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## Manager Towle Urges Field Work for Better Berry Crop

Gresham, Oregon, Dec. 27, 1927.—Editor Outlook:—What can we do to produce a superior quality of berries that will command a premium and sell in competition with berries of inferior quality? This is a personal problem for every grower to solve to the extent of growth and delivery to the cannery in good condition. The past 10 years' experience in berry growing has proved beyond question that the Gresham district has many advantages of other localities in soil and local climatic conditions that aid materially in the production of berries of superior quality that really give the local berry growers the advantage of growers in less favored localities, but these advantages alone are not sufficient to win in the competition unless we do our part in proper fertilizing, tillage methods, and last but not least the adoption of the best and most thorough harvesting methods.

To this paper the writer will confine his remarks to the question of proper fertilizing as it is the first in importance at this season of the year. The proper content of available fertility in the soil is very important and it is a matter of common knowledge that you cannot keep drawing on the available fertility supply of the soil from year to year without depleting or temporarily exhausting certain necessary elements that are essential to the production of high quality berries or other crops.

which also supplies in a minor quantity nitrate, phosphate and potash. It is thought the cover crop and the farm yard manure or sheep guano will supply humus and nitrate enough to supply the needs of the plants which are essential to plant growth but do not supply enough phosphate which is very important in quality fruit production or enough potash which is most important in adding flavor, color and firmness to the berries.

Our observation covering the past 10 years leads us to believe that the quality of our berries is getting poorer as the years pass and leads to the surmise that it may be from a lack of available attention to this fact in order that you may supply the deficiency in both phosphate and potash in order that you may get better crops of high grade berries and you should supply your berry acres with these elements in order that we may supply our trade with berries of the highest quality and hold up the reputation of Gresham berries. This is a duty you owe yourself and the commercial canners and jam makers that we wish to supply with the tonnage they need to fill their orders.

Good authorities agree that in addition to the cover crop each acre of berries should have an application of from six to ten tons of farmyard manure or one ton of ground sheep guano, 450 pounds of super phosphate, and 150 pounds of muriate of potash. The season is now on for the application of these fertilizers and we are ready to receive your orders which should be placed at once in order for us to save you money in taking delivery in car lots.

D. E. TOWLE, Manager,  
The Berry Growers Packing Co.

### SCOUT MOVEMENT TAKING FORM HERE

Boys who are interested in the Boy Scouts, the nationally-known organization in which so many boys of America are numbered, will have an opportunity soon of becoming members of this band, according to the plans of Harry Jensen of Portland, who was in Gresham today to make arrangements for the formation of a Boy Scout patrol at this place.

Any boy over nine years of age who is interested in this matter is asked to meet at the Baptist church next Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, when full details will be given by Jensen and the rules of the Scouts explained. There are already three members in Gresham, Thomas Felton, Charles Conklin and Richard Hicks.

For lowest rates on automobile, truck and general insurance see B. W. Thorne.—Adv.

### THOUSANDS ENJOY SNOW SPORTS ON HOOD

Those who have been keeping pace with the unusual and unexcelled winter sports which are the vogue this year at Government Camp and Swim will be interested in learning that a few more inches of snow fell on Monday night, thus insuring good skiing and tobogganing during the week.

This week the Portland Advertising club, in charge of the winter sports at Government Camp will keep the toboggans running every day, including Sunday and Monday. Both high and grammar school students will be allowed to use the toboggans until 2 o'clock every afternoon at half price. The toboggan slides will also be kept open each evening during the week until 10 or 11 o'clock. The slides are well lighted and there will be someone in charge.

Wednesday of this week will be a red letter day for the young people, when 400 Lincoln high school students plan to spend the day there. Three other special parties are expected for that day, and in addition 60 Boy Scouts of Portland are spending the entire week at Government Camp.

Conditions were ideal for enjoying winter sports on Monday when, according to H. C. Hodkins, manager of the advertising club sports at Government Camp, at least 800 cars were parked in the vicinity. Swim also reports a large crowd of pleasure seekers both Sunday and Monday.

### GERTRUDE SOUTHWELL WEDS IN PORTLAND

At a pretty wedding celebrated Friday evening at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Fred Southard, of Portland, Miss Gertrude Southard became the bride of Lyle H. Kelly. The ceremony, which was performed by the Rev. Mr. Cline, assistant pastor of Hinson Memorial church, was witnessed by only a few intimate friends outside the members of the two families. The bride was attired in blue flat crepe and wore a pink corsage bouquet.

