

LOCAL LORE.

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—C. S. Benson returned Monday evening from a few days' visit in Portland.

—Mrs. A. B. Cordley left Sunday for Portland, where she is to enter a hospital for a surgical operation.

—There is a new clerk at the Elgin bakery. She is Miss Ida Shupp of Albany, and she assumed her duties Saturday.

—Red Horse Dan.—"Kin ye handle a gun, stranger?" Stranger.—"I don't have to. I own an auto. It's more deadly than any gun."

—Mrs. Charles Beach was taken to Portland Monday, where she will take treatment at a hospital for stomach trouble from which she has been for several weeks, a sufferer.

—Easter services will be held at the Episcopal church on Sunday next at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the Rev. I. T. Simpson of Vancouver, Wash. Special Easter music. A cordial invitation to all to attend these services.

—"Do you expect to send your son to college?" "Well, I haven't decided yet. In view of the hazing and the football, I'm half inclined to believe it would be more merciful to finish him up with chloroform."

—In the State prohibition oratorical contest, held at McMinnville last Friday night, first place was won by Chester Gates of Dallas, well remembered in Corvallis as a basket ball player in the contests of the season. The winner takes part in the interstate contest to be held in Portland. Second place was won by Miss Alice Wicklund of O. A. C. The newly elected president of the Association is Miss Mary Sutherland, which indicates that the contest next year will be held in Corvallis.

—Manager Stimson returned Monday evening from Salem where he met representatives and arranged for the state intercollegiate track meet. Four places instead of three are to be given in each event, and are to count as follows: 1st place, five points; second, three; third, two; fourth, one. The fifty yard dash is to be cut out of the schedule, but the relay is admitted with a count of five points. The other three colleges wanted to cut out both the relay and the fifty, but Manager Stimson contended for both to be left in, and compromised with admission of the relay. A gold medal is to go to the winner of each first, and a silver medal to the winner of each second place.

—Preparations on an elaborate scale are being made by the local lodge of Odd Fellows for an event that is to take place on the evening of the 25th. The 26th is the 86th anniversary of Odd Fellowship, but owing to some difficulty in having access to their hall on that evening, the event is to be celebrated on the evening of the 25th. An anniversary programme is furnished by the order for this occasion, and besides this, there will be music, a banquet, toasts, and other features of interest. There is a desire on the part of the local lodge to make the occasion memorable in the history of the order in Corvallis. All members in Corvallis and vicinity will be heartily welcomed.

—There will be a great battle of sprinters on OAC field two weeks from next Saturday. Kelly, the great Columbia athlete will be here at that time to contest for supremacy over Smithson and Williams. He is a great athlete. In build he is more slender than Smithson, about as tall as Williams, and with an immense spring and a beautiful stride. He nearly defeated Smithson in the fifty, and at a time when Smithson was breaking the world's indoor record. He defeated both Williams and Smithson in the 220, all in Saturday's great meet, but out on college hill there is a pretty well settled conviction that he can't and shan't do it again. Kelly and his admirers doubtless think differently. The question will be determined when the Columbia University track team of which Kelly is the star, comes to Corvallis to go against the OAC team in a dual meet Saturday May 6th. Kelly will be in three sprints of that day—the fifty, 100 and the 220. In all he will go against Smithson and Williams. The day will undoubtedly see the greatest battle of sprinters that ever took place in Willamette Valley, with an almost certainty that State, Northwest and all other kinds of records will be broken. The men who will take part in it are among the fastest in the world.

—H. W. Brooks, of the Portland Journal, has been a Corvallis visitor since Monday.

—Father Springer returned Monday evening from Albany, where he was called to officiate at a funeral.

—Mr. and Mrs. Von der Hellen are to arrive this week from southern Oregon, to spend Easter with their children, George and Agnes, who are students at O. A. C.

—Minister.—"Don't you know, little boy, that you should not fish on the Sabbath day?" Tommy—"I ain't a-fishin', Boss; I'm jest teachin' worms how ter swim."

—Referendum petitions asking submission of the appropriation bill have been filed at the clerk's office. They are from Bellfountain, and are the first filed in Benton county. There are 45 signers.

—The order of events for the State Intercollegiate track meet at Salem was agreed upon by the managers at a meeting at Salem Monday. It is as follows: 100 yard dash, broad jump, 220 hurdle, half mile run, discus, pole vault, 220 dash, hammer throw, mile run, high jump, 440 run, 120 hurdle, shotput, relay.

—Mrs. J. A. Pressley left yesterday for her home at Myrtle Point, after a brief visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wilkins. She expects to return shortly and buy a home and locate in Corvallis. Her opinion of Corvallis after an extended Eastern trip is that it is the prettiest town she has seen. An afternoon with 16 ladies as guests was given Mrs. Pressley by Mrs. A. E. Wilkins Saturday.

