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County and State Forces Cooperate to Clear Highway

Orders flew thick and fast last Wednesday and Thursday to marshal road equipment and forces of workmen to combat the blockades of snow and ice on the arterial highways east of Portland following a trip of inspection made by County Commissioner Clay S. Morse and P. C. Northrup, one of the county road engineers.

Early Wednesday Commissioner Morse and Engineer Northrup motored to Gresham where they picked up a representative of the Outlook and continued out east over the Base Line, the upper Sandy bridge and out the Columbia River highway to the Columbia Grange hall where both county and state forces were at work with trucks and snow plows making a desperate effort to plow through the ice-crusts snow drifts at that point on the highway.

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Recovery From Storm Slow While Weather Conditions Become Normal

"Happy is the man who shovels the snow from his walks, for he will be rated as a good citizen; yea, mayhap, his neighbors may bestir themselves and do likewise."

Such may be the sentiments of many Gresham residents these days.

Considerable inconvenience has been noted in dealing with the present snow situation, although conditions are much better on account of the slow melting than they would be if the temperature had risen rapidly and the snow gone off in a hurry and with a resulting flood. The thermometer ranges around 40 degrees today and the water is being taken care of as the snow slowly melts.

Traffic conditions still continue treacherous and great care must be exercised to prevent accidents. All is not fair sailing, however, for the pedestrian except as he or she takes to the middle of the street. The walks, while not as icy as when the weather was colder, still make precarious footing and not much headway is gained.

One is reminded of the small boy who, strange to say, did not like to go to school. One morning Johnny did not appear until late in the forenoon and his teacher reprimanded him severely. "Johnny, whatever do you mean by coming so late?" she inquired. "Well, you see, teacher, the walks were so slippery that every time I went ahead a step I slipped back two steps." "Why," said the astonished teacher, "however did you get here at all at that rate?" "Well," said Johnny, "I saw I wasn't making any headway, so I turned around and went the other way."

The damage this year from frozen pipes has not been as great as in former storms, according to reports. Local plumbers have been fairly busy, however, getting obdurate pipes and faucets back into working condition since the cold snap.

The Christmas tree has been dismantled of its electric light trimmings. The tree is still standing, waiting a more convenient time to be removed from the thoroughfare.

A Pacific northwest snow storm is so unusual an occurrence that as a rule business activities are considerably affected. People, evidently, are not prepared for a prolonged storm period and remain well indoors until things are normal. This depression has been noted during the past week, but is gradually loosening and business will soon be back on the usual basis.

No fatal accidents have been reported in this locality either during or as a result of the storm, although minor ones have come to notice. A near serious accident, however, befell the small son of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Hall when he steered his sled into a barbed wire fence a few days ago.

What might have been a serious accident befell H. S. McMurry, salesman of the Hessel Implement company, last Saturday as he was passing the speedway at the height of the furious wind which blew that day. A 2x4 board about five feet in length was hurled from the grandstand roof and struck the window of McMurry's sedan, splintering the glass about him. Other than the damage to the machine, no injury was reported.

School attendance at both high and grade schools is reported as very satisfactory.

Telephone service is still badly crippled, despite the fact that a large crew is working long hours every day to put the lines into commission. The crossroads are still so drifted more rapid progress is impossible.

The local office of the Portland Electric Power company reports that, while conditions are far from satisfactory as far as disrupted service is concerned, noticeable progress is being made. Several crews from the Portland line department are working in conjunction with Trouble Shooter Roger Newcombe, doing all in their power to restore current. The worst conditions now exist from Troutdale up toward Crown Point and adjacent territory on and near the Columbia River highway.

Swanson, editor of the Argus; and Lorna Schedeer, president of the Tri-Y.

Principal Cannon was recently presented with a fine steelhead salmon, caught in waters not so distant from Gresham. Mr. Cannon says that the time to fish is when the fish bite. "Nuf sed."

