

LOCAL LORE.

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

—Miss Paulina Kline arrived yesterday from an extended visit East.

—F. P. Sheagreen returned yesterday from a business trip in Portland.

—Mrs. Phile and Miss Kate Tiedemann returned Friday from a visit with relatives and friends in Portland.

—Miss Maud McDaniels arrived Saturday, for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Clyde Phillips.

—Born, March 13th, to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Beal of Albany, a daughter. The parents are former Benton county people.

—E. L. Moore and family arrived from Iowa, Sunday, and are to locate. They are old friends of G. F. Rice and family, at whose home they are guests for the present.

—Misses Clara and Mae Embria returned Sunday to their home in Hillsboro after a brief visit at the home of Mrs. Sarah Moore.

—Nell Newhouse, sawyer at the Benton County mill arrived home the other day with two ribs cracked as the result of an accident in which a log rolled against him.

—New deeds filed for record are, Sherman Warner to C. W. Washburn, 150 acres near Monroe, \$600. Sol King and wife to Ell S. King, 40 acres near Corvallis, \$4000. Joseph McBee and wife to James P. McBee, one-eighth interest in 434 acres six miles south of Philomath, \$1,000.

—Chester Lanchlin, one of last year's graduates who has been taking post graduate work at the college this year, left Monday for his home at North Yamhill. In April he is to take the civil service examination for a government position.

—The second lecture in the course in progress at the Methodist church occurs next Friday evening. The lecturer is Prof. Sweetser of the State University, and his subject, *Mustrooms versus Toadstools*. The popularity of the late lecture by Dean Hawley in the same place, makes it certain that Prof. Sweetser will be greeted by a large audience.

—Leslie Murray arrived in Portland Monday, and is expected here at any time. He has been for two or three years in the draughting department of a big steel concern at Philadelphia, but resigned there, because he did not like life in the East. He is graduate of the Agricultural College, where his first knowledge of draughting was obtained.

—Clarence Powell was brought before Justice Holgate Monday for unlawfully cutting timber on John Smith's land. It is alleged that he was implicated with the Baker boys who were recently bound over on a similar charge. The accused is out on bonds. He is a son of J. S. S. Powell who resides near Peoria.

—J. H. Wilson corroborates Recorder Vincent's statement that there was a gala at Newport during their recent visit to the coast. Not that Mr. Vincent would make a mistake intentionally, but weather conditions in the region approached by his linear proportions might be entirely different from those experienced at the same time by persons of ordinary stature.

—By an error the socialist handbills announced that Mr. Latimer's lecture would occur "at 7:30 a. m." The street comment was that the socialists intended to set the world a commendable example in early rising if nothing more. Later, however, the time on the handbills was changed from 7:30 a. m. to 7:30 p. m.

—Away off in Germany on the first of this month there was born to Mrs. August Webber a son, August himself was in town Monday, but did not report the incident. He went to surprise his friends on the return of Mrs. Webber, but his mission betrayed him. He wore the inevitable paternal smile.

—Albany Herald: The steamer Elmore which ran on the Willamette to Corvallis for a number of years, now rests from her years of toil in the boneyard at Portland. The vessel was wrecked near Dayton some weeks ago by running upon a snag. She was floated and taken down to Portland and it was thought that she could be repaired and put in service again but the order was given to dismantle her and take her engines out.

—Progress on T. W. Dilly's addition to his bicycle store and shop was somewhat hindered last week by a complaint that the proposed improvement did not come within the requirements of ordinances relating to construction within the fire limits. The improvements as well as portions of the old structure were to be covered with corrugated iron. This, in the opinion of some, is not "fireproof" within the meaning of the ordinance, although heretofore no legal objection has been made to the construction of this class of buildings within the fire limits. Such structures are not in fact fireproof, but the question arises, What kind of structures are absolutely fireproof? The objection to Mr. Dilly's building was made with the view of drawing the line so as to shut out the corrugated iron building in future from the fire limits. The question is still open, however, as under certain restrictions Mr. Dilly has been allowed to proceed with his work under the assumption that it is in the nature of repairing.

—S. L. Kline, wife and son Walter, arrived from San Francisco yesterday.

—Mr. and Mrs. O. Healy start Thursday for a visit with the former's brother, R. B. Healy, who has a farm near Eugene.

—W. O. Heckart went to Eugene Monday to look after some building contracts which are to be let there in the near future.

—Amos Kior returned Sunday from an extensive tour of Idaho and Washington. The part of the territory which he likes best is the Big Bend country, and he expects to locate there, not far from Waterville. His daughter, Lydia, is a resident of that place, and her name is now Mrs. Robert Kiez-l. Her husband is a popular business man of Waterville.

—E. C. Vaughn, who formerly conducted a grocery store in Corvallis, died last week in Tacoma. He built the dwelling house next door north of the house so long occupied by J. R. Smith. He was a brother-in-law of S. H. Look. Since leaving Corvallis 15 years ago, he rose to prominence as a business man in Tacoma. His picture and a column notice of his death appeared a few days ago in the Tacoma Ledger.

