

FARMERS FIELD DAY PROGRAM IS VARIED

The annual farmers' field day picnic to be held the coming Saturday promises a program of varied sports and instructive amusements. The Gresham band will begin the exercises of the day at 10 o'clock by a concert of choice selections which will be followed by the singing of "America" by the audience, and invocation. George Palmiter, master of the Oregon state grange, will introduce the speaker of the day, Albert S. Goss, master of the Washington state grange, who will deliver an address on "Cooperation."

After a basket dinner and community singing under the direction of Wm. H. Boyer, supervisor of music in the Portland schools, interspersed with community drills by the children of the grammar schools, the sports of the afternoon will take place, under the direction of M. M. Squire. Eight different stunts or contests will be staged as follows: a potato race for married women, the prize of which will be a merchandise order for a \$2.50 cake from the Puritan bakery, Montavilla; a wheelbarrow race for boys under 15 years, flashlights as prizes; a pie eating contest, boys under 12 years, first prize, \$2 cash and second prize, a pocket knife; a tug of war, Herman Townsend and Herbert Lynch, captains, the prize to be a box of cigars; a centipede race, five people in team, free for all, prize \$1.25; a nail driving contest, one woman from each grange, prize a towel rack; filling a jar with water, for girls under 10 years, three prizes of hosiery to be the awards; a crab race for boys under 10 years, a cap and pair of tennis shoes for the prizes.

In regard to the principal address of the morning, that to be delivered by Mr. Goss, the master of the Washington state grange, J. J. Johnson who is chairman of the events of the forenoon's program, has this to say of the speaker: "Mr. Goss is a man from practical experience and also from a matter of theory who is amply capable of dealing with the subject of cooperation, and I am sure that every farmer who attends this field day will be very greatly interested and also benefited by his address. It is the first time that we have had the pleasure of hearing the master of the Washington state grange."

MUSICAL INSTRUCTOR RETURNS FROM CHINA

Miss Florence Honey arrived home several days ago from a year and a half spent as instructor in music in the McTeire schools for girls at Shanghai. This school, which is under the supervision of the Southern Methodist church, is the finest school for girls in China and has justly been called the "Vassar of China." The safe arrival of Miss Honey from the war-torn regions of the Orient is the occasion of much rejoicing on the part of her many friends. While very successful in her work with the Chinese girls and much interested in her chosen profession and what she has been able to accomplish among them, she has no intention of returning to China.

Miss Honey speaks from experience of the conditions there as much worse than those preceding the Boxer uprising, the terrors of which are recalled by newspaper readers. The older Chinese residents regard the situation as more tense and fear that the agitation will be more lasting than any previous one. Shanghai has been like an armed camp, with volunteer companies, marines of several nationalities as well as the regular police force patrolling the streets and the borders of the settlement. The causes which led up to the recent disturbance are so fresh in the public mind that it would be useless to try to go into the details of the same in an article of this kind, but Miss Honey does not regard the newspaper reports as being too highly colored.

During her residence in China Miss Honey has grown accustomed to the people and their customs and among other things, she has mastered the art of eating with chopsticks although she still prefers the regulation knife and fork. The Honey home on Wallula Heights is fairly alive with rare and beautiful Chinese relics picked up in various localities of the Empire. She was met at Vancouver, B. C., by her parents and brother, John K. Honey who drove up to the Canadian port to accompany her to Gresham.

Gresham Community Church Bible Standard.

Evangelist Mrs. Charles Dillon will have charge of the services Wednesday evening at 8 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Come and hear the gospel message in full brought by this lady evangelist from Angelus temple, Los Angeles, California.

