

WILL USE OUR GRAVEL SOON

Exclusive Report Received by the Monitor this Week to this Effect

We were informed early this week that the S. P. was planning putting their gravel outfits at the river here in a short time, and would use the bar here at the end of their river switch to get their gravel for ballasting the track during the summer.

This will make Independence their center of operation during the summer and will add quite materially to the trade here as a full crew of men will be needed on both the gravel trains and the steam shovels while putting the track from Eugene to Portland in condition for the new electric lines.

It is also stated and with some authority that electric trains will be in operation over the present S. P. tracks by May first.

A GOLDEN WEDDING IS CELEBRATED

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Kirkland were in Independence attending the birthday party for M. W. Kirkland on January 20th was at Cottage Grove whereshe in company with the other children, B. M. Atkins, N. L. Atkins and S. V. Allison, were present at the golden wedding anniversary of their parents, A. B. Atkins and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Atkin first located in Oregon near Independence in the late seventies making their home on the old farm place now owned by DeArmond. They moved to the city and lived here until 1901. They have many friends in and about Independence who are pleased to hear of their long and happy married life.

BIRTHDAY REUNION AND DINNER

J. W. Kirkland who has reached the 85th mile stone in life's battle, was agreeably and pleasantly surprised, Saturday, when J. E. Kirkland and wife of Albany, A. P. Kirkland and family, Mrs. J. F. Vaughan and F. A. Douty and wife met at the home of Monroe Kirkland, and wife, where a birthday dinner had been prepared for him. The evening meal was served at the home place.

J. W. Kirkland is one of the pioneers of Polk county, coming to Oregon about 40 years ago, and like the lawyer states, "he has become a fixture among us, having been here so long that the mind of man runneth not to the contrary." Hale and hearty, he has carried his age well, and is still an active resident amongst us.

The Monitor hopes to see Mr. Kirkland round out a full century and wishes him many happy returns of the day.

Dr. H. Chas. Dunsmore in responds to an invitation from

the Masonic Lodge of Rickreall delivered a lecture to that body Monday evening. There is a good lodge at the little city and a pleasant time was reported.

Rev. Sherman J. Wallace of McMinnville will occupy the pulpit in the Baptist church Sunday both morning and evening. Sunday school at the usual hour.

PERRYDALE ITEMS

The Annual School Rally for Perrydale and Broadmead was held at the Perrydale school house Saturday, Feb. 15. The meeting was opened at 1:30 P. M. by Hon. D. L. Keyt, president of the Perrydale school board. Duet sang by Bessie Morrison and Lucile Keyt. Opening speech by Supt. Seymour explaining "Why these Rally's held, and the benefit derived from them. Then came a discussion on the following questions: "How to decrease list of tardiness," "Text Books," "Standard School," "Teacher Parents Club," "What is most needed in our own school," "Parents visiting school and teachers in homes," "Home credit plans," and "How to assist the school fair." The questions were all well handled especially as no preparation had been made for them.

After the questions were disposed of, Mr. Chapman of O. A. C. of Corvallis, gave a short but splendid talk on Agriculture especially cultivation and drainage, which greatly interested the farmers. The program was interesting from start to finish, and greatly enjoyed by all present. After the meeting was adjourned by D. L. Keyt, the plan of a parent teachers club was talked over and it is to be hoped to organize one in the near future.

Mrs. Hinshaw is visiting at the Conner home west of Perrydale.

Mrs. Lee Conner was visiting in Carlton at the home of her aunt a few days last week.

Addie Martin of Amity visited at the home of J. F. Morrison here over Sunday.

Fred Hedding was a visitor in Portland a few days last week.

Fannie Keyt visited at her sister's of Sheridan a few days last week.

Chas. Bratcher and wife returned home Sunday afternoon from two weeks with friends and relatives in and around Dallas and Rickreall.

W. H. McKee and wife and H. J. Elliott gave a Valentine's party at the home of the former on Friday evening Feb. 14. A very pleasant evening was spent with different kinds of games most of them being entirely new to most of the people present. Light refreshments were served at a late hour and all the guests returned to their homes reporting a good time.

NEW TRIMMER COMING

Mrs. M. Wallace returned from Portland, where she attended the millinery opening. While absent she engaged a milliner to assist her. Her new trimmer is expected Monday.

Born to Mrs. Zula Ward, a boy, Wednesday night at 12 M. mother and babe doing well.

IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

Joe Rivers May Be Ritchie's Next Opponent.



By persistent efforts Joe Rivers, the Mexican, has worked his way up to the point where he can say "Good morning" to the new champion, Willie Ritchie, without feeling out of place. Rivers proved that he was made of the right kind of material on Thanksgiving afternoon by defeating Joe Mandot, the pride of New Orleans, in a twenty round contest.

