

LOCAL LORE.

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

Born recently to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cathey at San Jose, a son.

Born to the wife of G. A. Peterson, of Inavale, Thanksgiving day, a son.

John Huffman arrived Sunday from Portland for a few days' business visit in Benton.

Bert Sharp, formerly of Corvallis, is now connected with a messenger service in Portland.

O. V. Hurl has returned to his old position in Kline's store. He arrived Saturday from a week's business trip in Portland.

The Sorosis society entertained a number of friends Friday evening last at the administration building. The gathering proved a most enjoyable one.

A recent transaction in cattle was the purchase by Dr. Pernot of 24 head of cows at \$17 per head. The age of the cows is two to four years.

After a visit with relatives in this city, Miss Olive Thompson left Monday for Boise City, Idaho, where she holds a position as pianist in an orchestra.

W. A. Wells expects to leave today for Tucson, Arizona, to spend the winter. He goes for the benefit of health, and expects to be absent until May 1st.

The enrollment at the public school now is 460, or about the same as at this time last year. The school in all the grades is in a thrifty condition, and the work effective.

Ella Edgington, an OAC student, well known as a football player and otherwise, fell from a tree Saturday and sustained a fracture of one of the bones of the forearm. He was climbing for mistletoe when the accident happened.

Mrs. Joseph Walters of Nebraska, arrived Saturday for a two months' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Morgan. If Mrs. Walters is suited with conditions, the family may move to this county in the spring.

A number of friends were entertained at the Gilbert home Friday evening. The guests were, Misses Florence Wicks, Ethel Linville, Mary Elgo, Harriet Sheasgreen and Louise Gilbert; Messrs. Gardner, Spagle, Shannon and Goodman.

Chief Lane has had several teams hauling gravel on the streets the past few days. The gravel goes on bad spots in the highways. It comes from the Beach place across the Willamette, and costs 10 cents per load and 37½% for hauling.

A cosy new dwelling house that M. L. Adams is building in Job's addition is about completed, and will be ready for occupancy in a few days. The place was formerly known as the Ash property but was recently purchased by Mr. Adams.

The Misses Nellie and Pearl Baker, of Eugene, who have been in Corvallis for the past two weeks left Monday morning on the Pomona for Buena Vista, where they will visit friends until Christmas, before starting for California, where they expect to spend the winter.

An adjourned term of the Benton county circuit court is to meet at the court house tomorrow afternoon. It is for the hearing of the mandamus proceedings taken by Richard Fehrer and others against the board of directors of the Newton school district, and will be presided over by Judge Benson. It is also probable that argument will be heard on a motion by counsel for a new trial in the Lewis case against Sheriff Burnett. Court will be called at two o'clock.

A. L. McFadden arrived Saturday from Chitwood, where he is spending the winter. He has been engaged for several months as a carpenter in the Bohemia mines. There is much activity in the district and many men are employed there. The late wind storm played havoc in the region. One huge tree falling on across a donkey engine destroying it completely. Great trees in the adjoining forests fell with a constant succession of crashes when the storm was at its height. Dr. Ben Job, formerly of Corvallis, besides his regular practice, is surgeon for many of the mining companies, and has a good income.

"Are you a Mason?" is the title of a theatrical production that will be given at the Opera House about the middle of January. Some local interest attaches, because of the fact that the local dramatic company selected the play recently for a home performance, and ordered it of a Chicago Manuscript Company. The latter deals in all kinds of plays, and as the means of getting them made, it is a practice to have a stenographer present at the production of new ones which they proceeded at once to place on the market under the old or a new name. In this way they got "Are you a Mason?" and about the time the local company ordered it, the owners of the play swooped down on the Chicago company under the copyright laws, searched the establishment, and took away all manuscripts of "Are you a Mason?" and of course the home amateurs had to produce something else, which they did. Next month however, home people will have opportunity to see the play, which by the way, is a good one, as is evidenced by the fact that it is sent out by the Fromans of New York,

The Afternoon Reading club will meet tomorrow at the home of Mrs. Cathay.

The ladies of the Congregational church will give a Bazaar Friday, December 18.

Mrs. L. F. Wilson entertained the Ladies Afternoon Whist club last Wednesday.

Raymond Lafferty left Friday to enter the employ of J. A. Folger & Co. at San Francisco.

Mrs. Ruth Clark leaves today to spend the winter with her son and daughter in Eastern Oregon.

W. M. Jones and family of Dallas, have been in town for a few days, Mr. Jones on business, and the family on a visit.

Mrs. Carrick and a number of her music pupils gave a musical Friday evening. All present report a pleasant time.

The Presbyterian S. S. is preparing a very interesting Christmas cantata. Mrs. Carrick and Mrs. Parsons have charge of it.

Prof. Raymond tendered his class a dancing party in Fisher's hall Saturday evening. Fifteen couples were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Goodchild, who reside near the old Carding mill, left Friday to spend the winter with relatives at Canby, Clackamas county.

