

LOCAL LORE.

(Advertisements in this column charged for the rate of 1 cent per line.)

—Wheat 73.
—Homer Davenport, tonight.
—Wiedemann's at the Opera House all next week.

—Miss Laurie Burnett left Thursday for her home at Independence.
A large shipment of apples, grown in the Meeker orchard, left by boat yesterday morning for Portland.

—Ernest Miller went to Independence this week where he has accepted a position in the S. P. office there.

—The cartoons to be drawn by Davenport in his lecture in the Armory tonight are to be given away to holders of reserved seats.

—The reserved seat sale shows that a big audience will greet Homer Davenport, the world-famed cartoonist in the Armory tonight.

—Press notices from all Valley towns are loud in their praise of the Wiedemann Company and its performances. The company presents a bill every night next week.

—The republican congressional convention for this district happens at Salem Wednesday, and the state convention at Portland, Thursday.

—Theatre-goers are expecting much of next weeks visit of the Wiedemann Company. The company played last week in Albany to crowded houses, and the newspaper reports of the performances are extremely favorable.

—Theo Wellsher, whom a telegram called to Hoquiam Washington to be at the bedside of his mother, arrived home yesterday. The condition of his mother is improved, and though for some time the worse was expected, there is now hope of a recovery.

—The fiftieth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Radir was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Graham Wednesday evening. The couple was married in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania April 6, 1854, and later became pioneer residents of the vicinity of Corvallis. As a maiden Mrs. Radir was Miss Margaret Leethman and is a native of the Emerald Isle. Mr. Radir is a native of Germany. The anniversary was celebrated with supper and a subsequent period of social conversation, in which many old time friends participated.

—Great sympathy was expressed by bystanders on Main street Thursday afternoon for a stranger, who was in deep grief. The evidence of the mental and heart agony through which he was passing was observable by everyone. He was a traveling agent for a California nursery. About mid-afternoon he received a telegram from San Francisco, announcing the death of his wife. Five minutes before, he had dropped a letter in the local post-office, addressed to her. Later, he called at the office for the letter, explaining through sobs and tears that it was no use now, and the incident moved deeply those gathered in the vestibule.

—City authorities have been bothered for several days with the problem of what to do with rubbish. A general cleaning up is to be inaugurated when things dry up a little, and the town is now afoot to build a chute off the high bank to the river near Dixon Creek and from there drop rubbish into the Willamette. If this arrangement is effected, then there will remain the dilemma of what to do with dead animals. In the past, the city has had various burial places. Things have developed however to make all of them unavailable. A dead horse was started on the way to one of them the other day, and when half way there the procession was halted by the owner and ordered back to town. For the present the animal that dies in danger of being denied decent burial.

—Mordant A. Goodnough, at present director of the piano department at the Oregon Agricultural College, has resigned his position at that institution, his resignation to take effect at the end of this term. Mr. Goodnough has been elected principal of the piano department of the Western Academy of Music, Portland, Oregon, and will assume his duties at that place next fall. While his friends will be pleased to hear of his good fortune in securing such a position of distinction, still it will be mingled with regret on their part, inasmuch as Mr. Goodnough is a pianist and teacher that it will be hard to duplicate in this part of the country. His mother and sister will continue their residence in this city and Mr. Goodnough will make frequent trips to Corvallis in the interest of his music business.

A SHOOTING AFFRAY.

One Used Shotgun and the Other a Revolver—Happened in Aلس.

Our unusually quiet valley was thrown into a state of excitement Tuesday morning by the report that a battle royal had been fought out on Mill Creek, with A. D. Huard and E. M. Kimball as combatants.

During the skirmish, Huard relied upon a double barrel shotgun while Kimball yielded a .38-caliber revolver, 3 1/2 inch barrel. Huard took first shot at about 30 steps range, the shot taking effect in Kimball's face and chest. Kimball returned the fire. When Huard fired the other barrel, the charge sprinkled Kimball about the abdomen, hands and forearm.

Kimball continued to fire until his gun was empty, when both finding themselves out of ammunition, they retreated in good order. Huard was unhurt and Kimball is not seriously injured, although eight shot took effect in the face. Bad blood has existed for some time and all diplomatic and other relations have been cast off long ago. The trouble is over territory both claim and a road which Kimball wants to cut across the corner of Huard's place. No complaint will be charged by either of the parties.

The battle took place in front of Huard's house on a vacant portion of Huard's place. The men had engaged in a war of words a few minutes before on Kimball's land. Both went to their houses about two hundred yards, and later Kimball started over Huard's land to where a neighbor was cutting wood. Huard emerged with a shotgun and Kimball turned to walk away. Kimball turned his face to look back just in time to receive the charge of shot from Huard's gun. The blood ran down Kimball's face and is believed to be the cause of the latter's poor marksmanship.

TOO MUCH MAIL.

By Albany Route—Change of Arrangement Under Consideration.

