

LOCAL NEWS

Grant Elgin arrived Saturday in a business trip to Coos Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor left Monday for California in search of a more favorable climate.

Miss Sophia Elgin returned yesterday to Salem, where she is studying nursing at the Sanitarium.

Miss Fay Weisner returned to her home in McMinnville Sunday after a visit with Miss Louise Gilber.

Mrs. J. Mason went to Brownsville Monday to visit relatives for a week on ten days.

Mr. Minor and daughter Crystal returned Saturday from Olex, where they spent last autumn for the benefit of Miss Minor's health.

A residential lot has been constructed on the east side of James Taylor's residence.

Gyp Thurston, the well-known former OAC student and football player was in town Saturday.

Mr. A. D. Morrison left Saturday to join his business at Carlton. Mr. Morrison recently purchased a drug store there.

Misses Sophia and Mary Elgin entertained a number of friends Monday evening at their home on College Hill. It was the amusement.

Joe Smith arrived Saturday from Portland where he has been at the bedside of his wife. The latter is improving in health and expects to be home again within a short time.

Elvin Witham is preparing to build a substantial residence on the Witham farm a short distance west of town. Work will begin as soon as the weather settles a little. The house is to cost about \$1,000.

The First Spiritual Union of Corvallis will hold services Sunday in Barrett Lyceum. Doors open at 2:30. Service at 3 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Dr. Drive was called to Eugene Monday to preach the funeral sermon of an old friend named Wilkins, whose death occurred in that city Sunday. Dr. Drive returned to Corvallis yesterday afternoon in time to catch the afternoon and evening meetings yesterday.

Homey Lilly, of the Centennial meat market, killed a beef Friday which dressed 59 per cent of the gross weight. This is regarded as an extraordinary product. The slaughtered animal was a cow, part Jersey, 80 years old, and was purchased from W. G. Lane. Her gross weight was 112 pounds, and she dressed 660 pounds.

A runaway team had the right of way on Main street for a few seconds Saturday afternoon. The outfit started near Herold's black-mitch shop, and turned down street at full speed, ending in a collision with a telephone pole and all others. At the corner of Abbott's stable one horse attempted to continue the flight north while the other headed east, and the effect was a collision with a telephone pole in which the wagon was considerably damaged. The horses were not injured. The outfit belonged to Ernest Rogers of Lion county.

The annual inter-society debates for the Garch cup are to begin in a short time at the college. The schedule has already been arranged, but none of the subjects have been selected. The cup is now in possession of the Perseus who won it as a result of last year's contests. The year before it was won by the Amelians. Each society that holds it for a year, gets its name engraved on the cup, and that one that can hold it for three years takes it for all time without further defense. There are eight societies at the college, and if all contest, about seven details will be required to determine the issue.

Twenty to 10 was the score by which the OAC men defeated the McMinnville College team at basket ball in the Colboze Armory Saturday night. The game was witnessed by a large crowd, who watched the struggle with much interest. The play as the score indicates, was most of the time in McMinnville territory. The OAC team was Swan, Moores, Rinehart, Cate and Stelwer. Stelwer and Cate went out at the end of the first half, and their places were taken by Bilgen and Grover Cate. A game with Seattle is to be the next to take place at the Armory. It is expected to occur about two weeks.

Probably the biggest audience ever assembled in the Methodist church was present Sunday at the evening meeting conducted by Dr. Driver. The regular seats in the auditorium and annex were completely filled, as well as additional seats in the aisles, wherever floor space could be found. In addition, there was an overflow of humanity in which every inch of standing room was occupied. The service was union in character, all of the congregations in town having given up appointments in their own churches to join in the meeting. The meetings as conducted by Dr. Driver for a week, assumed an evangelistic character Sunday night, and will be continued throughout the current week, with service every afternoon at 2:30 and every evening at 7:30.

Mr. J. C. Kaupack left Saturday to locate permanently on a farm in Clatsop county.

Mrs. Mary Whitby installed the newly elected officers of Corvallis Grange last Saturday.

The regular services will be held by the pastor, at the McFauland chapel, next Sunday morning.

Mrs. Greffle, nee Miss Maud Herr, has a rival, and was on the streets yesterday.

Mrs. B. F. Seely is in Portland taking electrical treatment for tumorous or other afflictions, the exact nature of which, seems not to be fully understood.

Mrs. J. H. Harris gave a tea Saturday to thirty lady friends. A gathering and a delicious lunch were features of the afternoon.

Mrs. P. T. Hall and daughter of Portland, are guests of Mrs. Hammell at Hotel Corvallis. The ladies are sisters.

