

LOCAL LORE.

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Wheat 72. Circuit court next Monday. Republican primaries next Saturday; democratic next Tuesday. Miss Ruth Flinn of Albany is the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. C. Schmitt. The Misses Danneman entertained a number of friends Saturday evening. Rev. Father Springer went to Yaquina Monday on a business trip. Mrs. Compton of Roseburg is in Corvallis on a visit to the family of her son, J. J. Flett. Mr. Patty, former driver of Wells Fargo, has removed with his family to the By Geer farm, a mile west of town. Mrs. MacLean and children left Monday for Fort Morgan, Colorado, to join Dr. MacLean, where he is rector of a flourishing parish. An adjourned term of the circuit court is to convene at the court house Saturday. It is the usual preliminary meeting of the court, instituted by Judge Hamilton to fix matters so that the jury may get to work promptly after the regular term begins. The adjourned session is called to meet at nine a. m. Saturday. Many special trains of ties pass back and forth now over the C. & E. between Corvallis and Albany. The ties are from westside sawmills. They are taken to Latham on the east side for treatment to preserve them and are then brought back and distributed for use in the westside and P. & Y. tracks. An unconfirmed dispatch, dated Tokio, March 22nd, declares that Port Arthur has fallen. Tokio newspapers print the story in extra editions. They state that the battle began both on land and sea and continued throughout Saturday, Saturday night and Sunday, and that it was renewed on Monday morning, when the Russians surrendered. The total number of electors that had registered up to yesterday morning was 1,046. The total figures for the same day two years ago were 967. The increase is 79. Only about seven weeks remain for registering, which with nearly 2,000 voters, means that the rate of registration must increase, or many will fail to get their names on the election rolls. The last day for registering is May 15th. There are but 21 cases on the docket for the regular term of circuit court which convenes Monday. The number is the smallest since away back in the early days of courts in Benton. The criminal docket includes the Guier case, the Small case, and the case against W. H. Wagner. Wagner was under two charges of assault at the November term and on trial was acquitted of one of them. It is probable that the other will be dismissed. Caves and settling of dirt in a lateral sewer on Adams between Eighth and Ninth streets present conditions of danger. To the north of the beaten track along which vehicles pass the settling of the dirt has left a trench of unknown depth, which, of course, is filled with water. A similar condition is presented to the south of the track, and woe may come to the passer-by that veers either to the right or to the left. Both openings are under water, and the depth can only be surmised. Benton is again out of debt with a snug balance in the hands of the treasurer. The call in another column cancels all warrants outstanding, and relieves the county from further interest payments for the present. The condition, with only a five mill levy for county purposes, or a levy of only 8.6 mills on the valuation of last year ought to be a source of satisfaction to the people of the county. But for the enormous State taxes and State school taxes, persons outside of Corvallis would have small taxes to pay this year. In Corvallis the seven mill city levy and the six mill school levy, cut a large figure. To the Voters of Benton County: According to the wishes of a large number of patrons and friends of our public schools, I submit my name to the voters of Benton county for the office of county school superintendent. Very Respectfully, S. I. Pratt, Philomath, Oregon, Mar. 7, 1904. For Sale. Poland China boar. 22 months old subject to register. Alfred Bicknell, 6 miles north of Corvallis.

FUGITIVE CREFFIELD.