It was a good fight, and Mandot made a game effort, but in Rivers he met his master. Rivers is now entitled to consideration for a championship fight, and were it not for his nerve of steel he would be a down and outer instead of seeking championship honors. It was enough to discourage any man to lose a fight in the manner Rivers lost to Voligast on the Fourth of July, when he practically had Voligast out, only to be declared the loser while wriggling on the floor to get to his feet. This was an awful jolt for the Mexican, but instead of returning to his careless way of living he set his heart on regaining his prestige, and he made good with a rush. He trained faithfully and entered the ring fit to make the fight of his life. Rivers will probably be matched to meet Ritchie in the near future.

Ferguson New Umpire.
Charles Ferguson, the crack American association umpire, who was signed up by Ban Johnson recently, is regarded by A. A. critics as equal in ability to "Breck" Owens, who graduated from Chivington's circuit into the National league a year ago. Ferguson has been a member of Chivington's executive staff for three seasons and during that time had never had any trouble of any consequence. Ferguson, who is a native of St. Paul, where Bill Brennan of the National league also hangs his hat, formerly played in the American league as a member of the Browns. He later played with St. Paul in the A. A. and then managed the Wausau (Wis.) club of the Wisconsin-Illinois league.

Monument to Stanley Ketchel.
R. P. Dickerson of Springfield, Mo., states that he has just finished the erection of a \$5,000 monument over the last resting place of Stanley Ketchel, the former king of the middleweights, in the Polish cemetery, near Grand Rapids, Mich. It is built of Vermont marble and granite and stands twelve feet six inches in height and eight by six at the base.

Dickerson and Ketchel's mother were childhood playmates when the fighter's family were tenants on the farm of the former's father. Dickerson has spent something like \$15,000 in avenging Ketchel's death and straightening out his affairs.

Baseball Helps Chinese.
"Baseball has been the greatest single factor for good among the Chinese," declared Charles W. Elliot, president emeritus of Harvard university, at a meeting of students recently. President Elliot was telling the students of his recent trip to the orient. He said that baseball was fast becoming popular among the Chinese and that already it had done much to make them abandon games of chance.

East is Wesleyan's Football Leader.
Wesleyan's varsity football team for next season will be captained by a New Yorker. The man who has been elected to the honor office is Edwin Eastie, who played right end during the past season. He prepared for college at the New York Military academy, where he captained the team in his senior year.

J. A. Sullivan to Direct Sports.
Secretary Treasurer James A. Sullivan of the National Amateur Athletic union will be director of athletic sports at the carnival which will be a feature of the opening of the Panama-Pacific exposition in 1915 at San Francisco.

Billiard Parlor For Women.
Mrs. Bertha May King, the expert billiard player, has opened a billiard parlor for women in Kansas City. It has fifteen tables.

"What a debt we owe to medical science!" he said as he put down the paper. "Good heavens!" she exclaimed. "Haven't you paid that doctor's bill yet?"—Chicago Post.

Nothing Obtrusive.
Hobb—You've been spending a week with Perkins, haven't you? How is his house furnished inside?
Nobb—I never noticed.
Hobb—He always did have good taste.—Life.

FOR THE CHILDREN

Polly's Pome on Manners.

Members in a Child are what show if she is good or not. And they must not only be when you're out in company. But you got to have them too when somebody visits you. That's the time they are most needed. For they show how you've been treated. And the kind of child you are. I am good because my Ma tells me what to do and why. When a child comes in to play. And when it is Bessie Yost. She the one that comes the most. She can sit on my little chair. And she gets the biggest share of the cake and the biggest bite of the pie for I'm Polly. But poor Ma Yost I guess. Don't care. Now she raises Bessie for when I am playing there. And we get some cake to share. Bessie she takes the biggest bite. But I need notice it. Still though I am fond of Bessie it would be as well I guess. If I were to play I guess. I remember there's a rule. In my copy book in school. That is meant for every child. "Who teaches pitch will be defied." —Exchange.

A Puzzling Trick.
Here is an easy trick to puzzle your friends with. At least it is easy to you, but extremely perplexing to your audience. You ask some one to write down a row of five figures. Tell him that four more rows will be added underneath, and that you will give him the result "before the sum is put down." Simply from this first row. Suppose he has written 2 3 4 5 5. You "light" 2 from the last, or right hand and place it in front of the first, or left hand, figure. You will then write down 2 2 3 4 6 3 and say, "That will be the result." Now ask him to place a second row of figures under the first row—anything he likes. Then you yourself put down the second row of figures, and you must do it so that each of your figures adds up to 9 along with his. For instance, if he writes 1 6 8 3, you must write under that 5 3 9 1 6. He then puts down the fourth row of figures, and you supply the fifth, which again must make 9 when added to his. Then get him to add up the whole. It will come out 2 2 3 4 6 3, just as you said it would. This may also be done on the same system—in three rows of five figures each, but in this case you deduct "one" only from the right hand figure, to place before the left hand one. Or it may be "seven" rows, in which case you deduct "three" from the right hand figure. This all depends upon the magic of the number 9.