1925 BERRY CROP WILL PROVE LIGHT

D. E. TOWLE.

The red raspberry and loganberry harvests are well advanced. The crop is proving lighter than our lowest estimates and the loss of berries from lack of harvesters has been less than usual. We have had the most harvest help we ever have had, also cannery workers. This is very encouraging and helpful and would warrant us in increasing our cannery capacity to include cherry canning next year. There has been a serious loss of cherries especially Lamberts and Bings this season owing to a lack of fly control. This loss is entirely inexcusable as the fly can be poisoned and the nuisance controlled if the grower will devote a little time and a few pennies to put out the poison bait at the right time. Some growers do this and the control is complete. We should have a drastic law that would require the cherry grower to do one of two things, either poison the flies or cut down the trees as their neglect injures their neighbors.

Through our car shipments of berries it makes possible the reaching daily of the best cherry markets in America receiving the highest market price for both berries and cherries in any quantity great or small. We shipped only eight cars of berries and cherries but enough to prove the value of this outlet for both fruits, and great credit should be given those growers who under adverse conditions persevered and made a success of this work. They have proved that the plan is practical and that it is possible for a picker without a college education to pick bright firm berries in one hallock and dark over-ripe ones in another, thus insuring the offering of good stock for shipment any season under any condition. This is a very valuable addition to our knowledge in berry farming and will be of great value in future harvests. We expect to fall short on filling our barrel sales orders for both red raspberries and logans and we hope you will not disband your picking as long as you can pick 50 pounds per day per acre every six days. This can be done by paying off all of your crew except enough to pick over the berries once a week and in this way get them all. Most growers have a fair crop of berries coming on from the late blooms and these berries should not be wasted and while the picking from each acre will be small, every 25 pounds to the acre from our 1200 acres at a pick would total 15 tons or 75 barrels and it will pay you well for the extra effort and help to fill our orders and hold the trade for next year. This is very important and we trust you will do your best to harvest every berry possible.

ANNUAL CANNERY PICNIC EVENT OF THURSDAY

The Berry Growers and Cannery Workers annual picnic will be held at Dodge Park on Thursday the 16th from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. with a radio entertainment and an opportunity to trip the light fantastic on the shed floor in the evening. This will be a "come as you please" picnic, each party to provide their own lunch except a helping of ice cream that will be furnished by the association. A short program of music, songs and talks will be given at the cannery in the evening and there will be games and sports at the park. Come and enjoy the day and drive dull care away.

WASHINGTON COUPLE HAS GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Middleton celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary July 4th at the home of their niece, Mrs. Lee Sheller who lives near Gresham on Route 1, Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Middleton are spending the summer at their niece's home, coming there from Grandview, Washington, a short time ago. They were married at Beatrice, Nebraska, and lived there and in North Dakota until in 1893 when they came to Washington, living on a farm until a few years ago. Three sons were born to them, of which but one is living, Oscar Middleton of Portland. The gathering on July 4 was also a meeting of four generations, all of the name of Middleton and each the oldest son of his father. They are Jesse Middleton, his son, Oscar Middleton, a son Claude Middleton and his small son, "Bobby." Other relatives present were the three Middleton wives, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Middleton, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Middleton, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Sheller and three sons and Ray Powell and son. Friends present were Mr. and Mrs. Vowler of Sellwood and J. H. Ide and family of Gresham. The guests came with well-filled lunch baskets and the table was spread under the shade of the fir trees. The aged couple received as presents quite a number of gold coins to do with as suited their fancy. Their friends departed wishing them many more happy years together.



HELLO, BILL!

We're glad you're here for your annual Grand Lodge convention, out in this happy playground of the northwest. You're most welcome and no representative body of benevolent and patriotic American citizens could be more welcome.

You, Brother Bill, are human like the rest of us, but you are charitable, brotherly and loyal and believe in and practice the Golden Rule and altogether your ever conspicuous emblem, not because it is pretty but because of what it has and does stand for, and there is no question of your loyalty to a man if it should ever be attacked.

You are loyal not only to the flag but to the constitution and laws of your country and encourage obedience to law and constituted authority.

You practice benevolence and your charity is of the broadest and most Christian kind. You do not ask is the object of your charity worthy—you give special attention to needy children and try to make them happy. You encourage the Boy Scouts and try to make good citizens of foreigners who seek a home on our shores.

