

LOCAL LORE.

For advertisements in this column the rate of 15 cents per line will be charged.

—Just received. A large invoice of oak rockers. 26 different styles to select from at Hollenbeg & Cady.

—M. T. Starr was a business visitor in Portland this week.

—Miss Emma Sox of Albany was the guest of Miss Nolan two days this week.

—Charles Smith, residing a few miles from Corvallis, suffered a stroke of paralysis a few days ago.

—J. J. Cady and J. H. Adams were business visitors in Newport a part of this week.

—Wilbur Starr returned to his home at Bellefontaine Thursday, after a few days visit with Corvallis relatives.

—J. D. Howell has been engaged this week in putting out 900 peach trees on his place on the island above town.

—Miss Pearl Persinger, who has been engaged in teaching school at Wasco, arrived Wednesday and proceeded to her home at Bellefontaine.

—In the probate court Mrs. Florence Rosendorf has been appointed guardian of the estate of Modesta and Gordon Rosendorf.

—Saturday, April 1st, is enrollment day in the Business College for the month of April. A low rate of \$5 is made for the month.

—Miss Hattie Moses of Tennessee, is expected to arrive in Corvallis in about ten days, for a visit with her uncle, Rev. P. A. Moses, and family. The young lady is touring the Coast with an excursion party, now in California.

—Letters received from friends in Enterprise, Eastern Oregon, state that Byram Mayfield, a former well known student of OAC, who with Lewis Burnaugh owns a drug store at Enterprise, has gone to the gold mines of Nevada, to spend the summer hunting for the yellow metal.

—A handsome two story residence is being built by Artie Starr on property recently acquired by him in the north western part of the city. The building will be one of the finest in that part of town, when completed.

—In the estate of Matthew Healey, E. E. Wilson has petitioned the court to be appointed administrator de bonis non, vice James Irwin deceased. Matthew Healey died in San Francisco in September 1897, leaving a 225-acre farm in Benton county.

—Relatives in this city received intelligence Thursday that Miss Sophia Elgin recently operated on for appendicitis at Baker City, has taken a relapse, that she was suffering greatly and that the family would be unable to return to Corvallis for the present. Many friends will be pained at the unfavorable news from the young lady, who is well known in this city.

—The burial of the seven months babe of Mr. and Mrs. W. Curriu, occurred Wednesday. The party arrived on the noon train and was met at the station by numerous relatives and friends. The journey to Crystal Lake followed, and there the little white casket was lowered into the grave. After the interment Mr. and Mrs. Curriu left on the 1:20 westside train the same afternoon for their home at McMinnville.

—All the old base ball players in town are said to be planning to see the big game of indoor ball to be played in the Armory next Friday night. Two excellent teams have been practicing nightly for several weeks for the event and when they meet to try conclusions on the diamond, will be able to play a great game. Interest in the event is also much heightened by boxing and wrestling bouts that have been made features of the bill.

—A trunk line telephone between Corvallis and Dallas is to be a development of the near future. J. M. Staats, the father of rural telephones in the Western Willamette Valley was in town Thursday, and with W. D. DeVarney concluded the arrangement by which the new line is provided for. By a trunk line is meant of course, an open line to which only commercial offices are attached and to which farmer lines are only admitted by switching. The funds for the line are already provided for. Dallas has a commercial line to Sheridan, and it is figured that other trunk lines will quickly be added to the northward so that almost before people know it, long distance phoning to all parts will be provided for over the independent lines.

—Mobair was quoted by local dealers at 30 cents yesterday.

—A fine pair of White Bramah chickens for Miss Pauline Kline arrived by express Thursday.

—Hay is being delivered about town at \$10 per ton. It is mostly cheat and vetch, unbaled.

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

—Miss Gertrude Barclay and Miss Marguerite Looney are guests this week of Mrs. W. O. Heckert at Eugene.

—Mr. and Mrs. Robinett left yesterday for their home at Halsey after a visit at the Cathey home.

—The ladies of the Catholic church are preparing articles for a Fair to be held sometime after Easter.

—Are we going to remove all unsightly objects from streets and other public places, and have Corvallis with her best bib and tucker on during progress of the Lewis and Clark?

—The contract was awarded yesterday under which Charles Heckert is to build a six room cottage for Mr. Noyes in Wilkins addition, near the home of Miss Campbell. Work is to begin Monday.

—Tuesday night Vidito Bros. of the City stables lost one of a fine span of horses recently purchased from Oliver Ingram. The animal died from inflammation of the stomach, or some kindred ailment.

—Collie Cathey has gone to Newport for a two weeks stay. He is representing the Oregon Savings Bank of Portland, and has been meeting with good success in the business.

—At the home of Miss Ethel Linville, Wednesday evening, a dinner party was given in honor of Clifford Gardiner, a senior at OAC who leaves Monday for Portland, to reside.

—Father Springer has a new class in German. The pupils are making good progress and are as follows: Misses Mabel Davis and Mary Nolan, Messrs E. E. Wilson, Carl and Clem Hodes and Tom Nolan.

