

**TALK OF THE TOWN**

Read the DAILY GAZETTE for all news. Adam Wilhelm and Dr. Bennett were Corvallis visitors yesterday.

Acme Quality Paints and Floor Varnish that wears at A. L. Miner's. 5-17-tf.

W. W. January, of Harlan, made a June visit to Corvallis yesterday. Cedar bee hives. Largest stock and best prices at O. J. Blackledge's. 6-24-tf

Mrs. Beardsley, of the Benton county abstract office, is on the sick list. Call up the Palace of Sweets for your ice cream and sherbets. Free delivery. 5-6-tf

Gloves and Belts at special prices from 9 to 10 a. m., Wednesday. The BAZAAR. 6-29-1t

Mrs. J. C. Richardson, who has been visiting friends at Independence, came home yesterday.

C. A. Freeman finished the plumbing in the elegant new house of Guy Frink at Philomath yesterday.

William Goldson is building a new home on south Eleventh street between Washington and Adams.

O. C. Senger and wife left for their new home in Portland today. Mr. Senger will engage in the grocery business.

Miss Flo Paddock, of Iowa, a school friend of Mrs. Prof. Parks, is visiting at the Parks home for a month. Miss Paddock is a school teacher.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to Elmer Goff and Myrtle Peacock, both of northern Benton; also to Chas. A. Seabrook of Portland, and Jennie Tom, of Corvallis.

Lee Kelly, aged 5 years, died at the family home 3 miles west of Philomath yesterday. Funeral will take place today at 2 o'clock and interment at the Newton Cemetery.

Mrs. Williams and her daughter who have been here during the school year, departed yesterday for their home in southeastern Oregon. The daughter was a graduate at OAC.

Railroad Commissioner West, the gentleman injured in the accident last Sunday, was carried to the train yesterday on a stretcher and placed aboard the train. His home is at Salem.

George Lilly returned yesterday from a visit to the Seattle Exposition. He reports an exceedingly pleasant trip and says the management was perfectly willing to take his money.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Merritt, father and mother of Mrs. H. M. Parks who have been visiting their daughter left Monday for their home at Grundy Center, Iowa. They will stop at Seattle for a few days and visit the Exposition.

The 220 yard foot race on Second street July 5 will be a stem-winder in the speed ring. Many limber-jointed youngsters will clout up for the occasion and the observer should be careful lest he be hit in the eye with a pebble from the flying feet.

During the first half of 1909 there has been issued by the Clerk of Benton County 34 marriage licenses and of these over one-half were issued during the month of June. The records disclose that during January three licenses were issued; in February two, March four, April two, May five and in June eighteen. Truly this has been a month of brides in Benton.

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Miss Beatrice Austin went to Newport today to visit at the home of her sister, Mrs. John Fey.

Mrs. Edna Beach, who has been a guest of Miss Ethel Berman for the past two weeks, left for home today.

Norton Adams has sold his residence on the corner of Thirteenth and Harrison streets and will soon have another home finished on the adjoining lot.

Shough & Sons, the woodsawyers, will make special price of 40 and 50 cents per cord on woodsawing. Call 3rd & Polk. Phone 489. 6-28-tf

Titus Ranney, an inmate of the soldiers Home at Roseburg who has been here on leave of absence and looking after business matters, returned to the home this morning.

CARPENTERS.—The Preer Cutlery & Tool Co., of Portland, Ore., have another large shipment of Gage Tool Co's self-setting planes on the way from the factory at Vineland, N. J.

Eat Golden Rod Flakes, They are better for breakfast, Than old-fashioned corn cakes, And five minutes time, Is all that it takes 6-12-tf

Notwithstanding many people who were here during the school year have gone home for the vacation season the houses for rental purposes are very scarce and new people are constantly arriving. With the bright outlook for an increased attendance at the college this fall and the new saw mill coming it is time the sound of hammer and saw should be heard on all sides. At least fifty new houses will be needed to supply the demand.

**A Thrilling Rescue.**  
How Bert R. Lean, of Cheney, Wash., was saved from a frightful death is a story to thrill the world. "A bad cold," he writes, "brought on a desperate lung trouble that baffled an expert doctor here. Then I paid \$10 to \$15 a visit to a lung specialist in Spokane, who did not help me. Then I went to California but without benefit. At last I used Dr. King's New Discovery, which completely cured me and now I am as well as ever." For Lung Trouble, Bronchitis, Coughs and Colds, Asthma, Croup and Whooping Cough it's supreme. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all druggists.

