

BERRY GROWERS PLAN FOR FUTURE ACTIVITY

Two day's sessions with dozens of motions made and carried, discussions entered into pro and con, and only one dissenting vote cast was the record of the session of the stockholders of the Berry Growers Packing Company on Monday and the Co-operative Berry Growers on Wednesday.

At the session Wednesday which was largely attended, action on several important questions was taken. Perhaps the most important change from the standpoint of the grower is that of voting to establish a grading system at the cannery whereby grades will be established and prices paid accordingly. Some dissatisfaction was caused this summer by the fact that under the pooling system in force without grading the berries, no higher returns were made for the finest quality berries than for those in a mushy condition. The establishing of grades will do away with unfairness and tend to develop a better grade of berries, berries that are handled in a more careful manner. An expert grader will probably be employed to attend to this work.

Dividend checks at the rate of 8 per cent were distributed to those who subscribed stock in the Berry Growers Packing company.

Committees were appointed from the different groups representing the raspberry, loganberry, strawberry and blackberry growers. Each group selected three members to act as an advisory committee with the directors. These committees will make suggestions to the directors and will assist in untangling any mistakes or complaints that may possibly come up. The advisory committees will be as follows:

Strawberry Growers—Earnest Peterson, Troutdale, Rt. 1; Wm. Kniefel, Troutdale, Rt. 2; J. C. Nelson, Lents Sta., Rt. 3.

Raspberry Growers—W. C. Lawrence, Gresham; S. J. Bennisson, Gresham; Ed. Spath, Gresham.

Loganberries—E. M. Calkins, Lents Sta., Portland; J. D. Hutchinson, Portland; Sam Peterson, Troutdale.

Blackberries—John Ickler, Gresham; S. C. Brasswell, Gresham, Rt. A; C. T. Ryan, Gresham, Rt. 4.

The association also decided to buy on co-operative basis only those products needed in the berry business such as fertilizers, wire, posts, etc. These orders must be placed early if the association is to handle the orders for the grower. The date for the closing of these pooled orders will be announced later in the Outlook.

Wednesday morning the association voted to make the Gresham Outlook the official paper of the association and later this was amended to make it arbitrary for each member to become a subscriber. This recommendation from the directors was to the effect that some such medium was needed to disseminate information. Many articles about the berry business, farmer's institutes, etc., have been printed during the past years in the columns of the paper and the officers recommended that all should take the paper as the medium of keeping in touch with the activities of the association.

Bert E. Boice and J. D. Hutchinson were elected as members of the board of directors of the cooperative growers.

At Monday's meeting it was voted to increase the capital stock of the Berry Growers Packing company from \$10,000 to \$25,000. The subscription list of the company was opened at Wednesday's meeting and

SCHOOL CONTEST ON COMMUNITY SPIRIT.

"Reasons Why You Should Do Your Christmas Shopping in Gresham."

A contest is being arranged in both the grade school and union high school to secure essays on the above subject.

The topic has been assigned as a part of the English work and is under the supervision of the teachers.

The grade school pupils will compete by grade, including the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth. The high school students will compete as a whole.

The announcement was made in the schools today and the essays, not over 200 words each, will be turned in Monday. Credit will be given as part of regular work.

The teachers will grade the essays and the best eight will be published in the Christmas Outlook. This will include the best from each grade in the public school and the best four from the high school.

The sum of \$1875 was subscribed in a very short time. This sum with an over subscription on the last stock sale makes more than \$2000 already subscribed.

These subscriptions were made in the form of promissory notes payable on demand. These notes will not draw dividends until the money is called for neither will the money draw interest but it provides a fund which can be called in whenever needed.

The association will this year advertise for pickers through the Portland papers and will assist the growers to obtain help with details of question as well as a number of others will be referred to the semi-annual meeting in May.

