties will be urged to form a state organization, appoint an executive committee and with the assistance of tree experts carry out this scheme.

"And now, no matter in whatever other forms we commemorate the manhood that has gone, for our protection let us plant memorial trees!"

This sums up the message which the American Forestry association would convey to every place in the United States from which have gone brave and loyal sons to take part in the great war.

THE VACANT CHAIR AT THE WITTER HOME

The funeral of Mrs. B. E. Witter, whose death was announced in Friday's Outlook, took place yesterday from R. R. Carlson's chapel with interment at Mt. Scott, Rev. David Cathey officiating. The pallbearers were Mayor George Kenney, J. W. Lawrence, H. C. Whilon, Lewis C. Metzger, J. H. Metzger and William Thom. There was a large attendance and a profusion of flowers.

Mrs. B. E. Witter was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, on the eighth day of April, 1849. Her maiden name was Barbara C. Schoepfel. She was married to B. E. Witter June 1st, 1868, and reared the following five children: Mrs. R. Clinton, Chas. G. Witter, Arthur B. Witter, and Mrs. J. W. Shattuck. The fifth child died at the age of three years in Cincinnati. She with her family arrived in this community in March, 1888, and found at that time not much of what is now called Gresham, which at that time had one single-room store which belonged to Mr. Ben Rollins. Outside of that there was a church and a little school house. Where the First State bank and the Gresham bank now stand were large woods that occupied 16 acres, which could at that time be bought for less than a single lot now.

Mrs. B. E. Witter's useful life ended January 31, 1919, after an illness of ten days' duration in which she suffered two strokes of paralysis, 25 hours apart.

Card of Thanks.

We beg to thank our neighbors, friends and community for the assistance and sympathy, they accorded us in this trying hour.

B. E. WITTER AND FAMILY.

JURY LIST DRAWN FOR JUSTICE COURT

Justice of the Peace John Brown, of the Multnomah district, has made selection of fifty citizens who will act as jurors in his court during the present year. He was assisted in the drawing by Charles Cleveland and J. Cannon.

Nine precincts are represented, the larger number being from Gresham in order to save expense in selecting juries and for convenience. The list is as follows:

Precinct No. 305—E. G. Wilkes, John Bliss, D. E. Towle.

Precinct No. 306—A. G. Schantlin, A. Watson, Wm. Koerner, Wm. Stanley, Sr., A. C. Ruby.

Precinct No. 307—Grant Sager, G. B. Middleton, M. Kronenberg.

Precinct No. 308—Louis Metzger, James Chiodo, B. Cameron, D. G. Geddes, Wm. Thom, Ed. W. Aylsworth, E. L. Thorpe, Frank Heiney, D. M. Cathey, C. M. Zimmerman.

Precinct No. 309—Geo. Honey, W. R. Burke, J. Elkington, C. I. Raker, W. A. Hessel, J. T. Stillions, Arza Smith, Joe Pateneau, C. M. Zimmerman.

Precinct No. 309½—B. W. Emery, J. N. Mewhirter, R. H. Todd, Emmet Kelley, E. Davidson, F. C. Jones, Geo. Leslie, J. E. Metzger, Ed. Smith, E. R. Wright, Geo. W. Kenney, D. S. Johnson.

Precinct No. 310—W. W. Northway, Emil Olsen, E. E. Welling, C. G. Fancher.

Precinct No. 311—H. P. Christensen, C. R. Keller, Henry Sell.

Precinct No. 311½—Chas. Johnson.

Used Furniture Bargains.

For sale—Second-hand furniture at bargains. Tables, ranges, steel springs, beds, mattresses, dining tables, dining chairs, coal oil heaters and numerous other articles.
J. E. METZGER,
Your Home Furnisher.

RUPERT WILL RUN CANNERY FOUR SEASONS

When the stockholders of the Gresham Fruit Growers' association met yesterday in annual assembly there was little to do except to hear the brief report of Secretary Elkington and elect three directors. The report was for the last nine months of 1918, as A. Rupert took over the cannery on a lease on April 1 and all accounts had been squared up to that date in a settlement with W. W. Cotton who had operated the cannery the year before. Mr. Elkington's report is as follows for the nine months ending December 31, 1918:

Trial Balance, Dr.