Following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Kelly left for Seattle on a short wedding trip, after which they will reside in Walla Walla, Washington, where the groom holds the position of branch office manager for the Remington Typewriter company.

The bride, who was formerly a resident of Gresham, has been employed for some time past as a bookkeeper in the United States National bank of Portland. She was a graduate of Gresham Union high school and has many friends in Gresham and vicinity.

**Stop Suffering** from Rheumatism, neuritis, lumbago. Casey's Rheumatic Remedy drives the uric acid poison, reduces pain and swelling. Sold on money-back guarantee by the Taber Pharmacy.—Adv.

## Firemen Make Reply to Council; Present Fire Marshal's Report

### THE SITUATION.

Gresham has no regularly organized fire department.

One week ago last night (Monday) at a special meeting the organized volunteer firemen unanimously resigned to take effect at once.

On Tuesday following the council met in special session to cope with the emergency situation.

An ordinance is being drawn to establish certain regulations in regard to the fire department and will be presented to the council probably at a special meeting soon.

The fire apparatus is being cared for under direction of the council.

At the fire last week there were plenty of volunteers but apparent lack of organization and experience. Former firemen mingled with citizens to do the best they could.

Contrary to reports no councilman or other person has been authorized to form a new department.

In reply to the statements authorized by the council in last Friday's Outlook and in further explanation of their reasons for resigning the following statements are made by ex-Chief M. J. Allshouse on behalf of the resigned firemen:

"No member of the fire department that I know of, ever asked the council for pay. All they asked for was equipment to work with. All the council has bought for the department in the last seven years is 1100 feet of hose, six smoke masks, a siren and small chemical to use in case of emergency, which was paid for out of the funds, as there is \$500 put in the budget every year for fire equipment. There are about 1750 feet of standard hose on hand in place of 2400 feet and as far as holding the chief responsible for all equipment, he has always been responsible for same.

"It is true that a fire apparatus salesman has been out and recommended a 1000-gallon pumper but anybody with any common sense will know that a salesman will try to sell his highest priced apparatus. The fire department has been after the council for the last year and a half to get anything from a 350-gallon to a 1000-gallon pumper or anything to increase the pressure in the outlying districts where the council knows there is no pressure. There is fairly good pressure in the downtown district. Even at the fire in Ely's house the window had to be broken with a rock to get water inside the house.

"The firemen have asked the council two or three times to get some chairs for the fire hall which they never got. They have two chairs in the fire hall which the firemen bought themselves and there are three old seats that were donated to the firemen by the Methodist church. The council claims that it was certain individuals in the department that were doing all this but it was not. It was all the firemen that were at the special meeting on December 19, 21 in all, and there are letters that will show that some quit before the meeting but would come back if the council would do something in the way of getting equipment to work with.

"In regard to the insurance, it is safeguarding the city of Gresham to carry the insurance on the firemen, which costs \$142 instead of \$150 as they stated. It cost the city of Milwaukee \$650 for one fireman getting hurt about two years ago. A fireman can very easily get hurt at a fire or going to or from one. It is true that the tax payers support the fire department, but

### NEWLY WEDS HAVE FINE NEW RESIDENCE

One of the fine new residences to mark the 1927 building era in Gresham is that of Elvis Stockton, who is rapidly bringing to completion his six-room modern frame house on B street in Regner's addition.

The house is 32 x 34 feet in size, plastered, has a full basement and fireplace. The fireplace, which is the work of his brother Loda Stockton, is an unusually beautiful and artistic one. The brick and tiled hearth are of rainbow-hued colors, as near as they can be described, and on each side of the fireplace are built-in shelves, while a wide mantel overtops the fireplace itself. Hardwood floors are being laid in the living room and in the downstairs hall and bed-

the taxpayers do not support the firemen, as they are all volunteers and do not receive any pay. Only \$100 is put in the budget each year for the firemen to spend as they see fit. There are more clothes and shoes ruined at one fire than the \$100 would buy.

"The council statement says they are going to appoint the chief from now on. Well, they can do that but they might have a time to get volunteers as the firemen have to work under the chief and I think they will want to appoint their own chief, as in the past. If the council will bring this to a vote of the people of Gresham and explain the condition of the water pressure in our mains I don't think there would be many citizens that would not vote for a bond up to \$8000 or \$10,000 to buy equipment to protect their homes, and if they do this all the old firemen are willing to go back and go ahead as they always have, and I don't think a paid man will look after the equipment any better than it has been looked after in the past. If the council will fix up the fire hall, and install at least three or four cots in the hall, they would have no trouble in getting firemen to sleep in the hall every night and all the firemen would take more interest in the department than they have in the past.