The local lodge of Lions initiated six new members at a meeting Monday evening, and several other candidates are waiting an opportunity to ride the goat. The order is booming in this city.

New deeds filed for record are: Ida B. Callahan and husband to O. C. Hathaway, small tract of land near Corvallis, \$625; A. Howard and others to John Carpenter, small tract in Monroe, \$500.

George W. Fuller arrived Monday from a two months' visit at his old home in Michigan. He is accompanied by his father, who will probably remain in Oregon. The latter is over 84 years of age, but is hale and vigorous.

Relatives in Iowa are anxious to learn the whereabouts of Mrs. Augustus Tillotson, whose maiden name was Mary Jane Spaulding. They came to Oregon from near Port Clinton, Ohio, early in the seventies. Information may be sent to the "Times" office.

Raymond Henkle, formerly of Corvallis, is now one of the proprietors of a fine drugstore at San Jose, California. The store is a new one, and was opened to the public for the first time last Monday. In the enterprise, Mr. Henkle has a partner, named Curtis.

Jesse Wiley has come into possession of Jim Click, a gelding whose dam is Lulu Riggs, mother of Oregon Eclipse and other famous runners. Jim Click has himself attained some distinction as a runner, but in all probability he will hereafter be driven as a carriage horse. He is a perfectly formed animal and Mr. Wiley takes much pride in his possession.

A petition is in circulation asking the repeal of the extra session of the legislature of all the laws taxing mining corporations. The petition recites that the tax stifles the mining operations of the state and cripples the industry. The particular law to which objection is made is the B. L. Eddy act. The petition is addressed to John D. Daly, senator and Marion Hayden, representative. It is numerously signed.

A salary equal to that of the president of the United States, has been offered Homer Davenport, the cartoonist, according to letters received by personal friends in Portland. Collier's Weekly is the periodical which makes the \$50,000 offer. W. R. Hearst, by whom Davenport was employed before he left cartoon work to go on a lecture circuit, has confidentially told him not to accept the offer from Collier's until he heard from the newspaper magnate. Davenport, whose home was formerly in Silverton, Or., did his first sketch work, at a salary of \$12 a week.

The walls and roof have been completed to the addition that is being built to the heating plant at the college, and the work of laying a cement floor is shortly to begin. The addition is to be used for housing the power plant used in driving the various machines in mechanical hall, and for the manufacture of electric light for use about the institution. The arrangement is, in short, for the purpose of combining the heating and power plants as a measure of economy in labor and fuel, and is estimated to insure a large saving of expense. The addition increases the floor space of the heating plant by more than double its present area.

The Amicitian society in the former's rooms in the administration building Saturday evening. An excellent literary and musical programme was rendered. There were various other sources of entertainment and amusement, among which were the performances of three young men who enacted the part of dummies in quite an unflattering and satisfactory manner. The young ladies fished for escorts to luncheon from a pond which gave forth a varied assortment, including crabs, trout, eels, flounders, suckers, devil fish, etc., each specimen having inscribed somewhere upon its person the name of an Amicitian. Refreshments consisted of sandwiches, olives, cake, oranges, bananas and whipped cream.

EARLY EVENING BURGLARY.

Happened Sunday Night—At the Albright House—Jewelry Taken.

Sunday night, the house of J. H. Albright, at the north end of Fourth street was burglarized. The deed was committed in the early evening while the family was at church. The house was ransacked apparently by two persons, but the thieves got away only with two or three pieces of jewelry, valued more as keepsakes than for their intrinsic worth. These consisted of a moss agate watch charm, and a water agate, together with another piece or two of jewelry. The articles were taken from a bureau drawer. It has been the habit of Mr. Albright to leave his pocket book in the same bureau drawer, but on this occasion he happened to put it in his pocket before going to church, and by reason of this fact the thieves failed to get it.

Various evidences of their doings were left by the burglars. They gained entrance to the house through a door that opens outside in a garret above the kitchen, and once inside on the second floor, they dropped through a scuttle hole into the kitchen. From there they went into the room where the bureau was located, and ransacked its drawers thoroughly. One of these was locked, but the lock was broken, and entrance to the contents obtained. A knob on the same drawer was knocked off and allowed to drop on the floor.

At all the windows, as shown by footprints on the outside, the thieves attempted entrance. On one the finger marks were plainly visible. In the yard, a spade and small hatchet, taken from Mr. Albright's shop, were found. It is supposed these tools were taken with the original idea that they could be used in opening the windows. Access to the garret through which they finally entered the house, was secured by means of a ladder taken from under the house. All the doors were left securely locked when the family started for church, but one was found unlocked after the return home.

ON HIS BODY.

Huge Stone There—Root Broke it With Sledge—An Awful Act.

An incident that left a profound impression upon those who saw it was Rosco's great stone-breaking act at the Opera House Saturday night. All the details were carried out as scheduled in the advertisements, and how all of it could have happened without terrible injury to the hypnotist is one of the things that not all of those who were onlookers can explain.

