

LOCAL LORE.

Ride a Rambler. Travers McDewitt spent Sunday with his sister at Monmouth. Mrs James Taylor and Mrs S N Wilkins are in Portland for a week. They left Sunday. Bert Geer, one of last year's students at OAC, is a reporter on the Portland Journal. Student Hanley of Hillsboro arrived Sunday and has entered the senior class at OAC. Mrs Anna Beach left Sunday for Washington D C and thence to other states. She is to be absent several months. With his family, Rev W B Smith left yesterday for Junction, where he has been sent as pastor of the M E Church. Mrs Thorp left Sunday for Washington D C to attend the national encampment of the G A R and W R C. She is a delegate. Roy Brock, one of last year's students at OAC, is foreman in a fruit packing establishment at Hood River. The packing will continue until the holidays. Roy Howard of last years graduating class at the college arrived Sunday. He is to enter college. His sister Edith is to arrive in two or three months for a visit. Brownsville Times:—George Orume, Claud Hale and James and Fred Harrison left the first of the week for Corvallis, where they will enter the Agricultural College. Miss Grace Huff, teacher in the South Side public school, arrived Saturday from her home at Corvallis. She was accompanied by a brother, who will attend the Brownsville High School this year.—Brownsville Times. W A Sanders left Monday for Portland, to begin the erection of a dwelling house on unimproved property that he has purchased. He is to be followed in about three weeks by Mrs Sanders. Mrs Martin and daughter left yesterday for Zion City, Illinois, to reside. Zion City is about 40 miles from Chicago. There, Mrs Martin is to join her son Harold Martin, who has a position in the Zion City bank. After a weeks visit with Corvallis friends, Miss Libbie Cox left Monday for Albany. There, she joins her parents, Mr and Mrs W A Cox, and all go to Albina to reside. The change of location is made for reasons of health. Lincoln County Leader:—Miss Margaret Mackey, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs J J Galtner, departed Tuesday morning for Yankton, S. D., having been appointed matron of the Indian Agency at that place. An arrival in town Friday was Mr Bolton, a merchant at Antelope, Eastern Oregon. He brought along three sons, who entered OAC Monday. They are to take the agricultural course. Mr Bolton left for home Sunday. Vineyard Brock, formerly of Corvallis and for several years in the banking business at Wasco, is engaged in the stone business at Walla Walla. With a partner he owns a fine quarry in Baker county, and the output is shipped by carload lots and otherwise into all sections of Eastern Oregon and Washington. Three Corvallis men left Sunday for a visit in the Eastern states. They were Harry Wicks, who goes to the scene of his old home near, Pittsburg Pennsylvania, Taylor Porter goes to Ohio, and John Beach to Illinois. All are to be absent for indefinite periods, ranging from one to three months. Rebuilding of 200 rods of fence destroyed by the fires that were prevalent before the late rains, has just been completed by G R Hall of the Dusty neighborhood. The fence caught fire from flames in a neighboring slashing and the efforts of the owner and several neighbors failed to stay it until much damage was done. The latter included the fence and a wide extent of pasture. Today marks the opening of the season for pheasant shooting and it will be a sorry time for the next few days for the handsome birds. Folks who think they have woes on this earth have only to turn for consolation now to the pheasants, against whom the hand of every hunter is raised today and for days to come. Many sportsmen with gun and dogs left last evening for the fields in which they will operate today, in order to be early on the grounds. H J Troup and family are to leave in a few days for their old home in Indiana. They arrived early last spring and purchased the Homire farm, south of Philomath. Recently Mr Troup's father died in Indiana, and the request came for the son to return and settle up the estate. Last week Mr Troup sold his farm to Ernest Seecheve of North Dakota for \$4,000. When he purchased it last spring, he paid \$3,375 for the property. The ends of two fingers are gone from the hand of Jimmy King, aged five or six years. The lad is the son of Mr and Mrs Abe King. With his sister, he played in the garden the other day. A curious piece of machinery attracted their attention, and the little lad picked it up. It was a gopher gun, all loaded and ready for business. It is the middle and ring fingers of the right hand that are affected. A physician attended the wounds.

