

**LOCAL LORE.**

(Advertisements in this column charged for at the rate of 15 cents per line.)

Talk is cheap, except when it is through a phone at six bits a minute.

Rev. Moses will conduct the service at the M. E. church South, tomorrow at 11 a. m. Rev. Reeves will be in his pulpit at 7-30 p. m.

The First Spiritual Union of Corvallis, will hold services at the Barrett Lyceum on Sunday at 3 p. m. All friends invited.

Miss Nina Gager of Mayville, Eastern Oregon, arrived Thursday, and is a guest at the Edwards home on College Hill.

They say Governor Chamberlain's veto of the land graft bill will save the state anywhere from \$100,000 to \$500,000.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Miss Leona Smith of Corvallis and Dr. George Ainslie of Portland. The event is to occur at the Presbyterian church, Thursday, March 12th, at 11 o'clock.

W. H. Kay was in town Thursday. He was formerly in the mercantile business at Dusty, but is now conducting the leading sporting goods and bicycle establishment in Eugene, and is doing well.

Lebanon Express Advance: E. E. Elliott and family left Friday for Corvallis, where they will spend two or three months before leaving for their future home in Indiana. They made many friends during their residence in this place.

New deeds filed for record are, J. E. Henkle and wife to George Wyatt 17 acres near Philomath, \$250. W. A. Brown and wife to G. F. Brown, all their interest in 256 acres near Corvallis, \$1. W. E. Allen and wife to Ida M. Horning, 45 acres near Philomath, \$300.

Robert A. Gilstrap, an old O. A. C. student, was in town for a brief visit Wednesday. For some time past he has been employed at a large lumbering establishment at McCloud, California but recently resigned there, to take charge of an electric plant at a mine in Southern Josephine county.

Members of the W. R. C. surprised Mrs. E. M. Hubler at her home Tuesday afternoon to celebrate her twenty fifth wedding anniversary. Mrs. Hubler, in behalf of the members, presented her with a set of silver knives and forks and twelve pieces of chinaware. A fine lunch was served, and all had an enjoyable time. About twenty five were present.

Workmen have completed the task of binding down the bridges that are wost in times of high water to float away or be lifted from their foundations. Mary's river bridge, Oak Creek bridge and various small structures in the vicinity of Corvallis have been so anchored that future freshets will be unable to move them. In all instances, piles are driven along side and to these the heavy timbers of the bridge are bolted.

The Benton County Prune company is in receipt of a large size of Bean spray pump, and today or Monday the work of spraying in the big orchard will commence. This is the first spray pump of the kind to be brought to the county, and it is generally recognized as the best. Manager Johnson thinks it will be just the remedy for mosback and he will give a few trial treatments free. The machine was ordered through R. M. Wade & Co.

A novel social function is to be given at the college this evening by the Merian literary society. The guests are to be the Amelotians. All of the young men are to be dressed in knee pants, waists, blouses or other garments incident to childhood life. The misses are to be attired in apparel to match. The invitations read "Ash your mama if you can't come over and play awhile," and the responses are supposed to be of similar child-like character. The evening's amusements are to be entirely of the kid variety, and much hilarity is expected by those who are to participate.

A basket social was given by the Degree of Honor lodge Tuesday evening. A large crowd was in attendance and a neat sum was realized from the sale of baskets. A program was rendered as follows: Cornet solo, Harold Wilkins; vocal solo, "I've Grown so Used to You," Claud Hale; recitation, "The Kid I'm the Uncle of," Verne Lake; song, "Rose of Killarney," Adelside and Berneta Sheasgreen; recitation, "A Voice From the Poor House," Mrs. A. F. Peterson; song, Cora Beckwith; and vocal selections by the Village Quartette, composed of Mrs. Ruth Clark, Mrs. Jesse Spencer, Mrs. Fred Clark and Mrs. Sheasgreen.

Time was when Corvallis business houses were kept open as late as eight or nine o'clock at night, and when people remained on the streets at correspondingly late hours. A change, however, has come over the spirit of the times. Some business houses close as early as half-past six, and nearly all of them by seven. Within a few minutes after the latter hour the streets are deserted and silent, and business men are taking life easy around the family hearthstone or visiting with the neighbors. That even earlier closing will come into vogue, and resultant more time be left tollers for enjoyment at home, is undoubtedly a coming condition. That will be a way to keep the boys at home and save them from bad ways into which they fall by being out at night.