—Gene Tortora returned to Corvallis Monday from Portland for a brief time. He has been teaming in the city during the past three months, but an accident to his horses last week put him out of business for a time. His team got tangled up in a live electric light wire last week and were stiffened up considerably. The light company is paying Gene for the time during which the electricity is working out of his team.

—A team of dogs drawing a little wagon in which a boy driver was rather a diverting scene on Main street Monday. The outfit is the property of Raleigh Hart, who resides a short distance below town. One of the dogs has been broken a year to driving single, but the growth of the increasing size of the boy without a corresponding growth of the dog rendered it necessary to use a double team. The second dog was broken to harness the past month and works quite satisfactorily.

—The Opera house was well filled Saturday evening by those present at the entertainment given by Rev. G. Howard Osborne, under the auspices of the local A. O. U. W. lodge. Mr. Osborne has traveled much and has been able to procure a great many interesting views which he exhibits by means of the stereopticon. He is a fine singer, and proved an excellent entertainer. A brief address on the order was made by Mr. Ford, who announced his intention to be in Corvallis a few days in the interest of the fraternity.

—Due to counter attractions there was not such a large attendance at the basket social given by the Modern Woodmen Saturday evening as was expected, but there was a sufficient gathering to make things lively. There was not a large contribution of baskets, but they were very fat ones and in the aggregate contained provisions sufficient to supply all who were not able to procure one. The receipts amounted to \$10.50. The money goes into a fund which is to be used in the purchase of uniforms for the camp.

—F. Y. Quick, a Benton county young man, who now resides in Tillamook City, was in town Monday. He is a son of D. O. Quick, and resided for fifteen years in Benton. He is now in the truck and delivery business at Tillamook. The cow and care of her has worked an immense revolution in conditions in his section. The dairy business has made the section one of the wealthiest and the people the most thriving of any in the state. Before dairying was undertaken, the country was desolate and the people poverty stricken. Cows of the right sort there, sell as high as \$150 each. Mixed strains of Jersey and Shorthorn are the most popular.

—Jesse Wiley keeps pretty well stirred up in this locality. He has been largely instrumental in bringing horse-buyers here the past year. He knows all about how many of any class of horses are here and is in constant communication with buyers, and buys and sells a good many drivers himself. Jesse has just bought from a resident of Dusty a good match for the draft horse he purchased from John Smith last week, and has already had a tempting offer for the span. The two weigh 3,100 pounds and make a very attractive team. A Tacoma man is expected this week who will want an older class of large horses that have not heretofore been taken by buyers. A dozen or more of this kind will be received here.

—Near Suver a farm dwelling was totally destroyed with all contents Friday night at 4 o'clock. The house was owned by Mrs. Josie Wheeler, whose husband died here four months ago from injuries received in a fall from the second story of the Farmers' hotel in Corvallis. Mrs. Wheeler and all other members of the family were away at a neighbor's at the time of the fire. The building was insured to some extent in the McMinnville Company. Touching the same matter the following is taken from the Albany Democrat: The fine farm residence of Mrs. J. M. Wheeler of Suver was burned Friday forenoon. The residence cost about \$2,000 being one of the best in that country. The house had been insured for several years in the McMinnville Company but it is not known whether the insurance was in force or not. Mrs. Wheeler is a sister of T. O. Case.

OUT OF DEBT NOW.

Benton is Doing Business on Cash Basis—All Warrants Called in.

Benton county is out of debt now. Newcomers may make a note of the fact. The call of the county treasurer, published elsewhere in this paper, cancels all outstanding warrants. Besides the \$18,000 required for the call, there is now in the hands of the sheriff several thousand dollars, available either for payment of the balance of the state taxes, or for payment of warrants as they are issued during the near future. Taxes are still coming in slowly, and will continue to do so until the first Monday in April. There is also in the hands of the treasurer, \$3,953, the product of the two mill levy for county roads, some of which has been set aside from taxes yet to be collected in order that it may all be available at road working time. It is probable that the remaining one-half of the state taxes will not be paid until October. This course is allowed under the law, and no interest has to be paid. The amount can be held here and applied to warrants as they are issued, and interest be saved to that extent.

The present instance is the first time the county has been out of debt in about fifteen years. On the 26th day of March last year all warrants were called in up to February 6th of that year. The delinquency was one month, and 20 days, and the amount of arrearage about \$5,000. July 16th, last, a call issued, cancelled in warrants up to March 5th. The delinquency then was four months and 11 days. October 11th, a call redeemed all warrants up to April 3rd, leaving a delinquency of about six months. When the present administration took up the reins of county government last July, the amount of warrants outstanding was \$18,542.82. Included in these were a few warrants for which a call had been made, reducing the aggregate in a small amount.

Fifteen years ago, under the administration of E. Holgate as county judge, the county was for a time out of debt, and had several thousand dollars on hand. This was when the construction of the court house was begun.

MADE THREE SALES.

Two Farms and one Residence Property Disposed of by Ambler.

