

LOCAL LORE.

(Advertisements in this column charged for at the rate of cents per line.)

-Lewis Hartley has been a Corvallis visitor this week, from the Bohemia mines.

-Miss Grace Jolly of Philomath has been the guest this week of Misses Frances Gellatly and Daisy Brown.

-Marshall Miller is this week having a small cottage erected on lots adjoining his own on First street.

-Mrs. Horace Locke returns today to her home in Portland, after a week's visit with Corvallis relatives.

-At Congregational church tomorrow: 11 o'clock service, "Was Christ Manly." Union meeting in the evening.

-The Pierian literary society is to entertain the Jeffersonians this evening, at the college. The affair is an old maids' and old bachelors' party, and a jolly time is anticipated.

-An appeal has been taken in the Neis-Whitaker hop contract case. The case was tried at the November term of the circuit court and resulted in a verdict for the Whitakers.

-Henry Allen of Corvallis, is now gathering statistics on manufacturing in Montana. He is now superintendent in the census department, and is at the head of a gang of men in the Montana work.

-And now they have indicted Brownell. They say he induced others to lie. In the Oregonian some some years ago, Joe Simon indicted the Clackamas statesman of doing his own lying.

-By a vote of 14 to 13, the senate Wednesday turned down the bill for a constitutional convention. Brownell made a big speech for the bill, and Pierce, democrat from Umatilla led the opposition.

-The father of Rural Carrier Connor is seriously ill at the home near Philomath. During the absence of O. B. Connor, who is at the bedside, Jay Cooper is covering rural Route No. 2, his substitute in turn driving on Route No. 1.

-Robert McGrew who has been residing since college, opened in what was formerly the parsonage of the Evangelical church, has gone with his family to his home at Weston. A son remains in college. The family expect to return to Corvallis again next year.

-Tomorrows special on account of the funeral of the late Edwin Stone is expected from Yaquina about 11 o'clock. It is for the accommodation of the employes of the road, their families, and the friends of Mr. Stone. It leaves Albany for the return immediately after the funeral.

-The funeral of the late Edwin Stone will be held at Albany, at 1 p. m. Sunday. The funeral services will be held in the Masonic hall and will be conducted by St. John's Lodge No. 17 A. F. & A. M. Temple commandry No. 3 Knights Templar and Albany lodge No. 359, B. P. O. Elks will act as an escort. The remains will be interred at the Masonic cemetery.

-The Christian church having been without a regular pastor since the first of the year, arrangements have been made with Rev. Frank E. Jones of Selma, California, to act temporarily in that capacity for a few weeks, and it is probable he may consent to continue permanently. He will occupy the pulpit tomorrow at the morning services, to which all are cordially invited. He comes highly recommended as a forceful speaker, and an energetic and tireless worker.

-A Lincoln County customer recently sent in a mail order to a local drug store. After enumerating certain drugs that were wanted the order went on to say, "Send also one bottle of port wine and one bottle of whiskey." The drugs were sent, but the accompanying letter bore the melancholy explanation that the town is dry and that the wet goods could not be sent. "That's what you got for the way you voted," wrote the druggist. "An answer came back—'You bet I voted for licker.'"

-Joy was unconfined at the Firemen's Smoker Tuesday evening. An hour and a half was devoted to a lantern entertainment presided over by Prof. Lake. Slides had been borrowed from the Portland Camera Club which holds membership in the American Club and has all manner of slides available, and these were thrown on the canvas. There were also numerous local pictures which provided great amusement. The remainder of the evening was spent at cards, pipes and cigars.

-The bill for creating a second judge in Judge Hamilton's district has passed the house.

-E. R. Bryson went to Toledo, Thursday, to take testimony in a case before a referee.

-Father Springer returned Wednesday evening from a visit in Portland.

-A. J. Johnson returned Wednesday from a business trip to Washington.

-S. H. Moses and wife of Philomath visited relatives in Corvallis Thursday.

-Ira D. Bodine returned yesterday from a business trip to Independence and Dallas.

-The bill for horizontal reduction of the salaries of Benton officials passed the House Wednesday.

-Miss Winnie Logan has returned from Seattle, Washington, after a six months' visit with relatives.

-In the estate of the late Seymour Chipman, W. L. Shedd, E. Woodward and W. N. Newton have been appointed appraisers.

-George Fuller who has for a year, been employed at Fischer's Mills, has bought out Lee Henkle's interest in the dray business.

-Forty nine Corvallisites have paid dog tax since January 1st. A large number of canines are still untagged.

-Members of the Ladies Coffee Club and their friends were entertained at City Hall Thursday evening. The feature was a magic lantern exhibition.

-Mahara's Minstrels are to parade at two this afternoon. Accounts are that the street parade is worth the price of admission.

-Mrs. Harold Strong and children are to leave Wednesday for California to join Mr. Strong who is finishing a law course at Stanford.

-Late news describes the serious illness of his only brother there, and William Leadbetter expects to leave today or Monday for London, Canada.

