

## CITY COUNCIL GIVES DRAINAGE PERMIT

At its regular meeting last Tuesday evening the city council granted a franchise to the Zion Evangelical church, J. E. Metzger and Wm. R. Becker to construct a sewer to carry off storm water from their property. This will be about 800 feet long and will end just inside the fair grounds in a storm sewer which the fair association is contemplating building. It will be of concrete tile, cemented together to make a water tight drainage canal, and will have a five-foot fall from the Zion Evangelical personage to the fair grounds entrance. The specifications for the tile provide that it shall be not less than eight inches or more than ten. The entire cost of the project will be borne by the three property owners concerned.

It was decided by the council to construct cement drains and cross walks on Powell street at the intersections of Florence and Wilson streets, which will provide a fine, unbroken walk from the S. S. Thompson property to Wallula avenue.

An extension of 30 days was granted property owners to complete sidewalk improvements ordered by the council in the spring which were to have been finished by September 1. A large number of walks have been built and many more are now under construction and it is likely that all will be finished in the specified time.

The need of a sidewalk along the fill on South Roberts avenue was brought to the attention of the council and it was voted to order one built along the east side of the fill by Dr. A. Thompson who owns the property.

The following bills were read and ordered paid:

Frank Westell, surveying	\$100.00
K. C. Roberts, surveying	16.12
J. H. Metzger, salary	15.00
Jas. Peterson, labor	10.00
Investors Syndicate, sinking fund	63.00
Interest on bonds	500.00
Jones Lumber Co., supplies	1.70
Crane Company, supplies	6.96
A. W. Metzger & Co., supplies	2.35
Jeff Robertson, labor	4.00
G. A. Cox, salary	125.00
D. P. Millikin, supplies	1.00
J. T. Stillions, labor	8.85

The \$60 donated by American Legion Post No. 30 was accepted by the council at this meeting. It is to be used for purchase of flags and other decorative material.

## EVANGELICAL CHURCHES TO UNITE IN SERVICES

The annual missionary services will be held at the Zion Evangelical church next Sunday at 11 in the morning and 2:30 in the afternoon, in both English and German, when the Revs. M. Bass and J. C. Bitter and their congregations of Portland and the Rev. F. Schaer of Milwaukie will worship with the local congregation. Special music will be rendered at both services. In the morning the choir will sing "Love and Power" by Gounod. At the afternoon service the choir will render "All Nations Shall Worship Thee" and Henry Karpenstein will sing "The Living God." The ladies of the church will serve lunch at noon. The members of the congregation extend a cordial invitation to all friends to spend the day with them. The Sunday school will meet at 10 o'clock as usual.

### Window Cleaning

For expert window cleaning see S. Tajima, or leave orders with John Brown, Gresham, phone 2501.

The Peoples' Bargain counter. See the want ads.

## PICKLE SEASON IS NOW AT ITS HEIGHT

"Pickles are scarce all over the United States," says R. W. Stafford, the veteran pickle man, and president of the Oregon Pickle & Canning company. To see the scores of great tanks all filled to the top with pickles at the company's plant here would make one wonder if this factory could not satisfy the demand of the whole country. But Mr. Stafford says the total output of the plant, large as it is, is only a drop in the bucket as compared to the total production of pickles all over the country.

However, the local factory is shipping thousands of barrels of genuine dills mostly to the eastern market.

Not all the cucumbers go into the tanks by a long way, but all the available space under cover is now filled with tanks and new tanks are being placed in the open. These tanks hold from 80 to 200 barrels.

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The pickers are of good quality, says Mr. Stafford but the acreage is very large this year and pickers are scarce with the result that growers cannot keep up with the growth of the cucumbers and they are allowed to become too large.

Many thousands of dollars are being paid out monthly for cucumbers by the local factory.

Cucumber picking is arduous, back-breaking work, it seems to be harder for the ordinary white brown man than the average wiry little brown man who generally utilizes his wife and children in the work.

There seems to be a funny side, however, to this toilsome occupation and it relieves the monotony somewhat of cucumber picking to make play of it, at least to think how funny it is after all.

Sherd Hall, who is said to have quite a cucumber patch, is one who apparently can see the funny side and has written down his experiences and thoughts in poetic form for the Outlook as follows:

**CUCUMBER PICKLES.**  
Cucumber pickles are easy to take;  
There's no better taste and no bottle to break.

The doctors allow them in moderate doses.  
Even for patients with tuberculosis,  
Though not very good for persons quite sick.  
They are easy to raise but harder to pick.

Whoever it was put pick in the pickles  
Sure made a big nick in my nickles.  
He came to my place with a smile on his face  
And had me fill out a contract.  
I'll watch for his number and with a cucumber  
I'll haul off and hit him kersmack.

