

LOCAL LORE.

—Walter Keady has been visiting Portland friends since Friday.

—Mr and Mrs Andy Taylor of Eugene, arrived Monday for a visit with relatives.

—After a two weeks' visit in Portland, Mrs Andrews returned home Monday.

—Fred Colvig returned yesterday from Portland, where he had been since Friday.

—Elwood Clark, who has been in Oregon City since August, is now assistant engineer in the paper mills.

—Mrs J B Nye, of Portland and Postmistress Morden of Ilwaco, Washington, are guests at the home of Mrs R C Miller.

—After a brief visit with her parents, Mr and Mrs Phillip Phille, Mrs Conrad Myers returned Monday to her home in Albany.

—Clarence Starr has accepted a position as salesman in the Berman grocery store, and began his duties Monday morning.

—W E Yates and August Fischer were passengers yesterday for the bay, on a business trip. They return the latter part of the week.

—A special meeting of the OAC board of regents has been called by President Apperson to meet in Corvallis on Wednesday, February, 27th.

—Bert Willis, who was obliged to leave school recently on account of illness, returned from his Hillsboro home Saturday to resume his studies at the college.

—Elmer Clark, formerly with the First National bank of Corvallis, has been promoted to the position of assistant receiving teller of the First National bank of Baker City.

—A new bicycle has been introduced to wheelmen in Corvallis. It is the Snell wheel, which until the present has not been ridden by cyclists in this vicinity. C H Nicholson is the agent.

—In the fire that destroyed the C B Wells house, there was burned a feather bed that was made in 1810, and has been in the Wells family ever since. It was for many years the property of Mr Wells' mother.

—A petitioner for voluntary bankruptcy in the federal court at Portland the other day was E A Milner, formerly of Corvallis. His liabilities were placed in the petition at \$763 and his assets at nothing.

—The winter dry spell was broken yesterday afternoon, by a rainfall, the first since February 2nd, when there was a precipitation of one-tenth of an inch. The latter, with a similar precipitation on the 1st, is the only rainfall since the latter part of January, a period of three weeks.

—Hon R A Bensell has accepted an appointment on the Daws-Indian commission, and will shortly leave for the field of its operations with headquarters at Muskogee, I T. Mr Bensell will be absent the greater portion of a year and possibly longer.—Yaquna Bay News.

—At their hall Thursday night, the ladies of the Degree of Honor are to entertain their friends. The occasion will be in the nature of a valentine social, with numerous other features to interest and entertain you, among them a gypsy tent, grab bag, postoffice for sale of valentines, and a snooty gallery, where hearts are the prizes. State Organizer Mamie W Briggs will be among the guests. All are welcome and a very pleasant time is assured those who attend.

—Following is a list of orators and their subjects so far as known, who are to take part in the inter-collegiate oratorical contest to be held in the college chapel, March 8th: Willamette University, Raymond Kerr, "The Crises in American History," University of Oregon, Susie Bannard, "The Significance of Christianity to the Coming Era," Pacific University, Ferns Frances Stout, subject unknown; McMinnville college, J Sherman Wallace, subject unknown; Albany college, F C Stellmacher, "An Uncrowned Hero," Monmouth Normal, W C Bryant, "The Reformer."

—The Sorosis entertainment to be given in the college armory, Saturday night, promises to be interesting. Following is the programme: Piano solo, Grace Teller; vocal solo, Constance Holland; Recitation, Orla Thompson; Sorosis Chorus; vocal solo, Lulu Spangler; Recitation, Franke Cauthorn; vocal solo, Constance Holland. The cast of characters in the farce, "Young Dr Devine," is as follows: Rebecca, Helen Stelzer; Elizabeth, Edna Irvine; Marie, Virgine Witsch; Grace, Mabel Withycombe; Rose, Mabel Jones; Madde, Frances Belknap; Laura, Gertrude Ewing; "Madam," Carrie Danneman, Dr Devine, Blanche Holden.

