LOCAL LORE.

NEWS OF CORVALLIS AND VICINITY TOLD IN BRIEF.

The Comings and Goings of People Social Gossip, Personal Mention and Other Items of Public Interest.

—Mrs. S. A. Northorp of The Dalles, arrived Monday and is visiting at the home of A. C. Tunison.

—The Misses Briggs arrived Saturday from Michigan and are guests of their sister, Mrs. A. L. Kneeley.

—Neil Newhouse left Monday for Toledo, where he is to be employed there for a time in overhauling a saw mill in the vicinity.

—In the absence of Rev. Frank Moore, the pulpit of the M. E. church was filled Sunday by Rev. Fields of Shedde.

—Ex-Senator Charles Crosno of Lincol county, was on the streets during the noon hour Monday. He was enroute to Astoria to attend the grand lodge Odd Fellows.

—Marsh Simpson, the well known Elk City fisherman, and a pioneer citizen of Benton was in town Monday, homeward bound from a visit with Polk county relatives.

—A sufficient sum of money has been raised by subscription to build a new sidewalk around the Baptist church, and the work is to be done shortly.

—Marion Frantz of Kings Valley passed through town Monday enroute for Astoria to attend the grand lodge of the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs.

—After a residence of more than a year in California, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cathey and child, arrived Saturday, and will remain. Mr. Cathey has taken a place at J. H. Simpson's hardware and grocery establishment.

—Mrs. Sarah Elgin and Misses Melvena and Sophia Elgin returned Monday from Eugene, where they attended the funeral of the late Fred C. Houston. Miss Sophia Elgin will return to Salem in a few days.

—They are to build a new school house in Kings Valley, and the directors are asking for bids. The advertisement can be seen in another column. The plans and specifications are at the TIMES office, where contractors can see them.

—It is expected that the water in the Willamette will be at a sufficiently low stage so that gravel hauling from the city and county gravel bar across the river can begin tomorrow, in which event a number of teams will be put in the service at once.

—William Mackay, ex-sheriff of Benton county was in town for a few hours Monday, enroute to Nome, where he has mining interests. Many old Corvallis friends were delighted to see the ex-sheriff. He expects this autumn to return to Benton county, to reside.

—Merritt Pratt, a former resident of Benton arrived Sunday with his family of eight from Colorado, and is looking for a location. About 13 years ago, he resided for several years in the vicinity of Philomath. He left, and for a time resided at Arapahoe, Nebraska, going later to Colorado.

—Local business men are agitating the question of holding a Fourth of July celebration in Corvallis. The anniversary of the country's birth was not observed in Corvallis last year and it is probable that a movement for a celebration this year will be inugurated.

—Up to Monday, more than 175 tickets had been sold for the Woodmen's steamboat excursion to run Sunday from Corvallis to Salem and return. The limit allowed is 200 passengers, so that persons who want to go, should apply for tickets early, or they will have to remain at home.

—Considerable mystery surrounds the disappearance from the pasture of a span of horses owned by John Goos, mention of which was made in the TIMES last week. Though careful search has been made everywhere no trace of the animals can be secured. A description of the animals appears elsewhere.

—Ed Clark, for a long time in Huston's hardware store at Corvallis, has left Vale, Oregon, to accept a position as cashier of a bank at Glenn's Ferry, Idaho. He has been since last July in the bank with his brother, Elmer at Vale. The latter position has been accepted by Elwood Clark, who until recently has been employed in Portland.

—Eugene Guard: The body of Fred Houston, son of B. F. Houston of Mohawk, arrived on the afternoon train from Union, Oregon, where he died Thursday of typhoid fever. Fred Houston was 23 years of age, a popular student of the Oregon Agricultural College, and was at the time of his death assistant on the OAC experiment station at Union, A squad of OAC cadets accompanied the remains which were met at the train by the hearse and a large crowd of sympathetic friends. The burial took place at the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

—H. W. Kaupisch spent Sunday with Portland relatives.

—Mr. R. P. Hall of Polk county, was a Corvallis visitor Monday.

—E. Kleppin of Salem, visited Corvallis friends over Sunday.

—Mrs. A. K. Milner is suffering with a severe attack of neuralgia.

—Mrs. J. D. Frye of Grants Pass, is visiting at the home of Rev. P. A. Moses.

—Monday evening, Mrs. Lura Campbell gave a dinner party to a number of friends at Hotel Corvallis.

—Mrs. Eugene Simpson, who has been in San Francisco for several weeks, is expected home tomorrow.

—Mrs. Wesley Hinton and Mrs. Clifford Ralls, of Monroe, were guests of Corvallis relatives the last of the week.

—Charles and Olive Ingram of Oliver City, were guests from Wednesday until Friday of their sister, Mrs. T. H. Wellsher.

—Mrs. J. G. Tunison and son of The Dalles arrived Monday, and are guests of Mrs. Tunison's mother, Mrs. E. A. Martin.

—Saturday afternoon, Miss Blanche Hammel entertained 30 friends at Hotel Corvallis. The occasion was very pleasant.

—Charles and Lee Kennedy are to go to Portland this week, where they have secured a job of carpentering at $3.50 per day.

—There are 37 members in this year's graduating class at O. A. C. Commencement will take place on Wednesday, June 15th.

—Gene M. Simpson has bought the Alva Miner property, in Job's addition, and is to engage more extensively in the fancy poultry business.

—Mrs. Joseph Greenberg, who has been visiting relatives in this city for ten days past, left last evening for her home in San Francisco.

—Two candidates were initiated into the order of Lions at a meeting of the lodge Monday night. There was a programme and a general good time.

—At the senior picnic Saturday, Miss Maud Cochran had the misfortune to fall and sprain her knee. The wrench was so severe that Miss Cochran will be confined to her room for a week.

