

Editorial Comment.

Mr. John R. McLean predicts a great democratic victory this year. Mr. McLean will be remembered as the man who received the smallest vote ever recorded for a democratic candidate for governor of Ohio.

Portland police have been kept busy lately trying to locate several missing men and women, who have mysteriously disappeared from that town, during the two months. Eight are at present unaccounted for. Why don't they get some small boys to look under the houses?

It is said that the Democrats will be able to collect a large campaign fund this year for the first time in many years. Where will they get it? From the trusts which are angry at President Roosevelt, because he refused to allow them to violate the law, or look upon them as above the law. Will the trusts give money to Parker, in view of the anti-trust plank of the St. Louis platform? Why should they not? Parker's plank is in the New York platform, and the trusts can easily get assurance from Belmont and Meyer that he will stand by that.

Trade and Business Conditions.

Reports received at New York up to July 22 from special agents of the International Mercantile Agency at the leading centres of accumulation and distribution in the country show very little change in conditions from those previously stated. Actual trade is dull, a normal situation for this season of the year. The outlook for fall and winter business is better in some sections, notably in the South and the Southwest, than it has been for a long while. Calmer judgment than obtained in the beginning has reduced the estimates of loss by flood to 30,000,000 bushels of winter wheat for the four states most affected. One reliable trade journal has issued a bulletin which points to a yield of this cereal of 610,000,000, and an exportable surplus of nearly \$145,000,000 bushels. These are facts that have helped to dislodge some of the discouraging sentiments of the recent past.

The strike of the packing-house employees assumed larger proportions than were first believed possible. However, there has been no suffering from the advance in the price of meats. It has always been believed that eventually there would be a peaceful settlement by arbitration and that the disturbance would pass away as quickly as it developed. Probably a more important matter is the threatening attitude of the Fall River operatives to the reduction of 12 1/2 per cent. in wages which becomes operative next Monday. This may spread throughout New England and unsettle business in that section. A strike seems to be imminent, as the workers in the cotton mills are unwilling to accept the proposed lowering of their wage schedule. The claim of the operatives is, that merely an opportunity for reducing operating costs. The mill-owners, on the other hand, say that their plant cannot be made to show a profit at the present rate of wages. Suggestion of a strike in the large Eastern trunk-line systems have not been borne out by events. Boston reports a very active wool market at advancing prices and with manufacturers buying freely. The bankers in that city are looking for a general improvement in trade within the next sixty days. The outlook there, as in other quarters, is for a good fall demand for wearing material. At Baltimore the conditions of the jobbing trade remain unchanged. While trade for the first six months of the year was not entirely satisfactory, the indications for the second half of 1904

is for a demand that will make a good total average. The best commercial reports come from the West and the Southwest, or from the very regions where the greatest disturbance to business might be expected to exist. For instance Kansas City takes a hopeful view of the situation. A week of ideal harvesting weather has changed the whole aspect of things and merchants are refilling orders that had been cancelled on account of the floods. In spite of the packers' strike Chicago has had a week of marked improvement especially in clothing, shoes, dry goods, and men's and women's furnishings. Interior merchants have shown more willingness to order than for some time. Stocks of light weight goods have been much reduced. Jobbers and manufacturers of hardware report as large a volume of trade as in 1903, and some of them, in fact, have had increased receipts over last year. Collections are satisfactory.

With the prospect of average cereal crops and an early cotton crop of bumper size, the Southwest is beginning to discount some of the expected enrichment of that part of the country. Salesmen from St. Louis have had a better trade than a year ago. Jobbers are satisfied with returns, which they find exceed those of recent similar seasons. One significant fact is the demand for better quality of goods. This is noticeable in clothing and shoes. In hats and caps the orders are far in excess of last year. Prompt collections are being made. In Louisville some of the leading hardware houses have had larger sales than for a number of years. Bank clearings there were nearly \$2,000,000 in excess of the week previous. Some skepticism is shown over the reported improvement in the iron trade. The reopening of the Homestead mills was surely an indication that demand had increased, though it is believed that these plants will close down again as soon as certain rush orders are filled. The leading Eastern trade journal says, "there is in nearly all quarters a kindly disposition to help an improvement in the iron trade along with cheerful talk." This is a symptom to be encouraged.