—Without favorable comment either on the paper or the delivery, the Eugene Guard has the following to say about the oration of Miss Susie Bannard who is to represent the State University in the oratorical contest: "The Significance of Christianity to the Coming Era," Susie Bannard, '01. Christianity is given to enrich the love of the people, God has yet future plans for his people, as great and magnificent as those of the past. At the threshold of a new era never greater prospects were before the world. Science has naturally sought God in nature. Christianity has accepted the principle that man is not clay but is one in the development of His great plan. Truth in its purity is the sole purpose of advancing humanity. In no time has history shown greater proofs of man's estimate of character."

—The Native Daughters request all pioneer ladies now resident of Corvallis, who came to the state during or before the year 1859, to communicate at once by mail or otherwise, with Miss Edna Groves, secretary of the local cabin of the order.

THE ORPHAN'S LIFE

Mary Hansen Sent to a Child's Home—Her Father is in the Asylum.

Mary Hansen, a child of nine, was sent by the county court to the Boys' and Girls' Home at Portland yesterday. She was supplied with a ticket and placed by Sheriff Burnett in care of the conductor on the westside train.

The child's father is in the insane asylum. He was sent there from Benton county about a year ago. He resided formerly in the Fall river country a portion of the timber beyond the Lane county line.

At the time he was sent to the asylum, the child now sent to the Portland home for boys and girls, was with him. There were also two other small sisters. Subsequently the latter were sent to the Portland institution by the county court of Lane county. Mary, a delicate girl of nine, has since been with various families in Benton. She was last with Mr and Mrs William Ross, on the Sam Wyatt place. The mother died several years ago. Mary has been anxious to go to the girls' and boys' home for a long time, where, she said, she could be with her sisters. Her lonely orphan life appealed to those about her and Monday she was brought to town. Yesterday morning an inquiry into the facts resulted in a wise determination on the part of the court to send the child to the Portland home, where she will be with her sisters, and where all the comforts of a good home will surround and protect her.

HIS DEATH.

Passing of Henry Emrick at the Advanced Age of 76 Years.

Henry Emrick, for forty years a resident of Benton county, died in Portland at the home of his daughter, Monday morning. Nervous trouble was the cause of death. The remains accompanied by various relatives, were brought up on yesterday's train.

The funeral takes place from the Episcopal church at nine o'clock this Wednesday morning, and will be conducted by Dr McLean.

The interment will be in the family cemetery on the old home farm, two and a half miles south of Philomath.

The deceased was born in Ohio, December 28, 1824. He removed from Ohio to Illinois in 1836, and in 1841 removed to Jefferson county Iowa. In 1846 he was united in marriage to Miss Jane Hawks, who died in Benton county June 21, 1877. In 1859 the family removed to Oregon, passing, after a trip across the plains through Corvallis on the 19th day of November of that year. For two years the family resided in Marion county near Turner, finally settling near Philomath in the autumn of 1861. During the remainder of his life Benton county was practically Mr Emrick's home, though a portion of the time was spent in Independence. Two years ago he went to Portland, where he made his home with his daughter, Mrs Frank Hendrickson.

Besides Mrs Hendrickson, the surviving members of the family are, William Emrick, Merlin, Josephine county, Oregon; Joseph Emrick, Corvallis; George W Emrick, Corvallis; Mrs L C Turner, Portland; Mrs Eggleston, Portland; Mrs Cridler, Portland; Mrs Carnine, Portland; Louis Emrick, a brother resides in Nebraska, William E Emrick, another brother resides at Albany and a third, George Emrick, is a resident of Portland.

The deceased, along in the seventies, with his son Joseph, conducted a blacksmithing and wagon making business in Corvallis.

Notice.

Anyone wishing a price list of produce mailed once a week can have the same by sending their name and address to F L Miller. Our prices will always be the highest.

F L Miller.

Wanted.

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Our remnant and odds and ends sale will close Saturday evening, Feb 15th, our new spring stock is arriving. Nolan & Callahan.

TARTARWON.

Orators at Their Best—Three Secured Prizes—The Programme.

The local oratorical contest, preliminary to the big contest which happens in the college armory March 8th, took place Friday night in the college chapel. It resulted in the selection of Herman Tartar as representative of OAC in the intercollegiate contest. He was also awarded a cash prize of \$15. His grade was 91. Second place and a second cash prize of \$9 was taken by Thomas Bilyeu, with a grade of 88.5. Third place and a cash prize of \$6 was taken by Miss Ivy Burton, with a grade of 88.4. Mr Tartar's subject was "The Trend of Democracy," and it is a composition studded with brilliant thoughts, set in very excellent diction. The paper was much better than the delivery.

