

To Raise Five Thousand Dollars for the University.

30	Secularists, P. C. Mosier, will give. \$50
	Lou Ames will give. 50
	A Friend will give. 50
	D. Buckingham will give. 50
	A. Slaman, M. D., will give. 50
	R. C. Burtis will give. 50
	A Friend will give. 50
	C. F. Ames will give. 50
	P. Rauch will give. 50
	D. Bolton will give. 50
	Harry Fricker will give. 50
	E. Stewart will give. 50
	A Friend will give. 50
	Mr. Hjermstad, Friend from Waldo Hills } 50
	H. Allen will give. 50
	L. E. Fuller will give. 50
	F. Wilkinson will give. 50
	J. E. Brooks will give. 50
	Julius Fisher. 50
	Adolf Wolf & Son. 50
	J. K. Buff. 50
	B. A. Leonard. 50
	A Freethinker. 50
	Warren Carsner will give. 50
	J. L. Barnhouse will give. 50
	John Madden will pay. 50
	Alex. Hardie will pay. 50
	Mrs. E. J. Smith will give. 50
	Cal Geer will give. 50

provided that

70 more men (or women) will give the same amount. Where are the seventy?

NEWS AND NOTES.

We are having very fine weather for the work on our building.

We have employed one of the best elocution and music teachers in the West for the coming year's work.

Mr. Edwards did some good work in the basement this week, putting posts under the lower floor of the building.

Louis Rauch, Chas. Page and Martin Klein are working out the coming year's tuition on the University building.

One of W. R. Smith's teams hauled over 1,800 feet of rustic at one load one day this week, and the road is rough.

You should read the editorial "Twenty Forerunners," on the 4th page of this issue. Perhaps you would like to be one of the twenty.

The force of carpenters has been working on the dining hall the past few days in order to get it ready for the opening of school October 3.

We have kept eight men employed on the University and dining hall the past week, and as a consequence the work goes on quite rapidly.

The first story of the first Liberal University has been raised and work will be begun on the second story as soon as the carpenters are through with the dining hall.

Thousands of bushels of the finest kinds of fruit are going to waste in sight of the University. No one needs to starve in the Willamette Valley.

One more hard year's work and we will be a power in the Free-thought field that will command the respect of every worker for truth and right.

Mr. T. D. Allen went to Salem Saturday and took a load of prunes and our editor with him. They returned safely the same evening, minus the prunes.

Mr. John Dahl and his son are working for us this week. Mr. Dahl will move to Silverton in a few days and put his children in the Liberal University.

Mrs. Bennett, of Vancouver, Wash., has been employed as house-keeper at the dining hall for the coming year. Her son will attend the Liberal University.

Our business manager spent a day on his farm, five miles south of Silverton, last week, and besides gathering several bushels of luscious fruit for the University he played the part of Nimrod and brought in a coon and a Chinese pheasant.

The shingle fund has now reached \$7.25. All it takes is a little from each one to raise the amount and we will soon have the University shingled. Do not neglect to send in what you can. The sooner the better, but better late than never.

H. C. Edwards, of Portland, has been with us this week, and has kindly donated five days' work on the University. He has now gone to Portland, but expects to return in a few days and locate in Silverton in order to send his son to We need more such men as Mr. Edwards.

C. E. Glaze and James Officer arrived in Silverton Tuesday afternoon. They, in company with Mr. A. P. Snyder, have driven a band of horses from Dayville, Oregon, and have sold all but six of them. Mr. Snyder has returned home and Mr. Glaze will follow in a week or two. Mr. Officer will remain in Silverton and will attend the Liberal University.

Next Sunday the stores and business houses of Silverton will be closed, according to an ordinance passed by the city council. This ordinance was prompted by a petition numerously signed by the business men of the city, and does not appear to be an orthodox movement. Several merchants have wanted to close their places of business for rest on Sunday, but did not do so on account of others holding off, but now that the ordinance is passed they will close. We will await the result.

We are building an addition to the dining hall 18x30 feet, two stories high. This will give us ample room to carry on our work until the main University building is completed.

The business manager made a bicycle trip to Portland and return this week. F. H. Shaw, of Portland, accompanied him home and will work in the Torch of Reason office a few weeks while Mr. Morris takes an outing.

OBITUARY.

Miss Frankie Snyder.

We have just received a letter giving the particulars of the death of Miss Frankie Snyder.

It is always sad to part with our dear friends and loved ones, but in this case it seems doubly hard for the bereaved ones to bear their loss.

Miss Frankie was just entering on the threshold of womanhood, when all the world seems bright and gay and life is so dear to us. She was sick but a short time, and died at her home in Dayville, Ore., September 11, 1898, at 1:15 o'clock p. m. Her father, Mr. A. P. Snyder, was traveling in the Willamette Valley at the time and we fear the news will prove a cruel shock to him.