—Two young men who, without his permission, rode William Leadbetter's horses a-fishing last Sunday are known. The horses were taken from the pasture, and when the fishing ground was reached, they were turned loose. It took the rest of the day for the persons Mr. Leadbetter sent after them to catch and get the horses home. Mr. Leadbetter is not exactly angry about it, but a repetition of the case will result in a vigorous prosecution and a great deal of trouble for the boys who do it.

—Fruit & Waggoner, the popular liverymen, have arranged for an auction sale of all the livestock and vehicles in their brick stable. Their lease expires in a short time, and they have, after an extended discussion of the matter, determined to go out of business. They have a fine stable of horses, teams and vehicles all of which are to go under the hammer, at a date yet to be fixed, but expected to be next Wednesday, April 26th. The sale will be without reserve.

—Ernst Hinrichs of the last graduating class at O. A. C. has just received notice of his appointment to a position in the great electrical works at Schenectady, New York. He is to leave Hood River in a few days to take up his new duties. A. S. Hall of the same class left a month ago to take up a position in the same establishment. He writes back that students from O. A. C. are admitted to the same place and on the same basis with graduates of Stanford and Berkeley. The plant turns out 40 to 50 carloads of finished product daily, and employs 10,000 men.

—Miss Eugenia Shelby arrived Monday from Portland, and assumed charge of Wells Fargo & Co.'s office, vice S. L. Hays, resigned. Miss Shelby is the daughter of Eugene Shelby, the well known superintendent of the company with headquarters at Portland, and has been for a number of years stenographer and correspondent in the Portland office. Miss Shelby is an obliging and capable business woman and will doubtless become popular with the Corvallis business people, as well as in a social way.

—An adjourned meeting of the city council was held Monday evening to hear the report of the committee appointed to secure a preliminary survey of the route for the proposed mountain water system. Chairman Rennie of the committee, read an extensive correspondence on which, the committee has been engaged, involving letters, recommendations and offers from a number of engineers. Among the letters was one from G. N. Miller, designing and consulting engineer for a large number of water works, among them, one for the city of Colfax with a pipe line fifteen miles long, which is just being completed. He is also just beginning a gravity plant at Athena, Eastern Oregon. He was for three years designing and consulting engineer for the Cedar River water works which cost a million and a quarter dollars, and which now supplies the city of Seattle. The committee is to report further at an adjourned meeting of the council next Monday night.

—On account of the cantata Belshazzar, the Coffee Club party is postponed indefinitely.

—After an absence of two years Miss Lettie Wicks arrived from Los Angeles yesterday.

—A marriage license has been issued to Charles Follett and Miss Rowland of Alsea.

—Argument of the Abatement plea in the Land Fraud cases was in progress in the Federal court at Portland Monday and yesterday. Heney gets to the scratch line with arguments that seem to settle the question against the defendants.

—Mrs. Wheeler Cline died at three o'clock Monday afternoon. She was operated on last Thursday for an abscess on the kidney. The funeral occurred at three o'clock yesterday afternoon, Rev. S. M. Wood conducting the service. The interment was in Crystal Lake cemetery. The deceased was Miss Anna Ford. She was born in Polk county, 24 years ago last month. She was married June 29, 1902 to Wheeler Cline of Corvallis. The survivors are the husband and a little daughter, aged two years.

OVER TWO THOUSAND NOW.

Winding up Census of Corvallis—Assessor Davis' Figures.

Assessor Davis is still working on the census of Corvallis, and up to date has 2,064 souls. In the main, the task is finished, but a few more stragglers remain to be added in order to make the enumeration complete. It is figured that the final figures may be 2,150, with in the city limits. In the enumeration, 30 to 40 families, in Corvallis for educational purposes, are not included. They do not claim their residence in Corvallis, and consequently are not included in the count. The colony on the south side of Mary's river, all of College hill and the country to the southward as well as the northern suburbs are of course not counted, because not in the city limits. If the extension of the city limits attempted recently by the council had been made, it is figured that the population of the town would have touched 2,500. If the families in town for school purposes should be added, it is estimated that the limit would reach 2,700; so that Corvallis, after all is growing at a rapid rate. The census of 1900 placed the population of Corvallis at a little over 1,800.

Wanted

To contract for one to five tons vetch seed, season 1905.

S. L. Kline.

Lost.

Lost Tuesday on the Wyatt road, between Philomath and the John Wyatt gate, a black purse containing \$20. Finder will please leave the purse at the Times office and receive reward.

Stockholders of Corvallis Independent Tel. Co.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Corvallis Independent Telephone Company will be held at the office of the Company in Zierolf building in Corvallis, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 10th day of May, 1905, at the hour of eight o'clock in the evening, for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may legally come before the meeting.