To Build Electric Road.

Judge E. O. Potter, of Eugene, and W. J. Wilsey, of Prescott, Arizona, appeared before the county court yesterday afternoon asking for a franchise to build an electric road between Corvallis and the south end of the county along the state road. The object is to connect Eugene and Corvallis. The road will run through Monroe, Junction and Irving, a distance of about 40 miles. It is not decided yet what shall be done but the matter is under advisement by the court until next Wednesday when answer will be made. Three years ago a similar request was sought but not granted because of objections raised by farmers along the way that the cars would frighten their horses.

A road of this kind will work wonders with the southern end of Benton county and supply the great need of the farmers for rapid transit and transportation. The Southern Pacific company will probably not extend its line farther south so a traction line between here and Eugene will close a very important gap. The plea once offered that the cars are dangerous to horses is true in a measure, but no more accidents occur than on railways, besides this experience with similar lines in the East point to the fact that horses very quickly get accustomed to the cars and are more useful in the end.

A strong delegation from Monroe headed by Adam Wilhelm, Sr., also appeared before the court with a view to pushing the enterprise along.

Eugene is the center of operations. A company has been incorporated for \$1,000,000 by Congressman J. F. Wilson, of Arizona, a big mineowner, M. S. Taft, a capitalist of Binghamton Trust Co., and others, and is known as the Willamette Valley Electric Railway Co.

Finest line of hammocks in the city at J. M. Cameron's call quick and see him

When "Dutchess" isn't done, the quality isn't there. Look on the buttons for the name, and don't accept any substitute for

**DUTCHESS TROUSERS**

10 CENTS A BUTTON; \$1.00 A RIP. \$\$\$

The new styles are now on our counters, \$\$\$

**NOLAN AND CALLAHAN'S**

Removal Notice.

Owing to the fact that the building now occupied by the Turner grocery is to be torn down and replaced by a new building, the Turner grocery has been removed to the 1st door north of J. D. Mann's second hand store or opposite the Farmers' Hotel. A large and complete stock of groceries have been ordered and are now on the way. Old customers and friends are requested to call at the new stand.

Turner's store will be open from 5 o'clock a. m. until 9 o'clock p. m. to accommodate customers.

Business Locals.

The best ice cream soda at Smalls. Try Smalls for cool drinks during the hot weather.

For low prices on saddles and harness see J. M. Cameron.

J. M. Cameron manufacturer and dealer in harness and saddles.

Red Cedar Star Shingles at the sawmill at \$1.60 per M. E. W. Strong.

Smokers supplies, largest stock in the city at Small & Son's.

For harness and saddles see J. M. Cameron.

Wall paper at Blackledge's new furniture store.

The largest stock of whips, saddles and robes in the Willamette valley is found at J. M. Cameron's.

Best meals in the city to be found at City Restaurant.

Newport Pleasure Steamer.

The Steamer L. Roscoe, of Florence, one of the best and most comfortably furnished of the ocean going tugs on the Pacific Coast, has arrived at Yaquina Bay for the season and will do all kinds of work on the bay, such as transporting passengers, towing ships, etc. The L. Roscoe will make regular trips over the Yaquina bar during the outing season on Sundays, and visitors to Newport, especially those going on the regular Sunday excursions, can enjoy the delights of a trip over the bar onto the broad Pacific.

Hop Tickets

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To prevent all mistakes and imposition, you must have consecutively numbered Hop Tickets. The only office in the Valley prepared to do this work is the

Corvallis Gazette.

Tickets numbered from 1 to 100,000. Printed on Stout Card Board, white or colored.

