

## FARMS OF COUNTY MORE BUT SMALLER

The number of farms in Multnomah county has increased nearly 10 per cent during the five year period from January 1, 1920, to January 1, 1925, according to the preliminary announcement of the department of commerce, based on the farm census taken nearly a year ago.

There are more farms in number but they are smaller in acreage on the average. There are more owners and fewer tenants. Farm values have increased but the increase is all in buildings and then some, as the land alone in farms in the county is not valued as high as five years ago.

Strange to say the only item of livestock that shows an increase during the five-year period is mules, there being 82 now as against 58 then.

Oats, hay, white potatoes and apples each show a decrease in acreage and yield during the period.

The information given is as of January 1, 1925, but the statistics have just been given out for publication and are subject to revision, though believed to be substantially correct. In the following items taken from the report the first number is for 1925, the second number for 1920. The increase or decrease will easily be seen.

Number of farms, 1925—1828; owners, 1499—1216; tenants, 479—589.

Acreage in farms, 79,617—100,495.

Value of farm land, \$21,430,235—\$22,149,525; value of buildings, \$5,108,855—\$3,934,317.

Horses on farms, 2180—2644; cattle, total, 12,413—13,673; dairy cows, 8,728—8,963; swine, total, 4,553—6,526.

The crop report is for 1924 and 1919 and shows oats, acres, 2,820—3,649; hay, acres, 12,069—12,855; potatoes, acres, 2,598—3,630; potatoes, bushels, 316,266—345,411.

The report does not cover other fruits than apples, or other vegetables than potatoes, and these are not to be considered principal crops in this county.

### Notice to Telephone Subscribers.

Arrangements are being made for the publication of a new directory in the near future. Subscribers are asked to notify the office of changes or corrections desired.—Adv.

## FACES, FACES, FACES: MANY IN CONTEST



Keen interest is being manifested in the Halloween beauty contest which is being put on by the Walrad Mercantile company and which will close tomorrow at 1 o'clock, the prize winners to be on display in the windows of the store tomorrow evening. A prize of a \$2 merchandise order will be awarded for the largest pumpkin with face, a \$2 prize for the best comic face and a prize of \$1 for the best artistic face.

By the way inquiries have been pouring in and the way the management of the store has been besieged with questions concerning the contest, there will be no lack of artistic talent displayed in the final windup. Gresham is not suffering from a dearth of artists. Many a small boy has been working industriously overtime during the past week fashioning faces which would terrify as well as mystify the very old sprite of Halloween himself. No doubt there will be jolly faces, sad ones, faces never seen on land or sea, but of course the faces most in preponderance will be the jolly old standbys that have been the delight of youngsters since time immemorial or since the vigil of All Hallows or All Saints first came to be observed, which is the beginning of our present Halloween.

To see that everything is done impartially, a record will be kept of all entries by a number. The faces are to be made by the entrant and three judges will be on hand to see that no favoritism is shown. Mayor Cleveland, Dr. C. W. Huett and H. L. St. Clair have been asked to assist in the capacity of judges and with three such men, giving of their time and talents to such a worthy enterprise, surely the youngsters will be satisfied at the outcome of their decisions.

### Gresham Beauty Shoppe

here to serve you. Efficient and courteous treatment. Mrs. Lois St. Clair, First State Bank building, phone Gresham 1841.—Adv.

## GRESHAM VERSUS ESTACADA TODAY

Business Houses Close and Everybody Watches the Big Football Tussle Between Strong Rival High School Elevens.

One of the closest and most exciting games of the season was played on the local grid this afternoon resulting in a victory for the visiting eleven with a score of 14 to 6. The game was witnessed by two thousand people and attracted a great deal of attention.

### COURT DECISION AFFECTS GRESHAM BUSINESS MAN

A decision recently handed down in the Oregon state supreme court is of special interest to several Gresham people, and has brought considerable satisfaction to Guy D. Jones, Gresham jeweler, who thereby is relieved of the payment of more than one hundred dollars, besides court costs. Outcault Advertising company, a corporation of Chicago, was plaintiff and appellant, and Jones was defendant and respondent.

The case grew out of the repudiation of a contract entered into between Jones and the advertising company in January, 1920, by which the former was to use the latter's advertising service for a year at a cost of \$109.20 for the use of cuts and type. This did not cover the cost of advertising space in the Gresham Outlook, which the representative of the company quoted at just half the price given by the newspaper, but which Jones did not take the trouble to verify, since the salesman assured him that he had just come from the newspaper office, where he had been given the rates. Jones did not use any of the advertising service but sent it back to the company, and in the spring of 1921 the latter brought action to recover the full sum of \$109.20. Jones filed an answer denying the material allegations of the complaint, and set up an affirmative defense, charging fraud on the part of the salesman in obtaining his signature to the contract. The decree was rendered in favor of the defendant, cancelling the contract and settling the costs upon the advertising company, which appealed the case.