The stone weighed 500 or 600 pounds. Rosco went into a hypnotic state in which his muscular system became perfectly rigid. He was laid straight and stiff, with the back of his head resting on one chair and his feet across another. Then the stone which it took six men to lift, was placed on his abdomen. A volunteer to break the stone with a sledge was asked for, and the audience called out G. H. Root, the big OAC half back.

Before hypnotizing himself, Rosco asked that a strong man be requested to wield the sledge in order that the work of breaking the stone might not be prolonged. The audience remained breathless when the big football player took up the sledge and prepared to strike. The big piece of steel swung through the air, and a dull thud was heard as the first blow fell. The stone remained intact, but at the next blow, to which tremendous strength was imparted, the rock was shattered. The lady of the company who brings Rosco out of his catalepsy then spoke a few words to the hypnotist, and the muscular rigidity at once passed away, and limp and apparently prostrated, Rosco was assisted from the stage by his attendants.

The act is a terrible thing, passing to the remarkable, but it is not an incident that the onlooker would care to see a second time.

The Rosco Company which has been playing for a week at the Opera House, left Sunday for Portland. At Corvallis, three members severed their connection with the company and went to Baker City.

Sterling silver novelties of all kinds at the lowest prices. E. P. Grefeo, the Jeweler.

There is a sale of mens and boys overcoats now going on at Kline's.

OAC Cleaning & Pressing Co.

C. C. Gate. Tel. 791 R. H. Gate. We call for, clean, press and deliver one suit or your clothes each week for one dollar per month. Ladies skirts cleaned. Five doors south of P. O.

Christmas Headquarters

1903

S. L. KLINE'S.



The display is larger and more beautiful than ever, and even the most expectant visitors will be amazed at the fullness of preparations and the exceedingly low prices. Soon the great holiday rush will be on, and you will find it much to your interest to do your shopping early. Make your selections now. We will deliver them on any designated day.



Dolls' Xmas Fair, 1903.

You will find here an aggregation of dolls of every description—dolls that know when to open their eyes, and others that keep them open day and night, dressed or negligee, ready for dressing. Our prices are the lowest in the city and variety much the largest.

5c 10c 25c 50c 75c \$1 up to \$7.50.

Toilet Cases.

In all the latest novelties.

50 75 \$1.00 \$1.50 up to \$7.50

Games.

A large assortment of novel and fascinating games with plenty of excitement on land and sea.

25 50c \$1.00 \$1.50 to \$3.50

Xmas Handkerchiefs

For ladies and gentlemen, in plain, hemstitched, lace, and embroidered edges of all kinds.

5 10 15 20 25 50 and 75c.

Albums.

Photo and autograph albums of every description.

25 50 75 \$1 \$1.50 up to \$5.

OVERCOAT SPECIAL.

The finest and best line of Overcoats in Benton county. They all go at reduced prices during the month.

\$5.00 to \$18.00.

Ladies' Furs.

Rich Furs at low prices during Xmas week. \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.00 up to \$9.00.

Ties and Mufflers.

Gloves, Suspenders.

All the late things at money-saving prices.

25c to \$1.50.

Silverware.

1847 Rogers, \$1.50 to \$10.

Purses & Chatelaine

Bags, all-new goods, at

25 50 75 \$1.00 \$1.50 \$2.50.

Collar & Cuff Boxes.

Glove & Hdckf. Boxes

Jewel & Work Boxes

A more beautiful assortment than ever of these goods.

50 75 \$1.00 \$1.50 \$2.50.

PICTURES AND DECORATED WARE.

The Big Store is now at its best, so just come in and take a look at our Xmas display. That is all we ask.

THOSE ELECTED.

At Philomath City Election—Henry Ambler for Mayor.

At the Philomath city election Monday, Henry Ambler was elected mayor over Mr. Weed, the present incumbent. Other candidates elected were, William Boles, recorder; G. A. Scott, marshal, Jesse Moses, treasurer; Becker and Frink were elected councilmen in the first ward. For councilmen in the second ward, Loggan, Burnap and White tied, while Worthington and VanCleve received the same number of votes in the third ward. There was much activity while the contest lasted. Various issues entered into the fight. About 150 votes were cast. Two full tickets were in the field, one of which was called the Citizens League and the other, the Taxpayers.

Basket Social.

At 1000 Hall, Philomath, by Philomath Concert band. Everybody come. Ladies bringing baskets admitted free. Gentlemen purchasing baskets will be refunded their fee. Come out and encourage the band. Admission 10c.

Eclectic short hand is very easy to learn, and it is the most rapid system. Short hand notes are read as easily as print.

For Sale.

One good 1200 pound team, cheap. Enquire of B. Martin one mile northwest of College.



F. L. Miller,

The Fall and Winter suits and Overcoats of the famous

KUPENHEIMER

Guanteed Make

are of the character which most of the men, who are particular about their clothes, imagine are to be had from only the high-price tailors.