

The Mail is short of news items this week on account of an accident which happened to the editor on Tuesday morning. While helping Dr. Beauchamp do some extra cutting of surgical cloth, on our paper cutter, we slipped the middle finger of our right hand under the cutter, and bingo, we are minus a finger nail and a part of our finger. We are still on the job, but when it comes to setting type and ads we are handicapped. Being short on help the editor has to take the place of the "devil," printer and general roust-about. We can make a good stab at playing the "devil" and the roust-about position sort of "fits our calling," but when it comes to setting type with a sore finger—we are out of the game right now. However, we are making ample provisions for help, and hope to give our readers the usual amount of news next week.

The work on the Methodist parsonage is just about completed. Four rooms have been added, a kitchen and bath room down stairs and a minister's study and bed room up stairs. The work has been nearly all donated by members of the church. Rev. Horn and family have moved in and with one or two exceptions the work is completed.

SPECIAL

Morning services in the M. E. Church on Sunday as usual.

At 7 p. m., our District Superintendent, will conduct the Fourth Quarterly Conference. Have all reports in please. At 8 p. m. Dr. Ford will preach. Come and hear a sermon worth while.

Chas. Cladek had a close call from being caught in a mixup last Sunday evening. When he was coming around the corner at the Sloper Drug Store, a horse drawn vehicle, which was on the wrong side of the road, bumped in to Charlie's car. The horse climbed on to the radiator and left his hoof prints there, and the buggy was badly smashed. Charlie came out without a scratch, but just how he did it seems to be the question.

The State Fair this year promises to be even greater than it has been any time in the history of the state. Cash prizes and diplomas will be awarded by competent judges. Included in the art department will be oil and water color paintings, portraits, miniatures, pastels, drawings, charcoal sketches, posters, cartoons, clay modeling, decorated china, arts and crafts work in metal, wood and textiles, basketry, intaid work and weaving. Send to the Oregon State Fair Board, Salem for entry blanks and books. Articles should be sent to Mrs. Weister, Care Art Department, State Fair, Salem, so they will reach there by September 20. All articles will be carefully packed and returned to owners.

LET THIS SOAK IN

Beginning July 1st, 1918, postal rates on newspapers were raised in amounts varying from 25 to 200 per cent, according to the distance carried. These rates will apply only until July 1st, 1919: from then until July 1920, the increase will be from 50 to 400 per cent, and so on. In other words, newspapers which are carried to California at the cent a pound rate, will cost 8 cents a pound.

Listen, dear reader—are you paid up on subscription? We sent out a number of small bills a few weeks ago and have been very successful in receiving returns from some of them.

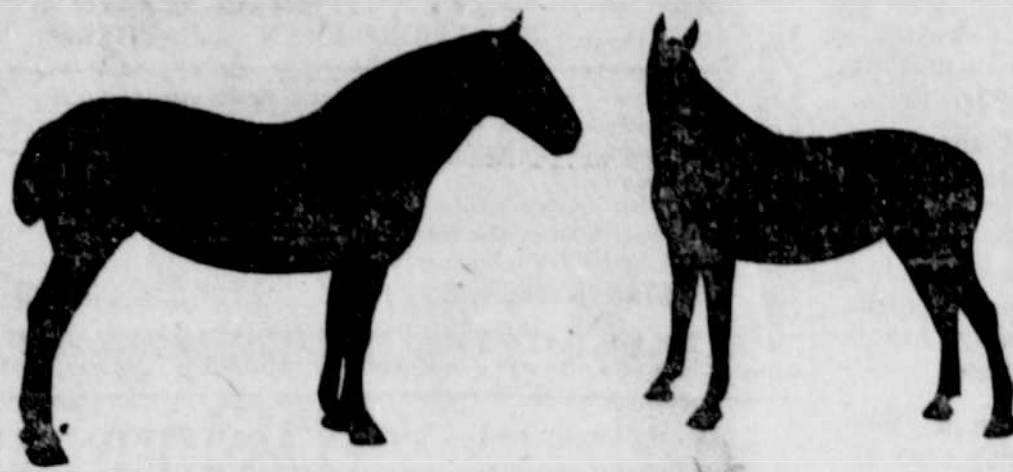
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DIED.

William Calvin Stowell was born near Stayton, October 17, 1896, died at Salem, September 6, 1918. At the age of five he was stricken with spinal meningitis and has been an invalid for the past sixteen years.

William was a resident of Stayton the greater part of his life, had many friends and will be remembered by his cheerfulness and patience. He moved to Salem about a year ago, and although his condition was known by his friends, the end was unexpected and came as a great shock to his parents and other relatives.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stowell, and two sisters, Nora and Nellie.

The funeral was held at the Methodist church in Stayton, with Rev. Warren officiating, on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock and interment was in Lone Oak cemetery.



THE BUGLE CALL.

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THE OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE which the United States authorities have ranked as one of the fifteen distinguished institutions of the country for excellence in military training, has responded to the call. The College is distinguished not only for its military instruction, but

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The pall bearers were: Lee Tate, Byron Denny, Wesley Riggs, Wm. Petzel, Tom Smith and Chas. Rosister.

To the sorrowing parents and relatives is extended the heartfelt sympathy of a large following of friends.

CARD OF THANKS.

We extend our sincerest thanks to those friends and neighbors who were so kind to us in our recent bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stowell and family.

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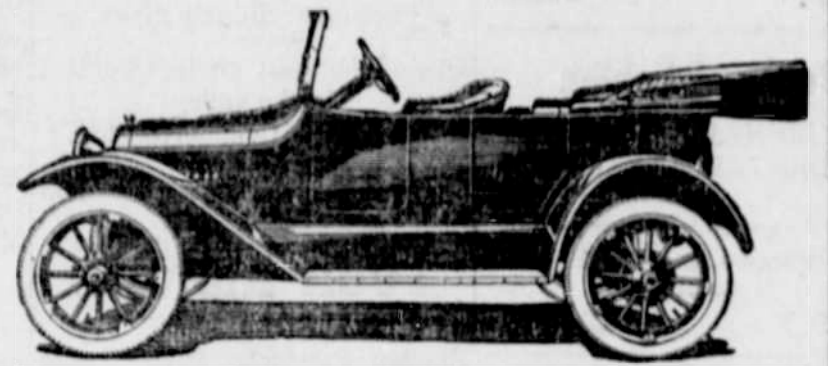
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Tuesday, Sept. 17th, 1918

At 8:30, A. M.

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