The president, H. G. Andrew, discussed the advisability of sorting strawberries for the market to obtain a uniform grade for the market and for the canning if that phase should be developed here. The large berries grown here are not acceptable on the canned goods market. This Mr. Andrews said, was a matter of training but was a condition which must be met. The sorting of berries for the market last year when 116 crates were ready to spoil resulted in such splendid sales that Mr. Andrew advised the policy for all strawberries shipped as it would establish a grade and a reputation that would place the local shippers in the front ranks. The smaller berries would be barreled in sugar or canned.

It was announced that growers could purchase canned goods from the cannery to send as samples to friends in the East. This had resulted in some splendid sales it was reported. A discussion was entered into regarding the sending of samples by the packing company but this was deemed impractical at the present time.

The following three resolutions were adopted unanimously by the association:

Whereas, The early part of the berry harvest was a time of doubt as to our being able to secure financial assistance to handle the crop, and

Whereas, As a result of this uncertainty many of our members were prompted to market their crops individually reducing the tonnage considerably and thereby increasing the overhead cost of handling the balance, and

Whereas, Prices received, prove conclusively the merit of co-operative marketing. Therefore be it

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ORGANIZATION OF VOLUNTEER POLICE RESERVES SUGGESTED

It is reported that warning was received by local authorities on Wednesday to be on guard against an attempt to rob one of the local banks. As a result the small police force and some private citizens were armed and ready to cope with any situation that might arise.

It is considered by many as remarkable that so fine a center as Gresham with its two banks with always considerable cash on hand has been thus far passed up by the bandits that infest the country.

From the many stories of daylight holdups and daring robberies as told in the daily papers it is apparent the bandits hesitate at nothing and are liable to strike at the unexpected moment, night or day, and are desperate enough to kill, if necessary, any who attempt to check their nefarious plans.

These facts, and the fact that precaution and preparation will have a great deal to do with preventing an attempt at burglary on local banks or stores, has led many citizens to suggest a reorganization of the home guard company, under a good commander, and equipped with suitable weapons and properly drilled to render assistance if needed.

This is a matter that the council should take up at once and a practical plan worked out for this reserve police protection for it may be needed before we are ready.

APPLIED COMMUNITY SPIRIT

Results are produced by an idea in action. We live in this community, we have our money invested in this community, we work in this community, we earn our living in this community, we are raising our children in this community. Anything that tends toward the upbuilding of this community is desirable. To that end we need better schools, better churches, better stores and business houses, better banking facilities, better manufacturing concerns, better cannery, better newspaper, better movie, better public entertainment, better music, better farming, better everything relating to public service. We want and need and must have and are going to have a larger Gresham and better community.

The one thing needed to this end is an active community spirit. Since nothing is developed unless it is used and exercised, action is demanded. We have the idea of community spirit and what it means to us financially, intellectually, spiritually, and so we act accordingly. Let us do our shopping in Gresham, have all our work done in Gresham, bank in Gresham, go to church in Gresham, look for our entertainment and recreation in Gresham.

If you do not find what you want to see or enjoy in Gresham do your part to help bring it about here.

Let us realize that Gresham is our own small world. Let us look to Gresham, in Gresham for the opportunity that is surely here for the turning to practical account of our abilities.

It is admitted that community singing produces and awakens a healthier community spirit. When the next community sing comes along, and it will do so shortly after the holidays, let us all attend.

DEMONSTRATION FARM WORK WILL BE CONTINUED

The first year of Poultry Demonstration Farm Work in Multnomah county has just ended with such good results that demonstration farms for this important work have been lined up for the next year, in four communities.

On December 14 and 15 Mr. H. E. Cosby, poultry extension specialist, will be at these farms to give demonstrations and help to the poultrymen and any others interested. His topic will be "Feeding for Winter Egg Production."

December 14 at 10 a. m., the meeting will be held on the L. G. Seifer farm, 1/2 mile south of Linneman Sta.

December 14, at 2 p. m., the demonstration will be at the John Lynch farm, Section Line and Barker roads.

