

STARCH FACTORY OFFICERS CHOSEN

A meeting of the stockholders of the Northwest Potato Starch & Milling Company was held at the new factory office yesterday afternoon. Charles Cleveland acted as chairman and J. A. Turner as secretary.

The following directors were elected: J. F. Griffith, Chas. Cleveland, Chas. Doppler, J. A. Turner, R. E. Griffith, E. C. Davis, L. L. Hlatt, J. M. Johnson, W. H. Enos, K. A. Miller and Conrad Silver.

With the completion of the organization the company will seek the co-operation of the farmers in securing the raw materials on a profit-sharing plan.

Starting with the purchase of the old cheese factory property and the building on South Roberts avenue last spring the summer months have been spent in overhauling the building and equipping it for the manufacture of potato starch and dehydrating of fruit and vegetables. A large boiler has been installed, a steam engine, pump, etc. The building was found to be ideal for the purpose, using the gravity system, affording about five stories. A system of tanks has been installed for washing. There is abundance of good water on the place. City water will also be used. Drying or dehydrating rooms have been constructed and the latest process will be employed in drying fruits and vegetables. It is expected that the factory will be in operation by the latter part of this month for the evaporation of apples, prunes and pears.

Following the stockholders' meeting the directors met and elected the following officers for the coming year: Chas. Cleveland, president; J. F. Griffith, first vice president and general manager; Chas. Doppler, second vice president; K. A. Miller, treasurer, and J. A. Turner, secretary.

The next meeting of the stockholders will be held on Tuesday, September 2.

ABOUT THE COUNTY

(From Farm Bureau News)
Do you know that Multnomah County is to be the site of the largest livestock exposition pavilion in the United States. This will be the home of the Pacific International at North Portland. To get some ideas of its magnitude, it will cover seven and one-half acres of the 15-acre tract donated for the purpose, making half the ground space available for auto parking. It is to cost \$250,000, Portland to match dollar for dollar the amount raised in the state outside that city.

The beef, dairy, sheep and hog industry will be represented in the plans. The building will have a capacity of 800 cattle of the beef breeds, 1,000 dairy cattle, 400 horses, 4,000 sheep and 4,000 hogs. In dimensions the building will be 354 feet wide and 82 feet long. The stadium will seat 8,000 people, with a ring for a night horse show. Work of erecting the exposition building is well under way.

The hay crop in general is very good and a number of farmers have been selling out of the stack and baling in the field. Some different than last year.

Mr. Poultryman, have you noticed in the daily market quotations that the Association Nu-Lade eggs have a separate quotation from the other eggs and that they are quoted more because they are worth more? Are you producing Nu-Lade eggs?

At last the objections have all been satisfied and Multnomah Drainage District No. 1 is ready to start constructing their dike around the 8,000 acres of the most fertile soil in this part of the state.

Have you reported that patch of Canada thistles to the County Road Department or are you still keeping still about it to keep from hurting some shiftless neighbors but prefer endangering your whole community? You haven't the nerve!

When kneading dough of any kind and the board insists upon sliding around, spread out a dish-towel and place the board on top of that and it will remain stationary.

And when running the vacuum cleaner on small rugs and they slip and slide around just move them over onto a large rug and they will cease being so troublesome.

Milk for sale, delivered daily, Gresham Dairy. Phone 501.

TWO AEROPLANES SAIL OVER GRESHAM

Those who had the good fortune to see two aeroplanes flying over Gresham yesterday are crowing a good deal over the rest of the folks who were not made aware of their presence until the "birds" had flown out of sight. The present disappointment need not be felt so keenly, as flying machines over Gresham will soon be as common as are the autos on its streets now.

The two machines referred to are reported to be planes which are being tested as to their value as fire patrol. And that is only one of the numberless practical uses to which the flying machine can be put.

For the present, however, the aeroplanes as they are now being called, are a decided novelty. The commotion they create among men and animals is well pictured by a resident of Gresham heights who described the occurrence yesterday as follows:

"Scurrying fowls, seeking safety from a monster bird, an amazed bull and startled calves signified that the sound of a tractor in mid-air over Gresham Heights Farm on Monday near mid-day was at least unusual. Even the men in the field, hearing the ominous "burr" of the motors of two flying aeroplanes, felt the "urge" to "pink" those great birds of the air, even though they were winging their way westward over Gresham Butte."

FIFTH ANNUAL PICNIC OF MULTNOMAH GRANGE

Following their annual custom the members of Multnomah Grange are to have a picnic on next Saturday, August 9, in which all members and their friends are invited to take part. Visitors will be given a warm welcome. A fine program of music speaking and sports will fill in the time before and after the basket dinner at noon.

