

Indian War Veterans, Attention!

There will be a meeting of Indian War Veterans of Southern Oregon, at Wilson's opera house, in Medford, on Saturday, July 26, 1902, at 1 o'clock, p. m., to consider ways and means for prosecution of their pension claims before the department at Washington.

There will be no expense attached to the meeting to be met by the old soldiers, for Manager J. R. Wilson has placed his fine new opera house at the service of the veterans, free of charge.

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Senator Mitchell, who introduced the bill, Senator Foster, of Washington, who reported it, and Representative Tongue, who has been so active in the house, and accomplished so much in getting it through, are very happy that the bill is finally a law.

Baptismal services will be held in Talent on the first Sunday in August by Rev. N. S. Hollcroft.

Married—At Winthrop, Calif., on June 12th, Mr. E. Sheridan, of California, and Miss Lou Crystal, of Medford.

J. E. Toft & Son have given the stairway and hallways leading to Dr. Keene & Bundy's offices a fresh coat of paint and varnish for the woodwork and a coat of kalsomining for the plastering.

J. W. Wiley, the well known stock-raiser and dealer, shipped a carload of fat hogs to the Portland market last Monday.

I have a carload of cement which I am selling in any quantity desired, at reasonable prices. L. B. Brown, Medford Feed store.

When farmers have blacksmithing to do they may be assured of first-class work and reasonable prices, at T. T. Merriman's shop, Medford.



BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH the most tender solicitude and careful nursing will avail little if pure medicines are not obtainable. Get your physician's prescriptions filled at Strang's pharmacy and you then will be sure that you will not be a victim of the crime of substitution.

STRANG'S DRUG STORE, Medford, Oregon

CELEBRATED THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING.

Mr. and Mrs. John Weeks of Phoenix, the Happy Couple—Half a Century of Wedded Life—Friends Assist in Commemorating the Event.

A fiftieth wedding anniversary is an occasion which few people hope or expect to celebrate. It is because that these occasions are rare that attaches to them the importance which commemorates the event.

It was upon Tuesday evening of this week, July 8, 1902, at the pleasant home of Dr. and Mrs. H. P. Hargrave, in Phoenix, that Mr. and Mrs. John Weeks celebrated their fiftieth anniversary of blissful, wedded life.

Members of the family were very ably assisted in entertaining the guests by Mrs. Vawter, who sang several well chosen and appropriate songs, Miss Webber with piano solos and the Misses Florence and Gracie Weeks, granddaughters of the host and hostess, gave two recitations each, all of which were listened to with much interest and pleasure.

Later in the evening the guests were invited to the lawn, where beneath bows of pine and oak there was spread one of the finest feasts ever prepared by the deft hands of Southern Oregon women. The scene was well lighted with Japanese lanterns and a picture of plenty and grandeur was presented.

Mr. and Mrs. Weeks were the recipients of many beautiful and valuable presents in gold, silver, cut glass and hand painted china.

The souvenirs of the occasion were old gold ribbons, pinned in a bow with gold headed pins, and upon the ribbons were printed the years, "1852" and "1902."

Those of the relatives present from a distance were Mrs. McKay, sister of Mrs. Weeks, and daughter, Miss Ida, of Canada; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Weeks and son, Henry, of Oakland, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Weeks and children, Misses Florence and Gracie and Master Stewart, of Oakland, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Hargrave, of Winnipeg, Canada.

A bit of history regarding these people will not be out of place here. Mr. John Weeks was born in England in 1828. In early manhood he took passage in a

sailing vessel for Canada, where he engaged in the furniture and undertaking business at Woodstock. On July 8, 1852, he was married to Miss Sarah Lateman. The wedding took place in Woodstock, where the happy couple began housekeeping and where they resided until eleven years ago, when, with their children, they moved to Phoenix, Oregon, where Mr. Weeks re-engaged in the furniture and undertaking business, which business he still follows.

Married—Hodge-Philport.

A very pretty though quiet wedding took place last Thursday evening at Urban-Rest, which united in holy bonds Richard Henry Hodge and Mrs. Kathryn Root-Philport.

The rooms were tastefully decorated with roses and sweet peas for the occasion and shortly after 5 p. m. Dr. Day slowly preceded the wedding party down the stairway, followed by Marion Richard, a sweet little girl in white, who, from a daintily trimmed basket, strewed flowers along the way to the west side of the parlor.

