

## GRESHAM POST A. L. BOOSTS MEMBERSHIP

At the regular meeting of Gresham Post No. 30 American Legion, held last Tuesday evening in the I. O. O. F. hall, seven new members were initiated and several were re-instated. About 35 members were present to see the initiatory work put on for the first time by this post. After the candidates had been admitted the regular business session was held. Plans were discussed for the Fourth of July celebration and committees appointed to start the ball rolling toward making this celebration the biggest and best ever held in Gresham since the name Volsted became a national by-word.

Committees were also appointed to report on the feasibility of an American Legion day at the Multnomah county fair at which various stunts, races and games in keeping with that day would be features on the program. A number of other matters were acted upon after which it was hinted that a number of the candidates were not qualified for membership. A final test, however, showed them to be of excellent character and every candidate passed the test with flying colors.

At the conclusion of the final test the members all repaired to the dining room where eats consisting of cake, coffee, sandwiches and smokes was served. After the affair became past history, many of the members who have belonged to the post since its infancy voted it to be the best regular meeting ever held by Gresham Post.

The fine attendance and enthusiasm drive of two weeks' duration which netted nearly 25 members and brought the membership to over 50 paid up members with more to come, the highest it has been since the first year the post was organized.

For the purpose of increasing a spirit of legion betterment among the posts of the Legion in Oregon, the state department offers to posts that turn in a membership equal to or in excess of that for the last year, a certificate of merit for meritorious service. At the first of the year some of the posts had already qualified. Twenty-eight posts have now completed their requirement, among them Gresham post, and will be presented with the certificate at the annual state convention of the organization to be held in Portland in June.

These meetings are held regularly on the last Tuesday of each month and it is expected that a small class of candidates can be initiated at each meeting.

The dance committee reported that all is in readiness to handle a large crowd at the Legion dance to be held in the Masonic hall, Friday, March 28. Gignay's orchestra, the popular musicians who furnish the music for the Arme club dances, will do their stuff for the Legion dance tonight and the Ladies' Auxiliary is again in charge of the supper.

## FREE METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES ANNOUNCED

Services at the Free Methodist church will be held next Sunday as follows: Sunday school at 10. Miss Minnie Robertson superintendent. At the close of the lesson period as a review eight persons will each give a two-minute talk on different characters studied during last quarter. Preaching services at 11 and 8:15.

The early service at 7:30 will be in the form of a Bible drill led by Mrs. Edna Stone.

Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30. The Acts of the Apostles is now being studied at these meetings.

## PROF. L. S. SHUMAKER AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Prof. L. S. Shumaker of Linfield college will preach at the Bethel Baptist church next Sunday both morning and evening. His subject at 11 o'clock is "The Nail Prints" and at 7:30 "The Power of Personal Touch." B. Y. P. U. will meet at 6:30. All are invited to these services. Professor Schlauch expects to preach at Peninsula Baptist church in Portland next Sunday. He describes Professor Shumaker as a good thinker and a fine preacher.

## COMMUNITY CHURCH HAS REGULAR SERVICES

Regular services at the Gresham Community church Bible Standard on east Powell street near Kelly avenue Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and in the evening at 7:45. Prayer-meetings are held on Wednesday evenings at 7:45. All are invited.

## "The Time of His Life."

This is to be given at the Rockwood grange hall under the auspices of the grange on Saturday evening, March 29. Excellent cast. Dr. C. L. Haynes, director. Admission 35 and 15c.—Adv.

## GRESHAM CITY BAKERY MAKES IMPROVEMENT

The addition of a commodious packing-room at the rear of the Gresham City Bakery has been made necessary by the increasing demand for the products of the bakery. This is large enough to accommodate the cooling racks and the recently installed power machine for wrapping the loaves. The addition of a second mixer has been made to the equipment. This also is a power machine and is used for cakes and light mixing. It is furnished with 30- and 80-quart bowls.

A new roof has been added to the building with a porch extending over the back door to provide shelter for cars loading there.