—Congregational Church. Sunday school 10:00, class for young men at 10:00, worship and sermon 11:00, subject, "Increase of Faith," Christian Endeavor at 6:30, vesper service and sermon 7:30, subject, "Samson."

—It is regarded as certain that the fruit crop will not be at its best this year. The late cold rains found too many blossoms, and with the frosts have certainly done more or less damage to cherries and other fruits of that class. In the case of prunes it is yet too early for even experts to prognosticate.

—John Cairns, a pioneer resident of the county is quite ill at his home in Corvallis. He is 85 years of age and although ordinarily has much vigor for a person of his years, his friends are nevertheless apprehensive of his condition. His aged wife has been helpless for some months and she also is in very feeble health.

—A force of workmen are busy this week on the new residence that T. T. Vincent is having erected on the lots recently purchased by him in the western part of Jobs' addition. The dwelling will be a large one of modern design, and will add greatly to the appearance of that portion of the city.

—The late term of circuit court came to an end Wednesday forenoon. It was presided over by Judge Harris, newly appointed to the position by Governor Chamberlain. Judge Harris presided gracefully, and the lawyers say, intelligently and impartially. There is no doubt but he will acquit himself with honor both to himself and the man who appointed him to the bench.

For Sale.

Good milch cows. W. H. Ish, m29-1m Inavale. Ore.

Spring Opening.

Pattern hats and novelties at Mrs J. Masons, Friday Mar. 31, and following days.

Poverty Social.

The ladies of the W. R. C. will give a Poverty social Thursday Apr 6, at I. O. O. F. hall. Entertainment and supper 15 cents. Prize for best Poverty costume. Everybody come.

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.

H M. Stone, South Main street, Corvallis.

IT HELPED OTHERS.

So Jim Irwin Didn't Care Whether the Loan was Paid Back or not.

Some years ago, the late James Irwin arranged to lend a small sum of money to a needy acquaintance. Question arose as to whether or not the borrower was likely to pay the loan back. A friend suggested to Mr. Irwin that it was at best a shaky investment. The reply was characteristic of the man, and an illustration of a noble quality that he possessed to a remarkable degree. "Well," remarked Mr. Irwin, "It isn't much, anyway. If I never get it back it won't break me, and what I lose will do somebody else some good." M. M. Waltz was a party to the conversation, and related the incident the other day at the grave of Mr. Irwin.

"What I lose will do somebody else some good." That was Jim Irwin, always and everywhere. He felt and knew that there are poor devils in the world who need help. He did not begrudge them a few dollars, even though their gain was his loss. It was an unselfish soul behind his words—"what I lose, will do somebody else some good." It was a trait in human character as noble as the world knows and that is the more precious because so rare. It is a quality, in these hurly burly days of commercialism to tell the children about, and to hold up for the wide world to see.

THE BOY TRAMP.

Is Gone—His Mother Sent Railroad Fare and he Journeyed First Class to Frisco.

John Wadeigh has quitted Corvallis. He is the hobo lad whom W. D. DeVarney rescued from the city jail, and from a gang of tramps of which a negro was a leader. The boy, at the time, had in two months made his way thus far, from San Francisco on his way to Seattle where his mother resided. He has since been maintained by Mr. DeVarney who has kept him employed about the independent telephone system.

The boy left for San Francisco Wednesday. Since he came to Corvallis, his mother has removed to the California metropolis. She sent a ticket over the Southern Pacific from Albany to San Francisco, and Wednesday Chief Lane took the lad to Albany, and there saw him safely aboard the train with his ticket in his pocket, together with \$2, donated by the chief for buying food along the way.

About town, during his stay, the youngster was an object of almost universal kindly interest. The public felt that he was a sort of waif, and this with his tender years brought him much attention. The officers say there were many traits in his character, and that with reasonable attention he should make a useful citizen—and a bright one. A letter from the boys mother to Chief Lane, showed much solicitude for the lad and indicated the parent to be an educated and intelligent person of apparent refinement. Johnnie's Corvallis experience, beginning in jail as it did and ending so differently, is one that rarely comes to hoboes.

A Word to the Wise

Oak wood is getting higher in price and farther from town every year. Order now for summer delivery. 150 cords now partly sawed stove lengths, a seasoned oak wood. 6500 pounds vetch seed. 3000 pounds red and white clover, alfalfa. Alsike, timothy, orchard and rye grass, speltz, rape, all fresh seeds. A Also a line of garden seeds. Order now before the spring rush. Tread power, silo, elevator and cutter, for sale cheap. Poland China swine, 100 goats or less.

Yours for Business. Telephone 155. L. I. Brooks.

W. O. W. Convention

At Los Angeles.—The Southern Pacific Co. will sell on April 12th, 13th and 14th, round trip tickets to Los Angeles at greatly reduced rates, account convention of Woodmen of World and Women of Woodcraft, to be held at Los Angeles April 18th, 1905. Call on nearest S. P. agent for rates and full particulars.

