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BIGGEST REALTY DEAL MADE IN THE HISTORY OF BENTON COUNTY

ILLINOIS MAN PAYS \$72,500 FOR 2023 CHOICE ACRES

F. J. Taylor of Rock Island, Buys the Fine Foster Farm South of Corvallis After Spending Two Months Investigating the Best Known Sections of Oregon and Failing to Find Elsewhere as Good an Opportunity for Investment as Right Here.

The biggest realty deal ever made on farming property in the history of Benton county was closed in this city yesterday, when F. J. Taylor, of Rock Island, Illinois, bought the 2023-acre farm of J. W. Foster, paying \$72,500 for the property.

This purchase is not only remarkable for its magnitude, but it was made by Mr. Taylor after he had spent eight weeks in an exhaustive personal investigation of all the conditions of soil, climate and other advantages offered



THE FOSTER RESIDENCE.

by the best known sections of the state, and proves conclusively that Benton county land is not surpassed anywhere in Oregon.

This splendid farm is located 12 miles south of Corvallis and six miles from Monroe, the Corvallis & Alsea River Railroad passes through it and affording excellent transportation facilities. It is an ideal place for diversified farming and stockraising to which its new owner will devote it, he having decided to at once move out here with his family and begin extensive improvements.

Mr. Taylor, in company with Samuel Ransom, also of Rock Island, came to Corvallis several days ago, after visiting about every other locality in Oregon and with his practical knowledge of farming it did not take him long to decide that this section of the Willamette Valley was the best he had seen and his big purchase is the result of this decision.

He says he has many wealthy friends back east whom he will also induce to make investments in Benton county and come out here to locate and develop the holdings they will acquire.

The credit for negotiating this extensive transaction belongs to R. F. Baker the well known real estate hustler of Corvallis, who recently issued "The Oregon Prospector" and by it attracted many investors to Benton county. Mr. Baker gave Mr. Taylor every facility for making thorough investigations, not only in this, but adjoining counties, and finally concluded the deal which makes the Foster farm one of the largest and best properties in the section.

That he will make a welcome addition is the opinion of all who have had the pleasure of meeting him.

EUGENE HAS BAD FIRE

Business District, Suffers Heavy Loss Yesterday Afternoon.

One of the fiercest fires in the history of Eugene in about two hours yesterday afternoon completely destroyed the Bangs livery barn on West Ninth street, taking with it all but one of the wooden structures bounded by the line of brick buildings which front on Willamette, East Eighth and Olive streets, resulting in a loss of approximately \$60,000 and leaving the biggest black hole in the business section of any fire for 20 years.

The fire broke out in the loft of the Bangs livery stable on Ninth street, near the front of the barn. Before the alarm could be turned into the central station, which was within a few seconds after the blaze was sighted, the whole upper story of the building was a roaring mass of flames, which leaped to several wooden warehouses before the fire department could get water into play.

The list of losses, which is difficult to estimate closely, includes the following: S. H. Friendly, warehouse \$5000; stock of drygoods \$25,000, heavy insurance; Pacific States Telephone Company, \$10,000, loss mostly outside; Campbell & Fellman, house furnishers, \$5000, fully insured; W. A. Kuykendall, \$3500, fully insured; Broders Brothers, meat market, \$3000, partly insured; Robert Pratt, brick building, \$3500, partly insured; Bangs Livery Company, \$1500, feed and fixtures \$1500, no insurance; Bennett Bros., frame building, \$4000, insured for \$2000.

Among those whose losses will be under \$1000, partly or wholly insured, are: The Willamette Valley Company, Hampton Brothers, Julius Goldsmith, Aya & Heitzman, T. G. Hendricks, Elks Lodge, Burden & Graham, L. N. Roney, Dr. Wall, Mrs. John Stewart.

Smaller losses were Schwartzchild's book store, Yoran's shoe store, G. C. Cross, Harry Dunbar and Mrs. Henry Hoffman.

Delegates To Conventions.

The vestry of St. Paul's Episcopal Church at Oregon City met last night and elected delegates and alternates to attend the Diocesan Convention, which will be held in Portland next month. The delegates are H. L. Kelly, John R. Humphreys, George A. Harding. The alternates chosen are W. B. Stafford, Frank T. Barlow, John B. Lewthwaite.

