

FARM CONFERENCE PLANS MATURING

County Agricultural Agent S. B. Hall is busily engaged in perfecting plans for the Multnomah County Agricultural Economic Conference which is scheduled to meet in Gresham January 15, 16, 17. The general committee made arrangements for the conference to begin January 15, with the forenoon devoted to a general assembly. In the afternoon each of the five groups, consisting of fruits, farm crops, livestock, dairy and poultry and vegetables will meet in separate sections to consider the committees' reports and to discuss the problems pertaining to their particular subject. The forenoon of the second day will be a continuation of the group conference. The afternoon will be a general assembly, at which time the committees from each of the sections will make their reports and such other information as is of value in that particular industry. These reports are expected to occupy the afternoon of the second day and the forenoon of the third, Saturday, January 17. This agricultural conference will take the place of the farmers' week program which has been a regular feature of Gresham and surrounding territory for several years past. The same subjects will be considered, according to Mr. Hall, only instead of having a day devoted to a special subject, those interested will be in conference during two days with their own group. This will make it necessary to have six meeting rooms during the first and second days of the conference. In preparation for the conference, there are six committees at work, the members of the committees ranging from six to ten in number. It is the general plan that these committees will have gathered together to submit to their group, a considerable amount of valuable information as to the agricultural condition of the county so that it can be analyzed and changes made that will mean more dollars to the farmer, worked out with the figures at hand.

FLYING GLASS INJURES BABY IN AUTO SMASH

An automobile accident occurred at the intersection of the Base Line and Barker roads last Saturday when the Rev. M. V. Whetzell, who was driving a small truck loaded with wood, who is employed at the Louise Home, was crashed into by a Studebaker touring car headed for Portland, with the result a baby in the latter was badly cut by flying glass when the windshield was broken. Mr. Whetzell sustained some damage to his machine, the rear wheel being smashed and the bed of the truck torn loose from the frame. He was coming to Gresham from the Home and had turned from the Barker road into the Base Line, when the Studebaker coming from Cascade Locks struck him squarely. His windshield was covered with ice which prevented him from seeing the other car in time. He states that the Studebaker was traveling not less than 30 or 35 miles an hour, which, considering the condition of the pavement, was an excessive rate of speed. A nearby garage took charge of the wrecked Studebaker and the child was taken to Portland for medical treatment.

MISS MARGARET VOORHIES, care Mrs. A. W. Easton, Box 192, Gresham, would like to know the whereabouts of Mr. and Mrs. Will Kerner who lived here once.

GRESHAM LOCALS

Miss Ina Smith spent several days of the Christmas vacation with her cousin, Miss Edna Jacot in Portland, who recently moved to Portland from Kennewick, Washington. Miss Jacot returned home with Miss Smith Wednesday for a short stay.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hauck entertained on New Year's eve for a small party of near friends.

Mrs. F. A. Miller, who recently moved from Portland to the "Melville Farm," went to Salem Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Lizzie Arnold, an aged aunt who died on Christmas day.

Miss Kate Quay, who is visiting her brother, Albert Quay, of Pleasant Home, spent Tuesday with the family of R. M. Welch, former acquaintances in the suburban district, St. Johns, in Portland.

Mrs. Ida W. Burns of Portland, an aunt of H. W. Strong, spent Christmas with her nephew and family. She also came out for the wedding of Edward Strong and Miss Gertrude Dowsett which was an event of New Year's day.

Mrs. R. Gouge and a friend, Mrs. De Lasham, also Gordon Bacon, who live near Marmot on the Big Sandy, have been recent visitors at the F. J. Bechill home.

Mrs. Lowe, an elderly lady whose home is at Bull Run, has been brought to the home of Mrs. Harriet Timmerman for medical treatment. She is the mother of Lloyd Lowe, well known in Gresham. She has been suffering for some time from nervous disorder.

Miss Mildred Metzger, who is home for the holidays from Monmouth Normal, ate New Year's dinner with her friend, Miss Doris Zimmerman, who lives in the Mt. Taber district of Portland. Miss Metzger expects to return to Monmouth Sunday.

