

PERSONAL AND LOCAL.

Mrs. H. B. Giff visited Portland yesterday.

C. W. Mayger was in this city Monday night.

Pat Hughes, of Deer Island, was in town Monday.

Mr. Charles E. Hall, of Rainier, was in this city last Sunday.

Miss Daisy Watkins visited relatives in this city last Saturday.

H. A. Corlies, of Grants Pass, was in this city several days this week.

Mr. Frederick Vivian, of Columbia City, was in St. Helens Wednesday.

A state certificate has been issued to Miss Marguerite Longacre, of Warren.

Sixty people were killed in the city of Mexico by a boiler explosion last Monday.

Mark A. Swager, of Kelso, was in this city last Tuesday. He came over on his wheel.

Adam and Cuthbert Stump, of Scappoose, were in town Tuesday last attending to estate matters.

Children's Day will be observed next Sunday at Scappoose at 11 a. m., and at St. Helens at 8 o'clock p. m.

C. H. Newell is said to be in Grants Pass by a gentleman from there who was in this city a few days ago.

One hundred and fifty three fourth-class postmasters were appointed by President McKinley last Monday.

Mr. Brodie, of the Oregon Wood Co., Portland, was in town Wednesday looking after property interests here.

The market for cream in Portland is better than for a long time, and our dairymen appreciate the change for the better.

Mrs. C. R. Hart, of Kelso, a former resident of this city, spent several days with friends here, returning home on Tuesday.

Mr. James Muckle and daughter, Agnes, were Portland visitors Tuesday. Miss Agnes remained in the metropolis for several days.

Mr. Otto Kulp, of the steamer Elwood, was an interested visitor to our city Tuesday night. Otto comes often and is always welcome.

Croquet is the game most enjoyed in St. Helens at present. The game is an old one, but like some other articles, grows better with age.

Superintendent Watts was in town Wednesday morning on his way to Goble and other down river points for the purpose of personally looking into public school matters.

Dr. and Mrs. Glendinning, of Portland, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. Vivian, of Columbia City, this week. They were in this city Wednesday and called on Dr. Ross.

All the conspirators in the Portland postoffice robbery case have been placed under bonds ranging from \$1000 to \$5000 to await the action of United States grand jury.

The new law offices of Dillard & Day, being erected next door north of the court house, are assuming considerable proportions. The building will be completed in a short time.

The bicycle fever has struck town, and in a short time most of our citizens may be heard advocating the good roads movement, bicycle paths, etc. It is a good thing; push it along.

George A. Hall, who took the law examination at Salem last week, received information Tuesday that he had been successful. He is now a full fledged lawyer. There were 53 took the examination, out of which 47 passed.

H. L. Barkley, he of legislative hold-up fame and who, according to U'Ben, received \$50 or more from the bootlegger for his services last winter, has been elected bishop for the Pacific coast by the radical United Brethren conference held in Indiana, closing last week.

Children's day exercises were held by the Sunday schools of St. Helens, Warren and Houlton in the grove at the latter place last Sunday. A basket picnic, with plenty of ice-cold lemonade, free for all, was one of the enjoyable features of the occasion. A programme of songs and recitations was rendered.

The water is rapidly falling, and soon the regulation stage of the river will be reached, when all inconveniences by the high water will be once more at their old vocations. Dairy men will be able to return the stock to their farms, and a great amount of activity and business will yet be done. Fishermen are once more at work and a general revival all along is starting in.

On Memorial day some one, apparently out of pure maliciousness, while passing along the walk in front of the residence of E. E. Quick, pulled up one of Mrs. Quick's choicest rose trees and threw it into the street, after plucking the prettiest bud. Such an act cannot be considered cute on the part of either a lady or gentleman, in fact, neither would be guilty of such conduct.

Confirmation services were held in the Episcopal church on Wednesday evening by the Rt. Rev. B. Wistar Morris, of the diocese of Oregon. The class, consisting of James Muckle, jr., Charles Muckle, Mrs. Mary George, Florence George, Anna George and Louise George, was presented by Rev. Geo. B. VanWaters. A good sized audience listened to the eloquent sermon by the bishop, and witnessed the interesting ceremony.

Few people are aware that Clatsop county is rich in minerals. Copper ore and copper sulphate are found along the Clatskanie river; coal of good quality is found along the Nehalem and Lewis and Clark rivers; zinc and iron sulphate, and gold are found at Vernonia, and along the Young's and Lewis and Clark rivers; kaolin of the first grade has been discovered near Tillamook head, and in several other places in the county. Some years ago gas was discovered at Warrenton, but is still awaiting development.

