

NEW RACE TRACKS ASSURED; AUTO COURSE WILL BE FAST

By the deposit today in a local bank of \$20,000 to pay the cost of construction and the letting of the contract by J. J. McCall for the excavation and grading, the Multnomah county fair grounds is now assured a new double race track, meeting all the requirements of a standard track.

Since the proposition was first made, a few weeks ago, to lease to Mr. McCall ground for an auto race track, surrounding the present horse track, all the matters involved have been given a very thorough consideration by both parties concerned which has led to some changes in the plan as at first proposed.

It early became evident that the fair association needed a standard track and the time to secure same was now while the grounds were being re-arranged. This required moving the track several hundred feet north of its present location. An option was secured on the Clananah tract extending the fair property out to the Section Line on the north.

The plan that has now been agreed upon and on which work will begin at

once is to make a half-mile horse race track having a standard width of 420 feet at the center and surrounding this a five-eighths mile auto race track sufficiently cupped to meet standard requirements and admit of a speed of 120 miles an hour even on the turns.

The south end of the new tracks will be about opposite the west end of the main pavilion. The field has been thoroughly tiled and is dry and ready for grading and filling. Weather permitting the grading will be finished in about a month. Some change will be necessary in the grandstand and bleachers and eventually these will probably be located on the west side of the track, reached by a driveway around the south end.

It is proposed to arrange for the main entrance to the grounds through the Smith tract recently bought. The purchase of the Clananah tract will give the fair an entrance on the north from the Section Line, close to the northwest part of the race track.

An important fair board meeting has been called for tomorrow, Wednesday, night.

GIBSON'S JERSEYS CLIMB RAPIDLY

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gibson, of Gresham, are justly proud of their registered Jersey cow which they bought a year ago last December and which in a year's time has proven herself to be a gold medal cow with a record of over 800 pounds of butterfat. They first purchased two cows of Stanley Riches, of Turner, one of which, Majesty's Fancy of Ashmead is the highest record daughter of the senior herd sire, Oxford Majesty's Fancy Beau. In the year the Gibsons have owned her they have increased her butterfat 40 pounds. The other cow they bought from Mr. Riches, Ixia's Silky of Ashmead, finished a record December 30 of 13,531 pounds of milk and 868 pounds of fat. The cow's gold medal is secure by a wide margin, as she has already given birth to a heifer calf. In the month of February she was high record Jersey cow for Oregon and third highest in the United States in her class, producing over 78 pounds of butterfat.

Mrs. Gibson purchased in the Jersey sale from D. C. Howard at the Pacific International last November St. Mawes Suzette, for which she paid \$690. Her senior yearling record stands 508.52 pounds of fat, with an average test of 6 per cent. She was started on a test at her last freshening, but this was discontinued when her owner decided to sell part of his herd. She had produced 63.4 pounds of milk in a single day and those who knew the cow best and have seen the efficient keeping of the Gibson records, predict close to a thousand pounds of fat for her at her next freshening.

Aged Firwood Pioneer Dies.
Mrs. Marie Klesecker, who has been a resident of the Firwood district for the past 42 years, died at her home there Sunday morning at the age of 83 years. She is survived by her aged husband Michael Klesecker, who is suffering from cancer. The couple came to the United States from their birthplace in Germany 55 years ago. She is also survived by four sons, John, George, Fred and Henry, who live in the same locality. Several sisters of the deceased reside in St. Louis, Missouri. Funeral services will be held at the Sandy community church on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in charge of the Rev. E. G. Judd. Interment will be made in the Sandy cemetery.

New Roadhouse Planned
A new roadhouse, the construction of which is said will begin within a few weeks, is to be erected on an acre of ground which has been leased by J. C. Stephens of Portland from J. Hossner, across from the Read place on the Base Line road. It is reported that a large house will be built, finished in the popular new stucco.

Card of Thanks.
We wish to thank our many friends and neighbors for their sympathy and kindness during the illness and death of our beloved mother, also the singers and others who gave so kindly of their time and talents and for the beautiful flowers that cover her last resting place.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gibson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Musgrove and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Thornton and family, Mr. and Mrs. George J. Robertson.