Miss Violet Coe is home for the holiday season from Myrtle Point, Oregon, where she is engaged in teaching.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Rusher and family drove to Oregon City Thursday to spend New Year's day with Mrs. Rusher's sister, Mrs. Robert Lansdowne.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Thorne and daughter, Betty, have returned from a trip to Roseburg, where they visited with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Moreland, who accompanied them home and visited old acquaintances in Gresham for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Thorne left Gresham on the morning of December 26, with the thermometer at 5 above. When they reached Harrisburg, the river was filled with ice and they were unable to ferry over but proceeded to Roseburg by a different route. On the return trip they encountered deep water over the highway near Eugene, in some places reaching to the bumper on their machine. They were among the last ones to pass over the road before it was closed to traffic.

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BERRY GROWER MANAGER GIVES HELPFUL ADVICE

Suggestions as to the means of saving money on the winter's fuel are given in a letter to the members of the Berry Growers Packing company by the manager, D. E. Towle, who is able to offer distinct advantages to the members and others as the result of cooperative buying. Mr. Towle's letter is as follows:

With current fuel values in mind for cold weather, doubtless the best fuel to use is coal for use in the kitchen range, furnace, fireplace, or heater. For furnace heating, the writer would recommend the plan of firing up twice in 24 hours. The plan is to fill up the fire pot with Superior Rock Springs coal and after the gas has burned off, mix up a mortar of ashes and water and bank the fire, and it will hold for 12 hours. You will also get good results from this coal in your fireplace, especially if you use a grate or fire pot, that is on sale with one hardware trade. You will enjoy the comfort of this coal in the fireplace.

The Superior coal is mined from a dry mine and should be moistened and burned with closed drafts to make the coal last. It is much cheaper to supply the water than to buy it in the coal.

We have a few sacks of pure cane Central American sugar left that we will close out to those who call first.

Our sheep guano department is working full time and if you intend applying any you should order now as the early application is considered best.

PORTLAND ORCHESTRA TO PRESENT FAMOUS SINGER

One of the favorite contraltos of the country, Sophie Braslau, the famous opera singer, will be heard in concert with the Portland Symphony orchestra under the direction of Mr. Carl Denton, on the evening of January 7th at the municipal auditorium.

This splendid singer has forged her way to the highest rank of operatic singers and the magnitude of her voice is unmatched by any other singer of today. Miss Braslau has not been heard here for nearly three years, and the music lovers of the city are eagerly looking forward to hearing her again.

Miss Braslau has such an unusual vocal range that she has starred in mezzo-soprano roles with great success. "Carmen" she has made one of her big roles, and her singing of the favorite "Habenera" rouses audiences to delighted applause. She is generously gifted, having a beautiful voice, dramatic power, beauty and magnetism. And she has from the beginning had the very important gift of liking work. She throws herself into a part with great intensity, and she never lets go of it until she has mastered it to the last letter. This thoroughness has had a great deal to do with her triumph as an opera singer.

At the concert on January 7th, Miss Braslau will sing the great Wagnerian aria, "Gerechter Gott" and also a group of five songs.

Lesley Wiles of Portland spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wiles, during the holidays. Lesley is considerably of a mechanical turn of mind and while here constructed a radio receiving set for his sister, Mrs. E. A. Stafford. He has built several others.

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NEW LICENSE PLATES MUST NOW ADORN CAR

Automobile owners who have neglected to procure the new license plates for 1925 may find themselves out of luck when they try to drive with the old tags after the first of the year, according to information from Secretary of State Sam A. Koser. The secretary of state recounts that he placed in the hands of automobile owners early in November application blanks and other necessary information, and in view of this action he believes there should be no excuse for requests for temporary tags. All such requests should be refused by the sheriffs, says Mr. Koser, and temporary tags issued only for cars which are purchased after January 1, 1925, and for which applications for licenses are submitted through the sheriffs to be submitted to the secretary of state.

That there may be a uniform understanding among all peace officers it is requested that the use of the 1924 license plates be permitted until such time as the 1925 licenses are received by the car owner from the secretary of state, but only in those cases where the owners of such motor vehicles shall produce satisfactory evidence of having applications for 1925 licenses. Motor car owners who are found operating their cars after January 1, 1925, and who have not made application for 1925 licenses are doing so in open violation of the motor vehicle law of the state and subject themselves to the penalties imposed thereunder for violations of such law.