-At their last meeting the W. O. W. members received fraternal visit from State Organizers Day and Tichner. There was initiation of candidates, and a general good time.

-The legislature is memorializing congress to establish an experiment station at Yaquina Bay for experimentation of oysters, crabs, and other shell fish with a view to discovery of varieties that may become of commercial value in the state.

-The regular monthly session of the county court transpired Wednesday. It was one of the shortest sessions on record. The proceedings were confined to the allowance of the usual grist of bills and to ordering the county clerk to call for bids for wood.

-Fruit & Waggoner bought yesterday seventy five feet of ground in the block north across the street from Hotel Corvallis, and are shortly to begin the erection of a livery stable thereon. The strip begins 75 feet north of the southwest corner of the block and extends northward. It was owned by E. E. Wilson and E. R. Bryson, and went at \$800. The deal was made by Ambler & Watters.

-An interesting specimen of hog meat has been under investigation at the college, in the past few days. The meat came from Easter Oregon, and conditions seem to indicate that the animal was affected with varioloid, another name for a very light form of smallpox. This is the opinion of Prof. Pernot, bacteriologist, and it is coincided in by Dr. Withycombe, director of the station. The books tell of no case of the disease in a hog, but record instances of varioloid in horses, cows and sheep. A sample of the meat, on account of its extraordinary character, has been sent to the bureau at Washington D. C.

MARKET REPORT.

Wheat valley 87
Flour 4.10 to 4.25 per bl.
Potatoes \$ .75 to 85 per cent
Eggs Oregon, 29 30per doz.
Butter 12 c to per lb.
Creamery 22 to 32per r lb.
Corvallis.
Wheat 80 per bushel.
Oats 40
Flour 1.15 to 1.20per sack
Butter 50 per roll
Creamery 7 0 per roll
Eggs 25 per doz
Chickens 15 per pound
Lard 12 1/2 per lb
Moses Bros. are all right on groceries.
Highest prices paid for chickens and eggs at Moses Bros.

AFTER A LUNATIC.

That Wasn't Luny—Corvallis Officers and Their Middy Raid.

They were playing that one of them was a crazy and that the others were a posse trying to capture him. They were all boys, but some of them were big enough in stature to be men. That accounts for what happened as a result of the play. The lunatic in a slouch hat and tattered garments played his part for all there was in it. He gesticulated, jabbered and looked wild of eye. He feigned so well that a passing college professor was fooled. The latter took it to be a case of the real thing and hurried home to telephone to the sheriff's office that a crazy man was loose up on the commons south of the college and that a posse was after him.

At the sheriff's office, Deputy Wells got into a bold, stern look, and after phoning the chief of police to meet him at a certain corner, sallied forth to catch the lunatic. In due time the officers met, but after that Wells traveled so fast in the effort to cage the crazy man that the Chief couldn't keep up and the under sheriff was alone when he reached the tribe. "Where's that crazy man?" inquired the deputy between gasps for breath, after his great haste. Fourteen pairs of eyes leveled surprised glances at him for a second and then fourteen faces broke out into as many well defined grins.

"Say, mustn't say a blamed word about this," the two officers said to each other as they walked back to town. "No; not a word". Neither did they, but the lunatic asylum couldn't wait till it got to town to tell it.

A STRANGE BLAZE.

At a Strange Time, and Lighted by Strange Persons—What Does it Mean.

There was a fire alarm Thursday morning, and thereto hangs a tale. It was an incendiary fire, pure and simple. The torch was applied to the woodshed that stands thirty or forty feet in the rear of Greffoz's jewelry store. Three bottles of coal oil were used in the effort to start the conflagration. The bottles were found afterward and they leave no doubt that it was an incendiary's hand that applied the match.

All the details of the affair are full of the peculiar. The effort was to burn the wood in the shed, wherein the case was identical with the Bryson fire. This is one of the things that causes talk, and more or less wonderment why the fire was set if only the destruction of wood is desired. Such was the plan at Greffoz and Bryson's, and in each case coal oil was used.

Another curious thing at Greffoz is that the match was lighted at half past six or twenty minutes to seven in the morning. That was a queer time to start a fire. There had evidently been a watch and await until the nightwatch had gone to bed. All in all, there are streaks of qucerdom all through the incident, and a lot of mystery besides. Who is it that wants to burn woodsheds? What do they want to burn them for, anyway? The Greffoz blaze was discovered and put out by R. F. Patty, the baker, Mr. Lowe, the telephone man, and others who happened to be in the vicinity.

Chicken Pie Supper.

There is much activity among the First Methodist ladies this week, preparations on an extensive scale being under way for their chicken pie supper. The event occurs Saturday night in Miller's hall and everyone has an invitation. Plenty to eat from 5 to 8.

At Dunn & Thatcher's.

Cracked corn \$1.60 per cwt.
Granulated shell 1.60 "
Granulated bone 1.75 "
Crystal Grit 1.60 "
And we handle the very best poultry and stock foods.