The old garage has been torn away from the rear of the building and a new one large enough for three cars has been built farther back to give room for driving and turning.

## SERVICES AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

The World Service campaign at the Methodist Episcopal church will close with the services next Sunday. The response of those who have been canvassed this week was generous and sincere. There are still a considerable number of subscriptions to be reported, which will put this church "over the top." The broadcasters next Sunday will be Mrs. C. O. Horning for morning service, L. L. Kidder for evening, Mrs. Rosa Shipley for Sunday school and Miss Beatrice Jackson for Epworth League.

The pastor, the Rev. A. S. Hisey, will occupy the pulpit both morning and evening. His topic for the morning service will be "The Wisdom that Wins." For evening, "The Evangelism of Jesus."

The choir will sing the anthem "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" in the morning.

The Epworth League is receiving a large class of new members this evening at an initiation service planned especially for this occasion, to be followed by a basket social. The topic for the devotional service Sunday evening is "Christ Fulfilling His Father's Commission." Arnold Rogers is the leader.

## MISS HELEN COWGILL IS ASSISTING GIRLS' CLUBS

Miss Helen Cowgill, assistant state club leader, has been in Multnomah county for the last three days helping the girls in the various clubs, such as, sewing, home making, cooking and canning.

A particular phase of cooking which she has emphasized very emphatically is the making of prune bread. She is trying to aid the prune growers in their marketing in this way.

A prune bread demonstration will be given at county fair, state fair and Pacific International, at which time everyone will have a chance to see how prune bread is made and how it tastes. This is considered a mighty good way to help the Prune Growers association and they have offered to back this proposition in every way. The milling organizations are also offering to help.

## Window Cleaning

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## BERRY GROWER URGES CLOSEST COOPERATION

Boring, Oregon, March 27, 1924.—Editor Gresham Outlook:—A very interesting berry meeting was held in the Union Damascus community at the home of S. A. Roberts last Tuesday afternoon.

Clayton L. Long, representing the horticulture division of the extension department of O. A. C., talked to a group of 22 enthusiastic berry growers whose interest was manifested by the numerous questions asked during the meeting. Mr. Long discussed problems in general, pertaining planting, culture and fertilizing. This community expects to hold other meetings of this project during the year.

Several new plantings of raspberries and strawberries were set last year in this section and further plantings are being set this season.

The time is not far distant when Gresham district and the immediately contiguous territory will be so thickly dotted with berry fields, on account of the so well balanced conditions with which we are so favorably blessed, that it will command the lead by several jumps, in this line on the Pacific coast.

In order to put this over successfully, however, one outstanding prerequisite is absolutely necessary—cooperation—in the truest sense. Let us, as berry growers, bear this in mind that quality is permanent. Let us each strive to produce and deliver the best of quality of our commodity. Get the berry quality spirit. By delivering good stuff to our cooperative association receiving station in the best possible condition will not only command a better price but will very materially strengthen and fortify the management in their demand in fulfillment of contract agreements and further, will also assist them in demanding a good price for any unsold fruit at time of harvest.

Berry growers! Let us all get the right cooperative angle and spirit. The writer believes in true cooperation. Everyone must do his part in making it a success.

Brother berry growers, are you for success?  
S. A. ROBERTS.

## Pleasant Home M. E. Church.

The Sunday school will begin at 9:50 a. m. under the leadership of G. H. Bickford. There are classes for scholars of all ages. All members of the Sunday school are requested to make their world service pledges to their teachers. The church service begins at 11 a. m. Mrs. Alta Gentry will bring the broadcaster's message on the subject, "What Our Church Has Done and Proposes to do in Mexico." There will be preaching by the pastor. The choir will sing "It's God's Way."

The Epworth League will meet at 8 p. m. at the Boring church. The subject is "Christ Fulfills His Father's Commission." The pastor, the Rev. E. G. Ranton, will lead, and will not preach after the League service. In other words, the whole evening will be given to the League.

The Mother-Teacher Training class meets Tuesday at 2 p. m. Mrs. Alta Gentry is the teacher.