Owners of motor vehicles licensed under the laws of other states and countries and heretofore granted Oregon visitor's permits which expire by limitation or otherwise December 31, 1924, should be required to secure 1925 Oregon licenses for such motor vehicles in all cases where it is evident that the motor car owner, during the life of such visitor's permit, has taken up residence in Oregon by the acceptance of gainful employment and the removal of his family into the state.

BAPTIST CONGREGATION HAS CONTEST BANQUET

A contest which was waged during the summer months between the boys and girls of the Baptist Sunday school in a membership campaign for new pupils culminated in a banquet which was served Wednesday evening by the men and boys to their winning opponents, the ladies. Despite the disagreeable weather about 50 were present and listened to a pleasing program of musical numbers which was rendered by the young people, after which the work of the church was discussed for the coming year.

While the men and boys were supposed to do the cooking and serving, it has leaked out unofficially however, that when it came to the cooking, the gentlemen were obliged to quietly ask a little advice of the women folk.

A watch night service was held from 11 to 12, which was in the nature of a consecration service.

Ivan Swift, who is employed as an assistant to B. O. Boswell in the electrical work of the Portland Electric Power company, has been suffering for three days with an attack of hiccoughs. Several years ago he was afflicted for seven consecutive days with the same ailment and frequently has had spells lasting 24 hours.

GRESHAM CHURCHES TO KEEP WEEK OF PRAYER

The Baptist, Free Methodist and Methodist Episcopal churches will unite in the Week of Prayer services beginning Monday evening, Jan. 5th, in the Methodist Episcopal church at 7:30 o'clock. The following is the schedule of services and leaders with place and dates:

Monday, January 5, at the Methodist Episcopal church, the topic for the evening will be "Thanksgiving and Repentance," leader, the Rev. E. N. Long.

Tuesday, January 6, at the Free Methodist church, Thomas Wiles, leader. Topic, "The Universal Church."

Wednesday, January 7, at the Baptist church, Dr. C. W. Huett leader. Topic "Missions."

Thursday evening being prayer meeting night congregations will meet in their own churches and no union meeting will be held.

Friday, January 9, at the Methodist Episcopal church, the Rev. E. G. Judd leader. Topic, "Families, School, Colleges and the Young."

These topics are recommended by the Federal Council of Churches of which, practically all large modern churches are members and are of real and abiding interest to all. Church members are expected and urged to attend every service possible and all are most cordially welcomed. There will be special music as well as good congregational singing and those who come will find abundant help and profit to repay them for the effort.

Free Methodist Church Services.

Sunday school will convene at 10 o'clock at the Free Methodist church, followed by preaching at 11 by the pastor, the Rev. E. N. Long, from the theme, "The Open Door." There will be young people's meeting in the evening at 6:30 under the direction of P. F. Black, followed by preaching at 7:30. The regular mid-week prayer-meeting is every Thursday evening at 7:30.

The Sunday school workers' conference will hold its monthly meeting at the parsonage Monday evening, and on Tuesday afternoon the Woman's Missionary society will meet with Mrs. D. M. Cathey, near Cotton station.

A number from Gresham are planning to attend the young people's missionary convention which will be held at the Central Free Methodist church, Portland, January 9, 10, 11. Prominent speakers and educators from Seattle are expected to be present to address the young people at this gathering.

Zion Evangelical Church.

Religious school of the Zion Evangelical church will be held Saturday from 9 to 12 a. m. Sunday school will convene Sunday at 10 o'clock. Divine worship will be conducted in the English language at 11 and in the German language at 11:50 a. m. The sermon topic will be, "The Herods and God." Special music will be rendered by the choir.

Young people's meeting will be held at 7:30 and led by Miss Frieda Ramser. The topic will be, "How to Develop Friendliness." The teachers' training class will meet on Monday evening at 7:30 at the parsonage.

Methodist Episcopal Church.

The Bible school will meet at 10 o'clock Sunday morning with classes

LOCAL YOUNG PEOPLE WED ON NEW YEAR'S

The wedding on New Year's day of Miss Gertrude Dowsett and Edward Strong came as a surprise to their many friends in Gresham. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Dowsett and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Strong. Both are graduates of the union high school. The bride is a graduate of Oregon Agricultural College and the groom has one quarter's work to do to complete his course in Leland Stanford University.

