

## Community Progress Is Recorded for Kelso and Sandy Localities

By MRS. ROBERT JONSRUD.  
Yes, the world does move. Progress is the watchword of the day. Roll back but a few years and compare with the present. Good roads are everywhere, bringing swift development of homes and industry. Fine high schools are accessible to the most remote by means of bus lines. The loneliest farm house is lonely no more, when each may sit under his own "vine and fig tree," listening to music, lecture or the world's news by means of that-greatest modern wonder, the radio. Learning is broadcast in the land. Electricity and other motive power makes easy and pleasant what was formerly farm drudgery. The air of our universe is conquered. How soon shall we conquer vaster spaces? There is no limit, and with breathless interest we await more wonders of the future, when perhaps disease, war and every adverse condition will be conquered, and we pause to wonder if the Christmas proclamation of "peace on earth, goodwill to men" will not soon be earnestly heeded as the solution to all the world's troubles.

Our community has shared in the blessings the past year has brought. Crops, as a rule, were up to or above the average, but it was an off season for apples in this section in contrast to the previous year when there was an oversupply. The Kelso grade school is still under the same able leadership, namely, Miss Inez Nyman, principal; and Mrs. Ella Baumbach, primary teacher. The pupils now number 62, a goodly increase over last year. The Kelso Woman's club, which does the work of a Parent-Teacher organization, recently held a bazaar for the benefit to the school, which netted \$80. Hot lunches are being served during the winter months to the school children, and are considered successful, with very small outlay per child. Our Union High School No. 2 at

Sandy is forging ahead under the able leadership of Principal Geo. D. Orr, assisted by the following staff of teachers: Neal Horr, manual training; W. E. Rannow, Latin, history and boys' athletics; Miss Edith Shell, English; Miss Arleigh Kammerer, domestic science; Miss Edna Thompson, commerce; Miss Roberta Williams, mathematics and girls' athletics. Principal Orr teaches science. There is also a girls' glee club and a splendid band under Mr. Orr's leadership. The school also has a Torch Honor society which is sponsoring a worthwhile film show once a week in the high school auditorium. The high school also issues a commendable school paper, "Mountain Echoes," once a month.

The Sandy grade school is under the efficient leadership of Roy Malley, principal; and Mrs. Cecilia Brown and Mrs. Zenger, assistants. Both Kelso and Sandy grade schools are preparing Christmas programs. Sandy Grange No. 392, held a most successful bazaar on Saturday, December 3, which netted them \$115. This grange is flourishing and has recently made several improvements. The hall, which is the property of the grange, unincumbered, has been repapered and painted; also a neat sign bearing the name and number of the grange was recently put in place. A ladies' dressing and rest room will be added later. Fourteen new members were initiated on Saturday, December 10, which will bring the membership up to 90. This grange meets the second Saturday of each month.

Some new industries have made their appearance during the year. Hartwig Bros. are operating a new filling station on the corner of the Bluff road and the Loop highway.

The Jonsrud-Gundersen Lumber company erected a planing mill and lumber yard in Sandy, where all kinds of shop work is also done. Mr. and Mrs. Frost are conducting chicken-raising on a large scale at Wistaria farm, a few miles above Sandy.

## Boring Has Been the Center of Much Road Building Work

By O. W. BORING.  
Once more as the year is drawing to a close we are looking back on our success or our failure, whichever it may have been. As individuals we can always see where we might have improved, and not have let so many opportunities slip by without grasping them. But we must remember that "there is no resurrection from the grave in which opportunity is buried." We should always be on the lookout for these opportunities whether they be financial, social or moral and be ready to improve them and do all the good that we can.

Looking back over the past year in this locality we can see some improvements probably not as many as in some former years, but they are what we may term lasting ones.

Boring for the last year has been the center of road work for this section of Clackamas county. The first activity in this line of work was the hauling of 8,000 yards of gravel onto the Mt. Hood Loop

road. This gravel was shipped in here over the P.E.P. line, then dumped into bunkers and then the contractor's trucks picked it up and distributed it over the loop. R. E. Johnson had the contract for doing this work. Then Clackamas county has graded and graveled the four miles of the Boring-Oregon City road, which connects up with the pavement at Damascus. Next year this will be paved, which will give a paved road from the Mt. Hood Loop two miles east of Boring, which will connect up with the Pacific highway near Clackamas station and connect with the Foster road at Damascus, thereby giving a paved road to Portland by this route, also shortening the distance between Boring and Portland. It has been stated that the paving plant to take care of this work will be located here, as it is the best place to get the material shipped in. When completed this road will eliminate all railroad crossings as the highway at Bor-

ing will go beneath the railroad track.