Thomas Bilyeu's paper was "The Elevation and Preservation of the Chinese Empire," and was very originally and excellently written. It urged preservation of the present integrity of the empire and the uplifting of its people by education and missionary work. As in the case of Mr Tartar, Mr Bilyeu's paper was better than the delivery.

Miss Burton's subject was "True Life." It pleaded with mankind to lead a more generous life, and was couched in pure and expressive English. The paper was marked about five points lower than was that of the winner. The rendition was superb, Miss Burton exhibiting a talent for elocution that surprised even her friends.

The other contestants and their subjects were: Miss Kyle, "Education of the American Flag," Miss Allen, "College Patriotism." The markings on these papers were not secured. Each was, however, well written and nicely delivered. In fact all of the papers were of a higher order than in past years.

The contest enlisted much interest among students. The chapel was filled with them during the struggle, and the yells of the various societies were much in evidence. Two very pleasant features of the programme were a vocal solo by Miss Maud Hoover, rendered in a rich contralto-voice, and a piano solo, given with most pleasing effect by Miss Juanita Rosendorf.

PLAINTIFF WAS NONSUITED.

A Law Point that Note-Holders Should Not Forget—A Local Court.

Does a credit indorsement on a note always renew the note against the statute of limitation, was an interesting law point brought to notice in the trial of a cause in a local court Saturday. The question concerns almost every man who owns or owes a promissory note. The law in the case was a surprise to many.

The case was Z H Davis versus Eldridge Hartless and wife, an action to recover money on a promissory note, amounting to over \$500. The matter was tried in the county court. The note was executed in 1894. In 1894 Davis and Hartless had a transaction in which Davis held a chattel mortgage on Hartless' crop of hops. The hops, under the terms of the mortgage, were to be sold, and the excess of proceeds was to be applied on the note. In January 1895 there was credited on the note a portion of this excess from sale of hops under mortgage. Davis supposed this credit would renew the note, so far as outlawry was concerned, and make it good for another six years.

Recently, just before the six years after such credit was paid, Davis brought suit to recover judgment. The case was tried Saturday. After the testimony for plaintiff was in, the defendant pleaded that the credit on the note from the proceeds of the sale under chattel mortgage of the hops, was not a "voluntary" payment, and that a "voluntary" payment was "voluntary" on the part of Hartless, the credit did not renew the note. Many decisions were cited, two of them from the Oregon supreme court. There seems to be no doubt as to the law in the case. The court allowed defendant's motion of a nonsuit, the case not even going to the jury. The final outcome is worthy of the notice of those who have occasion to deal with notes.

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Oliver Blackledge.

A BOY ORATOR

He Takes Part in the Coming Oratorical Contest—His Sermon Sunday in Corvallis.

One of the orators who will take part in the forthcoming inter-collegiate oratorical contest to be held at Corvallis March 8th, preached morning and evening in the Baptist church Sunday. He is J Sherman Wallace, who is a student at McMinnville college. He was chosen over two other contestants for the honor in a local contest held at McMinnville Friday night. He was a contestant at the inter-collegiate contest held at Albany two or three years ago. A large number of people thought at that time that he ought to have been given first place.

Mr Wallace is a Lebanon boy. His sermon on Sunday morning was very entertaining, and was heard by a large audience. His subject was "A Cry From the Ruins." The text was from the 12th chapter of Lamentations, "Is it nothing to you?"

The speaker drew a beautiful word picture of Jerusalem before her destruction, and another of the city in ruins, the home only of the lizard and the bat, and Jeremiah sitting under the light of the half grown moon, wailing his song of lamentation, "Is it nothing to you?" He painted with words the sufferings of people wrought by the Johnstown flood, the Galveston horror and kindred calamities, and cited the promptness with which people always respond. He described the sufferings of the Cubans under Spanish tyranny and with eloquent words extolled the American people, who moved faster than the American government in hastening to the aid of Cuban victims of oppression. Wherever there is starvation or suffering for lack of worldly things, he said the people are quick to respond; but how is it when there is starvation and suffering for lack of spiritual things? This starvation is all around: "Is it nothing to you?" "Are you members of the church universal, doing what you can to relieve this starvation?"

