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LOCAL BREVITIES

Good oak fence posts for sale. Call farm 3813. 13tf

Cleve Robinson was here from Lebanon Sunday.

Smelt each Tuesday and Friday at Dickson's Market.

Mrs. O. D. Butler returned from Portland last Monday.

The Polk County Sunday School convention will be held at Falls City Feb. 1, 2 and 3.

Wanted, to buy stump puller—must be in good condition. Phone Farm 6122, Bert Hilde.

M. C. Williams expects to be moved into his new location by Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bohannon were calling on Portland friends Monday.

Miss Florence Gebro has apartments in the Patterson house on C. street.

Ralph Flood returned to his aviation duties at San Diego, Cal., Wednesday.

For Sale—Defiance Wheat Seed. Home Hill.

I. N. Simpson is in Portland where he underwent a minor operation.

Mrs. A. J. Cooper continues to improve and is on the road to recovery from a severe illness.

G. A. Wells has planted sixteen acres of prune trees on his farm south of Independence.

Dr. J. R. N. Bell preached at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and went on to Portland in the afternoon.

Luther Ground of Monmouth, who has been an invalid for several years was taken to a Salem hospital last Wednesday.

Mrs. J. B. V. Butler, who has been in delicate health for some time, was taken to the Good Samaritan hospital in Portland last Monday.

E. E. Hildebrand was in the class initiated into the Mystic Shrine at Portland last week. Independence Shriners in attendance were Dr. O. D. Butler, H. Hirschberg, Ross Nelson and Dr. H. C. Dunsmore.

Large team for sale cheap. Inquire at this office. 17tf

Miss Emma Henkle was the guest of Miss Gladys Irvine last week end.

Cecil Swope has been in Oregon City this week helping the folks get moved to Independence.

W. M. Huff and C. O. Sloper are attending the Hardware Dealers Association in Portland this week.

Mrs. Hattie Henkle returned to her home in Corvallis yesterday after visiting relatives and friends here for several weeks.

With many wishes of good fortune, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Bice left Independence Tuesday for their new home, near Oregon City. Their address will be Route 1, Milwaukie.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Willing of Seattle, who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Mix, for the past two weeks, returned to their home yesterday afternoon.

Lieutenant R. M. Walker, now at Camp Lewis, has been promoted to the senior rank, and it is the expectation that he will be assigned to service in France within a very short time.

The city council has ordered the removal of the fire cart and hose from North Independence which has aroused much opposition from the residents in that part of the city.

A party of twenty young people chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Parker and Mrs. D. H. Phillips went to Salem last Sunday night to hear Bruce Evans.

Having temporarily retired from the hop business, I have four good horses to sell. You may pick out of nine head. At Fitchard & Wolfe's hop yard. H. B. Wolfe. 25

Look at the pictures from "The Honor System" which will soon be on display in front of the Isis theatre. This Fox production is one of his best and has made a profound impression wherever shown.

Miss Florence Burton entertained her sewing club last Wednesday afternoon. The group of ladies have dispensed with sewing on their own dainty lingerie and are devoting their time to sewing seams on Red Cross garments. The hostess served a dainty luncheon late in the afternoon.

Dr. R. E. Duganne, dentist, National Bank Building.

Otho Smith is in Portland where he is taking a course in electrical engineering.

Don't miss "The Honor System" which will be shown at the Isis on next Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

There will be a big gospel meeting in Campbell's hall, Independence Saturday night at 8 o'clock. It will be under the auspices of the good people from Dallas who have been holding services on the streets here every Saturday night.

A good pair of reading glasses for \$1.00 at O. A. Kreamer's.

In a letter recently received by his father, B. Fay Dunsmore writes from the hospital in White Horse, Yukon Territory, that his injured leg is healing slowly, and he hopes to be discharged from the hospital about the end of February. He has been in the hospital for about four and one half months.

