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## Woolen Mill To Reopen, Declares Manufacturer

Will Commence Operations on a Small Scale Within Two Weeks; New Machinery Ordered

Fifty-First Oregon State Fair Opens at Capital City Monday With Many New Features on the Program

### JOHN P. WILBUR HERE TO START THE LOOMS OF LONG IDLE MILL

"The Santiam Woolen Mills," Incorporated For \$50,000, Is New Management of the Property

John P. Wilbur, the well known woolen manufacturer, who recently purchased the defunct Stayton mill, came to town Friday and states that he will at once reopen the mill. This announcement is in keeping with what Mr. Wilbur stated was his intention at the time of securing the mill. Incidentally it forms the most welcome and important bit of news which this city has had for some time. Mr. Wilbur declares that he is here to stay, and that the mill will at once be put in operation, probably within two weeks.

The industry will be carried on under the title of the Santiam Woolen Mills, a corporation capitalized for \$50,000. Mr. Wilbur is president and manager of the concern, and will spend his entire time here, in personal charge of the mill. The capital stock is fully paid in.

The mill property is at present undergoing a thorough overhauling under the direction of J. H. Evans of Salem, an expert woolen mill man, who has been assigned to the position of foreman. Mr. Evans, who has already been engaged in the manufacturing business with Mr. Wilbur for several years, will remain here permanently, and is arranging to locate his family in Stayton.

For the present it is the intention

simply to put the old machinery of the mill in running order, and then displace it as rapidly as practicable with new and more up-to-date models. Considerable new machinery has already been ordered, including a napping machine, a dryer, and picking machinery. These will have to be specially constructed in the East, and several months will probably elapse before they can be installed. It is planned to add new looms at some future date.

In regard to the number of persons the mill will employ, Mr. Wilbur stated that probably not more than half a dozen would be put on when the mill first opened. Additions to this number, however will be made as rapidly as possible, and within three or four months the total number employed will run over the forty mark. When run to its full present capacity, the mill will give work to fifty people. A few skilled workmen will be brought in from the outside, but for the most part it is the intention of the management to employ local people.

Mr. Wilbur stated that the mill would purchase all local wool offered. Willamette valley wool, however, is only suitable for manufacturing certain grades of goods, he said, and the bulk of the wool used here will come from

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### Wedding Is Held at Kingston on Thursday

(Special to The Mail)

Kingston, Ore., August 28—A pretty home wedding was solemnized on Thursday, August 22nd, at 12 o'clock a. m. at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kiphart, near Kingston, when their daughter, Miss Rose Davis was united in marriage to Mr. Elmer Dodson, Rev. E. S. Mace of Stayton officiating.

The rooms were beautifully decorated for the occasion, a background of green with white asters predominating. The bride was handsome in white embroidered voile. Miss Iona Davis attended the bride and wore messaline silk. Mr. Dan Dodson, brother of the groom was best man. The wedding march was played by Mrs. A. J. Caldwell of Stayton.

Immediately after the ceremony, the bridal party was ushered into the dining room where a choice dinner was served. The wedding presents were many and beautiful. Only immediate relatives and friends of the families were present.

Mrs. Dodson, a popular young lady born at Stayton and raised near Kingston needs no introduction to her many friends. Mr. Dodson is a resident of North Santiam, and is a worthy young man. Their many friends extend congratulations. The happy couple will be at home near Salem after Sept. 20.

### MILLINERS ANNOUNCE BIG SEASON OPENING

A fall millinery opening has been announced by Mrs. J. W. Merrifield and Mrs. T. B. Riggs, who recently purchased the business formerly conducted by Mesdames Stayton and Robertson. The opening will be held Saturday, August 31st.

The proprietors have been preparing for the fall season very elaborately, and believe they have succeeded in securing the finest stock of hats ever brought to this city. Mrs. Merrifield was in Portland for two weeks getting the latest designs, and on her return she was accompanied by Miss Dilley of the Bradshaw Bros. wholesale millinery establishment. The latter is one of the best designers and trimmers in the employ of this well known house. She remained here two weeks, giving much assistance to the local firm. Mesdames Merrifield and Riggs have endeavored throughout to secure the latest and neatest styles in feminine headwear, and they are confident that the people of Stayton will be well pleased with the result.

### COMMERCIAL HOTEL IS AGAIN IN NEW HANDS

Mrs. Moore, who has had charge of the Commercial Hotel since the meteoric passing of J. H. Reed, left for Portland yesterday. She was accompanied by her two daughters, Minnie and Gladys. All her Stayton friends wish her success in whatever she may undertake.

The new proprietor, Lee Bailey, needs no introduction to our readers. Everyone knows "Red" with the smile that never comes off. The smile is still there, but looks a bit nervous under the responsibility of providing so many "squares" for so many people. Here's to your success, "old scout." Go to it.

### Women Figured Largely In The Progressive Convention



Photos by American Press Association.