Miss Snyder leaves a vacant place in our Secular ranks that can never be filled. She was a member of the O. S. S. U., and an active worker in the Dayville Secular Union. We can not help mourning, it is natural; but we must remember that we still have work to do, and if we would build a lasting monument to her memory we must go to work with renewed vigor and help each other to carry on the work where she left off as best we can.

The relatives have our deepest sympathy, and we wish we could help them in this their hour of trouble, but there are times we know when nothing but a person's own courage and bravery can carry him through the dark waters of grief that seem to engulf him.

For Miss Frankie Snyder we can truly say that she will always be remembered by the sweet, gentle life she has led.

Not thyself, but the truth that in life thou hast spoken,
Not thyself, but the seed that in life thou hast sown,
Shall pass on to ages; all about thee forgotten,
Save the truth thou hast spoken, the things thou hast done.

Yes, like the fragrance that wanders in freshness,
When the flowers that it came from are closed up and gone,
So shalt thou be to this world's weary dwellers,
Always remembered by what thou hast done.

Lumber Fund.

To raise \$1000 immediately:	
Previously acknowledged.	\$470.45
J. H. Randall.50
May Coates.50
Carrie Anderson.50
M. Kester.	10.00
Mrs. Flora A. Burtis.	15.00

Information Bureau

IS THERE ANYTHING YOU WANT? If so, make your wants known to us, and we will try and supply them. If what we do for you is worth nothing to you, we will expect no pay. Cast your eye over the list, and then write to us. Read our ad. on page 6. Address, INFORMATION BUREAU, Box 100. SILVERTON, ORE.

20 Men Wanted.—If you are a Secularist and have \$500 to invest it will pay you to write to the Information Bureau. In writing state your age, family if any, occupation and views in regard to religion. 12

Agents.—Agents wanted to sell the Forstner Auger Bit. Money can be made. Send 60c for sample, or \$2.60 for full set packed in neat box. 13

80 acres.—About four miles from Silverton; small, unfinished house; about 5 acres cleared; \$600. Better see it. 11

Who Wishes to Invest?—104 acres of as good bottom land as there is in the state of Washington. Was offered \$10,000 for naked land 12 years ago. Sixteen cows, 9 heifers, 3 horses, wagon, harnesses, plows, harrows, dairy and utensils, 9 hogs, 6 pigs, 60 to 65 tons hay, hay bailer, good boat, tide water at door, 2 houses, 2 barns, spring water at both houses, berries of all kinds. Owner has milked 35 cows and kept 21 head of young stock, cutting plenty of hay from this excellent dairy and stock ranch, which he now offers, with all stock, produce and improvements, for \$5500. Write to the Information Bureau at once. 1

For Sale.—A fine little house in Silverton, with one acre of land, for only \$285. "First come, first served." 4

For Sale or Trade.—A farm, about 30 miles south of The Dalles, 320 acres, in good school district of about 100 scholars; county road crossing Cascade mountains, daily mail, short distance to saw-mill and flouring mill, two stores, blacksmith shop, free wood and an unlimited mountain range; box house 16x22 with kitchen and woodshed added, good brick fireplace, both up and downstairs ceiled with matched lumber; post barn 20x32; 3 miles of good fence, 120 acres in cultivation, about 50 more ready for plow. The owner holds deed from government. Price \$2000. Would trade for a place in Silverton of equal or less value. The price of the place is based on its money-making capacity, and it is now paying a good income. We will investigate any offer made. 2

For Sale.—A fine little home in Silverton—½-acre; apples, prunes, raspberries, cherries, pears; neat little house, painted and papered; good sidewalk. Price, \$450. 3

Wanted.—A buyer for a well equipped livery stable. Good horses, good buggies, good harnesses, etc. Cheap. Write to us. 8

School Teacher.—A gentleman with thirty years' experience in the school room, who holds a teacher's state certificate, would like employment as teacher. Teach vocal and instrumental music. 9

Secularists Wanted.—Secularists who are thoroughly interested in the cause are wanted to help build up a Secular community near Silverton, Oregon. It is thought best that each member of the community own a little home of his or her own, which can very easily be obtained. Write to us. 10

Real Estate for Sale.—80 acres, house and barn, good orchard, all fenced, 8 miles from Silverton, near school, 35 acres improved, on main road. Price \$800. 5

Twenty acres; 15 acres improved, all fenced, good spring, 1½ miles from Silverton. Price \$700. 6

One hundred and sixty acres; 12 acres cleared, 4 miles from Silverton. Price \$300. 7