Pick-les is right. I pick pickles at night;  
I pick in the morning before it is light;  
I pick after breakfast, I pick on my noon,  
I pick all the day with the sun on my back.

If I pick a whole day I get a full sack  
Of pickles—not nickles. The nickles I lack.

When pickling pickles pick pickles quite small.  
Pick pickling pickles or no pickles at all.

The large one when put down in brine,  
And flavored with dill, will taste mighty fine.

What I wish to say of the cucumber pickle  
Is that it tastes sour with a sort of a tickle.

Some cucumber pickles have got quite a kick,  
All cucumber pickles are mostly all pick.

TWO MEN wanted at the Pickle factory at Gresham. Apply at once.

## OREGON IS GREAT STATE; STORY THRILLS

(From the Oregon Blue Book)  
**Oregon an Empire**

The state of Oregon contains 96,699 square miles.

It is so vast that if it were drawn into a belt thirty-two miles wide the belt would extend from Boston on the Atlantic ocean across the continent to Astoria on the Pacific. Were the Oregon belt lengthened into a ribbon three and eight-tenths miles wide it would encircle the globe at the equator.

Were Oregon divided into estates of two hundred and fifty-nine acres each, the estates, a mile in length and two-fifths as wide, placed end to end, would form an emerald chain connecting this planet with the moon.

By placing the kingdoms of Holland, Belgium, Montenegro and Serbia, the republic of Switzerland, and the states of Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Delaware and Vermont side by side on the map of this state, it can be seen that Oregon is an empire.

**Counties Larger Than States**  
Massachusetts could easily nestle in the Willamette valley, or in one of the larger Oregon counties. Massachusetts and Rhode Island together could be included in Harney or Malheur county. Either of these counties is larger than Montenegro or various other kingdoms that have flourished; hence Oregon is not only an empire but has counties as vast as kingdoms.

There is a score of counties in Oregon any one of which is larger than Rhode Island, or sixteen counties any of which is larger than the state of Delaware. Millions of people could occupy this vast area. Yet the population of Oregon is less than one million.

An Oregon county has fifty times as many people as another county which is twenty-two times larger in area. This means that Harney county, with approximately the area of Palestine, has more than a thousand times as much land per capita as the rapidly growing Multnomah county, a significant fact to homeseekers.

**State Larger Than New England**  
Oregon is one and a half times as

large as New England, which it out- rivals in natural resources.

England, with about thirty-five million population, comprises only three-fifths as much area as Oregon. Were England as large as Oregon, she could support more than half the present population of the United States.

Oregon is a food-producing state, and such are the area and resources of this empire that there can never be a famine west of the Rocky mountains as long as Oregon is on the map. Hence the great study in Oregon is Oregon itself.

**Primeval Oregon a Wonderland**  
Primeval Oregon was a wonderland in which there were reptiles big enough to toy with elephants. Later the palm, the banana, the jungled forest flourished where now grow the fir, the pine and the cedar, while elephants, mastodon, camels, the rhinoceros, the hippopotamus, the big ground sloth, and many other huge animals belonging to tropical and sub-tropical climates lived here. These facts are easily read in the rich fossil beds of Oregon.

**Aborigines Were Worshipers**  
Prior to the coming of the white man, Oregon aborigines possessed different religions, including phallic worship, fire worship, sun worship, worship of animals, veneration of human effigies, and later the worship of the great spirit called Talapus, embodied in the coyote and beaver.

The folk-lore of the Oregon aborigines, rich in myths, legends and creative stories, has been compared with that of the Greeks prior to the age of Homer. It was their unwritten book of Genesis.

**Geological Changes**  
When we consider primeval Oregon as the bed of an ancient sea, then as dry land occupied by reptiles which were followed by tropical flora and fauna; later as a region covered with snow and ice of the glacial period; and then occupied by the flora and fauna of the present temperate climate, and we take into account the scope of time necessary to bring about these changes, we conclude that Oregon is a very old part of the world awaiting careful research and diligent study.

## MANAGER TOWLE GIVES GROWERS TIMELY HINTS

D. E. Towle, manager of the Berry Growers Packing company, gives timely hints to local growers through the Outlook in the following open letter and includes a clipping from the Pacific Coast Packer, dated Geneva, New York, August 31, on the subject of summer pruning which seems to be as applicable in this locality as it is in New York.

We are fortunate in securing a supply of fancy Hungarian vetch seed at a reasonable price and wish to urge the sowing of this variety both as a cover crop in the berries and more especially as a field crop so that we may be able to secure next year's supply from local growers instead of buying at a distance and paying the freight extra. If our enterprising farmers will sow an acreage of this vetch they will probably make a good profit on their investment as there will be a good demand for this seed from the Berry Growers next year for cover crop seeding.

If you have any of the large can crates out please return them as we get a credit of \$1.00 each for them; also again we urge the return of all berry crates to the cannery.