Cash	\$ 63.84
Furniture and fixtures	50.00
Machinery and equipment	764.91
Side track	640.00
Real estate	1,380.00
Building	4,773.07
Profit and loss	3,538.71
Expense	60.50
Interest	82.00
A. Rupert Company	10.79
Total	\$11,363.82

Trial Balance, Cr.

Bills payable	\$ 1,350.00
Growers' ledger	64.82
Capital stock	9,574.00
Rent	375.00
Total	\$11,363.82

Profit and Loss Account.

Expense	\$ 60.50
Interest	82.00
A. Rupert Company	10.79
Balance, profit	221.71

Rent received \$ 375.00
Balance sheet \$ 375.00

Balance Sheet.

ASSETS.	
Cash	\$ 63.84
Furniture and fixtures	50.00
Machinery and equipment	764.91
Side track	640.00
Real estate	1,380.00
Building	4,773.07
Profit and loss	3,317.00
Total	\$10,988.82

LIABILITIES.	
Bills payable	\$ 1,350.00
Growers' ledger	64.82
Capital stock	9,574.00
Total	\$10,988.82

D. E. Towle sprung a sensation by offering a resolution that the lease held by A. Rupert & Co., for four years longer with an option of five years more—making nine years in all besides the one year that the Rupert company has about taken up since the lease was made—be declared cancelled. The resolution was warmly debated for more than an hour but was finally defeated on a vote of 110 shares in its favor to 135 against. This decision was partially brought about by Mr. Rupert waiving the five-year option agreement. His lease will continue for four years longer after next April.

Election of three directors resulted in the choice of H. A. Lewis, P. A. Johnson and W. C. Lawrence. These officers will have but little to do except to hold their organization together, as the association will be out of their control while it is under lease.

Notice of Stockholders' Meeting.

The adjourned meeting of the stockholders of the Multnomah & Clackamas County Mutual Telephone Co. will be held in Metzger's Hall, Gresham, Oregon, Monday, February 10, at 2 p. m. for the purpose of electing two directors and to transact any other business which may come before the meeting.

BESS OSBORNE, Secretary.

NOTICE.

Members of M. W. A. Your presence is desired at next meeting Friday, February 7th. Installation of officers and other important business.

C. J. LUNDQUIST, Clerk.

ANOTHER EPIDEMIC COMING

Thank you, subscriptions are increasing and are likely to become epidemic during the present week.

Mrs. St. Clair, the Telegram's agent in this territory for the bargain period, now has to her credit 25 Telegram subscriptions and according to latest reports stands third or fourth from the top in the list of competitors for the \$100.

But others are working very hard and it promises to be a warm and close contest during the remainder of the bargain period, closing next Monday night.

We know you are going to take a personal interest in helping to put the local agent at the top next Monday night.

Besides, you'll have the added satisfaction of securing the Outlook and Telegram, one year, at a considerable reduction in price. No matter when your present subscription expires, you'll be dated a year ahead.

See price in the ad. elsewhere.

OUTLOOK PUBLISHING CO.

LOCAL ARTILLERIES COMING HOME SOON

The arrival in Philadelphia on last Thursday of the 65th regiment, Coast Artillery Corps, brought joy to several homes of this vicinity. Among the boys of the regiment are Caryl Heslin, Raymond Dunbar and Leslie St. Clair of Fairview. Telegrams were received from the boys on Friday and Saturday and all are in good health. They are now at Camp Dix, New Jersey and will soon leave for the Pacific Coast. It is expected that the regiment will be in Portland about February 15, when they will be given a great reception. They will go to Camp Lewis for demobilization.

Weather Forecast.

Pacific Coast States: Occasionally rain after Monday northern district; generally fair southern district. Nearly normal temperature.

CUTE CALENDAR COMES FROM RAKER & SON

We get our truest lessons From the realm where Nature rules, She teaches cheer and patience In each mile.

And the truest of the teachings Of this oldest of all schools Is, your work will be more welcome If you smile!

This bit of good poetry embellishes the 1919 calendar sent out by C. I. Raker & Son. As anyone would surmise it suggests the use of the Ford and the patronage of the Ford garage in Gresham. Ask them for one.

Return the Can.

Will the thief who stole my milk can from the road side near the country gravel pit please return the same and save himself future trouble.
MARION JOHNSON.

Read the Want ads.