

The Keystone State.

There are several theories as to how Pennsylvania came to be called the Keystone State. The one most generally accepted and the one most dear to all who own Pennsylvania as their native state, is that Pennsylvania decided the great issue of American independence.

At the meeting of the Continental Congress in Philadelphia July 4, 1776, the vote adopting the Declaration was taken by states. Of the thirteen original states six had already voted in the affirmative and six in the negative, when the delegation from Pennsylvania came in. John Morton casting the deciding vote in the affirmative. Thus Pennsylvania, by her vote, decided and was named the Keystone State.

Another reason advanced is that in constructing a bridge between Pennsylvania avenue and Georgetown, Washington, a single arch was erected of stone left from building the walls of the capitol. On the thirteen "voussoirs" or arch stones, the names of the thirteen states were engraved. Pennsylvania, falling in the keystone of the arch, became still more widely known as the Keystone State.—Philadelphia Press.

Lubbock and the Bees.

In "Ants, Bees and Wasps" it is related that one summer some fifty years ago Sir John Lubbock became interested in a curious parasite of the bumblebee. He wished to complete his investigations, but as the winter came on he did not know where to get the bees, so he advertised.

In reply to his advertisement a man wrote offering him a supply of bees at one and six pence. The price was high, but in the cause of science Lubbock did not demur, only when he had bought all the bees he required he wrote to the man and said, "Now that I have had the bees, for which I am greatly obliged, would you kindly tell me, to satisfy my curiosity, how you are able to procure them at this time of year?" The man wrote back quite courteously, but quite firmly, saying: "No. Since I can sell the bees at eight-pence each, I think it pays me better to go on doing so than to tell anybody else how to procure them."

The Alaskans.

According to the government statistics, the natives of Alaska are about 26,000 in number, and they are spread over more than 350,000 of the 500,000 square miles of the territory. Their small settlements extend along 10,000 miles of coast and on both sides of the Yukon river and its tributaries, for a distance of more than 2,500 miles. One of the supervision districts contains a full 100,000 square miles. The others average more than 65,000 square miles each. Of the natives of Alaska approximately 11,000 belong to six tribes of Indians in southeastern and southern Alaska and in the valley of the Yukon. About 11,000 are Eskimos on the western and northwestern coasts, along the Bering sea, the Bering strait and the Arctic ocean. Something more than 3,000 are Aleuts and mixed races through the Aleutian Islands.—Christian Herald.

The Admirable Towser.

"I've got the most wonderful dog in the world—the smartest, I mean," said one of a party camping in Canada last fall. "When I bring out my rifle he knows I'm going after deer, and he never offers to follow me, but if he sees me reach for my shotgun he knows that means partridges, and when I get to the woods I find him there waiting for me. Actually that dog knows the difference between a rifle and a shotgun."

"That's nothing," said another of the party from his place at the other side of the fire. "You fellows have seen my little Towser, haven't you? Well, when I begin to get out my fishing kit Towser runs up behind the barn and begins digging worms."—Saturday Evening Post.

Our Postal Service.

The beginning of the postal service in what is now the United States dates from 1639, when a house in Boston was employed for the receipt of letters for and from the old world. In 1672 the government of New York colony established a post to go monthly from New York to Boston. A general post-office was established in Virginia in 1682 and in Philadelphia in 1693. In 1789, when the federal government went into operation, the number of offices in the thirteen states was only about seventy-five.—New York American.

Chinese Language.

Where the Chinese language, written or spoken, came from nobody knows any more than they know where the original Chinese themselves came from. But it is probable that the primary Chinese characters existed 5,000 years ago pretty much as they do today.

A Gentle Reminder.

He—Have you decided what you will wear at the next german? She—That depends somewhat on the flowers that are sent me. I have a perfectly dear gown that, with a dozen jack roses, would be just too sweet for anything.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

What We Remember.

The will governs the memory. We forget what does not concern us; we remember what is of lasting importance to the will.—Friedrich Paulsen in "Introduction to Philosophy."

Ennui perhaps has made more gamblers than avarice, more drunkards than thirst and perhaps as many suicides as despair.

POOR BILLY SUNDAY

Poor Billy Sunday is having his own troubles. It seems that there are people, who even though they may believe that "the laborer is worthy of his hire," think that he ought to tell his employers what he does with the money they give him. It is estimated that the evangelist makes about \$200,000 a year and yet this immense sum does not bring peace and serenity to the plainspeaking preacher. Somebody is always asking, not "where did you get it?" but "what are you doing with it?" Sunday has hardly left Philadelphia before another former associate demands an accounting. The dissatisfied party this time is Francis Porter, a former press agent for Sunday, who sends to the newspapers a statement in which he demands an accounting of the \$60,000 contributed by Philadelphians to the support of the evangelist's campaign there. Porter declares there is a shortage of more than \$20,000, and says: "The real truth of the situation is that you (Sunday) are commercializing the name of Jesus Christ, boldly using his sacred name to advertise a money-making business."