The time has come for the slashing of lands and burning of brush heaps. All abroad in the country ranchers are making improvements to their places, which in the eyes of some people, appear to be sheer waste. Wood that would keep many a poor family warm during the winter is ruthlessly burned in the clearing process, and yet the poor man has not the means to cut and haul the wood from its native forest, and the owner cannot do it for him, and so often cannot even get the expense of handling the wood when it is placed on the market that he finds it cheaper to burn over his land and prepare it for crops than to attempt to sell the wood on his place.

The Westfield, Ind., News prints the following in regard to an old resident of that place: "Frank McAvoy, for many years in the employ of the N. A. & G. Ry., here, says: 'I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for ten years or longer—am never without it in my family. I consider it the very best remedy of the kind manufactured. I take pleasure in recommending it.' It is a specific for all bowel disorders. For sale by Dr. Edwin Ross.

By a vote of 42 to 17 the United States senate last Tuesday inserted an amendment to the tariff bill, placing a duty of 20 per cent ad valorem on raw cotton. This is the first time in the history of protection that cotton has been incorporated in a tariff bill. Six democrats voted for the amendment. They were Bacon and Clay of Georgia, McHenry of Louisiana, McLaurin and Tillman, of South Carolina, and Rawlins of Utah.

Messrs. Honeyman, DeHart & Glenn, contractors for the Astoria-Goble railroad, have received orders to complete the road by October 1. They intend to have it done by that time, and consequently will increase their forces at once. They have now about 500 men employed, and in a few days will have seven drogers at work, building grades across tidelands, and will increase their force to 700 or 800 men.—Astorian.

The fishermen are smiling these days, the reason being a better outlook for salmon. The boys have not made much so far this season, but if the fish come in any considerable numbers there is yet time to make a profitable season. The man who follows fishing for a livelihood comes nearer earning every dollar he gets than in most any other occupation.

The steamer Undine, while on her down trip last Saturday night, ran into the dock at the north end of Portland. It was necessary to call the Harvest Queen to extricate the Undine from her new position. It is said no serious damage was done, but there certainly was an excited lot of passengers on board.

W. A. Harris has a Monarch bicycle in his large show window which is for sale. Tickets are from 1 cent to \$1.30. The numbers are placed in envelopes and securely sealed, each purchaser draws an envelope and whatever number it contains is the price of the ticket. The wheel is a '77 model with all the attachments.

Five dollars first class and \$2.50 second, is the fare between Portland and San Francisco by steamer. The rates are expected to go even lower before the summer is over. Many persons are expected to avail themselves of the low rate and go to Frisco instead of the ocean beach for their summer outing.

Miles Jewell, well known here, was in town Wednesday. Miles is now wearing the blue, being a member of Uncle Sam's regular forces stationed at Vancouver, on a salary of \$13 per month and found. He is in for three years.

Judge Doan was up from Rainier last Tuesday hearing arguments of counsel in the Stamp estate. The contention was over the attorneys' fees for the administrators, and was raised by one of the heirs.

W. D. Connell, of Deer Island, was in town Wednesday. If Will had remained away a week or two longer his rapid growth of beard would have made an introduction necessary, even with his intimate friends.

Someone has said Governor Lord will call an extra session of the legislature in November. It is well that the date has been put so far ahead, since it will give an opportunity to change the prediction.

Mayor Pennoyer has removed John Myers, as chief of police of Portland, and appointed P. J. Barry in his stead. Myers was appointed by Pennoyer only a few months ago.

The fiftieth anniversary of the Whitman massacre will be celebrated in Portland on June 15th in connection with the annual meeting of the Pioneer's Association.

River traffic is much better than usual at this season of the year. The steamers are all carrying good cargoes of freight. The passenger trade is also improving.

Mrs. Hannah Tyszkiewicz and her mother, Mrs. Lancaster, of Bachelor Island, are staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Way in this city during the high water.

Marshal Robinson has been collecting dog taxes this week, with no little difficulty in some quarters. The tax has been pretty generally paid, however.

The cherry crop in St. Helens is good this year and the fruit is being picked and preserved for winter use. The fruit, however, is not so large as usual.

