

Corvallis Times.

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THOMAS H. TONGUE

There is no doubt that in the passing of the late Congressman Tongue, Oregon suffers a severe loss. A large calibered man, whether he be of one political party or another is of great value to any community. His figure inspires emulation at home and commands respect abroad.

In Congress, Mr Tongue was big enough to force himself to the front and to be held there as among the limited few who are national, rather than state figures. He was chairman of the irrigation committee of the house; he was a leading member of the River and Harbor committee of the same body. His position was eminent and influential. His incisive argument, his brilliant oratorical powers and his unquestioned ability along the lines of statesman gave Oregon a foremost place in national legislative councils. His eminent place made him perhaps, as powerful a legislator as has ever been in Congress from the Pacific Coast.

With Mr Tongue's ideas on questions political, The TIMES was never in harmony. It disliked his attitude toward Yaquina Bay. But of his ability, energy and power as a national legislator and of the fact that his brain has served Oregon good purpose in congress, there is no question. His passing is a distinct loss to the state.

FIFTY YEARS OF ATHLETICS

The year which has just ended marked in a way a semi-centennial in athletics. It was probably in 1852, at Exeter College, Oxford, that athletic sports were held in the modern fashion. The Cambridge University games were established in 1858; the Oxford games three years later and the track and field games between these two universities in 1864.

Athletics began to boom in popularity in this country in the early seventies, but despite hard work and great progress it was true that no standard championship record belonged to an American. Last year's close found nearly all the world's records held by strong and fast men of the United States.

The most notable new record of 1902 was A. F. Duffy's hundred-yard run in 9 3/5 seconds. The figures had stood at 9 4/5 for twelve years. There is a remote possibility that a lower mark may yet be reached. Perhaps even the nine-second man may flash on the scene, aided by some further improvement of running track or racing shoes. But the Duffy record stands for a condition which has been established generally in sports dependent on human endeavor—an arrival close to the limits of human strength and endurance. In no future year is there likely to be any great new burst of record-breaking.—World.

EIGHT-CENT COAL OIL.

And Good Roads Everywhere—What a Benton County man saw in the East.

Casper Zierolf talked in town Monday about things he saw in Ohio on his recent visit. Coal oil that costs 24 cents a gallon here, is delivered at the door there for eight cents. Farm laborers are paid there \$13 to \$14 per month. When he landed in Ohio hogs were selling on foot at seven and three-fourths cents per pound, Ohio farmers were buying in Chicago, cattle, known as "feeders," were paying five and a half cents for them, and were shipping them into Ohio for stall feeding purposes, with the exception of making a profit out of them. Roads in the state are notable for their excellence, and a deep ditch on one side and a smaller one on the other side is a never failing resort for road betterment. Farmers there, Mr Zierolf says, work much harder than they do in Web-foot. On every farm there now, there is a telephone and a free rural delivery service.

MAY PLAY SEATTLE

And Pullman—Big Game Friday Night OAC Basketball Men.

Next Friday evening at the college, the basketball boys make their debut to the public. For the past ten weeks twenty five or more boys have been working faithfully for the coveted honor of a place on the first team. Last year the work was fairly good, and with the exception of Tulley, all the first team men are candidates again this year. There are so many men trying for places that the whole object in last term's practice was the development of new material. Coach Viggers was anxious to give all candidates an equal show. The squad is now cut down to, Cate, Stokes, Swann, Moores, Garrow, Tharp, Rinehart, Cate, Howard, Rinehart, Steiwer, and perhaps one or two others. From this list of men, a very strong team is possible. From now on, the coaching will be directed to the perfection of team play and the progress should be rapid.

The game Friday evening is with the strong team of Pacific College, which so easily defeated McMinn College by the large score of 42 to 2.

Following is the schedule of home games. A few changes may be made but all the games will be played during the season:

Jan. 16—OAC men versus P. U. men.

Jan. 23—OAC versus Willamette men.

Jan. 30—OAC girls versus Chemawa girls.

Feb. 7—OAC men versus McMinnville College men.

Feb. 14—OAC men versus All-Stars of Portland.

Feb. 20—OAC girls versus Willamette girls.

Negotiations with both the University of Washington and Washington Agricultural College are in progress, and it is highly probable that Corvallis people will have a chance to see both of these teams play. The U of W game will probably occur during the latter part of February and the WAC game two or three weeks later.