The final delivery of the strawberry crop has been delayed on account of waiting for a steamship for New York with refrigerator space for the frozen berries in barrels. We expect to load about the 15th instant. Sales of frozen logans are still slow. Raspberries are moving fairly well. Blackberry sales are keeping even up with our receipts. Canned goods are moving nicely.

**Summer Pruning.**  
"With the close of the fruiting sea-

son, the removal and destruction of the fruiting canes in all raspberry plantings is recommended in a recent statement issued by horticulturists at the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station at Geneva. These old canes are no longer needed by the bush and may harbor disease organisms or insect pests which might infect the new growth, declare the specialists. The removal of the old canes will also give more room for new growth the next season.

"In the spring the canes of red raspberries should be cut back to a desired fruiting height, usually three or four feet from the ground depending on the vigor of the bush," says the statement. "Black raspberries require more severe pruning than the red varieties, as the old fruiting canes should be removed and the new growth checked in the summer by pinching off the succulent tips of the new canes at about two feet from the ground. Since the new canes do not all grow at the same time, it is necessary to go over the bushes several times during the summer. In the spring the side branches which have developed as a result of this summer pruning should be cut back from one-third to one-half their length. Purple raspberries are usually pruned in about the same manner as the blacks, leaving them slightly higher."

Raspberry growers are urged to be on the lookout for plants affected with mosaic or yellows and to remove all such plants, including the roots and suckers, as that is the only way in which the disease can be stamped out. The mosaic is characterized by the mottled appearance of the leaves and the dwarfing of the canes, and the disease is said to be present in practically every planting in the state. In setting out new plants care should be exercised that only disease-free stock is used as any part of a diseased plant will bring the disease into the patch where it will gradually spread to healthy plants.

## POTATO GROWERS WILL VISIT FARMS IN COUNTY

The potato growers of Multnomah county will tour the county on Saturday afternoon, September 8, under the direction of County Agricultural Agent S. B. Hall.

The growers in this county have been devoting much time to seed improvement work in cooperation with the county agent. A number of field trials will be visited where several different strains of Burbank potatoes are being tried out this year to determine their yielding qualities and adaptability to the various soils in the county.

The party will leave on the tour from Mr. Hall's office at Gresham at 1 o'clock p. m., Saturday.

Members of the seed improvement club which is cooperating with Mr. Hall in this work are L. H. Stone, M. G. Woodie, R. W. Wilson, Edward C. Wilson, H. F. Wihlon, F. E. Weatherwax, B. C. Altman, F. N. Lasley, Bert McCreary, Willard Bliss, G. N. Sager, Albert Troge, S. B. Hall, H. W. Lynch, Robert Strebin, S. M. Davis, Warren Jackson, Guy H. Robertson.

## KELSO

The Kelso school will open September 10 with Mrs. Margrette Miller of Albany as principal and Mrs. Ella Baumbach as primary teacher. Several needed repairs have been made including new front steps.

Mrs. Margrette Miller, who succeeds Miss Caroline Vaeretti as principal of the Kelso school, will move to Kelso the first week in September and will occupy the house in which the Henry Eri family formerly lived.

The August meeting of the Woman's club was held at the home of Mrs. F. Rathke, the following members being present: Mesdames E. Herz, M. Kilgel, Baumbach, Peterson, D. Hite, T. Dunn, J. Dunn, R. Jonsrud, A. H. Harte, Matthews, Obie, Hempe, and the following visitors: Mrs. Ed. Littlepage, Mrs. Ned Nelson, Mrs. Dietl, Mrs. Dahl, Mrs. Voigt, Mrs. D. Jerger and Mrs. Eschebeck. A delightful afternoon was spent with singing and instrumental music. Refreshments of coffee, cake, lemonade and sandwiches were served. The club voted to proceed with the plans for building a playshed for the school. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Robert Jonsrud on the fourth Thursday in September.

The Misses Gertrude and Florence Kilgel entertained some of their former schoolmates at a delightful party Wednesday afternoon of last week. Those present were Mildred Jarl, Marie Baumbach, Dorothy Nelson, Eunice Jonsrud, Dorothy Jonsrud, and the hostesses. Delicious refreshments were served and the afternoon passed pleasantly with music and reminiscences of happy school days.

Kelso children who will enter the Union high school at Sandy are, Dorothy Nelson, Edward Nelson, Howard Peterson, Ruth Baumbach, Helen Hempe, John Hempe and Alice Irvin.

Edgar Hite will enter the Benson Polytechnic and Dock Hite will also return to the Benson. Jim Hite, who graduated from Benson, will enter the Oregon Agricultural College and take up electrical engineering. Florence and Gertrude Kilgel and Helen Hite will return to St. Mary's in Portland, and Carl Kilgel to Mt. Angel college. Mildred Jarl intends to enter the normal school at Monmouth this fall.

