TALK OF THE TOWN

Daily Gazette 50 cents per month.

Call up the Palace of Sweets for your ice cream and sherbets. Free delivery. 5-6-tf

Cash paid for wool by Wm. Crees. 220 Third street. Independent phone 234. 5-7-3tw

Arsenate of lead for spraying fruit trees at Jack Dawson's Poultry market. 5-3-2t

Governor Benson has re-appointed D. Lowe to serve for a term of three years on the State Board of Examiners in Optics.

M. M. Long is having the front of his store on Second street newly painted a bright blue color that is rather startling in its effect.

W. P. Lafferty left yesterday for Portland to attend to business matters requiring his presence there. He returned today.

Forty-five Agricultural Colleges out of forty-seven use and endorse Zenoleum Sheep Dip. At Jack Dawson's Poultry Market. 5-3-2t

Thomas Whitehorn returned Tuesday evening from his fishing trip and reports a heavy rain having fallen Tuesday at Harlan.

Clay Gilbert has resigned his position as pharmacist in a Eugene drug store on account of ill health and has returned to Corvallis for the present.

The county clerk's office issued a marriage license today to Harley L. Burck, of Albany, and Katie Widner, of Fairmount precinct, Benton county.

New and second-hand furniture, Samuel Goodman, Proprietor. Everything needed for the household. Call and give us a trial. 424 South Second St. 5-5-4t.

The Women's Guild of the Church of the Good Samaritan held an interesting meeting yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Alice Wicks, on College Hill.

The ladies of the Congregational Aid society were very pleasantly entertained yesterday afternoon by Mrs. C. E. Peterson at her new home on Sixth street.

Charles Hout's new building on Second street is being rapidly pushed to completion by a large force of workmen. When finished it will make a fine business location.

F. G. Davis left today for his big hop ranch at Silverton to remain for about a week. He drove over with a team and was accompanied as far as Jefferson by P. L. Cate.

The students at Dr. Farra's had a jolly time Wednesday evening entertaining the neighborhood with a roof concert. The music was lively and many people stopped to listen to it and to cheer the boys.

Henkle & Davis' clock stopped again Wednesday at 7.35.39 a. m. and Spencer Bicknell was gratified at receiving a couple of dollars for coming within 18 minutes 10 seconds of the time, Mrs. Tom Creighton being just three seconds further off, for which she was awarded a dollar.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church had a missionary tea out at Mrs. Fischer's yesterday afternoon. The party went out in the hotel bus and all had a most enjoyable time. Mrs. Beattie, of the Sitka, Alaska, training school, gave a very interesting talk on the work in the far North.

John Smith has laid the cement curbing around his property at the corner of Fifth and Madison streets, to conform to the 14-foot ordinance limit, and will lay out the intervening space as a boulevard with lawn and shrubbery. If this should be uniformly followed all over the city it would make the streets present a handsome appearance.

The county court took under advisement the awarding of the $200 offered for the capture of the court house thieves. The Portland detectives and pawn broker Solomon were a disappointed lot as they confidently expected to convince the court that they had done wonders in hunting down the robbers. Chief Wells deserves all the money.

The siren whistle on the Occidental mill awakens the echoes all over the city morning, noon and night. It would be most agreeable music if a dozen or more of even such unearthly noises could be heard regularly, provided they all called as many men to work. Corvallis needs more mills and industrial enterprises and steps should be taken to secure them.

John Lowey, of Portland, is visiting at the Danneman home.

William Perce, of New York, is visiting his brother, Frank Perce, west of town.

Collie Cathey arrived home from Portland last night for a short visit to his parents.

Mrs. C. A. Murphy and Mrs. N. F. Hamer were passengers on today's train for Newport.

The city charter for Corvallis and other cities will be the subject for debate at the College Armory Saturday night between the teams from McMinnville and OAC.

Sheriff Gellatly went over in the eastern end of the county this morning to summon witnesses in the bridge damage suit which has been brought against the county.