Henry Ambler has made three sales of property in the past few days. The eighty acre farm of Peter Bengen six miles south of Philomath was sold to G. H. Mace of Malta, Illinois. The price was \$2,300, and the purchaser is to have immediate possession. Mr. Mace was in town Monday.

The Lawrence Van Blaricum place near Philomath was sold to Chauncy Dexter of Wallowa county. The farm comprises thirty acres, and the price paid was \$1,500. The purchaser is to have immediate possession. The sale was consummated Monday.

The house and lots of Dr. Newth in Philomath were sold to Ben F. Ellsworth for \$750.

—The excavating is to begin next week for a new residence for Bishop Castle in Philomath. The work is to be done by Contractor Hummer of Philomath. Mr. Hummer built five buildings in the vicinity last year.

Call for Warrants.

Notice is hereby given that there is money on hand at the county treasurer's office to pay all orders endorsed and marked not paid for want of funds up to and including those of March 16th 1903. Interest will be stopped on same from this date.

Dated Corvallis, Mar. 18th, 1903.
W. A. Buchanan,
Treasurer of Benton County, Oregon.

For Sale.

A choice lot of Scotch Collie pups at \$5 each.

Spencer Bicknell,
Corvallis.

Live Poultry Wanted.

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

Hodes' Grocery.

Wanted.

Fifty thousand pounds of mohair, highest market price, at Kline's.

W. T. Rowley, M. D.
(HOMOEOPATHIC)

Physician, Surgeon, Oculist
Corvallis, Oregon.

OFFICE—Rooms 1 and 2, Bank Building.
RESIDENCE—On Third street, between Monroe and Jackson. Res. telephone number 611, office 481.
OFFICE HOURS—10 to 12 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m.

AFTER EVENING TRAIN.

Independence People are and They Want Corvallis to Join in.

Down at Independence the citizens are making a strong fight for an evening train service out of Portland. They had such a service once, and the conveniences and advantages were such that since it was taken away they are determined to have it again if possible. Petitions almost universally signed have been sent in to the railroad company, and a committee of citizens recently went to Portland and interviewed Manager Koehler. The matter is now under consideration by the railroad company.

The Independence people are very anxious for Corvallis to join in the request, extending the service to this city. They say, if Corvallis would make a strong pull, the service would be very likely to be established.

It is a great drawback to Corvallis that her train service is so handicapped in this particular. If there is business to be transacted there, it takes three days to go to Portland and back by train. From Albany, from Eugene, from Salem, the start for Portland can be made three times a day. The condition is detrimental to Corvallis. A better train service would make the place more popular with newcomers seeking a location. Isolation is hateful to people in these days of progress. To be abreast of the times there must be some way to come and go without waiting for Christmas of the grave. It is worth the while of Corvallis property owners to make endeavor to bring about a change. The time to work for such a change with the best chance for success is when strong help is available in the agitation at Independence.

Gramophone Concert.

At Willamette Grange Hall Saturday evening March 21—7-30 p. m.

For Sale.

A span of young draught horses. Weight 2700 lbs. At my ranch six miles west of Philomath on Aleska road, B. G. Pugsley.

New Spring Goods AT S. L. KLINE'S.

Stylish New Dress Goods.

Always best values here in black and colored dress goods and cloth suitings. We have not stopped at ordinary provisions—we have bought the best on every market for your choosing, novelties and standard fabrics in wool, choice shades and colorings, new weaves and rare qualities from

50c. to \$1.50 per yard.

New Silk Best Quality.

New patterns and colorings are arriving daily and we have an excellent representation of the season's wanted kinds.

Wash Silks, the best qualities in the newest and most popular styles. Checks and stripes in all colors, also plain white and black, at 50c. per yard.

Black Beau de Soie and Taffetas at 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 per yard.

GREAT SALE

5c Per Yd 3000 Yds 5c Per Yd

Linen Torchon and Valenciennes Laces.

There is a wide line of styles and widths in edges and insertions, but they cannot last long when qualities are understood.

For Sale.

Barred Plymouth Rock and Brown Leghorn eggs from thoroughbred chickens, good as can be had. Price fifty cents per dozen.
J. B. Irvine, Corvallis.

For Rent.

A dairy ranch. Stock for sale. Apply or write to William I. Price, Bellfountain, Or.

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Our Dress Goods Stock

Comprises ready-selling materials, at popular prices, in new and fashionable weaves and colorings.

Large assortment of

COLORED ALPACAS,

Flake Suitings, Etamines, Granite Cloth, Melrose, and the New Weaves in Black Dress Goods.

Fancy Waistings.

Our Line of Fancy Waistings is complete. We have them in white, ornamented with heavy stripes, 27-inch A. F. C. Gingham, novelty weaves, fancy stripes, at 10 cents per yard.

We carry a full line of W. B. Corsets. Our three Leaders are, 50-cent Girdles, Extended Hip at \$1.00 and \$1.50, and Erect Form.

Top Round Shoes for Men.

Always \$3.50, never less. Ask for a Top Round and you will be shown the season's latest styles. Unexcelled in style, material and workmanship. Absolutely guaranteed in every particular. Sold only by

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