Mrs. Kemp, past president of the W. C. T. U., and a very instructive speaker, lectured at the Isis theatre last Friday afternoon under the auspices of the Civic Club. Mrs. Kemp talked on "Woman's Work in the War." A large crowd was present and all felt much benefited by the talk.

STRANGE CRAFT DEAD WHALE

An Adventurous Fisherman Secured a Prize.

Farmers along the bay shore near Broadkin Beach, near Milton, Del., were prepared to protect their homes with their lives when a long, low, mysterious craft made its appearance up the bay. In the early morning light it could be plainly seen coming in toward the shore above Cedar Beach. Then it stopped, and finally Charlie Reed, an adventuresome fisherman, started out to it and found it to be a dead whale, a prize of the first magnitude.

It stranded near the Frank Waples farm at Slaughter Neck, and was viewed by hundreds, who came from all parts of Lower Delaware in automobiles and wagons to see it. In the morning Reed, with a small launch, landed it at the Leves fisheries and will have it made into oil.

It is estimated that at the present price of oil Reed will realize several hundred dollars from it. The whale was 57 feet long, and is supposed to have been shot in mid-ocean.

Meet After Many Years.

T. R. Trotter, city clerk of Pomona, Cal., and his sister, Mrs. F. L. Jesscott of Philadelphia, met recently after 42 years' separation. Trotter left his sister in Cork, Ireland, to become a sailor and within a few years lost track of her. He has been city clerk in Pomona for twenty years. A month ago Mrs. Jesscott picked up a Los Angeles newspaper and read a story containing the name of her brother. She immediately communicated with him.

MARSHAL'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY FOR DELINQUENT ASSESSMENTS.

Notice is hereby given that the Recorder of the City of Independence, Oregon, has transmitted to me a warrant for the collection of delinquent installments on assessments for the improvement of Sixth street, in front of the hereinafter named and described real property, and that pursuant to said warrant, the Charter and Ordinances and resolutions of said City, I will on the 25th day of February, 1918, at the hour of two o'clock P. M. of said day, at the front door of the City Hall of the City of Independence, Oregon, offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, subject to redemption, and the installments not yet due on said assessment, the following described real property to-wit:

Lots three and four in block six in Patterson's first addition to the City of Independence, Polk County, Oregon.

Assessed to Glen E. Kibbe in the sum of \$185.98, on which the second annual installment of \$18.60 is delinquent and unpaid, with interest to January 1, 1917, \$10.04, making the total sum due \$28.64.

Each piece or parcel of land will be sold separately, and for a sum not less than the said unpaid installment and interest as aforesaid, cost of advertising and recorder's fees therein, the purchaser thereof will assume any and all of the installments of said assessment not yet due.

Dated, January 25, 1918.

A. J. Tupper,
City Marshal of said City.

Notice to the Public

"To serve our country we have enlisted in the United States Food Administration. We pledge ourselves to give our customers the benefit of fair and moderate prices, selling at no more than a reasonable profit above cost to us."

(Signed) JOHNSON & COLLINS.

The above pledge was presented by an agent of the Food Administration and was promptly signed by us. In order to carry out the spirit of this pledge we have decided to place our business on a CASH BASIS.

Beginning February 1, we sell FOR CASH ONLY. If orders are telephoned to us, we will collect upon delivery. If not paid for upon delivery, the goods will be returned to our store.

In taking this step we realize that many good responsible credit customers will feel that it is a reflection upon their honesty but we assure that nothing is farther from our thoughts but in carrying the cash system out to the best results we will have to operate along these lines.

We will guarantee to you that you will make a nice comfortable saving in your grocery bill as we contemplate making generous reductions on almost everything in our store and you will not be charged one penny more than an article is actually worth in order to help pay up the bad bill contracted by some one else.

If you are a credit customer of ours at this time we would like to have you step into our store in order that we may explain to you our proposition to give you assistance in paying cash provided you need such assistance.

Thanking you one and all for your generous patronage in the past and soliciting your cash business upon a basis that will be profitable to you, we beg to remain

Very Truly Yours,

Johnson & Collins