

Corvallis Times

Official Paper of Benton County.

CORVALLIS, OREGON, DEC. 19, 1903.

HIS SUDDEN DEATH.

And Burial—Carl Schimmel Succumbs to an Attack of Pneumonia.

The mortal remains of Carl Schimmel, a well known resident, were buried in Locke cemetery Wednesday afternoon. The funeral was from the family home a few miles north of town, and was attended by many neighbors and old friends. The service at the house and cemetery was conducted by Rev. Carrick of the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Schimmel's death occurred Tuesday morning, after an illness of but a few days. He was in town scarcely more than a week ago. His malady was pneumonia, which was of violent form and resisted every effort of medical skill to control.

The disease was aged 68 years and 20 days. He came to Benton County eighteen to twenty years ago, and for a time resided in Corvallis and vicinity. Then he went to Lower Alsea where he resided until about three years ago. Then he purchased of William Knotts a farm north of town which he has since occupied.

Mr. Schimmel was born November 22nd 1835 at Greifswold, Pomerania Germany. After many years in the Merchant service and United States navy, he settled in Pennsylvania, where he was united in marriage to Christina Seeman in 1871. In 1874 he moved to Kansas and from there to Oregon about 1876 residing for a time in Portland and Yamhill county. The surviving members of the family are, a widow and the following sons and daughters: Mrs. Alfred Bicknell of Benton County, Mrs. Wilfred Bicknell of Oakland Oregon, a younger daughter at home, and a daughter and two sons in California. The deceased was a man of fine qualities, and was held in high esteem wherever known.

Rates for Christmas Holidays.

The Corvallis & Eastern R. R. Co. have made a round trip rate of one fare between all stations on account of Xmas holidays. Tickets will be good going Saturday, Dec. 19, 1903, to Jan. 2, 1904 and for return at any time up to and including Monday, Jan. 4, 1904. No ticket less than 25 cents.

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

Fight will be Bitter.

Those who will persist in closing their ears against the continual recommendation of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, will have a long and bitter fight with their troubles if not ended earlier by fatal termination. Read what T. R. Beall of Beall, Mass. has to say: "Last fall my wife had every symptom of consumption. She took Dr. King's New Discovery after everything else had failed. Improvement came at once and four bottles entirely cured her. Guaranteed by Allen's Pharmacy. Price 50c and \$1. Trial bottles free."

Greeting.

To the Citizens of Corvallis and surrounding: Having been engaged in the real estate business for past ten years in the East, I have decided to take up the business here. In doing so I expect to advertise in the East as well as here at home and keep in touch, as nearly as possible, with the emigration from the East. Having been a traveling real estate salesman through several of the Eastern states and knowing the disadvantages of the different localities, I shall be better able to set forth the advantages to be found here than the man who has always lived here and is not acquainted with the Eastern States. If you wish to make inquiries regarding my past you can write to any prominent citizen or to any of the banks of Iowa, that having been my headquarters before coming here. After satisfying yourselves as to my responsibility if you have anything in the way of real estate for sale or rent which you may see fit to place in my hands it will have my best attention, and though you have no business to place with me I shall be glad to have you call as I should like to become acquainted with you and will thank you for any points of interest or good suggestions for Eastern advertising. If you have property to list and it is convenient please call on Saturday, however I shall be glad to see you at any time. If you are interested in the growth of our country please call and see me.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I beg to remain yours for business.

E. E. WHITE.

Office first door south of Reading Room, Corvallis, Ore.

SCARCETY OF TEACHERS.

This Writer Says it is Because Examinations are Made too Strict.

I recently read an article entitled, "A scarcity of teachers, and why?" The problem has become a burning question with school boards in Oregon, where but recently there was an over supply of teachers. The article urged that the fault is with school boards, who do not pay sufficient salaries to induce young people to enter the profession, and urged advance of pay all along the line.

In my view the fault is in another direction. It will be remembered that our educational officers took it upon them selves a few years ago, by raising the standard of examinations, to debar the greater number of our teachers from securing certificates. Under these examinations, many a teacher perfectly qualified to teach in country districts was unable to get certificates. Yet in all other respects, many of these former teachers were better qualified to teach rudimentary grades than are lots of those who now obtain certificates. All know that it takes more than a mere education to make a good school teacher. Under the new plan, we have to take anything for a teacher, just so it has an education. The reader will remember the time that almost any young man or woman with a common school education could obtain a certificate, and teach a successful term of country school. But now, going into the arena that is fixed by the authorities they are almost sure to fail. There are children in many a remote district that are growing up in dense ignorance. In our district we have had but a little over two months school in the past eighteen months. There are in this part of the country six or seven other districts that are faring about the same. If this plan had been in vogue it is doubtful if Frances Willard had ever become known to the world. She was reared in the wilds of Wisconsin, and where school privileges were meagre, but she obtained a first class certificate, and in her time taught 1,000 pupils. Had she applied for a certificate in one of the arenas of Oregon, she would have gone home a disappointed girl, as her education was very limited. Indeed, it is not necessary to go back to the instances of Frances Willard, James A. Garfield, Daniel Webster and others, but right here in Oregon, in Benton County and Alsea we will find school teachers that will gladly teach for the same wages that was given a few years ago. Oregon is paying today \$12 per capita to educate her public school children. Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin, Ohio and all Eastern states pay about the same, while many of the southern states pay only \$3 to \$2.50 per capita.