All branches of athletics are under one general head and the proceeds from basket ball go into the athletic fund, and will very materially assist in defraying the heavy expenses of next spring's track athletics and also of football next season.

New Deeds.

New deeds filed for record are: James Vanmeter and wife to J Greiner, 160 acres west of Corvallis \$800.

John Mitchell and wife to J W Jones, 43 acres south of Corvallis, \$1.

Minnie E. Risley and husband to Martha Slate, 249 acres in Alsea, \$3.

C A Gregory and wife to T R Chandler, property in Philomath, \$700.

J Mason and wife to W A Wells, two lots in Job's addition, \$5.

Titus Ranney to A N Woods, 160 acres near Corvallis, \$360.

United States to Ezekiel Marple, 163 acres south of Corvallis.

J M Nolan and wife to W A Wells, 10 lots in Job's addition, \$5.

J A Hawkins and wife to Ida M Horning, seven acres near Philomath, \$5.

Illustrated Concert.

Under the auspices of the local camp of Woodmen of the World, a moving picture illustrated concert will be given at the Opera House, Saturday evening January 17th, through the medium of Edison's kinesiograph and latest improved dissolving apparatus. There is an extensive repertoire of popular and classic songs and instrumental music the former being attractively illustrated. The scenes cover a wide field, embracing grand views of nature in her various moods, and illustrations of different phases of life. Announcements of the bill boards and pro notices indicate a first class entertainment. Admission, children, 15 c; adults, 25c reserved seats, 35 cents. Tickets on sale at Graham & Wortham's drug store.

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Executor's Notice

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Benton County. In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of G. C. Vanderpool, deceased. Notice is hereby given that David Vanderpool is the duly appointed and acting executor of the Last Will and Testament of G. C. Vanderpool, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate are required to present the same with proper vouchers to me at Walla Station, Benton County, Oregon, or at the office of Yates & Yates, Attorneys, Corvallis, Oregon, within six months from this date. Dated this January 13, 1903. DAVID VANDERPOOL, Executor.

IT WARNS PARENTS

Train From Corvallis Cut Both His Legs Off and Little Boy Died.

The Westside freight train that pulled out of Corvallis at 6:50 Saturday morning killed an eight year old boy on the way to Portland. The accident happened at Dilly and the details are most pathetic in character. The child was the son of a section foreman, and was playing with other boys near the track when the train pulled in at the station. Subsequently he was picked up along the track with both legs horribly mangled. No one saw the car wheels pass over him, and how the accident happened is not definitely known. The father thinks his child may have been riding a freight car, or may have attempted to board the train while it was in motion, only to miss his hold or footing and fall under the terrible wheels.

The accident happened at three o'clock in the afternoon, and the boy was taken at once to the Good Samaritan hospital in Portland. The little fellow suffered intense agony, but for a time it was hoped that by amputation of both limbs his life could be spared. The loss of blood and shock of the accident, however, proved too much, and at nine o'clock the little sufferer died.

In Corvallis, scores of little boys make it a practice to board and dismount from moving cars and trains. They vie with each other in seeing which can successfully perform the most dangerous feat. The efforts of train men and station men to keep them off the cars are often unavailing, because of the large number and ubiquitous character of the youngsters. Agent Farmer says there is constant danger of a similar accident to Corvallis lads. The terrible fate of the little boy at Dilly should be a warning to Corvallis fathers and mothers.

THE TAX LEVY

What Various Items are for—Large Amount for Roads and Bridges.

In Benton this year, outside of incorporated towns and where there is no special school levy, the tax rate will be 28 1/2 mills, as follows: State, six and a half; state school, five; county, 10; roads and bridges, five; special road, two; total, 28 1/2.

The 10 mill levy for county purposes will more than provide for the running expenses for the current year, and will leave a small balance to apply on the debt which is now nearly \$20,000. In response to a generally expressed desire an additional levy of five mills in the general fund was levied for roads and bridges. This five mills was put in connection with the general fund so that it would apply to incorporated towns as well as the country districts. The regular road levy has been held as not applying to incorporated towns, and to make the levy so that the latter would not be included, is considered unjust, as throwing all the burden of road improvement on a class. As Corvallis and Philomath each levy about a two mill tax for street purposes, a two mill rate was levied under the special road law so that the levy would be properly equalized. This will give a total of seven mills for roads and bridges which will provide for the greatest improvement of roads that Benton county has ever seen.

The levy of five mills for state school purposes is compulsory under the state law.

