

No Hope for Durrant—There now seems no hope for Durrant's appeal...

WILL EJECT GOVERNORS—The following states will elect governors in 1898...

HOLDING UP THE RAILROAD—Prosecuting Attorney Magill, in Cowlitz county, Wash., is holding up the settlement...

POSTMASTER AT RAINIER—Last Saturday Mr. A. L. Clark was appointed postmaster at Rainier, in place of Geo. F. Moeck...

A GOOD EFFECT—Saturday's issue of Dun's weekly review, with the annual message and reports, has not discouraged business...

NEW ALASKAN GOLD FIELD—The men who are building a schooner in Portland for the purpose of carrying machinery and provisions to the lakes on the Upper Kowak river...

POPULAR STATE CONVENTION—An important meeting of the executive branch of the people's party state central committee was held Saturday at the Hotel Perkins in Portland...

MURDERER WACHLIN CONVICTED—Friday night one of the most sensational murder cases in the history of the state was brought to a close at Hillsboro by a jury in the circuit court returning a verdict of murder in the first degree against Geo. Wachlin...

A FRATERNAL VISIT—The Knights of Pythias of Columbia county had another of those thoroughly enjoyable fraternal gatherings last Saturday night at Rainier, joined by members of the order from Portland and Kalama...

AN IMMENSE EXPORT—Several of the papers of Oregon find it hard to realize the magnitude of Portland's shipping trade, and insists on saying that \$600,000 worth of wheat a week has been shipped from that city...

A LODGE POOR TOWN—Last week a strenuous effort was made in this city to organize another lodge, that of the "Vigilantes," a fraternal and insurance society...

ORIGON POTATOES—Potato buyers from California are putting in an appearance in Oregon, and commission houses are soliciting consignments. It is claimed that there will be a demand in that state for all Oregon's surplus potatoes...

HORSES FOR LINNONT CANNERY—Charles Bartholomew is buying cayuses on the ranges of Morrow county at \$1 a head, and gathering them up and shipping them to the horse cannery at Linnont. He recently purchased the Looney and Cecil bands of about 600 head...

NATURE'S RESTORATION—The tendency of all soil is to produce vegetation. If the seeds of forest trees are scattered upon soil congenial, they will grow, and as the leaves fall and are left upon the surface, they mulch the land, keeping it moist, and each succeeding year will give fertility to such soil...

A CLEVER FAKE—The greatest fake of the present day is the word-building contest. Every contestant, no matter how many words they build from the word or sentence, are made to believe that they are the winners of the first or second prize...

WHERE IT COULD BE FOUND—A young lady in Multnomah county, Kentucky, by the name of Miss Helen Hunt, found a purse in church one Sunday recently, and reported her find to the preacher, with the request that he report the finding of the purse and contents, and that it would be returned to its owner by applying to her...

A COMING INDUSTRY—It is evident that the manufacture of linen is to be one of the leading industries of Oregon in the future. Nothing can withstand an enthusiasm and a faith as beautiful and strong as that which inspires the noble women who stand at the head of the Flax Fibre Association...

HEAVY APPLE SHIPMENT—The shipment of apples from the Coquille valley has about closed for the season. About 40,000 boxes were shipped to San Francisco this year. In former years, prices realized would not justify shipment on account of high freight, but some reduction was made this year, and fruit heretofore marketed, decay in the orchards was marked...

PERSONAL AND LOCAL.

W. D. Connell was in Portland Wednesday.

Miss Frankie Way visited in Portland last Friday.

Robert Patrick came over from Vernonia last Sunday.

Mrs. E. Perry, of Houlton, was in Portland Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jaa. Sheldon were in Portland Wednesday.

J. R. Beegle was down from Oregon City Tuesday on business.

Mrs. M. C. Gray is again confined to her bed with an attack of malarial fever.

P. J. Shoemaker, of University Park, was in this city Wednesday on business.

Geo. Mayger came up from home Tuesday and spent an hour or so in this city.

Judge Doan has been kept pretty busy here this week attending to county business.

The O. R. & N. Co. are fitting up their splendid steamer Victoria for the Alaska trade.

Mrs. Howard Haley, of University Park, is visiting her son, Rev. G. G. Haley, in this city.

Attorney Geo. E. Davis, of Portland, spent a few hours in this place last Tuesday on business.

Rev. M. Burlingame will preach next Sunday at the church near Reed's, on Sauvie's island.

The steamer Pilgrim, after making a few trips between Rainier and Portland, has discontinued her trips.

Joe Hayburn and A. Macanlay were passengers on the steamer Northwest last Monday morning for Rainier.

County Clerk Wood yesterday issued a marriage license to Albert Merrill and Alice Lovell, both of Clatskanie.

Prof. Collier, of University Park, will deliver a lecture to the reading circle in this city (Friday) evening.