The trouble is chiefly with the general management, and not with our school boards. Many people are taking their children to the cities and towns of Oregon, because they cannot have a school at home. Yet there are thousands of children in the state whose parents are so situated that they cannot leave home to send their little ones off to school. If the wrong here pointed out is not made right we shall have to send to other states for teachers, for business men and if you please for students to fill the colleges.

Frank Hughes.

Alsea, Oregon, Dec. 16, 1903

We are capturing the gift makers. Our line of diamonds, watches, rings, and silver novelties, is full of quality and merit. F. M. French, the Jeweler, Albany.

The finest engraved souvenir spoons in the city are to be found at E. P. Greffoz, the Jeweler.

For Sale.

Grub oak wood. For particulars inquire of E. B. Horning.

Out glass of the finest designs at prices that any person can afford to purchase at E. P. Greffoz, the Jeweler.

Go to Zierolf's for fresh Yaquina Bay oysters.

Big stock of cloaks, wraps, jackets and rain garments at Nolan & Callahan's.

The great wearing shoes, Napa Tan, new supply now in. S. I. Kline sole agent.

Overcoat sale at Kline's.

New goods all the time at Nolan & Callahan's.

Leave your orders for oysters at Zierolf's on Tuesday.

Racine feet for men, women and children, Nolan & Callahan.

DEATH OF C. B. WELLS.

Former Chief of Police of Corvallis—His Funeral Today.

The funeral of C. B. Wells, formerly chief of police of Corvallis and a resident of Benton county since 1852, is to occur from Wilkins undertaking parlors at 10 o'clock today. He died in a hospital in Portland at 8:30 o'clock Thursday morning. His ailment was the bursting of a blood vessel and the consequent presence of a clot of blood in the brain. He had been under treatment for the trouble in the hospital ever since his arrival in Oregon from Alberta, Canada, seven weeks ago. Just before going there he was in Corvallis, at which time his relatives and immediate friends were informed as to the serious character of his malady. It was then believed however, from the advice of physicians in Portland, that death was not to be expected so soon.

For about fifty years, Mr. Wells was a continuous resident of Benton county. He arrived here in 1852, settling then on a farm on Greasy Creek, where he resided until a dozen years ago. Then he came to Corvallis, and for a few years was engaged in the grocery business. Later he was twice elected chief of police of Corvallis. In 1901, he went to Alberta, Northwest Territories, Canada, to reside. He was born in Platt county, Missouri, in July 1841, and lived to be 62 years of age. He resided in the state of his nativity, until the spring of 1852, when he crossed the plains by ox team to Oregon.

Mr. Wells was married in 1863 to Miss Esther Garrett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Garrett. The wife died about fourteen years ago. The surviving sons and daughters are, Ed. Lee, and Will Wells of Alberta, Mrs. Waggoner, of Eugene, Mrs. Gregory of Alberta, Mrs. Colt of LaGrande, and Miss Jewell Wells, who lives with her sister in Eugene. The surviving brothers and sisters are, John and W. A. Wells of Corvallis, Mrs. Boyd, Kansas City; Mrs. Vineyard, Corvallis; and Mrs. Bell, Prineville. The interment will be in Odd Fellows cemetery.

The body arrived on the West-side train yesterday, and is now at Wilkins' undertaking parlors.

THEIR CAMPAIGN.

For New Members—What the Plan is—Woodmen are Chopping.

Corvallis camp, Woodmen of the World met with the Women of Woodcraft last Tuesday evening to meet Geo. K. Rogers, state organizer of the W. O. W., and to listen to plans of the head consul which he presented, the object of which is the bringing up of the Pacific Coast branch of the order from 92,000 members and \$700,000 reserve, to 100,000 members and \$1,000,000 reserve.

Mr. Rodgers told how the other 780 camps of the Western jurisdiction were entering into the spirit of the movement and stated that every camp which he had personally visited was vigorously falling timber. "Portland," he said with its twelve camps was receiving over 150 applications monthly, and the Willamette Valley, exclusive of that city, would take a thousand applications this winter.

The plans which he presented were heartily endorsed by the "Neighbors." The camp was divided into two working "timbering crews." These will be known as "Limb-trimmers," under Victor P. Moses, and "Bark-peelers" under D. A. Osburn. Corvallis camp will contribute 25 "logs" for the "mills." These must all be straight-grained, sound to the heart and properly peeled and trimmed.

An evidence of the spirit with which the Corvallis Woodmen will go about this work is shown by the action of Neighbors Osburn and Moses in taking an application with in 20 minutes after camp adjourned.

