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. Richard Franklin left Friday for her home at Anacortes, Wash.

—Mr. Clem, the Dusty merchant, was critically ill Sunday.

—Mrs. Wiley Winkle, residing a few miles south of Corvallis, has been very ill.

—Mrs. J. L. Jones is very ill at her home in Jobs addition. The ailment is typhoid fever.

—Miss Carrie Porter left yesterday to again take up her residence near Bellfountain.

—Mrs. Cecile Cummings is to arrive Sunday from Cottage Grove, for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Wellsher.

—A party consisting of John Allen, Prof. Kulsely, Major Harden, and Bruce Burnett left Saturday for Alsea on a fishing trip. They returned Monday.

—Otto Headrick, Miss Ollie Skipton and Mrs. Steusloff, formerly Clara Blair, were up from Salem this week to decorate the graves of friends. They returned Monday.

—One or two loads of chittim bark have been sold in this market in the past few days at a figure above that paid for the product in seasons previous to last year.

—Beginning next Wednesday evening a series of meetings will be held at the Mountain View school house. Rev. H. A. Deck will be in charge, and everyone is invited to participate and lend their aid in making the revivals successful.

—In a letter to his mother in this city, Ivan Daniels stated that he would leave California enroute to Chicago, Saturday last, for the purpose of completing his course in tuning of instruments. He will probably be in the Windy City all summer.

—A number of large trees, for use as telephone poles along the new line were trimmed and put in proper shape for setting Monday on one of the back streets of Corvallis. The trees came from near the foot of Mary's peak, and were from 30 to 50 feet in length.

—W. M. Jones and family of Dallas spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Ross. Mr. Jones and Clarence Hout have disposed of their butcher shop in Dallas, and Mr. Jones contemplates taking up his residence in Eastern Oregon, for the benefit of his family's health.

—Neil Murray of Albany, was the guest over Sunday of Corvallis friends With his brother, Mr. Murray leaves this week for a four month's visit in Ireland. On their return, they will visit the St. Louis Exposition. It is 12 years since Mr. Murray left the land of his nativity.

—The Coffee Club's picnic Saturday afternoon was a delightful affair. The Corvallis orchestra furnished music, and at six o'clock dinner was served by the ladies, their husbands, brothers and gentlemen friends being the guests of honor. In the evening a dancing party was given by the club, in the City Hall.

—There was a big picnic at Bellfountain Saturday. The various candidates on the county ticket were present, besides a large crowd. The affair is said to have been enjoyable. An interesting feature of the day was a baseball game between the democratic and republican candidates. Victory fell to the republicans.

—R. E. Gibson came up from Portland Saturday and returned Monday. The family has returned from California, and is now located on West Avenue, Mt Tabor, Portland. Mr. Gibson states that while in California, his health was much improved but that the health of the other members of the family was not as good as it is in Webfoot, which prompted their return to Oregon.

—Dr. Selkirk of Aurora, Illinois, is the guest for several days of E. S. Hornady and family. He is accompanied by Mrs. Selkirk and Miss Lillian Howard, and the trio are on a tour of the Coast. Dr. Selkirk is a practicing physician at Aurora, and is chief surgeon at a hospital there. He is a gentleman of culture and ability, and has an indistinct idea that a home may be found somewhere on the coast.

—The first of the rural telephone lines to enter Corvallis reached town Monday afternoon. It is ten miles in length and, starting at Frank Howe's place on the Albany road, crosses the country to Mountain View and thence comes south to Corvallis. There are fourteen subscribers and among them are, Frank Howe, Gus Logsdon, L. L. Brooks, Robert Linderman, Robert Wylie, William Knotts, John Vineyard, the Lockes and others. The line was built and is owned by the farmers themselves, who have organized into a company, of which B. J. Linderman is president, Gus Logsdon, vice president and Robert Wylie, secretary and treasurer.

—Wheat 75.

—Mrs. Hammell of Hotel Corvallis was a Eugene visitor Sunday.

—Dr. Altman made a professional visit to Salem yesterday.

—Mr. Rickard, the Alsea dairyman, transacted business in town Monday.

—Caleb Davis Sr. left Monday for Brownsville for a visit with his daughter, Mrs. Washburn.

—Mrs. O. Healy of Portland, is in Corvallis for Decoration day and to visit friends.

—Mrs Lizzie Tunnison left for her home in The Dalles, after a visit with her mother, Mrs. Martin.

—Mrs. Mary Jacobs, a well known former resident of Corvallis, is here visiting old-time acquaintances. Mrs. Jacobs now resides in Portland.

—Gene M. Simpson is erecting a modern chicken house, with four pens, on his recently acquired property in Job's addition.

—Mr. and Mrs. Vaud Moore were guests from Wednesday until Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Moore. They reside at Big Elk.

—Mrs. Barclay, arrived yesterday from Portland for a visit with her aunt Mrs. Sarah Moore.

—The first Oregon strawberries of the season were in market yesterday morning. They came from Albany, and sold at 15 cents per box.

—Adams Brothers are soon to begin the erection of a large barn for James Horning, on the tract of land recently purchased by the latter just west of town.

—A refreshing rain fell Monday night and continued at intervals during yesterday. The farmers will wear a different look, now, as there were grave fears entertained concerning the crops until the rain came down in good old Oregon fashion, yesterday.

—Miss Maud Kerns, a former popular teacher in the Corvallis public school, and who resigned here to accept a better position at Eugene, leaves the first of September for New York, to finish her course in a school of art. Her Corvallis friends wish her success.

—Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Proebstal as chaperones, the pupils of this years graduating class of the public school were given a hayrack party Saturday afternoon. The destination was a shady place near Woods Creek, where luncheon was served. The affair was merry and much enjoyed.

—Mrs. A. K. Milner, who is suffering with typhoid fever, was not improved at noon yesterday. Miss Eva Milner, a daughter, who was first stricken with the ailment, and who seemed to be on the road to recovery last week, is likewise no better. Both are very ill, and much sympathy is felt for the family in their trouble.

REDUCED EXCRSION RATES.

From S. P. and C. & E. Points to the Seaside and Mountain Resorts for the Summer.

On and after June 1st, 1904, the Southern Pacific in connection with the Corvallis & Eastern railroad, will have on sale round trip tickets from points on their lines to Newport, Yaquina and Detroit at very low rates, good for return until October 10th, 1904,

Three day tickets to Newport and Yaquina, good going Saturdays and returning Mondays, are also on sale from all East side points, Portland to Eugene inclusive, and from all Westside points enabling people to visit their families and spend Sunday at the seaside.

Season tickets from all Eastside points Portland to Eugene inclusive, and from all Westside points, are also on sale to Detroit at very low rates, with stop-over privileges at Mill City or any point east enabling tourists to visit the Santiam and Breitenbush hot springs in the Cascade mountains, which can be reached in one day.

Season tickets will be good for return from all points until October 10. Three day tickets will be good going on Saturdays and returning Mondays only. Tickets from Eugene and vicinity will be good going via the Lebanon-Springfield branch if desired. Baggage on Newport tickets checked through to Newport; on Yaquina tickets to Yaquina only.

Southern Pacific trains connect with the C. & E. at Albany and Corvallis for Yaquina and Newport. Trains on the C. & E. for Detroit will leave Albany at 7 a m enabling tourists to the hot springs to reach there the same day.

For information as to rates, with beautifully illustrated booklet of Yaquina and vicinity can be obtained on application to Edwin Stone, manager C & E; Albany W E Coman, G. P. A. S. P Company, Portland,

Rate from Corvallis to Newport, $3.75.
" " Yaquina, $3.25
" " Detroit, $3.25

Three-day rate from Corvallis to Newport. $2.50.

Great Reduction Sale.

We will sell for cash during the month of May 500 pairs of shoes, broken sizes, men's womens, misses and children's at greatly reduced prices, in order to give room for a new stock of goods, which will arrive about June 1st. Come early and get your choice from 25 cents up.

Sale lasts through May only.

J. E. Henkle.

HIS POLICY

PROF. PRATT ADDRESSES A LETTER TO SCHOOL PATRONS.

Has a Plan for Complete Organization of the County School System—What It Is.

TO THE EDITOR:—

In challenging Mr. Denman to a great canvass, it was our aim to discuss openly and fairly the question of school supervision. We believe our people are vitally interested in our public schools and should have an opportnity to know what the ideas and plans of candidates for school superintendent are, touching the school question.

But Mr. Denman has chosen to hide behind the chairman of the republican committee rather than enter into a free and full discussion of school management. As to our own position, we desire to hide nothing from the public. The voter should know the qualifications and the intended line of each candidate in order to be able to cast his vote intelligently. It is therefore not inappropriate here that a few suggestions be made. "As the teacher so is the school" is a familiar and undisputed maxim. It is equally true that as the superintendent so is the teacher. City boards have long realized this and expert supervisors of school work are in demand all over the country as city superintendents. If experienced and technical school knowledge are so essential in a city superintendent, how much more necessary are these qualifications in a superintendent of country schools in which so many young inexperienced persons are annually taking up the vocation of teaching. Should not the superintendent be able to take charge of classes in the school rooms of these beginners and by expert demonstration help such teachers to overcome whatever difficulties may be confronting them? A little wise advice, a timely suggestion, or an intelligent demonstration has saved many a teacher from fatal mistakes in the school room. A well organized system of grade or teachers' meetings should exist, arranged so as to make it possible for each teacher to attend one of these classes every month. The annual institute does not reach far enough. The superintendent should be able to continue the institute instauction in the monthly meetings. This is the only successful way to make good teachers and helf them up to the highest standard of work.

The county should be divided into districts, each section to hold local contests in all lines of school work, a county contest to be held annually in which successful competitors in the local trial would compete for county honors and prizes There should be prizes for athletic contests as for literary work. This system, thoroughly organized would result in the most intense interest among pupils and raise the standard of work to the highest point of efficiency.

It is a matter of regret that Mr. Denman has taken the questionable course that he has, thus depriving the public of the opportunity to more thoroughly understand the scoool system in all its phases.

Respectfully,

S. I. PRATT.

Philomath, Or., May 27, 1904.

Gorvallis & Eastern Railroad

Time Card Number 22.

2 For Yaquina:
Train leaves Albany.....12:45 p. m
" " Corvallis..... 2:00 p. m
" arrives Yaquina..... 6:20 p. m

1 Returning:
Leaves Yaquina..... 6:45 a. m
Leaves Corvallis.....11:30 a. m
Arrives Albany.....12:15 p. m

3 For Detroit:
Leaves Albany..... 7:00 a. m
Arrives Detroit.....12:20 p. m

4 from Detroit:
Leaves Detroit.....1:00 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 STONE, Manager.

H. H. Cronise, Agent Corvallis.
Thos. Cockrell, Agent Albany.

Painting and Paper Hanging.

All orders promptly filled. Phone 05. Samuel Kerr.

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.

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 toall 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. 6386, 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 of Publication.

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He names as witnesses:
John L Rexford, 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.