—Miss Bessie Danneman and Mrs. H. M. Brunk left Monday for Astoria, to attend the grand lodge of the Rebekahs in session there this week. Miss Danneman will visit in Portland before returning home.

—Nearly all the holes are now dug for the independent telephone line between Corvallis and Philomath, and the work of setting poles is soon to begin. The number of poles required between the two towns is about 280.

—After an absence of five months spent in visiting her children in Eastern Oregon, Mrs. Ruth Clark arrived home Saturday. As is well known, Elmer Clark is the nomine for county treasurer in Malheur county, and expects to be elected.

—The Corvallis public school closes June 3d. Examinations were in progress Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The commencement exercises occur June 4th, and it is the purpose to have the eighth and ninth grades receive their diplomas on the same evening.

—The seniors of O. A. C. had a picnic Saturday. With a steam engine as the drawing power, three wagons loaded with merrymakers and provisions were taken to the picnic ground west of town, and there the day was spent as only seniors know how to spend a jolly day out of doors. A young lady operated the engine, and a picture of the crowd and train was taken as a souvenir of the happy occasion.

—Ross Finley, who has been in Benton on a vacation, left yesterday for Bourne, Baker county, where he is assayer for the E. & E. mines. His vacation was incidental to a strike by the miners but matters have all been settled and operations that for a time promised to be laid aside for the summer are to be resumed at once.

—Miss Joyce Hershner, formerly of Corvallis, is in a Portland hospital, and the prospect is that she will lose the sight of one eye. She is teaching in an Eastern Oregon school, and was but recently on a picnic with her pupils. A stone, thrown with much force, by a small boy, struck her in the eye. The injury proved to be severe, and she was taken at once to a Portland specialist, who sent her to the hospital. Later developments are awaited by friends and old classmates in this city with much solicitude.

J. C. Lowe, chief constructor of the Kansas City people who are heavy stockholders in the independent telephone system to be built in Corvallis, arrived Monday, and is to begin operations at once. He has been with the Kansas City people for a number of years, and has built systems in Nebraska, Oklahoma, Kansas and many other states. His experience and the fact that it is a central energy system that is to be built, insures for Corvallis a service better than that of any town in the valley, if not in the Northwest. Mr. De Varney is now here and is in active charge of the business end of the enterprise. As the independent system is largely a local enterprise, it is probable that local citizens will give it their support, especially since in supporting it, they will better their service.

Bellfountain Items.

Bellfountain, May 14.—Rev. Handsaker of Corvallis, filled the pulpit here last Sunday. There was a good attendance and among other things a ladies quartette from Philomath favored us with two selections that were well appreciated.

The chittim craze is now on. Among those who are engaged most entensively in peeling the bark, are the Misses Barclay.

The Roosevelt club met at the Hall Thursday evening. There were several republican candidates present. The speaker of the evening was E. H. Belknap.

Miss Larkin of Eugene, is visiting friends and relatives at this place.

Our neighborhood was disturbed last Thursday evening by some boys from Portland, who supposed they were past the limits of the law when they reached the mountains. They did some reckless shooting while in the vicinity of Tommy Fawcett's place, for which they were arrested and fined $50 for their fun.

At Monroe.

Charles Baird's house burned last Tuesday evening. His wife being alone saved but little that was in the home. It took fire in the kitchen while she was getting supper.

Born Wednesday, to the wife of Ben Pierce, Jr., a boy.

The ball given here Friday night, May 6th, was a perfect success.

There will be a grand ball given by Monroe camp W. O. W. Friday night May 20th. Everybody cordially invited to come.

Several of the Monroe boys are going to Bellfountain Sunday, May 15, to play a practice game of baseball. They have ordered their suits and expect to break some of them in then.

Mrs. B. F. Pierce is now here from Lowell.

Pendleton, Or., May 13.—Criminal information was today filed against J. J. Murray, charging him with giving liquor to 14-year-old Annie Githens. Murray, a veterinary surgeon, was arrested in Ritzville, Wash., a few weeks ago and brought back to this city. He is implicated in a disgusting affair, wherein Annie Githens, daughter of Postmaster Githens, was taken to Adams, spending a night in debauchery. Others in the affair were Hugh and Annie Robie, half-breeds, who have already been arraigned.

Notice for Publication.

Timber Land, Act June 1878.
United States Land Office,
Oregon City, Oregon,
March 23rd, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California Oregon Nevada and Washington Territory" as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1892, Howard L. Bush of Hoskins, county of Benton, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 6380, for the purchase of the S. W. ¼ of S. W. ¼ of Section No. 20 in Township No. 10 South, Range No. 6 West W. M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before Victor P. Moses, County Clerk, Corvallis, Benton County, Oregon, on Saturday, the 11th day of June, 1904.

He names as witnesses:
Edd O. Frantz, of Hoskins, Oregon.
Abe H. West, " "
Lincoln Allen of Kings Valley, Oregon.
David H. Simpson of PeeDee Oregon.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 11th day of June, 1904.

Algernon S. Dresser,
Register.

Notice to Creditors.

Notice is hereby given to all persons that the undersigned has been duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of Guilford Barnard deceased, by the County Court of Benton county, for the state of Oregon. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me, properly verified as by law required within six months of the date hereof, to the undersigned at his residence near Monroe, Oregon, or at the office of Yates & Yates, in Corvallis, Oregon.

Dated this 7th day of May, 1904.

Robert Kyle,
Executor of the last will and testament of Guilford Barnard, deceased.

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He names as witnesses:
John L Bexford, of Corvallis, Oregon.
Martin Butler of " "
Abraham Coon, of " "
Thomas Coon of Inavale, "

Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 3rd day of June, 1904.

Algernon S. Dresser,
Register.