December 15 at 10 a. m., the meeting will be at the Anna L. Schiller farm, Schiller station, 1/2 mile east of Gresham.

December 15 at 2 p. m., the meeting will be held at the Gurnes farm, 1/2 mile southeast of Springdale.

All poultrymen are urged to be present and bring neighbors and friends who are interested or likely to be interested in poultry. These meetings will prove helpful to them in the business.

Remember the dates, December 14 and 15.

COLBY MARSTON WEDS MRS. ALICE GAGE

A wedding of much interest to Gresham people occurred Wednesday when Mrs. Alice Gage became the bride of Colby Marston. Both are well known in Gresham where they have lived for some time.

Mr. Marston and Mrs. Gage were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Steve Marston to Vancouver where the ceremony was performed.

The wedding party returned to Gresham where a 6 o'clock wedding dinner was served at the bride's home to a few intimate friends. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Chipman, Mrs. Emma Gilmore, Mrs. Mary Kress and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Marston. A very pleasant evening was spent.

Mr. and Mrs. Marston will live in the bride's home for a week or ten days until Mr. and Mrs. Steve Marston who are occupying the Marston residence move to their own home at Palmbad station. Then Mr. and Mrs. Colby Marston will move into their own home.

REVIVAL MEETINGS WILL CONTINUE NEXT WEEK

The revival meetings that have been in progress at the Methodist church during the past two weeks will continue through next week. The interest and the attendance have been steadily growing. The hearty singing under the leadership of Thos. Isaacs has been most helpful and inspiring. The sermons have been strong and well adapted to the needs of the church and the community. Several conversions have been registered and in every way the life of the church has been quickened. There will be no services Saturday evening.

Sunday morning the pastor, Rev. A. S. Hisey will deliver a sermon on the topic, "Come and See." Topic for the evening, "A Fool's Bargain." Mr. Isaacs will sing both morning and evening.

Attendance and interest in the Sunday school is growing. The goal for Sunday is an attendance of 200. Every enrolled pupil is urged to be present. Children, young people and adults who are unattached to other Sunday schools, are invited to enroll. Classes for all ages and conditions have been organized.

The Epworth League topic for Sunday will be suitable to the occasion which is known as Epworth Herald Day. Wm. Booth is the leader. An Epworth League Gospel team from the Portland District Epworth League will have charge of the services this evening (Friday).

RED CROSS STAMP SALE IS NOW IN PROGRESS

Stamps have been placed in the schools throughout the county. In Gresham the banks, drug stores and grocery stores are also handling them, and the courthouse is conceded to the association. Plans are under way for a two-day campaign of sales in the courthouse in the near future. People from the country are urged to buy at the various places outside the city, as the County Public Health association will receive 25 per cent of the sale money for local use.

GILLIS

Rev. A. J. Ware will preach at the Gillis community church at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Sunday school meets at 2 p. m., and a full attendance is desired at this meeting.

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GUY D. JONES WINS JUDGMENT IN SUIT

Judgment has been rendered in Judge Evans' court in favor of Guy D. Jones, who was the defendant in a breach-of-contract suit brought by the Outcalt Cut Service company, because of his failure to use and pay for service for which he contracted. The cost of the action will also be borne by the plaintiff. McGuirk & Schneider of Gresham were attorneys for the defendant.

The contract which was the basis of the suit was signed by Mr. Jones in January, 1919. He acknowledged his signature but claimed that it was secured by misrepresentation on the part of the agent of the cut company, when he quoted the cost of advertising space in the Gresham Outlook at just half what it actually was quoted to the agent in the newspaper office. When Mr. Jones learned later that he had been misinformed on that point he sent the cut service back to the office in Chicago and refused to use or pay for any part of it.

The suit came up for a hearing nearly a month ago. The only witness called was Mrs. H. L. St. Clair, who testified for the defense. Judge Evans asked the opposing attorneys to furnish him with briefs which he would take his time to examine. His decision was placed in the hands of the attorneys a few days ago.