Dr. A. D. Morrison, formerly of Corvallis, but later of Prineville, has purchased a drug store and located at Carlton for the practice of his profession.

Fred Oberer spent Saturday and Sunday in town, having come up from Polk county to pay off some claims against the Charter Oaks sawmill.

Yesterday was ground hog day. If the traditional hog ventured out, it is probable that he sneezed a time or two in the fog, and hurried back into his hole with an attack of shivers.

The O. A. C. basket ball team was defeated in a game with the Dallas College team at Dallas Friday night, in a score of 13 to four. A return game is to be played in this city in the near future, when it is hoped that the record may be reversed.

The nine-year-old son of Jesse Moses of Philomath, was reported dying with pneumonia Monday afternoon. There was a turn for the better during the night, and yesterday morning there was a chance for recovery, though hope could not, according to the physician be held out until the day had passed.

Friday night twin children were born to the household of Ed Looney, Monroe. For a time the life of Mrs. Looney was almost despaired of, but later news is somewhat encouraging. Miss Rose Ingram, who is a student at O. A. C., was on Saturday summoned to the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Looney.

J. A. Montgomery arrived last of the week from South Dakota and expects to buy land and locate in Benton. He was in Oregon last August for a time, and he has learned enough about the country to feel that he will be satisfied to make his future home here. When he buys a farm he will return to South Dakota and bring out his family in which there are several boys and girls all of whom, Mr. Montgomery says, are workers.

Last Friday was the birthday of Judge Greffle. When he arrived home, the eight that met his gaze was a number of his intimate friends, ranged about the room. The expression that rested on his face for a full minute is described as a cross between a love story and an epileptic fit. It presently flitted away, and gave place to an apparent expectancy that he stood face to face with a Boxer uprising or a tar and feathering party. When he finally gained his equilibrium, he made his guests more than welcome, and the evening, with a banquet and other features was felicitously spent.

The local option petitions recently circulated in Benton county, have been forwarded to the headquarters at Portland of the committee that is pushing the measure. The petitions ask the submission of a local option law to the voters in the coming June election, under the initiative provision of the Constitution. The petitions were only circulated at Corvallis, Philomath and Dusty, the three places supplying more than Benton's proportion of the per centum of voters necessary to secure submission of the law to a vote. The number of signers at Corvallis was 333; at Philomath, 79; and at Dusty, 20, making a total of 432.

Accounts of the doings of the Holy Rollers have penetrated even to far-off Scotland. A copy of the Edinburgh Scotchman, containing a column and a half story of the sect, has reached the "Times" office. The article is sensationally written, and mixed with the truth there is a varied but highly interesting amount of the imaginative. The story is founded on the original outbreak of the sect in which furniture, musical instruments and the bodies of domestic animals were burned, and it includes the raid of the officers, the examination for insanity, and the flight and return of Brooks and Creffield. A young woman is mentioned as being selected for the sacrifice, and the story of her doings as Creffield stands with uplifted hands in the midst of the smoke from a sacrificial fire is dramatic in the extreme. The article is of engrossing interest, both as a matter of curiosity and as showing the intense interest the doings of the sect have aroused all over the civilized world. The story will appear in full in Saturday's issue of the "Times."

Upholstering.
Lounges, Conches, Desks, Folding Beds, Etc., made to order. Particular attention given to special orders and repairing. All work guaranteed. One door south of R. M. Wade's, Main street.
W. W. Holgate.

FINED FORTY DOLLARS
And Wanted to Fight in Court—Troubles for Fan Tan Players.

Chin Me is a Corvallis Chinaman who is \$40 poorer in this world's goods than he was Saturday night. The money with which he parried is in the coffers of the city of Corvallis, and is the price of a violated gambling statute. Mr. Me was fined in Judge Greffoz court Monday morning, and for a time it looked as though he would elect to go to jail. He stood silent and sullen, until after repeated notice from Chief Lane to "Come on and go to jail," he finally dug up two shining \$20 pieces and reluctantly handed them over to the officers. A ter that he left the place, nursing, it is certain, a fierce thirst for revenge on the men that brought financial depression on him.

Mr. Me is the proprietor of a wash house a few doors north of the Farmer's Hotel. Several months ago his place was raided by the officers, and a fan tan game surprised in full operation. All the players pleaded guilty and each was required to pay the minimum fine under the law. The raid seems not to have broken up the game, for Saturday night Jim Sing, the restaurant man lodged a complaint with the officers against Chin Me to the effect that the latter was running a fan tan game.

