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CHAS. COLVIN BADLY INJURED IN RUNAWAY NEAR AUMSVILLE

Chas. Colvin, who has been engaged in hauling gravel for the bridge near Aumsville, had a narrow escape from death last Friday, while engaged in unloading a load of gravel.

While he was on the bridge an auto loaded with Salem and Portland people came along and tried to cross the bridge while the team was unloading. Mr. Lambert, the road boss hailed the auto and asked them to stop, but they did not obey his orders and drove on crowding the horses over to one side of the bridge. This frightened the team and they started to run. Mr. Colvin was between the wagon and the horses and was dragged some distance before the horses were stopped.

Mr. Colvin received injuries about the head and hips and was otherwise injured to such an extent that medical aid was summoned and he is under the care of Dr. Brewer of Stayton.

Mr. Lambert immediately jumped into his Ford and took after the fast fleeing auto and only succeeded in getting them to stop after a chase of a few miles. When the parties learned what they had done they began to pull in their horns and were "good dogs." Mr. Lambert succeeded in getting the car number and the name of the Smart Allies, who will be called upon to answer for their rotten deed, at a later date.

Regular Office Hours

1 p.m. to 6 p.m. each afternoon (except Sundays) for first ten days of each month. However telephone calls will usually be answered at most any time during day or night.

Stayton Light & Power Co.

Joe and John Pleser returned from Condon the first of the week where they have been for a couple of weeks closing up the sale of the celebrated stallion, "Luxenburg." They report business on the hum in that part of the state.

HELP WANTED AT THE WOOLEN MILLS

We will want about twenty-five girls and women at the Woolen Mills in the near future forwarding, weaving and other kinds of work. Good wages will be paid and steady work furnished. Any one who wishes to work at the mills are requested to call at the office and register their names as applicants and will be put to work as fast as practical.

Apply at the Woolen Mills office to JOHN P. WILBUR, Supt.

For Sale—300 oak posts, 3 Jersey cows, 25 head of goats. Will trade cows for butcher stock. B. F. Darby, Stayton Phone 4672, P. O. Srio, R. Oct. 30-Nov. 6-3 20

For Sale—Fullblood New Zealand rabbits from 50c to \$5.00 each. All fine stock.—T. C. Crabtree, Box 211, Stayton, Ore. Oct. 30—Nov. 6.

MARRIED FOR MONEY

A negress a few days ago visited Judge Cook of East St. Louis city court and announced she wanted a divorce. He explained she would have to engage a lawyer.

"What has he done to you?" asked the judge.

"He ain't done nothing to me," she replied.

"Does he support you?"

"I say he do. He works every day and gives me all his honey."

"Does he run around with other women?"

"Say, judge, do you think I would stand for anything like that? No, he don't run around with no woman but me. If he did I'd break his head."

"Does he beat you, hit you with his fist or anything?"

"No, judge; if he ever hit me I wouldn't need a divorce. I'm puffedly able to take care of myself when it comes to anything like that."

"Well, I'm afraid you have no grounds for a divorce. He seems to be an ideal husband. Why do you want a divorce?"

"Well, you see, judge, I just married in for the duration of the war. He made his allotment to me, and when he got killed I was to get \$10,000, and he didn't get killed. I didn't marry him to live with him."

—Portland Journal.

The Misses Eberhardt spent Sunday eve at the J. H. Kloer home.

The Passing of The Wilbur Woolen Mills of Stayton

By the transfer of the above mentioned property on Friday, October 31, 1919, to the Santiam Woolen Mills Co., Inc., of Portland, Oregon by John P. Wilbur, proprietor, marks the beginning of a new era in business circles in Stayton and much toward its future development from a business standpoint.

In August, 1912, Mr. Wilbur purchased the woolen mill property in Stayton known as the Stayton Woolen Mills, and proceeded to install more and modern machinery, making many improvements in buildings, etc., getting the plant ready for woolen manufacturing to supply the markets of the Northwest in competition with the older established woolen mills in both Oregon and California.

How well he succeeded, building up the business from nothing to a business of \$165,000 in 1918, is a matter of local history. In 1912 a corporation was formed known as the Santiam Woolen Mills Co., with Emma E. Wilbur, his wife, and Mrs. R. W. Hall, daughter, as the stockholders, no outside stock being sold to anyone, commencing with a total business of \$4,500 in 1912, it grew to a yearly business of \$165,000 in 1918, with as good a showing for 1919 pro rata.

Mr. Wilbur was born in Rhode Island in 1856, and comes from a family of woolen manufacturers, and has been constantly in the business since that time, getting his early experience in the manufacturing centers of the East and coming to California in 1876, and to Oregon in 1881 being employed at that time in the Brownsville Woolen Mills by Mr. Thomas Kay, Sr., deceased.

The products of the Wilbur Woolen Mills Co., known to the trade as the "Wilbur Line" finds ready market as far east as New York City and covers the Pacific coast and Hawaiian Islands and are known as Honest Oregon Wool Products.