### New Farm Buildings

There has been some building going on which is a credit to any locality. In former years the buildings that were constructed in Boring were of a temporary type as are common in most towns which are started by a saw mill, but these are being discarded and more substantial ones are being built. A number of residences and barns have been built the past season, among which is the new home of Mr. Smith who recently purchased the C. E. Erickson place north of town. The modern homes of P. W. Ledine and August Leberg have been completed, and would be a valuable addition to any community. Mr. Adkins is building a bungalow on his property recently purchased. He has completed a barn and garage. Mr. Colligan is also building on the 10-acre tract that he purchased from T. A. Roots. Fred Ruegg and Mr. Frycklund have each built barns on their property. Besides these, many minor buildings have been constructed, and others are planning on building in the spring.

W. R. Telford, Boring's wide-awake merchant, is still carrying a line of general merchandise which would be a credit to any town outside the large cities. Mr. Telford is very accommodating and through this wins many friends.

The drug store which was formerly operated by Wm. Morand, has been transferred to I. D. Turner, who has moved the stock into the building which he formerly used as a pool hall. Mr. Turner carries, in connection with the drugs, a line of staple groceries and confections. He also does the barber work for this locality.

C. L. Gregson has taken over the Boring garage, which was formerly operated by W. W. Metzger, and by his winning smile and

efficient work is doing a good business.

The Boring Truck Co., operated by Yaun & Staeger, with its line of trucks is kept busy doing hauling. They collect milk and cream each morning which is taken to Portland creameries.

### Educational Advantages Fine

The education of the coming generation is carefully looked after in the grade school, under the supervision of L. H. Mallicoat. Boring is very fortunate to have such an able person as Mr. Mallicoat at the head of the school. He has been with this school for a longer period than any other teacher in this part of Clackamas or Multnomah counties. All wishing to go to high school have it very convenient as the school busses of Gresham and Sandy are both serving this section and those who do not want either may go to Portland daily.

The social side of life is cared for by various lodge organizations. The I. O. O. F. lodge is quite strong in Boring also, the Rebekah and Camp. These organizations in conjunction with the Damascus grange which meets at the I. O. O. F. hall occupy no small part in the social life of the community. The spiritual life of Boring and vicinity is looked after by the Swedish Baptist church located at Haley station one mile north of town, and the Methodist church, located in Boring. These two churches are putting on programs which are a credit to any locality. The pastors, the Rev. John S. Nordell of the former and the Rev. Oliver Gill of the latter, are men who are deeply interested in spiritual work of the community, and are ministering to the wants of the people. Both churches have growing Sunday schools, which are endeavoring to bring up the young generation to fill the important positions in the community and church.

## Cottrell Is Progressive Farming Community With Good Schools

By MRS. J. M. BROPHY.  
The little community of Cottrell finds itself reaching the milestone of another year of successful farming of various kinds, poultry-raising and dairying. The farmers of this section are becoming more interested each year in berry growing, both in strawberries and raspberries. As the soil is well adapted for these particular crops, more acres are added each year to the large acreage already grown. The berries grown in this locality are mostly taken care of by the Berry Growers Packing company of Gresham and the Scenic cannery of Seaside.

The community is also progressive in building lines, each year making their homes and outside buildings more convenient and attractive, enabling them to do their work along the lines of more modern farming methods. The following have made various improvements in buildings during the past year:

Roy Coulson erected a large modern chicken house with a capacity of 500, installed electric lights and made extensive improvements on his house.

L. L. Griffin made improvements on his house.

W. M. Dyer installed a new electric pump and water system, erected a new pump house and other buildings.

Elmer Van Fleet reshingled his house.

The Cottrell store, which is operated by E. A. Crosson, was painted and decorated by the Shell Gas & Oil company, and a new visible pump was installed.

W. E. Craswell remodeled his home and installed plumbing. Robert Brown built a new barn and reshingled his house. E. G. Homes built a large chicken house. Elmer Elwell built an addition to his home and has done considerable clearing.

A garage and woodshed was built on Fred Wagner's place occupied by Wm. Schleisher. A new house was built a short time ago.

Several farms were sold on the Booth road during the past year and several new buildings were put up.

L. C. Faust bought the Cunningham place and is remodeling the building.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wolf moved to Oregon from Kansas and bought the Pitts farm and built two cozy little homes. One is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Wolf and their son, the other by Mr. Wolf's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mundlin of Portland bought the J. M. Brophy farm and made several improvements on the place, fencing, clearing, etc.

