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## CHANGE IN SAYLES MOTOR CAR CO.

Another change was made in business circles this week when B. P. Sayles sold his interest in the Sayles Motor Car Company to his partner, W. B. Huggins. Thru the deal, Mr. Huggins becomes the sole owner of the business. He will handle the Lexington and Dodge cars and expects to give prompt and efficient service. Mr. Huggins has been here but a short while, but during his brief stay has made a splendid impression thru his honest and upright business methods. The present name, Sayles Motor Car Company, will be retained indefinitely. Mr. Sayles' future is undetermined, tho it is probable that with Mrs. Sayles he will visit in Canada before locating.

## Eldridge Manager of Dairymen's League

K. C. Eldridge was elected manager of the Dairymen's Cooperative league at a meeting of the board of directors Tuesday, says Wednesday's Oregonian. He will take up his duties August 1. Albert S. Hall, ex-manager, resigned about two weeks ago.

Mr. Eldridge has been in the creamery business for the last 30 years and for about 20 years operated creameries in this state. He was for many years in charge of the Independence creamery. He was recently appointed receiver of the Columbia Dairy Products company and is now straightening out the affairs of that concern.

Rev. W. T. Tapscot of Canada was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Park Wednesday. Rev. Tapscot was formerly the pastor of the Baptist church of this city.

## A SPELL OF HEAT



Expectant father, hot and perspiring, hears a long-drawn wail from upper regions of the house. "Ah!" he sighed with relief, "at last we have a little fresh heir."

## Youngsters Make Merry at Lawn Pretty Party

As a pretty compliment to Katheryn and Lester Bulloch of Los Angeles, who were on the verge of departure for their home in the south, Miss Pauline Perry was a charming little hostess at a lawn party given at the home of Mrs. Nora Mattison on Monmouth street Monday evening. A variety of outdoor games furnished pleasurable amusement for the guests. Following the games the young revelers were seated around a beautifully appointed table centered with choice sweet peas and pink roses. The hostess, assisted by Mrs. Mattison and Miss Jessie Mattison, served a delicious luncheon. The guests included the Misses Katharyn Bulloch, Alice Skinner, Jane Kimberling, Irene and Ethel Becken, Messrs. Lester Bulloch, Bob Clark, Paul Plessinger, Melvin Staats, Donald Kelly and Spencer Reeves.

## Pythian Sisters to Picnic

The Pythian Sisters here are anticipating much pleasure next Sunday at Falls City where they are to be entertained at a picnic dinner by the Sisters of that place. Invitations have also been extended to other lodges throughout the county and a grand fraternal time is assured.

## Fire Takes Toll of Frame Buildings on Main Street

Last Sunday morning, while all good Independence people lay in the embrace of Morpheus—just at four o'clock, when sleep is such a sweet treat—and on Sunday morning, too, when it's too early to arise for Sunday school, for picnics or motor parties along the flower-scented highways—just at this time the fire gong sounded again and again and soon a style (?) parade began and everybody scrambled for standing room on Main street so they might give encouragement to the brave fire laddies who were to fight the flames that were consuming the frame buildings on the east side of Main street. The fire originated in the rear of the E. E. Tripp real estate office and the entire contents were destroyed with the building. Next to be wiped out was the barber shop of Maillie & Watkins which was totally destroyed. Not even a razor left for the barbers to practice on. Smith & Son's confectionery and pool hall, suffered a disastrous loss. In fact, the rear of the building where the tables are, with all the contents, is a total loss. The soda fountain at the front is badly damaged, the cigars and candies, Mr. Smith says, are damaged beyond use. Strange to say, the clock never lost one minute. Mr. Smith had just recently moved into the building and had spent more than \$800 in building repairs and was just having a new coat of paint added. The building occupied jointly by E. E. Tripp, W. R. Maillie and A. G. Watkins was owned by Mrs. Nellie Barnett. Mrs. Barnett only carried \$300 insurance on the building. Maillie & Watkins were insured to the amount of \$500 which does not begin to cover their heavy loss. E. E. Tripp's office equipments were not insured. The building occupied by Smith & Son is owned by J. W. Kirkland and was uninsured. Smith & Son carried \$4000 insurance but this amount will not touch their loss. Mr. Smith expects to have the building repaired and operate at the same place as soon substantial repairs can be made. Maillie & Watkins have purchased the Palace Barber Shop from Martin Teel and opened for business Wednesday morning.

## Miss Freida Campbell Returns from France

Miss Freida Campbell returned today from Caen, France, where she has been in a girl's school since last September. Miss Campbell was one of the girls from the U. S. A. who won a scholarship from the French government. She was considered exceptionally good in French and her coaching with master linguists together with personal contact with the French people has been a coveted privilege. Caen is about six hours' run from the city of Paris.