AMONG the many features which made the National Progressive convention unlike any other political gathering was the large share taken in the proceedings by women. The Republican and Democratic conventions had women delegates, but not so many, and in the unofficial participation of women the second Chicago convention outdid the first. Miss Jane Addams, who is easily first among American women social workers, seconded the nomination of Colonel Roosevelt, and to the influence of the women delegates and spectators was probably due much of the almost religious enthusiasm which characterized the gathering. The lower of the two illustrations shows Colonel Roosevelt acknowledging the greeting of his partisans as he was driven in an automobile to his Chicago hotel; the other shows (in the order named, from left to right) Mrs. Charles D. Blaney, California delegate; Mrs. H. M. Wilmarth of Illinois and Miss Addams.

### A SHOWING IN OATS

(Special to The Mail)

Rocky Point, Aug. 28—Jacob Schmitt threshed a field of oats that yielded 65 bushels per acre. The ground was plowed last fall. Pretty good for land that has had a crop raised from it every year for twenty years. This shows what building up of land will do.

### OREGON FLAX CULTURE

Flax culture in Oregon is making progress. Seed has been distributed by the Portland Linseed Oil Company and many favorable replies have been received from farmers who have been successful in growing excellent flax. The plant thrives in this state, producing fine, long fiber and much seed.

### STAYTON DOCTOR MARRIES IN PORTLAND

Dr. Chas. H. Brewer and Miss Edna Robertson United

Dr. Chas. H. Brewer, the well known and popular Stayton physician, was united in marriage to Miss Edna Robertson last Thursday in the city of Portland. The exact date of the wedding was not known here until several days later, for although it was understood that the couple left here with that object in mind, no one knew when or where the ceremony was to take place.

Dr. and Mrs. Brewer are now on an extended wedding trip, and it is not definitely known when they will return. Since no local people were present at the ceremony, it has been impossible to secure any details of the wedding.

Dr. Brewer has for twelve years been a successful and popular physician in this community. He has made friends everywhere, and made a strong fight at the recent primaries, as a candidate for the legislature. The bride is a trained nurse, and was raised in this city. She is one of Stayton's most highly respected daughters. The couple will continue to reside here, and will be at home after September 1st. The Mail joins their other friends in extending congratulations and best wishes.

### SELL MEAT MARKET

Messrs. Downing and Goodman, the well known wholesale and retail butchers of Mill City have disposed of their market there to Ed King of Turner. Mr. King is an experienced business man who should make a thorough success of his new venture. Downing and Goodman have conducted the market for a number of years, and have built up a very creditable trade in the lumber town and the surrounding country.

## Notice!

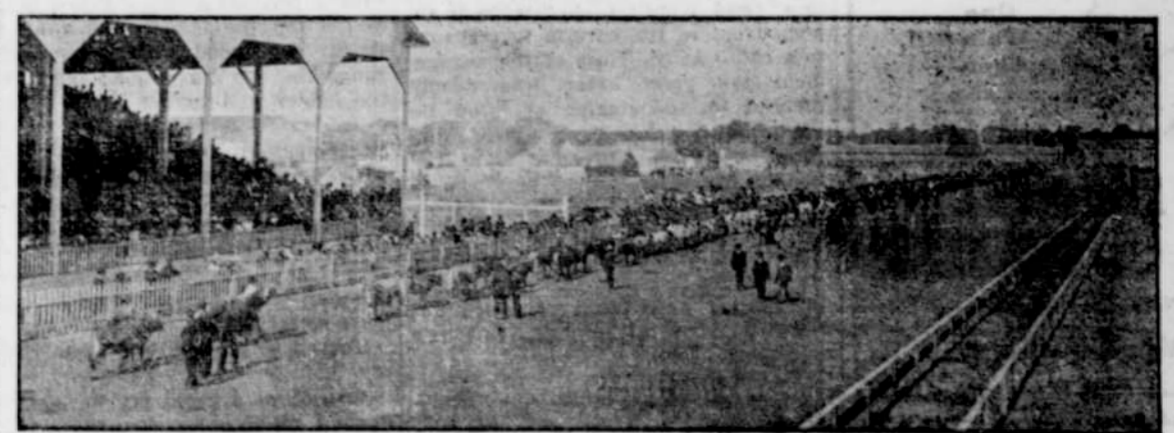
The Stayton Cattle that painted Red the sign in front of my store, do not know any better.

They judge human beings by their own kind.

G. D. TROTTER  
Stayton, Ore.

(Paid Advertisement)

### School Children's Exhibits Will Be Among Main Attractions at Fifty-First State Fair



Scene at the State Fair Grounds.

County School Superintendent Smith, who is to have charge of the Educational department at the State Fair sends the following invitation to school children:

"Boys and girls of Marion county, now is the time to act. Bring or send your exhibits to the fairgrounds and let us make the Educational exhibit and Marion county School Fair one of the biggest features of the State Fair.

If you haven't sent in an entry blank, bring your exhibit along, we will enter it any time before Monday morning, September 2.

"There are no prizes offered for cake and fancy needlework in the Educational department. The prizes secured by Supt. Alderman will be on exhibit at the fair. Those under twelve years of age will be admitted free. Those over twelve who send exhibits to the

school fair will get their free ticket good for one day's admission, just outside the main gate of the fair grounds.

"The School exhibit will be under the grandstand at the race track. Send in your exhibit and come and see the fair."

This is only one of the many features of the State Fair to be held in Salem next week.