R. B. Wilkinson has also added many improvements to his place, painted his buildings, built a new garage, new fences and laid a new cement walk.

The P. E. P. company officials are considering putting in electric

lights on this road in a short time. The little community church has a good attendance. Each Sunday there is preaching service by the Rev. Mr. Hacking, and occasionally by visiting ministers. Sunday school for the children follows the preaching services each Sunday. The Ladies' Aid works in connection with the church and holds a bazaar each year. Quilts and other miscellaneous articles of fancy work are sold at this time.

The Cottrell school is beautifully located on the Bluff road with large roomy play grounds for the children. Mrs. Mary Turner is principal and teaches the upper grades. There are 30 pupils in this room. Miss Helen Maxwell teaches the primary grades, 22 pupils being registered in her room. In connection with the school there is an active Parent-Teacher association which furnishes entertainment and adds to the social good of the community. Under its auspices a ways and means committee was appointed last year to raise funds to finish the upper story of the school. W. M. Dyer was chairman. Three hundred and fifty dollars was raised. The work is now under way and when finished it will be a fine auditorium. Motion pictures are also shown under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher association once a month. E. E. Van Fleet selects the films and operates the machine.

The roads in the district are looked after by Peter Hauglum, road supervisor. All roads are in good condition this year. The Bluff road is the main artery, but tributaries are also in good condition. The Booth road was graveled through last summer. Considerable construction work was done this year on the Radford road and hill. The narrow road bed was graded and widened down the steep hill, also gravel was put on. This is considered a big improvement.

L. E. Craswell's trucks hauled the gravel, which was delivered at Cottrell station by the P. E. P. company.

The high school students of the community, which number about 20, enjoy the bus service which is operated from the Sandy Union high school. These busses were put on about three years ago and have been successfully operated since that time which was an improvement to each community.

Last but not least, we all enjoy reading the Gresham Outlook and consider it a progressive newspaper.

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A. C. Browning has made changes on his place in the past year. He has built a large poultry house, torn down the old barn and intends building a new one in the near future.

E. R. Brook has erected a new house and is building a poultry house. Clarence Browning has built a house on his 20-acre farm and has moved into it.

H. H. Watkins has improved the looks of his place by cutting down the front yard and leveling it, also putting a new coat of paint on the house.

A. Radford has installed a water tank over his well and now has hot and cold water in the home.

Those making use of the cheap blasting powder this year are, Clarence Browning, Robert Gray, Gilbert Hauglum, Wm. Caldo, C. J. Wilkenson and J. J. Judkins.

Strawberry patches were set out this year by Joe Caldo, A. Radford, H. H. Watkins, J. J. Judkins, and A. J. Ault.

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### POWELL VALLEY

English service will be held in the Saron Lutheran church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The theme of the sermon will be, "The Mirror of Christ." In the evening there will be a Christmas song service with illustrated pictures of the nativity. The Bible school will meet at 9:45 a. m. for practice, provided the quarantine is lifted by that time.

### HALEY

The Sunday school of the Haley Baptist church will convene at 10 a. m. Sunday, and the morning service, which is in Swedish, will begin at 11. No junior service will be held next Sunday, but a young people's meeting will be held at 7:30, with a 20-minute address by Mr. Roberts. There will be special music. All are cordially invited to be present.

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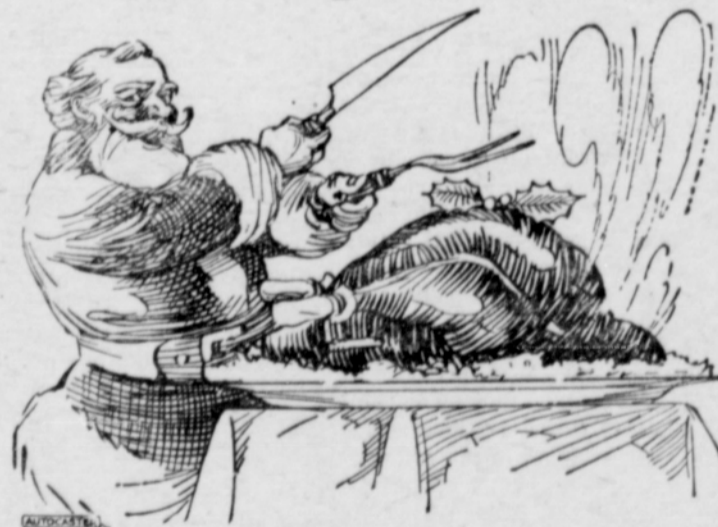
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