

# Corvallis Times.

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## AWFUL CROWDS THERE.

**At the State Fair—Trains Unable to Handle all That Want to Come and go.**

Many of the Corvallisites who have been attending the State Fair, arrived from Salem Thursday evening. From all accounts the Fair is the greatest one in the history of Oregon. No crowds so large have ever been seen on the grounds. The immensity of the assemblage is one influence that hurried many home. Trains enroute to the Fair Thursday morning were so congested with humanity that the conductors and brakemen stood on the platforms at stations and warned people not to get aboard because there was no room. In spite of the warning, many clambered on and hung here and there, so packing the coaches that the jam was awful. Thursday evening the excursion train that left for Portland comprised three sections, with every coach packed to suffocation. On the grounds during the afternoon, the grandstand was literally jammed, as was also every seat and resting place about the grounds, so that the remaining portion of the vast throng, with no place to rest, almost walked and stood itself to death.

The exhibits are very fine, the stock show being the best ever seen in Oregon, and comparing most favorably, many say, with the great shows of the same character in the Eastern States.

Among the people attending the Fair from Benton are, Mrs. Jesse Wiley, Mrs. Mary Bryson, Miss Edna Irvine, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Callahan, Mr. and Mrs. A. Rennie, Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Kline, Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor, Dr. and Mrs. Harper, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Kiger, C. E. Hon and daughter, Ed Greffoz, W. G. Lane, Robert Huston, Jesse Foster, J. N. McFadden, Peter Whitaker, J. G. Horning, Thomas and Clarence Vidito, M. S. Woodcock, Ned Smith, Ernest Fischer, Mack Hemphill, George Kerr, Judson Smith, Thos. Graham, J. W. Dunn, Mr. Plaster, J. H. Gibson, Marsh and Ed Allen and Guy Moore.

## STRONG BUYS IT.

**Local Lumber Yard of Benton County Company—Latter to do More Shipping.**

The Benton County yard, which has been maintained near the Southern Pacific station in this city for the past two or three years, has been sold by the Benton County Lumber Company to E. W. Strong of the Corvallis sawmill. The change occurred a day or two ago, and Mr. Strong is now in possession of the yard. By the arrangement, the Benton County Lumber Company does not retire from the Corvallis market, but simply ceases to maintain a yard in this city. It will continue to deliver to customers in carload lots, or by team, when so desired, and will maintain an office in town.

The change on the part of the Benton County people is in order to devote themselves more extensively to the shipment of their product into other markets, where better prices are said to be realized. Ship lap, for instance, which brings \$12 per thousand, is understood to net the company, when shipped to San Francisco, about \$18. Though no such margin obtains on all lumber, there are said to be other grades, in which a much better profit is secured by shipping abroad than by selling at home.

Among the changes that the sale of the local yard incurs, is that J. B. Irvine, who has always been in charge of the yard, goes to Philomath to assume direction of the planing plant and yard there. Samuel Ewing, of the company, who has been in charge at Philomath, takes charge of the logging operations at the saw mill.

Fine line of novelty and stylish dress goods.—Nolan & Callahan.

Utz & Duons, ladies, misses and children's fine shoes.—Nolan & Callahan.

## To Ice Buyers.

Orders for 10 cents worth of ice or less, must reach the factory before nine o'clock, so as to go out by the first delivery, or they will not be filled. Orders for more than 10 cents worth will be filled at later hours. All orders that reach the factory before nine o'clock will be filled promptly, as usual.

Corvallis Ice Works.