You recognize and encourage a broad religious spirit and a Christian charity and tolerance toward all. Your principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherhood are all founded on a well established belief in a Supreme Being.

You believe in fun and recreation, of course, and wherever you go you encourage happiness among men.

So we're glad you're with us, Brother Bill. There are about a million like you who are proud to be called the "Best People on Earth," otherwise the Hello, Bill!

GREAT PREPARATIONS BEING MADE FOR COUNTY FAIR, TWO WEEKS OFF

Double as large and twice as good appears to be a proper slogan for the Multnomah county fair this year for it is the promise of the various officials in charge that it exactly fits. Never before, according to them, have as many exhibits been entered, as many horses signed for the race meeting, as big a spread of canvas for a carnival been secured, as thrilling a wild west promised. In short, the fair, which opens July 28 and closes August 2, gives every indication of not only equaling all previous efforts of the board but surpassing them in many respects.

"Say for me," stated President A. W. Metzger, "that the fair this year will be not only bigger but better in every particular. Our program will be more extensive and our exhibits will cover every subject of interest to the farmer and the majority of our visitors."

Multnomah county fair has more boosters this year than ever before. Everybody is getting behind it. Portland is rallying as never before, due in large measure to the addition of many prominent Rose City people to the fair board. Governor Pierce and Mayor Baker are one in putting their shoulders to the wheel of advertising the fair and calling upon the people to support it. Every effort will be made to make it the equal of the state fair and these men are doing their part in that direction.

T. J. Kreuder and F. H. Crane, in charge of the agricultural and horticultural exhibits, declare they will outshine all other years both in number, quality and variety. These men have been hard at it for weeks lining up displays and success has crowned their efforts. When a new pavilion is provided, in another year, they will be in their element for then they will be enabled to make a display which will literally "knock one's eye out."

Mrs. Frank Heimey, although given an entire building for her floral exhibit this year, has announced that she has insufficient room to show all the flowers and plants offered. Mrs. U. G. Smith, with her art department in enlarged quarters, is already bemoaning the fact that more space is needed.

More than 500 head of cattle, hogs and sheep are entered. Where to put them all is a question, but room will be provided in some manner. This department will surpass last year's which was a banner year. Entries are coming from near and far with many exhibiting who have never done so before or not for several years.

The boys' and girls' clubs will exhibit in increased numbers. In their new quarters for this year they will

WARM SPRINGS HANK BRINGS 4 BUCKERS

Henry Haskins, known as Warm Springs Hank, well known eastern Oregon horseman, will be here at the fair again this year. He already has four of his best buckers and a race horse known as Red Bird. With a 17-year-old rider he promises some great exhibitions of bucking. He will enter the contests and the other buckaroos will need to look to their laurels. Mr. Haskins promises to ride his wildest buckers, Blackhawk, and make him do his worst.

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have more room than formerly and will be enabled to make a better display. This is one branch which the fair officials are getting behind with all their strength and another year it is hoped a new building, especially designed for their use, may be available.

The Umatilla Indians are coming again. They will be found in the same location as last year and will take part in all parades, races, wild west performances and special feats. They were a real attraction in 1924 and should be even more so this year.

The wild west will set a new pace for the fair. It will be the equal of the roundup at Pendleton or the stampede at Cheyenne. Ben Jory, famed for his wild west performances, and the man who made Pendleton what it is today, will be in charge. He is already on the ground and has brought a veritable herd of saddle horses, mules, bucking horses, bull dogging steers and other animals with him. Then he has the really famous cowboys of the world with him! Included are Bob Hall of Los Angeles, Al Biscarrel, four times grand champion of Nevada; Dale Case of Missoula, 1924 champion of the Union Stock yards show at Chicago; Ruben Hogg of Union and Frank Smith of Los Angeles. In addition he has the woman champion bucking and trick rider, four bull doggers, two old Pendleton stage coaches and Homer Hokum, famous clown of the roundup in New York, who is declared without a peer in the fun making line.

