

BUSINESS MEN ENDORSE PLAN TO LOCATE NEW FOUNDRY HERE

The Gresham Business Men's association gave audience last Friday night to three representatives of a new industry planning to locate here and took action toward raising \$10,000 for a building to house the industry.

The men were, R. W. Allard, E. B. Keeton and John Moga. The industry they are expecting to establish at Gresham is that of manufacturing malleable iron castings.

Several months ago Mr. Moga came here to make investigations regarding the opening for a malleable iron foundry and the availability of a site at this place. After some negotiations he obtained an option on three acres of land lying east of the Beaver State Tractor factory, between Division street and the Bull Run electric line. Mr. Moga then went to his home in Minneapolis and found his associates and obtained financial aid.

A company was organized with \$50,000 capitalization, one-half of which is preferred and one-half common. The three men named above are the incorporators and each owns a \$5,000 block of the common stock. In addition, over \$15,000 in stock has been subscribed for and paid in cash. The company is named the Pacific Malleable Iron company of Oregon.

The three incorporators are recently from St. Paul and Minneapolis. All have moved to Portland with the purpose of carrying out their plans. All are young men of considerable experience in some branch of malleable iron manufacture.

Mr. Allard is from St. Paul, Minnesota. He was formerly with the Northern Malleable Iron company as production engineer and metallurgist. He is secretary-treasurer of the company and has moved to Portland with his wife.

Mr. Moga is a metallurgist and was formerly with the Minneapolis Steel and Machinery company. He is now located in Portland. He has been recently working with the Oregon Bureau of Mines. He is president of the company.

Mr. Keeton is from Minneapolis. He occupied an executive position with the Minneapolis Steel and Machinery company and was for many years with the Moline Plow Works at Moline, Illinois, of which works he was general assistant superintendent for several years. He has a family and has moved to Portland.

These gentlemen are all workers and are qualified by study and practical experience to do the work themselves and superintend all the operations of the kind of foundry they are planning.

The nearest foundry of this kind is located in San Francisco, where an exclusive and profitable business has been built up. Their field is said to be local and practically all the supply of malleable iron used in the Pacific northwest comes from the east and middle states.

There is great demand for malleable castings in this territory.

The Portland Chamber of Commerce made a survey a year ago covering Portland and found that nearly 4,000,000 pounds of malleable castings are being used each year by firms and railroads, more than 50 per cent of the total by railroads. This is for the Portland trade alone and could be doubled to cover the northwest states.

An array of carefully compiled facts and figures, letters and recommendations were presented by the gentlemen for consideration of the business men. They made a fine impression as to their personal ability and business integrity.

They asked the business men to secure for them \$10,000 to be covered by a bond issue, secured by mortgage on their property, plant and stock. The bonds will draw interest and may at any time within five years, the term of the bonds, be converted into stock at the option of the holder at par value. The bonds would be secured by a tangible valuation of nearly three times their face value.

The money so raised will go into building and equipment. It is estimated the building will cost \$8000. It is proposed to erect a building of the same general construction as the Beaver State factory.

The proposition was heartily endorsed by the business men's association and a committee appointed to raise the money. The committee consists of Jas. Elkington, O. A. Eastman and K. A. Miller. Judge Stapleton was present and expressed himself as favorably impressed with the project.

It is believed certain that much help can be obtained from Portland as the need of such a foundry is generally recognized.

The men are here and are eager to erect their building, furnaces and annealing pits and start production.

Gresham is fortunate in being selected for this important enterprise. It is considered the most substantial proposition of a business character that the people locally were ever offered an opportunity to assist in starting. It will bear the closest investigation and the response should be prompt.

The committee has already had a meeting and under legal advice is making everything clear and safe.

MULTNOMAH GRANGE HAS REGULAR INSTALLATION

Officers were installed for the new year at Multnomah grange last Saturday afternoon.

The work of installing the officers was very beautifully carried out by T. J. Kreuder, Master of Multnomah Pomona and Lents grange. He was assisted by Mrs. O. B. Guisness, who is also a member of Lents grange.

Mr. Kreuder conducted the new officers through a different ceremony than the one ordinarily used. This form was first seen by him at the National Grange convention which met in Portland last fall and was very effective.

Among the visitors present was J. D. Chitwood of Damascus Grange. Mr. Chitwood was asked by Mr. Kreuder to conduct the installation in his place but he refused the offer. Mr. Chitwood said, he believed he had installed more officers than any other man in the state. He explained that his reason for refusing at this time, not because he had not been invited but because he wanted to just be one of the spectators for once.