## AN ERROR BY SOLONS.

**It is a Giant—And Makes Much Worry About Taxes—Effect in Benton.**

Will taxes be collected in Benton as usual next spring, is the question of the hour. Will, indeed, taxes be collected anywhere in the state, is the rest of the query. The late legislature made a gigantic error in its attempt to correct the tax laws. Not one of the ninety solons while they deliberated on the pending amendments to the tax laws, discovered that there lurked within the lines of the bill an error of huge proportions. They made the new law become effective on the 1st day, of next January. The new law becoming so effective on the said first day, repeals the old law in certain particulars. One of these particulars is a provision directing the county court at its first session in said month of January to make the regular tax levy. But the monthly meeting of such commissioners does not occur until after the first day of January, and the effect of the repealed provision is that when it does meet the court will be without authority to make a tax levy. Without a legally made tax levy, the collection of taxes is brought to a standstill. In case a soulless corporation or a vile-souled individual saw fit to resist payment of taxes irregularly or illegally levied, the courts might not be able to compel either to pay. Some of the best lawyers in the state declare the situation to be as above described, and some of them have suggested that a special session of the legislature to correct the giant mistake, may be necessary. Governor Chamberlain does not want an extra session, at an expense of \$35,000 or something like it, and there the matter stands. The governor says, however, that he thinks some way will be found, without an extra session, to remedy the condition.

In Benton, the authorities are waiting to see what will turn up. If there is to be no collection of taxes, there was no use to make an assessment roll this year. It was the purpose of the legislature to collect taxes as usual next spring, and it was so understood by everybody. All the counties in Oregon proceeding with that understanding, made assessment rolls as usual. If, after further investigation the lawyers agree that a collection of taxes is impossible, all of these rolls will be valueless and useless. The attorney general has been called upon for an opinion, but he has not yet responded with a pronouncement. There is talk of a test case to be carried hurriedly through the supreme court, but none has yet begun.

In Benton, all preparations for collection of taxes will go on as usual, there being but little more now to do until all the machinery will be in readiness. The rolls have been completed, and all the footings made. The county board of equalization is called to meet on the 28th and it will proceed to meet, because the law so directs. As Governor Chamberlain says, it is probable that some simple way will be found to escape the threatened tax famine.

## PICKING PRUNES.

**And Drying Them—Operations at the Big Orchard—Many People There.**

The mammoth drier began operation on the crop in the big prune orchard Wednesday afternoon. The first fruit went in at 2 o'clock and the process was kept up until 1,500 bushels was in the tunnels Thursday morning. During the following night, the tunnels were all practically filled, and the work of removing the dried product had begun.

The ten 100 foot tunnels in the big evaporator hold at one time, 3,000 bushels of green prunes. It takes a working force of 22 to 25 men to handle the various appliances about it. It is expected that the drier will cure 1,200 to 1,500 bushels of prunes every 24 hours. That is more than it has been able to do in the past, but many new improvements put on recently after the experience of other years have increased the effectiveness of the plant. Manager Johnson estimates now that the total dried product of the season will be 400,000 pounds.

The drier began operations with 40 people in the orchard, but the number is daily increasing, until with teamsters, drier operatives and all, the number of people employed is well along towards 100.

We have suits ready made, for the fat man, the slim man, and all the way between. Large stock and lowest prices at S. L. Kline's.

## For Sale.

400 fullblooded ewes.  
20 " bucks.  
Durham " cows and heifers.  
" 3yrs " bull.  
Roy Rickard,  
Corvallis, Or.

## A CORPSE IN COURT.

**Airing of a Malodorous Case Before Justice Holgate.**

Samuel Moore was the prosecuting witness, and Frederick Hersig was the defendant in a case which was aired Thursday evening before Justice Holgate. A large number of listeners and a jury composed of E. Allen, Henry Worthan, E. W. Strong and Minor Swick. Developments were so interesting that the spectators remained, notwithstanding the fact that the common judgment was that the subject ought to have been aired sooner; that the airing had been postponed altogether too long. The object, about which revolved the weighty matters in contention, was an old Plymouth Rock hen which had been taken dead from a well on the farm recently purchased by Moore from Hersig. The carcass, seething with maggots, was brought into court and allowed to remain there during the progress of the trial, and its presence proved by all odds, to be the strongest evidence produced. At the close of the trial, the jury was left to deliberate alone over the corpse and as to the probable cause of her death. The airing process was officially complete, but the jury found it otherwise in reality, and while no reflection on their judgment is intended, there is not much wonder they came to a hasty agreement.

This was really a case for the coroner, since it involved an examination into the cause and manner and purpose of the old hen's death. It is certain the coroner has better means of airing such subjects. The prosecution alleged that Mr. Hersig killed the hen and placed her in the well for the purpose of polluting the water and produced an array of witnesses and circumstances to prove the contention. Hersig admitted the killing but declared that because the hen had gotten into a tar bucket and became besmeared, he thought it best to kill and eat her. The women of the household did not wish to eat the hen, and she was placed on the ground outside. He could not tell how the fowl got into the well, but suggested a number of possible ways in which it might have happened.