Disappearance of his Wife, and her Return—His Treachery. There has been a hunt in Corvallis and vicinity for Apostle Creffield for a day or two. Reports have been in circulation that he was in hiding in the vicinity. A young man who had never seen him reported that he had walked from the northward towards Corvallis with the fugitive, and that the latter as town was approached had suddenly quit his company and run away. There is also an unconfirmed rumor afloat that a certain young woman of the Roller faith admitted to another Roller that she had seen the bogus saint. A belief that he was in hiding in the vicinity resulted in a search of vacant houses as well as the Roller headquarters across the Willamette, but no trace was found. A day or two ago it developed that Mrs. Creffield had disappeared from the family home across Mary's river and this increased belief that Creffield had stealthily visited Corvallis in his flight from the vengeance that awaits him in Portland. Nothing can be learned of where she went, or the means of her going, and the supposition is that she has joined Creffield. A reward of \$100 is offered for the capture of the outlawed apostle. Lewis Hartley circulated a subscription paper for contributions for the reward, heading the list with a donation of \$40. O. V. Hurt contributed \$20 and Mr. Starr \$10. Nearly the whole of the sum was contributed by husbands whose families are or have been identified with the Rollers. The Portland Welcome tells in plain language the revolting story of Creffield's treachery. The change for which he is wanted is adultery, preferred by B. E. Starr, an injured husband. The paper says that the day the warrant was issued, 12 other Portland husbands whose families had been betrayed appeared in turn at the district attorneys office and asked permission to lodge a charge of the same nature against Creffield. A development as the TIMES goes to press is the return of Mrs. Creffield. She appeared at the family home between 9 and 10 yesterday, coming from, nobody knows where. Sheriff Burnett and Chief Lane visited her at three o'clock, but were unable to get admissions from her. She absolutely refused to talk on the subject of Creffield's whereabouts.

NEARLY NINE INCHES.

For March now—Forty Seven Inches of Rainfall Since September. So far 8.88 inches of rain has fallen during March. The total since the first of last September is 47 inches. The total for the 12 months beginning January 1st and ending December 31st last year was 34.13 inches. That is to say, 12.87 inches more rain has fallen since the 1st of last September than fell during the entire 12 months of last year. The rainfall for the year 1902 was 54.03 inches, or 7.03 inches more than has fallen since the 1st of September. The entire rainfall for the 12 months of 1901 was 44 inches, or about three inches less than has fallen since last September. About 24 inches of the rain fall for the latter period has fallen since February 1st. The moon has lost all its old-time prestige as a weather maker, as a result of the past eight weeks of steady downpour. At stated times throughout the period old inhabitants after consulting calendars, predicted that the coming change of moon would usher in better weather. But every prediction failed to the intense mortification of the prophets and to the great and lasting detriment of the moon as a weather gauge. The 17th was a date to which all the moon-prophets looked calmly forward as sure to bring a change for the better; but the 17th was a day of howling blast and alternating rain and snow, and so have been all the days that followed it. Accordingly, the moon is in bad odor now, but by and by all the old believers will forget the past and as of yore, again watch the moon and the almanac for new and better weather.

Seventh Day Adventists.

Will hold regular services at S. D. A. Hall East Main street between Washington and Adams streets each Sabbath or Saturday, as follows: Sabbath school at 2 p. m., Bible study 3 p. m. Preaching as announced from time to time. Rev. P. J. Cole, Pastor. Invaluable for Rheumatism. I have been suffering for the past few years with a severe attack of rheumatism and found that Ballard's Snow Liniment was the only thing that gave me relief. I had a severe attack of rheumatism, March 24, 1902, John C. Degnan, Kinsman, Ills. 25c. 50c and \$1.00. Sold by Graham & Wortham.

JEFFERSONIANS WON.

In College Debate—Four Societies now out of Contest—Two More Dates. The fourth of the series of seven debates for the Gatch cup took place in College chapel Saturday night. It was between teams from the Sorosis and Jeffersonian literary societies, and resulted in a victory for the latter. The question was, "Resolved that environment exercises a greater influence in the formation of character than does heredity." The Sorosis speakers had the affirmative, and their team was Miss Roberts, leader, Miss Bonney, and Miss Raber. The Jeffersonian speakers were, A. S. Hall, leader, R. R. Selleck and Guy Moore. The judges were, Prof. Berchtold, Prof. Cordley and Mrs. Skelton. It requires three more debates to determine the question of who is to hold the cup the ensuing year. Four of the eight societies are eliminated, by defeats in the late debates, and the four still in the ring must continue to fight out the question of supremacy. For this purpose three more debates will be required. Two of these are already scheduled, as follows: Feronians and Pierians, April 16th; Amicitias and Jeffersonians, April 23rd. The two teams that win on these dates, will thereafter go against each other in a final debate for the cup.