The ceremony was performed at 8 o'clock last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dowsett, in the presence of the immediate relatives of the young couple and a few intimate college friends. Miss Norma Helgesson of Corvallis was bridesmaid and Maurice Botkin was best man. Dr. Thos. Easter Elliott of Portland was the officiating clergyman.

Mr. and Mrs. Strong have gone to Palo Alto, California, and will take up housekeeping in a cottage on the college campus. At the close of his college course Mr. Strong and his bride will return to Gresham where he will assist his father in the work of his berry farm.

for all ages, with good teachers and a hearty welcome.

Dr. C. W. Huett, the pastor, will preach both morning and evening. The subject for the morning is "The Transient and the Permanent" and for the evening "A Great Calamity Averted." The morning service begins at 11 o'clock and the evening service at 7:30.

The Epworth League service begins at 6:30. This is a fine company of talented young people, and young people especially are invited to join with them in this service. Anyone is welcome and parents and older members of the families would find it profitable to come to the Epworth League meetings occasionally to keep in touch with the religious thinking of the young people, says the pastor.

There will be special music at both the morning and evening preaching service.

This church will unite with other churches of the city in observing the week of prayer and the first service on Monday evening will be held in this church as will the Friday meeting also. The usual prayer meeting will be held on Thursday evening. The public is cordially invited to attend the week of prayer services.

Baptist Church Services.

At the Baptist church, the pastor will present the subject of God's dealings with man under the topic "The Seven Dispensations." This is the beginning of a series of addresses on the principle divisions of scripture. The purpose of presenting this series of sermons is to awaken so far as possible an interest in the study and investigation of the Bible itself and thereby secure, if possible, the information and information we need in order to live the right life. In the evening service the topic will be "On the Road to Canaan." The Bible school will begin promptly at 10 a. m. and the church service at 11 o'clock. The B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. and the evening service 7:30.

Prayer meeting will be Wednesday evening at 7:30, choir rehearsal Thursday evening 7:30. All those not attending the other churches are cordially invited to worship in the regular services of the church.

Gresham Undenominational Services.

The Sunday school of the undenominational temple will convene Sunday at 10 a. m., with preaching in the afternoon at 2 o'clock by the pastor, the Rev. S. F. Pitts. Prayer meetings are held every Tuesday evening and Bible study on Friday evenings. The ladies of the temple hold a Bible study each Tuesday afternoon at the temple, beginning at 2:30.

A most enjoyable and profitable watch night service was held Wednesday evening, in which a message was given by Mrs. H. Stenberg, an evangelist. The remainder of the evening was spent in songs, prayer and testimonies until the new year dawned.

Notice to Stockholders.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of Gresham Fruit Growers' association will be held at the Grange hall, on Monday, January 12, 1925, at 10 a. m., for the purpose of electing directors and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

E. S. McCormick, former principle of the Gresham grade school, was in Gresham one day this week calling on friends. He is now principal of the high and grade schools at Elgin, Oregon, and Mrs. McCormick is a teacher in the grade school. The family home is in Portland.

Money to loan on real estate. Farm loans at 6 per cent. B. W. Thorne.

Grocery Bulletin

In taking stock we find we have an over supply of a few items. The goods listed below are all Standard Merchandise and all listed at wholesale prices and less. If you can use any of these goods the opportunity is yours to save money.

1. AMAIZO SALAD OIL.....pints 25c, quarts 45c
1/2 gallons 80c, gallons \$1.50
2. CLEAN EASY and NO RUB NAPHTHA SOAP,
10 bars 37c, 50 bars \$1.65, 100 bars \$3.25
3. LIBERTY BELL SYRUP,
quarts 40c, 1/2 gallons 75c, gallons \$1.35
4. HOLLAND HERRING, keg.....\$1.35
5. STOCK FISH.....2 lbs. 35c
6. Large loose MUSCATEL RAISINS.....3 lbs. 25c
7. Large Washed BRAZIL NUTS.....3 lbs. 43c
8. SEA FOAM WASHING POWDER.....30c pkg. 15c
9. PEARLINE and BORAXAID Washing powder,
15c package 5c
10. K. C. BAKING POWDER,
25c size 19c, 50c size 35c, 80c size 60c
11. TOBACCO—Penn's and Spencer's Natural Leaf,
85c plugs, 45c, Standard Navy, 60c plug, 30c
Thin Climax, 50c plug 25c, Old Port, 10c plug, 7c

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