THE OREGON LAW FOR AUTOMOBILES

SPEED LIMIT IS BEING FREQUENTLY VIOLATED.

THE PENALTY FOR OFFENSE

State Statute Covers All Necessary Regulations if City Authorities are Given the Power to Enforce its Provisions Within Corporate Limits.

The law regulating speed of automobiles in Oregon is all right and its provisions, if properly lived up to, needs very little amendment by any city council, except to give the city authority the same powers as the judicial and executive officers of the state have. The owners of every automobile, motor vehicle or motor cycle are fully informed as to what the law is, for when they secure their license and number from the secretary of state they are also given a copy of the law and are supposed to know what it is, but there are many farmers and people in town who do not know what their rights are with reference to the automobilists. The owner or operator must first have a license and a tag. The tag bears the number in numerals with the abbreviation "Ore.," so that anyone need not know the name of the violator of the law, as the tag is required to be placed in a conspicuous place on his vehicle so that anyone can identify it. He is required to display the usual lights when traveling at night, white in front and red behind, with the figures of the number of his certificate on the glass of the white light.

Gasoline cars or motorcycles shall use the "muffler" and it shall not be cut out or disconnected within the limits of any city or village. All operators shall observe the usual law of the road in meeting and passing teams on the highway, by turning to the right in meeting vehicles, teams and persons moving or headed in an opposite direction and by turning to the left in passing vehicles, teams and persons moving or headed in the same direction.

The request of the drivers of frightened horses to stop shall be observed by the automobilist and he shall use every precaution to avoid accident or injury.

"Section 10—No person, driver or operator in charge of any automobile, motor vehicle or motor cycle on any public road, highway, park or parkway, street or avenue within the state shall drive, operate or move, or permit

the same to be driven, operated or moved at a rate of speed greater than eight (8) miles an hour within the thickly-settled or business portion of any village or city within this state, or faster than eight (8) miles an hour in the country when within 100 yards of any vehicle drawn by a horse or horses, nor outside of such thickly-settled or business portion of any city or village on any public road, highway, park or parkway, street or avenue at a rate of speed faster than one (1) mile in two and one-half (2 1-2) minutes, nor over any crossing or crosswalk within the limits of any city or village at a rate faster than one (1) mile in fifteen (15) minutes when any person is on the same." Racing is absolutely prohibited.

The law then provides for the arrest of any violator of the law by any proper officer and for his "immediate" trial and provides a penalty of a maximum fine of \$25 for the first offense, \$50 for the second or \$100 for any subsequent offense.

COMPARATIVE RECORDS

Events Won by OAC and U. of O. Athletes This Season.

- 100 yard run—Huston, U. of O., 9-4-5; Moon, U. of O., 10 1-5; Scott, OAC, 10 1-5; Howie, OAC, 10 2-5.
- 220 yard run—Moon, U. of O., 22 3-5; Scott, OAC, 23; Bergman, OAC, 23.
- 120 yard hurdles—Hawkins, U. of O., 16 seconds; Bergman, OAC, 16 seconds.
- 220 yard hurdles—Huston, U. of O., 26; Bergman, OAC, 26 4-5.
- 440 yard run—McDaniel, U. of O., 52; Howard, OAC, 53.
- 880 yard run—Davis, U. of O., 2 minutes 2 seconds; Blanchard, OAC, 2 minutes 8 seconds.
- Mile run—Davis, U. of O., 4:45; Cross, OAC, 4:48.
- High jump—Newman, U. of O., 5 feet 6 inches; Chapman, OAC, 5 feet 9 inches.
- Pole Vault—Williams, U. of O., 11 feet 2 3-4 inches; Farnsworth, OAC, 10 feet 3 inches.
- Broad jump—Hawkins, U. of O., 21 feet 2 inches; Chapman and Startzoff, OAC, 20 feet 10 inches.
- Shot put—Kellog, U. of O., 39 feet 2 3-8 inches; Wolf, OAC, 43 feet 3 inches.
- Hammer throw—Means, U. of O., 120 feet; Hall, OAC, 138 feet.
- Discus—McIntyre, U. of O., 117 feet; Wolf, OAC, 119.

