

GRANGERS HEAR EXPLANATION OF EDUCATIONAL BILL

An interesting talk on the Compulsory Education Bill which is to be placed on the ballot this fall was given by Hamilton Johnston at the meeting of Pomona grange which met Wednesday in the Gresham grange hall.

Mr. Johnston said the Compulsory Education bill has been assailed from many angles and it would be improper to take a firm stand in favor of or against the measure. He then explained the bill in a very fair way by explaining both sides. The failing school in Portland was mentioned as a very good institution with a capable woman at the head who is of Roman Catholic religion. This is only one of the many religious institutions in the city of Portland and there is no doubt but what there are many more just as good that are controlled by the Catholics. Other churches also have private schools that are good institutions.

While many of the private institutions of learning are good ones, still the pupils attending them do not receive the broad scope of learning received in the public schools. It is therefore a detriment to the children for them to go to what might be called these "caste" schools.

Mr. Johnston spoke of the wealthier class objecting strenuously to this bill for the reason that they want their children to associate with the children of the wealthier families instead of attending the common schools. Why couldn't these people use their influence to make the public schools better? There are found to be more failures among the highly educated wealthy class than among the middle classes.

While the parents should raise their children and have supervision over them, still the parents do not own the souls and spirits of their children. It is the duty of the schools to make Americans out of all nations of people. How can this be better accomplished than through the grammar schools?

Under this bill, after a child has reached the age of 14 or passed the grammar grades, he can be sent to any other school that it pleases his parents to have him go. There is also provision in the bill for children who are unfit physically or mentally to attend public school to be exempt. There is no attempt made to control the religious education of the child. Religious training can be given them out of school hours. The bill as it is viewed does not appear to be such a severe or unjust one as those opposed to it infer.

Opposition to this bill is heard on every side. It appears that the enemies of the bill are the active ones. Why shouldn't both sides of the question be told?

Bills on Ballot Discussed.

J. J. Johnson, master of Evening Star grange, was asked to explain the various other bills coming before the voters this fall. In the Salmon Fishing and Propagating amendment, Mr. Johnson said he believed this was more to it than what appeared on the surface. It is expected that this bill will also be taken off from the ballot.

In the Exposition Tax Amendment, Portland is merely asking for permission to levy a city tax to raise money for the 1925 Exposition. People living outside of Portland there is everything to gain through this bill and nothing to lose. There is no doubt that those living outside of Portland will secure as much benefit if not more from the exposition than those living in the city.

The Grange Graduated Income Tax was not discussed as it is to be taken off from the ballot. It has been ruled out by the courts on account of fraud.

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American Legion Will Meet Tuesday

Legion activities in Gresham after the summer vacation will start off with a bang on Tuesday night, when all the members of Gresham Post will get together for a big social and entertainment for all Legion men. At a recent meeting of the executive committee it was decided to open the winter season on Tuesday night September 26, with a meeting that would make anything ever attempted here before look tame.

Important features of the coming meeting will be musical numbers by local talent and refreshments. Dr. H. H. Hughes has charge of the cats. So far he is the only one who knows what is in store, but he says it will be good.

The commander and vice commander will get their heads together and expect to prepare a schedule for the next six month's meetings. It is likely that two meetings will be held every month, one of them being strictly a social meeting. Occasionally the meetings will be joint affairs with the ladies of the auxiliary.

During the summer months Legion meetings were neglected and post affairs lagged. Now the effort will be made to get things started and make up for lost time. All legion members are especially requested to plan to be at this meeting.

MRS. O. ANDREWS IS LAID TO REST

Friends of Mrs. O. Andrews filled the Free Methodist church yesterday afternoon in respect to the memory of a true friend and a devoted Christian and in sympathy with the bereaved husband and relatives. The Rev. D. M. Cathey preached the funeral sermon and spoke words of appreciation of the character of Mrs. Andrews and of comfort and admonition to the friends. The Rev. E. D. Blackman, pastor of the church and the Rev. J. A. Hopper a former pastor, assisted in the service. Selections were sung by a trio consisting of Mrs. J. W. Bushong, Mrs. S. C. Jones and D. M. Cathey. The pall bearers were all nephews of the deceased. Interment was in Douglass cemetery.