Attorney T. J. Brink, of Vernonia, was in town Tuesday last. Mr. Brink expects to take a trip to California this summer for recreation.

Miss Longacre, of Warren, was in this city last Sunday evening and assisted with the music at the Methodist church.

District Attorney Cleeton came home from Oregon City, where he had been attending court, last Saturday night.

Jim McKay, of Scappoose, was on our streets Wednesday. He has recently returned from Winlock, Wash.

The creamery at Rainier is in operation.

Max Berg, of Warrenton, was in town yesterday.

Mrs. Pomeroy, of Rainier, was in Portland Wednesday.

Commercial job printing neatly and quickly done at this office.

Mr. S. A. Miles and son, Eugene, were in Portland Tuesday.

Mrs. C. H. Newell and family will leave this morning for California.

Miles Sheelin, of Rainier, has gone to San Francisco on a business trip.

Deputy Clerk Harris went to Vernonia Saturday, returning Monday.

Miss Tillie Muckle visited Mrs. T. O. Wats at Heubben the first of the week.

Descriptive pamphlets of this county for sale at this office, only 10 cents each.

Mr. John W. Gwilt preached in the Episcopal church here last Sunday evening.

Mr. W. H. Dolman is visiting in Salem this week, having gone there last Friday.

W. D. Cave, the Pittsburg mill man, and postmaster at that place, was in town Monday.

Jack Matthews, of Portland, was in town Wednesday morning looking after tax matters.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mellinger, jr., of Vernonia, were passengers for Portland Monday last.

Try your luck on the bicycle at Harris' grocery store. You may get a ticket for one cent.

N. H. McKay, of Scappoose, has been laid up for some time, having been kicked by a horse.

Mr. Jacob George spent several days last week in Beaver valley, and on Saturday night went to Astoria.

Licenses to wed were issued last Monday to William Mellinger, jr., and Miss Edna May Mills, both of Vernonia.

The city council has ordered a new sidewalk built on the west side of Columbia adjoining St. Helens street.

Captain George Shaver is again pilot on the Gaisert while Captain Crang is absent on his wedding tour.

The great object on the farm should be to make everything pay, whether it be live stock or farm crops. Are we doing it? If not, why not?

Old Mr. Gordon, while walking up the street a week ago Tuesday, at Rainier, fell and fractured one of his limbs. He was carried on board the Potter and sent to St. Vincent's hospital.

In mentioning those who took a prominent part in the memorial services here last week we inadvertently omitted Miss Clara Lavender, whose recitation was well rendered and much enjoyed.

BIG FIRE IN PORTLAND.—Last Saturday morning about 5 o'clock fire broke out in the bicycle store of F. T. Merrill on Sixth street. The contents of the building were destroyed, including about 700 bicycles. The Cactus saloon, next door, was also destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$20,000, partially insured.

SALMON RUN BETTER.—The catch of salmon has been improving during the past ten days, in fact a change for the better has been noticeable ever since the water began to recede. The fish being caught now are very large, and it is not uncommon to see a fish weighing 60 pounds on the scales. J. H. Sheldon shipped about a ton from this place last Monday morning, the fish averaging 40 pounds each. The June run of fish are usually large, but this year they are larger than common.

THE QUADRANT AGAIN.—Ex-Architect-General George H. Williams was in Forest Grove last Tuesday for the purpose of consulting those who had paid the railroad company for land situated in that quadrant. After considerable discussion Judge Williams suggested that they attempt to collect from the railroad company what each settler had paid, with interest added. He also suggested that the settlers pay the incidental circuit court expense, which would not be more than \$50, then he would carry all their cases to a final decision, and would only charge for his services 20 per cent of what he recovered. The settlers are said to be well pleased with the proposition, and no doubt a suit will be commenced soon as a test case.

LOGGERS MAY ORGANIZE.—A proposition is being discussed by the loggers along the river of forming themselves into an organization for the purpose of maintaining better prices for logs and also to protect themselves in the matter of scaling. Heretofore loggers have been subjected to an unfair scale in many instances by the mill men, and without organization, have at times been unable to secure their rights. The plan now under discussion would, no doubt, remedy the evil from which the loggers have lost thousands of dollars in the past and at the same time not deprive the mill men of one dollar to which they are justly entitled. A circular letter has been issued by C. O. Masten, of Skamokawa, asking that all loggers along the river express their views in regard to the matter.