The new officers installed are, master, R. I. Anderson; overseer, J. S. Albel; lecturer, Julia Alder; steward, Max Klilig; assistant steward, Helver Nelson; chaplain, Alta Stafford; treasurer, Sarah Wheeler; secretary, Margaret Wheeler; gatekeeper, Morris Wheeler; Ceres, Anna Thompson; Flora, Bertha Ault; Pomona, Henriette Anderson; and lad-assistant steward, Mary Klilig.

When the installation of officers was completed there was also a short program. Eight of the Girl Reserves of Pleasant Home sang several songs. Anna Lennartz gave a very amusing reading about "Maude Muller Sets a Hen," the ending of which was that the hen turned out to be a gentleman hen and of course, couldn't be set at all. There was also an amusing song by Mr. Alder. Mrs. Alta Gentry, leader of the Girl Reserves, gave a short talk on the work of the organization.

FORMER RESIDENT HERE DIES AT MYRTLE POINT

Word has been received from Myrtle Point of the death of Mrs. Hubert W. Whitney, formerly a resident of this county living two and a half miles west of Gresham. Mrs. Whitney died January 15 of blood poisoning.

Celia Hiddink was born July 15, 1882 near Buxton, Oregon. October 29, 1901, she was married to Hubert W. Whitney. Four children, Willard R., Irene, Emerson and Marian Josephine, were born to them. Irene Whitney died in infancy. The others survive the mother.

Mrs. Whitney resided in Washington county with her family for six years and after leaving there moved to Gresham. The family resided near Gresham for nine years and then moved to Myrtle Point, where Mrs. Whitney lived until her death. She has been a Grange member for over twenty years and was a member of the Presbyterian church. She was buried in the Banks cemetery in Washington county.

EXTENSION WORKERS TO INSPECT POTATO FIELDS

Extension workers representing the agricultural colleges of the northwest states, state and national leaders who are in session this week at Multnomah hotel in Portland, have chosen Gresham as the first stop on a tour of inspection which will last for several weeks and cover many counties. They will close their formal sessions on Wednesday and on Thursday morning will begin their investigations here.

From 9 to 10 at the Gresham grange hall, demonstrations will be put on by club workers of the county under the supervision of Miss Ethel I. Calkins, county club leader. The Corbett potato club will demonstrate the cutting and treating of seed and the potato club of the Orient school will tell how to do hill and bin selecting of seed.

It is interesting in this connection to note that the model hill which will be exhibited is one found by Guy H. Robertson, local Farm Bureau president, in his potato field last fall, which has been loaned by him to the club boys for this demonstration. The hill consists of eight medium sized Burbank potatoes, smooth and well formed, and no culls were found in the hill. Mr. Robertson, who has practiced hill selection of seed for a number of years, values this hill of potatoes at \$50. Besides this hill of potatoes, the club boys will exhibit a picture taken of a hill on the A. G. Salzman farm of 10 model potatoes from one hill of the Lasley strain American Wonders. This is also the result of years of careful hill selection.

A part of the hour at the hall will be taken by a sewing club of the Gresham school under the direction of its leader, Miss Mary Hansen. The girls will show how to make a dress form which can be made at little expense and trouble, for any figure. Living models will be used.

Following the demonstrations by the boys and girls, which will probably take less than an hour, a trip will be made to Ed. Spath's raspberry field north of Gresham, where County Agent S. B. Hall, and Professor C. L. Long and local berry growers will put on an exhibition of trellising and pruning of the canes.

This is to be the first of a series of four general meetings that the Berry growers have decided on holding to give information which will aid in the improvement of the berry crops for this year. These meetings are an outgrowth of the work commenced at the Farmers' Week held here recently.

The last meeting of the northwest conference of extension workers to be held in Portland was eight years ago.

In Washington county. Mrs. Whitney leaves a host of friends in eastern Multnomah and Washington counties, as well as numerous relatives, who will mourn her loss.

She is survived by her husband, three children, four sisters and two brothers.

ROAD CONDITIONS IRK FARMERS DAMASCUS WAY

By WALTER RAINSER
Winter is king. His autocratic reign is not especially appreciated; but rain and snow, freeze and thaw, slush and mud, and bottomless roads will make spring so much more welcome.

The Gresham-Damascus road is one of the many roads that is losing bottom. Wood trucks are cutting them up so as to make certain places almost impassable. There are quite a number of such bad spots. One is at the turn at Donahue's below the Swedish church; another on the short jog on the county line; and the worst is the one near the Hirschberger place north of Hogan. The farmers are becoming very impatient with the wood trucks which haul three cords to a load during the rainy season, and do not seem to care for consequences. Have we dirt farmers no way of stopping outsiders from ruining the roads that we are taxed for?

The high school bus from Union Home, several times got stuck on the bad road and if conditions get worse, the transportation of the high school students may become impossible.

Most of the neighbors are desist from going to Gresham to do their shopping on account of the road.