The place of the picnic will be the sandy beach opposite the automobile club house by the upper Sandy bridge. M. H. Wheeler and H. L. Ball, committee on arrangements, have plans well under way for the parking of automobiles and the comfort of the visitors.

The following program has been arranged by Mrs. Myrtle Ball, lecturer, assisted by Mrs. Julia Alder, past lecturer:

Song, America.
Recitation, Mrs. Sarah Wheeler.
Solo, Rev. Earl B. Cotton.
Recitation by the little folks.
Talk by C. D. Minton of Portland.
Solo, M. H. Wheeler.
Address, Ben S. Worsley of Astoria, president of the Oregon Horticultural society.
Song, "The Farmers Feed Them All."

The sports committee, consisting of Mrs. Pearl Hayden and Mrs. Mary Fritz, will present a program which will furnish plenty of fun for old and young. It will include a frog race for the boys, a cracker race by the girls, a shoe race by the boys and an egg race by the girls, three-legged race, chewing rag race (by the ladies), fat men's race and partner race.

In case of rain on Saturday the picnic will be held in Multnomah hall at Orient.

ALLEGED FORGER IS CAPTURED IN FRISCO

According to telegraphic advices received at Portland police headquarters a day or so ago, Charles White who was employed in Bauer's barber shop from July 10 to July 26 was arrested in San Francisco for alleged forgeries, and will be returned to Oregon for prosecution. He deposited a check, said to be forged in a bank in Gresham, soon after checking out nearly the entire amount of approximately \$400.

He is alleged to have cashed a bogus check for \$125.25 on Woodard, Clarke & Co. after making a small purchase.

A. C. Wilson alias W. W. Courier or Charles White as he was known here seems to be quite a transient. It is reported that on the Fourth of July he was in Toledo, Ohio, taking in the Willard-Dempsey fight. Six days later he was in Gresham plying an honest razor. He bought a suit of clothes from Aylsworth, paying with genuine coin. White left no board bill against him, but his room rent is still due as the few articles he left in it are hardly worth considering as payment.

Last Week of Summer Sale.
This week ends the sale of summer hats at the Miz Millinery, making room for the large new stock coming.—Adv.

SURPLUS WAR FOOD SELLS AT BARGAIN



Old high cost of living is getting a jolt now as Uncle Sam sells surplus food stuffs bought up for war purposes. The surplus will be placed in the hands of consumers through various cities. Here shows immense stores for five big eastern cities. Bacon at 34 cents—beef hash at 23 cents—shows the immense saving possible for the consumer.

SCIENTIFIC METHOD OF HEN SELECTION

The agricultural department of Gresham high school requires each student to carry a home project. The instructor makes frequent visits to inspect the progress of these home ventures, but in addition a written report of the project must be made by the student.

Clifton Kesterson, whose report is published today, is a member of the class in animal husbandry. Though only 16 years old, he conducts his business like a man. He has his own chicken house and yard very conveniently arranged, making the management of the flock a very easy matter. By raising some of the feed he has reduced his expense item no small figure. He has decided to get more out of his chickens than just the direct profits. The putting in of a berry patch is now contemplated where he expects to get indirect returns from his flock.

A bunch of chickens in the berry patch, at the right time, gives big returns in the destruction of innumerable berry pests and furnishes the best fertilizer, figures Clifton. Improvements and business expansion mean an expenditure of not only time and labor, but a deal of money these days of high prices. Where there is a will there is a way, even for a boy. Mornings and evenings Clifton is at home to care for his chickens, but during the day he is busy delivering newspapers in Portland. His mother agreeing to look after his poultry at noon has made this arrangement possible.

As to the conduct of his business further the young poultryman will speak for himself.

SELECTING THE LAYING HENS

By Clifton Kesterson, Animal Husbandry Student, Gresham High School.
The high prices of food stuffs, as well as the added expense of labor and other items which enter into the cost of producing eggs, makes it imperative that there should be a careful culling of laying stock if a profit is to be made by the producer.

In my flock some hens will be found to be much better producers than others. Often there are a few hens which are such poor layers that they are unprofitable. Needless to

say these are the ones to kill for table use.

Since it is the laying hens that pay, remember that when determining the size and make-up of your flock a few well selected birds, each with individual ability to lay, are better than a larger flock of which the individuals are non-productive for many months in the year.

"Early to bed" is a rule that won't do for hens, not if the poultryman is looking for high egg production. The early-to-roost and late-to-rise hen is one that should find her way to the roosting pen. All feed is too high to feed boarder hens. Our big problem is to find the boarder hen and cull her out of the flock.

One of the prime essentials in poultry is to use only the strong, vigorous, healthy stock. It is only by continuing to do this that a flock can be built up and have health and vigor, which produce strong, fertile eggs.