Keep warm—Fine stock of blankets, comforters, overcoats, furs and underwear at Nolan & Callahan's.

New line of novelty dress goods just received.

Big bargains this month in ladies tailored suits, walking skirts, flannel waists Boys suits and overcoats. Nolan & Callahan.

FOR SALE.

Vetch seed at Corvallis Flour Mills

Nothing makes a more appropriate gift than one of those detachable handle "Hull" umbrellas, \$1.50 to \$2.00. Ladies and gents sizes. F. M. French, Jeweler, Albany.

New and second hand sewing machines for sale at the Blackledge Furniture and Music Store.

HOW OLD IS ANN?

Trouble the new Puzzle Makes—Cain it Raised in a School Board.

The age of Ann is a vexed question in many a Corvallis household now. A well known housewife was mixing up the dough for biscuits when a neighbor woman came in and asked her how old Ann was. Straightway the two began to figure. They argued and figured oblivious of the lapse of time until the husband and children arrived for dinner to find the two women in a hopeless discussion of Ann's real age, with the fire out in the kitchen stove, the dough still un-kneaded, and the old Nick to pay generally. There is the story of another woman who read the puzzle, seized a pencil and paper and labored with the figures until her husband finally rescued her from the exasperating calculations just in time to save her from hysterics. But these instances are mild compared to the trouble that the question of Ann's age made in a Kansas town. As sent out in a Washington dispatch the tale runs thus:

"Hiawatha, Kan., where the song comes from, is disturbed over 'How old is Ann?' When the query reached there every man, woman and child in the place, lead-pencil in hand, began to figure on the problem.

One bright school girl asked the principal of the public school, 'How old is Ann?' The principal figured and then announced that Ann is eighteen. The child went home and told her father, a banker, who is chairman of the school board, that Ann is eighteen.

"Not for mine," answered the proud father, who had figured it out fourteen. He filed charges against the teacher alleging that anybody who figures Ann out is unfit to teach school.

The school board wrestled with the problem but was unable to determine certainly whether Ann is eighteen or fourteen, but as the man who made the complaint has considerable influence the board was disposed to call it fourteen and dismiss the principal. The latter wrote Representative Curtis today requesting him to use his influence with the school board to hold him his job.

"But no matter what the decision," he adds, "I am convinced that Ann is eighteen."

Mr. Curtis is friendly to the principal, who has considerable influence in politics.

"How old is Ann?" Mr. Curtis asked his friends. They figured and then advised Mr. Curtis to see Mr. Courts, clerk to the committee on appropriations, who is authority on figures.

Mr. Courts dropped deficiencies, and surpluses, and worked on the problem for hours. He finally gave as his verdict that Ann might be either eighteen or fourteen.

"That suits me," declared Mr. Curtis. "I can give a decision. Both sides are right."

P. M. Zierolf, grocer, will keep open after 6 p. m. from this time until January 1st.

My store will be open evenings from this date until after Christmas. C. A. Gerhard.

New goods all the time at Nolan & Callahan's.

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

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Don't You Hear them Bells?

Them X-mas Bells. They have been ringing with us for the past month; and now Santa Claus has given us permission to jingle them for you, and from now until January 1st, 1904, we shall make them JINGLE MERRILY. If some of the melody does not get into your home it will not be our fault. The choicest things will go first. No need to wait until the last moment, buy now. Need not have them delivered now. We will store them for you, and deliver them when you say. Here are a few suggestions. Our stock is now at its best, and you have time to make selections leisurely.

GIFTS FOR LADIES.

- A Fine Dress Pattern.
- A Cloak, Wrap or Jacket
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- A Circular Shawl
- A Silk Skirt Waist

GIFTS FOR GENTLEMEN.

- A Business or Dress Suit
- An Overcoat or Rain Coat
- A Dress Suit Case
- A Box Handkerchiefs
- A Silk Muffler
- A Pair Shoes or Slippers.
- A "Hawes" \$3 Hat
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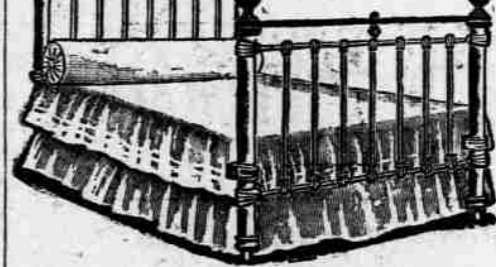
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- Rings,
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- Sterling Novelties,
- Ebony Toilet Pins,
- Fancy Clocks,
- Watches.

For Gentlemen.

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- Hat & Clothes Brushes
- Stick Pins,
- Cuff Buttons,
- Fountain
- And
- Plain Gold Pens.

Come early and secure your choice from the largest assortment of its kind in the city. Open night and day until January 1st. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, I am Yours for Xmas Gifts,

E. W. S. PRATT,
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