The taxable valuation of all property is \$2,509,605. The 10 mill levy will give \$25,096 for county purposes; for roads and bridges, \$12,548; for state school, \$12,548.

Notice to Our Patrons

During January, February and March we will close our store at seven o'clock. Nolan & Callahan.

Contest Notice.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Oregon City, Oregon, Nov. 7, 1902.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by G. W. Bligham, contestant, against homestead entry No 12774, made May 11 1899, for 8 1/2 of SW 1/4 and 8 1/2 of SE 1/4, Section 10 Township 12 S, Range 7 W, by George H Jackson, Contestee, in which it is alleged that Contestant "knows the present condition of name; also that said entrymen has never resided upon or cultivated or improved said claim since making entry or at all and that said alleged absence from the said land was not due to his employment in the Navy, Army, or Marine Corps, of the United States as a private soldier, officer, seaman, or marine during the war with Spain or during any other war in which the United States may be engaged," said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 a m on February 24th, 1903, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Oregon City, Oregon.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed on Nov 7, 1902, set forth facts which show that after due diligence, personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

CHAS B. MOORES, Register. GEO. W. BIRBE, Receiver.

A 1903 Resolution

Resolved, that myself and family will buy all our dry goods, furnishing goods, clothing, shoes, hats etc at Nolan & Callahan's, as we want to get a complete set of their elegant premium dishes this year.

ANOTHER COMMITTEE

Of Fairmount Citizens in Corvallis on Steel Bridge Errand.

Another committee of citizens from Fairmount precinct was in Corvallis Monday to interview the county court. The committee was Chester Skeels, Mr. Hughson and Mr. Hector. They are interested in a movement that is general in Fairmount precinct to secure a removal of the toll from the Albany bridge. Their mission was to induce the county judge to call a special session of the Benton County court within the next week or two to hear the report of a special committee of citizens appointed by the latter body at last week's session relative to the Albany bridge matter.

The visitors were informed that for the present the bridge matter was in the hands of the special committee, and that until the committee had a report to make, the convening of the county court in special session would be unnecessary.

The local special committee on the Albany bridge matter is E. R. Bryson, Johnson Porter and Lon Hawley. They were appointed at a session of the Benton County court to ascertain what, if any proposals the Linn County court had to make to the Benton County court with reference to the Albany bridge to gather information with reference thereto, and to submit a report at the February meeting. The appointment of the committee was the outgrowth of a visit of Small and Durbin, a special committee of Fairmount citizens, whose errand was mentioned in Saturday's TIMES.

As yet, the Benton County special committee has taken no action in the matter, save to arrange a date for a meeting with the Linn County court. This is to take place in Albany next Saturday. It means of the local committee, it will soon become known to what extent Linn county desires to go with reference to the steel bridge, and incidentally what is wanted of Benton.

HIS FUNERAL

Remains of the late James Hayes Laid to Rest Last Saturday.

The funeral of the late James Hayes occurred from the family home on Oak Creek last Saturday forenoon. Many old friends and neighbors were in attendance, and all, with the well known neighbor of forty years, cold and silent in the casket, seemed impressed with the unusual character of the occasion.

There was a generous offering of flowers. Various floral devices were conspicuous on the casket. A choir consisting of Mrs. Farmer, Mrs. Blackledge, Victor Moses and Samuel Bane sang several selections. Rev. Frank L. Moore, of the Methodist church offered prayer, and delivered a brief address. Opportunity was given those who desired to view the well known face, and after that, the casket was given its place in the hearse, and a dozen vehicles filled with family and friends started for the long drive to the Armstrong cemetery.

The city of the dead was reached shortly after one o'clock. There several friends were waiting the arrival of the funeral party. At the grave there was a brief service conducted by Rev. Moore, and then the casket was lowered into its lonely home.

The death of James Hayes sent a thrill of surprise throughout Benton county. He was universally known. His usual health and vigor seemed to all to foretell many years of career yet ahead for him. He was on the streets of Corvallis the day before his death. All these things have served to make his sudden death the subject of comment and regret.

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Annual Sale.

Our Great Annual Reduction Sale of Winter Merchandise will begin Saturday, December 27th and continue 30 days. Every article in our extensive stock will be reduced except W. L. Douglas's \$3.00 and \$3.50 Shoes, "Hawes" \$3.00 Hats; Monarch White Shirts, Walk-Over Shoes, and our own Overalls. All goods sold at reduced prices are for cash only.

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