"BUTTONLESS SUSPENDERS"

Are the Latest—Nolan & Callahan's has Them. Tell your tailor to leave the six top buttons off your Spring Trousers. They will only be in the way. You are an up-to-dater, and are going to wear "buttonless suspenders" the rest of your life. They are made just like other suspenders, only in place of straps with button holes the ends terminate in neat nickel-plated clasps that take a secure hold on the trousers band and will not let go under the most strenuous circumstances. Cast-offs are provided both in front and in the back. Queer, isn't it, that the time honored suspender button joke has been so long in setting inventors at work to do away with the treacherous button. The first one hundred pairs of these new "Buttonless Suspenders" to reach Corvallis are at Nolan & Callahan's now so you can buy a pair tomorrow and be one of the first one hundred pioneers to tell your grand-children when you are bald and gray that you remember the day when trouser buttons were cut off forever. Price 50 cents.

Notice to Creditors.

Matter of the Estate of William Groves, dec'd. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed the executrix of the estate of William Groves, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Benton County and has qualified. All persons having claims against said Estate are hereby notified to present the same to the undersigned at the office of W. S. McFadden, First Nat'l Bank building in the City of Corvallis in said County, duly verified within six months from the date hereof. Dated March 10, 1904. EMMA K. GROVES, Executrix of the Estate of William Groves, deceased.

Chief of Police.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of chief of police at the coming city election to be held May 16, 1904 and if elected will endeavor to see that the laws are enforced to the best of my ability. Lee Henkle.

CORVALLIS & EASTERN RAILROAD.

Time Card Number 22. For Yaquina: Train leaves Albany..... 12:45 p. m. " " Corvallis..... 2:00 p. m. " arrives Yaquina..... 6:20 p. m. Returning: Leaves Yaquina..... 6:45 a. m. Leaves Corvallis..... 11:30 a. m. Arrives Albany..... 12:15 p. m. For Detroit: Leaves Albany..... 7:00 a. m. Arrives Detroit..... 12:20 p. m. From Detroit: Leaves Detroit..... 1:30 p. m. Arrives Albany..... 5:55 p. m. Train No. 1 arrives in Albany in time to connect with S P south bound train, as well as giving two or three hours in Albany before departure of S P north bound train. Train No 2 connects with the S P trains at Corvallis and Albany giving direct service to Newport and adjacent beaches. Train 3 for Detroit, Breitenbush and other mountain resorts leaves Albany at 7:00 a. m., reaching Detroit at noon, giving ample time to reach the Springs the same day. For further information apply to EDWIN STORRS, Manager. H. H. Cronise, Agent Corvallis. Thos. Cockrell, Agent Albany.

BUT TWENTY ONE.

Cases for the Circuit Court—Regular Term Next Monday. Following is the list of cases up for adjudication at the coming term of the circuit court which begins next Monday: A. B. Hammond vs W F Crosby. Action on promissory note. Wm. Groves vs John M Osburn. Suit. James I. Lewis vs John McGee, Sr., Action. Palmer Ayers vs E W Strong. Action. G. R. Farra vs A Wilhelm, Adm of Estate of Samuel Rickard, Deceased. Appeal from county court. Mary H Whitby vs John M Osburn, et al. Suit-confirmation sale real property. J H Lewis vs H J Rutter. Action. Fred S Elliott & Ernest Elliott vs Ada Elliott, Emmett W Elliott, Seth Elliott, Lilly M. Elliott, Annie Elliott, E E Wilson and M. R. Elliott. Suit partition real property. J R Fehler & E T Wertzbaugher, vs School Dist. No. 13, Benton County Oregon. & J E Wyatt, Geo. Cooper, J A Parks, as Directors of said Dist & E J Newton, Clerk. Writ-Alternative mandamus. State of Oregon, vs William H Wagner. Crime of assault and battery. William Milton Howell, vs Adam Wilhelm & Sons. Suit-injunction. Wiley Gadsby, vs J C Hammell. Action. Motion to Dismiss. State of Oregon vs Chas. Small Recog. Delila Read vs Thos. G Read Suit-divorce. John B. McLennan, vs Elien Weiss. Application to register real property. A F Peterson vs J H Reed. Action on promissory note. C H Monroe vs S Y Evans. Action. Mary E Herbert, T M Coon, et al. vs A L Coon. Suit for partition & sale real property. The Charter Oak Mill Co., a corporation vs F P Sheagreen & Edward Buxton, partners doing business under firm name of Central Planing Mills & Box Factory. Action. State of Oregon, vs James Guier. Crime of rape. Carl G Hodes vs Heman W Hall and Flora Hall. Action on promissory note.