The Egyptian Mummy.
When your friends come amuse them by showing them the "Egyptian mummy." To make the mummy, double up your right fist and upon the back of the fist mark the eyes, nose and mouth of a face with a burnt cork or water putina. Tie around this a doll's cap or lace, fill and fasten around the wrist, so as to cover the arm, a white apron. Bend the left arm to lie across the waist and put the right fist into the inner bend of the elbow, drawing the apron well around it. These preparations should be made in an outer room and the mummy should be sprung upon your audience. By moving the thumb of the right fist you can make the mummy look as though she were talking, and by turning your head away from the audience and disguising your voice you can make it sound as though she really were talking.

Friday Superstitions.
Eggs laid on Friday will, it is said, never decay and will, if eaten, cure the colic.
Journeys were rarely undertaken on Friday during the last century in many European countries.
In the eighteenth century no merchant of London would begin a voyage or undertake any new enterprise on Friday.

In north Germany, it is said that witches obtain power over the person who goes out unwashed on Friday. Medieval romances assert that fairies are on Friday turned into hideous animals, remaining so until Monday.
Friday is, according to the Welsh, Irish and Scotch, a day consecrated to the fairies, who then can do much mischief.

"The Boy and the Man"
Every boy wishes to be a man, but the measure of a man is not that of age nor strength nor stature nor possessions nor position. That which makes a man is a quality of spirit. It is courage, honor, integrity of character and the resolute purpose to know what is true and to do what is right. The central quality of manliness around which all others must be built up is that of a sense of honor.—St. Nicholas.

Animal Peculiarities.
Tortoises and turtles have no teeth.
Both mandibles of the parrot's beak are movable, but most birds are able to move only one.
The horse has no eyebrows. The appearance of much white in the eye of a horse indicates a vicious nature.
The stock is partial to kittens as an article of food and feeds them an easy and wholesome food, and the rats reproduce by a love for young stocks.

Cracks in the Fingers.
The tissues of the body have more salts than are usually found in fresh water. When you have more salt on one side of an animal membrane than on the other, nature tries to equalize the amount on both sides. Salts, leaving the tissues of the hands to go into the water, leave the cells partly empty of their contents. They do not hold together well, and "cracks" result.—St. Nicholas.

The Stone Was Not Thrown.
Genesieve's father occupied the pulpit. "Let him who is without sin among you be first to cast a stone," he chose for a text. Genesieve listened attentively to the evening discourse. At the close of the service her mother tried to talk to Genesieve about her unbecoming pose. Genesieve stood her ground all the rest of the congregation had passed out, then she looked on with a sigh of quiet. "Well," she

said, "I guess they've all slithered. Anyhow, nobody threw it."

Oranges.
Pour boiling water on oranges and let them stand five minutes. This will cause the white lining to come away clean with the skin, so that a large quantity of oranges can be quickly sliced for sauce or pudding.

Corrected.
Teacher—What are parallel lines? Micky Mulberry, what are you grinning at? Micky Mulberry—Scuse me, Miss Sharpe, but any lolly might make de same mistake. Yer means parallel bars, don't yer?—Puck.

Properly Situated.
"They may say what they like against him," said the convicted one's defender, "but his heart is in the right place."
"Yes," assented the other, "and so is the rest of him for a few years."

Be Prepared.
In every avenue of life great opportunities are constantly confronting us. Who are ready for them? Who will fill the positions? It is the prepared men, those equal to the places, who generally get them.—Exchange.

Countering a Touch.
"Don't you think you're wasting your time talking the value of economy to Blank? He hasn't any money."
"I know, but I have."—Detroit Free Press.

EOLA SCHOOL RALLY

A rousing school rally was held here Friday afternoon the 15th. The crowd was small, but it made up in enthusiasm what it lacked in numbers. Prof. Seymour and Mr. Myers of Dallas were in attendance. Educational questions were discussed pro and con. Nearly every one present taking an active part in the discussion. It is very plain to be seen that great good would be derived from meetings of this kind if every one interested would attend and especially in the rural districts and discuss the school question as some of the best laws, ideas, and suggestions along that and all other lines originated in the mind of the "man behind the plow." It was formally decided to organize a parent teachers club, Thursday February 27th, which is a step in the right direction for any school district to adopt, and we are looking forward to the good that will certainly be derived from it.

Mrs. L. Baldwin purchased the Myers property this week.

A meeting of the Commercial Club was held Tuesday evening and legislative matters were acted upon.

YOUNG MAN BADLY INJURED

Elmer Pysell, a twenty three year old, shingler on the girls' dormitory of the Normal, lost his footing, rolled down the roof a distance of 40 feet and fell 35 feet to the ground Sunday afternoon sustaining several serious injuries. It is thought that one or more of his ribs were broken. Word was sent his parents at Portland and they arrived Monday afternoon to be with him.

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