

LOCAL LORE.

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

—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Elgin of Salem arrived Friday for a visit with relatives.

—Regular meeting of the Coffee Club at two o'clock next Monday afternoon.

—Second term examinations at the college have closed, and active work in the third term will begin next Tuesday.

—Mrs. Selling and Miss Eda Jacobs are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Davison at Salem. They are expected home today.

—A. E. Wilkins arrived yesterday to take charge of the merchant tailoring business recently purchased from Mr. Wrage.

—Mrs. Frank Smith of Salem, arrived Wednesday for a visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Gilbert.

—The Mormon question will be discussed by the young people at the Baptist church tomorrow evening at 6-30. All services as usual. A cordial welcome to all.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Ireton and Edwin Marsh left Thursday for their home in Idaho, after a visit at the home of G. W. Fuller.

—Billy McAdams passed through town Thursday. He is connected with a stereopticon show. Billy sings the songs which are illustrated on canvas, and is the all-around funny man.

—Delegates from the various Modern Woodmen camps in the county, met in Corvallis Monday at 11 o'clock in Woodman hall, for the purpose of electing a delegate to attend the Dallas meeting for discussion of the re-adjustment plan.

—On Sunday, March 29, the First Spiritual Union of Corvallis will hold services in honor of the 55th anniversary of Modern Spiritualism. Barrett Lyceum will open at 2-30, services at 3 p. m. This service will close the regular six months season. All friends cordially invited.

—L. L. Hurd took his departure for Southern Oregon yesterday after completing extensive improvements on his lot in Crystal Lake cemetery. He brought from Roseberg the material for placing coping about the lot and erected a handsome monument at the grave of his deceased wife and child.

—The Benton Flouring Mills Co., is having a large amount of wheat removed to the mills in Corvallis from its warehouse at Booneville. Usually this is done by boat, but this season at least a large portion of the work will be done by team. Ben Olsen is now hauling, and other teams are likely to be engaged shortly.

—Capt. Brooks makes the following statement as a basis for a request for aid: The Salvation Army fed over 250,000 poor and homeless men, women and children last Christmas. They are doing that sort of thing all the time, and it costs a lot of money. You have a chance to show a practical appreciation of this work by helping the local branch of the Army during its self-jeopardy week, April 5th to 12th inclusive.

—Henry Bailey, a livery man of Port Townsend, and a gentleman named Hyatt, of Portland, were in town Wednesday and Thursday to purchase horses. The former was looking for light roadsters and he secured seven. He bought three from Jesse Wiley, and one each from Johnny Beach, Ed Witham, Johnny Hayes and Austin Lafferty. The aggregate amount paid for them was between \$875 and \$900, and they were shipped on Friday's boat. Mr. Hyatt secured a fine span of black draft horses from Rufus Skipton. They were also shipped on Friday's boat.

—A five dollar piece issued by the Mormons in early days of their life in Utah was exhibited in town Wednesday. It was a gift from her brother to Mrs. Marple, widow of the late Ezekiel Marple. It is lighter in weight than the ordinary \$5 piece, and apparently contains more alloy. On one side is the legend, "Holiness Unto the Lord," and under it in the center is the all-seeing eye. On the other side in the center are two clasped hands, under them is the date 1849, the year of mintage. Above are a number of initial letters which bore mystic significance mainly to the Mormon people.

—Over at J. B. Smith's & Co.'s warerooms there is a structure, manufactured by the firm, which has attracted much attention from patrons and passers-by. It is a widely approved apparatus for giving sweat-baths to persons in particular who have rheumatism. Dr. Rowley had it made, and it is probably the first one to be used in the state outside of Portland. The total length of the apparatus is 9-1-2 feet, and its width nearly three feet. Five and a half feet of the structure has an arched covering of sheet iron incased in asbestos. The patient is first heavily wrapped, laid on a board resting on rollers and is wheeled from the open framework to the enclosure. The ends of the covering are then closed, leaving the head uncovered, of course. Then dry hot air is admitted through tubes from below. It is said that a temperature of from 250 to 350 degrees Fahrenheit may be used. In our next issue Dr. Rowley will have something to say on this subject. It is generally conceded, however, that if the process doesn't effect a cure, the patient has the satisfaction of being in a measure prepared for any possible post mortem conditions.