J. H. Sheldon will sell you the best of beef at from 4 cents to 6 cents per pound by the quarter. Patronize an established business.

The popular steamer Young America was undergoing some repairs to her engines last Sunday, preparatory to the winter's run.

Attorney W. H. Conyers, of Clatskanie, was attending to legal matters in this city last Saturday, returning home Sunday evening.

Mr. D. J. Ewitzer, who has been suffering for about three weeks with pneumonia, is much better, though not well by any means.

Mrs. E. C. Gray, of Samish Lake, Wash., arrived in this city Tuesday to attend at the bedside of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. M. C. Gray.

Mrs. S. C. Henry, who has been visiting in San Francisco for several months, returned home last Saturday, accompanied by her sister.

The congregational church in this city will be dedicated Sunday at 11 o'clock. Appropriate ceremonies will be held, to which the public is cordially invited.

Owing to there being dedication services at the congregational church on that day, Rev. Mr. Haley will not hold services in the Methodist church on Sunday evening.

THE MIST is in possession of a new letter from Skagway, which, by the way will appear next week. It was written by a former resident of this county, and is replete with much interesting information.

A case is set for Saturday in the justice court of this precinct, in the state of Oregon, at the instance of Ignac Sintak, will proceed against Cook Gamble for being in possession of a cow which Sintak alleges belongs to him (Sintak).

The boom in the cattle business appears to be running away with itself. Stockmen are paying from \$10 to \$12.50 for calves, and one wonders where they will get off at when they come to market such blooded stock as three-year-olds—Union Scout.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Dillard, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Johns, Mrs. J. W. Day, Mrs. A. Davis, Mrs. J. G. Muckle, Mrs. E. M. Wharton, Messrs. Geo. Ferry, of Houlton, Thos. Holstein, of Yankton, and Wash Muckle were passengers for Portland yesterday morning.

VERNONIA GLEANINGS.

Miss goodness, how it do rain! Dick Seesman is on the sick list this week.

Win. Wilson is suffering from an attack of grippe.

Robert Patrick was the guest of U. M. Beegley Friday.

Phenas Vack was visiting the family of Mr. Mainster Friday.

S. A. Wilkinson was doing some trading in our town Tuesday.

Old Got cannot show his face through such a heap of rain clouds.

Mrs. Effie Van has moved into the house recently vacated by John Van, on Beaver creek.

Mr. Gust Holt left last Friday morning for the county seat to look after some business.

We are having some high water this week, but the second flood within three weeks.

The John Bocher Post, G. A. R., of this city, met last Saturday and elected a new set of officers.

We had quite a racket over in these necks of the woods Tuesday, caused by loud and prolonged peals of thunder.

Miss Ora Spencer is reported as being quite sick this week, so much so that she was compelled to quit school.

G. W. Rice, accompanied by his wife, left for Forest Grove Wednesday for a load of goods for F. A. Zilligitt's store.

Frank Malmen, after making the metropolitan visit, returned to this valley on Monday.

Mr. Sussman, the Astoria sheep buyer, and Lou Edmund, left this city for Buxton last Friday evening to purchase sheep.

Our mailcarrier had the misfortune to lose his watch in the mud between this place and Pittsburg on Thursday of last week.

The Schoonover boys, Bert and Ed, are attending the Pittsburg high school this winter. They expect to graduate in the art of self defense.

There will be a turkey shoot at John Bros' place, three miles above town, on December 24. All sports and crack riflemen are invited to call and try to win the fat turkey.

We would like to see the road supervisor of this district get a bustle on and fix that miserable mire hole near the Wilkinson bridge before someone loses horse, saddle, and bridle therein.

My, how McKinley has raised the price of sheep! Three weeks ago you could purchase all the sheep you wanted for \$2.50 per head, while at present writing they are selling for \$3.50 to \$4.00 per head. Yet the pups are no ignorant as to say that it is not because McKinley was elected that sheep are so high priced.

VALLEY ITEMS.

Joe Nich was over in the valley buying hay last week.

W. D. Miller was in St. Helens the latter part of last week.

Rev. Fatchild preached at the Parish schoolhouse last Sunday.

John and William Karth are down the river working in Muckle Bros' logging camp.

V. Glinski was seen carrying around a paper last week. He wants to be road supervisor for this district the coming year.

Mrs. Olenaki went to Scappoose last week for the purpose of selling her cattle. She expects to soon join her husband at Raymond, Cal., where he is working at his trade.

The recent rains caused the water to rise quite rapidly in the creeks, and the salmon have commenced running. Mr. Stewart has brought out to Sea ones the other day.

Two gentlemen were out here the other day looking at our fir and cedar timber and said it was first class, but we did not learn to what end their observations were made. There is one thing sure, and that is if the Columbia county lumbermen do not soon take hold they will surely be left.