All new wall paper at Blackledge's.

Largest line of matting in the city at Blackledge's.

Picture frames made to order at Blackledge's. ar-1f

For Sale.

Two work horses. W. K. Taylor.

BUILDING HOUSES.

Twentyfive Already Planned—So says a Local Contractor—Building Boom Expected.

It seems likely that a building boom will prevail in Corvallis this season. The statement of a local contractor is that 25 houses are already planned with a probability that in another day or two the number will be thirty. It is now only the first of April, a date on which in other years, perhaps, the building of even one house had not been planned. With 25 or 30 now on the list, and with half a dozen of them actually under construction it seems likely that before its end the season will see more buildings constructed than has been observed in any two seasons in the past. The belief is that the carpenters of the town will be taxed to the utmost to do the building that will be required of them. This with the prospect of an advance in the cost of lumber before the season ends is hurrying some builders along in the effort to get their work done before a pinch of some sort should come.

There will be an occupant and more for every house that is to be built. There will not, in fact be enough houses to supply the demand. There are always more families in Corvallis than there are houses. Many buildings house two families, and vacant houses of the character that are desirable are unknown in the town. Except in the case of real estate agents, it is better known perhaps, to college authorities than any one else how serious a matter for the town this residence shortage is. There it is constantly made manifest by the families who desire to move to town to send young folks to college but are unable to do so on account of lack of available houses. The estimate is that a hundred students or more annually fail to attend college because of this condition. It is often suggested that the construction of a number of houses for rent would probably prove a profitable investment for those who have idle capital.

The house shortage, and especially in the case of young women the inability to secure boarding places is one of the influences that made it extremely desirable that the appropriation for the Woman's building might have become available so that the structure could have been built this year, a fact that seems unlikely in view of the steps for invoking the referendum by reason of which the \$65,000 appropriation for the college will be held up and probably go slewy along with the other items in the general appropriation bill.

Spring Opening.

At Miss Johnson's Friday and Saturday, Mar. 31st and Apr. 1st. Will have on display a fine line of pattern hats and a nice selection of Gage hats.

Announcement.

I have re-opened my shoe shop in the Marshal Miller building on Monroe street west of Berman's grocery, where all orders will be promptly attended to. Your patronage is solicited and thanking you for the same in advance.

I am, very truly, J. E. Fowells.

Estimates cheerfully given on any kind of concrete work at Whitney's.

Village Improvement Society.

The regular monthly meeting of the Village Improvement Society will be held next Friday evening at 7:30 at the county court room. Members urged to attend. Citizens in general are cordially invited.

For Sale.

Seed wheat and Burbank potatoes. f25-1f Roy Rickard.

New Trays.

All parties having tray checks, call and get your tray as this is the last I will have on hand. A. Hodes.

Notice that elegant new delivery wagon. Mosca Bros' run it. m11-2t

Wood Choppers

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

Branaud & Astrmsrong wash silk at Moses Bros.

For Sale.

Millfeed, flour, wheat, oats, vetch, chicken feed, potatoes, wood and gravel Delivered to all parts of city. Phone 341. Opposite Steam Laundry John Beach.

Important Announcement FOR ART NEEDLE WORKERS AND EMBROIDERERS.

WE take pleasure in announcing to the ladies of this vicinity that we carry in stock Brainerd & Armstrong's Wash Embroidery Silks in large assortment of colors. You can find in stock the colors for embroidering the following flower designs.

- Apple Blossom, Arbutus, Brown-Eyed Susans, Buttercup, California Pepper Berry, Carnation, Chrysanthemum, pink, Chrysanthemum, yellow, Cowslip, Dandelion, Dogwood, Daisy, For-Get-Me-Not, Fuchsia, Geranium, Jonquil, Maiden Hair Fern, Mistletoe, Morning Glory, Narcissus, Nasturtium, red, Nasturtium, yellow, Pansy, Pond Lilly, Poppy, yellow California, Poppy, red, Rose, American Beauty, Rose, Bridesmaid, Rose, Jacqueminot, Rose, La France, Rose, Marechal Neil, Rose, Tea, Rose, Wild, Strawberry, Sweet Pea, Tulip, Violet

No trouble about working the flowers. You can get full instructions. We will tell you how.

S. L. KLINE

The White House Corvallis, Oregon

1905 Spring Arrivals 1905

Mohairs—Springy, Dust resisting and durable. A combination of characteristics which account for their popularity—50c to \$1 25 yd

New Silk—Neat styles for Gairtwaist suits

Ginghams—A. F. C. Toile du Nord, apron checks

Louisiane Percale—The kind that wears only 10c

New Waistings—Liberty Pongee, Silk Tissue, Silk dot crepe in all colors

Spring Dress Skirts and Shirt Waists

Lace Curtains ecru and white

New Sheetings, Muslins, Table Linens, Towels

F. L. MILLER

Chickens and Eggs Wanted Moses Brothers