Some interesting considerations were brought out in the supreme court decision. In reply to the statement on the part of the plaintiff that the defendant could easily have verified the cost of advertising space the justice said: "It does not seem to have occurred to the defendant to doubt the statements made to him by the plaintiff's agent. One who intentionally, knowingly, willfully makes a false statement to another thereby inducing the other to enter into a contract which he would not have made but for such false statement ought not to be heard to say that the injured party should not have believed it but she have instituted an independent inquiry for the purpose of ascertaining the truth of such representation before entering into the contract."

McGuirk & Schneider were attorneys for the defendant and respondent, and C. D. Christensen and Maurice W. Seitz of Portland for the plaintiff and appellant.

Turn over a new leaf—to the Want Ads.

## OAKS RINK

"Home of Clean Sports"  
W. M. BESTONE, Manager

C'mon, You Skaters! The Fall Skating Season's now on, afternoon and night. Big time for all!

LADIES' SKATES FREE  
Monday and Thursday Nites

Big Halloween Masked Carnival  
Saturday Night, October 31  
Dandy Prizes!

Cars via First and Alder Streets  
Autos via Spokane Avenue

## LECTURE

At the Grange Hall, Gresham, Ore.  
MONDAY, NOV. 1, 1925, 7:45 p. m.

Was this earth created 6000 years ago? Or did it come into existence by evolution? Answering many questions asked by the Bibles critics. Cain's mark, what was it? Bring your Bibles. FREE

J. C. YANDELL



MISS D. WILLA CAFFRAY

She will begin evangelistic services at the Methodist Episcopal church next Sunday, preaching at 11 o'clock in the morning and 7:30 in the evening. Miss Caffray will be accompanied by Miss Christensen, who is a talented soloist and chorus director, and who will have charge of children's meetings.

### POPULAR OAKS RINK IMPROVED, REOPENED

With its famous maple floor re-surfaced and a brand new trombone band The Oaks Roller Rink was formally reopened to the public the past weekend. Near-capacity crowds were on hand to make the occasion memorable and to laud the fine appearance of the rink. Prizes were generally distributed by W. M. Bestone, its popular manager, and a royal good time was seemingly enjoyed by skater and spectator alike.

Among the events of the Oaks rink calendar in the near future is a Halloween masked carnival tomorrow night (Saturday), October 31. Prizes are to be awarded for the best, most original, and comic costumes as well as for special events. As the select standards of the Oaks rink are a matter of record, no doubt many Gresham young people will be seen enjoying the gaiety. Ladies' skates are to be free on Monday and Thursday evenings of each week. Wednesday night is to be a special contest night. Band music is offered Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday nights.

### GRESHAM LEGION POST BECOMES ACTIVE AGAIN

Gresham Post, the American Legion got down to business Tuesday after a vacation of a few months. Every man at the meeting paid dues for the coming year which gives the post a good start towards acquiring as many members or more than were on the roll last year.

Gresham Post was presented with a certificate of attainment in honor of having secured a greater membership for 1925 than that of 1924. Commander K. C. Roberts and Adjutant C. C. Yager were presented with cards of the same nature as the certificate given to the post. These were from the national headquarters and were signed by the national commander and adjutant.

A committee was appointed to take up the matter of securing a motion picture of war scenes. There are several, which were taken by the U. S. signal corps and are authentic. An effort will be made to secure "You Can't Stand There," a picture which reveals in an intimate way what happened to the average young American after Woodrow Wilson wrote his last note to the kaiser. It is built of exclusive scenes taken during the war and skillfully woven together into a continuity which, if you happen to be in the cast of characters, gives you a chance to relive those eventful days of slum and shells.

There is plenty of action to satisfy the movie fan's craving for thrills, and not a few genuine laughs. The picture covers the period of the war not only from the first line trenches, but shows also what happened behind the lines. It is a picture that any audience will enjoy and offers an abundance of entertainment.

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

### MUCH LIVESTOCK WILL BE AT INTERNATIONAL

The boys and girls of Multnomah county, including many in and around Gresham, are looking forward eagerly to the opening of the Pacific International Livestock exposition which swings open its doors on Saturday morning to admiring thousands. The following are the boys and girls who will enter exhibits together with the classes in which they show:

**Pigs**  
Hampshires—Edgar Dixon, Lawrence Mahaffey, Louise Wheeler, John Welbes, Thomas Darling, Vernon Burlingame.

Duroc—Isabel Newlands, Richard Denley, Millard Chase, Roy Carlson, Richard Beadle.

Chester White—William Newlands, Lawrence Douthit.

Poland China—Floyd Stafford.

**Cattle**  
Holsteins—John Fleming, Arthur Burns, Lawrence Aylsworth, Floyd Stafford, Walter Anderegg, Tracy Anderegg, Percy Carlson.

Jerseys—Carl Bowman, Alvin Tillman, Albert Gibson, Roy Beadle, Kenneth Kesterson, Lewis Dahl, Clifford Ekstrom, Alvin Johnson, Clyde Jennings, Sven Nelson.

Brown Swiss—Anna, Paul and Magdalena Boeckli and Alfred, Howard and George Grossen.

Sheep—Alvin Johnson, two market lambs.

