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## Oregon Happenings.

Portland, Feb. 19th.—The spirit of progress throughout Oregon was never more pronounced than at the present time. The commercial organizations of the state seem to be determined to do more effective advertising than ever before. There is a spirit of organization in the air, and the biggest effort centers upon the colonist rates from March 1st to April 30th, and the \$30 rate from all points in the Middle West to all points in Oregon is emphasized in every advertisement and every appeal.

Salem held the greatest progressive meeting in her history last Tuesday night, February 18th, at which she entertained several hundred prominent citizens from outside points and more than one hundred of these were from Portland and included the leading financiers, manufacturers, merchants and property holders of the city.

Eugene is attracting a large amount of foreign immigration, and similar reports come from Ashland and Medford. The Coos Bay country is busy in presenting its claims, while Eastern Oregon points are improving every opportunity to gain new citizens and new industries.

California has been aroused to the importance of the Pacific Northwest, and especially that of the great "Inland Empire," as a result of the magnificent excursion which was entertained in Los Angeles by the Chamber of Commerce of that city.

The positive assurance that Swift & Company and other great packing companies will locate enormous plants at Portland will give an impetus to the livestock industry of all this portion of the United States. The location of these packing houses will add to the value of the holdings of every breeder and producer of cattle, sheep, hogs, and poultry, and the dairy products of Oregon will be trebled and find a market in every part of the world.

Five tons of printed matter, presenting in an attractive form, both by picture and by text, the vital facts relative to the important fruit districts of Oregon, have been distributed by the Portland Commercial Club within the last few weeks.

The Trans-Continental Passenger Association will decide, at an early meeting to be held in Chicago, upon the rates to Oregon points in connection with the National Democratic Convention at Denver in July. The Portland Commercial Club made this request and will work to bring many of these delegates to the Pacific Northwest.

## Salem Boosting.

W. L. Freres and E. D. Alexander represented the Stayton Commercial Club at the reception given by the Salem "boosters" to the Commercial Clubs of the Willamette Valley. Portland was there a hundred strong. Eugene, Corvallis, Albany, Jefferson, and other towns had good delegations. The large crowd was entertained at the Elks hall, and an excellent program was carried out. Speeches were made by Mayor Rogers of Salem, Gov. Chamberlain, Chas. Ladd, Senator C. W. Hodson, Judge Carey, Gen'l Manager O'Brien, of the S. P., and other Portland men. Hartog, the \$5,000 "booster" for Eugene also gave a talk. This meeting was a valuable one in that it will enthrone all towns to greater action, and have a tendency to do away with the jealousy that has been exhibited by some towns toward others. At the meeting the "Salem hog" was not once mentioned.

The Salem "boosters" treated their visiting brethren royally, and the meeting will no doubt be productive of much good to the entire valley. Although there were only two from the Commercial Club present, we were glad to see that Stayton was well represented—the hall being seated with Stayton chairs.

In view of the number of different denominations in existence, it would

seem as though every person who professes Christianity could readily find a church to please him. But there are churches as well as individuals, which, while they may please themselves may not please Him who looks not only on the outward appearance, but upon the heart.

The Bible informs us that there are those who, while they burn incense yet are they like those that bless an idol. Isa, 66:3. And in the New Testament we are warned not to substitute the traditions of men for the commandments of God. When Peter preached that memorable sermon and three thousand were converted, he had studied the Scriptures and used them, and if the people would do the same today, there would be a revival that would astonish Christians themselves, and converts who carefully consulted that volume for directions would not be puzzled as to which church to join. More prayerful study of God's Word and less attention to what this one and that one says will do a good deal to unite people in "One Lord, one faith, and one baptism."—Communicated.

## Triumph Notes.

J. W. Smith has rented part of his farm to John Hefner.

Mrs. E. P. Schott spent a few days visiting at Geshers.

Miss Lena Staiger recently visited a week with her sister, Mrs. Chas. Brown at Stayton.