WORK ON ASTORIA ROAD.—Work is now being pushed with vigor on the Astoria-Goble railroad. Operations have been commenced on the tunnels and the side cuts along the rock bluffs. Over 100 additional men were added to the force last week, and there will be room for from 400 to 500 more this week. Messrs. Kern & Kern, who have the contract for building the embankment across the tidelands, have five dredges at work, running night and day, filling up the embankment rapidly. One of these machines handles 100 cubic yards of earth daily. Mr. Ed Norton, who has been on the line for some time, was in the city yesterday, and says that work on the road is now being carried on in a manner which shows that the promoters are in earnest in regard to completing the road this fall.—Oregonian.

VERNONIA GLEANINGS.

The weather continues pleasant. The roads are drying up very fast.

Carroll Keasey made a trip to St. Helens last Tuesday.

Lloyd Detrick started for the outside world last Wednesday.

Ernest Shannahan made a prolonged visit to Pebble creek last Sunday.

Harry Wilson paid this city a flying visit last Friday in the employ of Uncle Sam.

Martin Davison is making some decided improvements on his ranch east of town.

O. D. Lavender visited the outside world last Thursday, returning to the valley Saturday.

Mrs. S. E. Shannahan and daughter, Lulu, visited friends at Buxton Saturday and Sunday.

Peter Bergerson was in town last Wednesday after provisions for old Mr. McCullough.

S. A. Wilkinson, who has been living on his father's ranch the past winter, has moved to his homestead.

Mrs. Detrick and daughter, Bertha, were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer last Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. J. E. Dow, a short time ago, was surprised to receive a visit from her father and mother, of Southern Oregon.

Mr. William Mellinger, jr., and Miss Edna Mills left the valley Saturday for a short sojourn with friends at Salem.

James Adams returned to the valley last Wednesday from Jackson county, where he had been prospecting for mineral.

Rev. F. Fisher, after a short visit with his parents at Monmouth, returned home last Thursday, and will again take up his ministerial work.

A number of ladies gathered at the home of Mrs. G. W. Rice last Wednesday to assist in a wool picking. An enjoyable time was the result.

Charles Eichman passed through this city last Saturday on his way to his ranch on upper Rook creek. Mr. Eichman has been working on the railroad at Rainier.

A few friends gathered at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Spencer last Monday evening and spent the time very pleasantly. The old veterans related tales of war, while the young folks enjoyed themselves playing games and listening to beautiful strains of music from violin, guitar and organ. All were unanimous in declaring the evening a pleasant one. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. A. Shannahan, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Mellinger, Mrs. Detrick, Mrs. Wm. Wilkinson, Misses Bertha Detrick, Eva Malmsen, Bertha Gillman, Lulu and Marie Shannahan, Vernonia Sheeley, Oral and Maggie Spencer, Edna Wilkinson, Agnes Mellinger, Messrs. Thiele, of Missouri, Lloyd Detrick, Carroll Keasey, Oran Spencer, Otto Malmsten, Ernest Shannahan and Robert Spencer.

Memorial exercises were conducted by the G. A. R. post at this place on that day. Although the weather was not what might have been desired, about 175 people assembled to pay tribute to those who offered their lives for their country. The members of the post met at Zillgitt's hall, and from there marched out to the cemetery, where the comrades took their position around the grave of one who had gone before. Exercises were opened with a short address by Commander Spencer. A song, "Beautiful Flag," was then rendered by the Philharmonic Society, followed with prayer by the chaplain. Commander Spencer then delivered another address, when the officer of the day offered a floral tribute upon the grave surrounded, to represent the men of all who died in the sacred cause. Then the song, "Strew the Fan Garland," by Philharmonic Society, was rendered; another short address by the commander was made. Another song, "Rest, Comrades, Rest," by Philharmonic Society, was rendered. The commander, S. V. commander, J. Y. commander, officer of the day and chaplain then presented portions of the scripture applying to the solemnity of the Memorial day. Song, "Sleep, O Sleep," was then rendered, after which a beautiful poem, "The Nation's Debt," was read by Prof. J. E. Dow. Lincoln's speech at Gettysburg, was then delivered by O. C. Spencer, song, "National Memorial Hymn," by Philharmonic Society. Mr. M. Davison, the orator of the day, then presented a most elaborate and appropriate memorial address. Song, "Farewell Comrades," by Philharmonic Society, was rendered. The chaplain then pronounced the benediction, and after the friends and relatives had decorated the graves of those who had been near and dear to them, all departed for their homes. "Rurus Redit."