George Ledbury, who rented the Maybe place last fall left Pleasant Home, where he stayed during the winter, and now is on the W. P. Stack farm, a short distance east of the village of Sandy. His phone number is Sandy 10x.

The entertainment at the new Union school on Saturday evening was a great success. The box social brought over \$60, the proceeds to go for the equipment of a playshed for the school.

Shortly after freshening, one of Oran Lingle's cows took down with the milk fever. Oran soon relieved her with a tire pump, and now she is in good spirits again, none the worse for the experience.

Alfred Wellman tore out some fence that had been standing for 30 years, and reset some of the old posts in the new fence.

E. Schwedler has sold his entire crop of Pride of Multnomah potatoes.

Rudolf Mullenhoff was at Corvallis several days last week transacting some business. He intends staying at home for some time to look after home affairs, since the death of his father, John Mullenhoff.

Will Teevin is yarding out some dead cordwood that Elmer Jackson is cutting in Ramser's brush.

The northeast wind is still with us. It is bringing winter right home to us.

The continued freezing and thawing is causing some damage to winter grain. Early sowings of wheat do not seem to be much affected yet, but late planted oats look sickly.

Mrs. Oran Lingle is very busy with sewing club work now. In the summer time the canning club takes up all of her spare time.

Mrs. Opperman, wife of the Rev. F. Opperman, of East Sound, Washington, an old time friend of many of the members of the Zion Evangelical church, is spending a week with Mrs. E. Schwedler.

Mr. Palen, on the cutoff, is cutting and hauling cordwood, and clearing land.

Somehow, somewhere, something needs fixing on the Damascus telephone. Half of the time we cannot get Gresham at all, and when calls do go through, they often cannot be understood. And even on our own system quite often patrons must ask central to transmit the message. If it were not for the exceptionally courteous accommodations of our hello girls, our phones might as well lead down into the cellar at to the neighbors or to Gresham.

GIRL RESERVES PLAN NEEDED IMPROVEMENTS

For several years the Girl Reserves of Pleasant Home have cleaned up the cemetery at Pleasant Home so that it would look as well as possible for Memorial day. Many old pioneers are buried in this cemetery. This year the girls have gone a little farther. They have raised money and bought posts and wire to replace the old fence around the cemetery and next Saturday, February 4, they plan to start their new work. Of course, it is impossible for the girls to dig post holes and stretch the wire so they are asking all the men who will be willing to help to be present next Saturday morning. The girls will all be there to help all they can and they will serve a hot lunch at noon.

United States Royal Cord, Nobby, Chain or Ugo Tires are good tires, W. A. Hessel, Gresham.

A clear thinker is a clean thinker.

SCHNEIDER TO HEAD NATIONAL GUARD COMPANY

Major James S. Duesenbury, of Salem, was sent here by the United States Army to muster in the Gresham company of Federalized National Guards, who held a meeting for that purpose last night. Major Duesenbury came with instructions from the Ninth Corps area of San Francisco, to muster both the State Guard and National Guard.

Forty-two is the strength required to muster. On counting it was found that there were just forty-two present, so the business of mustering proceeded. Papers and quarters were inspected by Major Duesenbury, after which there was a short drill and talks by the visiting officers. Those mustered in at this time are: Jackson E. Jones, H. A. Kern, E. B. Kirkwood, E. W. Lake, Floyd L. Mack, Roy D. McCarter, John T. McGinnis, Conrad W. Metzger, A. W. Metzger, Glen G. Miller, J. W. Peak, S. S. Pugh, C. J. Pulfer, V. B. Radford, E. D. Raker, C. G. Schneider, M. J. Allhouse, C. A. Bliss, C. E. Brown, Walter R. Brown, E. J. Brugger, Theo. Brugger, Jr., Harold J. Buzick, F. J. Chalker, Glen M. Davidson, Ralph L. Davidson, Dewey A. Gibbs, Conrad H. Hoecker, Frank C. Hodge, James R. Horr, Ward A. Inglis, L. R. Sheller, Carl F. Soderquist, Chase E. St. Clair, Leslie T. St. Clair, E. W. Stratton, Frank R. Southard, W. V. Sween, G. B. Taylor, B. L. Walrad, Jr., Herbert E. West and Ellis R. Wright.

Other men were anxious to enlist but were unable to do so on account of their age, as only those between the ages of eighteen and forty-five are eligible.

C. G. Schneider, an ex-service man, was elected commander by members of the company, which gives him the rank of First Lieutenant. There will also be a Second Lieutenant of Infantry appointed from Gresham Company. The other officers needed will be selected at a later date.

Major Duesenbury, in his talk to the men, made it known that any member of the company between the ages of nineteen and twenty-two is eligible to go to West Point if he can pass the examinations.