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GRESHAM YOUNG COUPLE TAKE MARRIAGE VOWS

A quiet home wedding attended only by the immediate relatives of the contracting parties was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Haberg Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock when their younger daughter, Marion, became the bride of Fred Hoss, the Rev. Andrew Johnson, pastor of the Haley Baptist church, officiating. Miss Martha Hagberg, sister of the bride and Herbert Hoss, brother of the groom, attended the couple in the capacity of bridesmaid and best man. The rooms were prettily decorated in roses and lilacs. Preceding the ceremony Miss Hagberg sang to her own accompaniment, "I Love You Truly." Dainty refreshments were served following the ceremony. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hoss are well and favorably known in Gresham and Powell Valley. The former is the partner of Frank Hamlin in the Gresham Garage & Machine Shop and is a young man of sterling qualities. He was a student at Gresham high school.

The bride, who was a graduate of the 1921 class of Gresham Union high school, was for four years an efficient bookkeeper for A. W. Metzger & Company where she won the esteem of her employers and associates. Her home is in Powell Valley and before her marriage a number of social affairs were given in her honor both there and in Gresham circles. After a short wedding trip through the upper Willamette valley the couple will return to Gresham and occupy the modern cottage on First street in Kirkland addition which Mr. Hoss has recently erected.

EVELYN COX IS BRIDE OF ALEXANDER ADAMS

A quiet wedding took place at the parsonage residence of the Rev. and Mrs. S. F. Pitts on Saturday afternoon when Miss Evelyn Cox was united in marriage to Alexander Adams, the Rev. Mr. Pitts officiating. The ceremony was witnessed by the wife of the pastor, the bride's mother and a sister of the groom, Mrs. Ben Hoover, with whom he has made his home for the past year. The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Cox and has resided in Gresham for the past seven years. She is a graduate of the Gresham grade school and has many friends among the younger set. The couple has not yet decided just where they will reside, but will probably remain in Gresham for the present.

GRESHAM LOCALS

Funeral services were conducted this afternoon from the chapel of the Metzger Undertaking company for Mrs. Nancy A. Palmer who died Wednesday at her home at Dover. The Rev. E. G. Judd had charge of the service and interment was made in Sandy cemetery.

Jack and Donald Morgan, the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Morgan, have been staying at the home of their uncle, W. T. Shelley for the past week and will remain there until the close of the Gresham grade school. Mrs. Morgan is in a Portland hospital to undergo an operation for the removal of the tonsils.

Mrs. Anna Schmale of Portland spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Chase E. St. Clair.

Lester Miller and his sister Miss Mary Miller attended a party Friday evening at the home of their former pastor in Portland at which time their Sunday school class was entertained.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. W. Brown and daughter Doris and Miss Louise Emerson made a trip to Eugene on Sunday where they visited with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pihl and the W. K. Hamilton family.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE WILL HOLD MEETING

A meeting has been called by County Agent S. B. Hall of the advisory committee of the Cooperative Berry Growers association, which was selected at the recent annual meeting of the association, to be held at the cannery office on Monday evening, May 4 at 7:30 o'clock, to consider plans for the betterment of the association. One of the big projects under advisement is that of preparing for the shipment of fresh berries in car lots. Manager D. E. Towle and others believe that this phase of marketing is one which should be developed and that to be successful close team work will be necessary.

Mr. Hall is chairman and J. J. Fisher secretary of the advisory committee. Other members are Tom Cowing, Ed. Spath, John Burggraf, S. A. Roberts, Ernest Johnson, K. Kaser, Mrs. Wm. Gilbert, John Williams, Anton Hendrickson, F. O. Ekstrom, David Schwartz, Mrs. M. Lennartz, T. H. Gill, P. W. Ledine, Wm. Kniefel, Elmer Williams, Mrs. Fred Lehman, Mrs. J. P. Lynch, Frans Mattson, W. C. Lawrence, B. E. Boic Thos. Harvey, N. P. Nelson, F. J. Keller, A. H. Wright, Mrs. Wm. Harding, Emil Satterstrom, Wm. Lindeman.

AGED WOMAN KNOWN HERE PASSES AWAY

On April 25, Mrs. Sarah Sloop, mother of C. H. and Grant Sloop of Pleasant Home, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Z. G. Steele, who lives at Metzger, Oregon.

Sarah was born in Hamilton, Ohio, in 1844. During the early part of her life she was engaged in millinery work and school teaching. In the year 1868 she was married to Harrison Sloop and in 1878 crossed the plains by way of team and wagon. They settled near Astoria, Oregon where Mrs. Sloop spent the rest of her life except the last ten years which she spent with her children, stopping where she could do the most good. She spent two years with C. H. Sloop, and his children after his wife passed away.