In 1916 Mr. Wilbur instituted the manufacture of wool batts and com-

forters and wool mattresses, in competition with the large eastern batt makers he built up a business of \$75,000 annually on this product alone, speaking well for the quality of the goods so much in demand.

Mrs. Wilbur, an equal partner, is a thoroughly informed woman, and has devoted enough of her time to become thoroughly informed on the details of the manufacture of the goods, managing the plant which she has very capably done on several occasions when Mr. Wilbur was called away on business connected with the buying of raw material and marketing the products.

In making this transfer of the business to other parties Mr. Wilbur had under consideration two objects, first to get a much needed rest from the responsibilities contingent with conducting a business requiring much care and study, and placing the business in the hands of live business ability and ample capital whose plans while not fully developed as yet, contemplates many enlargements of the plant and the employment of a large number of hands thereby creating a pay roll from which untold benefits will accrue to our city in increased business for the merchants, and new residents who will have to have homes, thereby adding much to the general welfare of the town.

The Santiam Woolen Mills Co. Inc. is composed of gentlemen who are progressive, have ample means to carry out any project they may conceive and occupy an important place in the business and social circles in Portland, and Mr. Wilbur, at their request, has associated himself with them as superintendent of the plant, knowing them as he does for some length of time in the past, which is ample endorsement from any standpoint, in the coming of this Company among us are sure Stayton is to be congratulated, as it means much to the community, and we welcome them in our midst.

HERE'S YOUR OPPORTUNITY

Owing to the sale of the Woolen Mills by John P. Wilbur, owner, to other parties, the retail department of the Mills will be discontinued, and the large stock of blankets, dress goods, cloakings, mackinaws, flannels, etc., will be discontinued at the mills, and the entire stock of above mentioned goods will be offered for sale at auction at 1 P. M. Saturday, November 8th, to the highest bidder for cash.

This is the greatest opportunity

the people of Stayton and vicinity has ever had to supply themselves with first-class woolen goods made from locally grown wool at a low figure, and should not be missed. Notice of the sale will also be made by posters later. Remember the time and the place, as the sale will positively take place regardless of weather conditions and this large stock of woolen goods will be sold with no reservation at that time.

JOHN P. WILBUR, Owner.

NEW VETERINARIAN HAS LOCATED IN STAYTON THIS WEEK

Dr. C. C. Wright, Veterinarian, who has lately been in the employ of the city of Portland as Meat and Milk Inspector, has decided to locate in Stayton for the practice of his profession.

Mrs. Burgess Ford gave an afternoon tea at her home last Saturday from 3 to 5. Invitations were issued to the ladies of Stayton who gathered at the Ford home. The event was in honor of the new teachers of the Stayton schools. The rooms were prettily decorated with yellow Mary-golds, Dahlias, and yellow candles lighted the rooms.

LAST GRANGE MEETING MOST ENTHUSIASTIC

Saturday proved to be a very interesting day in Stayton Grange. About twenty members from the Salem Grange were present and business transactions occupied the morning session, after which an elaborate dinner was served to the invited guests.

The afternoon was an open meeting and Mrs. Beety Smith of Pomona Grange presided.

The main speaker was Mr. McDonald of Salem Grange, who spoke at length on how to build up the grange. His talk was very interesting and was enjoyed by all present.

Mr. Robert Paulus, president of the Fruit Growers' Association, spoke on co-operation among the farmers and fruit growers.

Dr. Slaughter of Salem was the next speaker and gave a very interesting talk on matters in general pertaining to the Grange.

Mr. Bushey of the California Fruit Growers' Association, spoke on the necessity of co-operation.

Mr. Van Trump of North Howell, favored the audience with a recitation. Other speakers were M. E. Pogue of Salem and Mr. Van Trump of North Howell.

STEALS AUTOMATIC SHOT GUN FROM AUTOMOBILE SUNDAY EVENING

Someone without the fear of the devil or his associates took an automatic shot gun from Dare Sloper's auto, while it was standing in front of his place of business Sunday evening.

The guilty party or parties evidently did not know the use of the rapid fire arms as three shots were heard soon after the gun was missing, near the saw mill, and three empty shells were also found.

A search was made but no trace of the gun was found and it is believed that the party who stole it accidentally discharged it in trying to see how it worked as there were shells in it when it was taken.

The gun was rented from the Lilly Hardware.

FOUR BIG SHOWS FOR STAYTON LYCEUM COURSE

A big treat is in store this winter for Stayton people in the shape of the four big shows that are coming to our town between November and April.

The entertainment will be given under the auspices of the Student Body of the Stayton High School and the proceeds will go toward paying off the debt on the Gym.

On the program is the Ricketts Glee Club, the director of this company is one of the best entertainers and musicians on the platform.

The Katharine Carroll Smith Concert Company are delightful entertainers. Their evening performance includes solos, duets, trios, character work, costume sketches, monologues and impersonations. They are sure to please.

The Chicago Recital Company in a program de Luxe, are all artists.

