

# CLACKAMAS COUNTY

## THE ENTERPRISE CORRESPONDENTS SWEEP THE FIELD.

### Wedding at Carns—Postoffice Removed—Other Notes of the Neighborhood.

CARNS, Nov. 8.—The fine weather of the present season affords farmers an opportunity to push along fall seeding, spud lifting and preparations for the coming winter. R. Milo Cooper has moved on his new farm and taken the post office along. For convenience of the citizens he has placed a lock-box on the school grounds in which outgoing mail can be deposited. All may feel assured that their mail will be as promptly and safely handled as if sent to the office.

Politics are rather quiescent in this locality, possibly because there isn't enough difference in opinions to provoke controversy. "Still waters run deep" however and the strength of sound conviction will be manifest at the polls today.

Whooping cough is prevailing among the children of the district, though in the majority of cases it appears more like a distemper of a similar nature, as many afflicted ones have already had the whooping cough.

Mrs. Carrick Cassidy has been suffering for many weeks with what was supposed to be inflammatory rheumatism. Dr. Carl of Oregon City, was recently called to the case and pronounced it a white swelling. Under his treatment the patient rested quietly for two days and nights, and her friends are hopeful that permanent relief may be obtained.

Sunday Nov. 6 in the presence of intimate friends and relatives, Miss Anita May was united in marriage to Henry Hornshuh. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. W. Giboney of Oregon City. The bride was attired in a dress of dove colored cashmere trimmed with puffings of white satin silk. The bride and groom took immediate departure for a short trip to Astoria. This is the third wedding which has taken place in Carns within a few months.

Will Jones is building a neat and convenient house on his ranch. He and his bride expect to set up housekeeping therein in the near future.

Henry Hornshuh will commence his new house the present week. Until it is completed the young couple will make their home with his parents.

Dr. Casto of the Alpine farm has been spending some two or three weeks with his family in Corvallis.

Mrs. C. G. Curtis and little son, and Harry Franks, of Castle Rock, Washington, are guests in the family of A. O. Hayward.

H. C. Hopley and family returned to Sunnyside a suburb of Portland, last week. Mr. Oglesby and family occupy the Dougherty farm.

The cheerful whistle of McCord's mill is once more heard and the busy interest which it indicates is pleasant to note.

CALLA.

### HOOD VIEW HAPPENINGS.

Death of Robert McCully—Personal and Neighborhood News.

HOOD VIEW, Nov. 7.—Harry Spencer and family of Canemah have moved in the house with Grandpa Zanwalt.

Mr. Boyce and family have moved over to his brother-in-law's Wm. Case's, near Champoeg.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Brown will spend a few days in the metropolis this week visiting her uncle, Wm. Spicer.

Died at his home in Sherwood Thursday at 6:30 a. m., Robert McCully. The remains were shipped to McMinnville for interment. Deceased leaves a wife and three children to mourn their loss.

The W. C. T. U. of Sherwood received about twenty new members at their last meeting.

The A. O. U. W. of Wilsonville, has chosen "Sunrise" for a name and are making good progress.

B. B.

### The Marquam Neighborhood.

MARQUAM, Nov. 2.—Farmers are busy getting in their grain while we have such excellent weather. Some grain is already seen above the ground.

Columbus day was not observed in this immediate neighborhood. The school could not prepare a program, as it was commenced later than usual this year.

A series of revivals meetings are being held in the Methodist Episcopal Church. The meetings are conducted by Rev. Mr. Kershaw, of Woodburn. The attendance has been good.

James Marquam has moved into his new residence, which has just been completed. Muddy Creek school is making great progress under the efficient management of Miss Noe. The school building is a credit to the neighborhood.

A magic lantern show is the latest. Prof. Ewing with his cart load of wonders has been holding forth at Oak Lawn school to the enjoyment of both old and young.

Gilbert Robbins is constructing a beautiful residence on his property, a very good beginning for a young man.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Thompson visited relatives at Corvallis during the past week. Miss Avery of Canby is visiting at Mr. Birchen's.

### Notes from Clarkes.

CLARKES, Nov. 11.—Mr. Lindan bought 80 acres of land from Jacob Elmer for \$1,500.

We have a music teacher in our midst. Mr. Ogles of Molalla is giving instrumental music lessons to the following: Mrs. I. L. Clark and Willie Clark, Miss Emma Tinnerstet, Miss Elvora Jewell, Jack and Bert Rineo.

We are glad to learn that D. E. Elmer is progressing rapidly with his studies at Monmouth normal school and he expects to be permitted in the Junior class next year.

Clarkes is making preparations to celebrate Thanksgiving by having a shooting match at G. W. Grace's today.

Jacob Meyers has rented Mr. Tinnerstet's place.