The Ladies' Aid will meet all day Wednesday at the home of Mrs. M. Lennartz.

The choir meets for rehearsal Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

## ROCKWOOD WATER DIST. HELD ILLEGAL

A decision of vital importance locally was handed down by the state supreme court last Tuesday declaring the organization of the Rockwood water district null and void.

The opinion is written by Justice Rand, with Chief Justice McBride and Justice Burnett and Coshaw concurring. This reverses the decree of Judge Walter H. Evans of the circuit court which dismissed the suits brought by certain residents of the proposed district contesting its legality.

The news report of the decision as given in the Oregon Journal states that the nullification of the organization proceedings leading up to the attempted incorporation of the water district is based largely upon the fact that the district attempted to include within its boundaries many persons who would not benefit in the least from the organization yet who would be taxed in its maintenance.

The district involved covers a territory three miles wide by seven miles long lying between Portland and Troutdale.

Suit to enjoin the county commissioners of Multnomah county from proclaiming the organization of the district was brought by John A. Hamilton, O. J. Brown and others. These as well as other plaintiffs testified that they not only were not in need of water from the proposed municipal supply, but that they had quantities of good water running to waste from their farms.

"A statute which would compel all of these plaintiffs to abandon a sufficient and satisfactory water supply of their own as well as those systems now installed upon their land for the distribution of the water, and coerce them to substitute in lieu thereof a municipally owned and furnished water supply and system, thereby subjecting their lands to the burden of additional taxation and to the lien of municipally issued bonds, not necessary for their needs and of no benefit to them, would be harsh, arbitrary and oppressive and, we think, would clearly violate the 'due process' clause of the federal constitution," the opinion declares.

"It would for the benefit of others, deprive these plaintiffs of their property without any direct or indirect benefit to them. Such a statute could not be upheld upon any sound principle."

This decision will be a great disappointment to many, especially those starting small, new homes and those developing home-site tracts along the Base Line and vicinity eastward from the city of Portland.

The directors of the district, elected some time ago, are B. E. Boice, F. H. Crane, S. A. Arata, Dr. C. L. Haynes and Mr. McKee. It is said a meeting of the directors will be held in a few days to consider the new situation.

## Boring Church Notice.

The Sunday school meets at the usual hour, 10 a. m., under the supervision of O. W. Boring. The evening service will be very interesting. Instead of a preaching service there will be an Epworth League meeting with the pastor, the Rev. E. G. Ranton, as the leader. The young people of the Pleasant Home M. E. church will be present to take part in the service. D. Brooks Hogan will sing a solo.

## ORATORICAL CONTEST HERE ON APRIL 10

An oratorical contest between Gresham, Corbett, Parkrose and Riverdale high schools, one orator from each, will be held in the Gresham high gymnasium Thursday evening, April 10. The subject of the orations will be the constitution of the United States.

The object of the contest is the selection of a champion from this county to compete with a champion from Clackamas county the following week. The place has not yet been announced.

The judges selected for the contest to be held here April 10 are the following: W. P. Fletcher, principal Grant high school, Portland; Dr. T. H. Gallager, pastor Sunnyside M. E. church; Col. J. J. Crossley, commander American Legion Post, Portland; Dr. Lawrence E. Griffin, of Reed college, and George L. Koehn, former professor of public speaking in Reed college. Judge Stapleton will preside.

## FAIRVIEW

"Amen!" is the theme of the sermon Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at the Smith Memorial Presbyterian church by the pastor, the Rev. E. R. D. Hollensted. Sunday school starts promptly at 10 o'clock. Friday evening, April 4, the annual congregational meeting will be held at the Grange hall. Reports of the various activities of the church will be made. Dinner will be served at 7 o'clock, and a social hour will be spent after the business session. All members and friends of the church are earnestly requested and invited to be present.

A tea will be given by the ladies of the Methodist church on Wednesday afternoon, April 2, at the home of Mrs. J. W. Mollan. All ladies are welcome.

