

**LOCAL LORE.**

vertisements in this column charged for at the rate of 5 cents per line.

—The family of F. O. Gray is to leave Arapahoe, Nebraska, the 1st of March, for Corvallis.

—Carroll Cummings and bride have gone to house keeping in a cottage in the western part of town.

—Gents will make no mistake in buying a pair of our \$3.00 shoes, nobby and every pair guaranteed. At J. H. Harris'.

—Ladies remember that J. H. Harris' store is receiving newgoods every day, and an inspection will interest you.

—The new cottage for S. E. Trask on Sixth is nearly completed, and will be ready for occupancy in a few days. Ed Buxton is the builder.

—Clarence Ireland is preparing to build a big hop house on his yard north of town. About 65,000 feet of lumber will enter into the construction of the building.

—The First Spiritual Union of Corvallis will hold services in Barrett Lyceum on Sunday at 3 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

—The Dr. Bailey residence at Newport is reported to have been bought by a company of men who will improve it and make a hotel out of the property.

—The annual demand for setting hens has again set in. Dr. Bowen Lester is in the market for any variety of old hen that has staying powers as a setter. His ad appears elsewhere.

—"Missing the Mark" is the subject of the morning sermon, and "Ought a Business man to be a Christian" the topic for the evening sermon at the Congregational church tomorrow. Service at Plymouth at 3 p. m.

—Many shipments of Corvallis eggs for hatching purposes go to Washington now. Among the heaviest shippers is Dr. Bowen Lester, due to the brilliant record made by his White Wyandottes in the late Seattle Poultry shows. His prizes there included first for best pen, first for collection, first for each cock and cockerel, 1st and 2nd for hen and 2nd for pullet, making a total of five out of six firsts.

—Two lots have been purchased out of the southwest corner of the Irwin block on Seventh street, and they are to be a site of a new residence to be erected by Prof. Horner. Plans have not yet been adopted, and the new building will be a good one.

—Although it is but a week beyond the time the almanacs fix as midwinter, the bees at Corvallis are beginning to work. Those at James Phillips place have been coming in for several days past with their legs laden with pollen. Busy bees on Washington's birthday is something the real estate men ought not to forget when they spiel of Willamette.

—Part of the material is on the ground for a new cottage to be erected on the Irwin block on Seventh. The building will occupy two middle lots in the east side of the block, which were recently purchased at a cost of \$400. The owner is F. O. Gray who recently arrived from Nebraska, and who is a member of the firm of Wellsher & Gray. The new cottage is to cost about \$1000. Ed Buxton is to be the builder.

—Miss Myrtle Harrington and Miss Agnes Sweek, two of the leading players on the OAC girl's basket ball team have the grippe and it is expected that they will not be able to take part in the game with the Albany College girls at Albany this Saturday evening. Efforts to secure a change of date were made by Manager Stimson, but the Albany manager would not consent to it, and the home team is likely to have to go into the game in a crippled condition.

—J. W. Harms of Cottage Grove is suing his wife for divorce and pleads in a long list of abuses among which are "that she called him an old dog, struck him with a stick, refused to cook for him, threw his boots out of the house and poured water into the stove to put out the fire when he was endeavoring to warm himself." The poor, defenceless man! It was bad enough when she called him a dog; it was awful when she knowingly and purposely hit him with a stick; it was terrible when she refused to cook for him and threw his boots out of the house; but when in the fullness of her headlong career of cruelties she poured water on the fire and put it out so the chilled and shivering Mr. Harms couldn't get warm his harrowed soul could not stand it any longer.

—Services at the Catholic church tomorrow at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

—The Times was in telephonic communication with a Lebanon man yesterday over the Independent lines. The service was perfect.

—Brilliant sunshine, balmy breezes, singing birds and the temperature at 63 in the shade were conditions of the past two days.

—Representative Graham of Marion, member of the late Ways and Means committee of the House, was a Corvallis visitor Wednesday.

—C. C. Chipman has purchased "The Alcazar," confectionery restaurant and cafe, 202 Second street in The Dalles, and is to leave with his family Monday to take charge of the business.

—Governor Chamberlain vetoed 20 of the bills passed at the late session, a greater number than two years ago, when he vetoed 14. He signed 55 and filed 252 without his signature. Three hundred and seven out of the 650 bills introduced became laws.

—All Corvallis business houses were closed Wednesday afternoon in honor of Washington's birthday. A regimental drill by the college cadets was originally scheduled for the afternoon, but it was given up on account of showery weather conditions.

—Albany Democrat: The first Indian story in the new book of Geo. Waggoner is as thrilling as any ever told in the most exciting work of fiction, and Mr. Waggoner's story is true. The book is full of thrilling incidents from real life in Oregon's early days.

—The special train this Saturday evening for Albany leaves the Corvallis station at 6:30 sharp, and on the return trip, leaves Albany at midnight. The fare for the round trip is only 50 cents, and tickets are good going on either the regular or evening special train. The occasion for the special is the W. O. W. celebration and the basket ball game between OAC and Albany College girls.

—The chicken pie supper given Tuesday evening by the Evangelical people, for the purpose of raising funds to present to their departing pastor, Rev. Deck, was in all respects successful. The event took place in Miller's hall and the place was crowded during the hours that serving was done. It is understood that the proceeds amount to \$80.

