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WELCOME TO VISITORS.

Hundreds of former residents of Gresham along with the thousands of strangers and occasional visitors will be in town this week attending the fair.

To all of these the fair board and the city extend a cordial welcome.

This privilege of meeting old friends and forming new acquaintances at fair time is one that local citizens and business men and women prize highly.

Fair week is home-coming week for many. Those who have gone from the locality can select no better time for viewing the indications of growth and advancement in the city and county in which they have been and still are directly or indirectly interested.

This year especially the invitation to meet your friends at the fair is a strong one. The many entertaining programs, featuring so largely and fittingly the home talent, gives the stock expression, "Meet me at the Fair," a new and double meaning.

Hence the Outlook knows it expresses the sentiment of all citizens when it extends a cordial greeting to all visitors at the fair.

FAIR MANAGEMENT HAMPERED.

This year the fair management has been greatly hampered in its plans and preparations for the fair by shortage of funds. In fact there have been none to draw upon for improvements and needed enlargements. The evidence of this fact is patent to all observers. The fair management has had to go ahead and do the best that could be done with an empty pocket book. Even worse than that they have had to carry the burden of a considerable debt.

All friends of the Multnomah county fair are asked to bear these facts in mind and if they do not find everything in the pink of condition they are asked to withhold criticism and boost for those who have shown under the circumstances commendable faith and courage.

The fair is a worthy institution. It is constructive and educative in its influence. It is worthy of generous support. It is not a private enterprise in which if there is a profit someone will personally benefit. It is almost universal experience that a loss is involved when all adjustments have been made. Unfavorable conditions of weather and other things, may bring about an unexpected loss that the directors have to face, although the fair may have been a grand success from the standpoint of its upbuilding effect upon a locality.

The success of the fair depends upon the support of the public. It is not enough to pay an admission and then go out and complain. Everyone gets many times the worth of his money. What the fair needs, along with attendance, is the good words of every visitor. And they don't cost you much.

SUPPORT THE CONCESSIONS.

An appeal is made to those attending the fair to give generous support to the concessions. Some of them are a nuisance. Some may be regarded as an evil. But the fact remains they are an accompaniment of a fair. There are many good concessions that all can generously support.

A fair would be tame indeed without concessions. The public expects them and even the most penurious looker on feels the thrill of the side shows, with all their appealing colors, calls and exhibitions.

This year the amusement company furnishing the attractions for the fair is the largest of its kind that has ever traveled on the Pacific Coast. Their shows and riding devices are booked in by the fair management on a percentage basis. The more they take in the more money the fair makes. Peculiar as it may seem, fair experts tell us that people do not go to fairs to see exhibits. That they go to be entertained and see the exhibits incidentally. At any rate concessions pay their way and go a long way toward defraying the expense incidental to the conduct of a successful fair. And of course the fair is for the purpose of showing exhibits.

HISTORICAL SKETCH OF POWELL VALLEY CIRCUIT

By LENA C. ST. CLAIR.

When this topic was assigned me a short time ago I little dreamed of the real extent of the subject and the heroism and devotion which would be brought to light by the study. This must be, indeed, a sketch. If I were to name the men and women who have had a part in the establishment of this great work of which we are the heirs this paper would be an extended affair.

Where shall I begin? Our records go back to 1853, so near to Jason Lee and his heroic band of missionaries that our story must begin with them.

In the fall of 1834 Jason Lee and his helpers arrived in the Oregon Country on their mission to the Indians in reply to their quest for the "white man's Book of heaven." It is significant that at this time Oregon was considered a foreign country.

The General Conference of 1848 authorized the organization of an "Oregon and California Mission Conference." Geographically this conference included all that part of the United States west of the Rocky mountains but actually it consisted of but a few scattered settlements. Accordingly the few ministers who were entitled to a seat in the conference met in the chapel of the Oregon institute in Salem on September 5, 1849. Six names were on the roll. They were William Roberts, David Leslie, Alvan F. Waller, James H. Wilbur, Isaac Owen and William Taylor, (afterward Bishop Taylor.) The two latter were in California. This conference appointed James H. Wilbur pastor at Oregon City and Portland with J. L. Parish as assistant. It is more than likely that these preachers traveled to the little settlements in this vicinity.