Demonstration Opening Night. Opening night, July 28, there will be a monster military demonstration in which at least four companies of Oregon national guard and a battery of field artillery will participate. It is declared by the officers in charge that this event will be not merely spectacular but a thriller.

The horse races will start Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock and continue up to and including Sunday, August 2. Purses will total \$6000 with two special events for \$1000 purses each. More than 75 horses, the greatest number ever entered, will be on hand and will come from Canada, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Nevada, Montana, Arizona and California. Many of them have never been seen here, assuring the best race program Tom Howitt has ever provided.

The carnival, the biggest ever to show here, will be located on the new 12-acre tract recently purchased. Its spread of canvas will be approximately eight acres. The Levitt-Brown-Huggins shows have been secured again and will present everything in their list for the enjoyment of the throngs.

The construction of the new entrance to the fair grounds is well under way and begins to loom up big.

A wire fence has been built by the Northwest Wire Fence Co. around the greater part of the fair grounds.

The fair board has arranged to purchase the strip, 50 by 363 feet, of Mrs. Sarah Burr. It has been used each year for concession space.

Piano Tuning. Piano tuning \$3.50. Piano a id organ repairing. Fred B. Jones 2625 East 49th street, Portland, phone TAbor 8952, or Gresham 1561.—Adv.

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GRESHAM TRAVELERS FEEL EARTHQUAKE

The Misses Hester Thorpe and Esther Peterson returned Saturday from an extended auto trip into southern California which was brimful of adventure and a rather exciting experience when at Los Angeles, 90 miles from the scene of the Santa Barbara earthquake they saw the furniture of their room rocking in an uncertain manner. They were accompanied south by Miss Gertrude Bilyeu, a Portland teacher residing at Albany, who remained at Los Angeles to attend the southern branch of the University of California summer school. On the Fourth of July they lunched at the Mission Inn, a famous watering place at Riverside. The wealthy owner of this inn has made a collection of furnishings which is world-renowned. Antique furniture of various sorts, an art gallery of scenes from many climes, a collection of mission bells gathered from coast missions and arranged in a pleasing manner,—these and many other attractions make up a hostelry which once seen is not easily forgotten. They also visited the spot near San Diego where Helen Hunt Jackson wrote her famous book, "Ramona."

While in California the visitors met Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brown, Ross Brown, Miss Edith Hyatt and a number of other acquaintances, some of whom were former friends in Gresham. They made the trip by the coast route, returning through the valley.

DOUBLE WEDDING IS SOCIAL EVENT

A double wedding involving four of Gresham's most popular young people was solemnized at the home of Dr. A. Thompson Saturday evening at 5 o'clock, the doctor performing the ceremonies, when Miss Hazel Cooley became the bride of Clair Stockton and Miss Frieda Peterson was united in wedlock with Newell Fancher. Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Bailey and Mrs. A. Thompson were the sole witnesses of the impressive service. All of the young people are well and favorably known in Gresham and all but the bride of Clair Stockton are graduates of Gresham Union high school. Mrs. Stockton is planning to finish her high school course the coming year. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Cooley and Mr. Stockton the son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Stockton. The couple will reside in the old Cooley house in Zenith addition and the groom will become associated with his father in the contracting business, it is understood.

Newell Fancher is a rising automobile mechanic and has been employed at the Raker garage nearly three years. He will continue in his present position and he and his bride will reside at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Fancher between Gresham and Troutdale, while the latter make an extended trip east which will begin this week. Mrs. Fancher is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Peterson and for the past two years and a half has been employed as saleslady at the Twentieth Century grocery where by her courteous manner and strict attention to business she has won many friends. It is understood she will resume her position at the store. Both of the brides have been the recipients of a number of beautiful gifts during the past few weeks. Immediately following the ceremony the couples left for the coast where they will spend a week at different seaside points.

The wedding story would not be complete without an account of the successful kidnapping of one of the happy couples of Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Stockton eluded capture, but their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Fancher were not so fortunate. While making preparations to depart, the bride was hustled into a machine in front of the Murphy home where she has been staying for some months past and the bridegroom into a separate machine where they were unwillingly treated to joy rides that had not been incorporated into the original program. However, they finally left their tormentors in the distance and proceeded happily on their way to the coast.