D. M. Smith went to Portland Thursday for a business trip.

Wheat 68. It is weaker in nearly all markets.

Homer Aldrich went to Salem Thursday to accept employment. His family goes later.

August Flecher is at Silverton looking after the Fischer flouring mill at that place. He is expected home tonight.

Carl Hodes and family spent Friday in Corvallis with friends. They returned to Albany this morning by boat.

A. Assell went to the bay Saturday and returned Thursday. Adam's pilgrimages westward are becoming suspiciously frequent.

Jesus Christ and Social Progress, is the subject for the morning sermon by Mrs. Humbert at the Christian church tomorrow. In the evening, "Possibilities."

J. J. Farquar, of Roseburg, was on a visit to Corvallis friends Wednesday and Thursday. During his stay he was the guest of Prof. and Mrs. Horner. Mr. Farquar is temporarily on crutches, having lost a foot from a railroad accident some months ago.

The bond of Joseph A. Park, administrator of the estate of Joseph Park has been filed. It is for \$2,000 and the sureties are William and Mary A. Park. The appraisers are T. P. Connor, E. T. Wertzbaugher and S. C. Dixon.

Dick Rycraft is out from Alsea. He reports a large loss of sheep in the valley. George Peek, who occupies the Sate place is one of the most unfortunate, having out of a band of 225 sheep lost all but 65 up to this date.

The ad elsewhere of the Benton County Lumber company gives 100 men, if there are such, opportunity to secure employment. Application for places should be made at the Benton County Lumber Yard in Corvallis or at the company's saw mill on Greasy creek.

There is now more sickness among college students than has ever been known at any time previous. Measles is quite epidemic, and a very large per centage of the illness due to this cause. There are something like 60 pupils out of school on account of some form of indisposition.

Fred Weatherford, with one toe gone and three others nearly severed from his foot, was an outbound passenger on Thursday's train. He has a land claim on the Silez and while working there, met with an accident. It is hoped to save three of the toes, but one is gone for good.

"Human Hearts" was the bill at a theatrical performance given at the Opera House Tuesday night. The audience, in point of numbers was fair, and the company excellent. The play was a mixture of mirth and tears and its rendition has come in for many a generous compliment by those who saw it.

Elmer Bethers, who recently left with the Rowlands and George W. Smith, for the gold diggings in Valdez, Alaska, has arrived at Corvallis, and does not expect to return to the north. On the trip up, the steamer encountered violent storms, and six of the nine horses of the Rowlands were either killed or so injured that they had to be shot. On arrival at Valdez, the snow was still so deep and weather so bad that progress into the interior promised to be delayed and difficult. The loss of the horses also promised to handicap operations, and Mr. Bethers gave up the plan of going to the diggings, and returned home.

J. D. Mann arrived Wednesday from a trip East. He left Corvallis January 13th. Most of his time was spent in northern Kansas on a visit to his mother, who sustained a fracture of the arm the day before Mr. Mann started home. Mr. Mann's sojourn in Kansas was a dream of snow and cold weather. The thermometer hovered most of the time in the neighborhood of zero, dropping one time to 18 below. The discovery of gas and oil has changed conditions since Mr. Mann left Kansas several years ago. The gas is piped into farm houses in the neighborhood, and farmers heat their houses, do their cooking and lighting with it. They pay \$1.50 per month for heating purposes and 15 cents a month for lighting. Coal, that used to be the only fuel in the section, is no longer required.

Dr. Lowe the well known oculoptician will be in Corvallis March 11, 12 & 13th.

Buggy For Sale. A good vehicle with top. May be seen at Winegar's feed barn. For further particulars inquire of Alva Thompson at Corvallis Laundry.

Men Wanted. To work at the Benton County Sawmill. Apply at the Benton County Lumber Yard in Corvallis or at the mill.

White Wyandottes. Full-blooded White Wyandotte eggs. \$1.00 per setting of 13. Enquire at this office.

Clover Leaf Dairy. Buy your Jersey milk and cream of Clover Leaf Dairy. All our own production. Taylor & Curry.