The jury looked with favor upon the explanation of Mr. Hersig and his witnesses and the verdict was, "Not guilty."

Let us outfit your boy with a new suit of clothing, shoes, hats, shirts at money saving prices. S. L. Kline.

Crouse & Brandegee fine clothing for fine dressers.—Nolan & Callahan.

When you want fresh clover and grass seed go to Zierolf's. A new supply of fresh seed just received.

Two houses to rent, one six and one seven rooms, with barns. 15 sheep to let on shares. S. H. Moore.

Buy your white and red clover seed at Zierolf's.

For Duchess trousers, see Nolan & Callahan.

## For Sale.

Vetch, rye and cheat seed at Corvallis Flour Mills.

## For Sale.

Several nice Poland China pigs, both sexes, eligible to record. Inquire of Robert Wylie, Lewisburg, five miles north of Corvallis.

## For Sale.

Span of heavy mares, set of harness and wagon. Also 100 head of Cotswold sheep. Apply at Huston's Hardware Store or to

William Bogue,  
Corvallis.

## For Sale.

Young registered Jersey cow, college bred. Inquire at TIMES office.

## For Sale.

Several hundred bushels of vetch seed. Order early before it is gone. Also Timothy, Spelts, and English 17e grass seed. Shropshire bucks. One extra good registered buck from one of the best stocks in Iowa. Cows and heifers of the best breed to see or trade for Jersey cows.

L. L. Brooks.

Vetch seed for sale at Zierolf's.

See our new fall stock of men and boys suits and overcoats, larger and better than ever at money-saving prices. S. L. Kline.

## Wanted.

to buy mutton sheep and lambs. I will pay the highest market price. Call on or address Charles Carter, at Farmer's Feed Shed, Albany, Oregon.

When you want fresh vetch seed go to Zierolf's.

## CAPTAIN HARDIN PROMOTED.

**Thanksgiving Football—Wheat Quotations—Other News.**

Eugene Guard: Attorney R. S. Bryson has opened up an office in the Shelton building 506 Willamette street.

Guy Moore, Claude Cate, Walter Sheasgreen and Harold Wilkins attended the State Fair Thursday and yesterday.

Services tomorrow at the Baptist church as follows: Sunday school at 10, preaching at 11 and 7:30. Young people's meeting at 9:30. Hearty welcome to all.

The Thanksgiving day football game in Corvallis will be between OAC and the University of Nevada team. The visiting team is a noted aggregation, the most formidable that ever played on OAC field.

A band of forty bunch grass horses has been on sale in Alsea valley, and a dozen or fifteen of them were purchased by Alseaites whose hands and pockets are now full of gold from sales of chittim. The horses went at \$15 to \$75.

It is Major Hardin now. News of the promotion reached Captain Hardin yesterday, and along with it came the information that he is attached to the 20th Infantry, one of the crack regiments of the army. The promotion makes no change in the plan by which Major Hardin is stationed at OAC.

Picking in the Lilly hop yard ended Wednesday. There was a considerable loss on account of mold. The yield of the yard is not known many tickets not having been presented by pickers. Picking in the Beach yard was in progress yesterday afternoon.

Wheat remains at 73 in the local market, though the price at Albany is said to be 71. In Portland it is 80. Markets all over are a little weaker. Most of the crop hereabouts is already sold. It went to the millers at 75, much of it being sold before delivery, and some even before it was threshed.

Persons in and about Corvallis who exhibited poultry at the state fair carried off a good share of the honors. Prizes were awarded to Dr. Bowen Lester on white Wyandottes; J. G. Horning on Barred Plymouth Rocks; Gene Simpson, Buff Leghorns. The Hulberts, who reside across the river in Linn county, received prizes on various breeds of chickens and ducks.

Examinations for the fall term began yesterday at the College. About forty applicants for admission underwent the ordeal during the day. The number is about as usual on the examination day. Many additional students, new and old, are on the ground, the number having been increased by heavy arrivals by both trains yesterday. Matriculation begins Monday. The arrivals today, tomorrow and Monday will again fill Corvallis with blue uniforms. All signs point to an enrollment of 600 this year.