Hilda Onette Skogan was born in Norway September 11, 1861. She was united in marriage to O. Andrews at Mose Point, Mississippi on December 6, 1884. They came to Portland in May, 1886, and soon took up a homestead near Anderson station which has been her home until the time of her death. About 15 years ago she had a stroke of paralysis from which she never recovered. She was practically helpless for the last five years of her life but in it all she was a patient sufferer, never uttering a word of complaint.

She was converted at an early age and was active in religious work. She took a deep interest in missionary work and sacrificed her own needs to help in its enterprises. She was a charter member of the Swedish Mission church in Portland and also at Powell Valley. She united with the Free Methodist church about 25 years ago and remained a faithful member until her death.

A short time ago she suffered another stroke of paralysis which made it necessary to go to a hospital in Portland, where she gradually weakened until the end came.

She is survived by her husband, one brother, two sisters and a number of relatives and leaves a host of friends.

Have received a quantity of white dishes from the east at lower prices. Also several other items, among them a good quality ear drops. Mrs. E. Boughner, Novelty Store, Powell St., Gresham.

The Troutdale Chapter O. E. S. will give a 500 party Friday, September 29 at 8 o'clock. Past matrons will be hostesses. Program, refreshments, prizes. Admission 25 cents.

FLOWERS CHARM MANY VISITORS

Many people in this vicinity are joining the crowds that go daily to visit the beautiful display of gladioli, asters and perennial flowers at Crissey's Gladiolus farm near Gresham and it is well worth the trip, even to those who come from a distance. The blossoms are now at their best and they make a display the memory of which will linger. Not only are the acres of brilliant hued flowers wonderful to behold but the display of cut flowers with which Mr. and Mrs. Crissey decorate their porch and rooms are the last word in artistic arrangement.

Among recent guests at the Crisseys in a single day were people from Eugene, Salem, Hood River, Seattle, Camas, Ridgefield and Vancouver. Among the most enthusiastic guests were Mr. and Mrs. N. Neiman of Denver. Mr. Neiman is head of the largest floral establishment in that city. He commented on the fine development of the plants and the beauty of their coloring and was especially appreciative of the scenery which makes such a splendid setting for the farm. Mr. Crissey has 50,000 rare and unusual bulbs of various kinds not awaiting planting. Within two years he is looking for them to add greatly to his already wonderful display.

Miss H. Angenette Crissey, who has spent the summer in Denver, returned recently by way of California and has resumed her work as teacher in the Kennedy school in Portland.

GRESHAM GRADE SCHOOL HAS LARGE ENROLLMENT

The number of pupils attending the Gresham grade school has increased so much this year that it has been necessary to hire an extra teacher. The new teacher is Miss Rosa Pelikan. She is teaching the fifth grade. Mrs. Gladys Hoyt and Miss Helen Hoss are teaching the second grade. At the present time there is an enrollment of 253 pupils in the school.

BORING WOMAN PASSES AWAY

Mrs. Lovisa Edberg, a resident of Boring, died this morning, September 23, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Carl J. Hansen at the age of 84 years. Mrs. Edberg is survived by her daughter in Boring and several other children.

Funeral arrangements will not be made until word can be received from the members of the family who are away. Interment will be in the Sandy Ridge cemetery.

DAMASCUS FARM BUREAU LOSES

The Damascus Farm Bureau lost the first prize on the community exhibits at the Clackamas county fair which is now being held in Canby by only one point. The Damascus booth had a fine display of farm products and was prettily decorated in orange and black. Rosemont had a larger display and won first place by scoring 84 points while Damascus came next with 83 and Canby third with 78 points. Damascus won first on arrangement and on quality.

Winning first place gave Rosemont community club possession of the silver cup which it also won last year and \$75 in money. Damascus Farm Bureau won \$50, Canby \$25 and Carver honorable mention.

Rudolf Mullenhoff of Damascus won first prize on a half bushel of Prohibition wheat which he entered. The Prohibition wheat is highly recommended by the Oregon Agricultural college as a good crop producer for this part of Oregon.