\$2.50 for 500

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R. E. PUGH,

Dealer in



- Farming Tools,
- Paints and Oils,
- Stoves and Tinware,
- Buggies and Hacks,
- Farm Wagons,
- Hay Rakes,
- Plows and Harrows,
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- Wire Netting,
- Guns and Ammunition,
- Carpenters' Tools,
- Lubricating Oils,
- Bicycles, Etc.

Agricultural Implement, etc., etc.

PHILOMATH, ORE.

Notice to Property Owners.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have been appointed viewers by the common council of the city of Corvallis to estimate the proportionate share of the cost of a sewer to be assessed to the owners of property in block 14, County Addition to Corvallis, and that said viewers will meet on the 6th day of August, 1904, at 7 o'clock p. m. in the Council Chambers, in City Hall, for that purpose, and all persons interested may appear before said viewers to be heard in the matter of making said estimate.

CALEB DAVIS, J. W. LINVILLE, J. W. CRAWFORD.

Dated this July 12, 1904. Viewers.

NOTICE.

Subscribers who have not received a copy of our new Directory will center a favor by notifying this office. Pacific States Telegraph and Telephone Company.

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Low round trip rates have been placed in effect between Portland and Willamette Valley points, in either direction. Tickets will be sold

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Remember that with every 25 cents worth of laundry you vote at the beautiful U S silk flag, at Nolan & Callahan's window.

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**Remnant Sale**

This is the season for closing out all short lengths to rid our shelves of Summer goods, and to make room for new Fall stocks, which are now arriving; so to make a clean sweep and to do it quickly we have marked all remnants and broken lines regardless of cost. There are remnants of Dress Goods; Silks, Wash Goods, Table Linens, White Goods, Towelings, Outing Flannels, Gingham, Flannelettes, Prints, Ribbons, Laces, Embroideries, Silkaleens, Muslins, Cretonnes, Curtain Nets, etc.

**SPECIAL. - All our 25, 30 and 35 cent Wash Dress Goods at 19 cts. Some pretty shades for evening wear.**

Our new Dress Goods and Cloaks will arrive about August 1st Hence the rush to clean up Summer Goods.

**Nolan & Callahan**  
LEADING CLOTHIERS

Notice for Publication.

PUBLIC LAND SALE (ISOLATED TRACT).

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of instructions from the Commissioner of the General Land Office, under authority vested in him by section 2453 U. S. Rev. Stat., as amended by Act of Congress approved February 26, 1905, we will proceed to offer at public sale on the 6th day of September, 1904, at 10 o'clock a. m., next, at this office the following tract of land, to-wit:

SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 of Sec. 6, Tp 12 S, R 6 W.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are advised to file their claims in this office on or before the day above designated for the commencement of sale, otherwise their rights will be forfeited. ALGERNON S. DRESSEK, Register. GEO. W. BILEU, Receiver. Oregon City, July 23, 1904.

Notice for Publication.

United States Land Office, Oregon City, Or., July 30, 1904. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as amended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892,

GEORGE W. BIGHAM,

of Oregon City, county of Clackamas, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 6468, for the purchase of the S1 SW1 and S1 SE1 of Sec. 10, in Tp. No. 12 S., R. No. 7 W., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Oregon City, Oregon, on Friday, the 21st day of October, 1904.

He names as witnesses: George W. Cramer, of Peck P. O., Oregon; George B. January, of Oregon City, Or.; Lester A. January, Peck P. O., Or.; Albert Knapp, of Oregon City, Or. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 21st day of Oct. 1904. ALGERNON S. DRESSEK, Register.

Notice to Creditors.

All persons having claims against the estate of H. F. Fisher, deceased, are hereby notified and required to present the same, accompanied with proper vouchers and evidence thereof, within six months from date of this notice to the undersigned, at the office of the Corvallis Filing Mills, Corvallis, Oregon. Dated this July 19, 1904. AUGUST W. FISCHER. Executor Last Will and Testament of H. F. Fisher, deceased.

FOR THE SEASIDE.

Sunday Excursion to Yaquina and Newport.