Dorothy Jonsrud will enter the school of music of the University of Oregon and Eunice Jonsrud, who has attended Reed College the past two years, will enter the school of journalism as a junior at the University of Oregon.

Ned Nelson delivered the lumber which he donated toward the playshed last week.

Among those who went to Government Camp to pick huckleberries were the Baumbach family and the Henry Eri family.

Mrs. Voigt left for her home in Mitchell, Iowa, Wednesday evening of last week, after spending a pleasant summer with her daughter, Mrs. A. C. Baumbach and family.

Mrs. Hannah Nelson is sojourning at St. Martin's Springs for the benefit of her health.

Mrs. Dietl of Portland recently visited with her daughter, Mrs. E. Herz. Max Kilgel and the Decker brothers have finished the busy season with their threshing machine.

Mrs. Voigt of Mitchell, Iowa, was a luncheon guest at the home of Mrs. Robert Jonsrud on Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. Eschebeck with son and daughter, of Damascus, have been visiting with Mrs. F. Rathke.

The Hoyt family, who spent the summer at their place here, have returned to Portland.

The Jonsrud-Gunderson lumber company's mill closed for Labor day after a busy season of filling orders for ties, lumber, silos and barns. The logging crew went to Pacific City for

## GRADE SCHOOL OPENING DELAYED

On account of delay in the completion of the school building it is likely that the Gresham grade school will not begin before October 1, according to the members of the local school board. C. E. Stockton, the contractor, says that the rooms will be ready for use at that time, provided no further interruption hinders the work. The circumstance which made it impossible to complete the building at the appointed date was the delay of builders' hardware, which was received three days ago, a full month later than it was contracted for. This has been a great handicap which has held up work in the various lines, but an effort is being made to rush it through as fast as efficiency will warrant.

Mr. Stockton has nine carpenters on the finishing, working on the interior of the building. Six men are pushing the plastering under John Martin of Portland who has the subcontract for that work. The roofing is being done by Griffith & Hansen of St. Johns, who are finishing four men busy. They expect to keep the outside work within the next three days but have some interior work in connection with the lantern room and some other minor requirements. The parts of the roof fronting the street are of Spanish metal tile and the remainder of sheet metal. Ezra Thomas has the painting in charge and will have men enough on the job to keep up with the carpenters who are doing the finishing.

Material for the new building has been brought from many sources. Dimension lumber came from the Mill of Bruns Lumber company of Sandy, finishing lumber from Kautz Manufacturing company, Portland, brick and tile from the Columbia Brick works at Hogan station, glass and glazing from the W. P. Fuller company of Portland and hardware from the Builders Hardware and Supply company of Portland.

Ten rooms are being finished for class purposes. Besides these there will be principal's office and reception room, teachers room with kitchenette adjoining, rest room, lavatories and a splendid auditorium with roomy stage and lantern room. Provisions are made in every room for book cases and wardrobes. The latter will be separated from the class rooms by lift partitions, the outside of which will be blackboards. The interior of the rooms will be painted white. The exterior is being finished with stucco, the finishing coat of which will be white. Considerable work will be necessary on the grounds after the building operations are finished, to level and grade. Enough earth will be taken from the rear of the building, where the ground is high, to give sufficient slope to the grounds in front.

George Tacheron has been busy for weeks repairing and refinishing the seats from the old building. He has also been to the Terry school and put the seats there in good shape and all will be ready for the new building when it is completed.

At the special school meeting held Tuesday evening to vote on the question of furnishing free transportation to pupils living more than a mile from the school the proposition carried and arrangements will be made to carry out that plan. Only one bid for the work was received and action on that was deferred until a later date.

## COUNTY SCHOOLS WILL OPEN NEXT WEEK

With the exception of Gresham district No. 4, the schools of the county, outside of Portland will open next Monday morning.

County Superintendent Alderson announces that a meeting of all teachers has been called to meet at room 729 courthouse, Portland, at 1:30 Saturday afternoon, September 8.

## BAPTIST CHURCH GIVES SUNDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

At the Bethel Baptist church next Sunday morning the subject of the sermon by the pastor, the Rev. D. Q. Barry, will be "The Wonderful Savior." Special music will include a duet by H. W. Strong and Miss Clara Mason. In the evening devotional services will be held at 7:30 and at 8 the pastor will preach on "The Benefit of a Look at Jesus." Miss Augusta Hahn, one of the new high school teachers, will give a whistling solo, "The Mocking Bird." Sunday school will meet at 9:45 in the forenoon. All are invited to cooperate for the welfare of all.

A few days' outing after which the loggers and mill will resume operations.

Mrs. and Mrs. C. A. Lindell and Mr. and Mrs. A. Olson of Portland, and Mrs. Albert Rodun of Gresham, spent last Thursday at the Robert Jonsrud home.

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