DEAN GRESHAM MAKES VISIT TO GRESHAM

Ever since he has heard of the best little town in Oregon, Dean J. Wilmer Gresham, of Grace Cathedral, San Francisco, had wished to visit the place and see if it met with his approval. That desire was granted yesterday, when he and Mrs. Gresham enjoyed an automobile ride here by the courtesy of friends who are entertaining them during the Episcopal convention.

Having been a printer in his earlier life, Dean Gresham could not pass by without a friendly call on the editor of the Outlook. He was delighted to learn that this city was named for former Postmaster General Walter Q. Gresham, a relative of the clergyman. Dean Gresham was nominated for bishop of eastern Oregon but declined the position, preferring to continue his work as head of Grace Cathedral.

The subject of raising money for paying fair debts is always a live issue in Multnomah county. Why can't the fair grounds and especially the pavilion be used during the fall and other times when it is possible for giving musical entertainments or other entertaining features for which a small admission would be charged? There is no doubt but what the people of Gresham would be glad to do all in their power to help such an undertaking and help make it a success.

Money to loan on real estate. B. W. Thorne, at Bank of Gresham.

F. N. Lasley Attacks Gambling Devices

The feeling of the people and especially the local club leaders in regard to the gambling devices allowed on the fair grounds during the past two years was plainly shown in a short talk given by F. N. Lasley, local potato club leader in the Corbett district, at the meeting of the Pomona grange in Gresham last Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Lasley gave his topic as "Club Work as connected with the County Fair." He said all of the club leaders in this county have been dissatisfied with the conditions which have existed on the fair grounds in Gresham during the past two years. It is the wish of the leaders to be just with everyone especially the fair board but it is their belief that the board is using the wrong method. It is true that the Multnomah county fair has been badly in debt and has needed money these past few years but it is the belief of the club leaders that the board is making a mistake in thinking that more money can be raised on fairs by allowing the low class of concessions on the grounds as were there this year and last year as well. Speaking for the other leaders as well as himself, Mr. Lasley said:

"We are working with boys and girls who are at an age when impressions are easily made and, realizing this fact, we have reached a point where we can not take boys and girls to the fair grounds where such influence surrounds them. We have been accused of fighting the fair board but this is not so, or at least is not so except for objecting to the board allowing such concessions on the grounds. We want every organization and the people as well to take a strong stand against these concessions. We do not want this fair or any other fair to degrade the children."

The county club leaders are not alone in taking this stand against questionable concessions. It is heard from all of the various county organizations. At the last meeting of the Powell Valley circuit which is made up of all of the Methodist churches in the territory surrounding Gresham, a resolution was made which showed their disapproval of the conditions which existed on the fair grounds. The County Council of Parent-Teacher associations met last Saturday at Lynch schoolhouse and during the day the resolution drawn up by the county clubs during the fair was adopted and passed to express the feelings of the Council on the subject.

METHODIST CHURCH LAUNCHES YEAR'S WORK

With the return of the pastor to the field for the third year every department of the Methodist church is preparing for a program of increased activity. Next Sunday morning the budget for the coming year will be presented to the congregation and the new duplex envelopes will be ready for distribution. The following Sunday, October 1, the every-member canvass will be made and subscriptions taken to meet the new year's budget.

The Sunday school is looking forward to the beginning of the new year's work, Rally Day and Promotion Sunday, which will be observed with a program given by the school, Sunday, October 1.

The Epworth League Cabinet met last Tuesday evening and planned for an active year's work. The cabinet will meet the fourth Tuesday of every month; a social evening will be a regular monthly feature of the year's program.

The pastor, the Rev. A. S. Hisey, will occupy the pulpit Sunday morning and preach on the topic "Counting the Cost." The Rev. L. F. Smith, pastor of the Methodist churches at Rockwood, Fairview and Troutdale will occupy the pulpit in the evening. Special music will add to the attractiveness of both services.

BAPTIST WOMEN TAKE UP MISSION STUDY

At the missionary meeting held at the Baptist parsonage on last Tuesday a large number of women enjoyed the program and took part in the discussion of plans for the future. It was decided to take up as a special line of study "The Trend of the Nations" by George E. Haynes. Mrs. Hopkins of Portland spoke at the meeting.