The bride looked charming in a gown of castor, embellished with cream lace and white rose buds, holding in the left hand a large bouquet of sweet peas. Immediately following the ceremony congratulations were offered and the newly wedded couple led the way to the dining room, where awaited a feast of marvelous beauty and excellence.

The bride, who is the amiable and accomplished daughter of Mrs. Jane Root, was presented with a neat little volume containing the marriage certificate and the name of each guest autographically written. The groom is not only an exemplary gentleman of highest moral quality, but is the possessor of a serviceable device which promises to bring him great wealth.

For them may life's calm stream unrumpled run, And bright as morning shine its evening sun!

Beall's Photos.

It is conceded that Pacific coast photos beat the world when done by an expert. Realizing the need of this valley in this line and the advantages which a rural gallery offers in perfecting this line of work, Mr. R. Vinton Beall, a graduate of the Illinois College of Photography, of Effingham, Illinois, has just completed the installation of a thoroughly modern and up-to-date plant in his recently erected studio at the Beall ranch, two and one-half miles north of Medford.

Advertisement for Florodora Cigarettes. Text: "Good enough for anybody! ALL HAVANA FILLER. 'FLORODORA' BANDS are of same value as tags from 'STAR,' 'HORSE SHOE,' 'SPEARHEAD,' 'STANDARD NAVY,' 'OLD PEACH & HONEY,' 'SAW LOG,' 'OLE VARGINY' or 'MASTER WORKMAN' Tobacco.

Grand Opening Concert.

On the evening of Thursday, July 17th, J. R. Wilson's new opera house will be opened with a free concert. Mr. H. M. Coss has the arrangement of the affair in hand and he has secured some of the very best talent in the valley for the occasion, as the program which is printed below will bear witness.

A Weber piano will be used upon this occasion, which will be furnished by the Coss Piano House.

Married—Carlock-Tyrrell.

A pretty wedding occurred Sunday, July 6th, at 1 o'clock, at the Congregational parsonage, Ashland, Oregon, when Professor Gilbert Robb Carlock, of Talent, Ore., and Miss Erla Tyrrell, of San Jose, Calif., were united in matrimony. Rev. C. W. Nelson, pastor of the Congregational Church, of Ashland, officiating. Mr. F. P. Roper, of Phoenix, acted as groomsmen and Mrs. Della Roper as bridesmaid.

Early Closing of Stores.

Medford is one of the few large towns in Oregon where the stores keep open for an indefinite time each day, in fact, keeping open as long as there is a possibility of a customer showing up.

But Medford is no longer a country village and the necessity to cater to a village custom no longer exists. The profits of the evening sales do not, as a rule, amount to much more than the light and other expenses incurred.

Long hours do not increase the volume of trade to be had and the merchants of Medford would find their monthly sales would be just as large if they closed at seven o'clock as they would be to keep open until nine.

Among the Churches.

BAPTIST CHURCH. Rev. Lee Fisher, of South Whitley, Indiana, will preach at the Baptist Church on Sunday, July 20th, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

Property to Exchange.

Ten acres of fine California fruit land, valued at \$2000; beautiful, well improved city property in San Diego, valued at \$1500; also 500 acres unimproved land in Kentucky, valued at \$10 per acre.

THE ALERTS MAKE AN ATTEMPT TO PLAY BALL. THE RESULT MUST HAVE BEEN A SHOCK TO THEIR FRIENDS.

The "Invincibles" as the Observer admiringly terms the Grants Pass ball team, met with a cool reception by the University of California team on the grounds of the former team last Saturday. The U. C. boys seemed to have no pity, whatever, in their hearts for those poor boys and during the whole game would insist on pounding out two or three "baggies" on every ball that Martin would pitch—providing it was in reach of the batter at all.

The whole story lies in a nutshell. The Alerts were allowed to make two runs and the scorekeeper counted twenty-two for the Berkeley boys and after that stopped counting.

On Sunday The Alerts won a victory of 28 to 8 over the Eugene boys, at Grants Pass.

The game at Ashland on Monday resulted in a victory for Ashland over Eugene, the score being 14 to 1. Ashland has reorganized their team and have secured a pitcher and now play a fast game of ball.