The remains were taken to the Knappa cemetery near the family homestead.

Besides the three children mentioned, Mrs. Sloop is survived by four other children: B. J. Sloop, Astoria, Oregon; R. D. Sloop, Yakima, Wash.; Ralph Sloop, Tangent, Oregon; and Mrs. Warren Rushmore, of Longview, Wash. Also two sisters, Mrs. Lizzie Rose, Astoria, Oregon; Mrs. Phoebe Massure, Ames, Iowa, and one brother, Elton Sloop of Alberta, Canada.

Mrs. Sloop was at the head of a large family as she was the mother of 12 children, grandmother to 47 and great grandmother to 16.

She was a member of the Presbyterian church in Astoria.

Funeral Procession Halted by Accident

A distressing accident halted the funeral procession last Sunday when the remains of Mrs. Margaret Thornton, mother of Mrs. W. H. Gibson, were being taken to Clackamas cemetery, when the Gibson car, immediately behind the hearse and loaded with members of the family, was struck by another car coming in from a side road. Fortunately, no person was injured. Mr. Gibson's car had running board and fender damaged but the car responsible for the accident was badly damaged and had to be towed in. Gibson's heavy car received the blow on the left side, a little back of the middle, and was swung around across the road. The other car belonged to Carl Smith of Hoquiam, Washington, and was being driven by his companion, a Mrs. Carlson. The accident occurred on 82d street near Gray's Crossing.

Everything I am or ever hope to be I owe to my angel mother.—A. Lincoln.

SUDDEN DEATH TAKES MRS. LOUEZA WONACOTT

For the second time inside a month and a half death has entered the Wonacott home. This time the call was made for the widowed companion of the late Judge Wonacott, Mrs. Loueza Ann Wonacott, whose sudden demise at 3 o'clock Monday morning was a shock to the entire community, and at first the news could scarcely be credited by her friends, as she had apparently retired in her usual health after attending church services Sunday evening with a nearby friend.

Death was due to an attack of heart disease from which she had been a sufferer for some time in a mild form. When her husband passed away on March 20, the mother was induced by the children to spend a short time with them and she could have had a good home with any one of her five children had she been so disposed or could have had the company of some one in her home, but as she was entirely unafraid in her nature and as there were near neighbors on both sides of her house, she was allowed to have her wish to remain alone in the home which she had shared with her departed husband, the memories of which were seemingly so sacred to her.

On Sunday evening Mrs. Wonacott attended religious services with Mrs. Fietta Hibbert who lives in the house south of the Wonacott residence. She retired soon after reaching home in good spirits. Miss Elva Dolan, who lives directly north of the Wonacott home was awakened at 2 o'clock Monday morning by Mrs. Wonacott who complained of feeling ill. She hastened at once to her relief, telephoning to two Gresham physicians, also to a son, Charles, in Portland. As he was himself sick with an attack of flu, he sent word immediately to his brother Roy, who with Mrs. Charles Wonacott drove to Gresham, but the mother had passed away a few moments before they were able to reach here. Miss Dolan, Dr. Hughes and Dr. Mary Becker were the only ones present at the time of her death. Everything was done for her that was possible, but nothing was of avail.

Loueza Ann Robinson, the daughter of Perry A. and Susan Robinson, was born in Chandlerville, Illinois, February 25, 1854. She was a child of pioneer Dunkard stock, as likewise the man to whom she was married in 1869, George Washington Wonacott. They came to Oregon in 1882, and proving herself a brave helpmeet in the thrilling experience which were encountered during their trip across the plains.

The deceased is survived by five children, Mrs. William Glover of San Francisco, William P. of Silverton, Edward L. of Kimberly, Idaho, and Charles N. and Roy F. of Portland. She also leaves five sisters, Mrs. J. L. Steel, Mrs. Ida Estes and Mrs. August Deo, of Los Angeles, Mrs. J. C. Armstrong of Welch, La., and Mrs. J. T. Mullen of Taylorville, Illinois, and a brother, William Robinson, of Jacksonville, Florida. The two children who live at some distance, Mrs. Glover and Edward Wonacott, are on their way to Portland.

The funeral services will be held on Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the undertaking parlors of Snook & Wheelton, Portland, 55th and Belmont streets, conducted by Dr. A. Thompson. The Gresham chapter of O. E. S. will have charge of the services at the grave. Interment will be made in Rose City cemetery.

