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FINE NEW

LAUNDRY

Plant Will be Moved to a New Building

New Machinery to be Added and Plant Improved

Wm. Cockle, Sr., purchased the Chet Long property opposite the depot this week and plans building a new laundry on the place at once. He will remove the laundry plant from Main street to this location and expects to install considerable new machinery in the plant when located. He has the place leased to Jack Fear and expects to make it one of the best plants in the valley.

LADIES ENTERTAIN MANY GUESTS

Largest Party of the Year and One of the Nicest

Mesdames J. H. Burton, Asa B. Robinson, Jr., M. Merwin, O. D. Butler, H. B. Fletcher, Geo. W. Conkey and Miss Florence Burton were hostesses Wednesday evening to what is generally declared to be the most successful evening party ever given in the social circles of Independence.

Over one hundred invited guests were present and the big library and rest room of the Masonic hall was used as the reception room for the occasion. The dining room was tastefully decorated and to this they all repaired where tables had previously been arranged for five hundred. Twenty two tables were placed and each guest found his table by number corresponding with the number of the tally card.

The hall was decorated in Oregon grape and foliage mingled with red and after playing five hundred well toward the middle of the night a three course luncheon was served. After which the tables were removed and those desiring danced a few closing numbers.

A Few Political Pick Ups

There seems to be a little awakening in political circles and this week we hear it reported that L. D. Butler might be a

candidate for the office of State Representative on the Democrat ticket this year.

We hear it reported that Jonathan Bourne is considering making the run again this year for State Senator. Geo. E. Chamberlain the present incumbent is an aspirant for a return on the democratic ticket. While in many ways we have here to fore opposed Bourne for this office, there is no gain-saying the fact that he has fathered some popular measures that mean much to the people. His latest proposal, federal aid for good roads is a meritorious measure and one which every citizen should support. We believe if he should come out he would be a big factor in the coming election.

It is said "There's safety in numbers" and from the long list of aspirants for the office of Governor we might say this is no mis-statement. Republicans and Democrats alike are crowding the ropes and the man who wins will probably be a dark horse. Manning, Bennett, Geer, Withycombe, Johns, U'Ren, Dimmick, Brownell, Mosher and a few more of the common household names constrains us to believe that the field is a good one and there are no favorites.

Present indications are that Asa B. Robinson will have no opposition for county clerk. Good and efficient service kept Smith in office several terms and we would not be surprised if the same would hold true of the present incumbent. Then, too, when a man first starts out in life, everybody kind a feels like boosting him along.

In another column of the Monitor appears the announcement of S. G. Irvin, of Newport, as a candidate for the Republican nomination of Joint Representative. We understand Mr. Irvin is a capable man and would do efficient service if elected.

C. L. Hawley, of McCoy, is being urged to again put his hat in the ring for State Senator and we understand our neighbor county wants him there and will put up no opponent if he will run. This is a good recommendation and one we think Curt will not disregard. Polk county has interests in state affairs that require a good safe head and an experienced man.

Drs. Lowe and Turner, eye specialists will be at Hotel Beaver Friday, February 13.

VALLEY AND SILETZ R. R.

Survey is Completed and Men Leave

Other Work to Follow as Soon as Possible

Last week the Valley & Siletz railroad engineers finished their work in this section and left for Portland. They started at the Toedemier place near Airlie and run a line of survey direct to Independence and we understand as soon as the weather is so it is possible they will put men on the construction work again. The right of way has not yet been secured from Airlie to Independence but this matter will soon follow.

We are informed the money has been raised and is laying idle awaiting the railroad before the people will start their mill at this point but we believe less than six months will see actual building on the mill at the site chosen.

FRATERNAL BROTHERHOOD

Institute Lodge in City This Week

A lodge of Fraternal Brotherhood was organized in Independence at the Moose hall, Tuesday, February 10th. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Van Winkle organized the lodge and had 35 members ready for initiation when the lodge was instituted. Mr. Van Winkle stated to the representative of the Monitor that he expected to put in a lodge of 100 members here before he left this locality and expects to have a large class for initiation every week.

Temporary officers were elected and installed as follows:

President, Vernon J. Brown; Vice Pres., Z. B. Sutton; Past Pres., Henry Houghton; Secretary, Mrs. H. Houghton; Treasurer, Miss L. Lawrenson; Chaplain, Chas. Stuffleban; Sargeant at Arms, Fallie Sutton; Mistress at Arms, Harriet E. Myers; Outer Guard, Elmer A. Martin; Inner Guard, Lydia Sutton.

The cannery matter is creating some excitement and there is some talk of the matter being taken into court. A meeting was held in the city this week with that idea in view and legal council is reported employed to investigate the matter with a view of starting proceedings.

S. S. R. S. Stewart with the California Jubilee Quartet, plays the piano with one hand better than most people can on all fours.

Prof. T. J. Newbill former principal of the public schools here but for a number of years principal of the Woodlawn school in Portland has just been promoted to the principalship of the school in the Arleta section of that city, where he is in charge of one of the largest grammar schools on the Pacific Coast having 24 teachers under him.

Prof. Newbill's many friends in Polk county, where he was reared, will be pleased to learn of his good fortune and deserved success in his chosen profession.

The "Owls" enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Skinner Monday evening, where the usual enjoyable time at whist was spent.

John C. Payne, female impersonator with the California Jubilee Quartet can reach "D" above the staff.

For sale—horse, weight about 1200 pounds, about 8 years old. Particulars at the Monitor office.

For Sale—One mare weight about 1400 pounds, works single or double, four choice Jersey heifers, 1 fresh Jersey cow. Located one half mile south of Monmouth.

N. Norton.

J. T. Hill, reader for the California Jubilee Quartet is a master at rendering the negro dialect readings.

Rev. L. Jean died Feb. 9 at the home of his daughter Mrs. B. H. Bryan in Seattle aged 81 years. The Rev. Jean was pastor of the M. E. church here 13 years ago, for one year, and made many friends during his short residence in this city.

Another one of the noble G. A. R. veterans has thus passed to his reward.

DALLAS HAS MEETING

GOOD ROAD MEETING HELD

J. Waldo Finn of McCoy Chosen Vice President in Place of Hon. C. L. Hawley

A meeting was held at Dallas Friday at the County Court house to consider the election of a Vice President for the Willamette Valley Good Roads Association, to take the place made vacant by the refusal of Hon. C. L. Hawley of McCoy to accept the position, who gave as his reasons other pressing duties requiring his attention. J. Waldo Finn, a road expert living at McCoy was chosen unanimously to take the position. About ten members of the Commercial Club of Independence including J. S. Cooper, president, J. G. McIntosh, secretary and Dr. Dunsmore secretary of the Willamette Valley Good Roads Association were present.

COURT CLOSES POOL HALLS

Sunday Opening Unlawful Says Judge Holmes

The case of the state of Oregon vs Smith Bros. came before the Circuit Judge this week and the judge held that the law was effective and that the home rule amendment did not take away the authority of the state in this matter. The case then came up for trial and the defendant decided not to make any further fight. They were fined \$25.

Esther, the Beautiful Queen, will be the topic at Calvary Church Sunday evening.

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