Poultry—Carl Bowman, Edwin Maxwell, Collin Cree, Stanton Costner, Raymond Beigh, Charles Edwards, Roland Sheller, Wayne Adams, Lee Copeland, Paul Buckner, Gordon Osburn.

The following will exhibit potatoes in both the club and the open classes: Roland Schedeen, Amos Anderson, Gilbert Lind, Ted Lind, William Kreuger, Paul Boeckli, Ben Pauley, Ben and Paul Leuthe, Ray Kreuger, Gilbert Nelson, Carl Ekstrom and Sven Nelson.

### PUBLIC HEALTH GROUP ORGANIZED IN GRESHAM

Mrs. Saldie Orr-Dunbar, executive secretary of the State Tuberculosis association, was a speaker at a most interesting meeting of the Multnomah County Public Health association in the Gresham library on Tuesday. Health and the need of community interest in all phases of health education was discussed and as a result a health group was organized with Mrs. Roy E. Cannon as chairman and Mrs. George Honey as secretary. Standing committees will be appointed at an early date by the chairman. Others in attendance were, Mrs. J. G. Metzger, Mrs. W. J. Ott, Mrs. S. S. Thompson, Mrs. W. F. Honey, Mrs. B. L. Walrad, Mrs. C. W. Huett, Mrs. L. L. Kidder, Mrs. Frank Peak, Mrs. K. A. Miller, Mrs. H. S. Clow and Mrs. P. R. Whiteside of Portland, executive of the Multnomah County Public Health association.

### Garage Installs Grease Gun.

A late improvement at the service station of the Gresham Transfer & Storage company is a new grease gun, an appliance to be used in the greasing service there, which entirely removes the old grease from the transmissions and differentials. Those parts are then washed in kerosene and new grease put in. Heretofore the fresh grease was applied on top of the old, but the new arrangement will be a decided advantage.

New things under "Classified."

## HIGH SCHOOL MATTERS ARE PRESENTED BY PRINCIPAL

Principal R. E. Cannon is responsible for the following interesting sidelights on the workings of Gresham Union high school and its various activities in the following interesting notes:

We believe in athletics in high school when properly handled, because it means so much to us. We have boys in school who are doing good school work urged by the incentive of athletics. In order to represent the school each boy must be doing passing work in at least three subjects. I am in favor of requiring players to be doing passing work in all of their subjects before playing, but the Oregon high school athletic association rules read that they must carry four subjects and be passing in three. In addition a boy representing a school in any branch of athletics must be in school and earning three semester credits during the preceding semester before he is eligible.

We play our games on Friday because we lose very little time by so doing and it gives Saturday as an entire day for the boys to work. It would be impossible to have a representative school present should we play games other than on a school day. In addition it makes it possible

## VOTE NEXT TUESDAY AT CITY ELECTION

Next Tuesday, November 3, will be election day and it will be a very important day for Gresham because of the questions to be voted on.

There will be three councilmen to be elected. Five nominees have qualified, whose names appear on the ballot. They are, J. V. Cogswell, T. R. Howitt, W. C. Metzger, C. I. Raker and J. C. Shultz. Raker and Howitt are retiring councilmen and have served on the council for many years.

Two charter amendments are on the ballot, one coming up by petition from residents in Cleveland addition north of the present city limits asking to come into the corporate limits. The tract includes 37 lots. The property owners on the tract have been almost unanimous in desiring to be included in the city proper.

The other question is the organization of a bond issue of \$33,000 to provide funds for purchase of site and construction of reservoir with all necessary connections.

It is required by the city of Portland that such a reservoir be provided and the limit set is December 1. The council has been staving off the matter for some time on one pretext and another but now is strictly up against the ultimatum of the city of Portland. If this city has not taken the necessary steps to meet the demand on December first it is certain the city's water supply will be turned off immediately and that is a crisis no one would wish for.

The council has not purchased a site for a reservoir but has a location in view on Honey hill, west of Wallula avenue where a steel tank may be erected on a cement base. This, it is believed, based on engineer's estimates, will entail the least expense and time and give the best connections with both the main pipe lines and the city's water system.

It is important that all citizens who have the city's best interests at heart go to the polls and vote on Tuesday next.

### Queer Highway Accident Witnessed

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Calkins and three children from Hermiston, Oregon, have returned to Gresham to reside. They lived in Gresham about six years ago. As C. H. Calkins, who went to help the family move, was coming this way in company with his nephew with a truckload of household goods Monday evening, they saw a light machine approaching which evidently was beyond the control of the driver. The Calkins men expected to be hit by the car, but just before reaching them, it skidded and went off the grade, turned completely around and landed bottom side up at the foot of a 16-foot embankment. The car contained a man and woman and a 3-months old baby, but none was seriously injured, although considerably bruised. The machine was a complete wreck. The people proved to be Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rose, of Condon, who were on their way home from Portland. Mr. Calkins and his nephew assisted in dragging them out from beneath the auto and they were taken to a Hood River hospital for treatment.

### Chrysanthemums for Sale.

My chrysanthemums are now ready for sale, more beautiful than ever. Call and see them. Mrs. M. E. Williams, phone 58X4.—Adv.

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