Improving the Willamette

Captain Newt Graham, master of the Willamette River dredge Mathloma, reported in person to the office of the United States Engineers. The Mathloma was washing boiler at Salem. Captain Graham said that the dredge is doing splendid work on the upper Willamette River and that the stream is in better condition at present than it has ever been for years.

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THREE DAYS RACE MEET IN JUNE

SPEEDY ENTRIES SECURED FOR THE BIG EVENT

THOUSAND DOLLAR PURSES

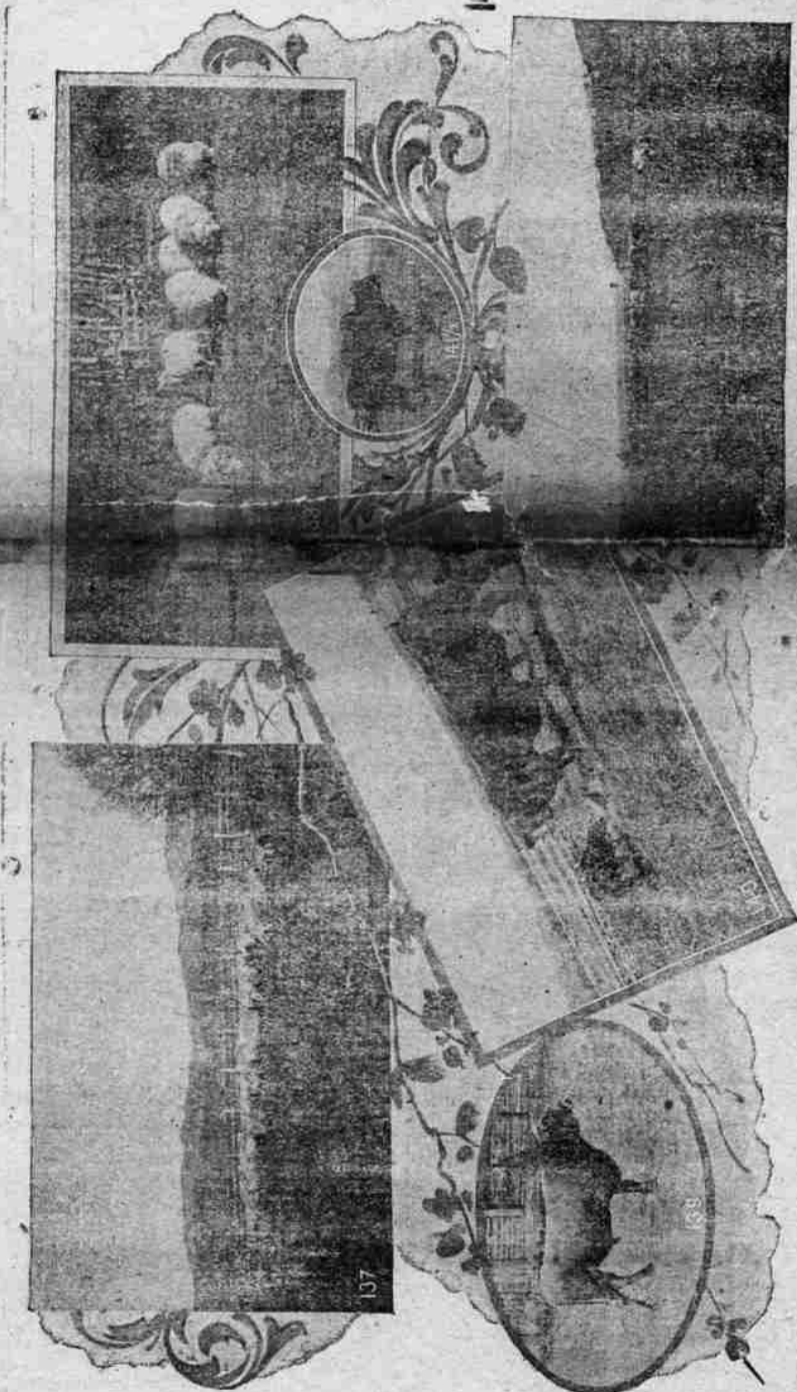
Corvallis Horsemen Have Arranged Fine Track Races for June 10, 11, 12 and the Best Horses on this Circuit Will Compete for Prizes.