**PROMISES MUCH.**

Experiment in Progress at the College—Making Canned Cheese.

An experiment now in progress at the college may turn out to be of vital importance in the cheese industry. The work is as yet far from finished, but results already attained seem to indicate that the outcome may be favorable. The proposition is to ripen cheese in tin cans, hermetically sealed. Cheesemakers have always held that this could not be done, and the manufacture for this reason has gone along in the same old way decade after decade, without advance or improvement. Cans of cheese, sealed up five weeks ago, and opened at the college two days ago, showed a cheese content of unusually high quality, its age considered. The texture was friable, instead of tough and waxy, as is usually the case, and the flavor was perfect. All who have sampled the product pronounce it of the finest quality. Among the latter was State Food and Dairy Commissioner Bailey, who confessed himself astonished at the result.

The experiment is the work of Prof. Pernot of the bacteriological department. It was undertaken six weeks ago. The problem of how to produce cheese of a uniform flavor has long been a problem among cheese experts. It has been attempted in many laboratories, always without result. The present covering of the packages admits air to the content, and by this means the organisms which control the flavor are admitted. It was largely in the effort to solve the flavor problem that Prof. Pernot undertook the experiment. Tin cans of various sizes from one to five pounds are used. They are first coated inside with paraffine to prevent tainting from the tin. The curd at the time when it is ready for the cheese press is taken direct from the vats, the cans are tightly filled with it, put under good pressure in the cheese press and allowed to remain over night. Then the cover is soldered on, and the can is laid aside for future use. It is not necessary to handle them again until they are placed on market. Under the old method constant handling to prevent mould and evaporation is necessary.

So far, but two cans have been opened. Each of these was identical in content. There was no rind, which is so objectionable in the case of the cheese made by existing methods. On the contrary every part of the cheese was the same. Evaporation, which is a large source of waste under the present method, is impossible, as the can prevents, and a pound of curd yields a pound of cheese, even though the package be shipped around the world. Of mould, which causes much annoyance and waste in the old method, there was none, the air-tight condition of the content effectually preventing it. If the experiment ends as successfully as the progress so far promises, a large influence will be exerted by the discovery in the manufacture and sale of cheese. The outcome will be watched with interest.

**BENTON LEADS.**

In Payment of State Taxes—Seven Thousand Paid—Other News.

Friday's Oregonian: Benton County again leads in the payment of state taxes. That county today paid \$7700 on account of state taxes on the roll of 1902. Last year and the year before Benton was the first to make a payment, and is first this year.

Mr and Mrs Horner, Mr and Mrs M. M. Davis, and Mrs Townsend the latter of whom is Grand Matron of the Eastern Star, were passengers on yesterday's afternoon train for Newport, where a lodge of the order was instituted last night. Mrs Townsend's home is at Dallas. Most of the party return today.

Wednesday's train brought a number of immigrants, seeking locations or taking a look at Webfoot. The same day forty Tennesseans arrived at McMinnville to settle in Yamhill. The low rates now in effect promises to bring many homeseekers within the next month.

Lee C. Bell, formerly of Roseburg and son of J. R. N. Bell has been appointed deputy county clerk of Baker county, to succeed C. W. James who was recently appointed superintendent of the state penitentiary.

Rev Edward F. Green, of The Dalles, will occupy the pulpit, both morning and evening, at the Congregational church, tomorrow.

Live Poultry, Wanted. Highest market price paid for chickens, turkeys, geese and ducks.

Hodes' Grocery.

**IS WITHOUT ARMS.**

And Without Legs but Can do Things That Make People Marvel.

An unusual sight was in evidence on the streets Thursday afternoon. It was a man who, with both legs off near the knee and both arms gone below the elbow, is able to walk about, to dress himself, to feed himself, to write and to do many other surprising stunts. Most of the time on the streets a curious crowd stood about him, watching his maneuvers and listening to his talk. He wore two suits of clothes for the purpose, and occasionally for a fee, removed the outer suit, putting it on again, to show how dexterously he could do such things. His operations were a marvel to those who looked on. He considers himself a novelty, and makes his way by exhibition of his skill in doing things without either hands or legs. Maimed as he is, there is no doubt that he can button and unbutton his suspenders much quicker than Mayor Woodcock could do it.