Miss Elizabeth Cady, who is a student at the University of Oregon, spent last week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Cady. She was accompanied by Miss Bernice Meyer, Miss Marietta Beattie and Miss Helen Austin, students at the university. They returned to Eugene on Monday evening.

Ted Heslin came home from Oregon Agricultural college for a few days last week.

Vurl Brooks entertained ten of his boy friends last Thursday evening, on the occasion of his tenth birthday.

Roy Green is confined to his home with a badly bruised leg. He was injured in a logging camp near St. Helens.

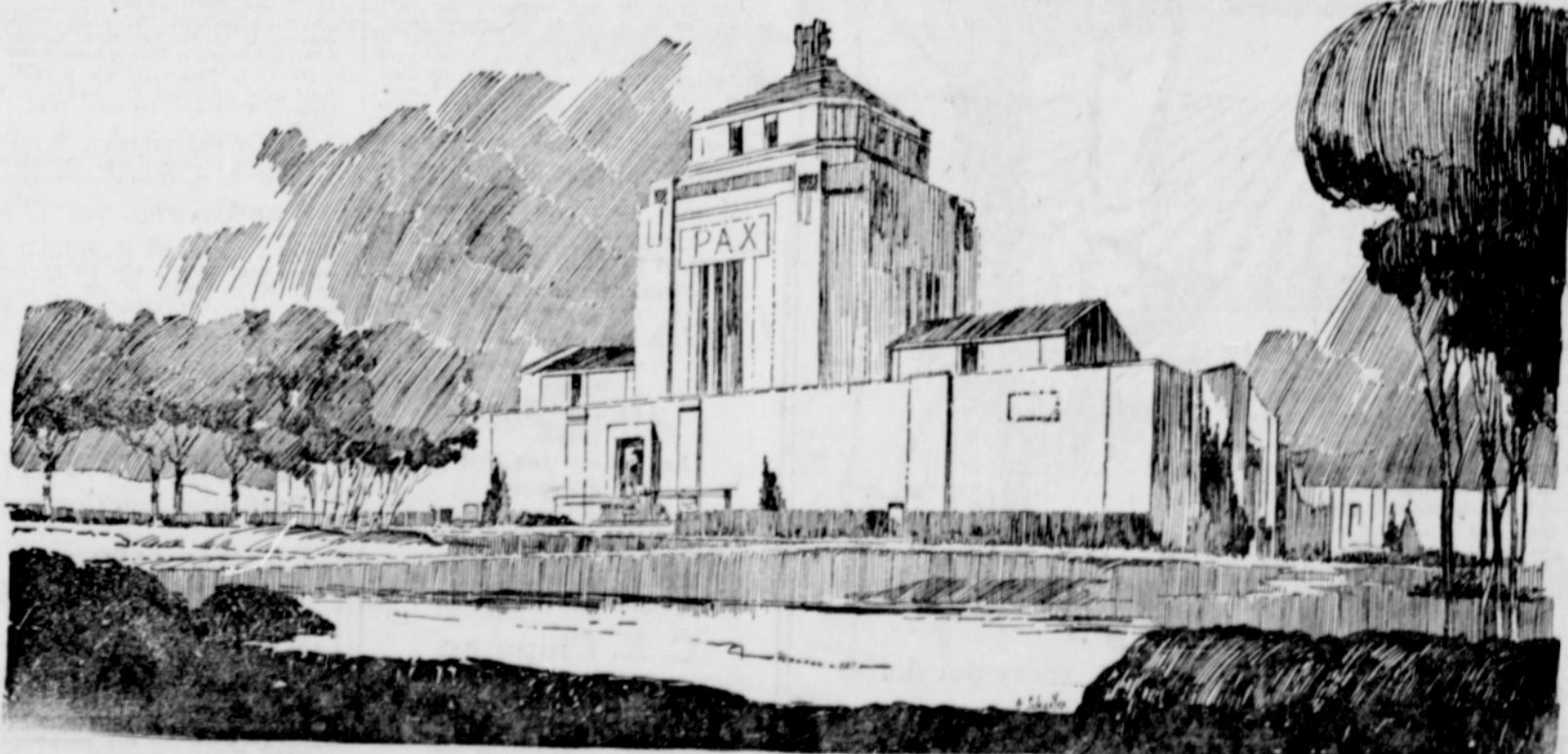
The teachers of the Methodist Sunday school will bring their message on "The Building of a Nation," at the Sunday school hour next Sunday. At 11 o'clock the pastor, the Rev. J. Stanford Moore, will preach on "The Kingdom Come," and discuss God's answer to that prayer in the present condition of Russia. The Epworth League will have a short but very important meeting following the service. The glee club singers of Kimball School of Theology will sing on the charge April 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Alford and family of Portland have moved to Fairview and are planning to develop a place here.