Their program consists of Vocal quartettes and duets, Cello and violin duets and solos, saxophone quartettes and musical and comedy sketches.

Hon. Frank Stewart Regan lecturer—will be heard in "The Fool Tax Payer," an illustrated talk lecture. The first show will be latter part of November. These shows will not be a series of tiresome speeches or ragtime, but a complete performance of musical, educational and witicism which will keep your interest aroused during the entire evening.

Buy your season tickets and do not miss a show.

BE-A BRICK BUY-A BRICK NURSERY DRIVE HERE NETS \$87.53

The Alberta Kerr Nursery Drive which was waged here the first of the week for the purpose of raising funds with which to help build a new fire proof building for homeless children met with very good success.

Mrs. T. C. Carpenter, City Missionary, of Portland, was here and assisted the local committee for a couple of days and wishes to thank the people who so generously donated to the worthy cause.

Mrs. Lee Tate, chairman of the local committee and the high school girls are seeing that no one is slighted who wish to donate. Up to the time of going to press the committee has raised \$87.53, but they have not seen all of our citizens and it is expected that when the committee is through the amount will be much larger.

CLUB MEETS AWAY FROM HOME

The Etoile de L'Est Club met with Mrs Sarah Berringer at her home near Mehama. Pumpkins, black cats and other Halloween effects were used effectively in the decorations of the house. The afternoon was spent socially after which the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Blanche Taylor, served dainty luncheon.

SURE! ANYBODY CAN BE AN EDITOR

The great diversity of ideas entertained by many people relating to editing work are usually expressed in factious phrases.

Most any man can be an editor. All the editor has to do is to sit at a desk six days in a week, twelve months in a year and edit stuff as this:

"Mr. Jones, cook on the Schooner Nonsuck, let a can opener slip last week and cut himself in the hold. John Atkins fell from the gaff of his vessel recently struck himself on the stern sheets. While walking down the warf on Friday Captain Smith slipped and was injured near the reduction plant. Sure, nothing to it, anybody can be an editor.

DON'T HIDE YOUR LIGHT UNDER A BARREL--SHOW YOUR COLORS--SIGN YOUR LETTERS

This week the editor received a letter written in a feminine hand, postmarked Stayton, which was intended for publication. The letter was not signed and consequently it will not appear in the Mail.

The letter does not amount to much and was written by some one who evidently has a sore spot and cannot get it healed, but who has nerve enough to try to get the poor editor to shoot her bullets for her.

We would inform the party that if they haven't nerve enough to sign their name when writing to the newspapers they had better keep their nose out of other people's business.

It is only a short time that some one wrote a letter to Salem about the time the grand jury was in session

informing the officers and others that things were not running in Stayton to suit their fancy and caused a whole lot of trouble and soreness among the townspeople. This letter was not signed either.

Every little town has its knockers and tattle tales who make more trouble in five minutes than can be rightened in a week, just because things don't go to suit their fancy—which is a hell-of-a-ways from being perfect.

But we have got away from what we wanted to say in the first place. We want to inform the public that no letters will be published in the Mail unless they are signed by the writer, so put that in your pipe and smoke it, and save your stamps.

Last Saturday Dr. Brewer operated on Angeline Kentz of Sublimity, Altha Gilmore of Shaw, Eeles Working of Gooch, Miss Sarah Reed of Aumsville, Olive Fidler of Jordan, Miss Mamie Fisher of Stayton and Jack Hall, grand-son of Mr. and

J. P. Wilbur of Stayton, all for the removal of tonsils.

Placius Rueff was operated on last Sunday by Dr. Brewer for appendicitis. At last reports the patient was recovering rapidly.

MILL CITY WILL HAVE BANK

The lumbering town of Mill City is to have a bank in the near future. Articles of incorporation were filed at Salem this week.

The incorporators are Francis M. Arnold, J. W. Cusack bank of Albany, D. B. Hill and F. I. Arnold. The capital stock will be \$25,000.00. The new institution will be located

in the building formerly occupied by the Mill City post office. The building will be remodeled and made convenient for this bank.

Mr. Arnold will have full charge of the business, being president and cashier. Mrs. Arnold is vice-president and Mr. Hill is secretary.

DIES FROM WOUND

Saturday, Emil Posvar, while working in the gravel pit, was the victim of a gun accident from which he died Monday morning.

He and Frank Rorer were working together. A shotgun was on the wagon. Rorer in moving the gun discharged it in some way. Posvar was on the ground putting a sack on the wagon and received the full charge in the right leg above the

knee, chattering the bone so badly that amputation was deemed best by his physicians, Dr. Hobson of Seio and Wallace of Stayton.

Funeral services were held Tuesday and the body shipped to California—Seio Thursday.

Chas. Cuslak, of Silver Falls, was a Stayton visitor last Saturday.

FOR SALE—Pure bred Poland China boar, 9 months old. W. H. Loose, Stayton R. R. 2. Oct. 30-Nov. 6.