Good clothes for boys.—Nolan & Callahan.

## Notice to Prune Growers.

Have just received "Red Seal Lye" in 5 pound cans; 60 pounds to case. Most convenient and cheapest way to buy for spraying and dipping. On sale at Hodes' Grocery.

## For Sale.

Shropshire sheep.  
Aberdeen Angus cattle.  
Poland China pigs.  
Young stock now ready for shipment. Fat cows and heifers of the best breed to trade for Jersey cows, also spring calves of beef breeds for sale or trade.  
One second hand 20-foot wind mill tower.

## Notice to Creditors.

In the Matter of the Estate of William D. Armstrong, deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons concerned that the undersigned has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of said William D. Armstrong, deceased, by the county court of Benton county, state of Oregon. All persons having claims against said estate of said William D. Armstrong, deceased, are hereby required to present the same with the proper vouchers duly verified as by law required within six months from the date hereof to the undersigned at her residence about four miles south of Philomath, Benton county, Oregon, or at the law office of E. E. Wilson, in Corvallis, Oregon.

Dated this August 29, 1903.  
ANNA M. ARMSTRONG,  
Executrix of the last will and testament of William D. Armstrong, deceased.

## Notice to Creditors.

In the Matter of the Estate of John Mitchell, deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons concerned that the undersigned has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of said John Mitchell, deceased, by the county court of Benton county, state of Oregon. All persons having claims against said estate of John Mitchell, deceased, are hereby required to present the same with the proper vouchers duly verified as by law required, within six months from the date hereof to the undersigned at her residence at Inavale post office, Benton county, Oregon, or at the law office of E. E. Wilson, in Corvallis, Oregon.

Dated this Aug. 23, 1903.  
Mary Mitchell,  
Executrix of the last will and testament of John Mitchell deceased.

## Fine Suits and Overcoats.

Our Crouse & Brandegee Nobby Suits and Overcoats is the clothing that fits well, and holds its shape. It is hand-made by high class tailors. Collars hand-made, shoulders well padded, front is stiffened so it will hold shape. Coats have Bartel patent never-sag pockets.

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NUTRITIOUS  
SUSTAINING

PREPARED IN A MINUTE.

Don't Forget that We Sell  
Applegate Creamery Butter.

## HODES' GROCERY.

## Notice of Final Settlement.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Benton County.

In the matter of the estate of L. M. Mattoon, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that I have filed my final account as administratrix of said estate with the clerk of the above entitled court and that said court has fixed and appointed Saturday the 10th day of October, 1903, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day at the County Court Room in the County Court House in Corvallis, Benton County, Oregon, as the time and place for hearing objections if any to said account and the settlement thereof and all persons interested and objecting thereto are notified to appear and file their objections at said time and place.

Dated, September 12, 1903.  
EMMA A. MATTOON,  
Administratrix of the Estate of L. M. Mattoon, deceased.

## Notice of Final Settlement.

In the Matter of the Estate of Charles Band, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned as administratrix of said estate of Charles Band, deceased, has filed his final account as such administrator, with the clerk of the county court of the state of Oregon, for Benton county, and the said court has fixed Saturday, October 10, 1903, at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon of said day as the time, and the county court room in the court house in Corvallis, Oregon, as the place for hearing any and all objections to the said account, and for settlement thereof.

Dated this September 12, 1903.  
ADAM WILHELM, Jr.,  
Administrator of the estate of Charles Band, deceased.

## Administrator's Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the county court of Benton county administrator of the estate of Martha J. Butler, deceased, and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same duly verified as by law required to me at the county clerk's office at Corvallis, Oregon, within six months from this date.

Dated at Corvallis Oregon, the 12th day of September 1903.  
J. P. IRWIN,  
Administrator of the estate of Martha J. Butler, deceased.

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As well as Choicest Delicacies for lunch and dinner, can always be found at our store. We handle only first-class goods and can guarantee quality. Everything offered for sale here is strictly fresh and just as represented. We carry a large stock of selected Family and Fancy Groceries, and are sole agents for

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