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## LOCAL GUARD CO. LOSES FIELD MEET

The second athletic meet of the local National Guard unit and Company "B" of the 162d infantry, Portland, was held in the Portland armory on Wednesday evening and was a very exciting event. The first event was the indoor baseball game and while the local boys got off to a good start in the second inning by scoring three runs they did not hold their lead long as the B Company boys soon overtook them and the final score was nine to six in favor of the Portland team.

The second event was the equipment race. In this race one man from each company lays out his clothing at intervals of ten paces and starting from scratch first puts on his shoes, then proceeds to the next spot and puts on leggings, this is continued until he has put on his coat, belt, cap and finally gets his rifle and returns the distance to scratch. Sergeant Stratton of the local company won this event with a few seconds to spare.

The third event consisted of a centipede race. This is a race in which six men from each company straddle a pole, run 50 yards, turn and return to the starting point. At the finish of this race it was declared a tie by the judge. The local company had the first man over the line according to the bystanders however, the last two men to cross were even. In the run off of the tie the Gresham boys won the event by several feet.

The wheelbarrow race was next on the program. This race consists of two men from each company, one man walking on his hands and the other holding his feet. Middleton and Quesinberry were the team for the locals and were in the lead until about ten feet from the finish when both teams fell down and in recovering the Portland boys were the first across the line.

In the three-legged race Greenman and Squires running for Gresham lost to the Portland team.

The wall scaling event was next on the program and this caused considerable excitement. Eight men from each company constitutes the team and the event is timed from scratch, all eight men going over an eight-foot wall and landing at scratch upon the other side. The B Co. team were the first to try their skill and their time was given by the judge as 15 seconds.

The Gresham lads tied this time in their trial and then in the second attempt the judge had procured a stop watch and gave B Co. a 14 second time and the locals a time of 14 1/2 seconds. In justice to the local boys the stop watch in the hands of an outsider gave the B Co. team an 18 second rating on their first attempt and the locals as 15, however the judge was using an ordinary watch on the first attempt.

The relay race in which Sergeants Raker and Jones and Privates Francis Peak and Ralph Greenman were the local runners was won by this team by gaining in the first lap and increasing it through each of the other three.

The tent pitching contest was then called and Sergeants Jones and Stratton presented the local company. This event starts from scratch and the two men of each team are required to button two halves of a tent together and erect the tent upon a wooden frame provided for the purpose. They are then required to lay out their packs. In these packs are blankets, plates, canteens, other eating utensils, tent pitching equipment, bayonets, rifles and in fact everything that a soldier is supposed to have in the field. The army demands a regular system of laying out these packs and it was much of a surprise when the local team was declared loser in this event. Their time of the entire operation being about a minute quicker than the B Co. team.

The reason of giving the event to the other team was due to the local team not having secured the rear end of their tent to the frame. This was the only fact considered in making the award of the decision. On point which the judge overlooked and which was expressly understood before the event was called, was that packs should be laid out according to Army Regulations and in this matter the spectators, who were practically all soldiers and knew these regulations, were in one accord and that was that the B. Co. team did not follow the system as laid down in Army Regulations, which however was done by the local team.

While the local boys were somewhat peeved at the decision, this like all good sportsmanship events was soon forgotten especially after a luncheon of hot dogs and coffee served by the Portland company.

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