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## AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT IS FULL OF PROMISE

There have been many changes in the agricultural conditions of Multnomah county during the past few years. Changes brought about by the rapid development of this territory, by increasing prices for farm lands and the increasing demands of the city of Portland for the smaller fruits, garden products and the development of the canning industry, have brought about a difference in the kind of crops that are grown.

The estimates this year place the potato acreage at about 4500 or a thousand more than were planted in 1919. The crop was very good this year, the yield being unusually heavy, but the potatoes have not been up to their usual standard of quality due to the rainy fall which produced a soft watery potato which is not keeping as well as usual. The bad weather made it difficult to get the potatoes harvested in good shape and many were put away muddy and wet. In some low sections there was some loss by rotting in the field.

The extreme cold weather in the early part of December, 1919, affected the fruit crop this year and the showing is not so good as in former years. There were no peaches and the yield of apples was not up to the average. This was demonstrated at the county fair where the display of apples, pears, etc., was only about a fourth of the usual exhibit.

There has been a decrease in some sections of dairy cows. There have been many factors in this phase of the situation but the main element has been the high price of feed and the relatively low price of milk. Dairying has not proven an attractive business proposition and the dairymen are disposing of their herds in favor of berries or poultry where the investment is less and the returns are greater. Especially in the territory near Gresham the situation is changing in this manner. While the berry acreage this year is estimated as double that of the preceding one, there have been a number of dairy herds sold and others have been decreased in size.

Dairying close to the city is being increased recently by the stabilizing of market conditions. The normal milk supply of Portland is smaller than it has been for years and the city is extending over larger areas to get a supply sufficient for the demands.

Hogs also show the same tendency to decrease in favor of the better-paying crops. The marked decrease this year over that of last year is due to the continued high prices for feed and the low prices paid for pork. The commercial hog has almost vanished from this county. The few that are raised here are raised for home use on the larger farms. A few are kept to use on the by-products of the farm. As a business proposition they have practically gone.

The county agent is authority for the statement that the acreage in wheat will be less next year than at any time since the war. Before the war there was practically no wheat grown in the county but war conditions changed this and for the past three years there has been an increasing acreage of wheat planted. Conditions at present indicate that next year's wheat crop will be almost on a pre-war basis.

In marked contrast to this, there is shown an ever increasing growth and development of berries and poultry.

The 1919 census gives the number of acres in the county which was devoted to the raising of berries as approximately 800 acres. Of this number 400 acres were planted to raspberries and black berries, of which not more than fifty acres were black berries, fifty acres to loganberries, and 340 acres to strawberries. While the census figures for this year are not available, those in close touch with the berry situation say that the acreage almost doubled last year and that there is every reason to believe that next year will show an increase of from 25 to 50 per cent over the present year's acreage.

One evidence of this is the sale of berry plants which has been going on this year. There were nearly 300,000 raspberry plants and nearly 117,000 strawberry plants distributed by the Co-operative Berry Growers' association alone during the past season and this is probably only a small proportion of the total amount sold as large numbers are disposed of by the growers themselves. Beside the strawberries and raspberries the association handled about 10,000 logan berry plants.

One of the unusual sales made by the Berry Growers was that of 1000 Evergreen blackberry plants. Until recently, this plant, which flourishes in the wild state, has been considered a pest. It has only been the past few years that there has been any market value for the berries but with the development of the canning industry here the Evergreen has come into its own. Now the berry is being planted and cared for by a few in much the same manner as other berries.

Some estimate of the value of the berry crop may be had from the re-

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## FACULTY OF UNION HIGH SCHOOL NOW NUMBERS FOURTEEN



WM. S. AVERILL  
Agriculture

MARY E. GOOD  
Science

LETTIE L. GREGSON  
Latin and Bookkeeping

ZELMA L. HOLMAN  
English, Physical Training

MIRIAM INGLIS  
Mathematics



HARL C. McCORMICK  
Agriculture and Mechanical  
Drawing

H. RUTH MONTAGUE  
Librarian

MAY H. MORRISON  
Mathematics and Spanish

MINNIE A. SCHREPEL  
Home Economics

TOM G. TAYLOR  
Vocal and Instrumental  
Music



ESTELLE B. WEBB  
Commercial

LESLIE E. WEBB  
History, Physical Training

ADELINE B. WYETH  
English

GERTRUDE C. STERLING  
Piano  
Accredited Teacher Union High

## ALL BRANCHES OF MODERN EDUCATION ARE COVERED BY UNION HIGH SCHOOL

### PERSONNEL OF FACULTY.

Elmer F. Goodwin, the principal, who is now in his sixth year, as head of Union High, is truly an easterner, having graduated from Fairmont Normal School and West Virginia University of his native state. His post graduate work was done at East Northfield, Massachusetts, and Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut. He has had a varied experience in grade, high and normal school work. Before coming west he was head of the Concord Normal school and later, by promotion, president of the Shepherd College State Normal school (West Virginia) which schools became very popular under his leadership and increased in enrollment about 25 per cent a year. Mr. Goodwin has charge of the teacher training classes at Union High school.