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**THE VALUE OF CONFIDENCE.**

By EVELYN WETWORTH. (Copyright, 1909, by American Press Association.)

"My poor little girl," gasped old Tom Conyers on his deathbed. "I dread to leave you with nothing. If I could have lived six months I might have left you rich."  
"Oh, I don't mind that, dad. I'll get along."

Sallie Conyers buried her father and packed up their belongings ready to leave the old cabin, near the mine in which all his hopes had been centered. She found a will drawn some time before, but now there appeared to be no occasion for a will. Then she went down to Colorado Springs, where she had an aunt to whom she could look for guidance.

When her father died Sallie was sixteen. A year later a vein was discovered in the mine in which she still had an interest. A dividend was declared that gave her \$1,000, which by the terms of the will she could not have till she was twenty-one years old. But the vein soon dried out, and the Conyers mine was abandoned.

Two years later a couple of speculators bought the property for a song, wiped out the old stock and organized a company called the Hope Mining company.

Meanwhile Sallie Conyers was earning her living in Colorado Springs. When she was twenty she became engaged to a clerk in a bank with a salary so infinitesimal that matrimony between the two seemed but a multiplication of their troubles. But the day was approaching when Sallie would come into her \$1,000, and that would enable them to set up in a small way at housekeeping.

The day she was paid the money began happily and ended in misery. Willard Stearns, her lover, had been long looking for the day when they should be married. Now, when the money was paid, Sallie told him that she proposed to invest it in the stock of the Hope Mining company. He looked at her aghast.

"I have kept in touch with the property," she said, "and know something about what they are doing. My father worked that mine for three years. He used to talk to me about it because he hadn't any one else to confide who absorbed him. I know that when a certain event happens, if it ever does happen, a rich lode will be struck."

She got out her father's old maps, showing plot after plot crossing and covering one another, and tried to explain what her father had so often explained to her. But either he could not or would not understand. He took no interest in the angle at which the Sunborn lode dipped nor in the depth at which it crossed the Conyers. A gold mine to him meant a capacious maw capable of swallowing the hard earned money of simple minded people. He told Sallie that if he married her he had the prospect of living with a woman who had inherited a speculative mania. He preferred to go through life alone.

Sallie tearfully accepted the situation. The next day she visited the mine and introduced herself to the superintendent of the boring gang as the daughter of the former owner. He was very kind to her, answered all her questions, but showed no expectation of striking paying dirt. Indeed, he told her that he expected soon to abandon the work. Sallie asked him how deep was the hole. He told her it was 1,400 feet. "Promise me that you won't stop till you have gone 200 feet farther," she said. "Why so?" "Because you'll strike a rich vein at 1,500 feet."

He gave the promise, and Sallie returned to Colorado Springs. The next day she went to a broker and asked the market price of Hope Mining shares. They told her that there had not been a quotation for months, but if 2 or 3 cents were offered it would bring all she might wish to buy. She authorized them to offer 2 cents a share for as much as \$1,000 would purchase. The offer was made and \$50,000 par value of the stock secured.

Old Conyers had expected to make a strike at from 1,450 to 1,500 feet. Sallie waited a week in a terrible suspense. She had absolute confidence in her father's expectations, but her \$1,000 was backing these expectations. The next day, looking at the quotations of Hope stock, she was astounded to see that it had been run up to 50 bid and few sales. The vein had been struck, the stock became worth \$2 a share, and Sallie was rich.

Willard Stearns kept away from Sallie from the day he told her he would not marry one who had inherited a mania for speculation. One day he heard of a great rise in Hope Mining company stock and saw an item in a newspaper stating that the daughter of Conyers, who formerly owned the mine, had a large block of the stock. His heart for a moment seemed to cease to beat. He hoped Sallie would send for him. But she didn't. He wrote her a note congratulating her on her good fortune and received a very kind reply. This encouraged him, and he sought to renew the engagement.

"No," she said, "your reasons were good, though not exactly as you stated them. You and I are made of different stuff. I am, like my father, ready to risk all on that in which I have confidence. Your natural bent is in a different line. Together we should be constantly pulling in different directions."

Sallie Conyers turned out a great speculator and got enormously rich.

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