—Dr. N. B. Avery left Monday for San Francisco.

—Arthur Belknap left Wednesday for Blodgett where he is to teach school.

—George Horsfall is down from Idaho and is making a brief stay in Corvallis.

—Roy Bell is in charge of the water works during the absence of his father in Portland.

—John Lenger went to Portland Wednesday via the Westside for a few days' recreation.

—B. J. Evers has treated his house, barn and other outbuildings to a neat coat of paint.

—Alex Schick, formerly a partner in the brick stables, visited Corvallis a day or two this week.

—Miss Sophia Elgin is to begin Monday a term of school about four miles south of this city.

—Miss Lottie Wicks begins April 1-1 to teach a school in the mountains sixty miles east of Los Angeles.

—Tom Bell, Wm. Broders and S. N. Lilly were passengers on the Pomona Wednesday morning for Portland.

—Dr. Withycombe, Prof. Cordley and Prof. Kent left yesterday to hold a farmers' institute at Goshen, Laue county.

—Elmer Bethers and John Kriens have taken a contract to paint the Fischer flouring mills and adjacent buildings.

—Misses E. J. Chamberlain and H. V. Crawford of the college faculty, left Thursday for a brief visit in Salem and Albany.

—Lee Beall, formerly of Corvallis, has been appointed by Governor Chamberlain as a regent of the Ashland Normal school.

—The board of Surveyor General Daly has been forwarded to Washington. It is expected that he will assume charge of the office about April 1-1.

—G. S. O. Humbert will preach at the Christian church tomorrow. Theme at 11 a. m., "Blessing and Praise" at 7-30 p. m. "The Greatest Question of the Greatest Prophet."

—Nature Studies in the Public School, is the subject of an address to be delivered today before a teachers' institute at Grant's Pass, by Prof. Shaw of the college. He left yesterday.

—D. Francisco and family are preparing to take their departure for Franklin, Nebraska. They came from that locality a year ago. Since coming to Corvallis, Mr. Francisco and son, Eves, have been in the barbering business.

—Governor Chamberlain has accepted an invitation to deliver the address to the graduating class next commencement day, June 17th. The baccalaureate sermon is to be delivered by Rev. Allen Wilson, one of the five leading men of the Christian denomination. His home is at Indianapolis.

—A. H. Nichols left Wednesday for an extended trip to Southern Oregon. He expects to visit the Coos Bay country, Medford and other interesting points. The family will still occupy the house at the Woodcock dairy ranch where Mr. Nichols has been foreman for the past year.

—The 81st birthday of Mrs. Mary King was celebrated at the home on Oak Creek Tuesday. A number of relatives and friends were present. Mrs. King is a sister of Jacob and Leahabed Henkle of Benton, the latter of whom is 93 years of age. Jack Henkle, another brother resides in Eastern Oregon.

—Adolph Peterson has been awarded the contract for the construction of a county court house at Condon, the county seat of Gilliam county. The structure is to be of brick and the contract cost is \$13,440. The architect is C. A. Burgat of Albany. Mr. Peterson has already built two court houses in Eastern Oregon counties.

—Wednesday evening a considerable number of the Corvallis Dairy's patrons were without milk occasioned by an accident to the delivery wagon. The team was left unattended as usual, while the driver went into a customer's house to deliver the family's milk, and in his absence the horses took fright and ran away. As a result the wagon was badly wrecked and Jefferson street, in particular, literally flowed with milk and cream. The wagon in the runaway was the yellow one with glass panels, and repairs will be expensive. It is the property of C. H. Vehrs, and this accident adds another to a lengthy series of misfortunes experienced by that gentleman since embarking in the dairy business here.

—Portland Journal: Henry Meldrum, surveyor general, reports that he has been officially notified of the appointment of his successor in the government service. Yesterday, he says he received a communication from W. A. Richards, commissioner of the general land office at Washington, D. C. stating that J. D. Daly of Corvallis would take charge of the office as soon as his bonds are approved which will be early in April. "I have never received a copy of the charges filed against me," said Mr. Meldrum, "and have no knowledge of what they consist of. I have made a personal request to the secretary of the interior for a copy of the charges but so far have not heard from him. Mr. Daly made a call on me recently and I found him to be a very pleasant gentleman."