Harry Shea of Albany was a business visitor in Corvallis yesterday. Born Sunday to Mr and Mrs Gus Logsdon, north of town, a 12 pound daughter. Mrs H L Hall returned yesterday to her home in Buena Vista after a few days spent with Corvallis friends. Mrs C P Greffoz returned Saturday to her home in Portland after an extended visit with Corvallis friends. A K Milner went to Portland Monday on business. He is expected home today. Mrs Julia Briscoe, former wife of Oregon's best known poet, Sam L Simpson, died Saturday at Portland. Marriage licenses have been issued to William C Todd and Ethel E Newton, and Terry D Brown and Nannie Ora Mann. M M Davis has been busy the past few days hunting a crew of pickers for work in the Nashville prune orchard. Picking is to begin today. Albany Democrat:—Mr and Mrs J R Gill drove to Corvallis Wednesday, accompanied by their son, Byron who will enter the OAC. John L Sharpstein, a Walla Walla lawyer has arrived and is a guest at the home of J W Ingle. He is on hand for the opening of the season for pheasant shooting. John Reaves, the new pastor of the M E Church south is expected to arrive this week from Louisville, Kentucky. He is highly recommended by Bishop Duncan as an able preacher. Senator Daly left yesterday for Union, Oregon to visit the state experiment station there. He is a member of the committee in charge of the station. Authority has been granted Ben L Eddy, executor, to pay Miss Georgia Applewhite of Los Angeles, California, the sum of \$1,150 her portion of personal property in the estate of Sarah C Applewhite, deceased. H D Gibbs, who is to take charge of the chemical classes of Professor Fulton during the latter's absence in the east, arrived Friday. He is a native of Ohio, and is accompanied by his mother. They occupy the house of Miss Snell. The Baptist Church at the annual meeting on the 25 called their pastor for another year, which will make his eighth of services among them. Also elected Mr Wiles treasurer, Mr Keester clerk and Mrs Sanders organist. Services every Lord's day at the usual hours. All welcome. The wedding of James VanGross and Miss Eta Campbell is to occur today at Ballston, the home of the bride. Both are graduates of the Agricultural College. Mr VanGross in the class of 99 and Miss Campbell in 01. The groom is in the railway mail service of the United States. Work is progressing favorably on the new residence of F L Miller. The carpenters are fast completing their work, and paper hanging is to begin at once. The building is expected to be ready for occupancy shortly after the 15th. While the operations proceed, Mr Miller and family occupy a tent on the premises. The sale of another farm was completed in town late Monday evening. The place is the Solomon Mulkey farm on Little Elk, owned by Mrs Eil Spencer. It was purchased by Mr Corasir, recently arrived. The price was \$1,700. The farm lies five miles this side of Eddyville, on the Little Elk road, and comprises 160 acres. W T Hudson, injured several weeks ago in a railroad accident at Philomath, was taken Monday afternoon to the home of Frank Wyatt. The removal was accomplished on a bed in a wagon. Mr Hudson is slowly improving, and it is expected that his recovery will be complete. His thigh was broken while attempting to cross the railroad track ahead of a passing train. They are having good luck in the drying operations down at the big prune orchard. The fruit is declared to be the best cured and finest quality the orchard has yet produced. It is expected that the last prune will be picked tomorrow evening, and that the drying operations will be completed on the company's crop by Friday evening. Drying for other orchards will then begin, and among the latter will be several hundred bushels from the Nashville orchard. One of the nattiest places in town now is Pratts jewelry store. It has all the modern earmarks of a city establishment, and looks so nice inside that the visitor's mouth waters to buy jewelry whether he be sporty or not. For the old show cases that formerly did duty in the place, there have been substituted handsome new ones. The old counters too have disappeared, and in their stead are new ones of modern design. The whole interior arrangement has undergone change that has worked a desirable transformation in appearance. Call and See! My book cases and writing desks combined, from \$5 to \$15 per piece. Also a lot of other furniture, all new. Must close out within three weeks. All kinds of woodwork made and repaired. Shod and storeroom opposite Farmers Hotel and August Weitman.

THE FIGURES NOW

They are Above Those of Last Year—Enrollment at the College. As matters stand at present, there is a slight increase this year in the attendance at the college over last year, which had the heaviest enrollment in the history of the institution. Monday night the figures were 397. For the same day last year, they were 381. The increase is 16. The figures for the end of the second week last year were 401. The indications are that next Friday night they will show an increase equal perhaps, to the lead of Monday night's figures. At Cauthorn hall, there are 90 boarders. The number would doubtless have been over 100 if there had been available accommodations in the way of rooms. On the latter account, several young men had to be turned away. It takes 100 loaves of bread per day at the Hall. If roasting ears are served, it takes 200 ears. They had mutton the other day, and it took a whole sheep to go round. At the same rate, the boys there would eat a good sized herd of sheep in a few weeks. TWO SMALL BOYS And Fish Stories They Told—How One Little Fellow Had to Surrender. Two small boys told fish stories the other day. Neither liked to be outdone by the other, and each came to the scratch line as often as he could. "I've seen them ketch lots of trout, two feet long in the river," said the first. "That's nuthin'; we ketch lots of 'em in the lake three feet long," said number two, without batting an eye. Gee Whiz! that's nuthin," triumphantly declared number one; "I know a boy over at Big Elk who ketches fish so big that he has to spear them to get 'em out of the water." Shucks that's nuthin" replied number two, "up in the lake we spear trout so big we can't get 'em out." That was too much for number one. He couldn't get up to the scratch line any more. His jaw fell, and he stood, dumb. Number two saw his advantage, and followed it up. "Yes, and up in the lake," he said, "there is a sea horse sixty feet long, and I've seen it. And if you go about that lake it will eat you up." That settled it. Number one was effectually put out of business, and he knew it. He hoisted the white flag on the mainmast. "I'm sleepy," he said, "Less go to bed." AFTER TIMBER LANDS Hired Special Train to Get There—Taking Timber at Yachats. An ebullition of timber land craze was manifest Saturday evening. Fourteen persons, some men, some women, passed in a special train during the night over the Corvallis & Eastern. They were bound for the Yachats, to take timber claims. Their haste was such that they could not wait for the regular train and they hired a special to take them to Yaquina. They arrived at the latter place at 5:20 in the morning. From there, they passed on down South Beach to Yachats where it is supposed they made their selection of timber. They are expected out on the return trip today or tomorrow. They came to Albany from Portland, but their place of residence is unknown. Notice to Homebuilders and Investors. Prosperity is all around us and money is seeking borrowers. Values of realty are reasonable and favorable opportunities are now at hand to make profitable investments. I have realty for sale in all parts of the city and county on suitable terms Houses and lots sold on the installment plan and loans made on farms on reasonable terms. Houses and properties handled for residents and nonresidents, rents collected, taxes paid, repairs made and strict attention given to handling property in all details. Papers pertaining to realty transactions of all descriptions carefully made out and executed. If you have anything for sale, or want to buy a home on easy terms, call on me at once, and I shall endeavor to give you full satisfaction. Office Zierolf Building second story—W. A. WELLS. Trespass Notice. All persons are hereby notified not to trespass by hunting or otherwise, on the lands of the undersigned in Wells, Benton county. E. F. Wiles, W. T. Wiles, John Writsman, John Smith,

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