Several other men prominent in military affairs accompanied Major Duesenbury and assisted in the mustering in of the troops. They were Colonel George A. White, adjutant general of the State of Oregon; Major Joseph V. Schur; Captain Eugene C. Libby and Sergeant Frank Jirack.

Former Gresham Troops Recalled. The mustering in of troops in Gresham recalls old memories of a time long ago when men were enlisting as they are today. Only the old pioneers, however, remember those good old days.

The time referred to was about twenty-four years ago, when a troop was formed of young men of all classes living within a radius of three or four miles of Gresham.

This troop was named Troop B, Cavalry, Oregon National Guard. At the time it was mustered in, it numbered about forty-two, but the number soon decreased to thirty-eight and then when its number became still smaller the troop had to be dissolved as thirty-eight men were required for an organization.

The first man to become captain of Troop B was Charles Cleveland, who afterward turned it over to Guy D. Reynolds.

There is no record of names of the men in this troop, but some of them are recalled. They are: John Brown, Martin Roberts, H. S. Harvey, Jack Lynch, Jack Fox, Ross Smith, Charles Cleveland, Albert Cleveland, Dr. W. C. Belt, Will Cathey, John Freeman, Wm. Van Larr and Guy D. Reynolds.

The forming of the troop was in 1898, just before the Spanish-American War. At that time it was the only troop in the state. When the trouble with the Philippines came, a number of men from this troop, among whom were John Brown and Dr. Belt, endeavored to form a new troop to be sent to the Islands, but they were unable to carry out their plans.

The only outing that Troop B had was a trip to Hood River and it was at this time that a very funny little incident happened. When the troop was assigned rations for the trip, a cheese was one of the articles sent. It happened that Wm. Van Larr was detailed for duty as kitchen police. The cheese looked so tempting to Van Larr that he broke off a piece and tasted it. Then he was afraid to let the boys know what he had done, so he ate it all. The result was that there was a very sick member of the troop when the men returned home.

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The Bank of Gresham pays 5 per cent interest on time deposits.—Adv.

GRESHAM MAY HAVE ITS OWN BRASS BAND; MANY MUSICIANS AVAILABLE

By WALTER ADRIAN.

Gresham citizens are interested in making this community one of the ideal home spots of Oregon. We are an undivided unit in the development of our resources, of our schools and religious institutions. Gresham is lacking in one great essential. Gresham needs more music, and better music. Gresham needs a band, and an orchestra. There is considerable seasoned talent in the neighborhood to form the nucleus of a splendid band organization. Undoubtedly there are many instrumentalists unknown to the writer that would be pleased to join with an organization that would prove a training school for musical development, and the advancement of community interests. Musical environment, in any of various forms is a wonderful builder of character; its broad influence is a dominant factor throughout life's activities. We do not suggest that a band in this locality would be a training school for professionalism. Although there may be laying dormant undeveloped talent that might prove a credit to the profession, and a band might bring out that faculty. Sufficient to say, an organization in Gresham would help to stimulate community interests, it would place many of our young men in an enviable social position, add to their popularity, and provide a stimulant after the day's work has been completed.

Among Gresham residents who have had considerable experience in brass bands, and would lend their services to a new organization, there comes to mind the following gentlemen and instruments they play:

Geo. W. Stapleton, bass.
Dr. H. H. Ott, baritone.
John Ide, baritone.
Hal E. Bishop, trombone.

Roy E. Cannon, trombone.
Dr. Will Ott, trombone.
Mr. Woods, cornet.
Walter Sweek, cornet.
Glen Miller, alto.
L. L. Kidder, piccolo.
Geo. F. Honey, flute.
Walter Adrian, clarinet.
Guy D. Jones, base drum.

There are undoubtedly many other players unknown to the writer, and it is suggested that if they wish to affiliate with such an organization they communicate with Dr. Harry H. Ott, giving address telephone number, instrument played, if you own an instrument, and if you are a musical student, your experience and general qualifications.

INCOME TAX RETURNS MUST HAVE SIGNATURE

"Fully 25 per cent of the taxpayers who filed income tax returns for the year 1921 to date have neglected to sign and verify the same," reports Clyde G. Huntley, collector of internal revenue. "Before a return can be considered legally complete and accepted as such, it must be signed by the taxpayer and sworn to before an officer authorized to administer oaths. In making out their returns, taxpayers are respectfully urged not to overlook signing and verifying the same before forwarding returns to this office."

The filing of returns has begun in earnest at the office of Collector Huntley. Taxpayers have until March 15 to prepare and file their returns. However, returns must be filed not later than that date or the delinquent taxpayer will be liable to severe penalties provided in the law for failure to do so.

