

The Library

Open Hours: 1:00 to 5:30 and 7 to 9:30 p. m.
Sundays: 2:30 to 5:30

If the average person were asked to choose between a vacation spent in attending vaudeville matinees and one spent in camping by the ocean, he would have small trouble in deciding which would bring him the truest recreation. There is a like difference in recreative values between the reading of some of the day's "best sellers" and the masterpieces of fiction. Most people want fiction for summer reading but there is a difference in fiction. To lay down one of the systematic little stories which people describe as "so clever" and "so sweet," for a novel of genuine worth, is like passing from the whirl of a merry-go-round to the presence of the mountains and the sea.

The library has made a carefully selected list of the best novels. It contains authors so well known as Jane Austin, Victor Hugo, and so new as Mrs. Wharton and Gilbert Parker. There, for instance is that wonderful romancer, Alexander Dumas. To read one of his books—say the Three Musketeers—is to forget the world and dwell in a ceaseless paradise. The reader will come in touch with a great, sunny life, rejoicing in all the accidents of existence. And you will find Charles Kingsley, whose freshness and vigor seize upon the reader irresistibly; the roots of feeling strike down into the hearts of life. The desert scene in Hypatia, the thrilling tragedy of the death of the martyrs, the sea fight in Westward Ho! stir the blood and mock criticism.

Charles Reade was a fighting Englishman, always ready for a fray, always believing himself or somebody else ill-used. His "It is Never too late to Mend," was an exposition of the English prison system. So strong was the indignation aroused by it that when it was reproduced at the Princess theatre, years after its dramatization, there was almost a riot in the audience. His book, Cloister and Hearth, is truer than history; for, while based on historical records, it reflects with life and color, not alone outward fact, but also the workings of the minds and hearts.

And there are 90 odd others. About 40 of these books you will find on the table at the back of the room. The others may be had on request. Copies of the list for distribution hang above the books.

Of the 15 cookbooks displayed in the window over Sunday, all but two were taken out by Tuesday evening.

Bulletins of the music books and of the most attractive travel books are now up. Attention of music teachers and students is called to the fact that a complete list of the

books on music in the main library, may be had here.

A Children's Encyclopedia just received will be welcomed by the young people who want to know things.

Obituary

Died June 17, 1912, Minerva Ellen Thurmond, wife of Richard E. Thurmond, aged 46 years, 9 months and 19 days.

Mrs. Thurmond, whose maiden name was Minerva E. McKinney, was born near Decatur, Ill., Aug. 28, 1865, was united in marriage Feb. 22, 1893. She came to St. Johns, Oregon, in 1902 where she has since resided at 414 Pierce street. Mrs. Thurmond leaves to mourn her loss a husband and five children, two sons and three daughters, also five brothers and five sisters.

The people in this community were shocked to hear of the untimely death of Mrs. R. E. Thurmond. She was a brave, true woman. Although modest and retiring in her disposition, she possessed many of the graces that adorn genuine womanhood. She was a strong believer in the Seventh Day Advent doctrine and confidently looked forward to the soon coming of the Lord, but never paraded her piety before the world. She was greatly loved by her family, relatives and friends. She was loved as a daughter, true as a wife and mother and kind as a neighbor. It was in her home that her transcendent virtues shone forth most conscientiously. She lived for her children and died for them. She longed to see them grow up as true Christians. This was her hope and ambition. There was no toil that she would not endure for them, no drudgery she would not undertake in order that this wish should be gratified. This was not permitted, for, after a short illness, her guileless spirit took its flight and winged its way to its eternal home. Her frail body now rests in one of the beauty spots of Mt. Scott Park in the Willamette Valley. No place could there be more befitting, and one she so well earned by her profound devotion to duty and faith in her God. A Friend.

Fourth of July Excursion.

"The North Bank Road"

Round trip tickets will be sold July 2, 3 and 4 at one and one-third fare to points on the North Bank Road to which the fare is \$6.00 or less. Return limit July 5th Minimum round trip fare \$1.00 for adults, 50c for children.

Mr. R. E. Thurmond and family desire to extend their thanks to their friends and neighbors for the many kindnesses extended to them during the sickness and death of their wife and mother.

No. 9047.

Report of the condition of the

First National Bank

at St. Johns, in the state of Oregon, at the close of business June 14, 1912:

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts.....	\$171,459.23
Overdrafts, secured & unsec'd	14.68
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	25,000.00
Other bonds to secure U. S. deposits.....	5,000.00
Bonds, Securities, etc.....	13,485.98
Banking house, furniture and fixtures.....	3,940.00
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies and Savings Banks.....	3,556.01
Due from approved reserve agents.....	25,791.13
Checks and other cash items.....	2,306.89
Notes of other National Banks.....	265.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, cents	221.68
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz:	
Specie.....	11,578.40
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per ct. of circulation)	2,850.00
	<u>46,569.11</u>
Total.....	\$265,469.00

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in.....	\$50,000.00
Surplus fund.....	10,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid.....	2,081.14
National bank notes outstanding	25,000.00
Individual deposits subject to check, \$107,218.12	
Demand certificates of deposit.....	8,552.73
Time deposits.....	58,147.68
Certified checks.....	100.00
Cashier's checks outstanding.....	3,247.60
Postal Savings Dep'ts,	1,121.73
	<u>178,387.86</u>
Total.....	\$265,469.00

State of Oregon,
County of Multnomah ss:
I, F. P. Drinker, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
F. P. Drinker, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of June, 1912.
W. S. Kellogg, Notary Public,
Multnomah county, Ore.
R. M. Tuttle,
Correct—Attest: A. R. Jobs,
C. B. Russell,
Directors.

A pleasant birthday surprise party was tendered Sewell Pond last Saturday evening at the Pond home on Tioga street by a number of his friends. He was the recipient of a number of handsome presents. A splendid lunch was served and the occasion was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

Minerva Chapter Order of the Eastern Star will hold a communication, Tuesday evening, July 2nd. This is the first meeting since receiving a charter, and there will be an installation of officers.

The A. F. & A. M. have decided not to hold any meetings during July and August.

The Debonair club will picnic at the Oaks tomorrow evening.