Corvallis people are going to have the pleasure of witnessing some really good racing at the Driving Park, the horsemen of the city and county having arranged for a big three day's meet here on June 10, 11, 12, when some of the best horses on the local circuit will be entered in the various events.

The committee having the meet in charge has made every provision for the occasion, the track being now put in the best possible condition and sufficient funds raised to assure at least one thousand dollars in purses. The best of order will be maintained and the ladies are especially invited to see the sport.

The program has been made up as follows, and the events each day will be well worth seeing:

- June 10—Benton County driving horses 3:00 minute class, 2 in 3. Purse \$75.00.
- Running one-half mile dash, free-for-all. Purse \$100.00.
- Pace or trot, 2:25 class, free-for-all, 2 in 3. Purse \$100.00.
- Three mile race Benton county saddle horses, one mile walk, one mile trot, one mile run. Purse \$50.00.
- June 11—Running race, 4 1-2 furlongs, free-for-all. Purse \$100.00.
- Benton county four-year-olds, pace or trot, 2 in 3. Purse \$75.00.
- Pace or trot, 2:20 class, free-for-all, 2 in 3. Purse \$100.00.
- Boys' Pony Race, 1-2 mile dash. Purse \$25.00.
- June 12—Running 5-8 mile dash, free-for-all. Purse \$100.00.
- Pace or trot, Benton county horses, 2 in 3. Purse \$100.00.
- Running 3-8 mile dash, free-for-all. Purse \$100.00.
- Running one mile dash, free-for-all. Purse \$100.00.
- Charles L. Baker, of the Hotel Corvallis, is the secretary and all information relative to the meet can be obtained from him.
- Miss Edna Thomson, of Jefferson, is the guest of her sister, Miss Nora.



STOCK SCENE ON THE J. W. FOSTER FARM SOUTH OF CORVALLIS

NEW STUDENT OFFICERS

Election Will Take Place Tomorrow Afternoon at OAC

The election of the student body officers at OAC will be held tomorrow afternoon in the basement of the Mining building, the nominations for the various offices having been made at a regular meeting of the associated students held last week:

Student Body President, R. L. Davidson and F. R. Brown; 1st vice, Minnie Diven only nomination; 2nd vice, Liege Phillips, Ben Olson; McAllister, Floyd Scott and W. C. Keek; 3rd vice, Jack Weatherford, Frank Boullan and A. Lunn; Sec., Emily Rogers and Mattie Wells; Editor of the OAC Barometer, M. R. Cox and S. A. Wilson; Manager of the Barometer, A. M. Weatherford, J. W. Darling and A. H. Collette; President of Oratory and Debate, F. D. Marsh; Sec., Iva McGinnis; Treas., E. B. Stanley, Jay Reynolds and Harry Ashbar; President of the Athletic Board, F. E. Ewart, John Plankington and E. E. Carroll; Senior Member to Athletic Board, M. A. McCall and A. Finley; Junior Member, Geo. Jones and L. C. Rulifson; Sophomore, Ernest Rice, Riley and Thompson; Mgr. of Football, A. H. Schmidt and Carl Wolff; Mgr. of

Basketball, Ted Reid and Jay Reynolds; Mgr. of Track, D. H. Rowe and LeRoy Breithaup; Mgr. of Baseball, V. P. Gianella only nomination; Yell Leader, Finlay, Duckworth, Attix and Lunn.

Albany Supports Revival

At the forenoon service at the big tabernacle Sunday, Albany people subscribed \$822 for the incidental expenses of the big evangelistic meeting now in progress in that city. This was the biggest one day's donation for religious work in the history of Albany. Three leading business men headed the subscriptions with \$50 each. Sunday was one of the most notable days, from a religious viewpoint, Albany has ever experienced. Big meetings were held in the tabernacle in the forenoon and at night, more than 2000 people were present at each service. In the afternoon there was a big meeting for men at the tabernacle, a meeting for women at the Baptist Church and one for the children at the United Presbyterian Church.

Governor Benson has appointed the following members of the Oregon Conservation Commission, to serve for two years: J. N. Teal, Portland; F. G. Young, Eugene; C. B. Watson, Ashland; J. N. Hart, Baker City; J. C. Stephens, Portland; Frank J. Miller, Albany; J. R. Wilson, Portland.

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