"A decided disposition," his statement continues, "has been shown by the campaign committee to avoid supplying the contributors to this fund with detailed information regarding its disbursement."

SILVER CREEK FALLS WOMAN DIES

News reached Stayton this morning of the death last night of Mrs. Emma Volz at her home at Silver Creek Falls. She was born in Peoria, Ill. Dec. 22, fifty-six years ago, and was married to Gabriel Volz in June in 1879. The family moved to Oregon about fourteen years ago from Wichita, Kansas, and have lived at Silver Creek Falls for some time.

Six children, besides the husband, survive her, all of whom will be at the funeral, which will be held at the home the first of next week.

The Ringo Undertaking Parlors of Stayton has charge of the arrangements.

WILL MOVE MAY 3

John Thoma's fine bungalow on Water Street is about finished and the family expects to move into their new home May 3.

The building is modern in every respect with bath, built in buffet, dutch kitchen etc. It has eight rooms, and the front part is finished in curly fir, which makes a fine appearance.

The exterior is finished with green roof stain, brown gable stain and the body painted cream with light peagreen trimmings.

The Mail congratulates Mr. Thoma in the possession of one of the finest residences in town.

HAVE PICNIC

The Loyal Sons and Daughters of the Christian church held a picnic on the banks of the Santiam about 4 miles below town on the Munkers place Sunday, April 17. About 26 young people enjoyed the outing.

BUYS FORD

Rev. Laineck of Sublimity has bought a new Ford touring car of P. Deidrich, the hustling Ford agent for this vicinity.

Mr. Deidrich has several more prospects in sight, and they will make no mistake in purchasing a Ford, the Universal car.

Mrs. Jack Johnston and Mrs. Maude Trask of Lyons were in Stayton today shopping with our merchants.

Mrs. H. E. Bennet entertained her Sunday school class of little folks at a picnic on the lawn at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Gardner on Third Street, between the hours of 3 and 4, Tuesday afternoon. The little tots were served a nice lunch consisting of ice cream, cake and gingerbread men.

F. H. Downs and Frank Blakely worked overtime several days this week putting in shelving etc. in the Deidrich building for the Hammond-Bishop Clothing Co.

Miss Mabel Rupert, one of the Stayton teachers, was called to Salem Tuesday by the death of her sister, Annabel Rupert, who had taught in the Salem schools as assistant in the Commercial department of the high school for some time.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.

NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCIAL, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 60 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.



Stayton Mail, One year, 75 cents.

Sim Etzel down in from Sublimity Tuesday.

Carl Cyrus motored over from Scio yesterday.

Grape Juice and R-Porter at the REXALL Fountain.

Ben Schaefer is still acting as janitor at the school house.

Deliciously fragrant and lasting perfumes at Sloper's.

M. Schuff and wife visited in Albany Tuesday and Wednesday.

John Amott and wife of Macleay visited relatives here Saturday.

John Huber of Linn County was in town on business Monday.

Dr. F. E. Beauchamp of Albany was a business visitor Wednesday.

New line of middy blouses, Mail Order prices. Mayo's Cash Store.

R. P. Phillips and wife were trading with Stayton merchants Saturday.

The biggest fruit crop the valley has known for years is in prospect.

Floyd Shelton and family of Linn county were Stayton visitors Tuesday.

Henry Siegmund and family of Fern Ridge were in town trading Saturday.

J. A. Van Handel has been working near Sublimity for the past few days.

Mrs. O. M. Baker and Mrs. Elsworth of Kingston were Stayton visitors Tuesday.

Sloper has a Peroxide Cold Cream that you will like.

T. H. Thomas made a trip home to Jordan Tuesday returning Wednesday.

C. A. Luthy will build a new house, just as soon as he finds a place to put it.

Jas. and Lizzie Fultz of Jordan were trading with Stayton merchants Tuesday.

Mrs. Edna Daily, a trained nurse of Salem is taking care of Mrs. Sarah Cox.

Mr. Brill and family of Salem are living in the Mrs. Cora Hendershott house.

Misses Minnie Hassler and Angelne Kintz of Sublimity were Stayton callers Monday.

Conkeys Fly Spray in quarts, half gallons and gallons also fly sprayers at Beauchamp's.

Miss Hazel Lambert of Mt. Pleasant was a week-end visitor at the F. H. Downs home.

Miss Lena Berg of Shaw is visiting at the home of her brother, Martin Berg and family.

Mrs. Marie Schott and little son Bernard of Sublimity spent Tuesday with Miss Ella Williams.