## Bible Conference To Be Held Here

Newport is not the only town which can boast of a summer Bible conference. Independence is to have one. Rev. Chas. H. Waehlte, editor of the paper "Watch and Pray," will be the principal speaker. Conference begins August 14 at the Baptist church on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and continues through every night in the week until Sunday night, August 21. Rev. Waehlte is a speaker of considerable fame and comes from Larkspur, Cal. All his expositions will be from the book of Revelations. He will deal with such subjects as "The end of this age," "The second coming of Christ," "The great tribulation," "The Jews and Palestine," "The Mellenium," "The Battle of Armageddon," "The new Heaven and the new earth. These are subjects of vital interest and commands attention.

## FASHIONABLE MOTHER



Mother—Well, Mary, how is baby today?  
Nurse—She cut two teeth yesterday, ma'am.  
Mother—Mary, you must be more careful. You shouldn't let such a young baby play with a knife.

## Man Instantly Killed at Camp 1, Valsetz

Walter T. Lowe was instantly killed at Camp 1, Valsetz, Tuesday. Mr. Lowe was an engineer at the mill and was considered an expert in his line. He was running a donkey engine, the cable gave way and struck the unfortunate man, causing a fracture at the base of the skull which resulted in death. A. L. Keeney had charge of the body which rested at the Keeney establishment until Wednesday evening when it was conveyed to Vancouver where services were held the following day. Deceased is survived by his widow, Lora, and two small children. The Lowe family moved from Deer Island to Valsetz about two months ago.

## Polk County Sheep Win at Manitoba Fair

Winnipeg, Man., July 27—At the Manitoba fair, at Brandon today, W. M. Riddell of Monmouth, Ore., won first and second places in the Cotswold sheep exhibit.

He also secured the championship for male and female and took most of the honors for Lincolns.

The Misses Opal Hewett, Ulla Dickinson, Bessie Stilwell and Faye Johnson attended a picnic given by the Salem Tri Deltas at Spong's Landing Wednesday evening. The young ladies were delighted with the very gracious manner in which they were entertained.

## OLD RED FRONT NOT WHAT IT USED TO BE

Ancient ruins may be all right in Rome, but they won't work on C street in Independence. The old J. R. Cooper saloon, built by Mr. Fishback of Monmouth about 1865 is being wrecked and placed in the discard. The old building once stood stately on the corner where the Williams Drug Store now stands.

This historic building was bought by D. L. Hedges at a sheriff's sale. Mr. Hedges leased the building to Hank Merwin. Phil Johnson then purchased the "Red Front" and later J. R. Cooper bought from Mr. Johnson an interest in the business. Following Mr. Johnson's death, J. R. Cooper operated a saloon until the state went dry.

About 1895, J. S. Cooper purchased the building from J. R. Cooper and moved it to its present location in order to give way to the erection of the two-story brick on the Cooper block.

The old Red Front is one of the landmarks in Independence. At about the same time the Red Front was constructed, Van Luyne & Smith owned a frame building on the Conkey & Walker corner. In speaking of the moving of these wooden houses, "Daddy" Claggett remarked that he helped move the buildings, but a more wonderful feat accomplished about the same time, he moved Word Butler from the boat to the hotel. "Daddy" Claggett also stated that before the sheriff's sale he could have bought the building and business for \$300, but Mother Claggett put a stern veto on the venture.

As the relic of by-gone days is being wrecked, many men are recalling numerous incidents which have happened but will not happen again over the old bar.

## Cop's Going to Get You if You Don't Watch Out

At a meeting of the city council Wednesday evening, the marshal was instructed to enforce the ordinance requiring property owners to keep the weeds cut from the parking. Because of insufficient notice bids for the alley paving will not be let until August 8th.

## Just Arrived Clothing

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## GROWING OLD.

At six—I well remember when—  
I fancied all folks old at ten.

But when I'd turned my first decade,  
Fifteen appeared more truly said.

But when the fifteenth round I'd run,  
I thought none old till twenty-one.

Then, oddly, when I'd reached that age,  
I held that thirty made folks sage.

But when my thirtieth year was told,  
I said: "At twoscore men grow old!"

Yet twoscore came and found me thrifty,  
And so I drew the line at fifty.

But when I reached that age, I swore  
None could be old until threescore!

And here I am at sixty now,  
As young as when at six, I trow!

'Tis true, my hair is somewhat gray,  
And that I use a cane today;

'Tis true these rogues about my knee  
Say "Grandpa!" when they speak to me;

But, bless your soul, I'm young as when  
I thought all people old at ten!

Perhaps a little wiser grown—  
Perhaps some old illusions down;

But wondering still, while years have rolled,  
When is it that a man grows old?

—MARC COOK.

## FRENCH PHYSIQUE IMPROVES.

Reports show that of the French military class of 1921 more than 75 per cent consists of youths 20 years of age who are fit for military service. This is a high percentage of effectiveness, and the increase is attributed to a decrease in the use of alcohol, the improved living conditions on farms, and the spread of sports in France.—The Argonaut.

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