JOHN C. HESSEL JOINS BROTHER IN BUSINESS

John C. Hessel, a brother of Will, head of the Hessel Implement company, came to Gresham from St. Cloud, Minnesota, about two weeks ago and is now actively associated with him in the implement business, along which line he has had 22 years' experience in Minnesota with the International Harvester company. Mr. Hessel made a trip to the coast last January and was so pleased with this part of the country he determined to make it his home. His family consists of a daughter of 16 who is now attending the University of Minnesota and who is planning to join her father at this place at the close of the present school year.

INSURANCE FOR FARMERS.

The Farmers Mutual Fire Relief Assn., of Portland, is upon its 21st year, and is the largest Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Assn. west of the Rocky mountains. The yearly report filed with the Insurance Commissioner shows a total membership of more than 13,000, with \$20,500,000 in force, an increase of \$2,500,000 over that of 1923. The fire losses for 1924 aggregated \$55,000, all of which have been adjusted and promptly paid. No lower rate on farm insurance can be obtained from any other company in Oregon. If you believe in co-operative movement among the farmers and need insurance, call on President H. W. Snashall, at the Fair Grounds, Gresham. Phone 2101.—Adv.

CLUB SEEKS BETTER STREET CAR SERVICE

Probably no better plan for improving the car service between Gresham and Portland was ever proposed than that talked over at the commercial club meeting last night, and which is being submitted to the Portland Electric Power Co. for their consideration.

A petition has been recently circulated and largely signed by people of this locality asking the electric company to grant a lower round trip fare. This petition is now in the hands of officials of the company.

The plan suggested is that the company make the track between Montavilla and Gresham narrow gauge and run its street cars through without change. This would necessitate laying an extra rail between Ruby Junction and Gresham so that the freight and Bull Run cars could be routed through Linnemann as at present.

This route is between three and four miles shorter than the distance from Gresham to Portland over the Estacada line and should make possible a lower fare and better time through many rapidly growing suburban points needing better street car facilities.

There has also been made the suggestion that if the company desired it might be possible to secure a franchise to extend the car track down Roberts avenue to Powell street and thus reach a more central point in the city.

The commercial club is submitting this suggestion to the traffic officials of the company and hopes it will be given consideration.

The road signs, pointing the way to Gresham, have been received and are in the hands of the committee to be placed at strategic location along the roads and highways leading to Gresham. The committee having this in charge is composed of Burton Walrad, D. L. McKillican and Perry Kitzmiller.

Attention was called to the very unsightly appearance of the north side of Powell street, where old buildings were recently torn down, between Roberts and Main, and a committee was appointed to wait on the owner with a request that pending building operations the unsightly view be shut off with a five-foot board fence.

The club acted on a request that the business houses of the city be closed on the day of the grocers' picnic about July 15 on the fair grounds. The club requests that business places be closed during the afternoon on that occasion.

WINDOW DISPLAY SHOWS SERIOUS FIRE EFFECTS

Forest Protection Week, which is being given national prominence this week through numerous display and advertising features, has been localized in a very fitting manner by the L. L. Kidder Hardware company in an artistic window display which is well worthy of more than passing notice.

On one side is seen a green forest of luxuriant growth and abundant foliage. In the center of the inviting scene is a miniature lake and a tent suggestive of happy camp life. "Recreation" would properly be the keynote of the sylvan scene, but on the other hand is depicted the contrast—a revolting picture of "Devastation."

The careless camper has probably left a smoldering fire which has been quickened into life by a fitful wind, and nothing but the charred remains of a once beautiful forest are seen. The mirrored lake is covered with debris. "Fire, the outlaw, don't turn him loose on the national forests" is the injunction to the spectator which, if heeded by the public at large, would soon reduce to a minimum the havoc wrought every year by non-thinking campers and hunters.

New hats will be trimmed with skunk fur. That's scents-ible.—The Tattler.

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Be Careful With Fire!!

The following is a portion of Section 9, Chapter 281, General Laws of Oregon, enacted at the 1925 session of the Legislature.

Section 9. Unlawful to Fire Slashing During Certain Seasons Without Permit—Penalties, Exceptions—Power of Governor to Declare Closed Season. During the period between May 15 to October 1, which is hereby designated the closed season, it shall be unlawful for any one to set on fire, or cause to be set on fire, any forest land, grass, grain or stubble, either his own or the property of another, without first securing a written or printed permit from the forester or a warden and complying with the terms thereof.

Violations of these provisions are punishable by fine and imprisonment.

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