Rooms and Board.

One block west of College Armory. Special arrangements for students. My Spring Display. My spring display of fine millinery goods will be ready for your inspection March 31st instead of March 25th, if it rains pitchfork points foremost. Mrs. J. Mason.

For Sale.

Vetch, speltz, timothy and rye grass seed. Poland China hogs. Shropshire sheep. One fresh milk cow, a pair of large geese, a pair of turkeys or trio, a two-horse feed power in running order. Timothy and vetch straw bright from barn. L. L. Brooks.

Wells, Windmills and Pumps.

I am now prepared to do all kinds of well, windmill and pump work. See me before you have your work done. Send orders to Simpson's Hardware store. A. N. Harlan.

For Sale.

67 acres farming land, six miles from Corvallis, one mile of railroad and school on county road with mail route, well fenced, running water, no buildings, price \$2,000. Address owner, Howard Bicknell, Corvallis, Ore.

Portland.

Wheat valley 81 Flour 3.90 to \$3.95 per bill. Potatoes \$ .60 to 1.00 per sack Eggs Oregon, 16 per doz. Butter 23 to 24 c per lb. Creamery 30 to per lb. Corvallis.

Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given to all persons that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Emily A. Wright, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Benton County. All persons having claims against said estate of Emily A. Wright, deceased, are hereby notified to present the same with the proper vouchers duly verified, as by law required within six months of the date hereof, to the undersigned, at his home on Beaver Creek, or to C. W. Davis at his office, 14 Philomath, Benton County, Oregon. Dated March 24, 1904. JOHN M. WRIGHT, Administrator of the estate of Emily A. Wright, deceased.

First Glimpses OF SPRING FABRICS. All over the store the new Spring things are crowding in, swiftly turning the perfect Winter store into a perfect Spring and Summer store. New Arrivals: Beautiful Wash Goods, Exquisite Spring Silks, Taffeta and Fancy Ribbons, Fancy Lace Hosiery, Black Dress Goods, Plain and Fancy Veilings, New Allover Laces, Ladies' Belts, Latest styles, New Sorosis Petticoats, New Spring Trimmings, New Kid Gloves. We are showing this Spring a larger and better stock than ever before. At the first opportunity make a tour of this store and you will find many beautiful things to admire, at S. L. KLINE'S, Regulator of Low Prices.

A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY. Now is the time to think about Chat Pair of Eyeglasses. You were to treat your eyes to. Come to me and I will fit your eyes, guarantee the fit, and will be here from 7 to 6 to make good my guarantee. E. W. S. PRATT, The Jeweler and Optician. Close at 6 p. m. except Saturdays.

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.

Stop-Look-Listen! To Gentlemen: Do you wish to choose from an elegant line of Negligee Shirts, in plain, colored, figured, and open work, for Spring wear? Come in and see a large assortment at— 75c. \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50. "Seeing is believing." SPECIAL. We are closing out our All Wool Underwear at cost. \$1.50 Lamb's Wool, Extra Quality, for..... \$1.12 1.25 " " Guaranteed..... .88 Bargains also in Men's and Boys' Clothing. A complete new line of Men's "Kingsbury" Hats in all styles. F. L. Miller Corvallis, Oregon.