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Such is the statement of Manager Robert Johnson, of the Corvallis & Benton County Prune Company, arrived Thursday from a three weeks visit to California, in which much of his time was spent in the prune districts, in packing houses and in other departments of the great prune industry of the state. He was given a complete insight under most favorable auspices into the processing and packing methods, matters that are usually kept secret from the general public. He ordered, while absent, a processing and packing plant, and provided the crop in this vicinity is good, will put such an establishment into operation this season. He made a complete study of the methods and processes employed in every department. The Californians have everything in this respect down to a fine art, and with their various fruits and enormous shipments lead the world in preparing goods for the market.

Mr. Johnson was for several days in San Francisco, and met many old Corvallisites there. Sol Stock is in the wholesale millinery trade, and with his partners is doing an extensive business. Mr. Jesse Tunnicliffe has a fine position as draughtsman in one of the large establishments there. M. S. Neugass is a partner in the West Coast Furniture Company, occupying there stories of a building that nearly covers a block and employing eighty men. Charles Pearse is manager of a company that manufactures fuel out of coal dust mixed with crude California petroleum. The mixture is hardened and pressed into small brickettes, convenient for handling and valued as fuel.

His friends say that Mr. Johnson's old bachelor heart has flip-flopped many a time since, with remembrances of others he saw in California, but they wont mention names.

TO ORATE.

Ten Are Contestants—Happens Friday Night—Occurs at College.

A local oratorical contest is to occur in the college chapel next Friday night. Ten orators are preparing for it, but only five of them will appear on the program. The paper of each goes into the hands of the judges, and by these the best five will be selected as contestants. This course is taken in order to abbreviate the program.

The contest is under the auspices of the inter-collegiate prohibition association. It is national in scope. The winner in Friday night's contest will take part in a state contest to occur at Dallas, May 1st. The winner of that contest will represent Oregon in an inter-state contest to be held in Corvallis, May 22nd. The states to be represented are, Oregon, Washington and California.

The winner of the local contest is also to be presented with a gold medal. It will be paid for out of the proceeds of the fifteen cents admission fee to be charged. The orator who takes second place in the local contest is to be presented with a silver medal, awarded by the local prohibition league. Among those who are contestants in the local struggle are, Burnough, Brodie, Mack, and probably Withycombe.

Commission Paid to Buyers.

Of 1,000 acres suitable for fruit near small town and 9 miles from railroad in tracts from 30 acres up at \$14 to \$25 per acre. For particulars write to Geo. A. Houck, Owner, 788 Ferry Street, Eugene, Or.

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For Sale.

At a bargain, ladies Sterling wheel, good as new. Inquire at TIMES office.

TALKING WATER AGAIN.

Special Committee Held a Meeting—Will Ask for Bids For Franchise.

The water question, which has slumbered through the winter, has again appeared. The special water committee of the council held a meeting Monday night. Engineer Smythe wrote a letter on the subject of water. He said he had been absent from Portland most of the winter but that he is ready now to do business. He declared that whenever the council should ascertain what it wanted and should communicate with him that matters in the water line might be brought to a focus.

The special committee met to discuss the situation. It was determined to again take up the matter with a view to reaching a solution of some kind. A special sub-committee was appointed, consisting of Chairman Henkle, Councilman Heckart and F. P. Sheasgreen chief engineer of the fire department. The committee is to evolve a plan such as the town, present and future may require, and to prepare the same in business shape. When all is completed, the committee will advertise for bids from those who wish to put in the system, on the basis of a franchise for a term of years.

—Rev. T. T. Vincent will preach at the M. E. church South tomorrow at 7-30 p. m.

—Mrs. Cordley entertained about twenty five ladies very delightfully at her home on Fourth street Thursday afternoon.

—Portland Journal: Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Celvig have returned from Geneva, Pa., to make their future home in Portland.

—Mrs. Frank Lilly and his daughter left Wednesday to take up their residence at LaGrande where Mr. Lilly has a good position with the Murphy Hardware Co.

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