Call and look over our stock of groceries, granite and tinware; also carry nails.

Will Our patients are our best advertisements
You Every pair of glasses fitted by us sells others
be We want to add you to our chain
One To fit you is to fit your friends in the future
??? MATTHEWS the Optician Room 12 over Nat'l Bk.
"Short" on Peruna, but "long" on prunes. Italian prunes, 50-pound boxes, \$1.50. F. L. Miller.

Announcement Extraordinary

This announcement, the most important ever made by any mercantile house in the Willamette Valley, must be of vast interest to every man, woman and child in this city and vicinity.

Our 35th Clearance Sale closed yesterday, and in giving thanks for your generous patronage, I make the following extraordinary announcement. I will refund the money on all cash purchases made on a certain day of the month of February, the day selected to be announced in the "Times" of March 4th. No matter what you purchase for cash at retail rates, be it a five cent or \$100 purchase, if your duplicate checks bear the date of the LUCKY DAY, your money will be cheerfully refunded.

Be sure and save your duplicate checks secured with cash purchases as no money will be refunded except on presentation of duplicate cash checks.

Buy something every day and you are bound to be one of the lucky ones. My popular low prices will prevail during this month. All goods marked in plain figures.

Mail orders accompanied by cash will participate in this offer.

Corvallis, Oregon. S. L. KLINE Regulator Low Prices

LOCAL ITEMS

Read this Column, You may Find Just What You Want.

Ladies! If you once use Compressed Yeast, you will have no other. Ask for it, at Horning's.
If you want fine china go to Zierolf's. He has the largest and most complete line in the city. r-1

Wall Paper.

Largest line ever shown in Corvallis. To make room we will sell good wall paper 5c and 10c per roll. Come and see. Hollenbug & Cady.

1300 shares of Great Eastern Mining Co stock for sale at 10 cents a share. Address Lock box 62, Corvallis. j28-4t

For Sale.

A few nice houses in Corvallis, well located. Also farm implements McCormick binder, Bain wagon, steam wood saw, all in good order. Write or enquire of Chas. Everett, Second & VanBuren sts. Corvallis.

When you wake up in the morning, And do not feel just right, You settle down to breakfast With a want of appetite. There is nothing that is better To revive your sinking soul, Than a cup of Seal Brand coffee Steaming in the flowing bowl.

It is Seal Brand coffee Don't forget the special brand. Its such a splendid seller, And our patrons call it "Grand." Buy it once, and try it; You will find it out of sight All our customers want it, And the price is always right. P. M. ZIEROLF.

Call for Warrants.

Notice is hereby given that there is money in the city treasury to pay general fund warrants Nos. as follows: 3409 3406, 3410, 3411 3415, 3416, 3425, 3431. Also from no. 3432 to number 3437 inclusive. Interest will stop on same from this date. Dated at Corvallis, Or, Jan 20, 1905.

Wm. McLagan, City Treas.

For Sale.

Millfeed, flour, wheat, oats, vetch, chicken feed, potatoes, wood and gravel. Delivered to all parts of city. Phone 342. Opposite Steam Laundry John Beach.

Page Woven Wire Fence

Best in the market. Most economical for farm or other use. Orders promptly filled. Address Charles E. Allen, Agent, Philomath, Or. J14-1m

A large amount of no. 2 rough lumber all lengths. At Corvallis saw mill for \$6.50 per M.

Notice of Final Settlement.

Notice is hereby given that the final account has been filed in the matter of the Last Will and Testament of Guilford Barnard, deceased, and Judge Virgil E. Waters has set Saturday, February 11, at 11 o'clock a. m. at County Court room, Court house, to hear objections thereto if any there be. Robt. Kyle, Executor. Dated this Dec 29, 1904.

20 PER CENT OFF ON ALL Suits and Overcoats FOR 30 DAYS, CASH ONLY. No reserve, every garment in the house Kuppenheimers and all. See us in the window. THE Kingsburg Hat HAND MADE The "Flatiron" Hat Latest Spring Styles Just Received Always \$3, never less. F. L. MILLER.

SPECIAL SALES. Rubber Goods Millinery, . . . Shoes, Etc. . . GREAT SHOE SALE.—The Largest Assortment of Shoes ever offered on special sale in Philomath, comprising the entire stock of Men's, Women's and Children's Shoes, will be on sale during the month of February, at J. E. Henkle's Gash Store. Each will be offered at reduced prices. This reduction is made for cash only. There are special prices on Rubber Goods—men's, women's, boys', children's rubber boots, rubber and oil coats. We also call your attention to our large assortment of Millinery Goods which are offered on special sale. J. E. HENKLE, Philomath, Or. G. R. FARRA, Physician & Surgeon, J. FRED YATES AT-LAW. Office up stairs in Burnett Brick Residence on the corner of Madison and Seventh st. Phone at house and office. All Calls promptly attended. Only S. in County