N. Highberger made a business trip to Aumsville Wednesday.

Alfred Fox is running a farm near the State Fair grounds, Salem.

Chas. Stowell was in this vicinity recently, buying beef cattle.

Shelley & Arthur are getting to run quite an extensive dairy.

Farmers are all busy doing field work.

Thgo. Highberger lost a horse in a barbed wire fence.

We all appreciate the STAYTON MAIL, and especially the last week's copy.

John H. Hurt died Tuesday near Silver Creek Falls, the cause of his death being poisoning from eating raw sausage. The body was embalmed by J. M. Ringo and shipped yesterday to Portland for burial. He was aged 34 years and leaves a family.

Owing to the series of meetings now in progress at the Christian Church the lecture of Rev. Father O'Hara, of Portland, has been postponed. The date of the lecture will be announced later.

## The Wrong Nell.

Nell is a girl who lives up on Capitol hill. On Mondays a woman comes to Nell's house to wash clothes. The woman's name is Nell too. One Monday Nell, the girl, was in the sitting room reading when the telephone rang. Nell, the washerwoman, answered the ring. Nell, the girl, then heard Nell, the washerwoman, say:

"Yes, this is Nell," Silence.

"How's that?" Silence.

"What! Am I mad because you kissed me last night? Look here, man, you're too fresh. Who are you anyway? I never kissed!"

Just then the telephone receiver was wildly snatched from her hand. Nell, the girl, blushing furiously, had grabbed it. She hung it on the hook.

"He wanted me," she said. "He always tries to tease me that way. I-I never kissed him in my life."

As she disappeared up the stairs the washerwoman smiled and said: "That's a big one."—Denver Post.

## Wasp's Jaws Make Colony's Nest.

Wasps readily succumb before the increasing cold of autumn. The few that escape the merciless scourge of mortality are the queens of next season. They pass the winter in some warm cranny, and when the spring arrives each comes forth from its hiding place and seeks a suitable place for the nest that is to be. This found, the queen repairs to a fence or tree trunk and with her jaw rasps off a bundle of wood fiber which when moistened with saliva and kneaded forms the paperlike substance of which the nest is entirely constructed.

Just as bees have invented a peculiar nest building material in wax, so wasps have prepared a special durable paper for the same purpose. The queen mother lays the foundations of the city with her own jaws. She attaches a sort of stalk of wood paper to a chosen support. This may be the branch of a tree, a root in a cavity below ground or a beam in a garden shed. The stalk prepared, the queen builds a few shallow cells, in each of which she lays an egg. As these mature, hatch and develop into worker wasps the labor of the little colony is turned over to them, and thus a vast nest with thousands of cells is evolved. —Chicago Tribune.

## A Ghost Under the Sea.

The story is told of a diver who saw two ghosts "full fathom five" under the surface. He had gone down to the wreck of a large steamer and was crossing the main saloon when two gray shapes of enormous size came shambling toward him. He did not wait to make notes for the Psychological Society, but gave the danger signal and was at once pulled up. Told in the cheerful light of day, it seemed rather a lame story, and another diver went down to see what he could make of it. Toward him also came the shambling gray shapes. He stood irresolute for a moment and then, going boldly forward, struck his hatchet through a mirror! The ghosts were only a dim reflection of his own legs, much enlarged, of course, as everything is that a diver sees through the great frontal eye of his helmet.

## Helping the Postoffice.

In a history of the great advance in postal methods accomplished by Sir Rowland Hill is given this anecdote: To the postoffice of at that time tiny Ambleside came one day a well to do man to buy a stamp to put on the letter he was about to post. "Is this new reform going to last?" he asked the postmaster. "Certainly," was the reply. "It is quite established." "Oh, well, then," said the man, resolved to give the thing generous support, "give me three stamps!"