GRESHAM YOUNG WOMAN PROMINENT IN MUSIC

Edella Towle and Gladys Neal of Gresham, junior and senior respectively in the school of music at the college, have been honored by membership in the Euterpe club, local honorary fraternity in music for women majoring in music. The Euterpe club has for its object the promotion to a higher degree the musical, intellectual, and social culture of music. The club will give a recital the second week in January and both young women are to present solos on the program.

Miss Towle is making voice her major subject and is a pupil of William Frederic Gaskins, newly elected president of the Oregon State Music Teachers' association. She is a member of the Madrigal club and will make the trip to southern Oregon with the college women singers during the spring vacation. She also sings with the double quartet at the First Presbyterian church, said to be one of the best organizations of its kind in the state, and is a member of Alpha Xi Delta national sorority.

Miss Neal is a student of piano with Gustav Dunkelberger and finishes her music course this year.

1922 Fords Are Now on Display.
Raker & Son have some new 1922 Fords on display in their salesroom. There is very little difference in the 1921 and 1922 cars except for the arrangement of the upholstery. The difference is a little more noticeable in the new touring car which has a more slanting back and the sides are arranged to give a little more width. The roadster is unchanged but the sedan has a little change in the way the seats are upholstered.

LOAN CLOSET SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR HEALTH WORK

Officers and members of the Gresham district of the Multnomah County Health association met at the library December 2 for the bi-monthly meeting with Miss Mary Billmeyer, the health nurse.

Miss Billmeyer outlined the work of the various committees under the new constitution and plans for the new method of a paid up membership were discussed. The new constitution provides for a 50c per year membership fee while under the old plan every person in the county was a member of the Health association if they wished to attend.

Mrs. Alta Gentry resigned as chairman of the publicity committee and a successor will be appointed by Mrs. J. E. Stubbs who is the community chairman of this district. Mrs. Stubbs will also name a chairman for the Educational committee and also for the finance committee which committees have been created by the new constitution.

Plans for securing supplies for a loan closet were discussed and it is hoped to assemble at a central point the supplies needed in sickness in order that Miss Billmeyer may secure these supplies in the shortest possible time. These supplies would become the property of the community group and would be loaned, not given, to the homes where the nurse was called. These supplies would consist of sheets, pillow cases, gowns, towels, etc.

In many cases when sickness comes suddenly all the needed supplies are not available. The main object of the county health nurse is educational work not charity as is the work of some of the city nurses, and it is her purpose to teach some member of the family how to care for the patient, how to give a sponge bath, etc. With a set of supplies in a convenient place she could do this work while it would be impossible for her to look up supplies or make several trips.

PLEASANT HOME

"Is a second birth necessary to spiritual life? Must a child be converted in order to be saved? What is the new birth and how does it take place?" These are questions which men are asking today. An answer is to be given in the pastor's discourse at the Pleasant Home Methodist church on next Sunday, December 11, at 11 a. m. Men are talking religion on the street and in the railroad car. It is a popular topic of conversation. Are you able to talk intelligently on the subject? Can you speak from the standpoint of personal experience? The Sunday school classes convene at 10 o'clock. Meet with the class of your age in the study of truths that are related to your life. Religion is not divorced from life but is the most practical thing of the day.

Services at the Pleasant Home Baptist church Sunday, December 11, are as follows: Sunday school at 10 o'clock. Preaching at 11 o'clock by Rev. A. J. Ware. Christian Endeavor at 7:30 p. m. Topic: "Points in the pledge we are likely to forget." Wilmer Nelson is the leader. Preaching at 8 o'clock by Rev. D. Q. Barry of Bellevue, Washington. His topic will be "Gospel Invitation."

Nest Egg Contest

THE LUCKY NUMBERS

In the First State Bank News for the month of November were

13, 113, 213, 313, 413, 513,
613, 713, 813, 913

There is one number in the December issue of the First State Bank News which will win

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