—Bids are wanted for carrying the mail between Corvallis and Inavale. Formerly the route extended to Bellfountain via Inavale; and Bird Rickard was the contractor. The lopping off of that part of the route from Inavale to Bellfountain has caused the government to call for a new contract. Bids were received lately with a view to a new award, but a new schedule of arrival and departure was provided for, and under representations of Postmaster Johnson it was deemed better to adhere to the old schedule. The latter provides for arrival at 10:30 and departure at two p. m. The bids are to be opened March 14th. The advertisement is to be seen in the Corvallis postoffice.

—It is not impossible that a 4th R. F. D. will be operating out of Corvallis within a month or six weeks. An effort for it is being made. E. C. Clement, who went over the ground Tuesday, is believed to be favorable, though no statement to that effect has been made by him. He found ninety families or more on the route. He found everything as represented by the local postoffice authorities, on whose initiative he came to Benton to see the proposed line. The effort is to hurry matters, in order to give proper mail facilities as soon as possible to the large number of families formerly served by the star route to Bellfountain, which route now goes only to Inavale.

**For Sale.**

A 3-inch Bain wagon, nearly as good as new and some other farming tools.

J. I. Taylor, At C. & E. Crossing, Corvallis.

**For Sale.**

Seed wheat and Early Rose and Burbank potatoes.

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**For Sale.**

Real estate, farm and city property for sale, exchange or rent. No sales means no commission to be paid. Your patronage kindly solicited. Help furnished and positions secured.

JH M. Stone, South Main street, Corvallis.

**Wanted.**

Setting hens. Call on or address Bowen Lester, Corvallis.

**DROPPED SIX THOUSAND.**

In Gold Brick Job—Albany Man did—Thief got Away and Won't be Caught.

William Vance, a well known Albany man was gold-bricked last week to the tune of \$6,000. A stranger called on him in Albany and interested him in an alleged gold mine in Arizona. The two went to Salem, where samples of ore from the alleged mine were exhibited. They were assayed in the presence of Mr. Vance by a pal of the confidence man, and of course showed up marvellously rich. Vance swallowed the bait and in the banking house of Ladd & Bush, paid the stranger \$6000 in cash for an interest in the mine. Mr. Vance returned to Albany Friday noon, and was informed by close friends that he probably had been bilked. Saturday noon a note was received from the stranger telling him of the fact, and the news prostrated him, for previously he had insisted that it was all right. He and his daughter Miss Lora, went to Portland where they are at the home of W. B. Peacock. The case is in the hands of detectives and it is said there are clues, but it is doubtful if the men are ever captured.

The above are the facts as printed by the Albany Democrat. The Oregonian says the amount lost by Vance is \$10,000, but this the Democrat on information from close friends of the family denies. Miss Lora Vance used every endeavor to dissuade her father from dealing with the strangers, but without avail.

The incident recalls how a Benton farmer was buncoed of \$2,000 several years ago. He lives yet in the vicinity of the Hectors, near Granger. Two strangers appeared who claimed to be about to purchase the farm of Mr. Scholl, a neighbor, and by some sort of hocus pocus they induced their victim to give them his check on an Albany bank for \$1,300 and his note for \$700. The papers were put in a tin box and given to him for safe keeping. They went away and were to return for it. The old farmer guarded the box jealously several hours and then when a suspicion dawned on him, he opened it to find that instead of the \$2000 the box contained only a stone. The strangers made their way to Albany, where, in spite of the hasty pursuit of the farmer, they cashed the check and note and made good their escape.

**WAS A PIONEER.**

Came to Benton in Fifty Four—Was Buried Yesterday—John Wright.

John Wright, a pioneer of 1854 and resident of Benton county for 51 years, died at his home a mile north of Corvallis, Wednesday night. The funeral took place at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, and the interment was in Odd Fellows cemetery. The deceased was 83 years of age. His death was due to the ravages of disease. He was a bachelor, and in the last months of his life was cared for by Mr. and Mrs. Brien.

John Wright was born in Virginia, December 12, 1821. He resided for a time in Indiana and in 1853 or 1854 emigrated from that state to Oregon. He settled in Benton county and for several years worked as a farm hand in Kings Valley, and other parts of the county. Thirty years ago he bought the farm one mile north of Corvallis, and resided there until his death. He never married and as far as known the only surviving near relative is a brother at Pomeroy, Washington.

**Wood Choppers**

Wanted at once. 200 cords of f wood to cut. P. A. Kline.

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ATTORNEY AT LAW.

**E. R. Bryson,**

Attorney-At-Law.

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At Corvallis saw mill for \$6.50 per M.

**Card of Thanks.**

To the members and friends of the United Evangelical church, we desire hereby to express our gratitude for the kindness and help received during our stay in Corvallis. Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Deck.

**Here's a List of Extraordinary Waist Values!**

Such waists as these are not offered every day in the year—in fact it is only once or twice a year you can get them at these prices. So make it a point to examine the values offered—they will make you buy at least one, and wish you could buy more.

\$1 25	Waists now	selling at	\$ 98
1 50	"	"	1 19
2 00	"	"	1 38
2 50	"	"	1 88
3 00	"	"	2 31
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4 50	"	"	3 63
5 00	"	"	3 98



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Save your duplicate cash checks for EVERY CHECK bearing the date of the lucky date is as good as gold.

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**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.

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.

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**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.

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