TO CLEAR DURRANT.—Arthur S. Austin, an attorney of Kernville, Or., was in Portland the other day, en route for San Francisco, where he is going, he says, to clear Durrant. Austin proposes to hold open air meetings in Golden Gate Park for the purpose of arousing public sentiment in favor of the convicted murderer. He will subject a crowd by announcing as his subject, "San Francisco, the Modern Sodom," and once he has them under the spell of his eloquence, will proceed to destroy, in an hour's argument, the fabric that District Attorney Barnes has been painfully rearing for two years. When the people are convinced of the purity and innocence of the persecuted wretch at present awaiting death at San Quentin, Austin will take steps to prove to a mathematical certainty that on the hour of the murder of Blanche Lamont, Durrant was studiously attending to the lecture of a professor in a medical college, where he was a student. The attorney has telegraphed to governor Budd of his intention, and expects to be received on his arrival with open arms. There is nothing startling in Austin's plan, except its apparent impossibility, and he is confident that before he leaves San Francisco Durrant will be a free man.

DIED. LENOACHER.—At Portland Hospital, on June 4, 1897, of meningitis, Pauline Lenocher, age 7 years, 10 months and 15 days. The remains were brought back to the home she had left May 23, on the evening of June 5, and were interred June 6 beside the father and the brother who had gone before, on the hillside near what had been her home during the brief years allotted to her. She had attended six weeks and two days of her first term of school, where she had made excellent progress and won the hearts of pupils and teacher. In her class there will be a vacant seat and all will miss the sweet face of the departed one. Her school mates paid a beautiful and touching tribute of respect at the funeral by completely covering the grave with floral designs and bouquets of flowers. They also passed resolutions of respect at their next session of school, which they tendered to the bereaved family. FANNY BORK, Teacher.

Goble, Or., June 6th. Kirtz.—At Rainier, on Wednesday, June 2, of consumption, Mrs. Kirtz.

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CLATSKANIE NOTES.

W. H. Conyers is transacting business in the metropolis this week.

Jack Goddard has been quite a cripple the past few days. It is a bore.

Krutz and Edgerton were in Portland last week purchasing supplies.

L. Saldern spent a considerable portion of last week in and about our town.

The Tichenor mill has been getting out some cedar timbers for railroad work.

Orrville Merrill was in attendance at the grand lodge of Good Templars in Portland last week.

C. N. Dillman and wife took the steamer Monday evening to spend the balance of the week at Mayger.

Laws and Quigley are pushing work on their railroad contract on the Karvonen and Waite Jones ranches.

Dr. Hall was in Portland this week in attendance at the session of the State Medical Society Tuesday and Wednesday.

Al Blackford was around with a subscription paper for Fourth of July celebration. There is not a great deal of enthusiasm over the matter this year, but a considerable sum has been subscribed.

The Lost Creek shingle mill is getting quite a quantity of their sawed shingles piled about the river for shipment. This is a new enterprise and another candidate to share the extremely narrow margin there is in the business.

County Superintendent Watts informs us that the county teachers' institute will convene in Clatskanie on Monday, July 5th. Our people are always pleased to welcome the teachers and commend Superintendent Watts for his action in this matter.

A labor exchange meeting was held in Merrill's hall on Saturday evening. The hall was not crowded, but those present were allowed to give free expression to their views, which seems to have been done, as it was midnight before the meeting closed.

Walter Brothers and his partner took a trip to Portland this week to find a market for their split shingles. Their shingle machine splits out shingles after the blocks are thoroughly steamed, giving more rapid results than shaving by hand, at much less expense than the use of an engine and saw.

A strawberry and ice cream festival was given in Krutz hall last Saturday evening for the benefit of the resident minister. The evening was warm and ice cream was a popular dish. Quite a number of citizens dropped in to regale themselves at the table and listen to the music furnished by Prof. Fabrique and E. C. Blackford on violin and piano. Something like \$10 was the net financial result of the enterprise.

On Thursday of last week the remains of Mrs. Alsos, wife of Charles H. Boisvert and daughter of Charles W. Jones and wife were laid to rest after an illness of about ten days. Deceased was a well known resident of our Hazel Grove suburb, and leaves a husband and four children that will miss her earnest efforts for their welfare. A funeral service was held after which the funeral took place at the Bryant cemetery.

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