The second meeting of the Mission conference was held at Oregon City September 4, 1850. This conference placed James H. Wilbur and J. O. Raynor on the Oregon City and Columbia River circuit. The work was spreading and the people along the Columbia slough received the ministrations of these men.

Following the general conference of 1852 which authorized the organization of two conferences on the Pacific Coast, the Mission conference met in Portland for its fourth and last session on September 2, 1852 and received the information that a bishop would be sent to this field in the spring. Accordingly, on March 17, 1853, Bishop Edward R. Ames called the ministers together at Salem and the Oregon annual conference was organized. Within the bounds of the conference were the Willamette district, Thos. H. Pearne, presiding elder, the Umpqua and the Puget Sound missions. The Vancouver, Cascades and Dalles circuit was authorized at that time. The conference closed March 22, 1853.

The first quarterly conference on the new charge was held April 10, 1853 at E. R. Scott's residence at Fairview, C. S. Kingsley presiding elder, James Gerrish preacher in charge. The quarterly conference approved the estimate of the committee on pastoral support of \$300 for table expenses for the preacher for the ensuing year. During that summer a Sunday school was organized at E. R. Scott's residence, also one at Columbia schoolhouse. At the second quarterly conference held in October at Columbia schoolhouse J. P. Powell's class is mentioned. This was known at that time as the White schoolhouse of Lebanon class. It afterwards became the Powell Valley class and later Gresham. At this time Gustavus Hines was added to the work on the circuit, he being made preacher in charge and James Gerrish became his assistant to travel to new ground and organize new classes. Resolutions were adopted favoring the establishment of a religious paper in Oregon. The third quarterly conference of the charge was held in the winter of 1854 at The Dalles at the old mission station with A. F. Waller presiding elder, James Gerrish preacher in charge. There was a church reported built at Sandy and a Sunday school organized at Wilmot's schoolhouse. This latter point was at what is now known as Wilkes schoolhouse.

At the annual conference of 1855 the Vancouver, Cascades, Dalles circuit was divided and this part of the territory became the Milwaukie-Sandy circuit. Gustavus Hines was presiding elder and G. C. Rose preacher in charge. G. W. Rook was added to the charge as assistant preacher and \$10 a month estimated as table expenses. In a steward's report of July 20, 1855 Richey's class is mentioned, which was in what is now Pleasant Valley. At the second quarterly conference of the circuit, November, 1855, Arcon Kelly of the Orient class is mentioned. This is now Pleasant Home.

At a quarterly conference of the Milwaukie-Sandy circuit held at Mt. Zion on Eagle Creek on October 11, 1856, a resolution was adopted recommending the publication of the Pacific Christian Advocate at Portland instead of Salem.

The fourth quarterly conference held at Kelly's camp ground, not far from the present Clinton Kelly church, on July 11, 1857, reported 13 classes under the following leaders: Whitten, Southmaid, P. Rook, C. Richey, J. S. Royal, T. Noyes, Palmatier, R. P. Wilmot, W. G. Cathey, J. Tuttle, J. Crosby, Love and the Milwaukie class.

In a record of February, 1858, the Powell Valley camp ground was mentioned and at a meeting held at that place in July 1861, steps were taken to permanently locate and

purchase the site, which comprised 14 acres in what is now the heart of the business district of Gresham. It was the custom for many years to hold the fourth quarterly conference at the camp ground where Methodists from the circuit, from Portland, Oregon City and the country around held precious fellowship and where many souls were born into the Kingdom.

Between 1855 and 1875 the pastors on the Milwaukie and Sandy circuit were J. W. Miller, J. H. B. Royal, C. O. Hosford, C. G. Belknap, C. H. Hall, N. A. Starr, W. I. Caspar, J. S. McCain, Jos. Hoberg and Wallace Hurlburt. In 1875 Louis Albert Banks was engaged by the quarterly conference to assist his uncle, W. Hurlburt, for four months at \$25 a month.

At a quarterly meeting for the East Portland circuit held at the Powell Valley camp ground on July 22, 1876, a motion was carried to submit to the annual conference the proposition to divide the work so as to include Marshfield, (Clackamas), Milwaukie, Lee's Chapel, (Sellwood), Mt. Tabor, St. Johns and Love's schoolhouse in what should be known as the East Portland circuit, and Union, Pleasant Valley, Powell's Valley, Orient, Fairview and Columbia Chapel in what should be known as the Powell's Valley circuit, which division was granted by the annual conference.