The appearance of a bird is not always a sure indication of its vigor, but appearance and action taken together form a fairly reliable basis for picking out vigorous hens. The good layers are readily indicated by the following:

1 Comb, face and wattles should have a good, bright color, and eyes bright and fairly prominent.

2 Head should be comparatively broad and short, not long and slim, or crow-headed.

3 Strong, fine bones, with soft, pliable skin.

4 Pelvic bones at each side of the vent should be straight and pliable and far enough apart to allow an egg to pass through easily.

The highly productive hen must have a great food capacity; she must be strong and active, always scratching, up early and late, and always busy and happy. She should be alert and have a vigorous carriage. The legs should be set well apart and strongly support the body, with no tendency of weakness or knock-kneed condition. The plumage should be clean and smooth. Lack of condition often accompanies soiled, roughened plumage.

Hens of this sort are of the right type to return a fair profit if they are given fair chance in food and quarters.

In culling out the flock the following points should be used together:

1 Early molting (before Sept. 1),

EXCELLENT PROGRAM AT LADIES AID SOCIAL

Although Friday evening was too cool for a brisk sale of ice cream, the Ladies' Aid social on the spacious parsonage lawn lacked nothing in the way of an excellent program.

A piano was placed on the concrete walk. A cluster of electric globes lighted the grounds. Tables, chairs and benches were arranged for the comfort of the audience.

One cannot help but anticipate some rare home talent musicales when the community social center is fully organized, judging from such as that furnished for the ladies' aid social. One unit at least seems to be ready—the orchestra, consisting of Miss Gladys Neal, pianist; Miss Leila Ruby, first violin; Glenn Rusher and W. L. Gorsage, second violins; and F. W. Fieldhouse, cello. Dr. Harry Ott will figure prominently on those programs, for no solo is more thoroughly enjoyed than the euphonium selections.

Mrs. J. Montcalm Brown, in her delightful manner, read "Knee-Deep in June," responding to the encore with Brunner's "Candor," two pieces from her endless repertoire which the public will want to hear again when the community gives its programs.

Marian Johnson was elected lay delegate to the annual conference which convenes at Salem this fall, when a delegates to the general conference of the Methodist church will be elected. Mrs. Hans Larsen was elected alternate.

EVENING STAR GRANGE FOR LEAGUE OF NATIONS

At a meeting of the Evening Star Grange held Saturday at their hall on Division street, resolutions were adopted favoring the league of nations covenant and declaring that the interests of the country would be best served by immediate favorable action.

Plans were discussed for the homecoming meeting of Evening Star Grange October 4, being the 45th anniversary of its formation. This anniversary meeting has been missed only once during its history. The present master is J. J. Johnson, an attorney of Portland, who has served in that capacity for 16 years, during which time he has missed only two meetings.

If you have cherries or berries, price 99¢. We pay the top market price. We are creating a market for Gresham, not outside districts. Bring your fruit to us. Home Products Company.—Adv.

Berry Plants for Sale.

We are ready to book orders for berry plants for next year's planting. The Co-operative Berry Growers, office at the old Metzger store.

with distinctly contracted comb and wattles.

2 Yellow shanks and beak at the end of laying year.

3 Contracted or hardened condition of the abdomen.
The above type of hens is the one that lays but few eggs each month and year, and hens that lay few eggs the first year will, generally speaking, lay fewer the second and at a decreasing rate subsequent years.

A flock of not more than one hundred selected hens will lay as many eggs and pay a much greater profit than two or three hundred not selected or culled. The non-producer is a parasite, living at the expense of the better layers.

As pullets lay more eggs than hens it would be a safer and far better plan for the people who have only a few birds to purchase each fall the desired number of pullets from a specialist breeder with a reputation for a productive strain. This allows the pullets to be used for egg production the first year and for meat or breeding purposes the second year.

A "GLAD" PROGRAM PLANNED FOR SOCIAL

The Christian Endeavor at Pleasant Home will give a Pollyanna ice cream social on the Baptist church lawn, Friday evening, August 8.

"Glad" stories will be given from Pollyanna and "glad" games will be played during the evening.

Those who are blue will be made happy; those who are happy will be made happier still, so everyone come.

Coming

Arrangements have just been completed to secure the Richardson & Talbert Dramatic Company in "Kentucky Sue" at Masonic hall, Friday, August 15. See further announcement.—Adv.

Grange Notice

Gresham Grange No. 279 will meet in regular session Saturday evening, August 9. All grangers are requested to bring their baskets. Supper will be served at 7:30 o'clock.
CLIFF KERN, Lecturer.

SHRINERS SURPRISE JUDGE STAPLETON

The evening is still—the air not so much as stirring a tiny leaflet. A most comfortable hush broods over all. Occasionally a chicken may be heard crooning a sleepy little song from its perch in the hen house. Judge G. W. Stapleton is sitting, Yankee fashion, on his veranda, enjoying the glorious view, the calm, and the croon, and the end of a perfect cigar. An ominous purr is heard off in the distance. A car rounds the corner, a second one, a third, another and another.