"In closing, the Gresham volunteer department wants it distinctly understood that they have had no quarrel with the council either. All the boys want is equipment to work with when they are called out to fight a fire."

### Fire Marshal's Survey

The state fire marshal's office made a survey on October 17 and 18 last of the water system and fire department of Gresham. The survey was made by Deputies Jas. Gleason and Geo. W. Stokes, approved by Chief Deputy H. H. Pomerooy, and submitted to State Fire Marshal Clare A. Lee on November 2, 1927.

In the report the well known facts regarding the source of water supply and its distribution are given. The report says there are 56 frostproof, doubletype hydrants well spaced.

**Equipment and Recommendations.** Under the headings of equipment, organization and recommendations the report gives the following:

Combination hose and chemical—Ford La France—1 ton capacity. One 400-gallon chemical tank.

600 feet double jacketed 2½ inch hose.

1150 feet single jacketed 2½ inch hose.

200 feet 1 inch chemical hose.

200 feet single jacketed 1½ inch hose.

Fire department, volunteer, one company 26 men.

Streets, level, hard surfaced and macadamized; 50 and 60 feet wide.

Construction, approximately 80 per cent brick and concrete.

Fire record, good.

Due to the low pressure at the higher elevations of the city, and lack of protection at these points, we recommend that the city purchase ONE 1000-gallon Triple Combination pumper.

We have been informed that one of the main pipe lines supplying the city is liable to go out at any time, and it is estimated that the pipe line will not last over three years. Should this line go out or be put out of service from any cause, it would reduce the water supply 50 per cent. Consequently a pumper of the type mentioned above, is the most practical piece of equipment to meet these conditions.

### FORMER TEACHER HERE GREETED OLD FRIENDS

Hebron, North Dakota, December 18, 1927.—Editor Outlook:—A few words of greeting to the Gresham Outlook, at the holiday season, would perhaps not be amiss. I have thought a good deal of friends at Gresham since reaching my new destination, and especially now, when we are again approaching the Christmas time.

I hope no one has supposed me lost amid perplexities and vicissitudes of my present surroundings. At times I feel nearly so in the amount of work yet to be done, and still I consider myself fortunate to be uncounted among the number lost in snowdrifts and blizzards. How happy we are in a country like this to live in nicely heated rooms with storm-windows on all sides! Everyone tells us here, of course, this winter is very "unusual", it is an "Old Timer" and a "Record Breaker." How true that is, I cannot determine, but I do know that our thermometer drops to 32 and 34 degrees below zero. Doesn't it make an Oregonian shiver to think of that?

On the other hand, my work here is very enjoyable. In spite of the cold weather and deep snow I cannot recall a missed music lesson. I have a class of more than 40 pupils, not counting two classes of beginners who have been studying the "Melody Way" system from the Miessner Institute at Milwaukee. The work I am doing in connection with one of the churches here is likewise very interesting. One of the choirs, which I am directing numbers 30 members who are all eager and willing to work. They have prepared and rendered some creditable numbers for the advent and Christmas season.

May I take this opportunity to send holiday greetings to all the friends and acquaintances at Gresham. This Christmas may be a very quiet one for most of them, yet I hope it may be very happy for all of them.

FRIEDA E. BRATZEL.

### ELVIS STOCKTON AND DOROTHY DODSON WED

Christmas bells and wedding bells mingled their chimes this year at Gresham when Elvis Stockton, one of the trio of equipment brothers engaged in the building business, was married to Miss Dorothy Dodson of Portland Saturday morning at 10 o'clock at the home of the officiating clergyman, Dr. A. Thompson on South Roberts avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Claude Stockton attended the couple, and the ceremony was also witnessed by Mr. and Mrs. Loda Stockton.

Mr. and Mrs. Stockton left Gresham to the accompaniment of tin cans which had been thoughtfully fastened to their automobile by well-wishing friends. They will spend a few days at Seaside after which they will return to Gresham to reside. Their new home on B street in Regner's addition is rapidly nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy soon.

