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ASHLAND, WEDNESDAY, MAY 26, 1897

Advertised Letter List.

List of letters remaining uncalled for in the Ashland, Oregon, Post Office, May 24, 1897.

Isham, G. F., Olson, Gus,
Woodbridge, S. A.

Persons calling for same will please say "advertised."

W. H. BRUNK, P. M.

Grammar Schools Commencement.

The commencement exercises of the graduating classes of the Ashland Grammar Schools will be held in the opera house Friday evening, May 28.

There will be about seventeen pupils in the two classes. They come from the North and South schools, but graduate as one class. The class motto is: "All Must Work Who Reach the Top."

The program is as follows:

Music, "The Hunter."

Invocation.

Recitation, "The Indian Chieftain to the White Settler," Carl Robley.

A Rolling Stone Gathers No Moss,

Daisy Cherry.

Honesty, - - - Thornton Wiley.

Music, "Blue Bells of Scotland."

Recitation, "Bay Billy," - - -

Seymour Washburn.

Air Ships, - - - Mary Caldwell.

Rose Drill.

Recitation, "The Story of Deacon Brown," Docia Willits.

Homes Without Hands, - - -

Lucinda Spencer.

Music, Chorus of Spinning Maidens.

Recitation, "How He Loved St. Michael,"

Calisthenic Drill.

Forest Reserve, - Chandler Watson.

Music, "Breathe Soft, Ye Winds."

Address to Class, - O. A. Thornton.

Presentation of Class, E. E. Washburn.

Presentation of Diplomas, - - -

C. A. Hitchcock.

Wanted—An Idea

Who can think of some simple thing to patent? Protect your ideas; they may bring you wealth. Write JOHN WEDDERBURN & CO., Patent Attorneys, Washington, D. C., for their \$1,800 prize offer and new list of one thousand inventions wanted.

Fruit Prospects.

The great fruit crop, indicated by the profusion of blossom, will not this year be realized. The fruit is dropping from the trees. The petite prune is almost gone. The Italian and Silver prunes now promise to be about a one-half crop; other varieties a very fair crop. Bartlett pears and apples will make a fair crop, unless more drop; and cherries will be a poor crop. Some sections report poor fruit prospects, as outlined above, while other sections report good fruit prospects. The fruit will be less in the northern half of the Willamette Valley than elsewhere. The cause of the change in the fruit prospects is ascribed by some as being due to the November freeze before the sap had retreated; others ascribe it to the frosts in the latter part of April; while others are of the opinion that it is due to the warm period the middle of April, during blooming. Be the cause what it may, the fruit crop, from a comparative point of view, will be short—i.e., much more than last year, but less than in 1895. Strawberries are ripe and are a very fair crop. Quinces have dropped their bloom and the fruit is well set.—From the Oregon Crop Service Report.

Lloyd B. Stone Cleared.

The trial of Lloyd B. Stone occurred in Cheyenne, Wyo., Tuesday, resulting in his acquittal of the charge of forgery. It will be remembered that young Stone was arrested in Portland last January charged with having drawn \$5 on a money order sent to C. C. Chandler, of Delta, Ia., at Cheyenne. Stone admitted drawing the money, but claims he was authorized to do so in case the boys, who were traveling together, became separated, as was the case. Stone claimed he made every effort to find Chandler, and produced sufficient evidence to this effect to clear himself in the eyes of the jury. Not a witness was called in his defense, his evidence being in the form of letters, which, with the young man's own straightforward story, proved sufficient. Stone has many friends in Portland, Ashland and Halsey, who will be glad to hear of his exoneration.—Oregonian.

Medford Schools Commencement.

The graduating exercises of the Medford public schools will take place at the opera house on next Friday evening, May 28. A splendid program has been arranged and the exercises promise to be very interesting. There are fifteen graduates—three from the business department and twelve from the regular course. On Thursday, May 27, the work of the school will be on exhibition at the opera house and exercises will be given during the day.—Mail.

Ferdinand Hartrampf, a 19-year-old boy, residing near Forest Grove, carelessly exploded a dynamite cap last Sunday. Both of his hands were injured, the left so badly that it was necessary to amputate the ends of the thumb and forefinger.

Independence will celebrate the 3d of July, Saturday, as the National birthday. There will be four parades during the day and evening.

Forty-four state diplomas were issued from the office of the superintendent of public instruction Monday.

Remember us for Job Printing.

ITEMS OF LOCAL INTEREST.

There was a light frost in and about Ashland this morning, but no damage was done.

A local Hive, Ladies of the Maccabees, is to be organized in Ashland this afternoon.

Fresh fish every Thursday at Poley & Co.'s.

The first shipment of Ashland strawberries this season was made this morning by G. W. Crowson.

Photos \$2.50 a dozen at the Ashland Gallery until the 29th.

At her home in Ashland last evening, Miss Carolyn Herrin, one of our most estimable society ladies, gave a reception tea, 5 to 8 o'clock, to her young lady friends of this place. Fifty-five invitations were out.

Waverley bicycles on easy terms.

C. E. Lane, who came over from Coles Monday, reports that a small earthquake shock was felt at that place Tuesday, May 18, with sufficient severity to shake the cabin quite roughly. Wednesday, the day following, a heavy snow storm raged in that vicinity.

Oysters—Preferred Stock, Blue Points, Sterling and Tigers at Wm. Hevener's.

A band of cattle, numbering 1500 head, passed through Ashland Friday noon, being taken to the range in eastern Oregon. The cattle belonged to Hanley Brothers, who purchased them in the western part of the state.

Sale was made yesterday, whereby J. D. Bolton, of this place, comes into possession of G. Y. Heaton's fruit ranch about a mile south of Ashland. Mr. Heaton will leave about the last of June for the Willamette valley, where he resided before coming to Ashland.

Waverleys—Ladies' '96 model reduced from \$75 to \$40.

G. W. Vaupel has recently made some changes in the construction and arrangement of his Gem Cigar Store, now having a nice ice cream parlor in addition to his confectionery department. He is prepared to meet the demands of the public in his line in the best possible manner.

Fruit men of Ashland are agitating a project to organize a fruit growers' union in this place, and it is hoped that their efforts will be successful. An organization of this kind is just what is needed for the mutual advancement of interests of residents of this locality, the chief output of which is fruit.

If you don't read the ADVERTISER, you don't get half the news. Subscribe.

Drs. J. S. Parson and D. M. Brower made an examination of the injured limb of C. P. Jones last Monday, and state that it is their belief that the bones have healed in good shape. This morning Mr. Jones arose and dressed, unassisted, and with the aid of his crutches, walked about the house and out into the yard; he will soon be down town greeting his many friends who have so anxiously awaited his recovery.

One of the heavy draught horses recently purchased by L. C. Washburn for use at the Hills-Hocum Co.'s lumbering camp, died last Friday night. The animal was a valuable one, weighing 1300 and representing \$80.