With the winter season, interest has been revived in the time-old diversion of debating. Gresham Union high school is fortunate in having Charles Saverude, at the head of the public speaking department, who is keenly alive to anything that will further interest along this line. He has arranged a dual debate for Thursday evening, January 12, to take place simultaneously at Parkrose and Gresham. The question, "Resolved, that the allied war debt to the United States, incurred before the signing of the armistice, be cancelled", will be debated at Gresham by the negative speakers, Grace Lynch and Donald Ankrom, and the same question will be handled by the affirmative team, Ruth Sterling and Edmund Hansen at Parkrose. The public is invited to attend and listen to an able discussion of this subject. The debate will be held in the high school auditorium and will begin promptly at 8 o'clock.

Last, but by no means least, the fact may be mentioned that due to the efforts of Janitor C. E. Rusher very little inconvenience was experienced during the recent cold snap from frozen pipes. Some snow blew in through the ventilators and leaked through the ceiling, but the damage was nominal.

Plane Tuning.
Plane tuning, \$3.50. Piano and organ repairing. Fred B. Jones, 2625, 49th street S.E., Portland. Phone TAbor 8952 or Gresham 1561.—Adv.

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School Activities Engage Young Folk

Gresham Union high school resumed its work Wednesday morning after a vacation period of over three weeks, part of which was due to the quarantine imposed on account of a case of infantile paralysis. But a small percentage was absent this morning and the school work is moving along as usual. Principal Cannon states that, while deeply regretting the unavoidable death which has taken from their midst a greatly beloved student, they are thankful no other cases have developed and all are privileged to return to school.

Some question has arisen as to when the first semester will end. It is thought this will be on January 20, but the principal states this will be governed by what the parents think of extending the close of school a week later than usual. May 18 has been designated as the last day of high school, but on account of the time lost during the enforced vacation, some way will have to be devised for making up the school work. If the boys can be spared from farm work, probably school will be out a week later than the time named, also the number of incoming eighth grade students will be a determining factor. The teachers have signified their willingness to cooperate in the matter and are willing to stay a week later in the spring if necessary.

During the Christmas holidays the new curtain for the gymnasium has been hung and works a decided transformation in the appearance of the stage. The curtain is really a double affair composed of two curtains, one a blue plush velvet which is installed about three feet back of the protecting outer curtain, a sprinkled monk's cloth. The curtains were put in place by the Beeman Scenic studio of Portland.

Speaking of the new curtain brings to mind the fact that the junior play is in the offing. The class is considering the time, the name of the play and the probable cast of characters. It is understood the juniors have some fine material stored away this year from which to draw for their annual play.

Basketball practice is now the order of the day. One of the finest games ever played, according to those fortunate enough to witness it, was staged Thursday noon by the seniors and juniors, when the

latter wrested the victory from their haughty competitors, the seniors, by a score of 12 to 9. One junior in particular, Howard Lindrooth, distinguished himself by his wonderful playing all over the floor and his spectacular shooting and pivoting. Other juniors who also came in for a good share of the honors were Audrey Focht, Hugh McClure and Harold McKinney. The school basketball team will go to Milwaukie this evening, to Beaverton January 20, and to Parkrose January 27. Parkrose is scheduled to come to Gresham on Friday evening, January 13.

A delegation of Hi-Y boys will leave some time today for Eugene where they will be in attendance this evening, tomorrow and part of Sunday at the Older Boys' conference. A banquet this evening will begin the festivities which promise to be unusually interesting. The boys will be accompanied by their advisor, Clarence Ownbey.

An event which is being anticipated in the near future will be the University of Oregon high school conference to be held at Eugene January 13 to 14. To this gathering Gresham Union high school will contribute several delegates.—George McAllister, president of the student body; Frederick Bechill, editor of the Munhnot; Paul

TO ARBOLEDA COMMUNITY CLUB MEMBERS AND FRIENDS

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Church Services

PRACTICAL SERMON TOPICS ANNOUNCED

Sermons of unusual interest are announced by the pastor, the Rev. H. V. Wilhelm, for next Sunday morning at the Methodist church. The title of that for the morning hour is in the form of a question, "How Near Is God?", while the topic for the evening hour is, "The Heart of Religion." These sermons are practical and helpful as well as full of interest, and the pastor urges the members and friends of the church to be present, even though weather conditions may not be the best. The Sunday school and the Epworth League will have their regular gatherings which are of great importance to their respective groups.