We are buying mohair and wool at top prices. Mayo's Cash Store.

P. F. Etzel and family of Fern Ridge motored to Stayton Sunday and spent the day with friends.

Mrs. G. A. Pratt and Mrs. Henry Smith visited at the Kirkpatrick home in Aumsville Sunday.

Big Benefit Show and Dance next Tuesday, April 27, for the Base Ball Read ad on inside page.

Frank Decker and family of Silverton spent Sunday at the home of his mother, Mrs. M. A. Decker.

FOR SALE—One good frame building good construction 16x20 suitable for garage. See John Thoma.

Kreso Dip No. 1 for mites, lice, and insects on all live stock, 25c per pint at Sloper's.

Alois Titze and wife and Julius Titze and family of Fern Ridge were trading with merchants here Tuesday.

Special \$13.50 price on \$15-18-20 suits at the Hammond-Bishop Co's store Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

E. C. Titus, Mrs. Effie Miller, Miss Cora Cooper and E. D. Alexander and wife motored to Albany Sunday.

Riley Thomas and Cecil Riggs went to Jordan Tuesday to pick moss on Thomas Creek with Geo. Queener.

"Holler for Stayton," and root for the home team. Particulars on the inside page of the Mail. Read it all.

Clare Thomas was a Saturday visitor at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Sarah Cox, who is slowly improving.

Don't fail to attend the Opening Days of the Hammond-Bishop Clothing Co. Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The Brode Club met with Mrs. B. A. Schaefer last night and will meet with Mrs. H. Lilly next Wednesday night.

The Petzel Estate lost their suit against J. J. Barns for damage to logs by fire, in the circuit court last week.

Purolo Carbolic Salve 25c good for cuts, burns, old sores, etc at Beauchamp's.

J. H. Kloer, who was injured by the kick of a bad mule last week, is getting along nicely at the Peter Fiedler home.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Matt Ditter of near Sublimity, a daughter, Tuesday, April 20. Dr. Brewer is in attendance.

Miss Stella Huntley went to Brooks yesterday for an extended visit with her brother Wheaton Huntley and family.

Dan Tyson of Ashland is making a week's visit at the home of his parents C. M. Tyson and wife of north of Sublimity.

Those new hitching posts loom up considerably east of W. H. Hobson's lot. Wonder how long they will stay there.

FOR SALE—A Pure bred Jersey bull, 4 years old, from the Chas. Miller herd. Forrette Bros., West Stayton, 4-29x Oregon.

Mrs. Weiss and daughter Letha of Salem is visiting at the home of Mrs. Weiss' nephew, V. J. Philip of near Kingston.

Mrs. Dora Harden is here from Pleasant Hill, on business connected with the Mrs. Brown estate of which she is the executrix.

Henry Mutschler and son Harry, Carl Weselowski, Wm. Huntley, and V. A. Goode and family motored to Salem Sunday.

Come in and get acquainted with the new store. The Hammond-Bishop Co's Clothing Emporium, in the Diedrich Building, Stayton.

Purolo TOOTH PASTE known as Peroxide Tooth Paste containing peroxide of hydrogen 25c at Beauchamp's.

Floyd Crabtree has left the razor and the strop for the lure of the ranchers in Eastern Oregon. Clifford Carter accompanied him.

Uncle Billy Fitten and Jake Spaniol went to Salem Monday in Mr. Fitten's new Ford. Jake says that Uncle Billy is some "Chauf."

Mrs. David Lutz and daughter Elba of Columbia Falls, Mont. is making an extended visit with her sister-in-law, Mrs. J. P. Davie.

J. J. Lambrecht has the foundation for his new residence in the north part of Stayton all in and work will soon begin on the superstructure.

Mrs. J. T. Hunt and daughter, Helen, Miss Genevieve Patton of Union Hill and Mrs. Amanda King of Salem were Stayton visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Davenport and Miss Mary Peters of Silverton passed through here Friday on their way to visit Mr. K. Peters of Mt. Pleasant.

When you finish reading these lines, turn to the inside page of the Mail and look over the Double Base Ball Benefit advertised there. The ball team needs your support.

Chas. Streff drove in from his homestead on the Little North Fork on Tuesday of this week. Charlie looks just as natural as ever—don't seem to fatten up much.

TO-NIGHT

6th Ep. "Million Dollar Mystery"

This Photo play is as exciting as the real thing. It is what will keep you guessing from one episode to another.

Keystone Comedy—"The Telephone Inspector"

"His Last Chance" Drama, 4 reels, Orchestra. 5 and 10c

Killed in Last Episode

"Perils of Pauline" No. 20. Don't miss it, the final one, see what happens to Pauline.

First Episode "EXPLOITS OF ELAINE"

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