Mary E. Good has been connected with the school five years and is a graduate of Los Angeles Normal School and Bethany College, Kansas. She has done post graduate work at both University of Oregon and University of Washington. Her work as instructor of science which department she has made very popular and up-to-date. She formerly taught at Brownsville, Oregon.

Lettie L. Gregson, like the two teachers mentioned above, has been with the school since its removal into the new building where, a little over five years ago, the semester opened with only six teachers. She is also a normal school graduate of the Northern Normal and Industrial School, South Dakota, and Wilamette University. She has also done post graduate work in University of Oregon. Miss Gregson is the popular teacher of Latin and bookkeeping.

Adeline B. Wyeth hails from Missouri. She is a graduate of Park College in her native state and has done post graduate work in a number of standard schools including University of Oregon and University of Washington. She was formerly principal of the Canby public schools for five years. She teaches English and public speaking. This is her third



ELMER F. GOODWIN  
Principal

year with this school and every boy and girl loves her.

May H. Morrison is a graduate of the University of Colorado in which school she took special work to fit herself for the profession of teaching. She was a member of the Trinidad (Colorado) high school faculty before coming to Oregon. Miss Morrison is Junior Class advisor and a strong teacher. She teaches mathematics and Spanish. This is her second year here.

Minnie A. Schrepel is from Minnesota. She graduated from the University of that state and has done special work since in other schools including Oregon Agricultural College. She teaches home economics. This is her second year at Union High. She formerly taught at Estacada. Miss Schrepel is Sophomore class advisor.

Estelle B. Webb is justly proud of her southern birth. She is a native of Missouri. She graduated from State Teachers' College of her native state with the degree of Bachelor of Pedagogy and has since taken special work in Art Institute, Chicago, the University of California and Link's Business College, Portland. Miss

Webb teaches commercial subjects, including shorthand and typewriting, and teaches them well. This is her second year at Union High.

Tom G. Taylor is the efficient teacher of vocal and instrumental music. He has classes in piano, voice and chorus work; also the orchestra of 16 pieces. He is a native of England and a graduate of the Royal Conservatory of Music, London. He was formerly connected with a large school in Colorado for eight years. This is his third year at Union High and his success is attested by the thoroughness of his instruction and up-to-date methods.

Leslie E. Webb is teaching history and physical training for boys. He is a graduate of Pacific University, Oregon, and was formerly connected with the Grass Valley High school as principal. Mr. Webb is entering upon his second year with bright prospects. Just now he is making plans for Union High to win the debating contest with other schools of the Lower Columbia District, in which line he did such excellent work last year.

H. Ruth Montague is librarian, which position she has held with satisfaction for two years. She is a graduate of Albany College, Oregon and has been connected with the Portland Library association for several years. She knows books and she also knows boys and girls and is, therefore, a very efficient librarian.

William S. (Captain) Averill is one of the instructors of agriculture under Smith-Hughes Act. He is a graduate of the Oregon Agricultural College and was farm manager of the college farm before taking up the work here. He knows both animal and plant husbandry and is intensely interested in boys. This department under his leadership and that of Mr. McCormick is growing rapidly and bids fair to become one of the strongest in the institution. He was made a captain during the late war.

Harl C. McCormick, associated with Mr. Averill under Smith-Hughes act, teaches agriculture, shop work and mechanical drawing. He was born in Illinois, on a farm and is interested in farm life. Since his graduation from the Oregon Agricultural College, he has taught in the high schools at Estacada and Hood River, Oregon. This is his first year here.

Miriam Inglis is a native of Iowa. She graduated from Coe College, Iowa, and has taught at Olin and Deep Water in that state and at Toledo and Troutdale in Oregon.

Miss Inglis is quiet and unassuming but a splendid teacher. She teaches mathematics and guides the destinies of the Freshmen of which class she is advisor.

Zelma L. Holman is a Washingtonian and a graduate of the University of Washington at Seattle. She specialized in English and physical training for girls, which subjects she teaches here. This is her first year at Union High. She formerly taught at White Salmon and Yelm in her native state.

There are two accredited teachers of piano connected with the school who give instruction to high school students at their private studios. They are, Mrs. Gertrude C. Sterling, who graduated from the Conservatory of Music at Selo, Ohio, and made additional preparation at the College of Music, Cincinnati, Ohio; and Miss Florence Honey, who is a graduate of the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, Oberlin, Ohio, and the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, Massachusetts. She and Mrs. Sterling have many high school students taking lessons in piano who receive credit toward graduation in any course in Union High School.