The informal meeting held yesterday afternoon by the Ladies Auxiliary to the Commercial club was largely attended and everybody thoroughly enjoyed both the social features and the opportunity of becoming better acquainted.

Business Locals.

Trunks and suit cases at O. J. Blackledge's. 4-2-tf

Edison records for May now on sale at Graham & Wells. 4 27 4t

Demand Ice Cream made by the Palace of Sweets. It's pure. 3 9 tf.

For Sale or Trade—A good Studebaker cart and single harness. Apply 360 Jackson street. 4 9 tf

Finest line of wall paper ever manufactured now being shown at A. L. Miner's store 107 North Second street. tf

Dr. Mentor Howard, the dentist, Room 8 First National Bank building, announces that from now until he is ready to quit he will give 25 per cent off on all crown and bridge work. 22-caret crowns $3.50; bridge teeth $3.50. All work guaranteed. 4-6 tf

For Sale—I am going to Eastern Oregon for more horses about May 15, and will sell, before I go, my black, three-year-old single driving horse, and a four-year-old cow, giving thirty pounds of milk per day, test 5. Orren Thompson, Corvallis, Oregon, R. F. D. 2. 4-30-2t

SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State o Oregon for the County of Benton.

A. R. Locke, Plaintiff,
vs.
Jennie E. Alexander,
Jesse T. Wilkins,
Mabel H. Wilkins,
Defendants.

To Jennie E. Alexander, Jesse T. Wilkins, and Mabel H Wilkins, defendants above named;

In the name of the State of Oregon; You and each of you are hereby required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court and suit on or before the 18th day of June, 1909, said date being six weeks from and after the first publication of this Summons. The first publication of this Summons being on the 7th day of May, 1909, and the last publication hereby being on the 18th day of June, 1909, and if you fail so to answer for want thereof the plaintiff will apply to the above-entitled court for the relief as prayed for in plaintiff's complaint now on file in said court, to-wit: that said defendants and each of them be forever barred and enjoined from asserting any claim whatsoever in or to the following described premises or any part thereof adverse to this plaintiff by decree of the above-entitled court, to wit:

Lot one (1) in Block Thirteen (13), County Addition to the City of Corvallis (formerly the town of Marysville), Benton county, State of Oregon.

That by such decree it be declared and adjudged that said defendants and each of them have no estate, title or interest whatsoever in or to said real property above described, and that the title of the said A. R. Locke, plaintiff, in and to the said premises is good and valid and in fee simple thereto and that said plaintiff have such other and further relief as may seem to the court meet and equitable.

This summons is served upon you by publication by order of Hon. E. Woodward Judge of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Benton, made on the 4th day of May, 1909, directing publication thereof once a week for six successive weeks in the CORVALLIS GAZETTE, a weekly newspaper of general circulation, printed and published weekly in Corvallis, Benton County, Oregon.

J. F. YATES,
Attorney for Plaintiff

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Seven Old Ladies.

By M. QUAD.

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The village and the country about the old Lester homestead were one day surprised by the announcement that Miss Priscilla Lester had decided to open an old woman's home in the big manor house. She had been a motherless girl for years, and her father had now been dead for twelve months. To open and conduct such a home had been her dream for years, and she was to have the enthusiastic support of her church pastor.

It wasn't to be called an old woman's home, as such a term would hurt old women's feelings, but was to be known as the old ladies' rest. While masons and carpenters were making changes circulars were sent out and answered by thousands of old ladies throughout the United States. More than 500 of them called in person at once, though told not to, and when the rest was finally ready to receive guests over 5,000 applications were on file. Miss Priscilla and the minister were amazed. They had figured on only about forty old ladies and not taking them all at once either. After a long confab, in which various things came up that had not hitherto been discussed or provided for, it was decided to start off with only seven guests.