Edward Albright, for many years recording steward of the Powell's Valley circuit, made a careful compilation of the history of the work from the organization in 1853 to the division in 1876, from which the foregoing story is taken. He footed up the contributions by classes to ward pastoral support during those years, which amounted to \$11,178.35. During the first three years and nine months of that time assistance to the amount of \$528.12½ was received from the Missionary society or \$11.73 per month.

The first business session of the Powell Valley circuit was held at White schoolhouse October 14, 1876. F. Eliot was pastor and Edward Albright was elected secretary, which office he filled without exception for seven years. At a meeting in February, 1877, the building of a parsonage for the circuit was voted, a location committee was appointed and the pastor was authorized to take subscriptions for the work. In April of the same year \$349.50 had been obtained and in July the parsonage committee was instructed to purchase two acres, more or less, from James Powell, southeast of the camp ground lot and to secure title.

In the report of the pastor, S. D. Earle, December 15, 1877, the number of scholars in the Fairview Sunday school over 15 years of age was given as 17, whole number 36, average attendance 23. Columbia Chapel reported 40 scholars with an average attendance of 20. In July following five schools were reported on the circuit with an attendance of 210 of whom 110 were 15 years of age and over.

In November, 1878, Mrs. Menzies was mentioned as a member of the quarterly conference, the first woman to be named, but she stated that she did not think it her duty to take the Fairview class and act as leader. Apportionments to the classes for the support of the work were as follows:

Columbia Chapel	\$105
Fairview	105
White schoolhouse	84
Cedar	21
Orient	70
Union	56
Base Line	42
Pleasant Valley	14
	\$497

With reference to the work in January, 1880, T. M. Reese, the pastor, reported: "I consider the work in the main advancing. It requires a little more genuine Methodist fire spiritually to bring us up financially. The more we have of the love of God the more we will accomplish in the church."

At the first quarterly conference of the year 1880-81, under the pastorate of C. Alderson, a real innovation was made in the appointment of a "female finance committee," consisting of women from all points on the circuit. This was no doubt the beginning of the Ladies' Aid societies. So important was this that the personnel of the committee is given herewith:

Fairview, Sisters C. Menzies, Julia Snover, Dan Dunbar, Chas. Hill, Mary Proston and David Powell.
Base Line, Sisters Sarah Ann Wilkes, Kinney and Stephen Roberts.
Columbia Chapel, Sisters Caroline Simmons, Chas. Hill, Long and A. Pullen.

Cedar, Sisters J. H. Wilson, Morgan and Kelly.
Orient, Sisters A. Kelly, Rook and Lake.

White schoolhouse, Sisters H. Powell, E. Linnemann, Ida Powell and David Cathey.

Pleasant Valley, Sisters Edward Albright, Bennett and C. Richey.

On January 3, 1880, a terrific wind storm swept the country and destroyed the grove on the camp grounds. No mention was made in the records of this event but in August, 1882, the quarterly conference was held at the camp grounds.

A quarterly conference held in the summer of 1887 authorized the sale of the grounds to J. H. Wood, who was pastor at that time. The consideration was \$480. He later sold it to Mr. Daymon.

A small church was built on the parsonage lot, which was still known as Powell Valley, in 1884. This building was moved away and is now in use by Zion Evangelical church in Gresham.

In 1881 the trustees of the Fairview church were instructed to make a deed to land to be used by the railroad on the best possible terms.

Viola, Mt. Zion, (Palmatier) and Rocky Point appeared as a separate charge in 1885 with J. H. Wood as pastor. Mr. Wood, who now lives in Gresham, says that he remembers the little pioneer church at Sandy which had been built there in 1855.

In 1891 the Cleone circuit, (Fairview) appears in conference records with D. S. Wigstead as pastor. This charge included Columbia Chapel and Troutdale. In 1892 both Cleone and Gresham are mentioned in the con-

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS. In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Multnomah.

In the Matter of the Estate of Reine Rivers Stoner, Deceased.

No. 19886.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed executor of the last will and testament and of the estate of Reine Rivers Stoner, deceased, by the circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Multnomah, Department of Probate, and has qualified. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified as by law required to the undersigned at the office of McGuirk & Schneider, 203-5 Withrow building, Gresham, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

THEODORE BRUGGER, Executor.

McGuirk & Schneider, Attorneys for Executor.

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