Mrs. Stockton, who has visited in Gresham on a number of occasions, is an experienced and licensed beauty shop operator and is planning to conduct a beauty parlor in a room of her new home being finished up especially for that purpose.

### NEARLY GONE.

A few more holiday Outlooks for sale at 10c a copy. Mailed without additional cost if wanted. Phone names and addresses to this office.

### Do You Know?

The Outlook has arranged to run this interesting feature regularly. The answers to the following questions will be found elsewhere in this paper. Reasonable and proper questions sent to this department care of Outlook will be answered, if possible.

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1. What grain is called "the goat of cereals"?
2. What is a slum?
3. Is much American capital invested abroad?
4. How much candy does our country eat in a year?
5. What is our total annual doctor bill?
6. How does it come that one of the finest residence streets in London is named Rotten Row?
7. What is Switzerland's most valuable crop?

## Interesting to Recall Happenings of 1911

Some Events and Conditions Recorded in Outlook Nearly 16 Years Ago.

In the spring of 1911 the Gresham girls basketball team consisted of Marguerite Michel, Maud Michel, Lottie Davis, Margaret Schantin, Evelyn Metzger, Olive Merrill and Ethel Wilkinson. They won four games out of seven, beating Estacada twice, The Dalles once and Camas once.

May 14, 1911, the Mt. Hood Railway and Power company ran its first excursion train and first train to carry passengers to the big Sandy (now Dodge Park). The train was made up of a locomotive and three flat cars, carrying mostly employes of the company from Gresham and Portland.

June 1, 1911, seventh and eighth grade pupils of Gresham grade school gave their teacher, Miss Eva Campbell, a surprise. (Miss Eva Campbell is now county school supervisor for this county).

June 2, 1911—Gresham high school graduated its sixth class, consisting of the following: Lillian Fredolph, Herbert Hoss, Roy Johnson, May Kesterson, Maude Michel, Gladys Richey, Kenneth Roberts, Marian Robertson, Herbert Ryan, Margaret Schantin, Earl Thompson, Lloyd C. Schram, Wilbur Thompson and Ethel Wilkinson.

Previous graduates had been, Grace Lawrence and Pearl Lindsey, in 1906; Edith Gordon and Mary Wilson in 1907; John Shattuck, Pearl Metzger, Rolly Watson, Harley Turner and George Schantin, in 1908; Hope Anderson, Florence Fieldhouse, Bessie Dailey, Maeve Lovelace, Ethel Calkins, Hope Meyers and Mark Emery, in 1909; Mary Harvey, Alma Dally, Chas. McColl, Dan Lynch and Stella Roper, in 1910.

The race track at the fair grounds was first constructed and used in 1911.

On June 16, 1911, the second Bull Run pipe line was being laid through Gresham.

The first garage in Gresham was opened about July 1, 1911, by Messrs. Holloper and Young in the building at the corner of Powell street and Maple avenue recently erected by Dr. A. Thompson. An item stated that these men would act as agents in Oregon for the Henry automobile.

July 17, 1911.—Ezra Kelly drowned in Blue Lake near Fairview.

July 25, 1911.—Messrs. Hill and Sunday began moving the McColl house from where the city hall now stands to the corner of Main and Fifth streets. The house had been built by B. W. Emery in 1894.

In the summer of 1911 the Gresham Giants were in flower and claimed the state amateur championship. They played wonderful baseball.

On or about August 1, 1911, Bill Congdon, then proprietor of the new Congdon hotel, met Frank Jones who had recently come to Gresham. They were old schoolmates and boys together in New York state and had not seen each other in 34 years.

August 12, 1911—Dedication of Gresham Investment company's

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### Coming Events

Tuesday, Dec. 27.—American Legion and Auxiliary joint installation of 1928 officers, Gresham grange hall, 8 p. m.

Wednesday, Dec. 28.—Arene club holiday dance.

Thursday evening, Dec. 29.—Annual business meeting and social of Luther League at home of Dr. J. G. Sture.

Saturday evening, Dec. 31.—Dance at Rockwood grange hall.

Saturday evening, Dec. 31.—Watch night service at Haley Baptist church and at Powell Valley Mission church.

Monday, January 2.—Re-opening of Gresham Union high and grade schools.

## There's Only One 'U' in



## And it's the Same 'U' as in "Your"

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In the above picture the important place of the housewife as the buyer is emphasized. But ALL—men, women and children—MUST UNITE IN LOYALTY AND SERVICE for the best results.