"By the beard of Methuselah! I believe those people are coming here," ventures the judge, dropping his feet to the floor in a hurry. And it was high time he did, for in a moment more a mighty concourse filled up the driveway—a high priestess, a watchman of the shepherd, a grand matron, the first wise man, the second handmaiden, yea verily, the king of Oregon strode in majestic manner toward the house in company with many other notables.

No; this is not a story from Arabian Nights, oriental as it sounds, but is simply an account of how a surprise was given George W. Stapleton, past grand patron O. E. S. of Oregon last Thursday evening by the Portland White Shriners and some of the past supreme officers who have been visiting the northwest in the past month.

Among those present were, Mrs. Helen E. C. Balmer, past worthy grand chaplain of the general grand chapter of the world, who is also past supreme worthy high priestess of the White Shrine of Jerusalem and past grand matron of Michigan. Mrs. Mary Jane Deicks, past grand matron O. E. S. of Kentucky and past supreme high priestess of the White Shrine; Mrs. Sadie Quigley, past grand matron O. E. S. of Kentucky and past high priestess of the White Shrine; Clyde Evans, past grand patron O. E. S. of Oregon, and past supreme watchman of the shepherd of the White Shrine; Dr. L. M. Davis, past grand patron O. E. S. of Oregon and king of Oregon Shrine No. 1 of the White Shrine of Jerusalem; Pauline Lerch, worthy high priestess of Oregon Shrine No. 1; A. A. Graham, watchman of the shepherd of Oregon Shrine No. 1; Elfreda Hedge, worthy shepherdess of Oregon Shrine No. 1; Anna A. Brown, Worthy guide of Oregon Shrine No. 1; J. J. Johnson, first wiseman of Oregon Shrine No. 1; T. J. Mendenhall, second wiseman of Oregon Shrine No. 1; Lena C. Mendenhall, past grand matron O. E. S. of Oregon and past high priestess of Oregon Shrine No. 1; W. F. Dillon, past watchman of the shepherd of Oregon Shrine No. 1; Clara B. Graham, past high priestess of Oregon Shrine No. 1; Margaret Howatson, past high priestess of Oregon Shrine No. 1; Anna Fuchs, second handmaiden of Oregon Shrine No. 1; Fannie Borgan, worthy treasurer of Oregon Shrine No. 1; Mrs. Lillian Dalzell, Mrs. E. Davis, Mrs. Lulu Macrum, Mrs. Cota, Leo J. Fuchs, John Graham from Manila, Mrs. J. J. Johnson, Peter Borgan, Marvin Hedge, Mrs. Henrietta Marble of Kentucky, Mrs. Lou Stapleton, O. J. Brown, Georgia Stapleton, O. J. Brown, Jr., and Gladys Johnson.

The jollification, such as only the Shriners know how to have, wound up with a Virginia reel and other old dances, and of course a hyls muck-a-muck at the conclusion of festivities.

On Sunday Supreme Worthy High Priestess Mrs. Minerva J. Parrott of Detroit, Mich., escorted by officials and White Shriners of Oregon, motored over the Columbia highway, a part of the entertainment accorded Mrs. Parrott while making her official lodge visit in Portland.

DANIEL M'GRAW DIES AFTER OPERATION

A recent news item in the Oregonian reports the death of Daniel McGraw, at St. Vincent's hospital on Saturday, following an operation. He was 50 years of age, a native of Canada, and came to Oregon in 1914 and settled on a farm near Gresham. Mr. McGraw is survived by his widow, Mrs. Agnes McGraw; a brother, William McGraw of Hoquiam, Wash., and a sister, Mrs. J. M. McDonald.

Attorney C. G. Schneider Resumes Practice.

Attorney C. G. Schneider has resumed his practice and will be in his office, First State Bank building, Gresham, on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday of each week, reserving the other days for the present for court work.—Adv.

Daddies of the Packer Bill



Congressman Sydney Anderson, Minnesota, and Senator W. S. Kenyon, Iowa, joint "fathers" of the packer bill, approved by the Federal Trade Commission, and which is regarded as the fruit of the commission's meat and live stock investigations. The bill provides for the government licensing of packing plants, excepting farmers' cooperative plants and those doing business of under \$500,000 a year. Failure to obey the provisions of the license would result in the government taking over the offending packing plant. Under the provisions of the bill the packers must give up control of the refrigerator cars, retire from ownership of fruit, vegetable and fish canneries, from the grocery business, and from active control of the stockyards. They would be limited solely to butchering and preparing meat and its by-products. The Secretary of Agriculture is designated as the administrative officer under the license plan.