## We Don't Guess When We Fit Glasses.

We have the Scientific Instruments for determining and correcting any and all defects of vision, no matter the nature of the case.

WE FIT ANY THAT RES-PONDS to LIGHT



E. ROY, The Optician and Jeweler, Stayton, Or.

## For That Cold

Use C. A. B's Cold Cure, fully guaranteed to help cure cold.

These cold tablets are composed of cascara, ipecac, quinine and other valuable ingredients, and is an effective remedy for Colds, La Grippe and Headache. Does not cause ringing in the head.

Price, 25c at

Stayton Pharmacy Bank Building.

## Timber Land, Act June 3, 1878. Notice for Publication.

United States Land Office, Portland, Oregon, January, 4 1908. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Benjamin Knapp, of Kallisell, county of Flathead, State of Montana, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 7631, for the purchase of the SE 1/4 of SW quarter and Lots 3, 4 and 5 of Section No. 6, in Township No. 9 S., R. No. 3 E., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver at Portland, Oregon, on Saturday, the 21st day of March, 1908. He names as witnesses: Marcellus S. Storer and Andrew J. Hoban, of Portland, Oregon, Phil Endner and Grant Smith, of Mill City, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 21st day of March, 1908. ALBERSON S. DRESSER, Register.

## FREE Delineator

From Feb. 1st to May 25th, 1908, we will send to each and every customer's address "The Delineator" prepaid for one year, who buys \$15 worth of goods at my store for cash.

The customer has the option of buying \$15 worth of goods at one time and get the Delineator, or two or three times; but in no instance more than three different times to aggregate the \$15.

You now have the opportunity of getting the "Delineator" free.

4,000,000 American families now have the Delineator in their homes. Forty million American people read this Delineator.

In every instance the price of goods is the same whether you take the Delineator or not.

N. B.—Always ask for a Bill. Always keep your Bills (of which we have a duplicate.) Bills altered or changed no good. Lost Bills not counted.

G. D. TROTTER, STAYTON, OREGON.

## Valentines

A nice line—all fresh, new stock—cheap, medium and good. Only charges when you buy. Come and look. Be young again.

## Extra Special on Raincoats

\$15.00 Men's Cravanet Coats \$11.65  
12.50 " " " 9.35  
10.00 " " " 8.15

## Special on all Work Coats and Pants.

\$1.50 comforters, good values at former price, \$1.15  
.35 comforters, good values at former price, 1.00  
Star Tobacco, per lb..... 45  
8.50 men's water proof 14 in. pegged shoes, 7.45  
10c Malta Ceres, now..... 8c  
2 pks Malta Ceres, now 15c  
15c pk shredded wheat 10c  
Coal Oil, same as you have been paying 25c, now 20c  
Coal Oil, 5 gallons, now 90c

## There is Satisfaction

in trading here. We never misrepresent. You can depend absolutely on the quality of our goods. We never take a back seat when it comes to price and you can be sure of saving money whenever you make a purchase here. Let us have your trade on a straight business basis, of the best and the most for your money and one price to all.

## Shoes

for men, women and children. Fit, style and service combined in a way that will satisfy the most fastidious, and prices that will suit you.

## Hats

To reduce our stock before our spring shipment arrives we are offering some of them at reduced prices. A few are listed below:

Light Gray, Low Crown.....regular \$1.50 now \$1.00  
Dark " Telescoped..... " 1.50 " 1.25  
" " " " " 2.25 to 2.50 2.00  
Black, Low Crown ..... " \$1.50 now \$1.25

## Gehlen Bros.

## Change of Business.

Having sold one-third interest of my stock of General Merchandise at Sublimity to George H. Bell and one-third interest to John P. Ditter, I will retain one-third interest. The business in the future will be conducted under the firm name of Ditter, Bell & Co.

Thanking my many customers for the favors shown me in the past 17 years, and hoping a continuance of the same for the new firm,

I am yours gratefully,  
JOHN A. DITTER.