County Commissioners' Court.

County commissioners' court met on Wednesday, July 2, 1902, and transacted the following business: An agreement was entered into by the county court and E. W. Blevins whereby E. W. Blevins operates the ferry across Rogue river for the sum of \$180 per year.

Report of Emil DeRooom keeping county poor approved for quarter ending June 30 1902. Monthly reports of treasurer, clerk, recorder and sheriff for month of June, 1902, compared and approved; also of hospital keeper.

The official bonds of Jos. M. Rader as sheriff, Peter Applegate as recorder, E. B. Pickel as coroner, D. H. Miller as treasurer and John S. Orth as county clerk having been duly filed and given as by statute in such cases made and provided, and the court having examined the said bonds and being fully satisfied as to the sureties therein hereby approves each and all of said bonds above mentioned.

Warrants were ordered drawn on the county treasurer for the following: Salaries \$1168 01, Jail 34 56, Current expenses 21 25, Indigents 92 00, County hospital 737 71, Circuit court 10 00, Election expenses 52 91, Justice court 100 00, Commissioners 52 50, Superintendents 842 40, Ferry 11 00, Bridges 28 35, Bounty 124 00.

HOI FOR NEWPORT.

Oregon's Favorite Seaside Resort.

Recognizing the advantage of Newport as a summer resort over other seaside resorts in the northwest, and to make it possible for all who desire to do so to spend their vacation by the ocean waves, the Southern Pacific Company, in connection with the Corvallis and Eastern railroads, will place on sale, effective June 15, round-trip tickets from all points in Oregon, on the Southern Pacific, to Newport, good for return until October 10th, at specially reduced rates.

All kinds of sun and doors and screen doors, at lowest market price. W. Woods.

I SELL GROCERIES, CAMPERS' SUPPLIES. Hay and Grain always on Hand. Will buy or sell timber and farming land for a small commission. Stan. Aiken, Prospect, Oregon.

Buy Your Haying Tools. Get Your Camp Outfit. H. G. Nicholson. Corner 7th and B Sts. Phone Main 171.

Spend Your Vacation at the Coe's Mineral Springs. The Popular Summer Resort in the Siskiyou Mountains. Rates: \$2.00 per Day, \$9 and \$10 per Week. Camping Privileges for Rent.

Skirts Skirts 40 cents to \$1. 10 per cent off this price until Saturday evening, July 19. LINEN, Plain and Braided. DUCK, Plain and Fancy in all colors. These Skirts are all first quality and fresh but are going to be sold. The Racket Store.

The New Postoffice of Perist. John Griev, who has a homestead on upper Elk creek, was in Medford Monday. The news of that neighborhood Mr. Griev states that their petition for a postoffice has been granted, and so soon as the bond of W. W. Willis, who is to be the postmaster, and which was sent off last week, has been approved by the postoffice department, they will have a postoffice of their own, they now having to go to Prospect for their mail. The postoffice will be at Mr. Willis' residence, but later on they hope to have a store in connection with the postoffice. The name of their office is to be Perist, the name typifying the persistence the settlers have displayed in opening up that section, as well as in their efforts to secure a postoffice. There now being but a horse trail from Perist to Prospect, the Perist settlers, headed by R. W. Gray, John Griev, W. T. Griev and P. S. Enyart, are now at work making the trail into a wagon road. The road leaves Elk creek about ten miles above the mouth of that stream, and goes across the divide to Prospect. It will be about eight miles in length and they expect to have it opened for wagon travel by September. Six new settlers have recently come into that settlement, and many more are expected this summer, as there is considerable good land yet vacant on upper Elk creek. Fruit Farm for Sale. I have a 293-acre farm, situated between Medford and Jacksonville, (the Crowell place) which I am desirous of disposing of. Twenty acres of bearing apple trees, fifteen acres of bearing almond trees, thirty acres of young pear trees, twenty-one acres of alfalfa, besides which there are seventy acres of cleared land; balance timbered; can be easily cleared; nice good farm buildings; four good wells; living spring with place, also farming implements. H. D. FINCH, Medford, Oregon. Rough lumber at \$11 per thousand for thirty days. O. E. Gorstine, Medford.