F. W. Vaile, assistant superintendent of the railway mail service, with headquarters at Portland was in Corvallis for a few hours Wednesday morning. His trip had chiefly to do with the new Albany-Corvallis mail route. The volume of mail carried by that route has become so great that something of a problem has arisen in handling it. Ten big sacks of matter are not infrequent, constituting a weight far beyond what was expected and offering serious inconvenience to the carrier. It is possible that arrangements will be made for less urgent mail like public documents and other franked mail to be held in Portland for the morning westside instead of coming out on the east-side the evening before.

Mr. Vaile is the man who organized the mail service in the Philippines over which he presided as Director of Posts for three years.

For Sale.

Fine shepherd puppies. Call or address J. H. Edwards, Bellfontain.

Our ladies fine shoes and oxfords at \$2, 2.50, 3.00, and 3.50 are the strongest lines we have ever shown.

Nolan & Callahan.

Wanted.

Mohair and wool. Highest market price paid. Wm. Crees, Corvallis.

Seventh Day Adventists.

Will hold regular service 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.

For Chief of Police.

I respectfully announce myself a candidate for the office of chief of police of Corvallis to be voted for at the annual May election.

W. G. Lane.

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.

THEIR BIG SHOOT.

Happens Next Tuesday—Philomath Shooters—The Prizes Offered.

The big shoot given by the Philomath Gun Club takes place in Philomath next Tuesday. Elaborate preparations have been made, and shooters are to attend from all over the county. A large number of Corvallis boys are going out. The programme of events and prizes is:—

Event No. 1.—10 targets, known angles, entrance fee 50 cents—1st prize 60 per cent of purse; 2nd prize 40 per cent of purse; 3rd prize, kitchen treasure, by M. Burnap, value, \$4.00. 4th prize, 100 shells by R. M. Wade & Co., value \$3.00 5th prize, cake-plate by Peter Zierolf, value, \$1.00.

Event No. 2.—15 targets, unknown angles, entrance fee 75 cents—1st prize, 60 per cent of purse; 2nd prize, 40 per cent of purse; 3rd prize, shotgun, by R. E. Pugh, value \$7.00; 4th prize, 100 shells, by F. P. Clark, value, \$3.00; 5th prize knife, by Ben Felger, value, \$1.50.

Event No. 3.—10 targets, unknown angles, entrance fee 50 cents—1st prize, 60 per cent of purse; 2nd prize, 40 per cent of purse; 3rd prize, bed-room set, nine pieces, by J. E. Henkle, value, \$3.50; 4th prize, "Boss of the Road" hat, by Hall & Son, value, \$2.50; 5th prize, buggy whip, by C. E. Seton, value, \$1.00.

Event No. 4.—15 targets, reverse angles, entrance fee 75 cents—1st prize, 60 per cent of purse; 2nd prize, 40 per cent of purse; 3rd prize, patent "Colt" shoe, by Moses Bros., value, \$6.00; 4th prize, rug by Scott & Pugsley, value, \$3.00; 5th prize, by Newton Bros., value, \$1.50.

Event No. 5.—15 targets, unknown angle, entrance fee 75c—1st prize 60 per cent of purse; 2nd prize 40 per cent of purse; 3rd prize, 1 doz. portraits, by W. G. Emery, value \$6.00; 4th prize, box of cigars by Wiley & Zeis, value \$1.50; 5th prize, fishing tackle, by Berry & Carl, value \$3.00.

Event No. 6.—15 targets, entrance fee \$1.00—handicap, unknown angles, 1st prize 50 per cent of purse; 2nd prize 30 per cent of purse; 3rd prize 20 per cent of purse 4th prize, nickel plated reel by Alex Rennie, value, \$3.50; 5th prize, cash by Henry Ambler \$1.00.

General Average Prizes.

1st average \$5.00 by Philomath gun club. 2nd average \$2.50 by M. P. Burnett. 3rd average \$1.00 by Dr. Loggon.

N. B.—To be eligible for average prize, at least five or more events must be shot through.

Look for the name Crouse & Brandegee on your spring suit.

We Have For Sale



Defiance seed wheat, and choice baled cheat hay at Corvallis Flouring Mills.

Administrator's Sale of Real Property

In the matter of the estate of Jane Elizabeth Fisher, deceased. Notice is hereby given that under and pursuant to an order of sale made by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Benton County, on the 11th day of March, 1904, in the above entitled matter, the undersigned, as administrator, with the will annexed of said estate of Jane Elizabeth Fisher, deceased, will from and after