The S. P. is selling round trip tickets between Corvallis and Portland for \$3 good going Saturdays or Sundays and returning Sunday or Monday following, either on East or West side, but good only on afternoon train from Albany to Portland on Saturdays if East side is taken. Passengers to pay local fare between Corvallis and Albany.

Pathmark.

Pathmark will make the season at Corvallis and at my home, in Corvallis Thurs, Fri. and Sat. The rest of the week at my home. Pathmark was sired by Altamont, and Pathmark was sired by Altamont. Pathmark's record is 2.11 1/2; Pathmont's 2.9 1/4. Pathmark's dam is Juliette, who was sired by Tibolt, and Tibolt by Altamont. Juliette's record is 2.22. Pathmark is standard bred and registered in every respect; is 16 hands high; color dark dapple bay; weight, over 1200 lbs. Terms \$15, \$20 and \$25. Money due when mare is known to be with foal. Good pasture free of charge from a distance. Responsible for no accidents.

A15-6w Jesse Brown.

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

For Sale.

Two work horses. W. K. Taylor.

WANT THEIR GRANDCHILD.

And Gone to Law to get her—Corvallis Grand Parents in Albany Court.

Corvallis grand parents are in an Albany court petitioning for the return to them of their little granddaughter. The child is but a little more than two years old, and is the only-born of their dead daughter who passed beyond a year or two ago. The grand parents are Mr. and Mrs. Senger of this city, eminently respectable people, formerly of Brownsville. The story of the effort to secure possession of the child, now detained by their dead daughter's husband, is told as follows in the Albany Herald:

"Elizabeth and John Senger of Corvallis, yesterday afternoon filed a petition for habeas corpus in the county court, asking that Wilma Ruth Warren, their grand child be produced in court. The petition alleges that the daughter of petitioners was married to one, Luther Warren in 1902, that later the daughter returned to the home of her parents where the child was born and where their daughter died, after exacting a promise of her husband that the child should remain with the mother's parents. The petitioners further allege that their daughter carried an insurance policy for \$1,000 payable to the petitioners and that \$700 of the proceeds were given to the son-in-law in return for the promise that the child should remain with them. The allegation is made that the father of the child took the little one to his parents who now have control of the little girl, that the father is intemperate and unfit to bring up a child and they ask that the little one be returned to them. The writ was issued, returnable Wednesday, April 19th, when it was expected the little girl will be brought into court.

WITHOUT MONEY NOW.

O. A. C. Executive Committee Has Woes—Trouble Ahead for Union Statton.

The executive committee of the OAC board of regents is wrestling with a perplexing question of what to do with the Eastern Oregon experiment station. If the appropriation bill goes to the referendum the station will be without funds. A \$15,000 appropriation was provided for, which would have been ample for the two ensuing years. Even the income from the farm which amounts to \$5,000 in two years cannot be spent for maintenance of the experimental farm and laboratories. A law passed by the late legislature provided that the revenues from the farm should be turned over to the secretary of state and thence into the state treasury, whence it can only be paid out by special legislative appropriation. The effect of the law is to tie up the farm revenues and to leave the executive committee practically without means for paying even the salary of a laborer to look after the simplest details of the place. The executive committee met in Portland last Saturday night, and appointed a sub-committee to interview the secretary of state and attorney general, to ascertain if there is not some way out of the difficulty. The present prospect is that the station may have to be abandoned.

For Sale.

Vetch hay. Call on or address A12-tf Spencer Bicknell, Corvallis.

Blocks for chimneys at Whitney's.

Six dozen school hats for children, 30 cents each at Mrs. J. Mason's 3rd st.

All new wall paper at Blackledge's.

Musical Instruments.

For first class piano and organs at prices unheard of elsewhere see or phone M. A. Goodnough, 4th st. 2nd door north of court house.

Again Open.

The repair department of my bicycle and sporting goods business is again open for business second door south of postoffice. Quick repairing or first class work a specialty.

James K. Berry.

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

For Sale.

Seed wheat and Burbank potatoes. f25-tf Roy Rickard.

Women's Oxfords

We are now showing all the newest and most popular styles of Womens Oxfords both in tan and black leathers.



A New Ribbon Tie
Price from \$1.00 to \$3.50

For The Little Folks

Grecian Sandals, Strap Shoes, Oxfords and Moccasin in the newest Spring colors

S. L. KLINE

The White House

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Fine Toggery!

An enticing array of exclusive designs, in Neckwear, Underwear, Plain and Fancy Hosiery, Shirts, Gloves, Etc.

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Clothes Patterns are exclusive. Spring Suits

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The Best \$3 Hat on earth is the

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Watches, Clocks, Jewelry and Silverware.

Eyes tested free of charge and glasses fitted correctly at prices within reach of all Fine watch repairing a specialty

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