The complaint was the result of the old story of a row between the players. It nearly resulted in a riot in the office of the police judge when the defendant and his accuser stood face to face. Chin Me declared that Jim Sing owed him \$100 and Jim promptly announced that Chin Me was a liar. Even the austere mien of His Honor failed to impress the two heathen, and in defiance of all court rules they flew at each other with war and blood all over the horizon. His Honor called for peace, but there was no peace. He commanded silence, but the response was a turbulent mixture of Chinese oaths and celestial jabbering. Determined that his court should not be the scene of a Boxer uprising the judge laid violent hands on the combatants and compelled a truce. Chin Me has most of the Chinamen in town in his debt. Louis the cook, who draws a salary of \$50 per month owes him \$11, Jim Sing \$100 and various other of his countrymen sums of varying amounts. His game is apparently one of the most thrifty enterprises in town.

PLANTING AND PRUNING.
William Albrecht Gives a few Seasonable Suggestions.

This is the month for planting and pruning. Roses should be planted while in a dormant state; for, if removed for transplanting while the sap is flowing freely, and the plant is in vigorous growing condition, there occurs too great a shock—one from which the plant does not easily recover.

Plants of delicate habit and weak growth require severe pruning. Those that are vigorous in growth should have the shoots only moderately shortened, but the branches should be well trimmed out.

Rustic work having shaved surfaces ought to receive a coat or two of linseed oil yearly. Vases, trellises or other painted garden work may now be put in order by cleaning and painting. Prepare new trellises in good season.

Pruning of trees and shrubs is now in order. Manure, whether gardening for pleasure or for profit. The ground must not be cropped year after year—not even of the grass—without returning some equivalent in the form of manure. Well decomposed stable manure, if it can be produced, should be preferred to all others.

William Albrecht.

Degree of Honor Entertainment.
The members of the Degree of Honor lodge will give an entertainment in their hall over Allen's drug store, Friday evening, Feb. 5th. A program will be rendered. Admission 15 cents; children, 10 cents. The public is invited.

The following is the program: Instrumental solo, recitation solo, farce, "Aunt Sophronia at the Opera," vocal duet, pantomime, "Lockinvar," solo, farce, "Aunt Susan Jones," vocal duet.

A new line of wall paper, go-carts and matting just received at O. J. Blackledg's Furniture store.

For Exchange.
A fine residence in Los Angeles, good location, will rent for \$30 per month, value \$4000, for improved farm about same value.
J. G. Simpson,
2560 N. Sichel st.
Los Angeles, Cal.

COLLECTING TAXES NOW.
Roll the First in the State to Reach the Sheriff—The Figures.

Tax collecting began at the sheriff's office yesterday, and several payments were made during the day. The Benton roll is the first in the state to be completed, Clerk Moses having turned the big record over to Sheriff Burnett last Friday. The present is the second instance in which Clerk Moses has been the first county clerk in the state to complete his roll and turn it over for tax collection.

The total taxes to be collected in Benton, as shown by the completed roll is \$85,032.42. The amount was about \$82,000 last year. The aggregate is increased enormously this year by the state tax, which is more than the entire amount to be collected for county expenses. The figures of the state tax are \$24,745, while the figures for county expenses are \$22,337. Out of this \$22,337.46 all the rebate allowed on taxes has to come, so that the amount the county actually realizes is the above figures less the rebate. The rebate usually amounts to \$1,700 or \$1,800, so that the total amount that will be collected for county expenses will only aggregate about \$20,500, or more than \$4,000 less than the amount collected for state tax.

The state school tax is another item that also swells the final aggregate very largely. The figures are \$15,693, or within about \$5,000 of the entire amount to be collected for county expenses. The various items of taxes, the amounts of each and what and where collected for are as follows:

Special School Dist No. 1	\$ 95.76
" " " 3	665.75
" " " 9	6594.15
" " " 14	167.19
" " " 17	641.58
" " " 18	255.55
" " " 23	164.71
" " " 24	107.33
Road Dist, No. 1	\$ 358.12
" " " 2	33.06
" " " 3	28.81
" " " 4	366.57
" " " 5	345.28
" " " 6	353.52
" " " 7	173.12
" " " 8	61.74
" " " 9	112.12
" " " 10	149.30
" " " 11	377.03
" " " 12	214.97
" " " 13	165.88
" " " 14	288.47
" " " 15	178.97
" " " 16	95.00
" " " 17	170.80
" " " 18	66.94
City of Philomath	408.59
City of Corvallis	5534.01
Polis	593.00
Road Fund [General]	3514.72
State Tax	24,745.00
State School	15,693.00
County	22,337.46
Total	\$5032.42

WHAT YOU OWE.
In Taxes—And Where to Find the Amount—Sheriff Burnett's Plan.