Monday, the 18th day of April, 1904,

proceed to sell, at private sale, to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, subject to confirmation by said Court, all of the following described real property to-wit: Beginning at a point 37 1/2 chains east of the southeast corner of the northwest quarter of southeast quarter of section 20, T. 11 S. R. 5 W., and run thence north 60 chains; thence east 2.60 chains; thence north 30 chains; thence east to the West line of the donation land claim of Philip Mulkey, Not. No. 558 in T. 11 S. R. 5 W.; thence south to a point 9.50 chains south of the point 4.75 chains west of said northeast corner of said Roberts claim; thence west to the place of beginning. Also lot 10 in section 22, and lots 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 in section 21 T. 11 S. R. 5 W., except therefrom the following beginning at a point 50 links east of the southwest corner of said lot 5 and run thence north 4.09 chains; thence south 70 degrees east 10.23 chains; thence south 24 degrees east 1.83 chains to point on south boundary line of said lot 5 (said point being 4.90 chains west from southeast corner of said lot 5) thence west on south boundary line of said lot 5 a distance of 10.53 chains to the place of beginning, containing 2.28 acres more or less. Also a strip of land 30 feet wide running along the full length of the west side of a piece of land containing 1.33 acres described as follows: beginning at the N. E. corner of claim No. 53 T. 11 S. R. 5 W., run thence W. 15 chains thence N. 9.21 chains; thence E. 15 chains; thence N. 9.21 chains to place of beginning. All the above being in Benton county, state of Oregon.

It being the intention to include in the above description all lands described in mortgage given by Jane E. Fisher and husband to the State Land Board, bearing date December 8, 1900.

Said sale is made for the purpose of paying claims against said estate and charges and expenses of administration, remaining unpaid. Dated this March 12, 1904.

Administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Jane Elizabeth Fisher, deceased. For painting and best paper hanging go to C. A. Hyland third door north of Farmers Hotel.

TO HOLD A MEETING.

Of Stockholders of Independent Telephone Company Wednesday Night.

Next Wednesday evening, in the county court room, there is to be a meeting of stockholders of the proposed independent telephone company. The session will not be public, but all present stockholders, and all who expect to subscribe for stock, are urged to be present. The election of a board of directors, and many other matters vital to the new organization are to be considered.

Mr. DeVarney, representing the Kansas City company whose propositions will be the basis for the new organization, will attend the meeting. He was in Corvallis Thursday. He is asking for a franchise for a similar system in Albany, and the matter is to be decided by the Albany council next Tuesday night.

The fifty shares of stock required by Mr. DeVarney as a condition for his company to build a system in Corvallis have all been taken. Some local citizens are anxious for Corvallis people to own a majority of the stock and control the company. An article urging that course appears in another column. Mr. DeVarney is in for that arrangement if Corvallisites prefer it. Or, he will sell a controlling interest any time, or the entire interest of his company to local stockholders at construction cost, plus six per cent interest. His plan is to put in up-to-date, express phones, not more than two on a line, so arranged that only the phone of the party wanted will ring when the central office calls.

The whole plan, with the business questions and facts incident to it, will be up for consideration at the meeting to be held next Wednesday night. One share of stock costs \$25. Every Corvallisite who has subscribed for one, and all those who intend to do so, are invited and urged to be present.

To Owners of Bulls.

You are hereby notified not to permit your bulls to come on my place. A. M. Gray.

Painting and Paper Hanging.

C. A. Hyland, shop three doors north of Farmers Hotel. Carriage painting a specialty. G. In'ng, house painting at all other work in the painting line done on short notice and at lowest rates.

For best carriage painting go to C. A. Hyland three doors north of Farmers Hotel.

City Treasurer.

I announce myself a candidate for the office of treasurer of the City of Corvallis, subject to the decision of voters at the next annual city election.

Wm. McLagan.

Portland and Return.

Only \$3.00. The Southern Pacific is now selling round trip tickets to Portland from Corvallis for \$3, good going Saturday p. m. or any train on Sunday, returning Sunday and Monday giving all day Sunday in Portland. The same arrangement applies from Portland to visit all Portland people a chance to visit valley points at greatly reduced rates.

Go to Zierolf's for fresh Yaquina Bay oysters.

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.

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.

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.

Just received the finest line of clothing. We bought this from the best manufacturers and every suit is guaranteed. Call and see for clothing. See our men's suit at \$10, it is a marvel. Henkle & Davis.

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 in Philomath, Benton County, Oregon. Dated March 23, 1904. JOHN M. WRIGHT, Administrator of the estate of Emily A. Wright deceased.

New Spring Shirtwaists!



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At 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50 \$2, \$2.25 and 2.50.

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We have just recieved one of the prettiest lines of summer parasols ever brought to Corvallis. In white Champaigne and fancy colors. At \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50 \$3, \$3.50 and \$4.

The different departments are crowded with new and pretty things.

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New Room, New Furnishings, Everything Complete.

Will open next door to Small's in a short time. Look out for further announcements,

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Do you wish to choose from an elegant line of Neglige Shirts, in plain, colored, figured, and open work, for Spring wear? Come in and see a large assortment at—

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We are closing out our All Wool Underwear at cost. \$1.50 Lamb's Wool, Extra Quality, for..... \$1.12 1.25 " " Guaranteed..... \$1.08

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