The junior department party, which was planned for Saturday, is necessarily postponed because of weather conditions.

QUARTERLY MEETING TO BEGIN FRIDAY

There will be quarterly meeting services at the Free Methodist church beginning Friday evening and continuing over Sunday. The Rev. J. T. Taylor of Portland, district elder for the Portland district, will preach Friday and Saturday evening at 7:30 and Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school will be held as usual at 10 o'clock and the young people's service at 7 o'clock.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH ANNOUNCES SERVICE

Preaching services at Zion Evangelical church will be held Sunday at 11 a. m. The sermon topic will be, "The Epiphany Light, Christ in His Glorious Gospel, Shines in the Hearts of Believers." After the sermon the sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed.

The Bible school will meet at 10. The Junior League will meet at 1:30 p. m.

The annual meeting of the congregation will be held at 2:30 p. m. This meeting was announced for last Sunday but could not be held on account of weather conditions.

GRESHAM TEMPLE SERVICES ANNOUNCED

Sunday school will be held at 10 a. m. at the Gresham Underdominational temple. The Rev. S. F. Pitts will preach at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and again in the evening at 7:30. Prayer service will be held Tuesday evening at 7:30 and the young people's service Friday evening at the same hour. Everyone is welcome to all services.

STANLEY HALL GETS CUT WHILE COASTING

Stanley Hall, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Hall, was severely injured Wednesday morning while engaged in coasting near his home on Sandy boulevard, in company with small playmates. Losing control of the sled which he was steering, he crashed into a barbed wire fence, badly slashing the left side of his face from his eye down to a point below the under lip. The cut just missed his eyeball, and it is considered fortunate that neither jaw was broken. The child was removed at once to Good Samaritan hospital where stitches were taken, closing the severe gash.

A little less than six months ago Stanley was struck by an automobile while playing in front of his home, necessitating a long and tedious stay in the hospital and in his home. It is thought that the leg which was broken at the time of that accident may not yet be as strong as the other, thus causing a slight variation in the manner of steering the sled while descending the long hill.

Repair Driveways.
Now is the time to repair your driveways with crushed rock or road gravel. See Walrad & Wright, Gresham, phone 1631.—Adv.

Council Tries to Cope With Fire Situation

At the regular meeting of the Gresham city council on Wednesday evening a committee was appointed to work out the details of a volunteer fire department and to receive applications for membership from any who wish to join. The committee consists of C. I. Raker, B. L. Walrad Sr., Joe Patenaude, Russell Akin, T. R. Howitt and W. C. Metzger. The three last named constitute the council committee on fire and water. Raker is also a councilman. This committee will report at the adjourned meeting of the council on next Wednesday evening, January 11. Any who wish to volunteer for service should see some member of this committee. It is expected that an ordinance will be introduced at the meeting next week governing the conduct of the fire department.

In discussing the recent resignation of the councilmen freely discussed the opinion that the firemen had a legal right to take the action which they did, since the department was regularly organized and entirely separate from the city council, but that they should have felt a moral obligation to the public, and should have given formal notice of their intention to the council in an orderly way. M. J. Allshouse, ex-chief of the fire department, who was present at the council meeting, said that he expressed the same opinion to the firemen, as did Carl Dahl and others, but that when the vote was taken it was for immediate resignation.

Recorder C. G. Schneider was instructed to take steps to collect unpaid rental due from the Dunthorpe Transit company on the building put up by the council for the company and leased to it for a four-year period. Rent for about six months is in arrears.

C. H. Calkins asked permission to put "no parking" signs in front of his woodyard on Fifth street. Mr. Calkins complained that he had been considerably annoyed by people who thoughtlessly parked their cars in such a position as to interfere with his wood delivery.

Considerable discussion was given to the question of imposing a license on bus lines which use the streets for their terminals and parking places. Mr. Schneider was instructed to write to the public service commission and find out if the city has a right to impose such a license.

Under the direction of Mayor Cleveland and the council committee on streets and public ways, much work has been done toward making the streets passable. The county road plow went up and down the principle business streets on Tuesday evening, clearing a double track for automobiles. Several men were employed on Wednesday to shovel the snow out of the crosswalks and clear the gut.

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