The O. & E. R. R. Co. will run regular excursion trains to Newport and Yaquina, leaving Corvallis at 7:30 sharp. Boat leaves Newport at 5:30, train leaves Yaquina at 6:10. Fare for round trip from Corvallis or Philomath, \$1.50.

Corvallis & Eastern Railroad.

**TIME CARD.**  
No. 2—For Yaquina: Leaves Albany.....12:45 p. m. Leaves Corvallis.....1:45 p. m. Arrives Yaquina.....5:40 p. m. No. 1—Returning: Leaves Yaquina.....7:15 a. m. Leaves Corvallis.....11:30 a. m. Arrives Albany.....12:15 p. m. No. 3—For Detroit: Leaves Albany.....1:00 p. m. Arrives Detroit.....6:00 p. m. No. 4—From Detroit: Leaves Detroit.....6:30 a. m. Arrives Albany.....11:15 a. m. Train No. 1 arrives in Albany in time to connect with the S. P. south bound train, as well as giving two or three hours in Albany before departure of S. P. north bound train. Train No. 2 connects with the S. P. trains at Corvallis and Albany giving direct service to Newport and adjacent beaches. Train 3 for Detroit, Breitenbush and other mountain resorts leaves Albany at 1:00 p. m., reaching Detroit at 6 p. m. For further information apply to H. H. Cronise, Agent, Corvallis. THOS. COCKERELL, Agent Albany.

How About your Summer Vacation.

Newport, on Yaquina Bay, is the ideal summer resort of the North Pacific Coast. Round trip tickets at greatly reduced rates on sale from all Southern Pacific points in Oregon, on and after June 1st. Ask Agents for further information and a handsomely illustrated souvenir booklet, or write to Edwin Stone, Manager C. & E. R. R., Albany, Ore., or W. E. Coman, G. P. A., S. P. Co., Portland

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Books galore. 500 Volumes direct from Chicago which we are offering at prices which cannot be beat. Come early before the lines are broken.

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REDUCED EXCURSION RATES.

From S P and C & E Points to Seaside and Mountain Resorts for the Summer.

On and after June 1, 1904, the Southern Pacific in connection with the Corvallis & Eastern railroad, will have on sale round trip tickets from points along their line to Newport, Yaquina and Detroit at greatly reduced rates, good for return until October 10, 1904.

Three-day tickets to Newport and Yaquina, good going Saturday and returning Mondays are also on sale from all East Side points, Portland to Eugene inclusive, and from all West Side points, enabling people to visit their families and spend Sunday at the Seaside.

Season tickets from all East Side points, Portland to Eugene inclusive, and from all West Side points, are also on sale to Detroit at very low rates, with stop-over privileges at Mill City or any point East, enabling tourists to visit the Santiam and Breitenbush hot springs in the Cascade mountains which can be reached in one day.

Season tickets will be good for return from all points until October 10. Three-day tickets will be good going on Saturdays and returning Mondays only. Tickets from Portland and vicinity will be good for return via the East or West Side at option of passenger. Tickets from Eugene and vicinity will be good going via the Lebanon-Springfield branch if desired. Baggage on Newport tickets checked through to Newport; on Yaquina tickets to Yaquina only.

Southern Pacific trains connect with the C. & E. at Albany and Corvallis for Yaquina and Newport. Trains on the C. & E. for Detroit will leave Albany at 7 a. m., enabling tourists to the hot springs to reach there the same day.

Full information as to rates with beautifully illustrated booklet of Yaquina bay and vicinity, timetables, etc., can be obtained on application to Edwin Stone, manager C. & E. railroad, Albany; W. E. Coman, G. P. A., Southern Pacific company, Portland, or any S. P. or C. & E. agent.

Rate from Corvallis to Newport \$3.75. Rate from Corvallis to Yaquina \$3.25. Rate from Corvallis to Detroit \$3.25. Three-day rate from Corvallis to Newport \$2.50.

Ice cream \$1.25 per gallon at Small & Son's.

Candies and fruits, fresh and tasty, at Small's.