Mr Wallace is perhaps 25 years of age. He speaks fluently and forcibly. He firmly held the attention of his audience. More than once, in rhetorical periods, he inspired his hearers with the fervor of his oratory. He is a bright young man, with a promising future, and will be a dangerous competitor in the coming oratorical tournament.

BUYING A ROCK CRUSHER.

Benton County Likely to Take Action at the March Term.

It is probable that Benton county will soon own a rock crusher. A movement for acquiring one has been on foot for some time. It took shape when a petition signed by sixty or eighty citizens of southern Benton was presented at the last session of the commissioners' court. Among the names on the petition are:

J B Goodman, W C Belknap, H T Bristow, T B Reader, C E Benton, Jno L Banton, L G Hedrick, Thomas Barclay, M B Rycraft, W H Malone, J J Wilson, W H Malone, J J Wilson, W Hinton, J G Dennis, Oren Norwood, A Wilhelm and Son, W D Harpole, Oscar Dodge, G R Ingram, Hugh Heron, Jas Martin and Caspar Zieroff. Besides these, there are many other influential names on the list.

It is understood that the court expects to purchase the rock crusher. Action would probably have been taken at last week's session, but it was determined to give local dealers opportunity to bid. The machine most likely to be purchased is the Western. Seven of them are in use in Multnomah county. Linn county has one, and is soon to buy another. Lane county has two or three and the town of Eugene has one. The machine costs about \$1,200. That, at least, is the price at which one has been offered Benton county. A year ago Linn county is said to have paid \$1,400 for one of them.

The present machine is designed chiefly for use on the system of roads along the foothills, distant from gravel bars, particularly in the section between Philomath and Dusty. Judge Woodward is heartily in favor of the plan and said yesterday that there was no doubt that a purchase would be made and the machine be brought into the county in time for use in the spring road work.

Auction Sale

On Wednesday, February 20th, 1901 at my home on Beaver Creek known as the James Foster place, I will sell at public auction or private sale, the following described property: Seven head good work horses; eight head of mixed cattle, one-fourth interest in an Advance threshing outfit; 600 bushel good seed white oats, 200 bushels Denance wheat, two good wagons, one Plano binder, one mower, one rake, one buggy and single harness, five sets good work harness, one hack, four plows, one drill, one Strowbridge broadcast seeder, one drum roller, one disc harrow, two drag harrows, and other tools usually found on a well equipped farm.

Terms of sale: cash in hand; in sales of \$50 and upwards; six months time will given on properly secured notes bearing eight per cent interest.

Chester Avery.

Post office address, Fern, Benton county Oregon.

Examination for State Papers.

Notice is hereby given that for the purpose of making an examination of all persons who may offer themselves as candidates for teachers of the schools of this county and state, the same being applicants for state papers, the county school superintendent thereof will hold a public examination at Corvallis, beginning at 9 a m of Wednesday, February 13, 1901, and continue until Saturday, 4 p m.

The programme is as follows: Wednesday—Penmanship, history, spelling, algebra, reading, composition. Thursday—Written Arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, book-keeping, English literature, civil government. Friday—Physiology, geography, physical geography, mental arithmetic, school law. Saturday—Botany, plane geometry, general history, physics, psychology. Dated this 5th day of February, 1901.

G W Denmann, County School Superintendent.

A strangely fascinating study of psychological religious emotion, is that contributed to The Outlook by Mr George Kennen, describing his experiences in visiting, about twenty five years ago, the old Jerry McAuley Water Street Mission and prayer meeting. \$3 per year. The Outlook Company, 287 Fourth Avenue, New York.

Thanks for Favors.

I take this means of publically expressing my appreciation of the substantial assistance rendered me, by the Corvallis Camp of Woodmen, in my late severe illness. The kindness in the move commendable since I had been a member of the organization but two weeks.

Wm Grout.

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