Mr. Thayer and Mr. Burghardt of Oregon City made a business trip out at Clarkes last week.

HOARST.

### TO TAX THE CHURCHES.

#### An Argument for Placing Churches on the Same Basis as Other Property.

CASTLE KEHM ON THE WILLAMETTE, Nov. 2.—[TO THE EDITOR]: It is exceedingly gratifying to read the suggestions you have thus early made to the people of Oregon that some effective work may be done by our next legislature and it is to be hoped that the people will remember and see that those ideas shall be carried out.

With your permission, I will suggest to your readers another wrong which exists and which must sooner or later be eradicated if we wish still to maintain our principles of liberty. I refer to the taxation of church property and would respectfully submit a few reasons why it should be taxed as is other property.

Long ago some of our brighter thinkers noted the injustice of exempting church property from taxation and did not hesitate to publicly protest against the evil.

James A. Garfield said in Congress, June 22, 1874: "The divorce between church and state ought to be absolute. It ought to be so absolute that no church property, anywhere in any state, or in the nation, should be exempt from equal taxation, for if you exempt the property of any church organization, to that extent you impose a tax upon the whole community."

A few months after this, President Grant, in his message to congress in 1875, bravely and truthfully pictured the situation when he said: "I would also call your attention to the importance of correcting an evil, that, if permitted to continue, will probably lead to great trouble in our land before the close of the nineteenth century. It is the acquisition of vast amounts of untaxed church property. In 1850 I believe the church property of the United States, which paid no tax, municipal or state, amounted to eighty-seven millions of dollars (\$87,000,000). In 1880 the amount had doubled. In 1870 it was \$354,483,587. By 1900 without a check it is safe to say this property will reach a sum exceeding \$3,000,000,000. No vast a sum, receiving all the protection and benefits of government, without bearing its proportion of the burdens and expenses of the same, will not be looked upon acquiescently by those who have to pay the taxes. In a growing country where real estate enhances so rapidly in time as in the United States, there is scarcely a limit to the wealth that may be acquired by corporations, religious or otherwise, if allowed to retain real estate without taxation. The contemplation of so vast a property as here alluded to without taxation may lead to sequestration without constitutional authority and through blood. I would suggest the taxation of all property equally."

Now what the people of Oregon need to do is to send a few Grants (and we are not without them) to the legislature, who will take up the banner once so bravely flung to the people and march triumphantly forward, demanding the "taxation of all property equally."

Since in the census of 1880 no returns for churches, schools and similar institutions were made, reliable statistics on this subject are difficult to obtain, but it is estimated that in this country there are fully 100,000 church buildings, and the value of this property—all exempt from taxation—is not less than \$1,400,000,000.

Now aside from this, take into consideration the private schools, cemeteries, hospitals and the many charitable institutions and the amount shall have exceeded, in 1882, the estimate made by President Grant.

I will not at the present time direct attention to the donations from the public treasury to sectarian institutions in direct violation of our constitution.

The third section of the bill of rights provides that "no man can of right be compelled to attend, erect or support any place of worship or to maintain any ministry against his consent." But let me ask, does not the exemption of church property compel taxpayers to contribute to the support of every place of worship so exempt?

Ought not laws so unjust and oppressive as those which exempt church property from taxation be repealed?

There are wealthy churches which the poor rarely if ever attend, yet indirectly this poor class is taxed for the benefit of the wealthy church. Again, there are many people who do not go to church—who care nothing for its dogmas—is it just to tax this class for the benefit of that which they would otherwise refuse to support?

But non-church goers are not alone in the demand for taxation of church property. Rev. Dr. Wayland, in his Political Economy said: "All that religious societies have a right to ask of the civil government is the same privileges for transacting their own affairs which societies of every other sort possess."

The New York Evening Post while conducted by William Cullen Bryant said: "We have never been able to see the slightest difference in principle between the appropriation of a certain sum of money raised by a tax to a particular church and a release of that church from a tax on its property to the same amount. The cost of the act, in either case, falls upon the taxpayers generally."

I have quoted a few among our prominent writers to show the trend of thought on this subject.

People who insist on the just taxation of church property are not attacking the rights of the church; they do not necessarily antagonize its doctrines by so doing; the question whether or no they are Christians has nothing to do with it; they are simply championing the rights of the people when they ask that all property—except of course that belonging to the state—shall be equally liable to taxation.

This is an important question and let us hope that the people of Oregon will give it the attention it merits. Let us remember this among the things "that the people should insist on bringing before the legislature in a manner that will not admit of shirking on the part of their representatives." Respectfully,

KATIE KEHM SMITH.

### FROM TUALATIN VILLAGE.

Protracted Meeting—A Quilting Bee—Personal and Other Notes.