Union Church Services Planned. A union meeting will be held at the Methodist church Thursday evening at 7:45 o'clock which will be participated in by all of the churches of Gresham in connection with the religious canvass which is now going on. Dr. Dyke of the board of home missions and church extension and the Rev. A. S. Hisey will speak and all are requested to join in the service.

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BERRY PICKERS LIKE STRONG'S PATCHES

Again the end of the berry season begins to loom in sight. The thousands, especially from the city, will soon be planning to vacate their pleasant country surroundings of fresh air, trees, grass and the other habiliments of Mother Nature and will return to the stuffy quarters of the city where the children especially will recall with many longings the happy days spent in the berry fields and among the cherry trees.

The largest grower in this section, H. W. Strong, has as yet about 500 pickers at work besides the children, and is taking from 1300 to 1500 crates of fruit daily into Portland. Several days since he reported that approximately 100,000 pounds of loganberries and 100,000 of red raspberries had been marketed and that the berries were still coming along well.

To write a story of the Strong berry ranch, the season's workings from a commercial standpoint and otherwise, a story concerning the toilers in the field, their joys and sorrows, would be to write a book, and perhaps one that would be worth reading at that. Mr. Strong evidently believes in the old adage that "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." An auditorium has been constructed which will seat around 500 and once a week during the season a concert is put on by the employes, often assisted by local talent and that of the city. Musical numbers, readings, novelty stunts, etc., make up a varied program which often is both interesting and instructive. At the last concert Felix Chiodo entertained his audience with selections on his piano-accordion, W. D. Kinder gave several violin numbers, accompanied by Miss Willene Botkin, who also played for the community singing which was quite a feature of the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Strong contributed a duet which was well received.

Baseball is another diversion at the ranch which receives enthusiastic support and each evening a hundred or more fans will gather to cheer for their favorite players. Several teams forming a league have been organized during the past weeks and the keenest rivalry exists among them.

Another phase of a camp of this size is the problem of keeping order. Differences are bound to arise among several hundred people and each person is entitled to a hearing. Court convenes whenever the occasion demands and each man is his own attorney. Mr. Strong sits on the bench and acts in the capacity of supreme court. There is no appeal from his final decree and so far everyone has been satisfied with his just decisions.

The entire force enjoyed a picnic recently at Blue lake near Fairview, requiring four big trucks to furnish means of transportation. The fine art of swimming was enjoyed to the utmost. Religious services have been held from time to time in the open grove under the direction of the Rev. W. T. Klotzbach and these have been much appreciated. Plans are now in progress for a band concert to be given at the ranch by the Gresham band on the evening of July 18.

Taken all around the Strong camp is as near ideal as can be found anywhere in a similar industry. The tents are arranged systematically and everything is in a fine sanitary condition. The feeling of fellowship and goodwill is mutual which is a great factor toward the making of success in any enterprise.

AUTOMOBILES COLLIDE ON CHURCH CORNER

A near head-on collision occurred Friday at the Methodist church corner at South Roberts avenue and Powell street when two machines, each at top speed, one rounding the corner coming in from the south and the other trying to make the same corner from the east, bumped unceremoniously into the other, locking wheels and smashing up a fender on each machine. Luckily no one was hurt, although it is regarded as little short of a miracle no injury resulted. A girl was in the Overland coupe coming from the direction of Portland, but no names could be obtained of the occupants of either car. Double parking in front of A. W. Metzger's store was said to be the cause of the accident, as the girl was forced toward the middle of the street by the double line of machines. As the damage to the autos was about of equal value, each went on their way thankful it was no worse.

Chicken Dinner. Special chicken dinner every Wednesday noon until further notice. Price 50c. Withrow's Restaurant.—Ad.

Plan to attend the Farmers' Field Day and Picnic on Fair Grounds, Saturday, July 18th.