His name is A. J. Murphy, and he has a story. The latter is told in a little pamphlet that he sells at 10 cents per copy, and for which he has a considerable sale. January 11th, 1888, he was caught in a terrible blizzard that swept over the middle west, leaving a track of desolation from Nebraska to Manitoba. He was enroute to the home of his brother in the latter province. The storm raged from the 11th to the 13th, and Murphy fought his way in it for 36 hours. At the end of 12 hours his feet became frozen and he was obliged to crawl on his knees and elbows during the rest of the time to keep from freezing. He finally reached his brother's home, more dead than alive, and a few days later the amputation of all his members became necessary.

Shoe Shop Moved.

I wish to give notice that my shoe shop is now located next door south of Harris' store where I am prepared to do all repairing in the best manner. I hope that all my old patrons and the public generally will remember the new location. J. E. Fowells.

**A Public Verdict.**

"Your Goods are the Newest, and your Prices the Lowest,"

Is the Verdict of the general public at large who have critically examined any part of our big stock.

Not a Dissenting Opinion. That is why we so confidently bid for your trade, as we believe one sale makes others. Once a customer always a friend.

So for One Week we are going to offer our Entire Stock of

Ladies' White Muslin Undergarments at a reduction of 20 percent.

Regular .75 prices at..... .60 Regular \$1.50 prices at..... \$1.20  
Regular \$1.00 prices at..... .80 Regular 2.00 prices at..... 1.60  
Regular 1.25 prices at..... \$1.00 Regular 2.50 prices at..... 2.00

As our goods are marked in plain figures you can readily see the original selling price, which is much less than prices usually asked by dealers in larger cities for the same class of goods.

SEE WINDOW DISPLAY.

At KLINE'S,

The White House, Regulator of Low Prices.

City Stables. Notice is hereby given that we have opened up the City Stables in Corvallis and that we are well prepared to accommodate the livery trade here in a first-class manner. Good attention will be given to the care of transient stock and regular boarders. A share of the patronage is solicited. Winegar & Hodges.

Wanted. Wood choppers. From 5 to 20. Enquire of P. A. Kline.

Attention, Taxpayers. If will assist me materially in getting up the best possible assessment, if each taxpayer will ascertain and be able to give when I call for his assessment, the following: The amount of land he owns in each road and school district, and the section, township and range in which it lies. Also, where there are special school levies, clerks are requested to provide me with a list of taxpayers as shown by such levy. Howard L. Bush, Assessor.

**CHOICE : REMNANTS.**

Our January Red Tag Sale was a grand success. Our customers were well pleased with the bargains procured, and we now have remaining a few Choice Remnants in

**Wool Dress Goods, Outing Flannels, Fancy Stripe Flannelettes, Calicos, Odd Sizes in Underwear, Corsets, Etc.**

Bring Eggs and Butter as well as the cash,

**Miller Pays Highest Prices for Produce.**

We are assured that this spring will be an Alpaca season, and we have bought a complete line of these goods. A few choice ones have already arrived, in colors and black, which we have marked at a very low figure. We have received one shipment of wash goods including A. F. C. Ginghams, Chambray and Mercerized Linens.

**What One Dollar in Cash will Buy this Week In Our Grocery Department.**

Twenty Pounds D. G. Sugar..... \$1 00	Six 3-Pound Cans Palo Alto Pchs. \$1 00
Nine Pounds Lion Coffee..... 1 00	Nine 3-Lb. Cans Stand. Tomatoes 1 00
Nine Pounds Golden Sun Coffee. 1 00	Nine 2-Lb. Cans Standard Corn... 1 00
Twenty-Five Pounds Prunes..... 1 00	Fifteen 3-Lb. Cans Tomatoes..... 1 00
Fifteen Pounds No. 1 Rice..... 1 00	Eleven 3 Lb. Cans Ast'd Pie Fruit 1 00
Two Bushels Potatoes..... 1 00	Five 2-Lb. Cans Sliced Pineapple 1 00
Five 3-Pound Cans Padlock Pchs. 1 00	And Other Big Bargains, Each... 1 00

**F. L. Miller, Corvallis, Oregon.**