TUALATIN, Nov. 6.—Protracted meetings in the first Congregational church of this

place commenced today to hold for ten days or two weeks. The Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Barber of Pleasant Hill and Rev. R. M. Jones of Oswego will have charge of the meetings, assisted by Revs. Curtis, Clapp and others.

The new county bridge across the creek at J. E. Hodges is quite a decided improvement over the old rickety one that stood there so long.

Mrs. McMillan spent a few days in the city this week.

The faint tinkle of merry wedding bells are sounding in the dim distance.

Mrs. Daisy Whitmore from near Pendleton has come home to spend the winter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Hall.

Charlie Danta has completed his cottage in Tualatin and moved his family therein.

J. W. Graham formerly of Graham's Ferry but now stationed at Medford as superintendent of the Rogue River Valley Railway company spent a few days at his old home last week.

Mrs. Lily Young of Wilsonville is somewhat convalescent from her recent spell of illness.

Miss Fannie H. Ladd entertained several of her friends last Thursday afternoon with an old-fashioned quilting bee followed by a Nasturtium supper. The table was profusely decorated with a center piece of the crimson and yellow blossoms intermingled with their own green leaves. The lunch consisted of old-fashioned pumpkin pie, corned beef, pickles, creamed potatoes, salad, roll jelly cake, wild black berry sauce and a delicious cup of fragrant tea. Miss Fannie is an amiable hostess and the quilt in question was one that she unearthed from a lot of keepsakes and was pieced and left for her by her dear old grandmother years ago. The pattern was unique in design and quite handsome.

### NEWS OF NEW ERA.

Two Schools in Session—Fall Grain Sown—Personal Notes.

NEW ERA, Nov. 8.—Today is the greatest day for American voters and it is hoped the result will be the promotion of American industry by re-electing to the presidency Benjamin Harrison.

School commenced in the Brown school district yesterday with Miss Rowen of Beaver Creek for teacher. Yesterday was the commencement of school in the Phelps district with Miss Taylor of Highland as teacher.

There is a six inch grin on the face of E. D. Hutchinson since last Saturday morning occasioned by the arrival of an eight pound daughter.

Died at the residence of C. H. Foster, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown on Thursday of last week. The burial was on Friday at the Canby cemetery.

E. N. Foster has purchased a farm near Eugene City and contemplates moving thereon sometime next week.

Miss Rosa Huiras of Portland spent last week visiting her sister, Mrs. Joseph Briggs. Will McCauslin returned home Monday of last week from San Jose, Cal., looking hale and hearty. He brought some fine grapes and wine with him and treated your writer with a sample.

Dr. Gourcher of Mulino gave us a very pleasant call last Friday.

Fall grain is all sown in this locality and is mostly above ground and looks splendid. The average is some larger than last year.

### Beaver Creek News Items.

BEAVER CREEK, Nov. 7.—The oyster supper at Ed. Hughes' last Friday night was a success. There was a large crowd of young folks and all seemed to enjoy themselves heartily.

Dr. Thomas has erected a porch in front of his store.

Rev. Mr. Jones of the Congregational church preached his farewell sermon at this place on the 30th ultimo.

Miss Jennie Rowen begins teaching today, near New Era.

Abel Hornshuh is working for Mr. Edwards.

We made a slight mistake last week in our items, in regard to Mr. Davis. He has purchased one half of the farm and rented the other half instead of renting the entire farm.

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### Man Injured at Stafford.

STAFFORD, Nov. 5.—Mr. Neibance and sons are clearing their 19-acre tract.

J. P. Gage has his barn all boarded and painted.

F. P. Larson has made some telling improvements on the roads of late.

Can you hear Jack Elligson smile clear to Oregon City? It is a girl this time.

On Friday afternoon as Frank Pitman had hauled a log from the woods he started down the logway to get a peavee to pry the log out with, when he slipped and a large log rolled down on him; another also came pinning him to the ground and tearing the flesh loose from his arm and breast bones; taking off great patches of skin and giving him some internal injuries. Dr. White, of Tualatin was called. Mr. Pitman is now resting comparatively easy. W. U. S.

### From Aims.

AIMS, Oct. 25.—John Bailey, an uncle of Mrs. Joshua Cockerlease of Sandy, was 100 years old the tenth of last May. He lives at the north end of Salem, Or. A week ago he was ill and his decease seemed probable. Banner Bowen and Mr. Cockerlease, who have just returned from Salem, report the old gentleman much better, clear-minded and buoyant.

Henry, eldest son of George Hoffman is again visiting at his father's near Marmot. He was at home in 1872 and again in 1882. During the last trip he has lived in Washington, British Columbia and Alaska. He comes direct from Sitka. E. K.

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