Next Sunday the Bible school will meet at 10. Classes are conducted for pupils of all ages and all are welcome. In the preaching service which follows the pastor, the Rev. D. Q. Barry, will discuss "The Foundations of Assurance." Special music will enliven the service.

Outlook-Telegram Bargain Period. From now until October 31 subscriptions to the Gresham Outlook in combination with the Portland Telegram will be taken at \$4.50. Telegram alone at \$3.75. Subscribe through the Outlook.

NEW YEAR'S WORK IS COMMENCED IN UNION HI SCHOOL

(By High School Reporter.)
Union High school in Gresham opened school last Monday with an enrollment of about 210 the first week. Since then the number has continued to grow until at the present time the students enrolled number 239 and there are eight more who expect to enter school next Monday. It was not expected there would be such a large class of freshmen but there are now 88 in the class. A goodly number of students have transferred to Union High school from other schools and have entered the sophomore, junior and senior classes.

There is now an urgent need of class rooms and Mr. Stockton has promised to supply them at the earliest moment. Failure to get time has been the cause of the delay. If the number of students continue to increase each year as it has in the past few years the school will be in a crowded condition and will require some addition made to the building.

Parents are urged to have students in school every day possible as this co-operation is necessary for the welfare of the student. We were glad to have the chairman of the board, H. Wilton and the Rev. A. S. Hisey with us the opening morning. Other members of the board could not attend because of detention on important matters.

Thus far we have two post graduate students, the Misses Elizabeth Cady and Helen Moulton, taking special courses. Others are asking for admission as soon as the busy work is over.

Parents are urged to cooperate by carefully examining the report cards when they are mailed to them. It is our plan to mail the cards at the end of each six-week period. The first report is due immediately after November 27, which concludes the first six-week period. All grades will be marked in figures and 70 is considered the lowest passing grade. Parents will please peruse the cards and cooperate with the principal in the event the grades are not satisfactory.

Opportunity for literary societies will be offered the students this year. Literary societies will be organized for the purpose of promoting practice for students which they will need in life. It is not a part of the state high school course of study but will be offered for the benefit of those who want to take advantage of it. The work will be done outside of school although the programs will be given in school.

Students who keep their grades to 90 per cent or better will be exempted from the mid-term and final examinations providing their citizenship record and moral standing in the school and community warrants this recognition.

We regret the teacher's training course will not be offered another year. Eighteen had signed for the course this year but the state department has ruled but six weeks' credit will be granted to juniors who enter the course and the attendance at the Oregon State Normal will necessarily have to be 18 weeks before teachers could teach. This condition is causing a number of students to feel they can not take the teachers training course. However 11 have signed. Next year we may have the advanced course.

Lockers will be provided for students at the earliest possible date. Until the new lockers are provided the present ones are being used the same as cloak rooms.

The new boiler for the heating system is ready to be installed and it is quite likely this will be done some week-end.

We are glad to note that a considerable number of parents accompanied their children when registering. This helped us materially, especially among the freshmen as we did not know of their inclinations, dispositions or plans for the future.

We are off for another year's work and the teachers would assure the parents they are most anxious to do the best work possible. The principal of the school in turn has assured the teachers they will have splendid co-operation and backs his assurance upon the past year's experience. To the parents and taxpayers we owe our deepest gratitude.

There are 88 students in the freshman class, 57 in the sophomore class 49 juniors, 43 seniors and two post graduates.

Following is a list of the students in the freshman class:

Harold Ahlson, Robert Alexander, Dale Altman, Gerald Anderson, Harvey Anderson, Loyd Arvidson, Allie Bartell, Clara Baumann, Eleanor Botkin, Yarrow Brown, Margaret Cady, Hazie Cooley, Orville Davidson, Wilma Davies, Agnes Dickson, Jack Dow-

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PRETTIEST GIRL IN UNITED STATES



Mary Katherine Campbell, of Columbus, Ohio, was crowned National Beauty Queen for 1922 in the Annual Pageant at Atlantic City. She is 16 years old, 5 feet 5 inches in height, and weighs 133 pounds. She swims, rides, dances—and goes to school. She triumphed over 170 other American beauty winners from as many different towns and cities in the U. S.

Gresham Theater

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