The seven old ladies walked or were carried or hoisted into the rest, and then the institution was considered opened. Each had a room, and the attendants had been instructed to treat them as they would their own mothers. Some of them did not obey instructions. They would have wrung their own mothers' necks before bedtime. As soon as they found themselves "solid" the old ladies broke out. They had game legs; they had stomach troubles; they had lumbago and swimming of the head; they wanted this and that, and they wanted it quick.

Next morning, after a night of groans and sighs, the seven got together in the dining room. The doctor, who had known as many as five old ladies in his life, had made out the bill of fare and looked upon it as a generous one. That was one of his mistakes. The seven agreed that it was the worst meal ever set before a poor old lady. It was already plain that they had been induced to enter the rest under false pretenses, and each and every one mumbled dark hints about lawsuits to get even. One of the seven had as many as three teeth left in her mouth, the others a tooth or two less, and yet the seven were a unit in wanting to know why beefsteak had not been provided.

After the dining room had been cleared the old ladies began to draw the lines of caste. When they got through each had her own status and was ready to pitch into that of all others. The doctor recommended that the whole caboodle of them be pitched outdoors, the minister looked thoughtful, and Miss Priscilla hovered over all like the angel of peace that she was. She held to it that as soon as the old ladies had got settled down everything would go smoothly.

The rooms were fine, but they were found fault with. The beds were good, but there were complaints. The food could scarcely have been bettered, but the seven cried out in chorus that they were being deliberately starved to death. Miss Priscilla listened to all these complaints and soothed the complainers, and sometimes she would bring about a peace that lasted all of half an hour. Then Mrs. Hennessey would suddenly say to Mrs. Smith:

"Think of the likes of you to be complaining, an old cat that hasn't had a decent meal in your stomach for years!"

"And you—and you!" shouted Mrs. Smith in reply. "Don't we all know that you were glad to get potato peelings before you came here!"

It would always require Miss Priscilla's presence and sometimes that of the minister and two or three of the attendants to smooth the troubled waters, and after the waves had subsided the good man would be asked:

"These little things shouldn't discourage us, should they?"

"N-o-o, not exactly discourage."

"It's a noble charity, isn't it?"

"Y-e-s, very noble."

"And the old ladies will come to love one another in time?"

"We must hope that they will."

"Oh, but, bless their dear old hearts, they surely will! I must hurry up and get the place ready for seven more."

The minister turned pale at the idea, but seven more never came. The rest had been running for a month, and the old ladies already installed had bickered at every meal and quarreled three times a day, when there arose a dispute one day as to whether lumbago or consumption entitled the victim to the most respect and consideration. It was not settled on the spot. It has never been settled since. There were angry words, and there was hair pulling over it, and then the seven old ladies left the institution by seven different ways, each one declaring she would never return. By the time Priscilla and the doctor and the minister had rounded them up and brought them back the minister was ready to say:

"My dear girl, you see how it has been for the last month. It is a noble charity. It is a beautiful thing. It expresses a thousand tender sentiments, but were you to get married and let your husband run an old gentlemen's home instead I think your duty toward yourself and humanity at large would be as fully conserved."

"Take Notice.—The Priscilla rest for old ladies has been permanently closed. Applications should be made to other rests."

SHERIFF'S SALE UNDER ATTACHMENT EXECUTION.

On Thursday, the 6th day of May, 1909- at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon of said day, at the front (East) door of the Court House in Corvallis, Benton County, Oregon, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for Cash in hand, the following described personal property:

One bicycle; one floor plane; one set, en volumes, "Cyclopedia of Architecture Carpentry Building," attached and in hands of sheriff.

Said sale is made under an attachment execution in my hands issued out of the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Benton in the suit entitled Edward Buxton and Harry Buxton, partners doing business under the firm name of Central Planing Mills, plaintiff, vs. Roy Price, defendant, a proceeding to foreclose an attachment

Dated April 23rd 1909.

W A. GELLATLY,
Sheriff of Benton County, Oregon.

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