## SCHOOL REPRESENTS LARGE ENTERPRISE

By ADELINE B. WYETH.

Gresham is a part of a varied cosmopolitan enterprise in the form of the Union High school.

In the first place the school is not local but belongs to the countryside. The students are not only town boys and girls, but young people from the village and farm as well.

Though English is the spoken tongue, a look at the register reveals a wide representation of races. There is a sufficient number of Mac's to keep any Scotchman from feeling lonely while the Irish are not far behind them in the number of their delegation. A plentiful amount of English names is to be expected; a few savor strongly of Wales and several of undoubted Gallic flavor are to be discovered. Central and northern Europe furnish their quota; Teutonic, Scandinavian and Helvetian being predominant.

There seems to be little racial dif-

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## LOCAL GARAGES HAVE EXTENSIVE AUTO PATRONAGE

Secretary of State Sam A. Kozer is sounding a clarion call to all auto owners reminding them that those who are delinquent in securing their 1921 license tags on the first day of next month will be in great danger of being arrested and fined if they attempt to operate their cars after that date.

There are now over 103,000 licensed motor vehicles in Oregon, and a large majority of owners have not yet applied for their licenses. The facilities of the license department at Salem are limited and by delay the owners are improving their chances for arrest for failure to have their 1921 licenses by the first of the coming year. Application blanks may be secured from the town recorder, sheriff, chief of police, county clerk and the auto dealers in your locality, or by request of the secretary of state at Salem.

Up to November 30 there were 103,418 automobiles and trucks and 3,509 motorcycles licensed. Operators at that date numbered 137,043. The total fees received at that time had reached \$2,081,790—all of which goes to show the magnitude of the work to be done in a short time by the license department.

Among the 751 motor vehicle dealers in Oregon there are four in Gresham besides others in this vicinity, all of easy access to vehicle owners in eastern Multnomah and Clackamas counties. Troutdale, Rockwood, Boring and Sandy have garages and dealers. East of the Sandy river are several more, besides others scattered about along the highways. With so many places at which to secure application blanks there can be no excuse for delay.

The pioneer garage of Gresham, known as the Gresham Garage, is now owned and operated by Fred Palmquist and Frank Southard. It was established here about ten years ago by C. M. Zimmerman who sold many Overlands and did a general repair business. The reputation of the Gresham Garage is maintained by its present owners and is one of the important automobile establishments of this district.

C. I. Raker & Son, authorized Ford and Fordson dealers are doing the largest automobile business in the county outside of Portland. This is evidenced by the extensive addition that is now being constructed to their already large building for the housing of new vehicles. Their Ford sales run into several hundred each year. For November their sales were never less than one each day for the month. On Thanksgiving Day they sold two. This is a great record for a country town and it will be equaled if not surpassed as the business increases.

The Fields Motor Car Company is a new concern, the successor to C. E. Osburn in the sale of Chevrolets. It does a good business in the popular automobile that so many are buying in preference to the heavier cars. Since Mr. Osburn turned the Chevrolet sales over to the Fields Motor Car Company he is devoting his energies to battery service in which he is making a decided success.

W. A. Hessel is manager of the Overland Company and is making a reputation for the Case and International tractors. These tractors are valuable adjuncts to farming operations and are fast taking the lead in the tractor field. Mr. Hessel is well known as the owner and manager of the Hessel Farm Machinery store which is the pioneer establishment in that business in the territory east of Portland.

Some of the other dealers in cars and accessories outside of Gresham are Walter Metzger at Boring; Walker Quesinberry at Rockwood; Schantlin & Karofsky at Rockwood; John Larsson at Troutdale; Smith Bros. at Sandy; Perret Bros. at Sandy; John Ide near Linnemann and Schantlin & Kreofsky at Rockwood; George W. Page at Terry, Hosner Garage at Corbett, Columbia Highway Service station at Springdale, Sandy River Garage at Troutdale. They are all reliable and may be depended upon.

## COUNTY COUNCIL TO MEET AT CEDAR

The Multnomah County Council Parent-Teacher associations will meet at Cedar school, Saturday, December 18 from 11 a. m. until 3:30 p. m. The day has been planned with special reference to the needs of the newly organized associations in this county and the speakers will be of especial interest to them. All members of the Parent-Teacher associations are requested to be present. This meeting will be located at a central point and it is hoped that a large number will take advantage of the opportunity.

Members who attend furnish their own sandwiches and the entertaining association will furnish the balance of the lunch.

The Junior class of Union High will be in charge of the Christmas decorations at the library and expect to do the work this week.