The great Portland flouring mill, which has a capacity of 1700 barrels daily, is soon to be run by electric power furnished by the falls at Oregon City.

The three-year-old boy of J. A. Johnson, of Lynn Center, Ill., is subject to attacks of croup. Mr. Johnson says that he is satisfied that the timely use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, during a severe attack saved his little boy's life. He is in the drug business, a member of the firm of Johnson Bros., of that place, and they handle a great many patent medicines for throat and lung diseases. He had all these to choose from, and skilled physicians ready to respond to his call, but selected this remedy for use in his family at a time when his child's life was in danger, because he knew it to be superior to any other, and famous the country over for its cures of croup. Mr. Johnson says this is the best selling cough medicine they handle, and that it gives splendid satisfaction in all cases. Sold by Dr. Edwin Ross.

EASTERN STAR ELECTION.

Last Saturday the annual election of officers of the Eastern Star chapter, O. E. S., in this city was held, and the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: E. E. Quick, W. P.; Mrs. O. H. Johns, W. M.; Mrs. E. E. Quick, Associate M.; Mrs. J. G. Muckle, Secy; Mrs. Jas. Dart, Treas.; Mrs. J. W. Day, Cond.; Mrs. T. C. Watts, Associate Cond.

A Christmas tree and ball are announced for Mooreville on Friday evening, Dec. 24.

Notice.—VERNONIA, Or., December 13, 1897. Notice is hereby given to the honorable members of the John A. Logan Club, of Auburn precinct, requesting them to meet at the schoolhouse, in Vernonia, December 25, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing officers and other business.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.—NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE co-partnership heretofore existing between J. R. Beegle and David Davis, known as the firm of Beegle & Davis, publishers of THE OREGON STAR, at St. Helens, Oregon, is hereby dissolved by mutual consent. All debts due to the firm in the future and all bills due the firm from this date will be paid by him.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.—LAND OFFICE AT OREGON CITY, OR., November 24, 1897. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim to the land hereinafter described, to-wit: Charles H. Moore, of Columbia county, Oregon, on December 24th, 1897, viz: Homestead Entry No. 208, for the southwest 1/4 of northeast 1/4 of section 23, township 3 north, range 3 west.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.—NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I, THE undersigned administrator of the estate of John A. Atkins, deceased, have filed in the County Court of Columbia county my final account of my administration upon said estate, together with my petition for final distribution of the residue thereof, and that said account and petition were filed on the 14th day of January, 1898, at 2 o'clock p. m., and the courtroom of said county and state, at the time and place for said hearing of said matters, at which time and place any person interested in said estate may appear and file written objections thereto.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.—In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Columbia county, in the matter of the estate of William Wilkinson, deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE undersigned was, on the 4th day of October, 1897, duly appointed administrator of the estate of William Wilkinson, deceased, by the County Court of Columbia county, Oregon, and that he has taken and filed the oath required by law, and that he is ready to receive and pay to the creditors of said estate, in full or in part, as they may appear and file written objections thereto.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.—NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I, THE undersigned administrator of the estate of Jacob Reusch, deceased, have filed in the office of the Clerk of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Columbia county, my final account, together with my petition for final distribution of the residue of said estate, and that said account and petition were filed on the 14th day of January, 1898, at 2 o'clock p. m., and the Courtroom of said County Court at the County Court-house in St. Helens, in said County and State, at the time and place for said hearing of said matters, at which time and place any person interested may appear and file written objections thereto.

CITATION.—In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Columbia county. In the matter of the estate of Frank M. Meeker, deceased. Citation to heirs. To W. J. Meeker, Mark Smith, Anderson Smith, Willie Smith, Lillie Smith, and Susanna Smith, heirs at law of Frank M. Meeker, deceased, and to all other persons interested, and heirs of said deceased unknown, if any there be, in the name of the State of Oregon, you and each of you are hereby commanded to be and appear before the Hon. County Court of Columbia county, in and for the County of Columbia county, State of Oregon, at the Courtroom of said County Court at the County Court-house in St. Helens, in said County and State, on Friday, the 14th day of January, 1898, at 2 o'clock p. m., of said day, to show cause, if any exist, why an order of sale of all the real property belonging to said estate should not be made as prayed for in the petition described as follows: to-wit: An undivided quarter of the southeast quarter of section one, quarter of the northeast quarter of section one, quarter of the southeast quarter of section one, quarter of the southeast quarter of section one, and containing in the whole tract 80 acres of land.

In testimony whereof, I, Judson Weid, Clerk of the County Court aforesaid, do hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of said court at my office in the City of St. Helens, State of Oregon, this 9th day of December, A. D. 1897.

JUDSON WEID, County Clerk. Columbia County, State of Oregon. 417-14

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