Last year, Sheriff Burnett tried the experiment of placing a number of lists of the taxpayers and the amount of the taxes of each in several places in the various precincts. The preparation of the lists, with 2,500 taxpayers in the county, involved a large amount of work at the sheriff's office, but it turned out to be such convenience to the taxpayers that Sheriff Burnett has put the same plan into execution again this year. Lists of every taxpayer in each precinct, sometimes three or four lists in each precinct have been prepared, and sent out. By reference to these lists the taxpayer can ascertain the amount of his taxes and send in the money without making a special trip to the county seat for the purpose. Lists are to be found at the following places:

Fairmount precinct—George Beamis, Chester Skeels, T. B. Williamson, and Frank Hughson,
Soap Creek precinct—Store of J. A. Carter.
Kings Valley—Stores of M. L. Frantz and Miller & A. Corn.
Wren—Store of Scott King.
Blodgett—Store of J. A. Wood.
Summit—Store of Titus Ranney.
Alsea—Store of Wade Malone.
Bellfountain—Stores of N. Clem and A. H. Buckingham.
Monroe—Stores of A. Wilhelm & Co and Norwood Trading Co.
Willamette—Store of Norwood Trading Co. and Inavale postoffice.
Philomath—Stores of J. E. Henkle, F. P. Clark, Moses Bros, Hill & Son, Judson Weed.

For Sale.
At about 50 per cent on the dollar large house, barn, and woodshed, 2 lots corner 3rd and Washington streets. Apply to owner. \$1800.
H. H. Kreger,
Santa Barbara, Cal.

FEBRUARY INVENTORY SALE

This month is cleaning up month, stock adjusting time—cleaning the deck for spring business. Therefore you will find here that goods are lower in price, not because they have decreased in value, but because our policy will not permit carrying them over another season.

Ladies' Jackets.	Brussels Carpet
\$3 00 Ladies' Jackets 1 50	50c Per Yard.
4 00 Ladies' Jackets 2 00	35c Cottage Carpet 25c yd.
5 00 Ladies' Jackets 2 50	40c Win. Shades, 25c each.
7 50 Ladies' Jackets 3 75	1-3 off on all small pieces of Matting.
10 00 Ladies' Jackets 5 00	1-3 off on broken lines of Lace Curtains.
Children's	
5 00 & 6 00 Jackets 2 50	

1-3 off on Ladies' Furs.	1-3 off on Wool Waists
1-3 off on Ladies Wrappers	\$1 25 Ladies Waists \$1 05
1-3 off on Ladies Skirts.	2 00 Ladies Waists 1 35
Corsets in broken lines 50c on the dollar.	2 50 Ladies Waists 1 70
A few pieces of 50c Dress Goods at 25c per yard.	3 00 Ladies Waists 2 00
	1-3 off on Ice Wool Shawls and Fascinators.

Values and the worth of materials not considered. It's only how quickly we can clean up and make room for the new spring fabrics. At

S. L. KLINE'S,
Regulator of Low Prices.

HOME-SEEKERS!

IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR SOME REAL good bargains in stock, grain, fruit and poultry Ranches, write for my special list, or come and see me. I shall take pleasure in giving you all the reliable information you wish, also showing you over the country.

HENRY AMBLER,
Real Estate, Loan, and Insurance.
Philomath, Oregon.

EMERY'S ART STUDIO
South Main St., Corvallis, Ore.

Carbon, Platinum and Platino Portraiture
O. A. C. ATHLETIC AND SCENIC VIEWS.

Art Calendars, Sofa Pillow Covers, And other Photographic Novelties.

Reductions for February

GROCERIES.

D. G. Sugar, 100 pounds.....	\$5.65
Extra C Sugar,	5.15
Padlock brand Peaches, 35c cans, for.....	.25
Palo Alto brand Peaches, 25c cans, for.....	.20
Extra Standard errn, two cans for.....	.25
Extra Standard tomatoes two cans for.....	.25
Six packages yeast foam.....	.25
Six magic yeast.....	.25
Four packages Arm and Hammer soda.....	.25
Three cans fancy sardines in oil.....	.25
Two pounds Golden Sunrise coffee.....	.25
Seven bars Daisy laundry soap.....	.25
Six bars Silk laundry soap.....	.25
Twenty dozen clothes pins.....	.25
Ten packages toothpicks.....	.25
Defiance Washboards.....	.20

DISHES.

One set decorated cups and saucers.....	50
One set decorated dinner plates.....	50
One set decorated soup plates.....	50
One set decorated breakfast plates.....	40
One set decorated pie plates.....	40

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